



Puanga \* Edition

### Karakia

Nau mai e ngā hua, Welcome the gifts of food
o te wao, from the sacred forests
o te ngakina, from the cultivated gardens
o te wai tai, from the sea

o te wai māori, from the fresh waters

Nā Tāne, the food of Tāne

**Nā Rongo,** of Rongo

Nā Tangaroa, of Tangaroa

Nā Maru, of Maru

Ko Ranginui e tū iho nei,

I acknowledge Ranginui who is above me

Ko Papatūānuku e takoto ake nei,

Papatūānuku who lies beneath me

Tūturu whakamaua,

Let this be my commitment to all!

Kia tina! TINA! Haumi ē hui ē! Tāiki ē!,

Draw together! Affirm!

#### The Kaupapa for your Passport to Puanga!



Connecting to Puanga and the Maramataka here in Papaioea is something you can do anytime in lots of different ways!

### Your task is to find the whetū posts around our rohe using your Passport to Play map.

When you find one, take an etching, explore the space and learn how that spot connects to a particular whetū!

You and your whānau might also find your own special places around our rohe where you feel a connection to the meaning of a particular whetū and what it represents.

#### What you will need

Passport \* Pencil \* Playful attitude

Grab your things, gather your whanau and friends and go explore!

### **Puanga**

Traditionally Māori used the rising of various stars as a marker for the New Year.

This approach follows the Maramataka, the lunar calendar system, which is different to our modern solar calendar

That's why the dates for the Māori New Year change each year.

Different iwi use different stars as markers to guide when they celebrate the Māori New Year.

Rangitāne iwi look towards Puanga as their marker of the New Year The period of Puanga-Matariki is a time to observe and connect to seasonal activities such as planting and harvesting, the flowering of plants, the spawning of kai moana, and all the natural cycles of the environment.

While we can be guided by the maramataka throughout the year, Puanga marks the time for whānau to come together to celebrate, remember what was and look forward to the year ahead!

#### Tini whetū ki te rangi Ko Rangitāne nui ki te whenua.

Like the myriad of stars in the sky, so are the descendants of Rangitāne upon the land.







Waiti



Matariki



Typerangi



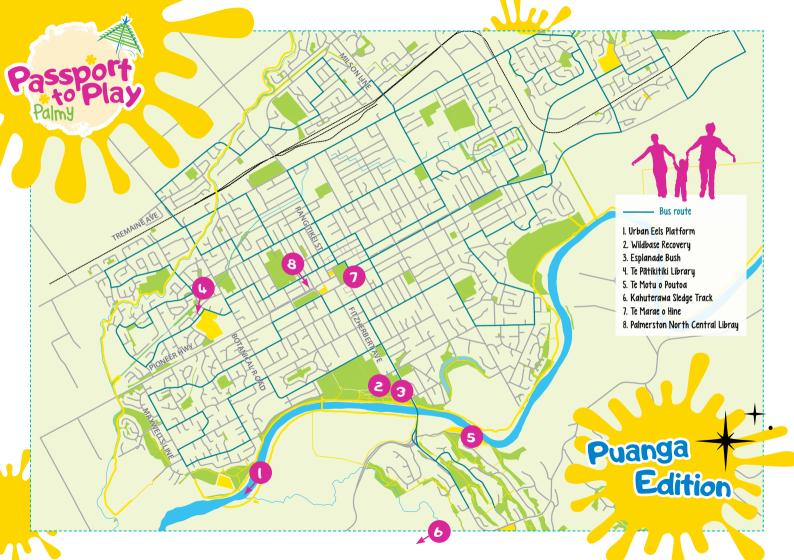


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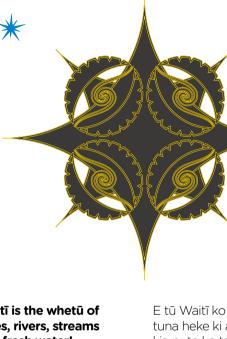












#### Waitī is the whetū of lakes, rivers, streams and fresh water!

Waitī acknowledges our strong connection to the bodies of fresh water and all the things that are sustained by these waters. E tū Waitī ko te wai māori tuna heke ki a Wainui kia puta ko te ora o Parawhenuamea koia!

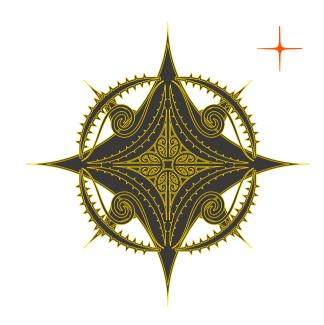
Behold Waitī of freshwater eels heading to the ocean to reveal the bounty of Parawhenuamea!





**Turitea Stream** Urban Eels Platform





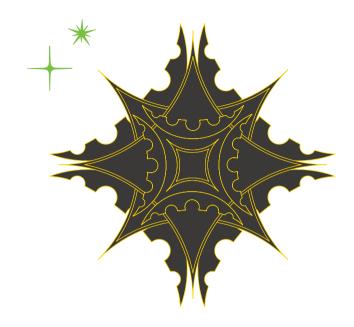
Waitā is the star of salt water, and this karakia acknowledges our strong connection to the moana. E tū Waitā ko te wai tai ngaru nui, ngaru roa kia puta ko te ora o Tangaroa koia!

Behold Waitā of all salt water, large wave, great wave to reveal the bounty of Tangaroa!



Wildbase Recovery
Tangaroa Pou

Can you find the Pou Tangaroa in Wildbase?



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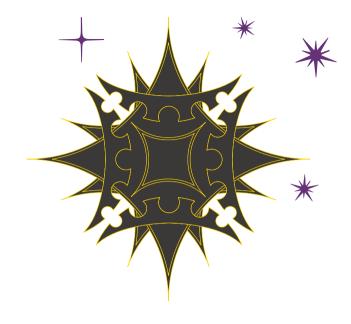
SSHHH CAN YOU HEAR ANY MANU IN THE BUSH?

E tū Tupuārangi ko te pōkai tara ngahoro pua, manu whaturua kia puta ko te ora o Tāne Koia!

Behold Tupuārangi of the flocking birds fruiting trees and fat birds to reveal the bounty of Tāne! Tupuārangi means to grow in the sky, and this karakia reaffirms our connection to the forests and the birds.

**Esplanade Bush**Flying fox bush entrance





Tupuānuku is the star associated with food grown in the earth.



Explore the mara kai, what vegetables can you see growing?

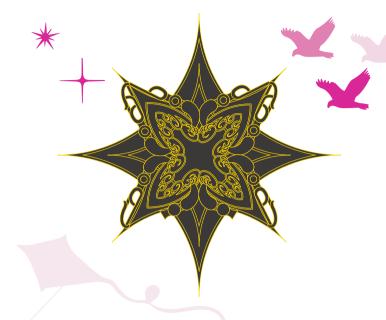
E tū Tupuānuku ko te one paraumu ringihia mai rā tō rahi ki te whenua haumako kia puta ko te ora o Rongo Koja!

Behold Tupuānuku of the fertile soil, spread your plenty across the land to reveal the bounty of Rongo!









The star of the wind is Ururangi, and together with Waipuna-ā-rangi, they are the stars connected to weather.



How far can you see across the city?

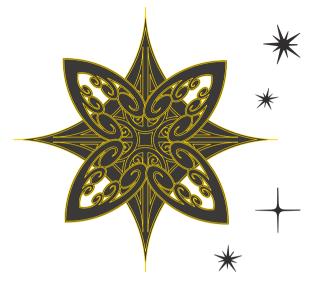
E tū Ururangi ko te whānau pupuhi tū te winiwini, tū te wanawana kia puta ko te ora o Tāwhirirangi Koia!

Behold Ururangi of the family of wind of the shuddering and awesome winds to reveal the bounty of Tāwhirirangi!



**Te Motu o Poutoa** Te Arapiki a Tāne

## Waipuna-ā-rangi



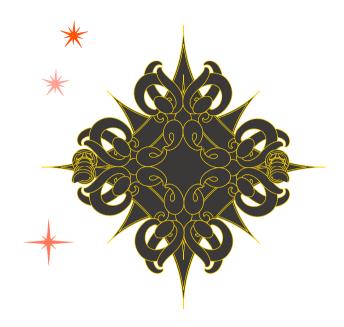
Waipuna-ā-rangi means 'water that pools in the sky', and this karakia speaks to the rain. E tū Waipuna-ā-rangi ko te ua heke kōpatapata mai, hūkerikeri mai kia puta ko te ora o Tāwhiriua Koia!

Behold Waipuna-ā-rangi of the falling rain a light rain, a heavy downpour reveal the bounty of Tāwhiriua indeed!

**Kahuterawa Sledge Track** Mini Waterfalls

Take a walk, can you find a waterfall?





Matariki is the main star in the cluster. It is connected to wellbeing and welcomes in the New Year. Ko Matariki te whetū matua o roto i tēnei kāhui whetū. E whai piringa ana ia ki tēnei mea te oranga, koia hoki hei tohu i te Mātahi o te Tau.



**Te Marae o Hine**The Square

How many carved pou can you find?

# +. Puanga



Puanga is the older brother to Matariki. Puanga is referred to as the "Elder Star" by Rangitāne and from our location we cannot always see Matariki therefore Rangitāne use this star to orientate ourselves, to mark the turning of the New Year!

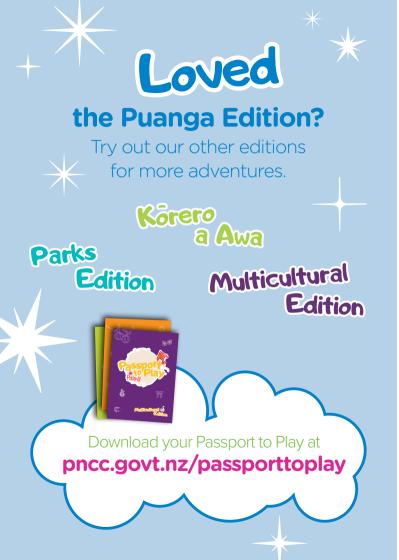
VISIT OUR CITY'S CENTRAL LIBRARY AND ENJOY LEARNING MORE ABOUT PUANGA-MATARIKII

Ko Puanga hei tuakana ki a Matariki, ā, ka kīia a Rangitāne ko ia te "Whetū Kauheke." Kāore e marake ana te kitea o Matariki i tēnei rohe, nō reira ko Puanga kē hei tohu matua mō Rangitāne, hei tohu i Te Huringa o te Tau.

#### **Puanga Twilight Festival**

Palmerston North Central Library





# Closing \* Karakia



Tika ki te Aorangi, Truth in the universe
Pono ki te Aorangi, Belief in the universe
Āio ki te Aorangi, Peace in the universe
Aroha ki te Aorangi, Love your universe
Tihei mauri ora, It is life!







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