

Prospectus



TE KURA O
NGĀTI WHĀTUA
KI TĀMAKI

2026

E ngā uri o Tuperiri, otirā koutou katoa e
ngā whānau o tēnā hapū, o tēnā hapū.

E tangi ana rā ki a rātou kua
whetūrangitia. Haere atu rā.

Nau mai, piki mai ki tō tātou kura, ki
Te Kura o Ngāti Whātua ki Tāmaki. Ka
tuwhera ōna tatau ki te lwi ā muri tata i
te mahutanga mai o Matariki, nō reira
tēnei te mihi ki a koutou.

E rārangi iho nei ngā kōrero katoa mō te
kaupapa o te kura nei. He mea nui tēnei
mea te tuakiritanga. He Kura ā-lwi tēnei
kura, he mātauranga Māori kei tēnei
kura, he Ngāti Whātua tōna hanga. Koia
tēnei ko te kura e eke ai te lwi ki taumata
hou, ki taumata ora.

Nō reira, koutou e whakaponu nei tēnei
kaupapa, hena tirohia mai ngā kōrero
nei.

Mauri ora ki a tātou!

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Ancestrally driven, future focus.

**Opening date**

20 July 2026

Location

Ground Floor, 8 Tangihua Street,
Auckland

School hours

9:00am - 4:00pm

Opening year levels

Years 9-10

Founding ākonga

Ākonga who enrol in July 2026

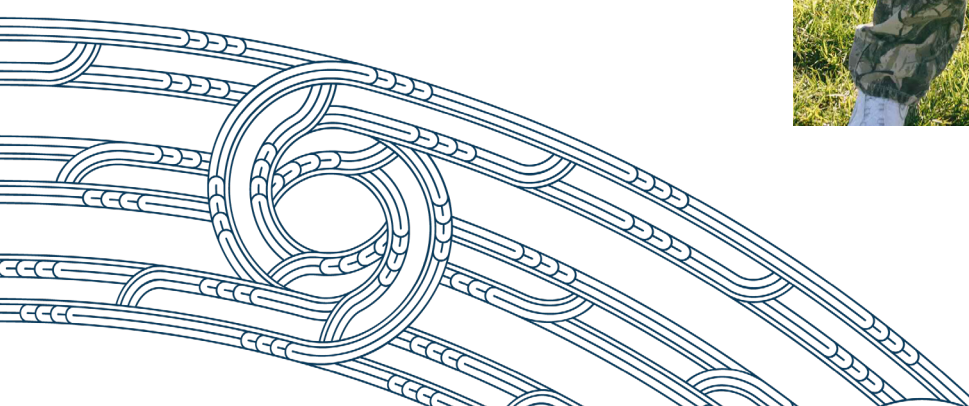
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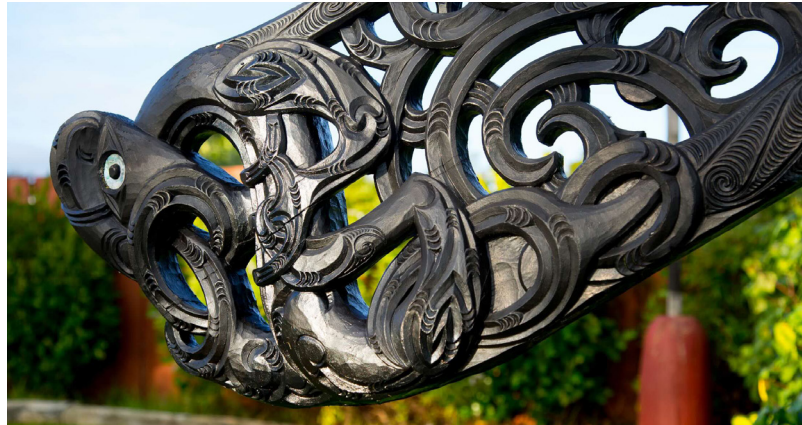


Growing our kura over time

Te Kura o Ngāti Whātua ki Tāmaki opens in July 2026 as an establishment-phase kura. This means we will build and strengthen the day-to-day rhythms of kura life as we go with our founding ākonga and their whānau. Some parts will be confirmed early, and other parts will be developed over time as we learn what works best in a rumaki, Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei-centred environment. We will be open about what is confirmed and what is still being developed.



Who we are



What is a Kura-ā-Iwi?

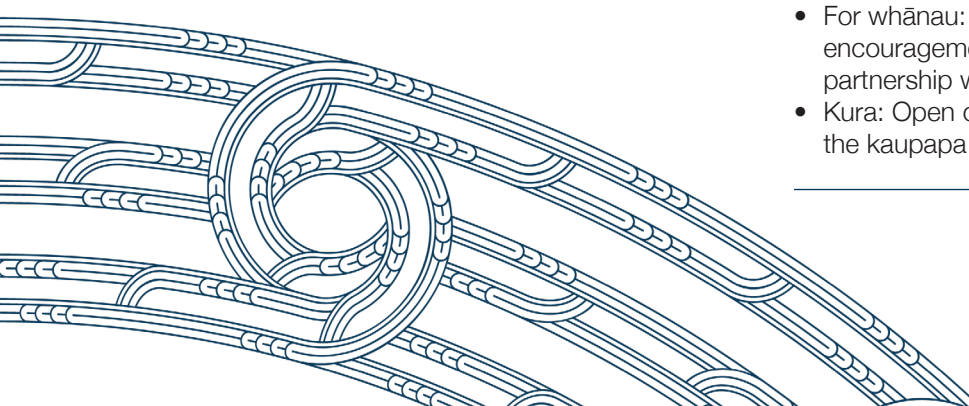
A Kura ā Iwi is an iwi-established Māori-medium kura. At Te Kura o Ngāti Whātua ki Tāmaki, teaching and learning are grounded in Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei reo, tikanga and mātauranga, while also meeting national learning requirements. It is education designed by Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei, for our uri and for whānau who commit to this kaupapa.

What does rumaki reo Māori mean?

Rumaki means te reo Māori is the language of teaching, learning and everyday kōrero at kura. Ākonga will hear, speak, read and write te reo Māori across all learning areas, every day. This helps rangatahi build fluency, confidence and pride in their tuakiri.

What commitment does this require?

- For ākonga: A willingness to learn and use te reo Māori every day.
 - For whānau: Support for regular attendance, encouragement of reo Māori at home, and active partnership with the kura.
 - Kura: Open communication and a shared commitment to the kaupapa and expectations of a rumaki environment.
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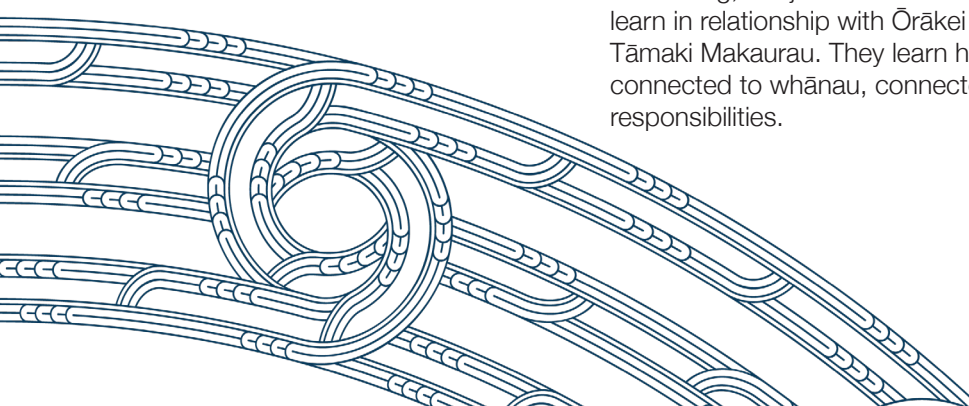




Ngāti Whātua Ōrākeitanga at the centre



Ngāti Whātua Ōrākeitanga is the centre of our kura. That means Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei tuakiri, reo, tikanga and mātauranga are embedded across all learning, not just in certain subjects or special occasions. Rangatahi learn in relationship with Ōrākei whenua, our taiao and the realities of urban Tāmaki Makaurau. They learn how to stand as uri of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei: connected to whānau, connected to place, and confident in their reo and responsibilities.





Vision, mission and principles

Our vision and mission were first developed through earlier kōrero and sessions with whānau. As we open and grow, we will continue to develop what these mean in practice, working alongside our Founding ākonga and their whānau from July 2026 onwards.

Tirohanga Whānui

Hei pīkau i ngā wawata

/ To carry the dreams and aspirations

Kaupapa

Mai te pito ki te mata

/ Ancestrally driven, future focused

Mātāpono

Maunganui ki Tāmaki

We are proudly Ngāti Whātua and committed to the unlimited potential of our whānau and hapū.

Tōku reo, tōku ohooho

Our reo is a taonga and the primary language of instruction and conversation at our kura.

Ko te tamaiti te pūtake

Learners are at the centre. We aim for learning that fits the learner and helps them grow.

Te hiranga o te mātauranga me te hākinakina

We value effort and motivation as pathways to academic and sporting excellence.

Kia hono ki te taiao

Connection to taiao strengthens tuakiri, ahurea and learning.

He tangata ao whānui

We grow rangatahi who can contribute at home and lead in the wider world.

Ko te whakangahau, ko te pōhewa ko te auaha

Fun, imagination and creativity help rangatahi connect, build confidence and learn well.



Staff and leadership



Ripeka Murray Tumuaki

Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Raukawa, Muaūpoko

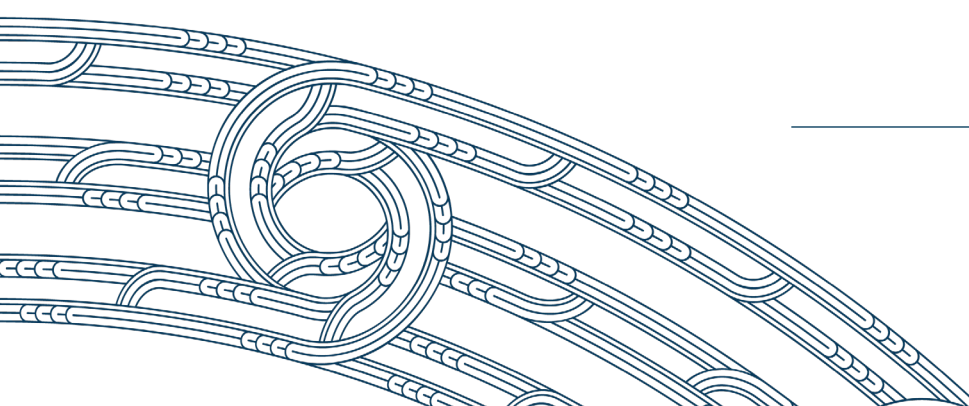
A kaupapa Māori education leader committed to rumaki learning, strong whānau relationships, and high expectations for rangatahi.

Pouako

Pouako deliver high-quality Māori-medium teaching that reflects Ngāti Whātua Ōrākeitanga and supports rangatahi to thrive.

Heru Hāpai

Supports day-to-day kura operations and whānau engagement.



Partnerships



Whānau

Whānau are partners in learning.

The kura values:

- Regular communication
- Hui and kanohi-ki-te-kanohi engagement
- Shared responsibility for ākonga success

Community

Learning is strengthened through partnerships with organisations and institutions that support rangatahi to see pathways beyond the classroom. These partners provide learning opportunities on our doorstep, helping connect learning to real-world contexts and future aspirations.

Identified partners supporting delivery include:



Additional partners to be confirmed

Through these partnerships, rangatahi will have opportunities to engage with tertiary environments, creative and digital industries, and authentic learning experiences that complement kura-based learning and strengthen future pathways.



Teaching and learning at our kura

Project-based learning: Ākonga learn through real questions and challenges, bringing different subjects together.

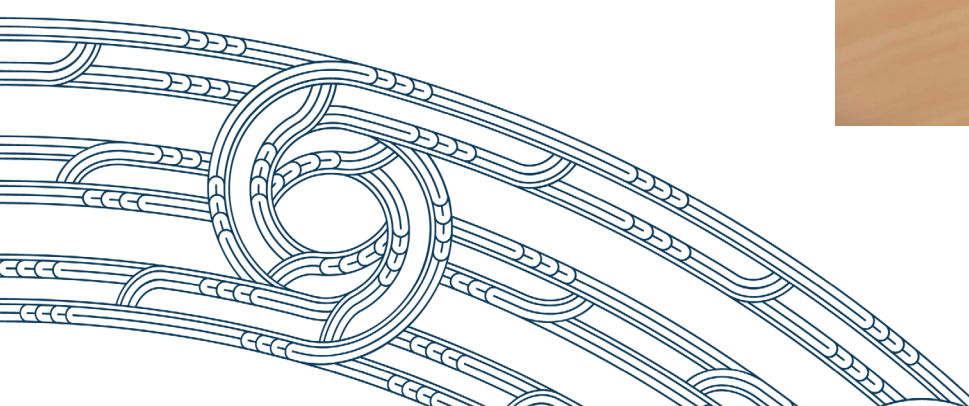
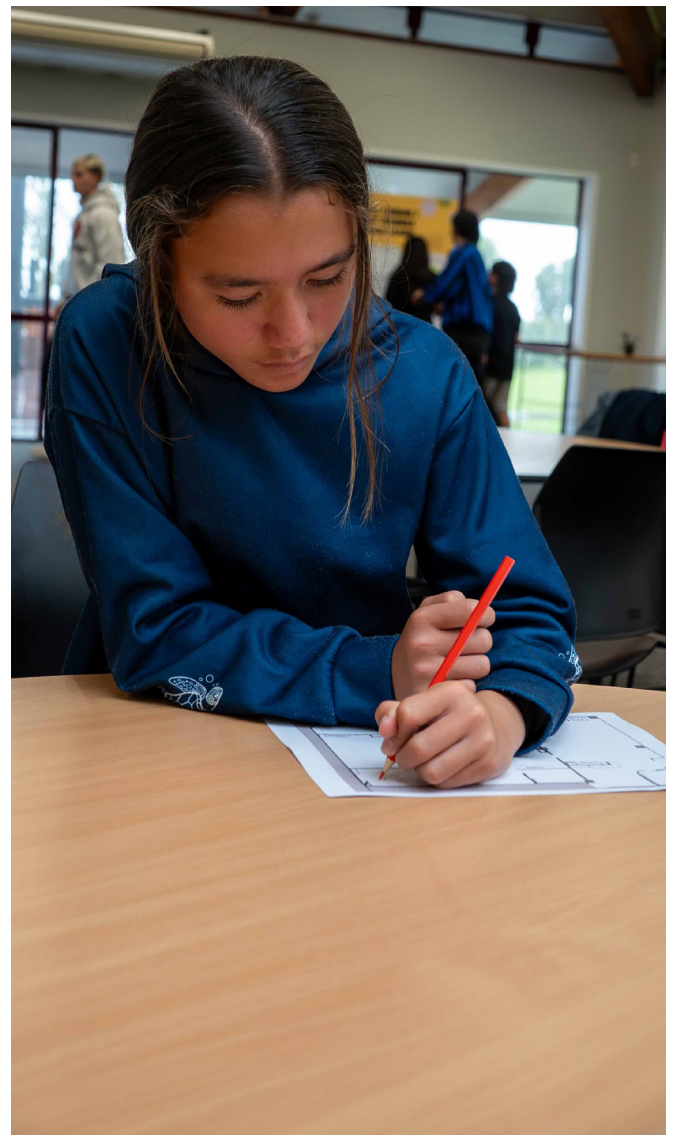
Wānanga and tuakana-teina: Learning includes discussion, practice, reflection and learning with and from others.

Connected to real life: Learning is linked to whānau, iwi aspirations, and opportunities in the community.

Learning on the whenua and in the community: Where appropriate, learning moves beyond the classroom.

Digital and future-focused: We will use digital tools to support learning in a sensible, safe way.

High expectations: We expect regular attendance, academic excellence and a growth mindset from every ākonga.





Curriculum and subjects

Te Marautanga o Aotearoa will guide teaching and learning while the kura curriculum continues to be developed during the establishment phase. In Years 9-10, learning will be broad, integrated and grounded in Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei mātauranga, with te reo Māori as the language of learning.



Te Reo Māori / Reo Rangatira

Pāngarau

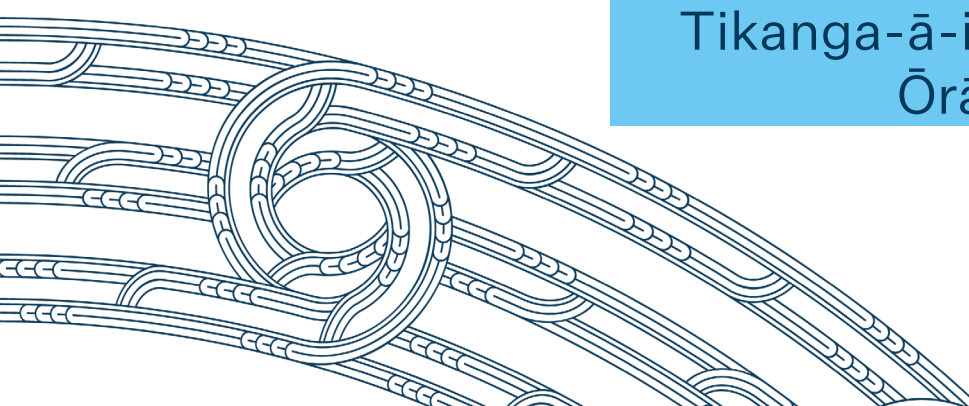
Pūtaiao

Hangarau

Hauora me te korikori tinana

Ngā toi

Tikanga-ā-iwi / Ngāti Whātua
Ōrākeitanga





Pathways, partnerships and qualifications

We open with years 9-10 and will grow year levels over time. As the kura grows into senior secondary, NZ National Qualifications will be part of the pathway. Partnerships will support future pathways and opportunities for rangatahi.



Growth Pathway

2026/2027	Years 9-10
2027	Years 9-11
2028	Years 9-12
2029	Years 9-13

Potential roll expansion

2030	Years 5-13
2031	Years 3-13
2032	Years 1-13



Co-curricular activities



Kapa Haka

Kapa haka is a core part of our kura. It supports reo, confidence, discipline and collective pride.



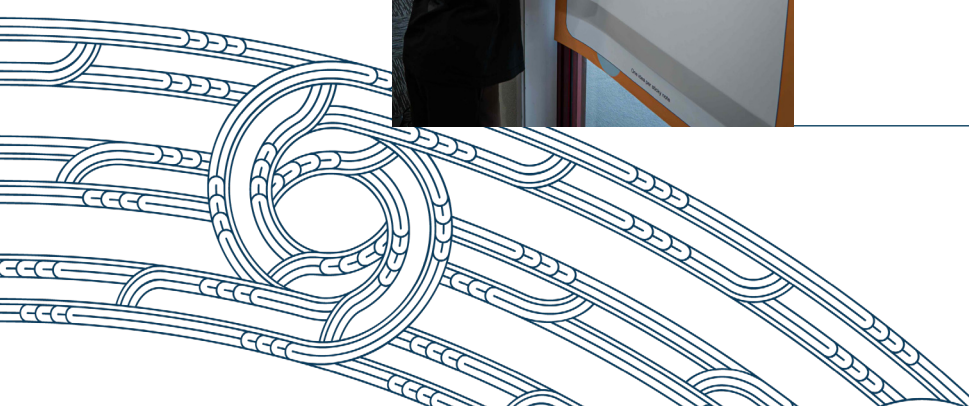
Sports

Sport and physical wellbeing matter at our kura. Club options and competitions we can offer in 2026 are being explored. Details TBC.



Leadership, performance and service

We will create leadership opportunities for rangatahi as tuakana, mentors and contributors to kura life. Performance and service opportunities will grow over time.



Enrolment information





Confirmed for 2026 Further info to come

School fees	No fees for Founding ākonga	Future compulsory costs and support arrangements will be shared
Uniform	Establishment uniform provided as koha (2026 intake)	Full uniform guidance and item list to be provided
Devices	Provided for Founding ākonga	BYOD transition details
Lunches	Provided Terms 3-4, 2026	Menu and dietary process
Transport	Support available in 2026 from Ōrākei to Te Tōangaroa	Routes, pick-up/drop-off points, timing

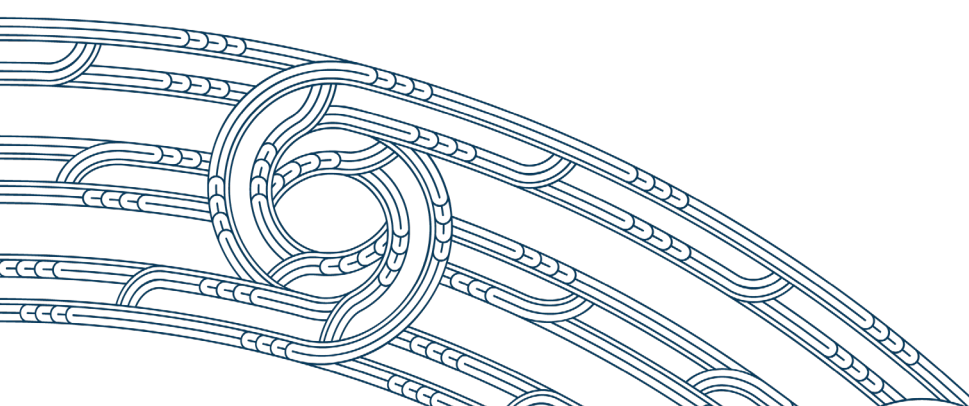
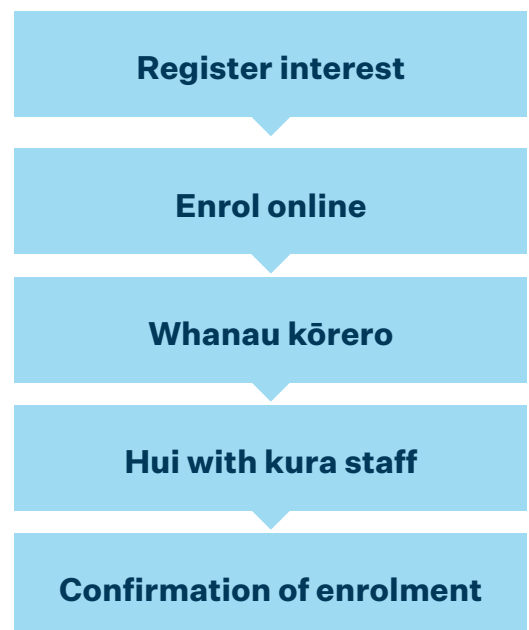
Who can enrol?

We welcome year 9 and year 10 ākonga and whānau who are committed to rumaki reo Māori learning environment and Ngāti Whātua led kura. Our kura is co-educational for kōtiro and tama.

Reo immersion expectations

Because the kura is rumaki, ākonga will learn and communicate in te reo Māori throughout the day. If your tamaiti is still developing reo, please talk with us early so we can understand what support may be needed.

Enrolment steps





School hours and term dates

School Year

July - June/July

School Hours

9:00am to 4:00pm

Subject to change in 2026/27 whānau will be given advance notice.

Term Dates
2026/2027

Term 1

Monday 20 July 2026
Friday 25 September 2026

Term 2

Monday 12 October 2026
Friday 11 December 2026

Term 3

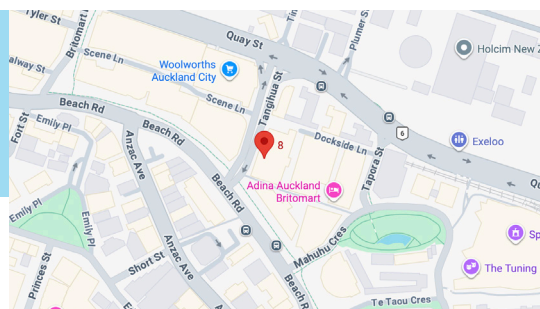
Monday 2 February 2027
Friday 9 April 2027

Term 4

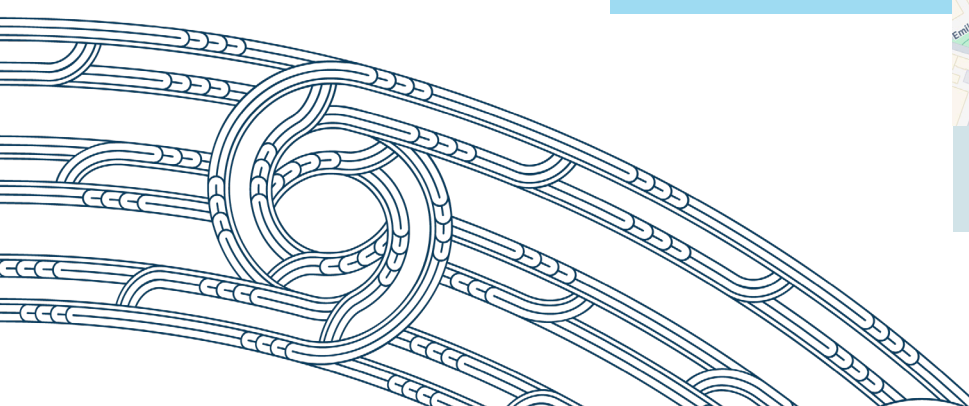
Monday 27 April 2027
Friday 2 July 2027

Location

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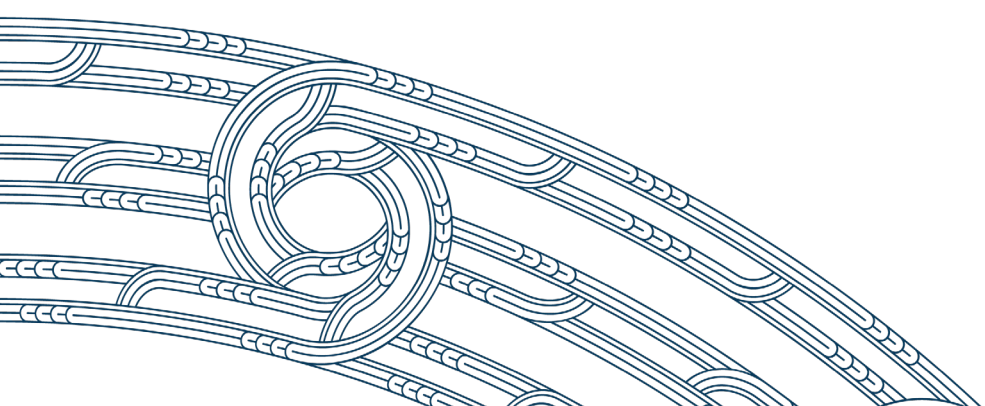
- 5min walk to Waitematā Station
- 10min bus from Ōkahu Bay





Things to consider before enrolling

- My tamaiti (and our whānau) understand this is a rumaki te reo Māori.
- We can support regular attendance (9am-4pm) and strong participation in kura life.
- We are willing to partner with the kura and stay in regular communication.
- We understand this is an establishment-phase kura and some details are still being confirmed.
- We know what we need to know about (reo readiness, learning needs and support).
- We understand more information about uniforms will be shared later
- We understand devices are provided for the founding ākonga.
- We understand lunches are provided terms 3-4, 2026.
- We understand transport support is limited in 2026. With further details to be shared.



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If you are considering enrolment, we encourage you to get in touch and kōrero with us. We would love to meet you, hear your aspirations, and talk through whether this kura is the right place for your tamaiti.



NGĀTI WHĀTUA
ŌRĀKEI



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