

# Waitangi Day 2019



Kia ora te whānau!

AS a part of our Upper Hutt Kaitiaki Māori Network I am organising a whole regional Kapa Haka Performance to take place on Waitangi Day- Wed 6th Feb 2019. At our last hui we discussed making some genuine connections for our tamariki to our local Marae. Next year it is happening! Your child has shown interest in taking part in this regional event. Please can you fill in the slip and return to the office. I just need a gauge on numbers. It is a public holiday and parents will need to get children to the event and take them home again after. Our plan is to meet at Upper Hutt Primary at 8am and get ready with all of the other Upper Hutt Schools and then hīkoi (walk) together down to Orongomai Marae for the official pōwhiri. Following this we will stand together to perform our bracket and then get changed and enjoy the rest of the day and Waitangi celebrations with our families.

This will be a first time for all Upper Hutt Schools to stand together to waiata as one. It is sure to be a memorable event for us all. We will be revisiting some waiata we know already over the next 2 weeks and then again when we start in 2019. I will load these on our Facebook site and send home the words once numbers are confirmed. Any pātai (questions) email me:  
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Nāku iti nei  
Cherie Toatoa

My child \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ Block will be at the Waitangi Day celebrations on Wed 6th Feb 2019. I understand it will be my responsibility to get them there and remain at the venue until the end and transport them home again.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_