

Taipa Area School

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NEWS LETTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week	Term 3	Events
1	Monday 21 July	Teacher Only Day - (1st day Term 3)
2	Tuesday 29th July	BOT Meeting
3	Tuesday 5 August	Three-Way Academic Interviews
4	All Week	Practice Exam Week
5	Friday 22nd August	Red Nose Day

Kia ora tatou;

We are coming swiftly to the end of a very busy term - as the upcoming events list shows above. Despite a high number of extra curricular events nothing out of the ordinary has happened to disrupt our goal of providing a safe and effective learning environment for students. There have been a number of student successes and achievements and this newsletter celebrates some of those with you.

There is a **Teacher Only Day** the first day of next term to allow some teachers to attend training in child protection while others will be involved in developing an online digital classroom for their own respective classes. This is the second step in providing quality E Learning opportunities for our students and will allow students, teachers and parents to interact in the learning process online. The first step toward that vision has been to instigate a Bring Your Own (digital) Device policy this term which allows students to access mobile online learning in every part of the school.

Academic 3 Way interviews are happening Week 3 of next term - (Tuesday 5th of August).

Parents will be given scheduled a time during the day to meet with teachers about their child's progress. Notification and specific times will be sent home at the beginning of next term.

At the beginning of term 1 a **community consultation** hui was held where we sought your feedback on our school goals, our bilingual education policy and E learning. The results of that meeting, as well as teacher and student feedback have been analysed and presented to the BOT. Taking on board your feedback, adjustments will be made to the schools Charter Documents and presented to at the next BOT meeting early next term.

A **school bullying survey** was instigated recently by Vaniva Lewis from Te Runanga o Te Rarawa as part of a Government Contract. In collaboration with senior students, the school administered a student/staff and whanau survey to collect information on bullying in week 6 of this term. The final results have been collated and analysed by Vaniva and have been shared back with the Senior Leadership and the BOT. The schools anti bullying policy has now been updated and other next steps have been suggested which include the formation of a positive behaviour team made up of parents, students and teachers to promote positive behaviour strategies across the school.

BOT Chair Report

Kia Ora students, Whanau and community,

We are half way through the year already and have had 5 meetings.

Like the parent feedback from the beginning of the year the questions were also given to the teachers and students. These have been analysed and the key themes have been discussed and are being added into the School's annual plan.

Mr Toi is back from his sabbatical, is refreshed and has some great ideas which are starting to be implemented into the school. One, which you will see when you enter into the office is the new collaboration, of principal, DPs and admin staff together.

Many school policies and procedures are being reviewed and changes being made.

EOTC(Education outside the classroom) is currently being updated and the safety of our tamariki is paramount on any trips away from the school. All safety forms and paper work for overnight and high risk activities need to be completed and presented to the BOT meeting to legally be in the minutes before a trip.

We also have Kerry Mitchell an external appraiser for Mr Toi who will be visiting the school and interviewing BOT, teachers, some students and parents over the next few terms. She will help to give the school advice and direction.

We also have NZSTA(New Zealand School trustees association) in supporting us as a board.

I have been to Auckland for Board Chair training and two members are off to the Annual conference in Auckland for training.

We are working in partnership with the management for the education, progression and achievement of Taipa Area school students.

Donna Yates

BOT Chairperson

FOCUS ON THE FUTURE

The last week of term will provide an opportunity for our students to look at their futures in greater depth than they normally would. On Tuesday 1 July the **Northland Career & Training Roadshow** will be in the school hall from 8.45 am to 12.15 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for the whole community to check out courses and training available throughout New Zealand.

"Thinking of doing a course"; then come and check out what you can do at university or what our local Polytechnic, Northtec has to offer.



STAR Extravaganza

Following the Roadshow all Y11 to 13 students will be engaged in a three day training course of their choice. For some of our students this has been the first step towards a career in that industry. This year we are hoping to offer a range of courses that includes Sound Engineering, First Aid, Driver Licence, Kiwi Host and other hands on practical experiences. Students will gain valuable credits that go towards their end of year NCEA results.





Upcoming Events:

July 2 Whanau Day - plus Kite Making Day
July 3 Mini Soccer for Years 3-6 - Taipa (10 - 2pm)

Kindy Sports Day

Two weeks ago Nga Manaia was once again invited to the yearly sports day hosted by the Doubtless Bay Kindergarten. It was a fun packed hour with 6 stations for us to rotate through and participate in different activities. There was even a tug-o-war section where 12 5year olds competed against Mrs Ashby, Amanda and 2 year 10 students - and guess who won? it was the 5 year olds!!! Thank you Doubtless Bay Kindergarten for inviting us to this wonderful morning.



Mr McGee and the Biting Flea

Nga Manaia were lucky enough to go and see Mr McGee and the Biting Flea which was a theatrical performance of 5 of Pamela Allans stories. We went by bus with the local daycare River Kids to Kerikeri and watched this show at the Turner Centre. This was a wonderful experience for our class to watch stories come to life on stage as a musical performance. Thank you to River Kids for allowing us to go on the bus with them and for allowing us to share this day with you.



Easter Hunt

Thank you to the senior students for putting on an easter hunt for the primary students. All those that participated really enjoyed themselves and their easter eggs.



Fundraising Term 3: Just a heads up about fundraising for next term. We will be having a buckets up with the Intermediate again as last years was very successful. It would be appreciated if all families could contribute at least 2 buckets. If you can give more that would be cool too. This is anticipated to happen at about week 5 next term.

Year 1-4 netball

Last week Mrs Ashby and Amanda took our year 1 & 2 and 3 & 4 netball teams to Kaitia to participate in a kiwi netball tournament with other schools. This was a fun day and all of the players showed great sportsmanship and netball skills and they all gave their best when playing the games. Well done to all the players for fantastic participation and congratulations to Creedance Raui-Munu and Te Atenga Raui for getting players of the day certificates.



Intermediate News

It is hard to believe that term two is nearly over! We would like to thank all of our students and their whanau for a great term and we have appreciated your support.

Uniform

It has been amazing to see nearly every Intermediate student in correct uniform. Many thanks to all of our student's whanau. I have a few school jerseys and shirts available if there are any students needing one. I also have a nearly new school jacket that someone has lost!!! Please contact me at school if you need help with uniform. Please remind students that they are NOT to wear coloured hats to school. A plain black hat is okay.

Homework

(Mrs Dormer's maths class)

Only two students are now bringing maths homework back to school on Fridays. Several weeks ago I sent home a notice for parents to sign and return if they still wanted maths homework for their child. If you did not receive this notice and would like maths homework, please let me know and I will send another notice home.

All Intermediate students are expected to learn their spelling words each week and read for twenty minutes each evening. If they could also practice their times tables, it would help with their learning in class. Maths homework sheets are also available if parents and students want them. Please get in touch with your child's teacher.



Kiwi Monitoring

We have managed to complete two evenings of Kiwi Monitoring and still have another two to do. The wet weather and unwell teachers and students have made this difficult! We will try to finish monitoring as soon as we can!

Kiwi Netball Tournament

On the 6th of June, Miss Skeen-Toia and Brooke took two netball teams to Kaitaia to compete against other schools. For many of our students, they had never played netball before. Each team played five really hard and close games and had an awesome day out. Our school was commended on our fair play and sportsmanship by many other teachers, coaches, players and spectators. Well done to all players for full participation and fantastic attitude. Also, a special thank you to Tawhiri Wharekawa, Mozes Loretz-Murray, Dakota Tomars-Webb, Thomas Cowen and Alex Tatai for playing, because without you boys on the team we would have been unable to play!!



Best Defenders:

Galaxie Rongonui
Thomas Cowen

Best Attackers:

Amber White
Alex Tatai

Most Improved Players:

Mozes Loretz-Murray
Gianni Raui-Munu

Standout Players of the Day:

Tawhiri Wharekawa
Anei Crooks

Leadership

On Friday, 27 June, we had a visit from Garth Collins. Garth ran a leadership course with 24 lucky students from Intermediate. Our thanks to Karen Mcallister for arranging this course. The day was a great success and the students learned more about themselves and others. They also had a lot of fun!!

Next Term

- Friday 8 August 2014: Mini Hockey Tournament at Taipa
- Fundraising: Buckets Up (with Primary) Week5/6

Happy holidays!

The Intermediate Staff

Northland Area Schools Tournament

Taipa Area School took 38 students to the Northland Area Schools Tournament in Whangarei during week 5. The students played a full schedule of Rugby, Netball, boys and girls Futsal, Basketball and Volleyball. The staff and students did feel the trip was a huge success both with the results the teams achieved and the personal development of the students. Over the 4 days of competition the students began to bond and really show a sense of cohesion and team spirit. The school had 6 students who were selected to represent the Northland team at the National competition in Nelson. These students were:

Chaz Wilcox - Football, **Nopera Matthews** - Basketball, Volleyball, Rugby, **Zana Yates** - Football

Donte Manuel - Rugby, **Bradley Lanigan** - Rugby, Cyrus Broughton - Rugby.



Taipa Students Stand Up at Manu Korero Regionals

Taipa Area School students achieved with distinction at the Taitokerau Nga Manu Korero Speech Competitions held recently at Te Kura Kaupapa Maori o Te Rangianiwaniwa. As one of the few schools to enter speakers into all five categories, Taipa students managed to secure a first place in Senior Maori, a first equal in the senior English section, a third equal in junior English, a fourth in junior Maori and a fifth in the Bilingual section.

Winner of the Senior Maori (Pei Te Hurinui Jones) section, Ezekiel Raui praised the way the host school Te Rangianiwaniwa managed to adapt to the wet weather conditions to ensure the event was a successful one. Commenting on the event Ezekiel said that the best part was seeing the high caliber of speakers we have here in Te Taitokerau and knowing that through the rangatahi we have a bright future ahead of us here in the Far North. He was very proud that each of his fellow teammates managed to achieve a place in or near the top in each of the designated categories. 'The vibe from the event was amazing and it was awesome to see not only the senior but also junior speakers get up onstage and put their all into their speeches'.

Reflecting on her students success, teacher Manu Sinclair commented that "the achievement of our five speakers are a reflection of the hard work of not only our students, but also their whanau, kaiako and all their supporters who helped them prepare for the competition".

Principal Pateriki Toi was proud of the way Taipa students conducted themselves both on and off the stage. He said that their success was a reflection of teacher commitment and the pride students had in themselves as young Maori leaders.

Ezekiel who also won the impromptu section will now go on to represent Taitokerau at the national Nga Manu Korero competition held in Hawkes Bay later on in the year.

MATARIKI KIORAHI CHALLENGE

There were four seasons in one day at Taipa for the annual Muriwhenua Kiorahi Challenge, hosted by Te Oranga. The students coped well and had a fabulous day. Taipa Area School Primary students Year 5 and 6 teams won two games each and discovered some new strategies. Pompallier and Pamapurua were the teams to beat, having trained hard with Whaea Paulette.



MEASLES

WHAT IS MEASLES?

Measles is a highly infectious viral disease that can be serious. It is spread from person to person through the air by breathing, sneezing or coughing. Just being in the same room as someone with measles can lead to infection.

WHO IS AT RISK?

- People younger than 45 years who have not had 2 doses of the measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine
- Infants under the age of 15 months who have not received their first routine dose of MMR vaccine
- Children over four years old who have not received their second dose of MMR

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

- Ensure you are up to date with your immunisations.
- If you are not immune it is important to be aware of the symptoms of measles. Early symptoms are a fever, runny nose, sore red eyes and cough.

IF YOU DEVELOP SYMPTOMS

- Stay at home
- See your doctor ASAP
- Phone the surgery ahead to alert them of your symptoms

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- Please do not send your child to camp if they have had vomiting or diarrhea in the last 48 hours prior to camp starting.
- I agree that photos may be taken of my child for promotional purposes such as the camp website or brochures.

[If you do not wish your child's photo to be used in a public promotion, please make this known during the registration process]

Parent/Guardian Signature _____



The Hawea Vercoe Leadership Scholarship

Congratulations to Ezekiel Raui, who is the first recipient of the Hawea Vercoe Leadership Scholarship, which was formed by New Zealander of the year, Dr Lance O'Sullivan. He started this scholarship to honour his good friend and help the development of talented young Maori Leaders. This scholarship will provide Ezekiel with inspiration, mentoring and connections to leadership role models.

Upcoming event in the community

Watoto Children's Choir

You are invited to beautiful Africa: A new generation.

Experience the Watoto Children's Choir from Uganda, East Africa in an electrifying concert of hope.

Drums, dance moves and wicked audio/visual effects; Witness inspirational true life stories of triumph over tragedy.

Tuesday 15th July 2014 7:00pm

At Doubtless Bay Christian Centre, 7 Mill Bay road, Mangonui, Far North.

WHAT DID YOU DO IN THE WAR , GRANDY?

A competition for all students to commemorate service during the war years.

Who can enter?

This competition is open to all students attending New Zealand schools. There are two sections: one for primary aged students in Years 1 to 8 and a second section for secondary students in Years 9 to 13.

What do I have to present?

A poster must be no more than A0 size (841mm x 1189mm) and contain not more than 70% graphics. A written submission must be no more than 1500 words and contain no more than 70% text. Smaller and briefer entries are acceptable.

Where do I send my entry?

All entries must be either delivered to NZSG at 159 Queens Road, Panmure, Auckland or posted to NZSG at P O Box 14036, Panmure, Auckland 1741. What is the closing date for entries? The closing date for all entries is Armistice Day, 11 November 2014.

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Entrants are asked to prepare either a poster or a written account of the story of an ancestor, relative or someone known to them who served in any branch of the forces of any country, at home or overseas. Submissions must contain both text and graphics.

There are two prizes of \$500 each and up to four highly commended prizes of \$250 each.

Please ensure that you have permission from the family or person you are researching.

All care will be taken with submissions but please do not use original graphics/photographs because entries will not be returned. Ensure your entry includes your name, your school, the category you are entering and your contact details.

Winners will be advised by Waitangi Day, 6 February 2015 and will be announced in the first issue of The New Zealand Genealogist for that year. The winning entry from each category and up to four highly commended entries will be published in The New Zealand Genealogist during 2015.

The judges' decision will be final.

Extra-curricular Timetable (Term 3)

Day	Morning tea 10:40-11:15	Lunch 1:15-2:00pm	After school
Monday	Senior Volleyball gym (DLO) Year 11/12/13 Boys Weights room (DLO)	1 st XV Training (CTO) Chess: Library	Music lessons in Music Dept.
Tuesday	Year 9-10 Volleyball (DLO)	Year 11 Weights room (DLO) Year 9 – 10 Basketball (DLO)	Capoeira 4.00- 5:30pm (JAT)
Wednesday	Intermediate Basketball (SDO)	Year 11 Weights room (DLO) Chess: Library	Whanau Basketball 4:00pm - 6:30pm Capoeira 3:30- 5:00pm (JAT)
Thursday	Year 11/12/13 Boys Weights room (DLO)	Primary fun activities (MED) 1st XV Training (CTO)	
Friday		Year 11 Weights room (DLO) Chess: Library	Intermediate Girls Netball 3:30 – 5:00pm (RSK)

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- Email: absent@taipa.school.nz