

Treaty of Waitangi policy

Purpose

To give effect to the Governance Partnership

Policies

1. Maori student achievement initiatives will be adequately resourced and promoted.
2. Maori students will have the opportunity to be educated in at least the core curriculum subjects through the medium of te reo Maori, with the Rumaki staffed and resourced to enable this.
3. Rumaki students will receive the same opportunities as other students to access core curriculum subjects at senior levels.
4. All students will have the opportunity to learn te reo Maori.
5. Curriculum planning and delivery will include providing knowledge and understanding of Maori world views and the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi.
6. The staff professional programme will (without placing undue expectations on Rumaki staff) include coverage of Treaty educational issues, the implications for implementing national education and administration guidelines and Maori educational strategies such as Ka Hikitia.
7. Understanding and respect for tikanga Maori will be promoted to students, staff, parents and trustees of WSC.
8. The interests of Maori students will be represented within WSC by:
 - a) At least two trustees, on the nomination of the Rumaki whanau, elected or co-opted to the Board of Trustees;
 - b) At least one trustee, on the nomination of the Maori mainstream school community at a meeting called for the purpose, elected or co-opted to the Board of Trustees;
 - c) Maori staff members on key staff committees (Curriculum, Staffing management, Professional Development, Heads of Department, Timetabling, Budget and ICT).

9. The Principal's annual report will include information and analysis on the school's achievement in relation to the partnership goals and the Treaty of Waitangi policy and the Board of Trustees will annually schedule (as a board meeting agenda item) a review of progress in implementing the partnership goals and specific Treaty policies.

10. In the event of a conflicting interest the school is committed to reach resolution with Maori in the spirit of partnership.

Ratified by Board: _____ signed for BOT

21/09/2009

date

21/09/2012

review date