

TAUHOA SCHOOL

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TAUHOA TATTLER #6 April 28th 2025





Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

Welcome back to Term Two!

We welcome Harper New, Julian and Holly Spearpoint to our school as they join their siblings here at Tauhoa.

This term has minimal distractions or EOTC, which allows for significant focus in the classrooms. It is also only 9 weeks long, so that it will feel swift.

Part of this term includes King's Birthday weekend (June 2nd) and Matariki (June 20th).

Being Kind

A focus this term is on being kind to one another. We do this at our school in different ways.

Filling Peoples Buckets

Bucket-filling is a term used in education to refer to positive attitudes and behaviour. It relies on the analogy that every person carries an invisible bucket. This bucket holds a person's feelings and emotions.

When the bucket is full, it represents us feeling happy and content. However, when it is empty, we feel low, upset, and dissatisfied.

Bucket-fillers are those who act in ways that fill another person's bucket, and refers to those who practise kindness and good behaviour.

The analogy comes from the book *How Full Is Your Bucket?* by Tom Rath and Donald O. Clifton, You can find this book on YouTube.





OR In the Te Pahi, they THINK:

We have badges for staff and a student-focused reward system to promote this.

Let's all be bucket fillers and role models to everyone!

School Hours

Remember, starting from today, our school hours are 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM daily. This is NOT an "about time". Children are expected at school on time. Students who are continually late are reported to the Ministry. Last term, only 73% of students were on time for school.

School Attendance

Last term, only 52% of our students had regular attendance at school. This compares to 68% Term 1 2024.

Your child is legally required to be at school every day, unless they are sick. Whānau / family holidays or taking time off for extra activities are not acceptable reasons for being absent.

You must notify the school if your child will be absent from school. We are aware that people say children are sick, but if this happens regularly, we can request a medical certificate or report the absences to the ministry for investigation.

Missing a week of school each term means missing a whole year of learning by the time your child is 16. Regularly attending school helps students maximise their educational potential.

Upcoming Events in the Calendar

April 2025

28th School starts

May 2025

- 7th FOTS meeting Atuanui Room 1-30pm
- 16th Pink Shirt Day and gold coin donation!

June 2025

- 2nd King's birthday weekend
- 22nd Matariki
- 25th RRS Soccer /Hockey Tournament, Years 4 to 8.
- 27th End of term 2
- 28th Duty/Canteen at Netball Courts

July

• 14th Term 3 Starts

Term Reminders: Term 2 only

- School hats can go home to be washed, ready for Term 4.
 - Spare change of clothes in a plastic bag allows students to use the fields during wetter, muddy months.

- 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 Pool Use

Hey there! A friendly reminder that the pool is now closed for the season.

School Buses

The behaviour has improved. Let's keep it up so no one is removed from the bus for a week!

School Horse Trek

Thank you to all who helped with this fundraiser for the senior trip to Wellington—special thanks to the Boler families who put in a fantastic amount of effort towards this event.

School Accounts

Thirteen students still need to pay for the February senior school camp costs, which cover food and accommodation. We appreciate those who have already contacted us and begun making payments. For those who haven't already done so, please contact the office to settle the outstanding amounts. Thank you!

We also have over \$ 1,000.00 still owed to the school for stationery. Please check your account statements. Again, you're welcome to start paying this off.

Temporary Chef

Jo is taking leave for term 3. We are looking for someone to be our chef and prepare our school lunches for Term 3. Commencing in week 9, Term 2, Training will be provided. Time is provided for planning and shopping for school supplies. Please contact the school office for more details.

AED

Our AED, in memory of Grace Pride, has been purchased and installed. It is a key-operated version. (Break the glass container for the key.) There are masks for mouth-to-mouth available at the bottom of the container, too. Be aware that a loud alarm sounds when you open this container.

Shortly, the School will offer an afternoon for the public to come and complete the 3 Steps to Life Programme, which will help everyone gain confidence in using an AED and completing quality CPR.



Sponsorship Sheets

Te Pahi students are out there fundraising for the Trip to Wellington. They all have sponsor sheets to complete. Please help them in this endeavour by taking these sheets to work on their behalf, or getting them to see the wider whanau for support.

Lunches Week 1

Mon - Chicken Burgers Tues - Sweet & Sour Pork Wed - Spaghetti Bolognaise Thurs - Chicken Drums & Mash Fri - Bacon Bone Soup

Week 2

Mon - Tomato & Bacon Pasta Tues - Wraps Wed - Chicken Bento Bowls Thurs - Savoury Mince & Mash Fri - Fried Rice

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

Tae noa ki muri.

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