

Taipa Area School

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NEWS LETTER

Week	Date	Item
8	8-10 June	Manu Korero Regionals
9	19 June	Yr 3 -6 Mini Football - Kaitaia
11	1 July	Matariki Ki o rahi Tournament
11	3 July	The Beast Fun Run
11	3 July	Last day of the term
	4 - 20 July	School Holidays
12	5-10 July	NZ Area Schools Tournament

Dear Parents

I welcomed a call from the MOE today informing us that our decile rating review has been successful. This means that our rating will not increase and we will retain the extra funding and support that decile 2 schools are fortunate to receive. For us specifically, it will mean being able to retain certain teacher aide and support staff positions next year as well as being able to provide fresh fruit to students daily and maintaining the breakfast club. Thank you to parents who filled in the review forms and sent them back to school last term.

This term we want to ensure that every senior student is clear on what their learning pathways is including associated long term and short term goals. Each student will have this built into a profile page on our school management system called KAMAR. Students and parents will be able to access this and other information shortly through a parent/student portal which is connected to our website.

The Board of Trustees have completed a review of the Charter and this is now posted on the school website. The new Charter outlines the school's vision and strategic goals and sets out the plan of how we intend to achieve those goals. It also explains the changes that have occurred in regards to curriculum delivery. The school's vision and subsequent goals are a direct result of the community consultation that happened last year

School Vision

'Self Directed Learners Empowered to make Positive Life Choices'

Strategic Goal 1:
Student Centred Learning

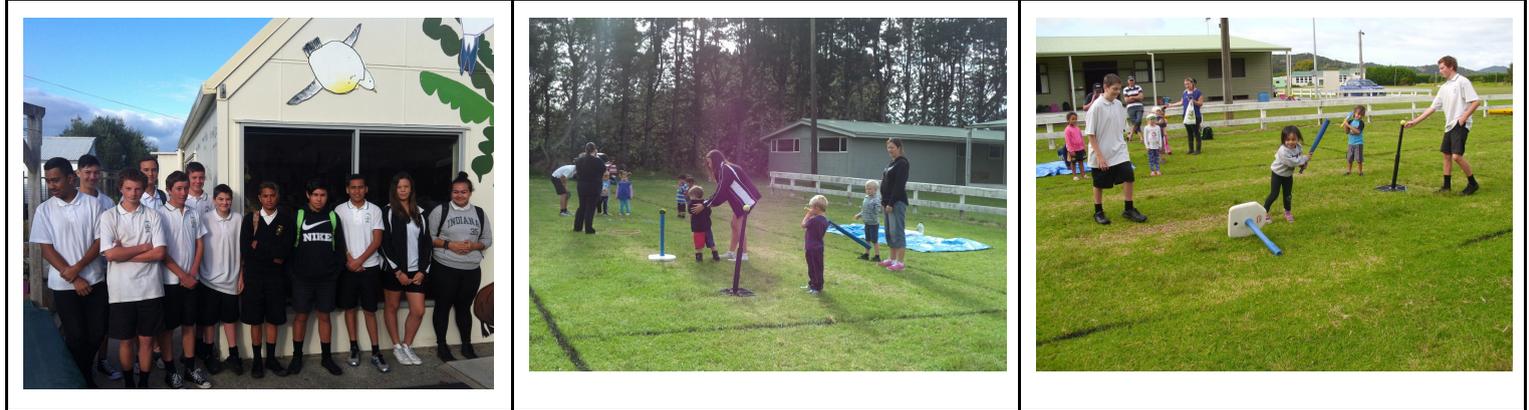
Strategic Goal 1:
Collaborative Teaching

Strategic Goal 1:
Coherent academic and vocational pathways

NCEA EXAMS

Subsidy forms have been sent home with all students sitting NCEA exams this year. Please send these back asap to allow time for processing. If you have not received a form they are situated on the front desk in the school office.

Sports Leadership



(Rawiri, Taylah, Rory, Mark, Harlen, Harry, Te Huia, Quinton, Heath, Ethan, Phoenix & Shalynd)
Throughout terms 1&2 the following year 10 students have been developing their leadership skills during Physical Education lessons. They had a chance to demonstrate some of these qualities when assisting Doubtless Bay Kindergarten with their annual Sports Day.

Review of Area Schools Sports Tournament



The boys Basketball team showed an incredible amount of desire and passion during their game against Te Rangi Aniwaniwa. Taipa beat Te Rangi Aniwaniwa 38-31. This was a high tension game and went down to the last minute of the 4th quarter. Unfortunately, Taipa struggled to follow on from this amazing win with losses to Kura Takiwa o Manganuiowae and Te Kura Kaupapa Maori o Te Rawhitiroa in the closing stages.



Seniors Sam Moe and Toria Walker showcased their leadership skills with the team, taking warm-ups and boosting morale. Special mention goes to our 2 juniors Stella and Pinky who really stepped up their game during the tournament and will definitely have selectors looking in their direction in the near future. Thank you also to Mandy who stepped in short notice as acting coach.



The Boys Volleyball team managed to win 6 out of 7 games. The boys team morale was lifted after a close win against Mangakahia Area School. The boys quality of setting and spiking was continued to improve throughout the tournament. Unfortunately Taipa lost to Tauraroa Area School which made them finish second overall. The stand out players were Norman for excellent blocking, Luke Wilson for a steady approach to setting and digging and Tautoko Matthews for some excellent serving and spiking.



The boys Rugby League team played 4 games in the preliminary rounds. The team demonstrated some good skills and managed to progress into the latter stages of a third and fourth play off against Kaikohe and Broadwood and showed some fantastic skills. Stand out players were Tautoko Matthews who showed some clever running lines, Joseph Thompson with some excellent support play and Norman Laws-Walker who was sensational in defence.



The Areas Soccer team played exceptionally well during Monday's round robin games. The stand out game was a 4-1 victory over Abundant Life School. The team were led extremely well by Luke Wilson. He showed some wonderful leadership attributes while demonstrating excellent defensive and attacking skills throughout the 2 days. Unfortunately, the boys narrowly lost to Tauraroa Area School in the final on Tuesday 1-0.



Taipa Area School's first game was against Pukemiro winning 23-9. During this game, the team managed to build some confidence and bond as a team. After the first round they were ranking second and advance into the next round. During the second round, the team was tested going against Kaikohe. They were able to keep the game points close during the first half but Kaikohe dominated winning 58-15. The team came fourth overall narrowly losing to Abundant Life in a very intense game 27-24. Stand out player of the day was Xzavier Broughton who was fantastic on defence as well as attack! Nga mihi ki a koutou katoa!!



These NASA students were taking their fund raising very seriously on Saturday 30th May. They sold sausages and a mussel chowder/frybread outside the Warehouse in Kaitaia. The students are hosting a further sausage sizzle on Friday lunch times at school. Additionally, they are running a raffle to win half a Mutton (\$5 ticket which can be purchased at the school office) and they are selling copious amounts of chocolate.

Primary News



Kia ora whanau.

We've been very busy in the last few weeks learning about spiders and insects and how to write an explanation. Nga Mango are learning about Myths and Legends. Please send in any interesting bugs for the junior classes to study. Our maths topic coming up is Measurement - always a favourite!

Thank You to all families who took home lollies and chocolates to sell. So far we have made just over \$400. Next week **more chocolates** will be sent out as they are the most popular.

Enviroschools news: 9 students have joined the "Green team" and are working on sustainable projects at school including vege gardening, worm farming, composting, and weaving. We are working towards our Bronze Award with support from our coordinator Julie Holt. Lyrik and Lilly did us proud with their presentations to the Taipa beach Improvement Society and Northland Regional Council about how our primary can be kaitiaki of Taipa Beach. A shade house has been loaned to us by TBIS and they will be supporting us in growing pingao, spinifex and natives to plant on the dunes. Contact Clare if you are interested in volunteering with our Green team thanks.

Saving the Dotterels: Nga Mango have researched and are teaching the junior students about the endangered Dotterels that live at either end of the beach and have formulated an action plan of how they can educate the community about them. They plan to make signs, fence off areas, make posters and do a flier drop. If you have any plywood off cuts or old fence battens, or exterior paint we would gladly take them off your hands.

Sports results: The Year 3 and 4 Rippa team won 3 games and drew one. They are off to the finals in Whangarei. Tu meke! Huge thanks go to coach Chris Topi.

The Year 5 and 6 netballers won 2 games and lost 3, but had a great day in Kaitaia.

The Year 3 and 4 team came third overall. Well done!

Nga Manaia enjoyed a great day out at the Doubtless Bay Kindergarten sports day. Thank You for inviting them.



Upcoming events:

Mini Football Yr 3 -6 19 June, Kaitaia

The Kids Can Cook truck is visiting on Tuesday June the 23rd for the Primary, Middle School and Kindy students. Please can children pay \$2 to the front office thank you.

Matariki week (last week of term)_We plan to have a Lantern Walk/Matariki night with a hangi and bonfire. Please let class teachers know if you can help with the hangi, or can do fire poi/staff etc please. Its always a magical night to remember.

Matariki Kiorahi Tournament at Taipa, Wednesday 1st July.

Academic Interviews: Parents are invited to make a time to meet with their child's teacher informally after school, or lunchtime, at a time that suits them this term. Teachers will be contacting parents.

Facebook: Like us on **Taipa Area School Primary** for regular updates, news and pics!

Reading Rewards: Well done to Tia, Sally, Sophie and Rewi who celebrated 25 nights of reading and chose a nice new book. Well done to Reuben for 50 nights of reading. He received a yummy ice block. Keep up the daily reading homework everyone. Please return book bags everyday.



Naku noa,

The Primary Team

Middle School News



Kiwi Monitoring

A group of students and teachers went out to Hihi to listen to Kiwi calls. We listened for two hours each evening. It was a little cold and a few of our students wore much warmer clothes on the second evening we went out to Hihi! We need to monitor two sites over four evenings. We still have two nights to complete after 6th June. Notices will be sent home with any students who are interested. Whanau are also welcome to come along!



Uniform

Please remind students to leave coloured hats at home. The only hats that can be worn at school are black hats. Please get in touch with Mrs Dormer if you need help with uniform jackets or jerseys for the winter months. I have a few clean, second hand jerseys available. Students cannot wear hoodies to school! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs Dormer. Please send a note along to school if your child is unable to wear uniform.



Breakfast Club

Many thanks to Carol Hudson, Toni Dane, Liz Hibbard and Kylie Simeon for their amazing work at breakfast Club. It is making a huge difference to our students! Breakfast is available for students each morning in the hall kitchen. It is such a welcoming and positive place to be! A huge thank you to the Sea Breeze Bakery for their donations of bread for breakfast Club. It is awesome to be able to give students warm breakfast on these colder mornings.

Middle School T.E.A.M. Building Activities: every Monday our Y 9-7

students have a challenging task. Last week it was making the longest possible paper band using one paper sheet but no scissors, no glue. Results - **Gold** 15m: Oliver, Barry, Jordon, Jacob, Dion, Liam, Cameron **Silver** 12.60m: Anei, Galaxy, Chloe **Bronze**: 11.50m: Galaxy and Ngawhetu



.....Students measuring the results of the paper challenge.



International Languages: Taipa Polyglot Classroom



Using the Internet and a study partner/teacher to talk with - anyone can learn any language! Teachers help students to learn independently and to set their personal goals. This year students chose: German, French, Spanish, Latin, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Russian, Tongan, Samoan, Tokelauan, Thai, Dutch and Jamaican. For more information ask students to go to their 'taipa.school.nz' email and open the google.doc :



MIDDLE SCHOOL - INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE LEARNING
Study Guide



Year 7/8 Kiwi Netball Tournament

On Thursday 21st May the year 7/8 team headed to Kaitia for the annual Kiwi Netball Tournament. They came top of their pool after beating Oruaiti, Pukenui and Panguru. This lead us into the semi final against Abundant Life which was convincingly won by us. Unfortunately the final against Pompallier was narrowly lost in a very evenly fought match.

All of the students showed fantastic netball skills, supportive teamwork and outstanding sportsmanship qualities, that they were all commended for by all other schools we played.

Most Improved - Dion Johnstone

Players of the Day - Piripi Walker-Grace and Tara Jones

Most Valuable Player (Voted by all team mates) - Julius Peterson

A special thank you to Dion, Piripi and Julius - If it wasn't for you boys stepping up to the challenge, we would not have been able to attend the tournament and walk away in second place!



Back: Tui Orbell, Stella Davey, Anei Crooks
Middle: Galaxie Rongonui, Saraya Ogden-Hill, Gianni Rai-Munu, Tara Jones, Porscha Reid
Front: Piripi Walker-Grace, Dion Johnstone, Julius Peterson

Project possum

On the 19th and 20th May Vaughan Goodhue, Robert Anderson, Chaz Busby, Luke Wilson, Romana Laws Walker and Porowini Derbyshire attended the recent project possum course at Trefoil park 14km south of Kaikohe. This was part of the schools gateway program and run by the Northland regional council. On this course students learnt about possum biology and habits, setting various types of traps and how to make raised sets so the students, when laying out traps, avoid trapping ground dwelling birds such as kiwi and weka.

Other skills covered included how to skin possums, tacking and drying skins and both hand and machine plucking fur. The threat on that possums have on NZ native fauna and flora was also covered with many of the students who attended the course being surprised that the diet of possums in NZ are not just restricted to eating leaves and grasses, but also include birds eggs, their chicks and insects. The students will go back in 2 months where they will be doing an assessment day and if they have successfully completed all tasks and course requirements, they will gain industry level 2-3 standards which will contribute towards their NCEA. Before this time they are expected to be practising the skill they learned on the course by setting trap lines in our local area.



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- Email: absent@taipa.school.nz