



# Nau mai, huihui mai, whakatau mai rā...

**We invite you to  
join us on a Journey to Waitangi  
Wednesday 5th - Friday 7th August, 2026  
Facilitated by Karuwhā**



**Christian Schools**  
Hononga Aotearoa mo nga Kura Karaitiana

From the [Karuwhā](#) website:

*As New Zealanders, Waitangi sits at the heart of our identity. It's where the Treaty of Waitangi was first signed; and it's home to the people who welcomed New Zealand's first Christian missionaries. The stories of Waitangi are our stories; they are your stories. Karuwhā aims to help people form their own connection to this place and these narratives*



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This is an amazing opportunity for investment by your school into your authentic bicultural journey, a chance to ask and discuss the difficult questions with a group of people who are passionate about Jesus. With just those from our group on the tour, and with the opportunity to hear the key stories from local story tellers, this will be a personalised opportunity for professional learning and development, with a Christian focus.

This experience will include visits to:

- Oihi Bay, where Ruatara invited Samuel Marsden to preach his famous Christmas Day message in 1814 (a 25-minute walk, so please come prepared).
- Historic Churches
- Waitangi Treaty Grounds including the Treaty House and the Kōngahu Museum

## Cost

The cost of this journey is being subsidised by NZACS, and is \$550 per person for a shared room. It is \$705 per person if delegates want to have their own room. Not included are your return travel to Auckland and meals enroute to and from Waitangi.

## Travel arrangements

We will travel together from Auckland Airport. Delegates will need to be at the domestic terminal by 12pm on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> August (for those living North of the bridge, we will arrange a pick-up place on that side).

## Who to send?

This trip is open to staff at any NZACS affiliated school or organisation and is particularly suited to senior leaders, and leaders and teachers of te Reo Māori me ōna tikanga and New Zealand Histories.

## Registrations are open...

Please [click this link to register](#) for our Journey to Waitangi.

We would love to have your registration now, or at the start of 2026.

Applications are open now and will close Friday March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Invoices will be sent in the week following March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026, and will need to be paid within two weeks.

If you would like your invoice sent this year, please email Liz Coyle: [l.coyle@rcs.school.nz](mailto:l.coyle@rcs.school.nz).

Please note: this event is limited to 30 people, so we would love to receive your registration as soon as possible. If you are unable to confirm your attendance at this point, but would like to register your interest, so as to receive any new information, please email Teresa Thomson: [teresa.thomson@aidanfield.school.nz](mailto:teresa.thomson@aidanfield.school.nz).