



Toiora te Moana - Toiora te Tangata

**Healthy Seas - Healthy People**

# Big shout out to all Canterbury poets!



***Enter the 2017 Seaweek  
Poetry Competition***



*Please submit by **4pm Tuesday 21st  
February 2017** using the official form.*

There's something about being a New Zealander... we're drawn to the sea! Not hard to see why when you look at a map of our long, skinny islands surrounded by a beautiful deep ocean. The movement of waves on the sand and rocks can be mesmerising or inspiring, as can the play of Hector's Dolphins in Akaroa harbour. The ocean, its moods and the life it nurtures have been themes of poetry for many...

**what poetry does it inspire in you?**

Write a poem that reflects the theme of Seaweek and be in to win fabulous Sea-themed prizes.

There are four categories:

- ECE – an acrostic poem\* • Schools\*\* • Adult open category
- Te Reo (Open to all ages but if you are at school please state your age.)

All entries must be 400 words or less.

***Great prizes to  
be won!***



\*Write an acrostic poem using the phrase 'Healthy Seas' or 'Toiora te moana' and draw a picture to go with the poem. Begin by reading stories about the sea and/or taking a walk along a beach. At home/school, think of different words together that fit the theme of your acrostic before sitting down to write and draw.

\*\*Limited to 6 entries per ECE, Primary, Intermediate & Secondary schools