



The Meaning of Tamaoho's School Logo

Within the roof, the three individual colours also have meaning. Kakariki (green) represents our ākonga as they begin their journey in our school. Kōwhai (yellow) represents knowledge which is developed over their time with us and waiporoporo (purple) represents the future leaders we want our ākonga to strive to be.

Te Pātaka

In traditional Māori Pā (village), Te Pātaka were used for the storage of kai (food). However, the Rangatira (Chief) would have special Te Pātaka made to store taonga (treasures). Stories shared tell of how Tamaoho, used Te Pātaka, to store taonga he wanted his people to value and learn about. Tamaoho School is our Te Pātaka because we believe knowledge and learning are our taonga.

The great Rangatira Tamaoho led his people by exemplifying our three values - Aroha, Tika, and Pono. We want our ākonga (learners) to develop a commitment to lifelong learning through our three values. These qualities are represented by the three stripes that make up the roof of Te Pātaka.

The Foundation Line

The foundation line represents Papatūānuku (Earth Mother) who provided protection through nurturing and nourishing the land to provide for all people. Our Rangatira Tamaoho was also a great protector of his people, his land and the sea, using these natural resources to nurture and grow food to feed his people.

It is this solid foundation our Akonga will be provided with at Tamaoho School as they develop and grow as learners, nurtured and guided by their teachers, whanau and Tangata Whenua (all people within our Community). The foundation line also represents the continued journey of life long learning, and the need to keep looking ahead.

Koru

The Koru element of the design represents Kotahitanga (the people coming together as one) to form our Tamaoho School community, guiding our Akonga as they grow. The Koru celebrates the life and the journey we are all on while acknowledging the past, valuing the present and looking towards the future.

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