



Taupo Primary School Newsletter
Monday 18 March 2019, Week 8
‘Ko te ako te maneatanga’ or ‘Hooked on Learning’

Talofa lava and Kia ora koutou,

He kura i tangihia, he maimai aroha!

Haere atu rā koutou ngā mate ki te kōpunipunitanga o Hinenuitepō.

Waiho mai mātou ki muri nei, tangi ai, haku ai, mōteatea ai i a koutou i kahakina e ngā ringa o te pō.

Haere atu rā, haere atu rā, moe mai rā!

Like all of you I am still in shock with the tragic and senseless violent act on Friday and I know that you will be thinking about the people of Christchurch as well as the children and young people and the wider community. You will also have started thinking about our own communities and students and families who may also be affected and my thoughts, prayers and aroha are with all of them especially our Muslim community and whānau.

We would like to reassure our community that as part of what we do at Taupo Primary is to practice such procedures as what was needed in Christchurch. Our staff have been informed that if a child is wanting to discuss the Friday incident that they're to talk with their own parents, caregivers and whanau. Our staff will only go through what we do as part of our practice with our tamariki or children and reassure what we do.

Moving forward and in time we will continue to practice as a school the correct procedure and a review of our current practice will be looked at thoroughly.

The Ministry of Education has provided a flyer (attached) to send out to parents and educators should you need any support please let us know. We are here to help.

Nga mihi nui
Sarah Sade,
Acting Principal,
Taupo Primary School

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 19 March

Tuesday 26 March

Wednesday 27 March

Thursday 28 March

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Friday 12 April

Monday 29 April

Wednesday 15 May

Paid Union Meeting for teachers postponed (due to Friday)

Hiwi the Kiwi show, cost \$4 per student

Year 0-3 Junior Triathlon

Postponement day - Year 0-3 Junior Triathlon

Interschool Athletics

End of Term 1

First day Term 2

School photo day

Assemblies

We would love you to join us at our assemblies. Each week we have a different class hosting our assembly. All welcome this includes extended whanau. Assemblies start at 9.10 am and finish at around 9.45 am every Friday. Please see below for rooms hosting this terms assemblies.

Week 8 Room 16

Week 9 Room 15

Week 10 Room 14

Week 11 Room 13

SEASONS programme information

We offer a very successful education programme called **Seasons for Growth**. This programme is facilitated in small groups of similar aged primary school children. The programme is based on research which highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The programme focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, problem-solving, decision-making, effective communication and support networks. The total time involved in one hour per week for 9 weeks, usually fitting neatly into a school term.

We hope to have the programme in our school starting in Week 1 of Term 2.

The programme is about peer support - often the greatest benefit is being with others who are experiencing similar things.

It is great for children who have had loss of different sorts; Parent separation, difficulty accepting moving to new towns, schools; having difficulty coping with change; children who feel alone or shy. We will run the programmes in the school, possibly in the afternoons slots as this is the least interruptive of your busy schedules.

If there are any parents/caregivers who would like their child to participate in the SEASONS programme please leave your name, your child's name and a contact number at the school office or email suef@taupopprimary.school.nz

Are you thinking of becoming a Board of Trustees member?



Kōrari
"Kōrari really helped me understand what it's like to be a school trustee"

Kōrari - a programme that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees.

For more information contact us on 0800 782 435.

NZSTA
e tū e rā

The New Zealand School Trustees Association (NZSTA) are preparing for the upcoming Triennial BoT elections.

NZSTA would like to encourage parent and whanau participation on school boards in order to help shape and support the education of their children. To that end, we will be rolling out the Korari Programme for anyone interested in finding out about standing for the school board elections and having a say in the education of their children. The following resources are available on our website.

- 1. Korari: a programme that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees. We will be rolling out information sessions for Korari in terms 1 & 2.*
- 2. Korari form: NZSTA will support anyone who advises us they are interested in becoming a trustee, by way of the workshops but also providing access to our Learning Management System where online modules re. school governance, student achievement etc. can be completed. Please see the school office for the form, which once completed can be emailed to korari@nzsta.org.nz*
- 3. Community member guide to the role of the board of trustees: This explains a lot of commonly asked questions and information about becoming a trustee (copies of these are available at the school office).*

