

Treaty of Waitangi Policy

Rationale:

To fulfill the intent of the Treaty of Waitangi by valuing and reflecting New Zealand's dual cultural heritage and recognising Māori as tangata whenua.

The Principal shall:

1. Ensure that all students understand, respect and show sensitivity to nga tikanga Māori (values, attitudes and behaviours).
2. Provide experiences where students can participate and display their talents in Māori craft, language and culture.
3. Ensure that Māori perspectives are incorporated in classroom programmes where appropriate.
4. Ensure that instruction in parts of the Māori language will be part of each classroom programme throughout the school.
5. Ensure that all staff upskill their knowledge and understanding of te reo Māori (Māori language) and tikanga Māori.
6. Ensure that Māori kaupapa (protocol) and tikanga will be incorporated into aspects of the school programme.
7. Ensure sufficient budget for the implementation and continuation of the Treaty of Waitangi policy.
8. If needed, access resource personnel in implementing the Treaty of Waitangi policy.
9. Ensure a welcoming environment for Māori families is provided through displaying an awareness of tikanga Māori.
10. Ensure that regular consultation with whanau and community takes place that provides feedback on and opportunities to develop the Te reo me nga Tikanga Māori programme.

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