



TAUHOA SCHOOL

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TAUHOA TATTLER

#7 May 26th 2025



Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

I waited with bated breath for the budget's impact on Education. The Minister has allocated a whopping amount to special education, and it is great to finally hear our calls. I am unsure how this will affect support at our school, but it sounds like we will finally get a Learning Support Coordinator and an increase of 1.5 for our operations grant. Recently, the minister also gave the nod to pay teacher registration for the next three years—another plus.

It may seem a bit of nepotism, but congratulations to Matua Richard on his sterling effort climbing the Skytower stairs: 51 floors and over 1000 steps. It was a little slower this year, 24 minutes, but dancing and singing were involved!

Congratulations to Layla Smith and Eden Smith for passing their D+ certificate in horse riding. We are all so proud of you two for studying and training hard.

Upcoming Events in the Calendar

June 2025

- 2nd King's birthday weekend
- 6th-8th Possum 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 7:40 pm
- 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 - Helpers needed.
- 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.

Healthy Lunches

Recently, I noticed a fundamental change in the food coming to school.

We are a healthy lunch school, so I ask parents and students to double-check what's being eaten. Large bags of chips, dried noodles, biscuits, etc., do not make a healthy snack or lunch.

We have a range of snacks at school if students need them for morning tea, provided by KidsCan.

Please rethink and check what your child is bringing to school. It's about feeding the brain, not just filling the tummy. Above is a great link to some super ideas for lunchboxes. Better still, get them to eat our fab school lunches while we have them!

Temporary Chef

Keryn Smith will be our Chef for term 3. Keryn has cooked many meals on camps for us and does fantastic things with Pasta!

RRS Soccer and Hockey 25th June

This is for year 4-8 students. Notices went home last week. Don't forget that all students will need a mouthguard. The office is running low on these, so please let us know as soon as possible if you still require one.

Reports/Learning Conversations

These meetings are booked through the Skool Loop App. Please make a time to meet with your child and teacher and go over the report with them.

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.

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, Twisty the Kiwi and his friends! Register here...

<https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLScbfWY9ivBDYE.../viewform>

The event details can be found on the Tauhoa Community Facebook page, by emailing debz_paul05@hotmail.com or contacting 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 to complete sheets on their behalf by taking them to work 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. Orders are due back on June 3rd.

School Photos

You can still order these digitally only. Kyle has noted that our photos will have a different background next time.

Tabloid Sports

Thank you to our staff and parents who took our Year 1 to 3 students to Tabloid Sports at Tomorata School last Friday. It looks like a lot of fun and great activities took place!



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

Tae noa ki muri.

Vivienne Goldsmith
Principal

Lunches

Week 5

Mon - Chicken Burgers
Tues - Penne Bolognese
Wed - Sweet and Sour Pork
Thurs - Savoury Mince & Mash
Fri - Bento Bowls

Week 6

Mon - Tomato & Bacon Pasta
Tues - Wraps
Wed - Chicken Drumsticks
Thurs - Soup
Fri - Fried Rice

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