## Te Mana Tiki - The Strength of Learning part 2

### Video transcript

**Raewyn Douglas, Ngati Pukenga, Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Pikiao, Ministry of Education/RTLB:**

The Te Mana Tikitiki programme was a gift from Ngāti Whatua to the Ministry of Education.

 **Louanna Garmonsway, Tūhoe, Ngāti Kahu ki Whangaroa, Ministry of Education:**

The aim of Te Mana Tikitiki is to keep our ākonga Māori engaged in education as long as possible.

**Mereana Maxwell, Te Whakatohea, Ministry of Education:**

The core objectives of Te Mana Tikitiki for ngā ākonga is connectedness, a sense of belonging, knowing who they are, where they come from, and what they want their future to look like. Te Mana Tikitiki’s core values are manaakitanga, wairuatanga, Whānaungatanga, arohatanga.

**Louanna Garmonsway**:

Te Mana Tiktiki belongs to a bigger suite called the Positive Behaviour for Learning suite or PB4L. Te Mana Tikitiki is a stand-alone programme, so it stands on its own mana or it can work alongside other initiatives that are happening in the school.

**Mereana Maxwell**:

Ngā ākonga are chosen to be part of Te Mana Tikitiki through the Iwi and school.

**Raewyn Douglas**:

We had the children come once a week, onto the marae. We would have lunch with them, they would play on the grounds and then we would begin our programme.

**Michelle Barker, Rongowhakaata, Kaiārahi:**

The Te Mana Tikitiki modules can then be shaped to suit the iwi and the ākonga involved.

**Mereana Maxwell**:

The structure of Te Mana Tikitiki is a ten week programme, delivered over a term, it is run twice a week for an hour so in each module the ākonga will learn karakia, pepeha, tiriti o te kura, Māui and waiata.

There are four modules, which one is chosen for that specific group which could be Tikanga marae, Tikanga waka, Toi Māori and Ngā Atua.

**Raewyn Douglas**:

The first graduation was amazing, we had every parent plus extended whanau attend the graduation. And people were very happy with the programme that their children had been through.

**Michelle Barker**:

Te Mana Tikitiki builds on the strength of ākonga and their whānau. It improves their sense of belonging.

**Louanna Garmonsway**:

The best outcome is to keep our ākonga Māori engaged in education as long as possible, and Te Mana Tikitiki does that.