



Kaha the Kiwi School Spirit Award

Overview: Cycling New Zealand Schools want to celebrate and recognise schools' spirit that is demonstrated across our events over the calendar year. There are many ways to recognise schools' spirit from colour and cheer, being a team player and a good sport- it's not always about being the biggest and loudest school!

How it works: Kaha the Kiwi is plush icon that will be taken around the country to each schools cycling event across the year. When you are awarded Kaha, you may take him away for a night at the event, but we kindly ask to please return him before the event is over so he can be awarded to the next school! You may add an item of school spirit to Kaha such as a school ribbon or badge.

Criteria: The famous Kaha the kiwi mascot will be taken to each schools cycling event across the calendar year. The kiwi will be awarded at the event prize giving, to the school that shows the best school spirit! School spirit is all about aligning to our core values within schools cycling which includes;

- Being respectful to the staff, other riders, commissaires and race officials
- Being a team player, helping out another school where needed
- Being inclusive with others
- Show us your school spirit through chants, signs, mascots and colours at the event

A big thank you to our 2025 Schools Cycling Focus Group for bringing this idea to life! We can't wait for Kaha to tour around New Zealand!