

Edtech announces new Apple PD courses in Auckland

Students today are learning in more places than just the classroom, and educators need to find new ways to reach them anytime, anywhere. Join us for a new range of professional development courses and learn how Apple products are being used in and out of the classroom to improve student engagement and enhance learning.

Open to any primary, intermediate or secondary school teacher, all courses are 3 hours long and offer a highly personalised hands-on training opportunity. Discounts are offered to schools that send multiple participants and/or attend two courses on the same day. All courses are held at Edtech in Mt Wellington, Auckland.

Course outlines

Cool Tools: practical ways the iPad & iPod Touch can revolutionise teaching & learning

Course outline: The use of portable technologies is revolutionising teaching and learning. This course will examine why - and look at how portable technologies are being used here and overseas. Discover why portable technology is here to stay, the 5 key areas that schools will use it in, and options for schools to start off their exploration of this technology.

Portable technology is most effective when used as a creative tool, rather than a consuming tool! Software applications that support this will be explored.

Dates: Tuesday, 7 June: 1 – 4pm
Tuesday, 21 June: 9am – 12 midday
Tuesday, 5 July: 1 – 4pm
Wednesday, 6 July: 9am – 12 midday
Wednesday, 21 September: 1 – 4pm
Thursday, 22 September: 9am – 12 midday

Leveraging Apple iLife11 & iWork09 for better learning outcomes

Course outline: Apple iLife11 and iWork09 have become two of the most valuable tools for teachers to enhance teaching and learning in their classrooms. Through some straightforward ideas, students will spend 20% of their time on the computer implementation and 80% of their time on the learning outcomes – which so often is the other way around!

The course will cover organising and using text, sound, photos and video to enhance the literacy programme for students. These 2 suites of software epitomise powerful software that is easy to use.

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Course outlines (continued)

How a Mac can assist teachers to incorporate ICT into every lesson

Course outline: Look at the built-in functionality of the Mac so that the teacher and student experience becomes easier and more productive. Learn about interoperability between the PC and Mac platforms and discover the similarities. Find out how to adapt to the differences across the two platforms, such as moving and sharing files. Also, learn how to organise and find information quickly and easily on your Mac. This course is designed to make every class teacher more productive and efficient with their Mac – and includes many tips aimed at enhancing the classroom experience for teachers and students.

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Essential course information

Location: Edtech - 570 Mt Wellington Highway
Mt Wellington
Auckland
Note that plenty of parking is available.

Costs: \$140 + GST per person, per course
Reduced to \$125 + GST per person, per course if attending a 2nd Apple PD course on the same day.
A further 10% discount will be offered on the total costs if 2 or more people from the same school attend the same course.

Requirements: Please bring your own iPad, iPod or MacBook in order to participate in the practical aspects of these training courses.

Terms & conditions An invoice will be sent following registration. Payment is required upon invoice. Registered participants cannot cancel within 3 weeks of the course start date although substitution of the attendee can be made at any time. Edtech reserves the right to cancel courses should numbers not meet minimum requirements.

Course bookings

As places in these courses are limited please book early to avoid disappointment.

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Course presenter



The courses will be presented by Stuart Hale who has a background in primary teaching, and has specialised in ICT - eLearning for the last 30 years.

His experience and expertise includes:

- Lecturing in pre service for Early Childhood, Primary, Secondary and Special education for 7 years.
- District Adviser for ICT to schools for the Auckland area for 4 years
- Education Adviser to Apple Division of Renaissance in New Zealand for 14 years

Stuart specialises in delivering eLearning Professional Development to New Zealand schools and has worked extensively with schools, staff and students to explore the full extent that ICT can be integrated in a Teaching and Learning environment that is centred on the needs of the learner throughout New Zealand schools.

In the last 3 years he has worked with schools as they introduce and develop mobile devices that students will use such as the iPod Touch and the iPad.

To date he has worked with over 1700 teachers throughout New Zealand in hands on workshops exploring the creative application of today's ICT into the curriculum.

About Edtech

Edtech specialises in delivering a complete end-to-end network infrastructure – from consultation and planning, to design, implementation and ongoing technical support – with the most cost-effective mix of cloud-based and on-premise solutions.

As an Authorised Apple Education Reseller, Edtech offers schools the full range of Apple hardware including MacBooks, iMacs, iPods and the popular iPads. With a unique ability to implement and support both Apple and Windows networks, including any mix of the two platforms, schools get the convenience and simplicity of dealing with a single supplier for all their core infrastructure needs.

With a customer base of more than 1,400 schools, Edtech is the market leader in specialist education solutions. These solutions span ICT Network Infrastructure Services, MUSAC Support Services, Financial and Accounting Services, and the Ultranet Learning Management System.

