HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

POLICY: TREATY OF WAITANGI

2010/02

Purpose:

The Helensville Primary School (HPS) will endeavour to develop an awareness of Te Mana o Aotearoa (the uniqueness of New Zealand’s heritage) and provide the means of fostering better cultural understanding consistent with the Treaty of Waitangi.

Objectives:

1. HPS will give consideration to the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi in the implementation of all aspects of school governance.
2. HPS will provide students with the opportunity to understand and respect Tikanga Maori (Maori values, attitudes and behaviour).
3. HPS will provide opportunities for students to understand and speak basic te reo (language) and provide opportunities for reading and writing in Maori.
4. HPS will involve the community in making decisions about Maori education.
5. HPS will recognise and respect cultural differences amongst all ethnic groups.
6. HPS will incorporate cultural practices and protocol where appropriate.
7. The implementation of this policy will be reported to the Board of Trustees by the Principal on an annual basis.