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Dear parents / caregivers / me ngā whānau,

Karanga and Whaikorero Senior Area EOTC

We are in the process of organising a very exciting week of EOTC experiences for our classes next term. One special aspect of our planning is being able to participate fully in a pōwhiri (welcome ceremony) at Te Kohinga Mārama Marae at the University of Waikato.

As part of this process, some of our Knighton children are able to perform the karanga (call onto the marae by the girls) and whaikorero (standing to greet and give your family history in front of the main building and tangata whenua) by the boys. It is an opportunity that they may never get again as these roles are normally reserved for the most senior female or male in a family.

Karanga - girls only

We are lucky in that we can teach as many girls who would like the chance to learn. In previous years, we have had as many as 14 girls learn. Any girl who takes this incredible opportunity needs to have permission from either their mother, grandmother or an aunty. If your daughter is interested, can you please sign the permission slip below and return it to your daughter's teacher.

Whaikorero - boys only

The chance to whaikorero and represent our group on the marae, exists for 2 or 3 boys only. The boys must have permission from either their father, grandfather or an uncle. If your son is interested in accepting this amazing opportunity, can you please sign the permission slip below and return it to your son's teacher.

Hopefully these two challenges will be taken up by lots of children as for some it will be a very special once in a lifetime opportunity.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou.

Nā Whakarongo Tauranga māua ko Kōkā Materoa



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