

Bi-Culturalism Policy

Rationale: To ensure the curriculum offered to the children and educators reflects the unique place of Maori as tangata whenua and that children, families and staff are given the opportunity to develop knowledge and understanding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

Purpose: KiwiEd.'s policies and procedures will endeavor to reflect a bi-cultural approach to teaching and learning and where possible, will engage with the local iwi to ensure that our curriculum programme reflects the tikanga of the tangata whenua of the local areas in which we offer our service.

Visiting Teachers (VT'S) and management will attend professional learning and development opportunities to strengthen their own understanding and knowledge of Te Reo Maori language and Tikanga Maori, most importantly focusing on ways it can be incorporated into our curriculum programme and how it will benefit families and children alike.

The views and perspectives of all our educators, parents and staff will be valued at all times and by using inclusive communication strategies, Edu Kiwi will endeavor to incorporate the aspirations of Maori families to encourage children to reach their full potential.

Visiting Teachers will incorporate Te Reo, Waiata and Tikanga Maori practices, where possible.

KiwiEd. has a variety of resources relevant to tamariki learning which is always available to the educator and families. We aim to support you in understanding better the importance of bi-cultural practices in your daily life.

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