

Te Aratiatia

Te Tūtohunga o Te Pū Wānanga o Te Korowai Aroha o Aotearoa

He mea pono e Te Korowai Aroha o Aotearoa ki ngā tikanga mātauranga e noho motuhenga nei ki ngā tikanga kaingākau o te tangata whenua o Aotearoa (Māori). I runga anō i te māramatanga i takea mai ēnei tikanga i te pū-ihī (divine source), he mea hoatu anō hoki ki te ira tangata kia ora ai i roto i te ao mārama. E horapa kau ana te rongo pēhi ki ngā iwi taketake e noho nei i ngā ao rawanui, ko te aronga rā ia kia rewa ake i te raupatutanga i whakapanonitia a tuawhakarere. Nō konei e whakapuaki ai ngā whakawhiu taumaha, uaua anō hoki e tute nei te whakakitenga Māori. E whakapono ana mātou ka hīia ake ai ngā rongoā ki ēnei whakawhiunga i te mātauranga hou e oroko mai i te mātauranga o whakapatā me ngā tikanga tuku iho a ngā tīpuna.

Kupu Whakataki

He ahua hū ūpoko ka whakapuaki nei e tēnei Tūtohunga nō ngā pū kōrero mō Tānenuiārangi koia rā ngā aho matua o te mātauranga me ōna whakawhiwhinga katoa o te Māori. Ko te aronga ō ēnei ūpoko ko te arahi i ngā hāpori Māori e whakapono ana ki te kaupapa o te kōunga o te mātauranga me ōna tikanga e noho motuhenga, e noho pono ana anō hoki ki te tangata whenua.

Ūpoko 1: He whakapapa te Mātauranga

- E mārama ana, e pūmau ana te Māori ki ōna tātai whakapapa hai poutokomanawa mō te ao Māori
- He taura herenga tangata, he taura herenga taiao, he taura herenga wairua te tātai whakapapa
- Rā roto i te tātai whakapapa e noho tonu ana te Māori hai kaitiaki i a Papatūanuku mō ngā whakatipuranga

Ūpoko 2: He tikanga te Mātauranga

- He whakamahinga nō te iho matua me ngā whakapono nō te ao Māori te tikanga
- E pupuri ana, e rauhi ana te tikanga i te whakapapa
- Ko te whakamahinga te tikanga i te ihi, te herenga ki te pū-ihī

Ūpoko 3: He mana motubake te Mātauranga

- E mātua whakarite ana ēnei tikanga e whakawhiwhia rātou te Māori ki te pitomata ā-takitini nei
- E pupuri ana, e rauhi te rangatiratanga me te mana kotahitanga o ngā iwi Māori
- Rā roto i ēnei tikanga, ka herea, ka pupuri te whakawhanaungatanga ki ngā iwi taketake o te ao

Ūpoko 4: He iho matua te mātauranga

- Ko te iho matua o ēnei tikanga he mea oroko nā te whakakitenga o te Māori, he tikanga nō Aotearoa taketake engari, ka horapa ki ngā iwi taketake o te ao.

Ngā Mātāpono

1. He Poutama tō-ao – Puta noa te mātauranga
2. Nō whakapatā te Mātauranga – Tuakana mātauranga, Teina akonga
3. He tāpui kahurangi te mātauranga – He Taonga hirahira te mātauranga
4. He māheahea te mātauranga – He māheahea te Mātauranga
5. Kia mārama mā te mātauranga te hao nui – Ka whakapatia koe e te mātauranga
6. Ko tātou ngā kaitiaki o te mātauranga – Ko te akonga te kaitiaki o te mātauranga
7. He kauwaka mātauranga tātou – He whakaumu te ako
8. He mea hirahira te mātauranga – He hirahira te akoako
9. He whakapapa tō te mātauranga – He whakapapa tō te akoako
10. He tapu te mātauranga – He toi te akoako

Te Korowai Aroha o Aotearoa is dedicated to a knowledge system that is authentic to the beliefs and values of the Indigenous Peoples (Māori) of Aotearoa. This system is based on the view that all knowledge originates from a divine source and was given to humankind to manage existence in Te Ao Mārama (the world of light). We share the experience of other Indigenous Peoples in first world nations who strive to transcend the legacy of colonisation that has changed the world as we knew it. This presents Indigenous Peoples with new and complex issues that challenge our view of the world. We believe the answers to these challenges lie in the emergence of new knowledge based on ancient wisdom and traditions handed down to us from our ancestors.

Preamble

This Tūtohunga (Declaration) provides a set of articles derived from the Tānenuiārangi Pū Kōrero that is the Māori philosophy of knowledge and its acquisition. It is envisaged that these articles will assist in guiding Māori organisations committed to establishing quality learning systems that are authentic and valid to tangata whenua o Aotearoa.

Article 1: This knowledge system maintains Whakapapa (Kin Based)

- Māori People have an understanding of and a commitment to their genealogical links as being central to a Māori worldview
- These genealogical connections link us to each other, to our environment and to higher realms both seen and unseen
- Through these relationships Māori people maintain their role as kaitiaki of Papatūanuku for the future generations to come

Article 2: This knowledge system maintains Tikanga (Customary Practice)

- Tikanga is the practice of Māori philosophies and beliefs that are derived from a Māori worldview
- Tikanga maintains and protects whakapapa
- Tikanga is the practice of our divinity, our connection to the divine

Article 3: This knowledge system maintains Mana Motubake (Sovereignty)

- This system ensures Māori attain their full potential collectively as Māori nations
- The independence and interdependence of Māori nations is maintained and protected
- Through this system, Māori establish and maintain alliances with other Indigenous Peoples globally

Article 4: This knowledge system is based upon Iho Matua (Philosophy)

- The philosophical foundation of this system is derived from a Māori world view that is indigenous to Aotearoa and that has universal application with other Indigenous Peoples globally

Principles

1. Knowledge and learning is omnipotent – Learning is everywhere
2. Knowledge is prescience – The learner is junior to the knowledge
3. Knowledge and learning is of inestimable value – Learning is a precious gift
4. Knowledge and learning is to encounter liberation – Learning is liberating
5. The greatest ambition is that knowledge leads to wisdom – Learning is its own reward
6. We are the stewards of the knowledge – The learner is the guardian of the knowledge
7. We are vessels to the knowledge – Learning is transformational
8. Knowledge is a privilege – Learning is a privilege
9. Knowledge descends from the ancestors back to creation – Learning comes from the beginning of time
10. Knowledge is sacred – Learning is divine



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