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TAUHOA TATTLER #12 5th August 2024

Ngā mihi o te tau hou. Hello my Friends

We welcome Jirich Jugarap and his family to our Tauhoa School community!

I'm sitting here after reading an email from Minister Stanford regarding the earlier implementation of Structured Numeracy. Both the new English and Maths Curriculum will be introduced in 2025. What this will look like still needs to be determined.

However, I can assure you the changes will not be stressful to our students, nor perhaps obvious. We already use structured literacy approaches in our classrooms, and rumours are that the Pr1me maths programme is almost the same as what the government looks to be providing. (It may even be that programme!)

We received news this week that we have received a grant for basketball hoops! These are the next generation Air time hoops 660, which are height adjustable.



We have also applied for funding for sun shades for our playground and a new sports shed.

We also have received support for planting at our school. As many of you know we have been trying to create a place for insects and butterflies. This is now coming to fruition. On the 30th August we will be planting at school on the bank in front of the multi purpose room, Atunui. Plus we have been given enough plants to create a lovely tree lined border around our school.

Parent help would be wonderful!

What is Coming up

August

- 7th Vision and Hearing testing
- 7th School Board meeting
- 8th Rodney college enrollment visit to our school
- 9th Trees for Survival Planting, Years 3-8
- 9th 8-30 am coffee Meeting for FOTS (planning AG Day & Gibbs Farm)
- 23rd Rodney college open day Year 8 Students
- 30th School planting for butterfly garden etc

September

- 3rd RRS Cross Country, Whole School at Pariki
- 13th RRS Netball and Touch, Years 4 to 8 Centennial Park Wellsford
- 20th <u>School Closed: TOD</u>
- 27th End of term

October

• 10th or 11th Gibbs Farm fundraiser TBC

Rodney College Enrollment visits/Enrollments

On the 8th of August we will have Jo Warahi and some year 9 students visit our school to talk to our Year 8's about Rodney college. Open day at Rodney college is on the 23rd August. Tauhoa staff will transport students to the college by 9am where they will spend the day there, lunch will be provided and the college will arrange transport back to Tauhoa.

Gibbs Farm Fundraiser

We have been given the right to sell tickets for a visit to Gibbs Farm on Thursday 10th or Friday 11 October.

This is an amazing opportunity to make some money towards a school van. Unlike others, we are going to charge a lot less for our tickets so that our community can enjoy this event. More details to come out shortly

Hearing and Vision

Hearing and vision testing is this Wednesday. If you have concerns, please send a written request to school for your child to be seen.

Trivial Pursuits Night

Thank you to those who attended this fun night. Although we didn't have lots to attend, it was great fun and we did make \$300 dollars.

Learning Conversations

These were well attended and it is great to have these face to face, kanohi ki te kanohi meetings about our students and their learning. Please remember we have an open door policy. This means our teachers are available to parents and caregivers when you need a catch up.

Measles outbreak - From Te Whatu Ora

Not enough New Zealanders are immunised against measles, which means there is a very high risk of an outbreak.

- The best protection against measles is two doses of the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine free for all young people aged 18 and under in New Zealand and all adults over the age of 18 who are eligible for free New Zealand healthcare.
- The first symptoms of measles are fever, cough, runny nose and sore red eyes, followed by a red or dark pink rash typically starting on the face or behind the ears three days after the first symptoms before moving down the body. If you observe these symptoms, encourage parents and/or caregivers to contact their healthcare provider or Healthline on 0800 611 116 immediately.

Absenteeism

Just a friendly reminder, if a student is not at school by the bell time of 8.30am you **must** contact the school to let us know, and explain why... If the office does not get informed they will be marked down as truant. You can report an absence on SkoolLoop, via the School website, telephone or email.

Ag Day

Animals

With a quick survey, I note we haven't any calves participating at Ag Day. Forms to register animals for the show are coming home today. When your child has an animal for Ag day please complete the form so we have an idea of numbers etc for ribbons. A handbook will be sent home. We do have a pet section but we do not allow cats and dogs.

Helpers, What are you prepared to help with??

We have had a couple of volunteers come forward to take a lead role in an area of Ag Day. Thank you. We still need more people to come forward and say they will take a lead role in an area of the day.

White Elephant

Thank you to Talia Brydone for taking the lead role for this event. We are now taking clean and sellable items for this.

Silent Auction

This has become a game changer and makes us about \$4000. We need to start collecting items, etc., for our silent auction and for prizes for raffles and the kids' games. Can your company that you work for or your friends help out? Start asking for us, please.

Plants stall

We would love to see people planting seedlings for our stall. Please let me know if you need containers. I have a lot!

Ag Day Crafts

Ok bring in those lid collections from the last few weeks. We now need to collect plastic bottles different shapes and generally larger ones. Please clean and send it to school over the next few weeks. Does anyone have contacts for shoe boxes?? Let me know!

School lunches Week 3

Mon- Filled Rolls Tues- Chicken Noodle Soup Wed- Enchilada's Thurs- Pork Fried Rice Fri- Savoury Mince & Mash

Week 4

Mon- Beef burgers Tues-Chicken Parmigiana Wed- Ginger beef rice bowl Thurs- Vege Soup Fri- Butter Chicken

Term Three Reminders

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

Well, I have covered everything for this Tattler. Remember, newsletters and a calendar are on Skool Loop!

Tae noa ki te wa e whai ake nei. Until next time

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