



WELCOME MESSAGE

Ngā mihi mahana ki te kura o Umawera. Ki ngā whānau hou, nau mai, haere mai. Ki ngā whānau e noho tōnu mai, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa. Ngā mihi nui tēnei ki a koutou katoa. Welcome to Umawera School. Warm greetings to everyone – new families, continuing families, and friends.

Our vision is to To inspire all learners to have integrity, beliefs and obtain knowledge so that they will strive to achieve in life. Kimihia te matauranga i roto te mana, te tika, te akonga me to kaha, kia haere ki te ao hurihuri and to this end we see Umawera School as an important part of the Umawera community.

At Umawera School, students have the opportunity to enjoy their Year 0 -Year 6 schooling journey at our To Matau Wahi - Our Place, and we believe this allows us to know our students and their needs extremely well. Umawera is a lovely and unique rural environment and we work hard to ensure our learning programmes celebrate this. We take pride in the pastoral systems that offer guidance and care for our students throughout their schooling and we are all committed to ensuring our students achieve to their highest potential.

I am proud to be part of Umawera School and include a range of educational and cultural opportunities from Education Outside the Classroom, to camping or sleeping at school or marae and digital learning. We strive to provide a safe, happy environment that fosters individual self-esteem and encourages all of our children to reach their full potential. We welcome parents' involvement and teachers are happy to discuss children's progress with parents/caregivers whenever the need arises. We are committed to a partnership between home and school. We offer a well-balanced

programme and are committed to providing as many learning opportunities to engage and inspire our students including the arts, science, academic, sporting, cultural, leadership, education outside the classroom, problem solving, and community endeavours.

Our strategic goals this year are to:

- To continue to create and grow an inclusive learning environment with an expectation of high student achievement and progress when measured against national expectations.
- Provide an environment to equip our students for their future.
- Develop a strong sense of friendly, family culture so parents and whānau are actively involved in a partnership between home and school to support student learning.
- Provide a culturally responsive learning environment so our Māori students succeed as Māori, as well as recognising all cultures within our school.
- Develop a sense of our responsibility within our community and to participate actively to be kaitiaki of our local environment.
- Build relationships and positively manage behaviour so all students feel safe and happy

I am looking forward to another action-packed, fun and successful year together.

Ngā mihi

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Principal