



Promises KEPT!

It's been a big stretch, we've had our noses to the grindstone but we have completed our first 100 days AND our 100-day plan action plan. You voted for it – you got it!



John
Key

"I am proud to lead a Government that kept its word and implemented its pre-election commitments, and within the deadline we set.

"However, the Action Plan is not the end. There will be other ideas and initiatives to come, some of which will arise out of the Jobs Summit held last week."

Major action on the economy, law and order, education, and health were at the core of our 100-day plan. We have completed all 27 actions in the plan.

Our tax package, which will start with tax cuts on 1 April, was passed before Christmas. These cuts will boost superannuation payments over time.

Our transitional relief package, Re-start – aimed at Kiwis worst hit by redundancy – is already helping 800 families.

We have appointed a Minister of Infrastructure and started implementing our infrastructure plan, including a \$500 million investment in fast-tracked school and housing upgrades, and roading projects.

We have begun reforming the Resource Management Act to reduce the costs, delays, and uncertainties in the Act. We have also started to get better value out of public spending by focusing on frontline services.

In our first 100 days we have introduced legislation to tighten bail laws, remove the right of the worst violent offenders to be released on parole, clamp down on criminal gangs and the drug trade, and levy criminals to fund a Victims Compensation Scheme.

In education we have begun moves to set National Standards in literacy and numeracy and ensure parents know how their children are doing at school. We've also begun our crack-down on truancy to so that more children who should be at school are in the classroom and not on the streets.

The new Government is confronting bureaucracy in health and has opened the books on waiting lists. As promised, we have funded a full 12-month course of Herceptin for early Her-2 positive breast cancer sufferers, and a 24-hour PlunketLine.

We've also repealed the Electoral Finance Act, and launched a voluntary bonding scheme

to encourage graduate doctors, nurses and midwives, teachers and vets to work in hard-to-staff communities or specialties.

But this is just a start. Our 100-day Action Plan covered only the first of our goals in government, and there is much more to do.

Our next steps will be to deliver on the rest of our election promises, implement our Jobs and Growth Plan, and help build a brighter future for all New Zealanders.



Nicky
Wagner

As a mum and an ex-teacher I am particularly pleased to see PlunketLine funded and the emphasis on literacy and numeracy in schools. Every child deserves a good start in life. Also, we need to deal with truancy issues a whole lot better. Every young person should have the opportunities that a good education can offer.

My job in the next few weeks in select committee is to help thrash out the Streamlining and Simplification of the Resource Management Act and to work with the cross party group to make intelligent decisions on the Emission's Trading Scheme.

For more details of that work and National's next steps watch this space.

Best regards

Nicky Wagner

Up and Coming events in Christchurch Central

Sunday 15 March 2 pm **Bluegreens Fieldtrip** - Windflow Technology invites the Bluegreens to learn more about wind energy in general and Windflow Technology in particular. The fieldtrip will include a presentation by Sheralee MacDonald the Marketing Manager and trip up to the Gebbies Pass Windflow 500 turbine. [More details on my website](#)

Friday 6th March 6pm **Art in the City** – Special viewing of Rita Angus Exhibition at the Christchurch Art Gallery. Contact my office to confirm.

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Crusaders, Netball Tactix, and the Black Caps.

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