Reflection on PD

Topic: Treaty of Waitangi

Presenter: Mr John Pipe

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The PD on Treaty of Waitangi was very helpful as it provided important historical references to signing of the Treaty. The reference to key ideas helped me to understand the concepts that were discussed. There were references made to Maori Language.

The use of key ideas such as Sovereignty, possession, Pre-emption and rights and priviledges and its relation to Maori shows the relevance of these terms to both Pakeha and Maori. Through the presentation, there was an opportunity for the teachers to discuss few ideas. I was able to dicuss certain points with some other teachers in the room which helped me to clear my doubts.

There was a chart which showed the order of events. That chart was quite clear as it made me think about the impact of the Treaty on both the races. There were certain questions that were posed by Mr Pipe and we were asked to discuss with other teachers.

That discussion helped me to learn more about the principles and Acts that in place when the Treaty was signed.

I look forward to PDs such as these as it allows me to broden my understanding anout historical events. As a teacher, I am able to develop better understanding about the relations shared by Maori and Pakeha.