



TAUHOA SCHOOL

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TAUHOA TATTLER

#7 May 12th 2025

Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

Today, we welcome Dhyon Patel and his family to our Tauhoa School community. We look forward to learning about Dynan and his family over the coming weeks.

In the last week of Term 1, we were visited by the Education Review Office. After their three-day visit, we co-constructed our School Report with them. I have not seen it yet, but I can assure you it's a good one.

One of the tasks I completed for them was to look at how we accelerate learning at Tauhoa School. This proved to be an exciting activity with many of our students making over a year's worth of learning in 6 months or a year and a half's learning in one year! That is fantastic, and we can be grateful to our teachers and the curriculum programme we follow here at Tauhoa.

School Hours

Remember, our school hours are 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM daily.

This is NOT an "about time" situation. Children are expected to be at school on time, and students who are continually late are reported to the Ministry.

Last term, only 73% of students were on time for school.

The Parent Portal

The Parent Portal, a new webspace for parents and whānau, is now available on [education.govt.nz](https://www.education.govt.nz).

It houses practical videos, activities, and resources to support learning that are easy to understand, empowering whānau to take a more active role in their child's education.

This includes 'parent-friendly' versions of both The New Zealand Curriculum and Te Marautanga o Aotearoa, so they'll know exactly what their child is learning, why it's essential, and when they'll be learning it.

We have also developed engaging videos that provide parents, carers and whānau with guidance on topics such as preparing for the first day of school or kura, understanding the first six months of learning, and resources and activities supporting learning at home.

As the national curriculum is refreshed over the next few years, we'll keep adding various activities designed to cater to different year levels and learning needs. Our goal is that this section of the education website becomes a tool for every family, regardless of their child's learning journey or language needs.

<https://www.education.govt.nz/parents-and-caregivers/schools-year-0-13/parent-portal>

Upcoming Events in the Calendar

May 2025

- 16th Pink Shirt Day and gold coin donation!

June 2025

- 2nd King's birthday weekend
- 6th-8th Possium Hunt weekend!
- 3rd Cookie-time orders in
- 22nd Matariki
- 25th RRS Soccer /Hockey Tournament, Years 4 to 8.
- 25th Learning conversations 3 pm to 6 pm
- 26th Learning conversations 1-10 pm to 7-40pm
- 26th School closes at 12:30 p.m. NO buses running at this time
- 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! This is a friendly reminder that the pool is now closed for the season. If you have any keys, please return them, even from previous seasons.

Reports

A few years ago, we redesigned our reports to be used as the basis of our learning conversations between students, their teachers, and their whanau. Your child's report will await you when you attend your learning conversation meeting this term.

These meetings are booked through the Skool Loop App.

Recently, the government set out information asking us to report on the new phases of the English and Maths curriculum. With the short lead time, we will give you a cover letter to help you understand the links between the levels we report on and the phases of learning. Remember that a phase covers three years: Phase 1: Years 1-3, Phase 2: Years 4-6, and Phase 3, in Maths only, Years 7 & 8.

The new English Curriculum is yet to be created for years 7 & 8.

School Photos

You can still order these. If you would like to buy photos but the backdrop light has reddened your child's ears, let me know the photo number, and Kyle will do his best to fix this before you purchase them.

Pink Shirt Day Friday, 16th May

We will dress in pink to say no to bullying. Please help your child wear pink and bring a coin donation.

Temporary Chef

Jo is taking leave for term 3. We seek someone to be our chef and prepare our school lunches for Term 3. Training will be provided in week 9 of term 2. Time is provided for planning and shopping for school supplies.

Please contact the school office for more details.

Possum Hunt

We are holding a possum Hunt to raise funds for the Senior Trip. Please share the attached flyer with your buddies and form a team to kill these pests and save our bush and Twisty the Kiwi and his friends! Register here...

<https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLScbfWy9ivBDYE.../viewform>

Through the event details on the Tauhoa Community Facebook page, Email - debz_paul05@hotmail.com Or contact the school office.

Sponsorship Sheets

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

Cookie Time Fundraiser

We are starting to sell Cookie Time cookies as a fundraiser. Please support the Year 7 and 8s in this venture. These sheets went home last Thursday, and a spare is on the counter for others to purchase.

Lunches

Week 3

Mon - Cheese Burgers
Tues - Butter Chicken
Wed - Nacho's
Thurs - Chicken soup
Fri - Lasagne

Week 4

Mon -Ginger Beef Bowl
Tues -Roast Chicken
Wed - Mac n Cheese
Thurs - Vege Soup
Fri - Chicken Pasta Salad

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

Tae noa ki muri.

Vivienne Goldsmith
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