



# ***Taupo Primary School Newsletter***

## ***Wednesday 1 May 2019, Week 1***

### ***‘Ko te ako te maneatanga’ or ‘Hooked on Learning’***

Tena koutou katoa,

Welcome back to term 2. We are really excited about what is coming up and addressing our school and community wide learning challenge ‘WRITING’. Teachers will be running writing support programs in their rooms called ALL (accelerated literacy learning in writing) and we are lucky to have Colleen Wills working alongside us to run this. Kirsty Tatere and ALL leaders team Mel Matthews, Janice Bowman and Trevor Harvey have been busy working behind the scenes last term to get this up and going. Best improvement comes from having a whole school focus where everyone drives the learning and change needed. We’ll keep you posted and informed over the term around this.

**Powhiri**-We would love to say a big welcome to all our new tamariki, staff, whanau and families who have started at TPS recently or since last terms powhiri. Each term we hold a short powhiri to officially welcome everyone. This will be held on Friday from 9.15 am to 9.30 am followed by a cup of tea and snack in the staffroom. We would love for you or your extended whanau to attend and we look really forward to meeting you.

We have a few wonderful acknowledgements to start the term...firstly, I would like to thank the Kapua whanau. Ray our caretaker has been working hard over the break clearing up our grounds trimming many broken or dead wood from the trees. Our grounds look great...more trimming to come. I would also like to thank Clint Kapua for all the donated picnic tables that can be found at the senior end of the school and Barry Bradcock for making the table and tough trays found outside of room 11...how fantastic for our kids! A big thank you to Bruno Georges who has kindly donated a 3D printer to the school and had this shipped over...we see this becoming part of our digital technology program soon. Thank you Amanda Garmonsway for the sink in the junior school and Larissa McCarthy for the class set of aprons in room 11. A big thank you to the PTA and all the families who kindly donated cup cakes at the end of last term...I believe we raised just over a thousand dollars. **THANK YOU everyone what an awesome school community we have!**

**Student Leaders**- Congratulations to all our student leaders who applied and won their position for 2019. We really look forward to working with you across many facets of our school...this week our student leaders will be involved in the powhiri, bright beginners and welcoming new families and whanau to Taupo Primary School. This year we would also like to introduce a Tamariki Korero section in the weekly newsletter...this gives our student leaders an authentic purpose for their writing. I personally look forward to working alongside them with this. Here our student leaders will let you know what is happening in our kura that is of interest or maybe what they would like to see happen and how you can support them. I would also like to thank all the kids that did apply and never won a position...hold your heads high! It was tough to select a small group. You all did so well.

**Our 14 Student Leaders 2019-** Blake Hooten, Tristan Hayter, Duncan Williams, Kiwen Gabayan, Georgie Dickie, Asha Pereka Owens, Meadow Peacock, Merryn Gibson, Sophia Blewett, Ollie Maclachan, Louie Cameron, Flynn Harrington, Emily Barnett and Mitchell Donald.



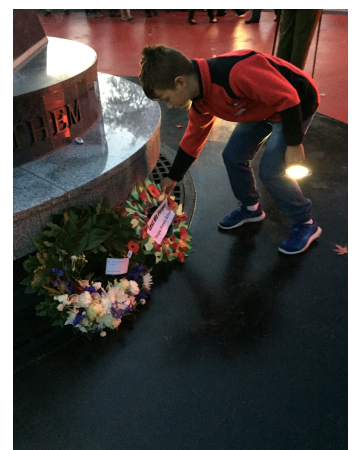
**School Closes early next Tuesday 7th May-** teachers will be attending a paid union meeting next Tuesday. School will be closing at 1.00 pm. Kelly Club will be available for those families and children who need to have care. We apologise in advance if this causes any inconvenience for you. Teachers nationwide are sticking to what they want for our tamariki. There may be possible strikes further ahead. After the nationwide union meetings have been held we'll have further information about what will happen.

**ANZAC DAY-** Thank you room 16 tamariki and Mrs Woodcock for representing Taupo Primary at the dawn parade during the holidays. Flynn Harrington did a great job adding our wreath from room 20.

**LAST CALL Year 5/6 Skiing-** Thank you to those parents who have registered their child's interest in skiing. This year there will be a minimum charge of \$70 per week (lessons & transport) regardless of whether the child holds a season pass or not. The Whakapapa groups have changed their pricing schedule for schools. Space is limited so if you are interested please email Kirsty Tatere on [kirstyt@taupopprimary.school.nz](mailto:kirstyt@taupopprimary.school.nz).

**Lunches online-** If you are unaware of our lunches online these are available on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. We have Pita Pit (new range of options now available), Sushi and Indian. YUM!!! The feedback from our kids so far about our food options has been great!

Here is the link to order: <https://orders.lunchonline.co.nz/home/AccountLogin>



### **Whakatauki of the week**

**Whaia te iti kahurangi ki te tuahu koe me he maunga teitei.**

*Aim for the highest cloud so that if you miss it, you will hit a lofty mountain.*

### Our value of the week

**Aroha-** Love what we do, love for learning, having care, empathy and understanding for others.

Thanks mums for coming and helping to coach our netball girls...our girls are **HOOKED ON!** Netball. I hope to catch some of our basketballers next week!

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



### Upcoming Events

Monday 29 April	First day Term 2
Tuesday 7 May	Paid Union Meeting for teachers, <a href="#">pick up 1pm for students</a>
Wednesday 15 May	School photo day
Week 10 Term 2	Mid Year Reports Home

### 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.

### Term 2

Week 1	Powhiri for all new tamariki, whanau and staff
Week 2	Room 13
Week 3	Room 12
Week 4	Room 11
Week 5	Room 10

## PB4L Jelly Bands

This year we will continue to celebrate our students who have received jelly bands. This is a celebration of being hooked on learning and following the school rule— “respect self, respect others and respect the environment”.

**Room 2 Red Jelly Bands:** Charlie Dickie, Ginny Gibson, Keegan Watson, Angus Eyre, Degan Asher, Harno Lidderd, Lottie Brown, Pablo Stewart, Kaitlyn Colledge

**Please make sure all your children's clothing is named. It makes it much easier to return items if they are clearly named.**

## **BOT Elections**

With the BOT elections coming up could all parents and caregivers please make sure that any changes of addresses and/or phone numbers are updated at the school office. We will be sending out voting forms and election material by post. This includes addresses for parents/caregivers who do not live with their child and are still eligible to vote in the elections.

**Uniform Swap - Thursday 2nd May at 2.45pm in the hall**

## **POWHIRI**

We warmly invite you to attend the

### **Taupo Primary School Powhiri**

We will be welcoming all new students, whanau and staff to Taupo Primary on

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2019

We hope you can join us for some morning tea in the staffroom following the powhiri

Please meet outside the hall just before 9:15am

Any queries please contact Kirsty Tatere [kirstyt@taupoprimary.school.nz](mailto:kirstyt@taupoprimary.school.nz)





**Kia tangi ai te tini parirau**  
to hear the sound of many wings



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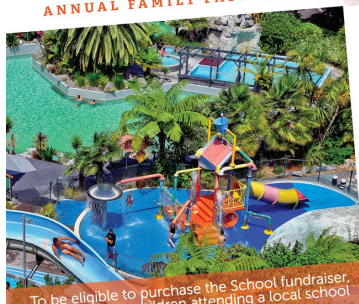
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**\$215**



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**Taupo DeBretts**  
SPA RESORT

is offering your family a 12 month family pass for ONLY \$215. Not only do you save \$105 off the normal \$320 price, but \$10 will be donated to your child's school when you present this flyer at Taupo DeBretts Pool Reception.

Access includes Main Pools, Private pools, Cold Pools and Spa Pools (valid for 2 Adults and up to 4 Children under the age of 18).

Hydro slides are additional.

Offer Valid 1st of May - 31st of July 2019

**NO EXTENSIONS**

