

## Akitio

1906 –2013. Lovely sandy beach at mouth of Akitio River in Puketoi region. In early times was an important shipping beach, especially for carting wool. Wool was shipped on small boats out to the waiting boats. Beach is very exposed. Akitio is about 26 kilometres from Pongaroa.

1905	6	Akitio	Lee	George		Master	£36	\$5,693
1906	12	Akitio	Grant	John M		Master	£78	\$12,122
1907	13	Akitio	Grant	John M		Master	£72	\$12,228
1908		Akitio	Closed					
1910	16	Akitio	Blake	Charles		Master	£90	\$14,109
1911	14	Akitio	Kerr	Arthur		Master	£108	\$17,080
1912	2	Akitio	Young	James	Licensed	Master	£114	\$17,483
1913	6	Akitio	Dickinson	William E		Master	£90	\$13,500
1914		Akitio	Closed					
1917	9	Akitio	Nairn	Ellen	Sole		£110	\$12,329
1919	8	Akitio	Williams	Percy	Sole		£96	\$8,673
1921	9	Akitio	Pinfold	Frederick M	Sole	D	£200	\$17,218

### Papers Past

26<sup>th</sup> August 1904 The Education Board has decided to open a school at Akitio should the settlors agree to provide a house for the teacher.

3<sup>rd</sup> April 1906 The Education Board has appointed the following persons to sole teacherships:—Mrs Bland, at the Tauherenikau School; Mr J. M. Grant, at the Akitio School;. and Mr George Lee, at the Ponatahi School.(From Akitio)

7<sup>th</sup> March 1906 The children of the Pongaroa, Waione and Horoeaka Public Schools have been spending a holiday at Akitio where they were kindly entertained by Mr and Mrs F. Armstrong.

3<sup>rd</sup> April 1906 Mr J M Grant appointed and Mr George Lee appointed to the Ponatahi School

13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 1907 Mr J M Grant resigns

11<sup>th</sup> December 1909 Wellington Education Board An application for the erection of a school at Akitio the building to be provided was granted

19<sup>th</sup> November 1910 On Monday last Inspector Bakewell M.A., of the Wellington Education District, examined the Akitio School, when some 20 pupils were presented for examination. The inspector was exceedingly pleased with the general proficiency shown by the scholars, remarking that the school was equal to any in the district, while in dictation, composition, and arithmetic, he was so impressed with the excellence of the work that ho awarded double marks. The school has only been open about eight months, and the splendid progress made is a great compliment to the capacity of Mr Blake, the teacher.

1<sup>st</sup> December 1910 Wellington Education Board Application is being made to the Government for a grant for a new school at Akitio

1<sup>st</sup> February 1911 Wellington Education Board Application for subsidy on £20 4s 9d deferred pending reply regarding school accommodation

29<sup>th</sup> May 1911 Mr C. M. Blake, who has been in charge of the Akitio School, has been transferred to Mangaone, and I left for his new station to-day.

27<sup>th</sup> September 1911 Mr Young resigns

10<sup>th</sup> October 1911 Mr. A. Kerr has been appointed to the charge of the Akitio School,

27<sup>th</sup> March 1913 Mr A Kerr resigns

12<sup>th</sup> December 1912 Mr J Young has resigned his position at Akitio School

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19<sup>th</sup> April 1916 An application from Mr A H Bailey for the reopening of the Akitio School was deferred pending receipt of fuller information

26<sup>th</sup> April 1917 Wellington Education Board During 1916 Akitio School was reopened

18<sup>th</sup> July 1918 Miss E Nairn Sole Teacher resigns

31<sup>st</sup> May 1920 Miss K Gregory resigned

11<sup>th</sup> June 1918 In response to the appeal made by the Mayoress's Countess of Liverpool Fund to the various schools throughout the district for monetary assistance to the Soldiers' Christmas Pudding Fund, the following amounts to date are acknowledged:—Putara School, 14 s [shilling].; Alfredton School, 16s. Makuri (Pahiatua), .£1 Is.; Newtown School (per Mr. Parkinson), £6; Waihakeke (near Carterton), £1 15s.; Akitio School, 5s.

30<sup>th</sup> November 1920 Mr J S Webb appointed

2<sup>nd</sup> December 1920 Mr F Pinfold appointed

**National Archives: Buildings and Sites:** Akitio 1948 396 Square feet Removed from Korora on 1 acre of donated land  
Residence built 1955 1045 square feet