



TAUHOA SCHOOL

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TAUHOA TATTLER #5

8th April 2024



Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

That's a wrap to term 1, folks! I can't believe we are in April already. Easter turning up in the term also changes things, and I am sure many of us found coming back to school for one and a half weeks before school break a bit odd.

Starting term two, we welcome Anna-Maria Lopeti to our staff as our new teacher in Cleasby. Anna-Maria brings ten years of teaching experience to her role, including the past two years at Bader Intermediate. She and her partner, Sam, will live in the schoolhouse.

Matua Richard will spend eight weeks at another school for his first full teaching practicum. After this, he will return to Tauhoa.

We had two successful fundraisers this term. The Easter Raffle has raised a whopping \$1,470.00, and the quick Spring Bulb Sale added a further \$209.20. This is a great start to our fundraising efforts for 2024. The FOTS team has set an aim to help purchase a van for the school. Thank you so much to all who sold or purchased tickets, donated Easter eggs, or purchased bulbs for their gardens.

Welcome to our new student, Ashton Smith. Ashton is now a member of the Cleasby Whanau.

We have 60 students at our school, and it seems our roll will stay at this level for the next few years. We are currently only able to take in-zone students. If you know of anyone who lives in the zone and is due to come to school or wishes to transition from Homeschool to our school, please encourage them to phone the school office.

What is Coming up

April 2024

- 12th Last day of Term 1
- 25th Anzac Day and Dawn Parade Wellsford
- 29th Term 2 Starts for Students

May 2024

- 8th Learning Conversations 3pm-7pm (Book on Skool Loop)
- 9th Learning Conversations- School Closes 12-30pm (Book on Skool Loop)
- 16th Tabloid Sports, Years 1-3
- 22nd School Board Meeting
- 31st Mud Run and Fundraiser

June 2024

- 3rd Kings Birthday School Closed
- 4th MOE required Teacher Only Day - School Closed
- 13th RRS Soccer and Hockey Years 4-8 (Mouthguards Required)
- 26th School Board meeting
- 28th Matariki Celebration Day School Closed

Term Two Reminders

- School hats can go home if owned and no longer need to be worn.
- A spare change of clothes will be helpful in your child's bag
- We are a healthy lunch school. If you choose to send a lunch to school, please supply A a healthy lunchbox <https://nutritionfoundation.org.nz/lunchbox-ideas/>
- We keep personal stationery at home and use school supplies only at school.

Learning Conversations 8th-9th May

Our regular Parent Pupil Teacher meetings are on Wednesday from 3 pm to 5-30 pm and Thursday from 1 pm to 7-40 pm. These are to share information on how the year is going for your child and to share goals and ideas from each student for this year. Please book your slot on Skool Loop.

Tabloid Sports 16th May

This is a cluster sports day for our Year 1 to 3 students. Including lots of fun games for our juniors Our students will be catching the bus to Tomarata School and return. Parent help and support on the day would be appreciated, please let the office know. Please ensure your child has a drink bottle and lunch that day, there will usually be a little canteen of goodies to purchase on the day too. School sports uniforms will be provided. (If you have any contacts, please chat with the weather gods!)

Mud Run 31st May

This year, we are having a mud run for our fundraiser. This is an opportunity to get muddy, wet, be fit, and have fun while raising money for the school. Students will bring home a booklet that indicates what they can get as a prize depending on what they can raise in sponsorship to complete as many rounds of the mud run as they can. We run this event ourselves rather than outsourcing it as other schools do. Watch out for the sponsorship forms and further details coming home 2nd week of term.

ANZAC Parade

We can have students represent us at the ANZAC parade in Wellsford. If your child wishes to do so, we will supply them with a uniform to wear and create a wreath from the school to lay. Please let your class teacher know.

Our commemorative crosses will be displayed outside the hall for all our community to share this year.

Presiding Member

At the beginning of each school year the board must elect a new Presiding member, this year Bridget Boler decided not to stand. At our last meeting, Debbie Mason was voted on as the new Presiding Member (Chair), for 2024.

I am sure you will join me in thanking Bridget Boler for her work as our previous Presiding member. She hasn't left us; she is still on the board and determined to work hard for our school.

Buses

A few reminders for everyone using the school bus service.

Students are to be waiting for the bus ten minutes before it arrives.

Parents are meant to be at the bus stops before and after school.

Children on the bus must remain seated at all times.

The noise level and behaviour must not distract the driver.

Lost Property

Many lost property items are hanging around the school, including items from camp week. Please make sure you pop in and have a look for any items belonging to your children.

Ice Cream Containers

Please send any clean containers and lids to school for sending home leftovers.

Please let the office know if you wish to, and are happy to have the occasional meal sent home.

Sometimes, we have enough for a family to have dinner for the night!

School Accounts

Your statements should be coming out again today, please try and keep accounts up to date. Term 1 is at an end so stationery and camp fees should be well sorted. If you are having trouble, please call the office to arrange a payment plan.

Pool Keys

Pool season is officially over, All keys need to be returned to the office. Once you have returned the keys please send Email with your bank details for refund of the bond.

School lunches - Menu for week 11

Mon - Chicken Pasta

Tue - Spaghetti Bolognese

Wed - Chicken Bento Bowl

Thurs - Mac n Cheese

Fri - Nacho's

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

Have a safe and pleasant break from the school routine. I look forward to sharing my knowledge from Canadian schools with the team next term.

See you all on 29th April.
Tae noa ki muri.

Vivienne Goldsmith
Principal

School Contacts

Staff and Board Contact Details 2024

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