

## Helen He



### **International Director & ESOL Teacher - Greenbay School**

**Topic:** Bridging The Gap -  
Understanding Chinese Students  
with a Glimpse of Cultural and  
Educational Background

Helen migrated to New Zealand in 2001 and has over 20 years' experience in education across international and New Zealand contexts. Prior to moving to New Zealand, she worked in China for an American company, providing cultural liaison support for American lecturers and their families. Her role included teaching Chinese, delivering cultural orientation, and supporting the resolution of cross-cultural challenges.

Since arriving in New Zealand, she spent five years working in a language school, where she taught international students, provided pastoral care, and worked as an interpreter.

She also completed a one-year Legal Interpreting course through AUT. She spent eight years teaching with the Auckland Kindergarten Association, followed by eight years as a primary classroom teacher. She is trained in Reading Recovery and BLSA and currently works full-time as an ESOL teacher and International Director at Greenbay Primary School.

Helen has three sons and she enjoys spending time with her family.

