

# Tauhoa School Tattler 2022

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For Your Diary
August • 19th Tree Planting Naumai Reserve
 September
<ul> <li>9th School Speech Competition Finals</li> <li>16th RRS Netball Touch Comp. Year 4-8 only</li> <li>23rd RRS Cluster speech comp.</li> <li>30th Term 3 Ends</li> </ul>

Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

Road bumps! I'm sure they are there to teach you to be prepared for everything!

Our latest road bump is the closing of the hall. This also came as a surprise to Bridget Boler, who manages the hall on the council's behalf, who had no idea it was out of action for 4 weeks.

So, we have to postpone the Trivial Pursuits night till later. This will give everyone more time to think about their table theme and who to invite. So there is a plus side.

We are a lucky community to have four fantastic, might I add females, who have put their names forward to be on our School Board for the next three years.

Bridget Boler, Debbie Mason, and Keryn Smith are now also joined by Jessie Sutton! The staff representative is Jo Hendren and I am the final board member that makes up a fantastic team.

Sadly, the board farewelled Jackie Tameris from her time on the board. I want to publicly acknowledge her commitment to our school and the wonderful support she gave me as chair. Jackie is a wonderful caring intelligent woman who was able to see through the fog and make light of the many different issues we dealt with together. I will miss her on the board.

## Bugs, Masks and Covid

As you will be aware from the letter sent home on Friday we have our first teacher with covid. We sent spare RATS for you in case you feel there is a need to test your child. Year 4 and up, along with staff, had been wearing masks as I mention in the last Tattler:

"Because we have such horrendous bugs going around, along with covid, we must stay wearing masks until at least the end of August. There are some Children and some members of our community that do not require to wear masks due to health reasons."

This is still in place and we all should make a greater effort to ensure mask wearing at school.

Public health advice is that wearing masks continues to be strongly encouraged when indoors. Wearing a mask is a crucial health measure that slows the spread of COVID-19 in indoor settings. *Therefore, we ask that visitors to the school, including parents and whānau, wear a mask whenever they are indoors on school grounds.* 

We are still trying to keep the parents off-site as much as possible. So please stay out of school at pick-up and drop-off times.

We have managed to get relievers in for most of the week for this class. I thank you now for your understanding as we go through this set of bumps in the road! We will stay open until we cannot maintain safe supervision for our students.

# Planting Day: THIS FRIDAY 19th

Once again we are planting the trees we have grown at the Naumai Reserve. It would make the day a greater success if we could have members of the community join us in this event. The last trees we grew were planted there on our behalf by volunteers due to covid lockdowns etc. It will be great to add to this for our whole community to enjoy in the future. If you would like to come please let the school know via the office.

We should be finished by 12 pm.

## Ag Day: Saturday, October 22nd

I hope my quick list in the last Tattler helped put this fantastic day into perspective.

#### . Animals

Quite a few of you have received their chicks to raise for the Calf Club event of Ag Day. I can't wait to see all these friendly hand-reared chickens coming to school!

For the rest of the students who want to show an animal, the choice is a calf, lamb or kid. ( You can have more than one animal, especially a chicken and a lamb etc.)

We do need to have these registered, so we can plan the day and purchase ribbons etc.

All animals at Calf Club must be born after 1st July. So now is the time you should either already have an animal or are looking for one.

We do have contacts and ringing the school to let us know you want a lamb or calf to raise means we know whos looking for one. (Sometimes you can borrow, raise, show and return.) Keep an eye out on Facebook too.

The registration form is coming home today. Once you register your animal, we will send you your handbook.

## White Elephant Stall

A reminder we are already collecting items for this. Please think about what you send as something you would see in an op shop so the things we get are saleable!

## <u>Nits</u>

We have an outbreak of nits at school. Please check your child's hair. We have some free shampoo at school if you need it

## Kids Kare,

This is available after school. We do allow casual users. Please contact the office for more details. Kids Kare operates from 2-30pm to 5-30pm.

Tae noa ki muri.

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