



# TAUHOA SCHOOL

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## TAUHOA TATTLER

**#10 June 23rd 2025**

Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

Happy Matariki, Everyone!

Did you know it's the first time an indigenous celebration has been put back on the calendar in any colonised country in the world?

We usually have a Thanksgiving dinner as a family, but with the horrible bugs around at the moment, we couldn't be together. I hope your family was able to spend quality time together over this 3-day weekend.

We have held our first organisation meeting for Ag Day and Gala.

Bridget Boler, our FOTS chair, along with Deb Mason, Presiding Member of our School Board, and I met to start the ball rolling. We will meet regularly from now on to ensure the success of our Ag Day event.

But to make a school a community school, it takes more than the usual support of 5 or 6. It takes **ALL** of us!

This school break, we need people prepared to start knocking on the doors of businesses around Wellsford, Kaiwaka, Warkworth and beyond to help support our Gala with the Silent auction, Prizes big and small, to ensure we have the support for the best AG day and Gala we can have the best one ever!

On Wednesday or Thursday, when you attend your Learning Conversation with your child and teacher, please stop by the office. Bridget and I will have the necessary forms, certificates, and other documents ready for you to visit the towns and gather support.

Please remember to think about who you know who can help support our school at our big event.

On behalf of the students, staff and the organising team, thank you.

## WHAT'S ON?

### June 2025

- 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.
- 28th Year 7 &8 Car Wash Wellsford

### July

- 14th Term 3 Starts
- 16th FOTS meeting, All welcome
- 18th Trees for Survival Planting (at the reserve)
- 26th Trivia Pursuits Night, with optional Dinner, Community Hall

### 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.

## RRS Soccer and Hockey 25th June

Our Year 4-8 students will travel by bus to Port Albert Sports Field on Wednesday, 25th June 2025, to participate in the Rodney Rural Schools Soccer and Hockey Day.

All students will be required to wear a mouth guard. We will start practising these sports for P.E. leading up to Sports Day, so this means that all students (including Year 3 students, as they will be included in the practice) will need to have these items at school every day for practice. Please remember that these will need to be moulded and fitted to your child's teeth. We will have these available to purchase from the school office for \$8.00 each.

On the day, the bus will leave school at 9 a.m. and transport all students. Please advise the office or your teacher if you plan to take your child/children straight there. As usual, all parents and caregivers are welcome to join us and help out for the day. The bus will return to school in time for the after-school bus. Students will be given sports uniforms for the day.

### Reminders

- Full morning tea/lunch and a Drink bottle
- **Mouth guard**
- Some coins for the canteen
- Sun hat, Sun block
- Covered sports shoes - NO Sprigs

## Reports/Learning Conversations

These meetings are booked through the Skool Loop App. Please schedule a time to meet with your child and their teacher to review their report.

## Staff changes

Bode has taken some long-term leave. Les, our magic music man, is on hand if and when we need him to fill in.

Jo Green is also on leave for term three, and Keryn Smith will be running the kitchen. Lunches at school will be available from week 1 to week 9. Week 10 is up in the air.

## Trivial Pursuits Night with optional Dinner

Our annual Trivial Pursuits night is scheduled for July 26th. Start thinking about who is on your team and what your table theme will be. This is an adult community event supporting the school's fundraising efforts. \$15 per person or \$80 per table. A dinner is an optional extra at \$20 per person. Pre-purchase or pay on the night for a yummy dinner.

Prize for winning table and best themed table on the night. Cash bar only. Bring your own nibbles.

## Car wash

On the 28th, the Year 7 & 8 team is washing up a storm, cleaning cars in Wellsford. Please support them by bringing your vehicles to Quick Auto, and let's get them sparkly! \$15 per car. There is a sausage sizzle to enjoy while you watch the parents and students clean your cars.

## Raffle

This week, we start a raffle for the remaining funds needed for the Wellington Trip. We are sending home tickets for everyone to try and sell, and there is a prize for any student who sells the most, or all, of their tickets. It's \$10 a ticket, but there are lots of great prizes!

## Netball Duty/Canteen

Tauhoa Netball is on duty Saturday, 28th July, at the netball courts in Wellsford. This will mean we will be running the canteen and cleaning up at the end of the day.

We need helpers for this:

Canteen is open from 8:30 am - 1.30 pm and pack up will be around 1.30 pm

We also require some home-baked goods to sell, such as slices, biscuits, or cupcakes, which are nice and easy to serve. These can be dropped off at school on Friday or at the courts on Saturday morning. Please note that we will ensure you won't miss watching your child's game. Please let us know what time you can help and if you're able to assist with baking. The fundraising will go towards sports jackets for both netball and other events. Any help is greatly appreciated.

## Ag Day and Gala October 2025

### Animals

All the animals on show (Calves, Kids, Lambs, and Chickens) are to be born after July 1st. We send a registration form out later in the year. Registration forms will be out in the 2nd week of the term. Upon returning a completed registration, we will send home a booklet on handling your animals. We have a very traditional show ring here at Tauhoa.

### Chickens

We sent forms to order chickens last week. Chickens are a good option for our town dwellers with little space. Often, you can rehouse these if you do not wish to keep them. You must order a minimum of 2. These day-old chicks will be ready to be picked up the first week of August.

### White Elephant

No clothes this year. But do start popping things in a box when you spring clean. Ensure it is a clean, saleable item, similar to what you would find in a thrift shop.

### Sponsors

We need sponsors for prizes and our silent auction. Start asking around for these.

Tae noa ki muri.

Vivienne Goldsmith  
Principal

## Week 9, 23rd-27th June

Monday - Zucchini & Bacon Pasta

Tuesday - Savoury Mince & Mash

Wednesday - year 0-3 only, Chicken Nuggets (Year 4 up are at Soccer/Hockey)

Thursday - Half day NO LUNCH

Friday - Nachos

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