



He whakanuia i te wiki o te reo Māori, tari a-takiwā i Te Wai Pounamu ki te Tonga

Māori Language Week Celebrations, Lower South Island Regional Office

I hīkoi mātou ki te papa rēhia, ahakoa e purea ana i te hau o Tāwhirimātea, he rangi mokopuna. We walked to the park, and although refreshed by the winds of Tāwhirimātea, it was a fine, sunny, and promising day.

Ka tīmata mātou ki te kōrero mō te kaupapa nui, arā, hei whakahirahiratanga o te petihana reo Māori e whakawhiwhi atu ki te kawanatanga ki 1972, ā, te whakahaumanu i te reo Māori i taua wā ki te wā nei. We started with a kōrero about TWoTRM, that is, the significance of the reo Maori petition 1972 presented to the government of the time, and the revitalisation of reo Māori since that time until now.

He aha tā mātou mahi? E parakatihi ana mātou i ngā mita, i ētahi mihi, i ētahi karakia, i tētahi waiata hoki, ā, nā tētahi kemu taonga takaaro i pūrei. He tino nui ngā tangi a te katakata, he tohu i te rekareka i a mātou katoa. Ko Cheree te kaitoa o te kemu i te mea ka tino tere ia ki ōna waewae, kei runga noa atu Cheree. What did we do? We practiced pronunciations, greetings, some karakia, a waiata, and a game of taonga takāro was played. The sounds of laughter rang out loudly, signalling the fun had by all. Cheree was the champion of the game because she is super quick on her feet, outstanding Cheree!

Nā mātou anō hoki i te kai reka.
A delicious kai was also enjoyed by all.

Ko te mutunga kē mai o te pai. It couldn't have been better!



Pic 1



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Whakaahua Tuatahi. Pic 1:

Kei muri back L-R: Ko Melissa McKie | Regional Manager, Ko Brooke Donner rāua ko tāna pēpē ko Pearl | Centre Advisor, ko Cheree Byrne rāua ko Steve Morgan | Property Administrators. Kei mua Front L-R: Ko Kylie Herbert rāua ko Jodie Chatfield | Property Administrators, ko Lisa Te Raki | Kaihononga Māori. Ko Helen Thomlinson | Kaiako and Centre Advisor, i ngaro i te whakaahua nei. HelenT absent from the photo.

Whakaahua Tuarua. Pic 2:

Mahi taonga tākaro. Taonga tākaro action



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“Whānau tupu ngātahi – families growing together”