

ANOTHER SCHOOL VISIT TO MOTEO MARAE

GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL EXPERIENCED A MARAE CULTURAL VISIT WELCOMED WITH A HAKA POWHIRI

GREENMEADOWS PRIMARY SCHOOL Enhance their cultural learning with a bus trip to Moteo

Greenmeadows School, another local school situated in Greenmeadows, Taradale, visited the marae on Wednesday 02 September 2015. The students had worked very hard on their items that they were to perform during the visit. One hundred and twentytwo students, also parents and teachers experienced the haka powhiri (welcome) onto the marae. The school spent the day enjoying workshops.



Greetings took place with a harihu (handshake and hongiri) with the haukāinga (people of the marae) before everyone gathered in Hamuera (the wharekai) for food and drink.

After refreshments of maori fried bread, fruit, scroggin and an energy bar, the students joined their various groups to experience harakeke, mural art, ti rākau, poi,

marae history with pepeha and Ki o Rahi activities outside. The half hour activities were carried out by Greenmeadows staff and their helpers.

Ki o Rahi (a maori game played between 2 teams) was introduced to the tamariki on a small circular playing field.

The Art class centred around the Maori Legend of "How the Kumara came to Aotearoa".

A depicted painting of the kumara god, is hanging on the wall in the wharekai. This painting was gifted to the Marae by another school.

Marae whanau enjoyed the opportunity to share their knowledge with the visiting school tamariki, parents and teachers.

MARAE WORKSHOPS

Pictured below are students weaving flax. They had the option of dyeing their item.



BELOW:

Students listening to the maori legend of "How the Kumara came to Aotearoa."



BELOW:

In the wharenuui, Students are taught the Pepeha of Moteo Marae using illustrations to depict who they were.



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Students receiving instruction on how to twirl a poi.