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**Kia ora Network Waitangi,  
Welcome to the latest edition of SNIPPETS; Treaty news from around the  
network.  
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In this resource, we share information about current conversations and issues; local, national and sometimes international. Please note, NWO is not aligned with any political party.

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**A date and time for your diary  
- please do come at 7pm sharp.  
Bring your colleagues!  
Please help us to promote this!**

**NWO AGM with Moana Jackson!  
We are delighted that Moana will be speaking at our AGM on 27 February  
2020.**

**See flyer and more details [HERE](#)**

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7:30pm Thursday February 27th, 2020  
After the Network Waitangi Ōtautahi AGM at 7pm.  
WEA Hall, 59 Gloucester Street.  
Discussion and a light supper to follow  
Contact email: [organisers@nwo.org.nz](mailto:organisers@nwo.org.nz) / phone: 03 365 5266

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## WAITANGI DAY

NWO will be represented at the following Waitangi Day events:

[Waitangi Day Commemoration 2020](#), 9:30am-5:00pm (powhiri at 10.30am) at Okains Bay Maori and Colonial Museum, Okains Bay.

[Kaiapoi Waitangi Day Family Celebrations](#), 10:00am-2:00pm at Trousselot Park, Charles Street, Kaiapoi.

[I Love New Brighton](#), 11:00am – 3:00pm at Thomson Park 93 Marine Parade, New Brighton, Christchurch.

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The Report from 4 November OVTRK Forum with Minister Poto Williams is now available on the [One Voice Te Reo Kotahi blogspot](#).

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### He Hōmiromiro - A Virtual Decolonisation Reading Group.

Hosted by *Tamaki Tiriti Workers*, *STIR: Stop Institutional Racism and ABC*:

A bicultural caucus this virtual decolonisation reading group meet voluntarily every third Friday of the month. He Hōmiromiro is about rethinking, reframing, deconstructing and reconstructing our current thinking and practices in order to improve it, and work towards inclusion.

Members come from a range of backgrounds, sectors and locations across Aotearoa and internationally. Join us for a chance to sharpen your mind and discuss decolonisation with like-minded individuals.

Click [here](#) if you would like to join, or contact Alex Hotere-Barnes ([alexlbarnes@gmail.com](mailto:alexlbarnes@gmail.com)) if you have any further questions about the group.

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**PIECES OF OUR PUZZLE****Early interaction between Maori and Pakeha**

- from *NZ Listener* [21 December 2019 - 3 January 2020]

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**"The Treaty of Waitangi is a covenant for non-Māori," Lillian Murray**

*"The Treaty of Waitangi is a covenant for non-Māori to enter by law into New Zealand so the Declaration of Independence and the Treaty are both important," volunteer Lillian Murray says.*

*"We need to learn about them both because they are both what give us Pākeha a place here." [READ MORE](#)*

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**A damning new report into the practice of Oranga Tamariki 'uplifts' has been released**, reports the **NZ Herald's** Michael Neilson. It details hundreds of incidents, some incredibly heavy handed and involving armed police taking children from parents. Dame Naida Glavish, who oversaw the group writing the report, says it shows "systemic failure, discrimination and inexplicable breaches of human rights towards Māori", and has called for a complete overhaul of the system.

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**DOCUMENTARY: [MILK AND WATER](#)**

*(link takes you directly to segment on Ngai Tahu view)*

Simultaneously striving for and reflecting on the elusive nature of objectivity in documentary filmmaking, Milk and Water explores the contentious issue of waterway contamination in New Zealand from the outside American perspective of director Ian Spilman. Throughout the film, we hear from those on opposing sides of the rural/urban divide on this topic, providing a space for the contemplation of conflicting ideas, and seeking common ground. This film explores innovative farming technologies, the growing divide between urban and rural communities, the detrimental and positive effects of agricultural irrigation, how regulation plays a massively influential role on river health, and reveals the personal stories of the individuals closely involved.

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Rob Ruha's new track '**Ka Mānu**' is inspired by Ihumātao, Hawaii's Mauna Kea protest and the struggles of indigenous people across the world.

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**Pay the Rent** website to be launched on Invasion Day (January 26th). From a

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<https://paytherent.net.au/>

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### **Māori Party revival gathers steam**

**A clear theme has emerged from the political gathering at Rātana this weekend – the Māori Party are getting ready for a serious tilt at the 2020 election.** While issues around Oranga Tamariki taking children from Māori families and Ihumātao provoked huge reverberations last year, the **Whānau Ora funding controversy** that has erupted this year provides the clearest sign yet that many in Te Ao Māori see the need for an independent Māori voice in parliament. **[READ MORE](#)**

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### **Morgan Godfery: Can Marama Davidson really win Tāmaki Makaurau?**

Opinion: Third time lucky? Here's why Marama Davidson might win Tāmaki Makaurau for the Greens this election. **[READ MORE](#)**

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