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Kia ora! Ko Pīwari ahau, Pīwari the kaitiaki.

> I'm going to tell you a pakiwaitara about hauora, mātauranga and immunisations.

We'll go on a journey through the māra and the ngahere where we'll meet a wise kuia who will teach us about immunisations and how they support our hauora.

Are you ready? Let's go!



One day, Whaea Mere, a wise wahine, gathered tamariki in the māra to share a story.

"Our people have always lived as one with te taiao. Our mātauranga comes from nature and from tohu all around us."



Whaea Mere pointed to a putiputi where a bee had landed. "Bees are a koha from our Atua to help our environment and our hauora," she explained. "Long ago our tīpuna knew bees did something special."

> "Bees and their friends flew pollen from one putiputi to another, helping the ngahere to flourish. Our tīpuna would use putiputi and other plants to make rongoā and help keep whānau safe."





Curious little _____ asked, "How do immunisations work, Whaea Mere?"



The tamariki listened closely as Whaea Mere continued.

"When you get immunised, your tinana learns how to protect you from getting sick."

> "Immunisations are like a little kākano planted in your tinana. The kākano helps your tinana learn how to recognise bugs and diseases and fight them so you are less likely to get sick."



"Our pēpi are precious taonga. Just like putiputi, we need to nurture them so they grow up strong and healthy."

After listening to Whaea Mere's kōrero, the tamariki knew that they could rely on different kinds of medicine, old and new, to protect them and their whānau.

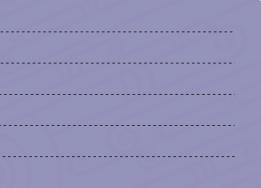




Ingoa
Rā whānau
lwi/hapū
Pepehā

Maumahara/memories

Hui/appointments



Ngā kupu Māori

Atua	God(s)	Pepehā
Hauora	Health and wellbeing	Pēpi
Hui	Meeting or appointment	Pukapuka
Ingoa	Name	Putiputi
lwi / hapū	Tribe / subtribe	Rā whānau
Kaitiaki	Guardian	Rongoā
Kākano	Seed	Tākuta
Kia ora	Hello	Tamariki
Ko Pīwari ahau	l'm Pīwari	Taonga
Koha	Gift or give	Te taiao
Kōrero	Talk	Tinana
Kuia	Female elder	Tīpuna
Māra	Garden	Tohu
Mātauranga	Knowledge	Wahine
Maumahara	Memories	Whaea
Ngahere	Forest or bush	Whānau
Pakiwaitara	Story	

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