# Tuwhitia te Marama Helping you navigate your pēpi immunisation journey



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### What is maramataka?

Maramataka is the Māori lunar calendar. It was a method our tīpuna used to measure the passage of time and plan for the future. It was based on predictable rhythms.

The maramataka was used to guide all aspects of life and decision-making. It can be used to reflect on your energy levels, making it a useful tool for planning.

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#### How to use the maramataka rauemi

Maramataka and the Immunisation Schedule

- Personalise your maramataka with a picture of your pēpi (stick it on the back so you can see pēpi through the round window).
- 2. Write your pēpi name and date of birth.
- 3. Write down the phase of the moon they were born on. (You could use the matapihi rauemi or find a maramataka online.)
- 4. If you've already scheduled immunisation appointments, write them on the schedule. If not, you could use the maramataka and the matapihi tool to help you schedule your pēpi appointment in a phase that works best for pēpi.

#### Matapihi

This is a simple tool to help you see the current phase of the moon. Look through the hole at night and match the mata on the tool with what you can see in the sky. This will be today's moon phase!

Place a photo of pēpi here so you can see it through the window