

Binda Goldsbrough Research Fund Information

1. Background

MANZ has set aside a research fund to provide a practical means of supporting Montessori research in New Zealand.

2. Pool of Funding

The research fund comes from interest from MANZ funds. Interest gained in the previous year becomes the Research Fund amount for the following year.

3. Criteria

Research proposals should be based in and benefit Montessori education in New Zealand.

4. Application Dates

Applications must be received by the 31st May and are announced at conference each year in July.

5. Assessment of Application

Research applications for funding will be selected by the MANZ Council, with the support of current Montessori researchers in New Zealand or overseas.

6. Budget

You will need to provide a budget for the funds you are applying for giving details of how the research fund will be spent and provide receipts of costs with your final report.

7. What could be funded?

Costs that may be considered include replacement teacher funding, equipment hire (eg. video cameras or audio recorders), transcription costs, koha to participants, travel and accommodation at other locations and books or subscriptions required for the research. Other costs may also be considered.

8. Eligibility

Kaiako (teachers) in MANZ member centres and schools and Individual members of MANZ interested in conducting research projects in the area of Montessori philosophy and practice are invited to apply for the MANZ Research Fund. To become an Individual Member see www.montessori.org.nz/join-manz If research is conducted in Montessori early childhood centres, primary or secondary schools, then these centres/schools must be members of MANZ.

9. Report

A research report will be required every 3 months and within three months after the specified end of the project. Failure to produce the report will mean that MANZ will seek to recover the research grant, at the applicant's cost.

10. Failure to Complete Project

The project fund is required to be repaid if the applicant fails to carry out the research project. Special circumstances will be taken into consideration.

If you need some help in making this application please do not hesitate to contact the Chief Executive, for feedback on your proposal, <u>ce@montessori.org.nz</u>