Vision for Māori Education at Tainui School

To provide an environment where:

- **Māori students feel comfortable and their identity as Māori is acknowledged and upheld**
- **All students are exposed to authentic Māori language and customs of Kai Tahu**
- **Staff are encouraged and supported to increase their reo and kaupapa Māori journey**
- **Staff, students and parents can experience, practice and be exposed to reo and kaupapa Māori**

In working towards the Vision for Māori Education the school and whānau have created goals to achieve.

Principal and Teaching Staff Goals

The school provides te reo Māori learning opportunities targeted to individual learner needs as outlined in Ka Hikitia – Accelerating Success.

With the support of professional development (internal and external), teaching staff will:

- Continue to increase vocabulary with an emphasis going forward on phrases, sentences, questions and answers.
- Improve pronunciation.
- Become confident to extend their reo in the school and classroom.

The school continues to provide the opportunity for students to participate in Kā Puananī.

Staff continue to use waiata, appropriate mihi for special events, and karakia for kai where appropriate. To have a welcome for new staff, whānau and students with the goal of being able to have a school mihi whakatau.

Te reo, tikaka (procedure/protocol), pūrakau (traditional stories including creation stories), waiata (song), kawa (marae protocol) of Kai Tahu is prioritised and upheld.

Student Goals

Students will continue to learn and use waiata and mihi for special events and are able to visit a marae.

On graduating from Tainui School, students will be exposed to the meaning of 300+ words, phrases and sentences in the classroom. They will be able to competently and confidently say their mihi and have knowledge of Kai Tahu pūrakau (stories), kawa (marae protocol) and waiata.

Whānau Roopu Goals

- Lead and manage Whānau Roopu hui at least once every term or when special circumstances are needed.
- Increase participation and attendance by whānau for Whānau Roopu meetings.
- Continue to work alongside Tainui School as a partner and supporter by providing support for reo, tikaka (customs) and kapahaka, supporting the school's connection with Kai Tahu.
- Assist with finding suitable staffing for te reo support programmes.
- Review this vision in 2020 and set new aspirations and goals for the following five years.

Kapahaka Goals

Students will be exposed to authentic kapahaka and the group(s) will be utilised for school events, Polyfest and important occasions.

Board of Trustees Goals

Ensure sufficient funds are budgeted for teaching, resources, Kā Puananī and kapa haka.

Provide sufficient support to the Principal and Whānau Roopu in achieving this vision.

Integrate karakia and tikanga Māori in Board meetings.

Ensure personal development is available to trustees so they become increasingly confident in building effective relationships and engagement with Māori learners, whānau and iwi by using the concepts of wānanga, manaakitanga, whanaungatanga, tangatawhenuatanga and ako.