

TAUHOA SCHOOL Learning to live | Living to learn



## **TAUHOA TATTLER #6**



It is strange how things happen sometimes. I'm currently on a work-to-rule action, as are all the Principals around the country. This means I stop working at night and on the weekends. Last weekend I spent my Sunday reading, knitting and even watched a movie!

What a treat! I should not need to be on some strike action to enjoy a whole weekend! Also, recently, I reshuffled the roster for duties. Did you know that teachers are not guaranteed breaks, including a lunch break? Our contract does not include them! We are desperately short of teachers. The profession we train for is not attractive enough to attract people to the role. Hence both teachers and principals are committed to improving things

like better pay, time for planning and support for our special needs students.

Thank you to the many parents who joined us for the Weetbix Try /Fun Run on Tuesday What champions of children we all have! Some students completed up to 15 laps! We now need to have the sponsorship money in order to be able to award those who took the option of raising money for the school. Please return this by Monday 15th May.

#### What is Coming up

#### May 2023

- 10th Tech at Rodney College starts for Years 7&8 (Shoes required)
- 15th Sponsorship money returned
- 16th Junior Tabloid Sports
- 18th Signing of Enviro Schools contract
- 19th Trees for Survival Planting

#### June

- 5th Kings Birthday, School Closed
- 17th Trivial Pursuits Night 7 pm. Doors open 6-30pm
- 20th RRS Soccer and Netball Years 4 to 8

## **Term Reminders For Term 2**

- Please return all your pool keys.
- Students who like to use the field require a change of clothes in their bag
- Students will no longer need to wear school hats.
- Please ensure your child brings their book bags to school every day.
- We are a healthy lunch school If you choose to send a lunch to school, please supply a healthy lunchbox <u>https://nutritionfoundation.org.nz/lunchbox-ideas/</u>
- We keep personal stationery at home and use school supplies only at school.

### **School Lunches**

Attached are the menus for the next few weeks. These are yummy, and students do ask for seconds!

We have organised that mayonnaise and tomato sauce will not be put on at the kitchens but here for those who wish to have them on their food. We encourage all students to have a go eating this food. Lunch coming from home should be a healthy lunch!

### **Trivial Pursuits Night**

This is a regular event that, with **Bar** and door sales, helps with our fundraising. \$15 per person or \$60 for a table of six. This is a family night. So find some friends and book a table. Please bring your own nibbles. A cash bar is available with a selection of Stoke Beers, wines and RTD's and non-alcoholic beverages at very reasonable prices!

#### **Teacher Aide**

We still are looking to find someone to cover a student for support This is a fixed-term position based on Interim support funding.

#### **Camp Fee**

We are allowed to charge a fee to cover food and accommodation for camp. For those who have not paid this, please find an invoice attached.

## School Photos and Siblings Order Online.

Sadly we couldn't be by the tree for photos this year. They will be available to order shortly online.

#### **Impact Projects**

On Fridays, between 11 and 12-30pm, our year 3 to 8 students have 'Impact'. Impact projects allow them to enjoy learning different things that will enhance or impact their learning in new and different ways.

We would really like more options to give students and have smaller groups. Do you have a passion, interest, or skill to share and teach our students? Can you commit to being at school every Friday for about four weeks? As you would be working with our students, a police vet must occur. Please contact Jenn or Rebecca via the school office.

### **Enviroschools**

Whaea Jenn leads the school to be acknowledged and part of the Enviro School Programme. On the 18th of May, we will have a ceremony to acknowledge this. If you are interested in the event, and supporting the school as an enviro school, please contact Jenn via the school office. Invitations will be sent out shortly to those asked to attend.

Our Tattler comes out every fortnight. Please feel free to add community news by contacting the office.

Tae noa ki muri.

Vivienne Goldsmith Principal

#### **School Contacts**



# Keeping in touch

We use many ways to keep you informed. Have you:

- Joined Tauhoa Community Facebook Page, and Tauhoa School Page
- Download the Skool Loop App onto your phone and select Tauhoa School and the groups you need to hear from (FOTS General and your child's class). This information is on the administration side of the school.
- Sign up to Class Dojo, and download this onto your phone. This app allows you to see what your child is doing at school and receive messages from your class teacher.
- Read the Tattler and other notices that come home!