

## Tikanga Māori Mātāpono Tikanga Māori Principle

Harikoa, enjoying learning through fun and happy interactions. Learning is a lifelong journey, thus the whare kōhungahunga (the early childhood setting) is a place where all pēpi (infants), pēpi nohinohi (toddlers) and tamariki kōhungahunga (young children) have a place and know they are safe and are happy learning with and alongside Kaiako and the whare kōhungahunga whānau.

Tamariki initiate, engage, explore, persevere, take on responsibility for their own learning and their actions or reactions tend to capture their interest(s). Kaiako are charged with recognising the interests of tamariki. When playing alongside tamariki the dialogue of questions, answers and comments assist tamariki to utilise the resources productively in fun and meaningful ways.

### Considerations:

Make learning an adventure Kaiako mā:

- How do you make the learning of te reo Māori an adventure for tamariki?
- What te reo Māori language plans does the ECE programme have to ensure children are learning te reo Māori in meaningful and fun ways?
- Waiata are always fun teaching and learning sessions as tamariki are able to relate the words of waiata to other learning contexts they engage in throughout the daily programme.
- How can you provide parents and whānau with te reo Māori learning opportunities? A coordinated approach by kaiako alongside the whānau will result in positive outcomes for all tamariki and this is how kotahitanga is enacted.

## Waiata

### Pakipaki pakipaki tamariki mā

(Tune: If you're happy and you know it)

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Pakipaki pakipaki tamariki mā x2  
E peke, e peke tamariki mā x2  
Hurihuri, hurihuri tamariki mā x2  
Takahia, takahia tamariki mā x2  
Kanikani, kanikani tamariki mā x2  
E haka, e haka tamariki mā x2

Children are clapping, jumping, turning around, stomping, dancing, doing the haka.



Kei te waiata ahau Whaea. I am singing Whaea.  
Ataahua tō reo Matangirau  
he ōrite te rere o tō reo ki tō awa.  
Beautiful singing Matangirau,  
your reo flows just like your river.

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## Ki te hoe Indigenising Practice

Te reo me ngā tikanga Māori  
Rauemi mā ngā kaiako

## Ngā Kupumahi Actions



Kei te kai uhikura ahau, he reka.  
I am eating raddishes, yummy.

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