

Tauhoa School Tattler 2022

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School Whakatauki: Kia totika tou mana, Hei painga mo te katoa, Me te taia.



A wonderful supply of sports gear from all our Yummy stickers! This Tattler:



For Your Diary March

• 17th Immunisations for years 7&8 HPV and Boostrix



Happy Birthday to MRS G! 4th March Lillian Otway 4th March Danny Morse 27th February Chantay Fitchett 13rd February Rosa Holmes-Libbis 10th February

Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

Welcome to Tauhoa School Benson and family! It is great to have you as part of our community!

Yes look for today's lucky symbol $^{\ref{eq:symbol}}$

This week we entered into Phase 3 of the red light system.

This really changes nothing for us at school. (A little less paperwork for me if we get a case here at Tauhoa School.) School is open and will stay open. The only thing that will change is if we have teachers in isolation. This will mean that the isolation packs will be used in school or at home depending on how many teachers we can have covering school.

Close contacts at school still can come to school and we would really only expect to see children home if they are isolated due to being a household contact of someone who is positive.

I think it is imperative that we keep our students at school as much as we can. They have had a crazy two years of learning and being back is so important for them to socialise and get back into 'school mode'.

Coming home today is a copy of the letter from the Ministry of Education on Phase 3. Please read at your leisure.

Board News

We farewell Garrie Eaton from the Board this month. Thank you, Garrie, for everything you have done for our school. The board Co-opted Keryn Smith to the Board to fill this position.

In the latter half of the year, we are to hold the Board elections. Feel free to talk to me or our presiding member, (yes I think it's PC gone mad), Bridget Boler about what it is like to be on the Board. By the way, it's no longer called a board of trustees just a Board; Tauhoa School Board

Masks: This has now changed under phase 3

Masks are a front line item that makes a difference if your child becomes a close contact if we have a case at school. If your child has a mask on they are not considered close contact. I know these are hot to wear, and some do have exemptions not to wear them. But if your child can and is able, I would ensure they do.

We protect our tamariki through key interventions such as wearing masks, good ventilation, spatial distancing, 'stay at home if sick' policies and good hand hygiene.

Sick child: stay at home

Thank you to those families who are already looking after us all by keeping unwell children at home. A reminder; if they have any of the omicron symptoms, you should see a doctor or get a test. Students are not to return to school till at least 24 hours after the symptoms go. If covid, its 72 hours

Contacts

Please ensure we have your up to date contact details. Recently, we had a child with an injury and were unable to get hold of any caregivers to take this child to a doctor. If we don't get hold of a caregiver, and it is deemed urgent, either a staff member will or an ambulance will be called, to get the child to a medical facility.

Office Area

Our office area is not a walkthrough for students coming to and from school. This ensures that unvaccinated parents aren't near our students when visiting the office. Under normal operations, it is a place for adults only. Please remember this when coming to school.

Currently, we are not using the hallway as this is hard to keep children separated by 1 m. Bags are out on the decks.

In Red and Orange, we try to limit who is on-site. Thank you to all of you for waiting outside the school while a staff member gets your child. Please in the morning go to the office if you need to give a message to your class teacher or need to see your child. We really are trying to restrict people wandering on-site

Under normal operations when you pick up a child, you need to let the duty teacher (one wearing a pink jacket) know that you have your child. Please make sure you see this teacher. It is for the safety of your child.

Dropping off picking up times

If your child is not on the bus. You may drop your child off at 8 am. Please pick them up at 2-30 pm.

Odd Jobs

There are quite a lot of tidy up jobs and other bits and pieces needing to be done around the school. As we can't really all get together for a working bee, Please phone Jason via the school office to offer a hand. Jason also needs a few parents to help take furniture from the decks to under Atuanui Room.

Kids Kare Afterschool Programme

I have Alice Cunningham to cover our after school programme if people put their hands up to use this. To make it work, I need four students on average a day to cover costs to make it work. We also need to charge \$20 per student per day. This may reduce if we get enough people using this service. We are still happy to have casuals.

If you wish to use this service, please contact the school office as soon as possible with the days you require. Our service runs from 2-30pm to 5-30pm. Forms are available from the office.

Number Knowledge

Here is a piece of jargon for you, " your child needs to learn their basic facts" or "needs to learn the family of facts"

Basic facts start with knowing the following in this order.

Addition sums to 10 : that is every sum that adds up to 10 or less. 2+3=5 through to 9+1=10. Then is addition to 20, 15+4 = etc. Then the expectation is for children to learn subtraction facts to 10 then to 20. All these should be 'known'. That means fairly quick recall by the end of year 2.

From Year 3 we look to the multiplication facts:

Year 3 students should learn their 2x 5x and 10 x tables

Year 4, 3x 4x 6x tables plus improving the quick recall of all the others

Year 5, 7x 8x 9x $^{\#}$ and start to look at divisions of 2, 5, 10.

Year 6. By the end of this year they should know all the basic facts including all division basic facts.

Year 7 & 8 Students at this year level now use that basic fact knowledge to multiply decimals, negative numbers etc,.

So what is the family of facts you ask?

Family of Facts are when you use one fact or set of 3 numbers say: 7+8=15

The family of facts for this is: 7+8=15, 8+7=15, 15-8=7, 15-7=8.

It helps students solve maths problems quickly when they know about the reversibility of maths problems

Vetting and Vaccines

I know, this has been in our Tattler a lot! But we have very few parents on file to do camps etc. So...

If you think you will want to be able to take part in trips, help around school, or be a camp parent we need to both have you Police Vetted (can take up to 2 months), and see your vaccine passport to be on site.

All this information is confidential.

Please see me if you wish to discuss this further



High Fives to: All year 4,5,6,7 and 8 for wearing your masks properly and doing your bit to keep Tauhoa safe!

FOTS

Our support team or PTA is called FOTS; Friends of Tauhoa School. It is made up of parents and other supporters of our school community. Being part of this group helps you create amazing friendships. They help run the events to raise the image of Tauhoa School and extra funds for our school. Many hands make the mahi easy! Look out for our first meeting coming up shortly!

Summer is here

Students will be issued with a school hat. No other hat will be used at school. Please keep these at home.

We do have sunblock here for students to use; they just may need a reminder.

Immunisations Year 7&8

Boostrix and HPV1, Consent forms will be coming out this week for Immunisation, They have been scheduled for the 17th March. Forms will need to be signed and handed in to the office, please.



Please also subscribe to our Facebook page and Tauhoa Community page

Tae noa ki muri. (Until later)

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