



Woodleigh Home & School Association Charter

Mission Statement

The mission of the Woodleigh Home & School Association (WHS) is to build a strong partnership between the school, parents, and the wider community to enhance students' educational experiences at Woodleigh Kura/School. The committee aims to support the academic, social, and emotional development of students while fostering a positive, inclusive, and engaged school environment.

Vision Statement

The WHSA envisions an active, inclusive community where families, educators, and the local community collaborate to enrich the lives of Woodleigh students. Through shared efforts, we strive to strengthen school spirit, promote student success, and create lasting community connections in a creative and entertaining way for Woodleigh Kura/School and its students.

Values

- **Collaboration:** Working together with the school, parents, and community for the benefit of all students.
- **Inclusivity:** Welcoming new members and valuing all voices within the school community.
- **Transparency:** Ensuring open communication and accountability in all activities.
- **Student-Centered Focus:** Prioritizing student well-being, academic success, and increasing opportunities to grow and learn.
- **Community Engagement:** Building meaningful relationships between the school and the wider community.

Objectives

The WHSA aims to:

1. Support academic programs and extracurricular activities through fundraising and volunteer efforts.
2. Promote student well-being by organizing initiatives that engage in a positive, inclusive, and safe manner.
3. Encourage parent and family involvement in school activities to foster a positive learning environment.
4. Enhance communication between the school, parents, and community members to strengthen relationships and transparency.
5. Coordinate community-building events such as fairs, community events, and family engagement initiatives.
6. Collaborate with local businesses, community organizations, and alumni to offer additional resources and opportunities for students.

Scope of Work

The WHSA will:

1. Organize and manage quality fundraising activities to support academic, sporting, cultural, and extracurricular initiatives and opportunities for Woodleigh students.
2. Facilitate volunteer opportunities for parents, community members, and students to contribute to school events and activities.
3. Welcome new families to Woodleigh Kura/School and provide information on how the WHSA engages with them, their Tamariki, the school and the wider community.
4. Plan events that foster school spirit, celebrate achievements, and strengthen the sense of community within the school.
5. Provide input on school improvement initiatives and support efforts to enhance the school experience for its students.
6. Promote a culturally inclusive environment by celebrating the diverse backgrounds of students and families.

Responsibilities

- **School Support:** Assisting with school events, programs, and special projects, whilst always respecting school policies and board directives.
- **Family Engagement:** Encouraging parents and guardians to participate actively in their children's educational experience. This includes an annual event at the start of the school year to encourage this engagement and highlight the WHSA's purpose.
- **Fundraising and Resource Development:** Organizing initiatives to secure financial support for the school's programs and activities.
- **Communication:** Maintaining open lines of communication with parents, staff, and the community to keep stakeholders informed of committee activities and school needs.
- **Advocacy:** Advocating for the interests and well-being of Woodleigh students and families in collaboration with school administration.
- **Committee Consensus:** All decisions agreed by a majority vote and members abide by these.

This Charter provides a guiding framework for the activities and operations of the WHSA, ensuring alignment with Woodleigh Kura/School's mission and fostering a collaborative environment for all members of the school community. For governance and WHSA structure see the WHSA Constitution.
