



TAUHOA SCHOOL

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Netball dress-up day, our teams!

TAUHOA TATTLER #12

14th August 2023

Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

It has come to our attention that a car keeps turning up at our school. The police have been informed, and we have doubled our supervision. A 'silver car' or, more correctly, its driver, has been seen acting disturbingly around the area, and it seems for quite a while. The police have an open case for this complaint. The students at school are safe. We must let them play happily and securely, letting us adults do our job!

Sadly, Jaz left our team earlier than expected, and we now await Robyn's return in Term 4. Thank you Jaz, for filling in and working with our students.

What Is Coming up

August

Pie orders out

- **17th Senior Class Te Ari Beach clean up**
- **18th School Speech Contest from 11am all parents welcome**
- **25th Friday MID TERM BREAK School Closed**
- **31st RRS Speech Contest**

September

- **1st Pie orders in**
- **8th Netball touch RRS cluster sports Year 4-8**
- **13th Pies delivered**
- **19th RRS Cross Country Whole school @Pariki School**
- **22nd End of term 3**

AG Day and Gala.

This is our major fundraiser, and we hold this on a long weekend for several reasons.

Firstly, the cars heading north can stop in, and we can gain their support. The second reason is that Ag and Calf Club take a massive amount of effort by the staff that we need the extra day in Labour Weekend to rest and re-energise. Group day is also usually on Monday, so our students can do Calf Club at school before the big day. However, we do review this, and now that the Kowhai Festival has moved to Labour weekend, we may need to adjust our day.

We have only had one big day in the year rather than splitting these events (Ag Day and a Gala). We rely on our close communities to also attend. Kaipara Flats are holding theirs on the 28th and Tapora and Wellsford on the 14th. So, this year we have no choice but to clash with the Kowhai Festival. As usual, We will need everyone's support to make this day a success.

What does that mean for you? (In no set order)

- Support your child with an animal entry (chicken, lamb, calf or kid) for the Calf Club section.
- Add yourself to the roster to man a stall on the day.
- Help find goods and sponsors for our silent auction and Quickfire
- Have a spring clean and send good items for the white elephant.
- Plan to bake a cake or make a jam and preserves for our competitions.
- Over the holidays, help your child get ready for the in-class activities on the Friday before.

Yes, it seems a lot, but each bit makes the day a fun and successful event for all of us. There are committee members that do so much more. The money raised helps fund the extras like the screens in class, our 1 to 1 computer system and hopefully, a butterfly garden / outside classroom.

So currently, we need people looking for those sponsors and have you register animals for the Calf Club. The registration forms are coming home with this Tattler

Cross Country training

Cross-country will be going ahead in September. We have started training for this, so please be aware kids could get muddy.

Parent, Pupil, and Teacher Learning Conversations.

These were well attended. Well-grounded in research, these are proven to support and improve students' learning. At Tauhoa, we strongly believe in the importance of kanohi ki te kanohi, face-to-face reporting. Written reports had become a bit wishy-washy, full of acronyms and lacked honest and informative information due to the lack of space. Even though the school is closed to all students, we are still open to allow students, whanau, parents and teachers to have 20 minutes of focused conversations to support our student's learning. We have to have these over two days and into one night to have enough time for all to attend.

Pie Time

As mentioned previously, the FOTS team decided to have a different approach to fundraising this year. This includes looking at selling delicious Oxford Pies to our community,

Deb Mason is running this, and she advises me that the forms will be coming home shortly for you to order these. Please ask others to support this fundraiser. The Orders will need to be in by the 1st of September, and pies etc., get delivered to school on the 13th of September.

Health and PE Survey

Recently, I emailed out the Health and PE survey. We are required to survey parents about this topic every two years. Please complete this online survey. Alternatively, you can contact the office for a paper copy of the survey.

There is also an open survey in the school foyer as we start to rewrite our strategic plan. The Board's Ideas are to the side.

Please add your ideas of what you want to see for a Tauhoa Learner now, and for our school in the next three years. This is your community school, Have your say to help shape its future.

Looking to 2024 Roll Numbers

Please let the office know if you have a child due to start next year. You may know others that want to attend the best little community school in the North. Please get them to ring the office. Please let us know if you see your child leaving and not attending in 2024.

We will shortly need to decide the number of spaces to offer to out-of-zone students. We must maintain a certain level roll number to remain a 3-teacher school.

Heads up

We are also starting to look at significant events in 2024. We have a whole school 'camp'. This means we bring activities to school for everyone, and certain classes stay over at school or on the reserve for different amounts of time. For example, the senior class will camp out in tents all week: the middle school room for a few nights and the juniors one night. During that time, we travel for a big day out or have a climbing wall come to school. Dates are still to be finalised, but there will be a cost for the camp aspect for all classes in week 3 or 4 of the first term.

I have also started looking at restarting our senior class (Year 6 to 8) to visit Hillary Outdoor Centre at Tongariro in Term 3 of next year. This camp will cost approximately \$350 for the week away, depending on how much sponsorship I can get and the mode of transport (train or van). Cleasby Whanau will probably be fundraising for this event.

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

Tae noa ki muri.

Vivienne Goldsmith
Principal

Term Reminders For Term 3

- 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
<https://nutritionfoundation.org.nz/lunchbox-ideas/>
- We keep personal stationery at home and use school supplies only at school.

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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!