TE KĀHUI TAMARIKI
Māori Medium Bilingual Class

Mā te huruhuru ka rere te manu
Adorn the bird with feathers so it may soar.

"(Māori success) as Māori [means] being able to have access to te ao Māori, the Māori world – access to language, culture, marae… tikanga... and resources... If after twelve or so years of formal education, Māori youth were totally unprepared to interact within te ao Māori, then, no matter what else had been learned, education would have been incomplete."

Professor Mason Durie, (2003). Ngā Kahui Pou: Launching Māori Futures. Huia Publications

This is a special class operating learning in and through te ao Māori. All subjects of our New Zealand Curriculum are taught using a Māori perspective, and where appropriate, in te reo Māori.

Whānau will need to submit this application form if they wish to choose this option for their children. It is essential that both the whānau and the child are committed to the aims and aspirations of Te Kāhui Tamariki and are prepared to support and work hard to achieve them.

If applications exceed available places in the class, a selection procedure may be necessary and unsuccessful applicants will be placed onto a waiting list.

Our Māori-medium bilingual programme aims to enact the goal of Māori success as Māori:

- We will support the growth and development of the Māori language.
- We will support the identity, language and culture of Māori learners and their whānau to strengthen belonging, engagement and achievement as Māori so that Māori learners can actively participate in te ao Māori, Aotearoa/New Zealand and the wider world.

We will do this by:

- Teaching or extending our students in and through Te Reo Māori me ōna tīkanga and knowledge of Te Ao Māori.
- Working in partnership with whānau to support their child's learning and progress through regular hui and learning conferences.
- Preparing our students to succeed as Māori, ensuring the learning is based on a foundation of self knowledge and pride, allowing students to be affirmed in their identity, and to extend their cultural knowledge

Choosing to be part of Te Kāhui Tamariki means that the student and their whānau accept and uphold the aims of the programme and will actively support the kaiako and staff responsible.

Taking part in school Kapa Haka is a compulsory component of the programme.

If you would like to commit to having your child in this class, please complete the application form attached and return to Wainuiomata Intermediate School Office, together with their School Enrolment Form.

Ngā mihi nunui kia koutou katoa,
Craig Sharp - Kaihautu

WAINUIOMATA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

TE KĀHUI TAMARIKI

Application Form

Ingoa / Name of Student (in full): _____

Kura tuatahi / Primary School: _____

Attended Kohanga: AE / KAO

Ingoa o te Kohanga Reo: _____

Ingoa o te Matua / Father's name: _____

Ingoa o te Whaea / Mother's name: _____

Pepeha / Mihi: (Please fill out with child's marae, iwi, hapū etc.)

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Whānau agreement:

- I agree to attend all hui and be actively involved in my child's learning at the school.
- I will support the kaiako and staff with meeting the aims of the Māori medium bilingual programme and ensure that my child is committed to upholding the shared values of the school - Manaakitanga, Whanaungatanga, Rangatiratanga and Kaitiakitanga.

Parent / Caregiver Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student agreement:

- I understand that being in Te Kāhui Tamariki means I will meet the aims of the programme, and be committed to upholding the shared values of the school.
- I agree to fully participate in Kapa Haka performances, school pōwhiri and other performances outside of school as required.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____