

Nau Mai Haere Mai

Onslow College takes great pride in delivering the best possible educational opportunities for its students. To do this we are guided by our Vision and our Values.

## Vision

Kei konei ahau	You bring yourself
Kia puāwai	Grow
Haere whakamua	Thrive in the paths you choose

Our vision is for every ākonga (learner) to be able to come as they are to Onslow College, for them to grow as a whole person (academically, socially, artistically, culturally, sport wise) and for them to be able to thrive in their future. We will use our values to guide our behaviours and to help us support everyone to be able to grow and succeed.

## Values



Our values highlight how important it is for ākonga to be able to bring who they are to the college and for them to be respected for who they are. They also show that for this to happen we need to have a community which allows diversity to be celebrated and for everyone to be able to stand on this whenua with a sense of belonging.

We have selected this emblem because:

- The Rata tree is a rich visual representation of connection to our whenua; with our many whānau and community connected relationships represented via the rata roots.
- The branches of the Rata are strong yet flexible to enable growth towards "light" that is, a kura that flexes for the needs of the community, nga whānau in pursuit of continued learning and what's right at the time its needed
- The rata is providing a stable centre for our tamariki.
- The rata will feed our vision and the Kākā

**Whānau** – this value is about Onslow College being an extended family, a collective who care. We take the time to know each other, and we work hard to make sure that everyone feels safe. Whānau show care for each other.

**Whenua** – this value is about Onslow College being a place for ākonga to find sustenance so that they can grow and strive. This means we focus on wellbeing and identity in all that we do and say to sustain growth and the ability to thrive.

**Whakapapa** – this value is about the layers which make up who we are. The way these layers combine make us unique. It also identifies all that ākonga bring with them each day. The way our families and influences make us who we are and how they connect us.

**Diversity** – this value is about including and accepting people of different social, socio-economic, learning styles, ethnic, genders, faith, sexual orientation, valuing diversity is inclusion.

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Ko Tarikākā te maunga  
TARIKĀKĀ IS THE MOUNTAIN.

Ko Waipāhihi te awa  
WAIPĀHIHI IS THE RIVER.

Ko Onslow College te kura  
ONSLow COLLEGE IS THE SCHOOL.

**Community** – this value highlights that Onslow College is a group of people that care about each other and feel they belong together. A group of people who balance the rights of the individual against what is best for the group.

We believe every student can achieve academic success and have an extensive pastoral care network to help them achieve to their potential. A strong partnership with home is a key ingredient in this goal and we both value and encourage parents and families to take an active interest in their child's achievements at school. Working together we can help our young people develop their individual strengths and identities and build the confidence to be able to contribute to society.

A strong culture of community exists in the school, and we have clear standards and expectations for all members of the school community.

We place great importance on students being engaged in their learning and developing a pathway through their school career that sets them up for success in their future. Students enjoy being at Onslow College and academically we rate among the top schools in New Zealand. Students leave Onslow feeling well-prepared for their future.

While academic achievement is very important, we also recognise the value of learning which occurs outside the classroom. We support and encourage a diverse range of sporting and cultural activities and our students achieve success at both regional and national level in a wide range of activities.

We believe Onslow College provides an excellent educational environment for its students and welcome new enrolments or inquiries about the college.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Ngā mihi



Sheena Millar  
Principal

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### **Additional Information**

There will be a Year 9 Camp. This camp will take place at during Term 1 at El Rancho (2 Nights). The approximate cost of this camp is \$280.00. It is important to us that all Year 9 Students take part in this camp so they can build relationships with each other, their Peer Supporters, and their teachers. If you need financial support for your child to attend this camp, please contact our office on [info@onslow.school.nz](mailto:info@onslow.school.nz).

We will be in contact with regards to start dates, Year 9 Meet and Greet and our pōwhiri.

We look forward to you joining us and the QR code below will allow you to enrol at Onslow College.

