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Ngā Tapuwae o ngā Tīpuna - The Footsteps of the Ancestors Class Trips

Kia ora e te whānau,

This term, learners at Tāmaki Primary School are exploring the history of Aotearoa New Zealand through our inquiry, *Ngā Tapuwae o ngā Tīpuna - A Place-Based Learning Journey Grounded in Whenua and Whakapapa*.

As part of this learning, students will take part in a series of hīkoi to Maungarei / Mount Wellington to learn more about the stories of this whenua, the journeys of the Tainui waka, and how Ngāti Pāoa voyagers established connections to Tāmaki through whakapapa, settlement and exploration.



Students will walk the ancestral mountain of our area, view the Tāmaki River and important local landmarks, and deepen their understanding of the history and identity of our community. This learning experience supports our school vision of helping tamariki strengthen their connection to whenua, whakapapa, identity and belonging as we prepare to celebrate our Tāmaki Primary School's 75th Diamond Jubilee.

Hīkoi Timetable organised by session to help you identify when your child's class will attend:

Date	Session 1 (9:00am – 12:00pm)	Session 2 (12:00pm – 3:00pm)
Tuesday 26 May (by van)	Te Puna Wairua Tau 3–5 Kōkā Hanakiri and Whaea Tana, Matua Bismarck and Whaea Carol	Te Puna Wairua Tau 0–2 Whaea Lee and Matua Te-Rangihouhiri, Matua Bismarck and Whaea Carol
Wednesday 27 May (by van)	Penina o Tāmaki Mrs Afoa-Leiataua, Matua Andrew and Whaea Carol	Te Puna Wairua Tau 6–8 Whaea Ruruhi and Matua Te-Rangihouhiri
Tuesday 9 June (by bus)	TALAMUKA-'A-TONGA Seniors Mrs Tafea and parents	TALAMUKA-'A-TONGA Juniors Mrs Cheung and parents
Friday 12 June (by van)	Room 1 Mrs Prasad, Whaea Mariana, Matua Bismarck and Whaea Carol	Room 7 Mrs Grady, Whaea Kelly, Matua Bismarck and Whaea Carol
Tuesday 16 June (by van)	No morning session	Te Whānau Manukura Mrs Teves, Ms Hani, Matua Bismarck and Whaea Carol

Rain Saver Days

In the event of poor weather, the following days are reserved for postponed hīkoi:

- Monday 15 June 2026, Tuesday 16 June 2026 and Friday 19 June 2026

Trip Information

Where:, Maungarei, 66 Mountain Road, Mount Wellington

Travel: Buses and Community Vans

Cost: There is no charge for this learning experience

Adult : Student Ratio: 1 adult to 8 students

What Your Child Will Need

Please ensure your child brings:

- Full and correct school uniform as we will be taking photographs and videos of our learning for our sponsors
- KidsCan jacket or raincoat
- Suitable footwear for walking
- A named bottle of water
- A positive attitude and our school values:
 - Manaakitanga
 - Rangatiratanga
 - Kaitiakitanga



We are looking forward to this special opportunity for our tamariki to walk in the footsteps of those who came before us, while learning the stories that shape our place and identity here in Tāmaki. We thank Matua Thomas Rawiri (Ngāti Pāoa, Ngai Tai ki Tāmaki) from Explore Tāmaki for his facilitation on the maunga, and Jenni Heka-Beazley Kaituitui Kaupapa Engagement Advisor from the Tūpuna Maunga Authority for funding towards making this rich learning experience happen for our tamariki and our kura.

You are welcome to meet us at Maungarei to join us on the hīkoi, or if we are travelling by bus we will have spare seats, and you will be able to travel with us. We will start at the entry to the maunga by 9:30am or 12:30 pm. Please join us.

Ngā mihi nui,

Ngā Kaiako o Te Kura o Tāmaki