



TAUHOA SCHOOL

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Ag Day 2022

TAUHOA TATTLER #14

18th September 2023

Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

Are you all as stunned as I am by 1: The speed of this term and, 2: The time it has taken to go into restricted fire season, and, more importantly, the alerts for a dry, hot summer as I have heard warnings of the worst drought in 80 years.

I have been told there have been grass fires in the Auckland Region! I wonder when the words I wish we had rain will come from our lips!

But putting weather aside, Ag Day is the primary thing on everyone's minds around school. The senior students organise their part of the day with the games they design, organise and run. My office is starting to fill with the many things our FOTS teams are collecting for the silent auctions and prizes. And today, I came with a ute load of items for our White elephant. I have seen photos of seedlings being cultivated and animals being fed.

So where are we at, and have you?

- ☐ Registered animals that will be on show. This includes pets. No cats or dogs, sorry.
- ☐ Completed your favourite spot on the roster and handed it back. (I will send out the completed version on the first week back with all areas allotted if you haven't chosen.)
- ☐ Completed the helper's form

- ☐ Looked to friends and family for sponsorship, donations, goods, and produce for the day.

Today, the buckets and tickets come home. The information about the bucket raffle is with them for our new parents.

Inside will be a 2nd draft of the roster, the information sheet on In Class Activities Day and a new helpers form.

What Is Coming up

September

- **19th RRS Cross Country Whole school @Pariki School**
- **22nd End of term 3**

October

- **9th School Starts Term 4**
- **20th Ag Day In Class Activities Day**
- **21st Ag Day and Gala: School is open**

November

- **6th Teacher only Day, Curriculum Refresh Training**
- **17th RRS Athletics, Whole School Event**
- **30th Music Showcase night for A Plus Music**

December

- **13th Trip to Triri Tiri Maitangi (Possible)**
- **13th End of Year Assembly/ Prizegiving**
- **14th Last day of School School closes at 12-30**

(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.

Complaints Procedure

Please find attached a copy of our complaints procedure.

I recently became aware of a campaign against the education system and myself. This behaviour just isn't fair to other parents or our students who choose to attend our school. Our school has a fantastic reputation, and we now have to refuse out-of-zone people regularly when they phone.

So, if you have an issue with something at school, your first step is to talk to the person concerned at school. School issues and problems should come to school and not between parents. Often, I have found in my years of Principalship that concerns can be easily and quickly resolved by talking to the teacher or myself.

Whole School Camp Week

We have a whole school 'camp'. This will run from 19th to 23rd February 2024. There will be activities at 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.

The cost for the seniors will be approximately \$150 towards the camp part of this week. This cost lessens depending on actually camp over time each class spends at school

RRS Netball and Touch

The senior students had a great day out. Thank you to the teachers who worked to make this a fun day for our students. Please remember all the extra things our teachers must do to run events like this. We need to value them as professionals and treat them as such.



Atiu Room Planting



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Atiu Room spent some time on Wednesday planting donated Fruit trees from **Ballance Agri-Nutrients**. This has increased the amount of fruit we can supply our students considerably. Thank you so much for the lovely Apples, plums, oranges and pears!!

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 4

- Students will need to wear school hats.
- The school pool will be available after Labour Weekend
- 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!