**Statement of Intent – Pacific Students**

St John’s School recognises New Zealand’s cultural diversity and has taken this into consideration in the school’s practices and policies.

We will help children develop an understanding and appreciation of all cultures with emphasis on Pacific customs, protocols, traditions and history.

In Early Childhood education and the first years at school our goals are:

\* that Pacific children move confidently and successfully from early childhood education to school.

\* that strong foundations are build in literacy and numeracy during the first years at school.

In Young People engaged in Learning our goals are:

\* that young Pacific people are engaged in learning and are achieving.

\* that young Pacific people have strong literacy and numeracy knowledge and skills.

Our Board of Trustees would try to explore ways we could provide instruction in Pacific culture and language for children whose parents requested this.

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