

Te Kowhai: Our Place

The Kowhai tree is a unique & special part of our community. Early settlers referred to the area as a "blaze of yellow".

Haere Kōtahi means, "to go as one" & reflects the strong support and link with parents and community



Our graphic design reflects our aspirations for the future, while also recognising the importance of our past, our country values & a sense of belonging and place.



The koru border is the Tainui He Piko He Taniwha design ("At every bend there is a chief")

The river is the Waipa River, which runs through Te Kowhai. **Ko Waipa te Awa**



This is the original school building, dating back to 1890. This reflects the proud rural tradition and history of our school.

The designs and koru are circular, to represent growth, strength & mana.

It also represents our changing lives, while also recognising where we've come from.



The mountain range shows Pirongia (left), Hakarimata Ranges & Karioi (right)

Maungatūhaha (Excellence) means to "Climb the highest mountain"

Ko Pirongia te Maunga