



# St John's School Ranfurly

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## Te Tiriti o Waitangi

We acknowledge New Zealand's cultural diversity and the unique position of Māori as tangata whenua. Te Tiriti o Waitangi (the Treaty of Waitangi) is one of eight principles in The New Zealand Curriculum that provide a foundation for a school's decision making.

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"The curriculum acknowledges the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi, and the bicultural foundations of Aotearoa New Zealand. All students have the opportunity to acquire knowledge of te reo Māori me ōna tikanga." The New Zealand Curriculum, p 9.

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St John's School Ranfurly's commitment to the principles of te Tiriti o Waitangi is reflected through the following:

### Partnership and consultation

We recognise and value all cultures at our school, and acknowledge the special position of Māori in New Zealand society. We work together to achieve the best environment for success for our students. We consult with our Māori community in creating and maintaining our school charter (see  **School Planning and Reporting**), which is the guiding document of our school, and access cultural advice as appropriate.

### Protection and self-determination

We respect each person's culture and their right to follow their cultural direction. We promote the value of te reo (Māori language) and tikanga Māori (Māori culture). See  **Recognition of Cultural Diversity**.

### Participation

We promote Māori achievement (see  **Improving Educational Outcomes for Māori Students**) and equal opportunities for all members of the school community, including our staff and our students who need extra support at school. See  **Equal Employment Opportunities** and  **Students with Special Needs**.

These principles guide our practice and are incorporated into our policies and procedures.


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## Legislation

- Education Act 1989

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## Resources

- TKI: **Treaty of Waitangi**  (the Treaty of Waitangi principle)

- Te Ara: **Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi** 

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