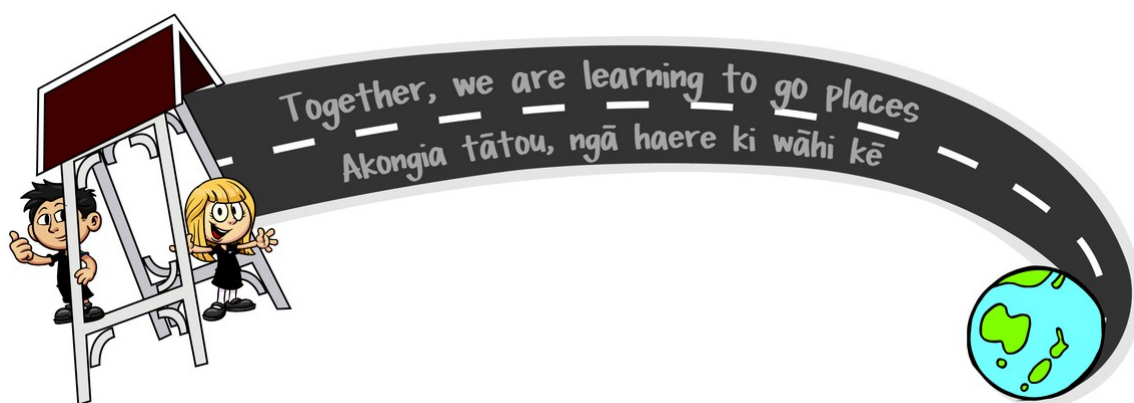


Week 7 Term 3 2019

TAURANGA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa

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

As principal of Tauranga Primary School I am so proud of our learners, and our leadership, teaching and support staff team. Last week I had the privilege of watching our school choir perform at the Tauranga Primary Schools' Music Festival, they were amazing, such beautiful voices and many very talented TPS singers were given an opportunity to shine on a

professional stage. Our kapa haka group are working hard in preparation of their performance at He Paku Whakangahau, early in Term 4. We had the pleasure of presenting certificates for home reading achievements to junior school learners last week. Families are supporting learning through regular reading at home, which in turn certainly helps their child make progress. Our next big building project is inching its way forward, and hopefully this time next year the middle school will be in beautiful purpose built classes. Thanks to the huge commitment from our BOT (past and present), we are finally getting to the exciting part of realizing that work. I am very thankful to the parents who have committed so much time and energy to lead our school in their governance role. I am very appreciative of the many hours of work and dedication that goes in behind the scenes, by our TPS staff, that ensures our learners have the very best opportunities that we can provide. The core of our school vision is all about collaboration and teamwork, and there is plenty of evidence of this in practice. **Together, we are learning to go places .**

We have been keeping a close eye on the measles outbreak in Auckland. We are currently ensuring that our medical records for all students and staff are up to date, should we need to enact a response plan if the outbreak comes to Tauranga. The first early symptoms of measles are fever, runny nose, sore red eyes and cough, followed a few days later by a rash usually starting on the face before moving down the body.

If you think you or someone in your family may have measles, stay at home and phone your doctor to alert them of your symptoms and allow them to make arrangements to assess you safely and without infecting other people, or call Healthline on 0800 611 116 for advice. Please do not just turn up to your GP, after hours or emergency department without first phoning ahead as you could potentially infect others.

MEASLES FACT SHEET

Our teaching and leadership jobs for 2020 are now advertised, and can be viewed on our school website. We have our Deputy Principal position and generalist classroom teaching positions advertised.

Deciding **class placements** for the new year is a complex task. As well as considering numbers of children at each year level and the number of teachers we are allocated, we need to consider the individual learning needs for each child, gender balance, social skill development and peer relationships. **We must ensure that all learners' needs receive due consideration.** Where necessary staff will discuss the placement of some children with their parents.

Most children in Years 3 and 5 will remain in the same learning hub they are in this year. We do this to maximize their learning opportunities, and reduce lost learning time as a result of transition. The year 3 to 6 teachers in each learning hub know their learners; their strengths and next learning steps, and are able to continue with current learning goals from day one of 2020.

Please note that one or two teachers may change class or year level due to normal annual staffing changes e.g. career progression. In 2020, due to large student numbers in our 2019 Year 4 cohort, we will reduce back to five x Year 3 and 4 whanau groups, and one x Year 4 and 5 whanau group, and continue with five x year 5 and 6 whanau groups

While we ask parents to allow us to exercise our professional judgement in placing all children fairly, we do appreciate some input from families where **specific needs** should be considered. It is not possible for senior staff to meet with all parents and listen to individual

requests. However, if there are extenuating or special circumstances that we may not be aware of, please put these requests in writing and deliver to the Principal by the **end of Week 2 Term 4, 25th October.**

If there has been an issue in the past that we need to be reminded of, it is also worth dropping us a note or talking to your child's class teacher, as not all information is carried over from year to year

Only requests made in writing will be considered

Help our children get home safely:

To try to reduce the congestion after school we are trialling a **2:50pm optional pick up time for Year 1 students (rooms 15, 16 17,18 and 19)**. We hope this earlier pick up traffic can **park, pick up children and be gone by 3:00pm** to allow parents of other children to pick up from 3:00pm. We aim to have all children collected by 3:10pm each day. If you have older, more confident, children you might consider a 3:05pm pick up, this will ensure you get a park closer to school and also help reduce the congestion at our school gate. **5th Avenue and Arundel Street do have car parks available from 3:05pm onwards.**

Nau mai, haere mai, a very warm TPS welcome to Guilherme Lima Brito, CJ McCabe and Makayla Sanders who started recently at our school. Glad to have you and your family as part of our **T.P.S. TEAM.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Hei kōnei rā

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Learning Conferences Term 3 - You can now book your interview.

Our second Learning Conference Day will be held on **Thursday 19th September**, week 9 of this term. A written report will come home prior to the conference, and it will be discussed at the conference. These conferences contribute greatly to your child's learning, providing another opportunity for us to work in partnership, celebrate learning, and help your child achieve their potential. We ask that if possible you keep your child at home on this day, bringing them in with you when it is your scheduled appointment time. We aim to have 100% of parents/caregivers attend.

To book your interview, please go to;

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the event code **dbwsz**

or go to this link

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=dbwsz>

Senior and Middle school students will have a student led conference, with a 30 minute time slot.

Junior school students will have a 15 minute interview as normal.

Year 5 and 6 - Sausage Sizzle Orders.

On Friday 20th September we are holding our annual Sports Exchange with Te Puke Primary, down at Memorial Park. If you want to order a sausage for your child, you can order on school shop now. Please note this only involves Year 5 and Year 6 students.

Powhiri - Term 4

Tena koutou, e nga whanau,

We will be holding a powhiri to welcome new students and whānau to our kura.

Nau mai, haere mai

All families are welcome

- The powhiri will be on Tuesday **14th of October at 9:00am**
- New families to TPS will **meet at the Bell Tower**
- The powhiri will take approximately 30 minutes
- Tea, coffee and kai (food) will be shared afterwards.

Staff will guide you through the process - you do not need any prior knowledge to participate.



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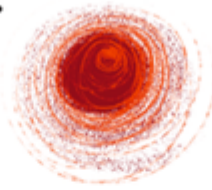
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Tauranga Primary School are holding a fundraiser for Cure kids.

(An initiative run by our House Leaders)

We are having a

"Wear Red Day"

Friday 27th September 2019 – last day of term!

Gold coin donations appreciated



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Cakes and Lollies.

Recently, families have been bringing in cakes, lollies and birthday treats to share with their child's class. Whilst we understand that this a generous and kind gesture, we are asking that birthday treats are saved for at home celebrations. We have families whose children have allergies, some very serious, as well as families who have religious beliefs regarding food and celebrations, or prefer to limit the sugar content in their children's diet. Thank you for your support with this request.

Tauranga Primary School / Friends of the School - DISCO



Calling all astronomers, astronauts,
aliens, ewoks and intergalactic beings
to attend the **TPS Annual Disco**

Launch Date: Thursday 26th September

Juniors Blast off: 5.00pm return to earth 6.00pm

Middles & Seniors Blast off: 6.15pm return to earth 7.30pm

Mission Tickets: \$6
includes glow stick and refreshments

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Students to only attend their relevant disco
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After school

Middle / Senior – beside the Bell Tower

Junior – outside room 15

Fundraising for playground enhancements

Friends of the School initiative



Before & After school care and holiday programmes

**Under the Red Cross building, 353 Cameron Rd, Tauranga.
Homework sessions, Afternoon tea, WINZ Subsidies.**

For info contact Maree on 021 2454845 or 07 5710597

E-mail: tauranga@schools-out.co.nz

Or check out our website www.schools-out.co.nz

Important dates

6th September - Donut Friday

19th September - Learning Conferences

20th September - Te Puke/TPS Sports Exchange - Senior school

26th September - School Disco

27th September - Wear Red to support Cure KIds - (Gold coin donation appreciated)



A winter reminder

Always choose safety over convenience. Parking and driving safely, and obeying the road rules are essential to creating a safe environment around our school gates.

A few suggestions:

- Whenever possible, choose biking, walking, scootering or park and stride (parking at least 500m away from the school gate)
- Reduce your speed around peak school times
- Take extra care around school crossings. Drivers must stop behind the marked limit line if a pedestrian is waiting to cross on either side of the road

Please do not:

- Park or stop on broken yellow lines
- Park blocking driveways
- Park in mobility parks unless you have a permit
- Double park or stop to pick up alongside other parked vehicles

- Call out to your children from your moving vehicle



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4pm SHOW Humanity Unite
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Based at Aongatete Lodge- near Katikati. More info www.edventure.co.nz or 02102241576.

Pick ups from Hamilton, Auckland and BOP

Gymnastic Academy Classes at your school, Monday after school 3:05 – 4:05pm, for beginner and advanced students to develop their skills and knowledge. You can book online at <http://www.thegymnasticacademy.com> or contact Marie 0211705426

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