



TAUHOA SCHOOL

Learning to live | Living to learn



Cleasby Whanau after their beach clean up at Te Ari Beach.

TAUHOA TATTLER #13

28th August 2023

Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

I hope you all enjoyed your three-day weekend with your children. Normally, this mid-term break aligns with the bus supply due to Rodney College having a mid-term break. This time, due to the late notice from Rodney College, we were the only school having one. It was very timely as we have a lot of students sick with colds and coughs, so a little break from each other gets us through the winter chills.

By now you will have all noticed the many new car parks we have around school. The latest, dug out by Smiths Transport, filled with the compliments of Masons Construction, and spread by Mike Boler, has meant more space for parking. A big thank you to these wonderful people and companies!

If you intend to come into school, use one of these car parks rather than leaving your car in the turning bay to allow smooth traffic movement. We are bigger, and more of our community is choosing to bring students to school.

Also, remember that students are meant to walk around the outside of school and not come into the office area in the morning unless they report their lateness or drop off something for the office.

What Is Coming up

August

Pie orders out

- **31st RRS Speech Contest**

September

- **1st Pie orders in**
- **8th Netball touch RRS cluster sports Year 4-8**
- **12th St John First Aid in Schools Programme**
- **13th Pies delivered**
- **19th RRS Cross Country Whole school @Pariki School**
- **22nd End of term 3**

(A reminder that the school calendar is on Skool Loop)

Police Vetting

A reminder that if you wish to come to camp or sleep over at events, the Board has a policy that volunteers need to be police vetted. Please consider doing this early!

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.

Pie Time

How is the pie selling going? I have made my order. Please get out and sell these, as they are a super fundraiser for this term.

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 Final Call to Complete

Recently, I emailed 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 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 who 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. (Or eight than we currently have, more to make us a four-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.

AG Day

Registration forms should be coming in for those children and animals that will be on show on the day. Remember that we can also have a pet section for those with a pet rabbit or parrot to share. Ag day Booklets are coming home this week.
A Reminder: **No Dogs** are permitted on-site at all on the day.

We are still looking for sponsors for our silent auction and prizes. Please inform the FOTS team via the office if you can source items for this.

We can store items for the white elephant, so if you do some spring decluttering, remember to drop good saleable items off at school.

Next week, the in-class activities sheet will come out. This covers the items we make in classes on the Friday before Ag Day. The scene on the tray, the decorated biscuit or cake and the other items students need to prepare for.

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.

School Contacts

Staff and Board Contact Details 2023

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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!