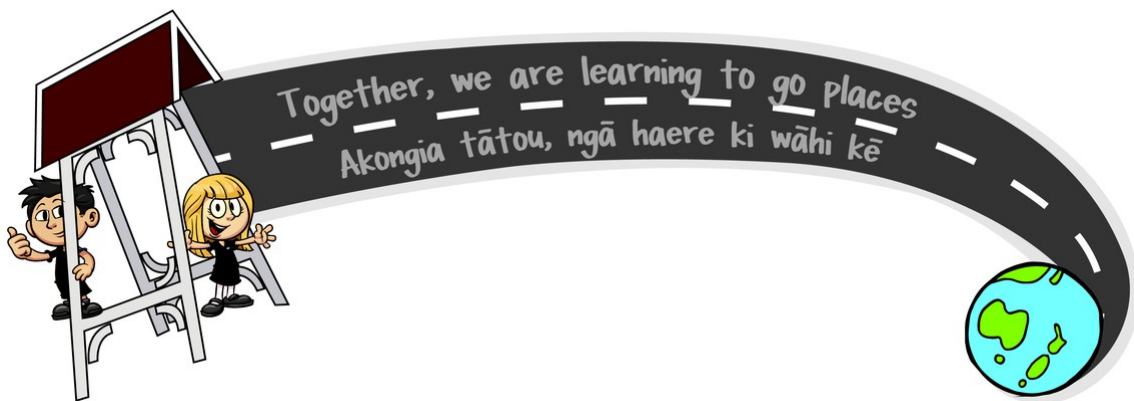


Week 9 Term 4 2019

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Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa

Ngā mihi nui kia koutou katoa - Warm greetings to you all.

As we prepare for the end of the year, I would like to take this opportunity to wish our leaving year 6 learners all the best for the next stage in their schooling. They are prepared for the new challenges and opportunities that await them at Intermediate, and we look forward to hearing of their successes and achievements in the future.

Since our last newsletter, Mrs Ann Marie Morris has won a teaching position at Gate Pa School, commencing in 2020. Ann Marie has taught at TPS for 13 years. We thank Ann Marie for all her

contributions to TPS, especially in her leadership of Māori and culturally responsive practices, and wish her well as she embarks on a new challenge.

Our learners will have the opportunity to meet their 2020 teacher(s) and view their new class later this week.

There will be a mix of excitement and anxiety if your child is moving class. **You can help this transition by speaking positively about the new class your child/ren will be in next year.** Encourage them to view it as an exciting change that is part of growing up and moving on, and that this is a new opportunity to make more friends and learn new things.

It is quite normal for children to feel anxious when transitioning into an unfamiliar setting. **We cannot place every child exactly where they might like to be. Your encouragement will reassure them that next year will be another great year with a new teacher, new friends and that they do have the skills to cope, learn and grow with this change.** All classes within a team will get the chance to work together at different times, and established friendships from 2019 will also continue in the playground, sport teams, play dates etc. TPS is a small school site, children will continue to see their friends everyday even if they are not in the same classroom or hub.

Please be aware that while the classes are set at this stage, any unexpected changes in student numbers, or personnel changes over the holidays, could mean we need to alter classes and/or teacher placements. This is a rare occurrence but it can happen and we reserve the right to move children if we need to.

The following is a list of teaching staff for 2020

Junior Team Years 1 and 2

- Mrs Pam Wilkins – Team Leader
- Mrs Michaela Murray
- Mrs Jean Murphy (Miss Campbell is getting married in the Christmas break)
- Mrs Jana Smith
- Mrs Fiona Brown
- Mrs Emma Hyett / Mrs Sandra Thurlow
- Mr Luka Jugum - **new to TPS (ex TPS student)**

Middle Team: Years 3 and 4

- Mr Jason Morgan – Team Leader - **new to TPS in 2020**
- Mrs Hannah Thompson - **new to TPS in 2020**
- Mrs Liz Catley
- Mrs Kelly Savage
- Miss Jenna West

Senior Team: Years 5 and 6 & 1 class of Year 4 and 5

- Mrs Jo Howard – Team Leader
- Mr Dave Medley
- Mrs Kat Tunney (Whaea Kat)
- Miss Kirsty Thorne
- Mr Nick Adams / Mrs Arlette Goodhue
- Mr Paul Mahler - **new to TPS**

It is absolutely critical to inform the school if your children will not be coming back next year to TPS, for our 2020 class planning. Please let the office know if there will be any changes in your family's circumstances - office@tauranga.school.nz -

In 2020, the only account your child will receive to start the school year will be for stationery (years 1-6) and camp (years 4-6).

There will be no request for activity fee or school donation in 2020.

STATIONERY:

We have spent considerable time pricing our stationery lists across all school suppliers, and have sourced the best prices for high quality stationery to start the 2020 school year.

Please note that the school makes no profit on the sale of stationery each year.

The stationery prices for 2020 are:

Year 1 - new students starting at TPS 2020 - \$40.00

Year 1 - returning students - \$32.00

Year 2 - \$38.00

Year 3 - \$51.00

Year 4 - \$45.00

Year 4/5 class - \$51.00

Year 5 - \$51.00

Year 6 - \$45.00

We aim to make this process extremely simple, you are able to pay online (via school shop) directly into the school account (details on your account) using child's name as a reference or EFTPOS at the school office once we upload these costs onto your 2020 account early in January. Once paid, your child's stationery will be sent directly to the classroom ready for their start. The stationery provided will be for the entire year via the class teacher.

TPS school office opening hours 2020:

The school office will be open from Tuesday 28th - 31st January from 10:00am - 3:00pm. If you need to contact us outside these hours, please email office@tauranga.school.nz or leave a message on the school answer phone.

Thank you to our parents and supporters of Tauranga Primary School. We are continually striving to provide the very best education we can for your children and appreciate your support and partnership in this endeavour.

Lastly, thank you to the teaching team, support staff, Friends of the School and BOT of TPS, you are a remarkable group of people who have contributed so much to make TPS a wonderful place to learn and grow in. I appreciate and value your support and look forward to an exciting 2020.

The last day of school is the 19th of December, school will close at 12:00pm.

Merry Christmas and a happy New Year to everyone.

Ngā mihi o te kirihimete me te tau hou hari.

Hei kōnei rā

Fiona Hawes

Principal | Tumuaiki

principal@tauranga.school.nz

Last Frosty Friday of the Year this week - Friday 13th December 3pm!

FROSTY FRIDAY



**Get your summer treats
this Friday after school**

selection of iceblocks available

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**Juniors – outside Room 15
Middle/Senior – near bell tower**



FOTS Fundraising project



SPORT update

SCHOOL PE TOPS AND SPORTS EQUIPMENT

A reminder that any PE tops or sports equipment you have borrowed needs to be returned to the school office, as soon as the sporting event has finished. The final day these items can be returned is **Friday 13th December**.

TERM 1 2020 SUMMER SPORTS TEAMS

Information, registrations and payments for the Term 1 summer sports teams will once again be available on the online School Shop. School Shop will go live on **27th January 2020**, and hard copies will be available from the school office.

At this stage the following sports will be available:

- Rippa Rugby and Quick Rip
- Flippaball
- Kiwi Volleyball
- Cricket



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Congratulations to our new House Leaders for 2020.



Mauao - Brooke Valois and Jackson Cook. **Takitimu** - Aidan Soper and Alex Ormsby. **Huria** - Hannah Greener and Corin Brown. **Puriri** - Charlise Gunn and James McLaughlin

If you missed the Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, read the amazing speech written and presented by Meiah Aitken- Keogh on behalf of the Year 6 students.

Good morning Tauranga Primary school parents and students,

Ko Meiah taku ingoa

Hello everyone, my name is Meiah and I have been at Tauranga Primary school for over 6 years.

I have been given the privilege of speaking on behalf of all the Year sixes.

We have all been here for different lengths of time. But no matter how long you have been here, new and old students, we all agree that Tauranga Primary is an amazing school to attend.

My friends and I were chatting the other day about how we remember our first few years here at Tauranga Primary. So let's rewind to 2014 when we were year 1. One of my favourite things that I can remember was doing jump jam every morning to wake us up, and I'm pretty sure it was everyone else's favourite too. I made so many strong relationships back then and some have lasted to this day! Another thing my friends and I remembered was garden day. It was a really fun day dressing up and making cool flower hats.

Now let's skip to when we were year 3 and 4. Year 3 was our first year on the senior side and everyone was a bit shy but as you got to know more people you were less shy and more confident. That year things were very challenging and we were in the pit a lot. Next, year 4 - Wow where do I begin? Year 4 was a very exciting and busy year. That year we had our first ever school camp, and dunked a big bucket of water on the teachers, that was definitely one of the highlights of my year! We also had The Learning to Go places Production, which we nailed!

In Year 5, we faced a whole new set of challenges. For our year five camp we went to Waimarino and stayed the night at a Marae which was a very cool Cultural Experience. That year we also went on educational school trips like Discovery days, Beach safety, Bike safety and the list goes on. But we also had some fun school trips like going to the beach and making sand sculptures, going to memorial pools and doing sports exchanges with Te Puke Primary.

Last but not least, Year 6. Year 6 has by far been the best year, we've made so many new memories and friends and will never forget them. We are so grateful to have been given the opportunity to Mentor, and be positive role models to the younger students. We have had such an exciting year, especially at year 6 camp at Totara Springs. Some parts were great, such as all the activities, but some parts were not so great. If we were late we had to do push ups and we even had to clean the toilets!! We have had such a blast being year 6, and it has been an amazing year.

To our parents, we thank you very much for everything you have done for us during our time at Primary school. You drove us to school early, made sure we were ready for the day and helped with parent support for school trips and camps over the years. You supported us at sporting events and and these are just a few of the thousands of ways you've supported us on our journey.

Thank you so much teachers for always sharing your time, talents and knowledge with us. Yes we know it was your job to, but what you did for us was beyond amazing. You set the bar high and challenged us to live up to it, thank you for all of your support through the years.

On behalf of the year six students we thank you very much Tauranga Primary School for giving us so much. We appreciate all of your help and guidance. And to next year's Year sixes, a few words of advice. Words from Panic at the disco (High Hopes) - Be something greater, go make your legacy!

Thank you.

Congratulations to all of our award winners from across the school.

Here is a list of the Year 6 award winners:

Sports Award - Meiah Aitken - Keogh

Contribution to School Life - Cameron Moores

Arts Award - Emma Lamberton

Leadership Award - Liam Grant

Academic Award - Mathew McLachlan

Principal's Award - Maia Sanger and Aimee Cresswell

Jason Fox
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Frozen 2 screening - Thank you

Thank you to the FOTS and all of our whānau for the support with this enjoyable and entertaining event. We raised an amazing \$696.

Special thanks for their generosity go to:

Andrea & Ben Tallon of SKIN Dermatology Institute

Lysaght Consultants

Academy Motor Inn

Students that use the school bus - early notification: on Thursday 19th December we finish at 12:00 noon, there will be no bus service on that day. Families are asked to make alternative arrangements.

Important dates for Term 4 - see our website for the full calendar of events.

Watch our TPS Dance video at 9am on Friday 15th November, in the hall.

[TPS school calendar](#)

Tuesday 17th December - Year 6 Social Dance evening

Thursday 19th December Last day of School - School closes at 12:00pm.



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School Lunches

Sushi Tuesday

Last Tuesday was the last day for sushi (we are not having it next Tuesday) and unfortunately, due to lack of orders, this option will not be available next year.

Pita Pit Friday

This Friday will be the last day to order Pita Pit for the year.

School Shop

If you have a student leaving TPS and you have a balance on your School Shop Lunch Account, attached are the instructions to get a refund.

Families leaving the school

Please communicate the following to your families leaving the school. We will also email registered *ezlunch* families directly.

School Leavers – notice re ezlunch / Kindo school shop

If your family is leaving our school and moving to another school that does not use ezlunch or Kindo for school payments, you need to close your account. If you're not sure about the new school, log in, go to *My Details* and click on the list of schools, scrolling to find your new school.

If your new school is NOT on the list, you will need to close your account. Send an email to hello@mykindo.co.nz requesting to close your account. This request will need to:

1. Be emailed from your mykindo account email address
2. State the current balance on the account
3. Provide the bank account number for refunding the balance (or ask for it to be forwarded to the school)

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Community Notices

Tauranga Library Summer Reading Programme

From 9th Dec - 18th January we are running our new and improved **Summer Reading programme**, where children can earn prizes for chilling out with a book over summer!

Participating is simple: rather than registering, they just need to pick up a free Summer Reading booklet at any of our libraries. The booklets have a combination of at-home and free in-library activities to do. Complete 4, and win!

Further information will soon be on the library website, and in all of our libraries.

The Omanu Beach Holiday programme will be running again this summer! It is in its 6th year. Children aged between 5-10 years who are reasonable swimmers and enjoy the beach are welcome.

We are both qualified Lifeguards, Omanu Beach Surf Life Saving athletes and experienced babysitters. We are both surf club members and really enjoy working with children.

We will offer a range of activities which include sandcastle competitions, swimming, amazing race, pilot bay, arts and crafts, movies, trips to the park, relays, beach games and lots more!

Our six hour programme will consist of dry and wet activities. The programme will start at 9:00am and run till 3:00pm. The programme will run over five weeks this year.

Your child needs to be a current member of Omanu Beach Surf Life Saving Club (Mount Maunganui Lifeguard Service or Papamoa Surf Club members will be made associate members for the duration of this programme) Otherwise it costs \$35 to join as an associate member, we can arrange this on your first day.

Please book in advance to secure your position. Hours 9am-3pm, a minimum number of three children per day is required to run the programme.

TIMETABLE	Week One Thursday 19th December 2019 – Friday 20th December 2019
	Week Two Monday 23rd December 2019 – Friday 27th December 2019 (we will not be running on the 25th or 26th of December 2019)
	Week Three Monday 30th December 2019 – Friday 3rd January 2020 (we will not be running on the 1st of January 2020)
	Week Four Monday 6th January 2020 – Friday 10th January 2020
	Week Five Monday 13th January 2020 – Friday 17th January 2020



Heather Stewart and Grace Scott competing in the Aussie Nationals on the Gold Coast

PROGRAMME FEE	1 Kid	2 Kids	3 Kids
Per day	\$40	\$65	\$85
Per Week	\$150	\$265	\$355

Omanu Beach Holiday Programme



For more information and bookings
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