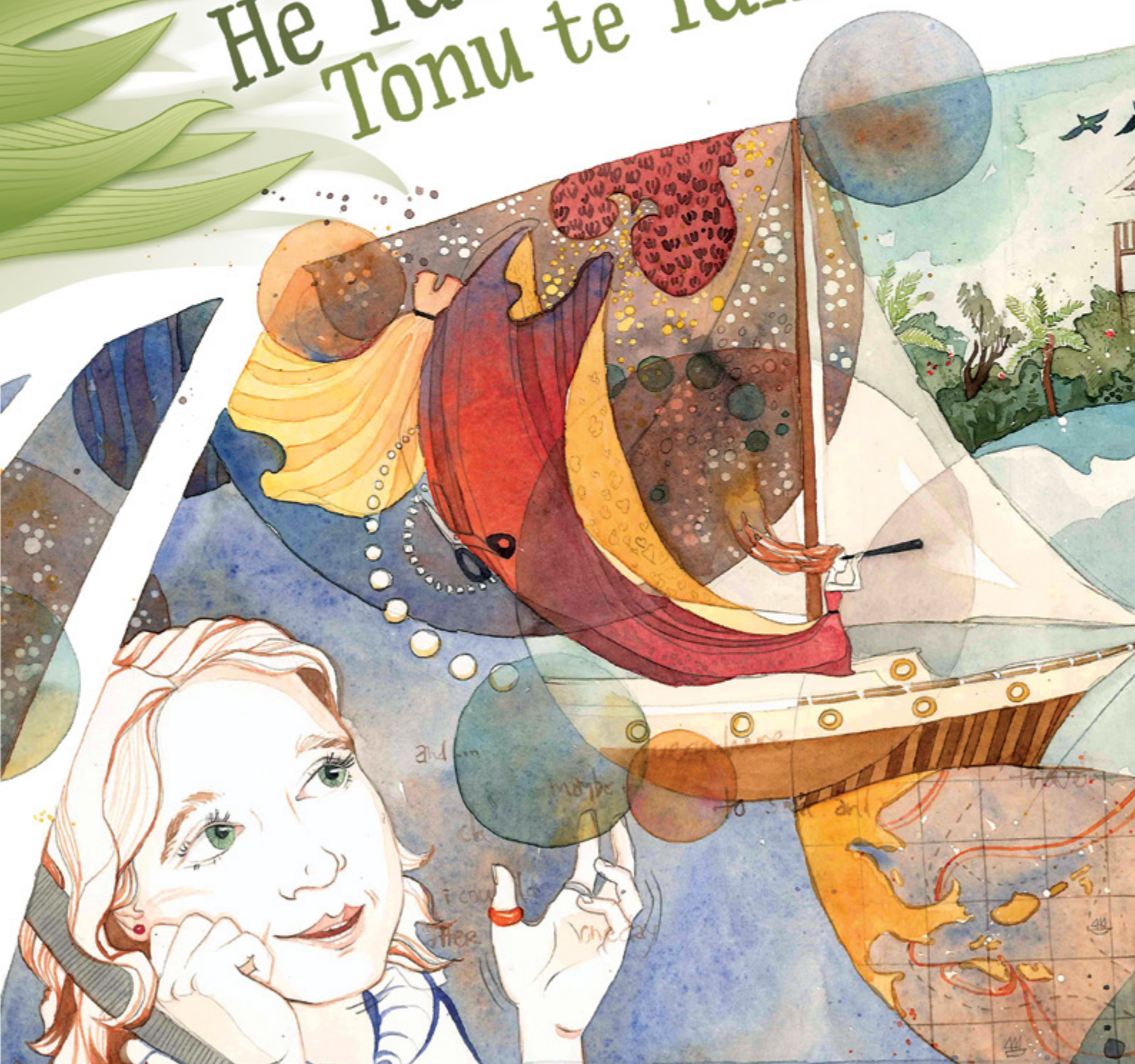


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**nā Andrew Becroft**

*Kaikōmihana Tamariki*

*Pipiri 2021*





# Foreword

Over the five years I've served as Children's Commissioner, it's become clear to me that most New Zealanders share the same ambition for our children: That each of them, no matter their background, grows up knowing they belong in a whānau that has what they need to thrive – to live their best life.

As the title of this book so perfectly captures, that ambition is for “each and every child” – regardless of their family background, gender, ethnicity, or disability.

This is what it means when we say we want Aotearoa to be the best place in the world to be a child. That that vision is not achieved, for a significant proportion of our children, is one of the central challenges of our time.

The tentacles of poverty and discrimination, including racism and ableism, reach into all areas of a child's life. Decisions over the past 181 years have determined who get to enjoy the benefits of education, of health, of wealth accrued over the years, and who are left out.

But just as poverty, and racism and ableism were designed into our social and economic structures, the good news is they can be designed out of them too.

Helpfully, there are principles and covenants to guide those of us with the opportunity to make a difference to do so on behalf of our mokopuna; all our children and young people.

This book captures the essence of the most signed international human rights treaty in the history of the world – the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and makes those rights compelling and real.

Alongside the basic rights underpinning the Convention; to be free from discrimination, to participate and have their voices heard, to survive and develop and have their best interests considered, children in Aotearoa are guaranteed certain rights in our founding document te Tiriti o Waitangi. This beautiful blueprint for nation-building centres the right of mokopuna to their whakapapa – to live as who they are, connected to their lands, resources, and taonga, including their language and culture. Indeed, it sees children as taonga themselves, connected to their kāinga. What could be more important?

This book is a reminder that all these rights are non-negotiable, they belong to our mokopuna. Our job, as adults, is to bring those rights to life, for each and every child.

**Andrew Becroft**

*Children's Commissioner*

*June 2021*



He mana anō ō tēnā, ō tēnā tamaiti, puta noa i te ao, ahakoa kei te tāone nui e noho ana, kei te papa kāinga, kei te pāmu, kei te tahamoana, kei te maunga, kei te ngahere, kei te koraha rānei e tirotiro whetū ana i te rangi pō. Ko tēnei mea te “mana” i konei, he tikanga, he ture mō te atawhai i te tangata. E whakaae ana ngā kāwanatanga he mana ō ngā tamariki katoa, ā, me hāpai ēnei mana ka tika.





Every child in the world has rights. A child has rights whether they live in a city, in a village, on a farm, by the sea, on a mountain, in a jungle, or in a desert under the stars. Rights are rules about how people should be treated. Governments agree that all children have rights and that these must be respected.





He tino taonga mātou, ngā tamariki. Tiakina mātou, āraia atu ngā kino i a mātou. Homai koa ngā mea e hauora ai, e kaha ai mātou.



As children, we are all special. Take care of us and keep us safe.  
Make sure we have what we need to make us healthy and strong.





Tukua mātou kia ora, kia tupu, kia ako, kia uiui. Ā, kia pakeke  
ake nei mātou, kua pai tā mātou whiriwhiri i ngā pēheatanga o  
ō mātou nei ao.





Allow us to live, grow, learn, and ask questions. Then, when we are older, we will be able to make up our own minds about things.





Ahakoia ko Jack, ko Bella, ko Poutama, ko Elijah, ko Miriama,  
ko Ahmed, ko Nanda, ko Sina – he ingoa tō ngā tamariki katoa,  
he ingoa nō roto mai i tōna whānau. Pārekareka ana tērā tā  
mātou noho tahi ki tō mātou nei whenua, ki Aotearoa.





Jack, Bella, Poutama, Elijah, Miriama, Ahmed, Nanda, and Sina – everyone has a name from their family. We all enjoy being together in our country, Aotearoa New Zealand.





Tukua mātou kia kōrero i ō mātou whakaaro, i ō mātou kare  
ā-roto, i ō mātou wawata. Kia rongu mai koutou i ā mātou  
kōrero. Kia kite koutou i tā mātou e whakaatu atu ana.  
Kōrero mai ki a mātou mō ngā take o te wā.





Let us tell you what we think, feel, and dream.  
Hear what we have to say. See what we have to show you.  
Talk with us about things that are happening.





Kauparea atu ngā kino. Kia kua rawa mātou e whara i te tangata, i ō mātou mātua anō, i ētahi atu rānei e noho tahi ana ki a mātou. Ki te mamae mātou i tētahi mea, pēnei i te werohanga rongoā, whakamōhiotia mai i mua i te mahinga.





Protect us. No one should ever be allowed to hurt us, not even our mums or dads or the people we live with. If something might be painful, like an injection, tell us about it first.





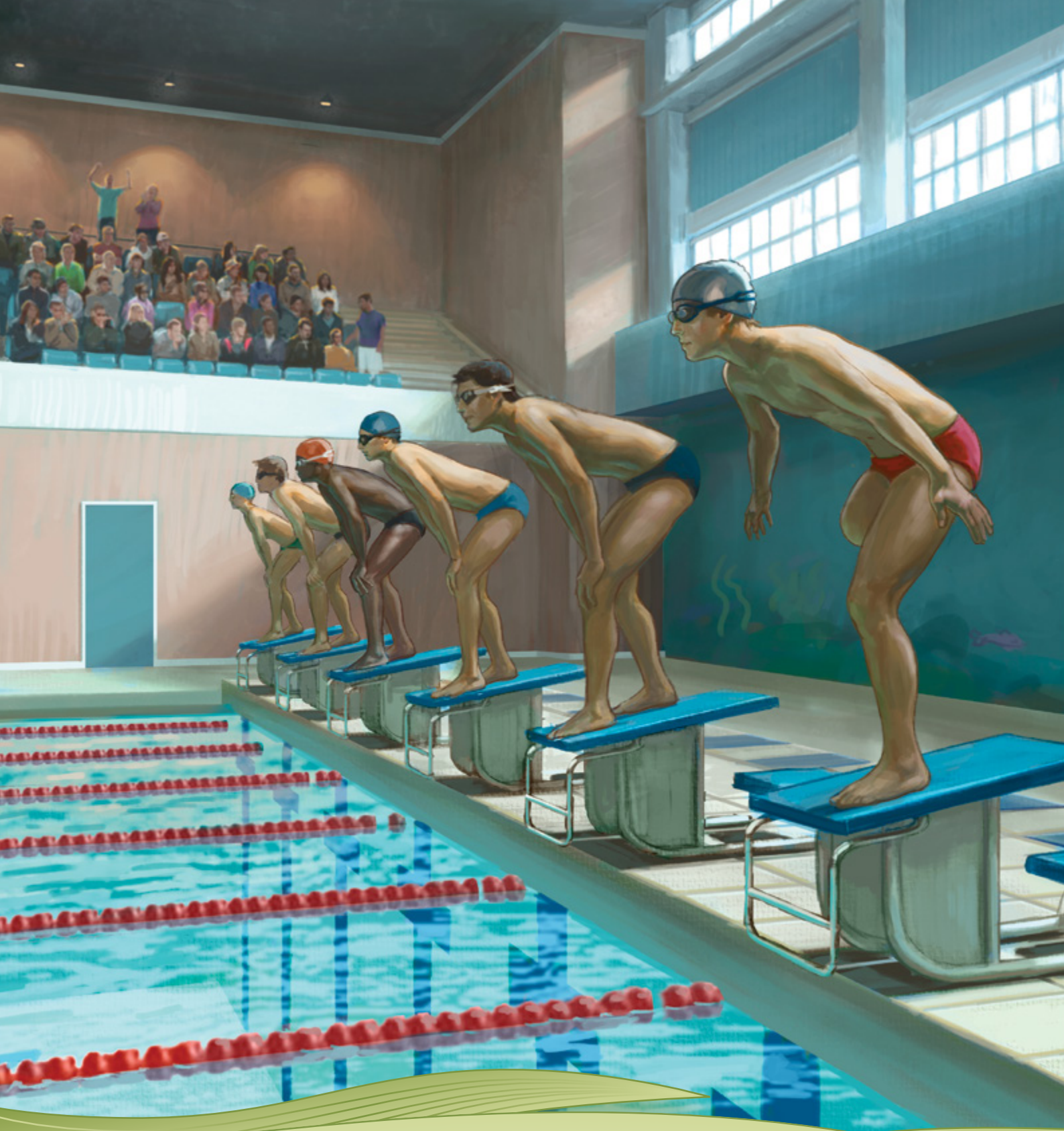
Tiakina mātou, arohaina, atawhaingia mātou, ki te kore e taea  
ēnei āhuatanga e ō mātou ake whānau. Kia kaha koutou ki te  
whītiki i ō mātou whānau kia torokaha tonu, kia hauora tonu.





Look after us, love us, and care for us if our families can't.  
Do your best to keep our families strong and healthy.





Mehemea e hauā ana te tinana, te hinengaro rānei, āta tiakina  
mātou, kia pērā me ērā atu tamariki te harikoa o tā mātou  
noho ki te ao.





If there is a disability in our body or mind, take special care of us so that we can live happily in the world like other kids.





Me ārai atu anō ngā kino o te huarere. I te wā o te makariri, o te ua, me mahi kia mahana, kia maroke mātou. Ina kaha mai te rā, homai koa he pōtae ārai rā. Kia tika anō te rahi o te kai me te wai e homai ana. Mehemea e pāngia ana mātou e te mate, tukuna mātou kia whakangā, haria rānei kia tirohia e te tākuta, kia piki anō ai te ora.





Shelter us in all weathers. When it is cold and wet, keep us warm and dry. When the sun is hot, give us hats to wear. Make sure we have enough to eat and drink. If we are sick, let us rest or take us to a doctor to help us get better.





Tukuna mātou ki te kura, kia pai ai te ako tahi, te pārekareka tahi me ngā hoa. Whakaakona mātou ki te pānui, ki te tuhi, kia pahure ai i a mātou ngā mahi ka whāia e tēnā, e tēnā ina pakeke ake mātou.





Send us to school to learn and to play with our friends.  
Teach us to read and write so that we can grow up to be  
good at whatever we do.





Āwhinatia mātou ki te atawhai i te whenua, ki te tiaki i ngā rākau  
ka kakea, i ngā awa me ngā moana ka kauria, i ngā putiputi ka  
katohia e mātou, tae atu ki ngā kararehe me ngā manu e noho  
tahi ana me tātou ki tēnei ao.





Help us to look after the land and to care for the trees we climb, the rivers and seas we swim in, the flowers and vegetables we grow, and the animals and birds that share the world with us.





Āwhinatia mātou ki te kōrero i ngā reo o ō mātou ake iwi.  
Tukua mātou kia haere ki ō mātou marae, ō mātou whare  
karakia, ahakoa te hāhi, ahakoa te whakapono. Tukua  
mātou kia kawē ake i ngā waiata, i ngā kanikani, kia kuhu  
anō i ngā kākahu o ō mātou ake iwi.





Support us to use the languages of our people. Allow us to go to churches, temples, marae, synagogues, mosques, chapels, or shrines. Let us sing, dance, and dress in the ways of our cultures.





Kia whai wā anō mātou ki te tākaro, ki te whakangā,  
ki te ngahau tahi ki ō mātou whānau, ki ō mātou hoa.





Give us the time to play and rest and to enjoy time  
with family and friends.





Ina whara mātou, ina mamae rānei i tētahi atu, ina tau mai  
te pōraruraru, te pōuri, āwhinatia mātou ki te whakapuaki i ō  
mātou kare ā-roto, i ō mātou whakaaro, ā, kia mimingo anō ngā  
pāpāringa i te kata, i te menemene i muri iho.





If we have been hurt or are confused or unhappy, help us  
to share our feelings and later to laugh and smile again.





Kōrero atu ki ō mātou whānau, ō mātou hoa, me ērā atu  
tāngata nui ki a mātou mō ō mātou mana. Kei tēnā, kei  
tēnā tamaiti ēnei mana katoa.





Tell our families, friends, and other important people about our rights. These rights are the same for each and every child.



## A summary of the articles of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

## He whakarāpopotonga i ngā kupu tohu o Te Tikanga a Te Kotahitanga o Ngā Iwi o Te Ao mō Ngā Mana o te Tamaiti

- 1 Everyone under 18 years of age has all the rights in this Convention.

Kei te hunga katoa kei raro iho i te 18 tau te pakeke ngā mana katoa o tēnei Tikanga.

- 2 The Convention applies to everyone whatever their race, religion, or abilities; whatever they think or say; and whatever type of family they come from.

E hāngai ana te Tikanga ki te katoa, ahakoa te iwi, te hāhi, ngā āheinga, ō rātou whakaaro, ā rātou kōrero, ahakoa te momo whānau i ahu mai ai rātou.

- 3 All organisations concerned with children should work towards what is best for each child.

Ko ngā whakahaere katoa e arotahi ana ki te tamariki, me mahi kia puta he painga nui ki tēnā, ki tēnā tamaiti.

- 4 Governments should make these rights available to children.

Me mahi ngā kāwanatanga kia whakawāteahia ngā mana nei ki ngā tamariki.

- 5 Governments should respect the rights and responsibilities of families to direct and guide their children so that, as they grow, they learn to use their rights properly.

Me hāpai ngā kāwanatanga i ngā mana me ngā kawenga a ngā whānau ki te whakahaere, ki te ārahi i ā rātou tamariki, kia ako ai ngā tamariki ki te whakamahi tika i ō rātou mana i a rātou e tipu ake ana.

- 6 All children have the right to life. Governments should ensure that children survive and develop healthily.

Kia mātua āhei i ngā tamariki katoa tēnei mea te ora. Me mahi rawa ngā kāwanatanga kia ora ngā tamariki, kia hauora anō te whanaketanga.

- 7 All children have the right to a legally registered name, and nationality. Also the right to know and, as far as possible, be cared for by their parents.

Kei te tamaiti te mana kia whiwhi ia i tētahi ingoa rēhita whaimana i raro i te ture, ā, i tētahi iwi hoki. Ko te tikanga, me mōhio anō te tamaiti ko wai ōna mātua, ā, mā rāua anō ia e tiaki.

- 8 Governments should respect children's right to a name and nationality and family ties.

Me hāpai ngā kāwanatanga i te mana o te tamaiti kia whiwhi ingoa ia mōna, kia mōhio ia ki tōna iwi, ki ōna kāwai whakapapa anō hoki.

- 9 Children should not be separated from their parents unless it is for their own good. For example, if a parent is mistreating or neglecting a child. Children whose parents have separated have the right to stay in contact with both parents, unless this might hurt the child.

Kia kaua e wehea te tamaiti i ōna mātua – māna, kei te wehenga tōna ora. Hei tauira, mēnā e tūkinotia ana, e whakahapatia ana rānei te tamaiti e tētahi o ngā mātua. Ko te tamaiti kua wehe ōna mātua, he mana tōna ki te whakapā atu ki ngā mātua e rua, ki te kore ia e whara i tērā āhua.

- 10 Families who live in different countries should be allowed to move between those countries so that parents and children can stay in contact, or get back together as a family.

Ko ngā whānau e noho wehe ana, he whenua kē, he whenua kē, me tuku kia whakawhiti i waenganui i aua whenua, kia kitekite tonu ai ngā mātua i ngā tamariki, kia whakakotahi anō ai rānei te whānau.



- 11** Governments should take steps to stop children being taken out of their own country illegally.

Me whakatau kaupapa ngā kāwanatanga ki te aukati i te kawenga o ngā tamariki ki whenua kā, me he kawenga e takahi ana i te ture.

- 12** Children have the right to say what they think should happen when adults are making decisions that affect them, and to have their opinions taken into account.

Kei ngā tamariki te mana ki te kōrero atu kia pēheatia rātou, ā, me whakarongo anō ngā pakeke ki ēnei whakaaro, ina whiriwhiri ana ngā pakeke i ētahi whakataunga e pā ana ki ngā tamariki.

- 13** Children have the right to get and to share information, as long as the information is not damaging to them or to others.

Kei ngā tamariki te mana ki te whiwhi, ki te tuku pārongo, ki te kore he kikino o aua pārongo ki a rātou, ki ētahi atu rānei.

- 14** Children have the right to think and believe what they want, and to practise their religion, as long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights. Parents should guide children in these matters.

Kei te tamaiti te mana ki te whakaaro, ki te whakapono ki tāna i pai ai, ki te kawē anō i te whakapono e pai ana ki a ia, ki te kore ia e takahi, e whakararu i ngā mana o tētahi atu i tana pērā. Me ārahi ngā mātua i ngā tamariki ki ēnei āhuatanga.

- 15** Children have the right to meet together and to join groups and organisations, as long as this does not stop other people from enjoying their rights.

Kei ngā tamariki te mana ki te hui tahi, ki te whakapiri ki ngā rōpū, ki ngā whakahaere, ki te kore tēnei e takahi, e whakararu i ngā mana o ētahi atu.

- 16** Children have a right to privacy. The law should protect them from attacks against their way of life, their good name, their families, and their homes.

Kei ngā tamariki te mana kia noho matatapu rātou. Me whakamarumaruru te ture i a rātou i ngā mahi tukituki i tā rātou noho, i ō rātou ingoa pai, i ō rātou whānau, i ō rātou kāinga.

- 17** Children have the right to reliable information from the mass media. Television, radio, newspapers, and digital media accessible to children should provide information that they can understand, and should not promote materials that could harm children.

Kei ngā tamariki te mana kia horahia ki a rātou ngā pārongo pāpāho pono. Ko te pouaka whakaata, te irirangi, ngā nūpepa, tae atu ki ngā ara matihiko e āhei atu ana te tamariki, me hora pārongo e mārāma ana ki te tamariki, ā, kia kaua rātou e whakatairanga i ngā mea tērā e raru ai te tamariki.

- 18** Both parents share responsibility for bringing up their children, and should always consider what is best for each child. Governments should help parents by providing services to support them, especially if both parents work.

Kei ngā mātua e rua te kawenga ki te tiaki, ki te whakapakeke i ā rāua tamariki, ā, me āta whiriwhiri rāua kei hea ngā painga mō ia tamaiti. Me awhi ngā kāwanatanga i ngā mātua, mā te tuku ratonga hei tautoko i a rātou, ā, mēnā kei te mahi ngā mātua, kātahi ka tino hāngai tēnei kōrero.

- 19** Governments should ensure that children are properly cared for, and protect them from violence, abuse, and neglect by their parents, or anyone else who looks after them.

Me whakapau kaha ngā kāwanatanga kia tiakina paitia ngā tamariki, ā, kia noho marumaruru rātou i ngā momo mahi kino katoa, i te kupu kino, i te whakahapa rānei a ō rātou mātua, a ētahi atu rānei e tiaki ana i a rātou.

- 20** Children who cannot be looked after by their own family must be looked after properly by people who respect their religion, culture, and language.

Ko ngā tamariki e kore e taea te tiaki e ō rātou ake mātua, kia mātua tiakina e ētahi atu, ā, kia hāpaitia ō rātou whakapono, ā rātou tikanga ā-iwi, me ō rātou reo e aua tāngata.



- 21** When children are adopted the first concern must be what is best for them. The same rules should apply whether the children are adopted in the country where they were born, or if they are taken to live in another country.

Ina riro te tamaiti hei tamaiti whāngai, ko te whakaaro kia noho mātāmua mai, he aha ngā painga mō taua tamaiti. Kia mau tonu ngā ture ahakoa whāngaia te tamaiti i te whenua i whānau ai ia, ahakoa heria rānei ki whenua kē noho ai.

- 22** Children who come into a country as refugees should have the same rights as children born in that country.

Ko ngā tamariki ka uru ki tētahi whenua hei rerenga mai i whenua kē, me ōrite tonu ō rātou mana ki ērā o ngā tamariki i whānau mai ki taua whenua.

- 23** Children who have any kind of disability should have special care and support, so that they can lead full and independent lives.

Me tiaki motuhake, me tautoko motuhake te tamaiti hauā, kia rawe ai tana noho, kia tū motuhake ai ia.

- 24** Children have the right to good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment, so that they will stay healthy. Richer countries should help poorer countries achieve this.

Kei ngā tamariki te mana kia whiwhi rātou i ngā ratonga hauora pai, i te wai mā, i te kai hauora, kia mā anō te taiao, kia noho ora tonu ai rātou. Me āwhina ngā whenua whairawa i ngā whenua rawakore kia ea ai tēnei whāinga.

- 25** Children who are looked after by their local authority, rather than by their parents, should have their situation reviewed regularly.

Ko ngā tamariki e tiakina ana e ō rātou mana ā-rohe, kāore e tiakina ana e ngā mātua, kia auau te āta tiro tiro e pēhea ana tā rātou noho.

- 26** The Government should provide extra money for the children of families in need.

Me whakarato e te Kāwanatanga he pūtea atu anō hei āwhina i ngā tamariki o ngā whānau e tino kino ana te pōhara, e tino hē ana te noho.

- 27** Children have a right to a standard of living that is good enough to meet their physical and mental needs. The Government should help families who cannot afford to provide this.

Kei te tamaiti te mana kia tika tana noho ki te ao, kia ora tana tinana me tana hinengaro. Me āwhina e te Kāwanatanga ngā whānau pōhara kāore e ea i a rātou ēnei āhuatanga.

- 28** Children have a right to an education. Discipline in schools should respect children's human dignity. Primary education should be free. Richer countries should help poorer countries achieve this.

Kei te tamaiti te mana kia whiwhi ia i te mātauranga. Ko ngā mahi whakataki whanonga i te kura, me hāpai tonu i te mana o te tamaiti. Me kore utu te kura tuatahi, ā, me āwhina ngā whenua whairawa i ngā whenua rawakore kia ea ai tēnei whāinga.

- 29** Education should develop each child's personality and talents to the full. It should encourage children to respect their parents, and their own and other cultures.

Me poipoi ngā mahi whāngai mātauranga i te tuakiri me ngā pūmanawa o ia tamaiti. Me akiaki ngā mahi o te kura kia whakaaro nui ngā tamariki ki ō rātou mātua, ki tō rātou ake ahurea, me ngā ahurea o ētahi atu.

- 30** Children have the right to learn and use the language and customs of their families, whether these are shared by the majority of people in the country or not.

Kei te tamariki te mana ki te ako, ki te kawea ake i te reo me ngā tikanga a ō rātou whānau, ahakoa e whakamahia ana ēnei, kāore rānei, e te nuinga o ngā tāngata o te whenua e noho ana ia.

- 31** All children have a right to relax and play, and to join in a wide range of activities.

Kei ngā tamariki katoa te mana ki te whakatā, ki te tākaro, ki te kuhu atu ki ngā momo mahi huhua.



- 32 The Government should protect children from work that is dangerous, or that might harm their health or their education.

Me whakamarumarū te Kāwanatanga i ngā tamariki i ngā mahi mōrearea, ngā mahi tērā e raru ai tō rātou hauora, tā rātou whai rānei i te mātauranga.

- 33 The Government should provide ways of protecting children from dangerous drugs.

Me whakatū te Kāwanatanga i ētahi tūwatawata e noho haumarū ai ngā tamariki i ngā pūroi kino.

- 34 The Government should protect children from sexual abuse.

Me whakamarū te Kāwanatanga i te tamariki mai i te taitōkai, i ngā tūkinotanga taha ai.

- 35 The Government should make sure that children are not abducted or sold.

Me āta mahi te Kāwanatanga kia kaua rawa te tamariki e kahakina, e hokona rānei.

- 36 Children should be protected from any activities that could harm their development.

Me whakamarumarū te tamaiti i ngā mahi tērā e hē ai tana whanake haere.

- 37 Children who break the law should not be treated cruelly. They should not be put in prison with adults and should be able to keep in contact with their families.

Kia kaua ngā tamariki takahi i te ture e tūkinotia. Kia kaua hoki e mauheretia ki te taha o ngā pākeke, ā, kia taea tonutia e rātou te whakapā atu ki ō rātou whānau.

- 38 Governments should not allow children under 15 to join the army. Children in war zones should receive special protection.

Kia kaua ngā kāwanatanga e tuku i te tamariki kei raro iho te pakeke i te 15 tau kia kuhu i te ope tauā. Me whakamarū motuhake ngā tamariki kei ngā rohe pakanga e noho ana.

- 39 Children who have been neglected or abused should receive special help to restore their self-respect.

Me riro i te tamaiti kua tūkinotia, kua whakahapatia rānei, ētahi āwhina motuhake e tupu haere anō ai te whakaaro i roto i a ia he kura tonu ia, he tino taonga.

- 40 Children who are accused of breaking the law should receive legal help. Prison sentences for children should only be used for the most serious offences.

Ko ngā tamariki kua whakapaetia he takahi ture te mahi, me whiwhi āwhina ā-ture. Mō ngā hara tino kino anake te whakaae a te ture kia mauheretia te tamariki.

- 41 If the laws of a particular country protect children better than the articles of the Convention, then those laws should stay.

Mehemea he pai ake ngā ture o tētahi whenua ki te whakamarumarū tamariki i ngā kupu tohu o tēnei Tikanga, me mana tonu ko aua ture.

- 42 The Government should make the Convention known to all parents and children.

Me whakanui te Kāwanatanga i te Tikanga ki ngā mātua me ngā tamariki katoa.

**The Convention on the Rights of the Child has 54 articles in all. Articles 43–54 are about how adults and governments should work together to make sure all children get all their rights.**

**For further information you can visit**  
<http://www.unicef.org/knowyourrights>

**E 54 ngā kupu tohu kei te Tikanga mō ngā Mana o te Tamaiti. Kei ngā kupu tohu 43–54 he kōrero mō te mahi tahi a ngā pākeke me ngā kāwanatanga kia mau pū ai i ngā tamariki katoa ō rātou mana katoa.**

**He pārongo atu anō kei te**  
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# Illustrators

## Matt Gauldie



Pages 4–5 and 32–33

Matt is an artist/illustrator who lives and works in Wellington. He has a keen interest in painting and drawing people. Matt likes to depict interactions between people as they go about their everyday life. He finds people a constant source of artistic inspiration, as everyone is different in their own special way.

## Leilani Isara



Pages 6–7 (*and the line work for pages 16–17 and 22–23*)

Leilani is a freelance illustrator and graphic designer, originally from Christchurch and currently living in Dunedin. Ever since she was little, Leilani has been fascinated with art and has loved creating worlds and characters through drawing. In 2008, Leilani gained a Bachelor of Design with First Class Honours in Visual Communication/Illustration from Massey University. She has since been creating illustrations for magazines, books, and journals for clients in Aotearoa New Zealand and around the world.

## Andrew Burdan



Pages 8–9, 26–27, and 28–29

Andrew is a Wellington-based illustrator who has worked in film, television, and print media. He began his freelance career as a storyboard artist on television commercials, television shows, and feature films. Andrew now works as an illustrator on children's books and educational resources. He says it's a really fun job that allows him to work on a wide variety of interesting subject matter and, importantly, to keep learning at the same time.

## Elsbeth Alix Batt



Pages 10–11 and 24–25

Elsbeth studied architecture and fashion design before completing a graphic design degree at Auckland University of Technology in the 1980s. She lives on Auckland's North Shore with three tyrannical rescued cats. Elsbeth has done freelance work for numerous businesses, including book publishers, schools, and greeting card companies, and has designed a set of stamps for New Zealand Post. Using the computer for illustrating has enabled her to develop various, usually realistic, styles. Most of her illustration work is for the educational publishers Learning Media, who produce the *School Journals*. She also creates "fine art" paintings, enjoys gardening and craftwork, and reads and collects books.



## Rachel Walker



Pages 12–13

Rachel is a Wellington illustrative artist and freelance designer who trained at Massey University. Her contemporary illustrative artworks are often inspired by nature, humour, and patterns; and are usually depicted in mixed media using watercolour, spray paint, ink, and pencil. Rachel has exhibited solo work at Pixel Ink Gallery since 2008 and has illustrated for clients such as the Royal New Zealand Ballet and Learning Media.

## Tom Simpson



Pages 14–15 and 18–19

Tom was born and raised in rural North Otago. He has been interested in the visual arts since the age of three, when he discovered the joys of applying lipstick to walls, shoes, and bedroom furniture. From these early beginnings Tom went on to study illustration at Massey University in Wellington, graduating in 2005. He currently works as a freelance illustrator and also takes time to work on his personal art.

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Pages 16–17

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## Bruce Potter



Pages 20–21 and 30–31

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Pages 22–23

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