

TOKOMARU SCHOOL



POLICY 7.2

TREATY OF WAITANGI POLICY '*Te Tiriti o Waitangi*'

RATIONALE:

The school's charter, which incorporates the National Administration Guidelines, places on the school the responsibility to meet the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi through the programmes and practices of the school.

LEGISLATION/REGULATIONS RELEVANT TO THIS POLICY:

The Education & Training Act 2020

Human Rights Act 1993 (and subsequent amendments)

The Statement of National Education and Learning Priorities (NELP)

GOAL:

To uphold the Treaty of Waitangi by valuing and reflecting New Zealand's dual cultural heritage in the programme and practices of Tokomaru School.

OBJECTIVES:

1. To ensure the curriculum reflects the Māori perspective; Te Ao Māori.
2. Make equitable provisions in the curriculum for the instructional needs of Māori students.
3. Recognise Māori values in the provision of resources and facilities within the school as outlined in Ka Hikitia.
4. Make staffing and financial provision to enable the school to meet the requirements of 1 to 3 above.
5. Develop and maintain liaison with the Māori community within the school's catchment area with particular consideration to NELP¹
6. Encourage a sense of school spirit and pride that includes bi-culturalism.
7. Encourage students to accept leadership roles and identify ways to encourage Māori students into leadership roles (such as Cultural Leader).

GUIDELINES:

1. Opportunities will be provided for children to build self-esteem and mutual respect through cultural understanding.
2. The school will provide instruction in Te Reo Māori as part of integrated daily oral language, as well as deliberately planning for Te Reo Māori lessons on the termly Long Term Plan.
3. Staff development should include Te Reo Māori, Tikanga Māori and cultural sensitivity, as appropriate.
4. The school will provide a welcoming atmosphere for all parents and children by reflecting both cultures.
5. Instruction for all children must cherish their unique identity and cultural values.
6. Consultation with the Māori community will take place on a regular basis, this will include Māori students.

¹ National Education and Learning Priorities: *Objective 1 - Priority 2 "Have high aspirations for every learner/ākonga, and support these by partnering with their whānau and communities to design and deliver education that responds to their needs, and sustains their identities, languages and cultures"*

7. When consulting, the following considerations should be considered:

- *Kanohi ki te kanohi (face to face) communication is preferable.*
- *The Principal and Trustees must be closely involved and lead the process.*
- *Do not come with all the answers; allow the opportunity for Māori to identify the issues and direction.*
- *Whānau and kaumatua should be involved (where possible).*
- *Respect Māori tikanga and the way Māori wish to approach things.*
- *Understand that Māori consultation and decision-making processes may need to occur outside of the school consultation processes, and provide time for this to happen.*
- *Maintain an ongoing relationship with the school's Māori community when there are no specific 'issues' to consult on.*
- *The lack of an iwi within the school's catchment area.*

Supporting Documents:

Māori Student Achievement Data (annual document)

Mana Rail Curriculum Documents – CR&RP and Te Tiriti o Waitangi (sections)

Tokomaru School Strategic Plan (current)


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APPROVED BY



Presiding Member, BOT

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The Treaty of Waitangi - Te Tiriti o Waitangi

The Treaty of Waitangi is a contract signed by two sovereign nations: tangata whenua (indigenous people) and the Crown.

English Version

Article the first: The Chiefs of the Confederation of the United Tribes of New Zealand and the separate and independent Chiefs who have not become members of the Confederation cede to Her Majesty the Queen of England absolutely and without reservation all the rights and powers of Sovereignty which the said Confederation or Individual Chiefs respectively exercise or possess, or may be supposed to exercise or to possess over their respective Territories as the sole sovereigns thereof.

Article the second: Her Majesty the Queen of England confirms and guarantees to the Chiefs and Tribes of New Zealand and to the respective families and individuals thereof the full exclusive and undisturbed possession of their Lands and Estates, Forests, Fisheries and other properties which they may collectively or individually possess so long as it is their wish and desire to retain the same in their possession; but the Chiefs of the United Tribes and the Individual Chiefs yield to Her Majesty the exclusive right of presumption over such lands as the proprietors thereof may be disposed to alienate at such prices as may be agreed upon between the respective Proprietors and persons appointed by Her Majesty to treat with them in that behalf.

Article the third: In consideration thereof Her Majesty the Queen of England extends to the Natives of New Zealand Her royal protection and imparts to them all the Rights and Privileges of British Subjects.

Article the fourth: The Governor says that the several faiths (beliefs) of England, of the Wesleyan, of Rome, and also Maori custom shall alike be protected by him.

Maori Version

Ko te tuatahi: Ko nga Rangatira o te wakaminenga me nga Rangatira katoa hoki ki hai i uru ki taua wakaminenga ka tuku rawa atu ki te Kuini o Ingarangi ake tonu atu te Kawantanga katoa o o ratou wenua.

Ko te tuarua: Ko te Kuini o Ingarangi ka wakarite ka wakaae ki nga Rangatira ki nga hapu ki nga tangata katoa o Nu Tirani te tino Rangatiratanga o o ratou wenua o ratou kainga me o ratou taonga katoa. Otiia ko nga Rangatira o te wakaminenga me nga Rangatira katoa atu ka tuku ki te Kuini te hokonga o era wahi wenua e pal ai te tangata nona te wenua - ki te ritenga o te utu e wakaritea ai e ratou ko te kai hoke e meatia nei e te Kuini hei kai hoke mona.

Ko te tuatoru: Hei wakaritenga mai hoki tenei mo te wakaaetanga ki ki te Kawanatanga o te Kuini - Ka tiakina e te Kuini o Ingarangi nga tangata maori katoa o Nu Tirani ka tukua ki a ratou nga tikanga katoa rite tahi ki ana mea ki nga tangata o Ingarangi.

Ko te tuawha: E mea ana te kawana ko nga whakapono katoa Ingarangi, o nga Weteriana, o Roma, me te ritenga maori hokoi e tiakina ngatahitia e ia.

