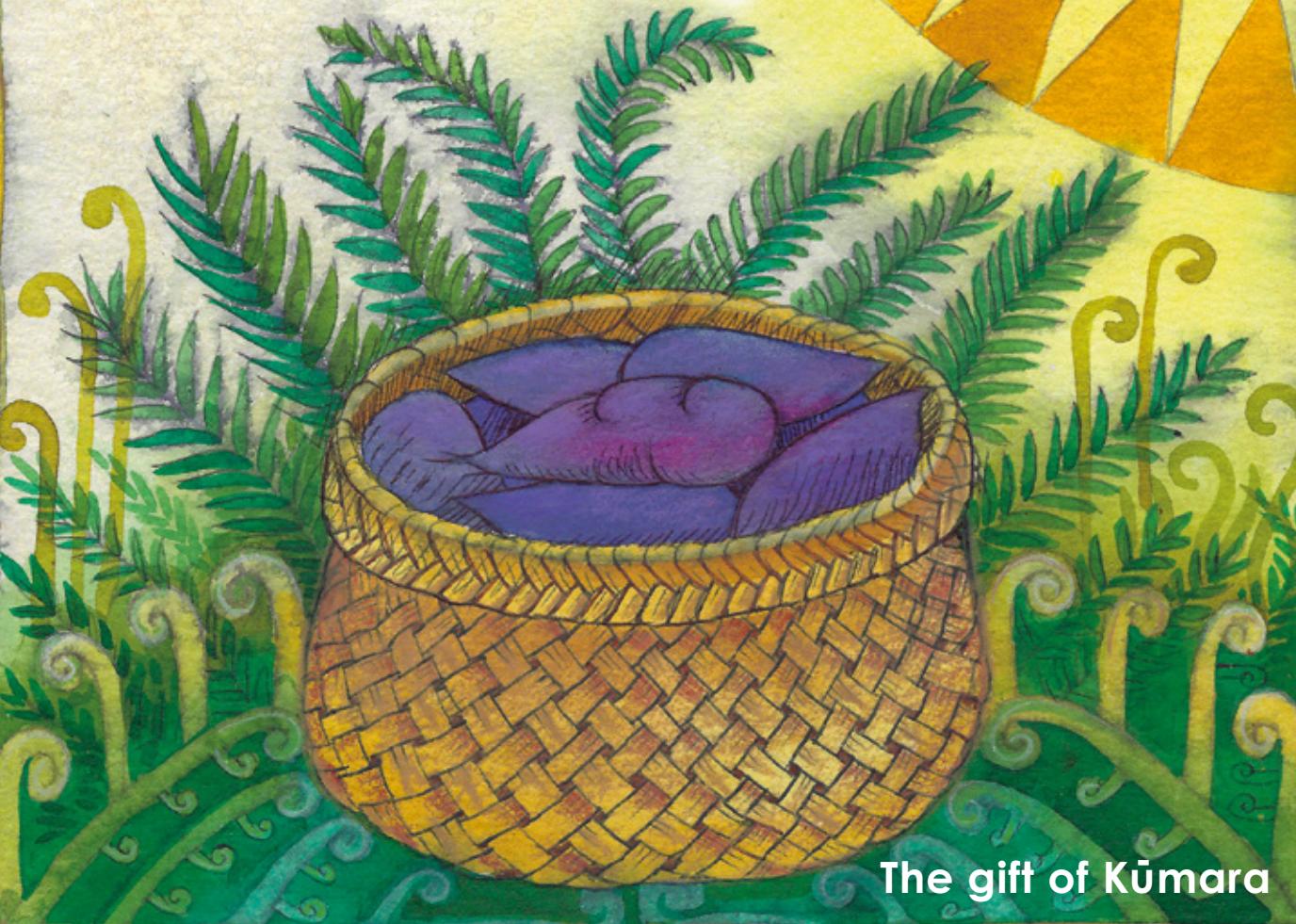


# Te Taonga nei te Kūmara



The gift of Kūmara



**Te Taonga nei te Kūmara nā 5+ A Day Charitable Trust  
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# Whakatōkia te kūmara

Plant the kūmara

ki te onepunga kiwikiwi.

into the grey, sandy soil.



**He waiporoporo te hua kūmara.**

The shoot of the kūmara is purple.

**He taonga nā Rongo.**

It is a gift from Rongo.







Kia iti noa te kōpaki  
i ngā kāwai,

Cover the shoots lightly,

kia mirimiria  
ai e Tānerore.

so that they are wrapped  
in the warmth of Tānerore.



Kia toroihi mai ngā rau  
kākāriki o te tipu kūmara,

Once they have sprouted  
with green leaves,





**huaranga hohonutia te tipu  
kūmara ki te paru parauri.**

plant the seedlings deep  
into the **brown** soil.



**Kia āhuru ai ngā tipu i te  
kōpū o Papatūānuku.**

So that the shoots are cradled  
by Papatūānuku.





**Me anga ngā aka  
ki Te Tairāwhiti,**

**Turn the roots to the east,**

**ki te ata tū o  
Tamanui-te-Rā.**

**towards where the sun rises.**





**Ka whāngaihia ki te waimāori.**

**Water the kūmara.**

**Ka pāina ki ngā hihi  
o Tamanui-te-Rā.**

**Let it soak up the rays  
of Tamanui-te-Rā.**

**Ka manaakitia ki te  
whakaaro pai.**

**Care for it kindly.**





Ina kōwhai mai  
te tipu o te rau,

When the leaves are yellow,

he tohu tēnei me  
hauhake i ngā kūmara.

it's time to harvest.







