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## TREATY OF WAITANGI POLICY

### 1 Rationale

The Treaty of Waitangi acknowledges Maaori as Tangata Whenua (*local indigenous people*) of Aotearoa New Zealand.

The Curriculum acknowledges the Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi also referred to as the 3 P's: **Partnership, Protection and Participation.**

All staff and students have the opportunity to acquire knowledge of Te Reo Maaori me ona Tikanga.

### 2 Purpose

- 2.1 To understand, experience and appreciate Tikanga Maaori, values and attitudes.
- 2.2 To incorporate Tikanga Maaori perspectives as an integral part of the school programme.
- 2.3 To support Maaori in their right to their own Tikanga (*cultural practice.*)
- 2.4 To develop Tikanga awareness, knowledge and understanding so that custom and values are appreciated.

### 3 Guidelines and Procedures

- 3.1 The school will make full use of the Maaori resources and personnel in the community.
- 3.2 Provisions will be made for the purchase and maintenance of suitable physical and human resources for the teaching of Tikanga Maaori.
- 3.3 Staff will follow the Tikanga and Kawa (*customs and protocols*) of Tainui iwi (*tribe – Tainui is the tribe of this area.*)

### 4 Conclusion

We will work towards the recognition and promotion of a Maaori perspective in our school and provide programmes that help the students and staff to value and understand the Maaori culture across the curriculum areas.

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