

Taupo Primary School Newsletter Wednesday 22 May 2019, Week 4

'Ko te ako te maneatanga' or 'Hooked on Learning'

Tena koutou katoa,

Last term a group of year 6 girls asked to take on some projects this year and named themselves the KAMS committee. I love to see our kids leading their thinking as it gives them a sense of belonging and ownership...or in fancy teacher talk 'STUDENT AGENCY'. Last term the girls organised a mufti day fundraiser. Their purpose was to raise funds for the 'Garden to Table' kitchen supplies. The girls raised just over \$500.00 and this week they went shopping to purchase the items. They were able to buy knives, chopping boards, bowls, measuring jugs, wooden spoons, and large stock pots. Thank you everyone who supported



the KAMS committee. The girls are now moving onto their next venture...this is a great one if we can make it happen! We're in the process of talking to businesses first. More news soon.

SCHOOL CLOSED- All Primary, high school teachers and Principals nationwide will be on **strike next Wednesday 29th May.** Apologies in advance if this causes any inconvenience for you and your family. We do want to thank everyone who does support our cause. Kelly Club will be operating should you need child care services on the day. Here is the link for booking www.kellyclub.co.nz/taupo

Art Auction, Learning Celebration, meet potential Board members...what is happening on the day?

- When-Wednesday 5th June
- 8.30 am 3.30 pm-Come in and celebrate with our kids and enjoy a stroll around the hall if you like collect your child/ren from their room and enjoy the gallery of fine arts!
- Auction evening mix and mingle 6.30 pm and meet possible new board members
- Auction starts at 7.30 pm
- Auction items- each class has a collaborative piece, donated art items and spot prizes up for grabs.
- Purpose-Fundraising for the second half of the senior school playground and junior play zone

Thank you to the P.T.A. who have picked up the evening event. This is an evening event for the adults and I know the P.T.A. are sourcing a complimentary glass of wine.

This week our **Tamariki Panui** authors are Blake Hooton and Louie Cameron. These boys decided they only wanted to chat to kids. Here's the talk from our learners this week...

What is happening in the junior school...they have been doing some very fun science. They have been catching bugs and putting them in see-through containers, where they can look at and study the insects bodies. They also been doing lots of work on their spelling and handwriting. (Natasha and Aaron from room 10)



What is happening in the middle school...they have been writing about shadows and how they are made. They have been taking some photos of the shadows of the puppets they made in class. They have also been doing some very cool art. In room 12 they have painted and made a cardboard taniwha as a class. They each were given a scale to colour in any way and any color. They named their taniwha Horomatangi. This is a picture of the finished product. (Callum and Carter from room 12)

What is happening in the senior school...they've been doing a lot of seesaw. They have been posting work daily to the class seesaw account, where everyone in the class can see it including our parents. They have also been working on chapter chat, which is where their teacher reads a book to them (this term it is Fish in a Tree) and then they choose a number of set activities to do which are based on the book. At the end of the week all of the activities they have done are posted on twitter, or the class account. (Duncan from room 17)

Property- Unfortunately, monies are needed to go underground. Not very exciting, however, it must be done. The school will be receiving a new water mains pipe running around the edge of the school to address the lack of water in the toilet cisterns during peak times in some areas of the school. Works start this term from week 10 and will be completed at the end of week 1 term 3 (4 weeks in total including the holiday period time). The next property item the board are looking at is the upgrade to rooms 6, 7 and 11. These are currently at the planning phase.

Board Meeting coming up next Tuesday 28th May from 6.00pm in the staffroom all welcomed.

Three little super stars and future leaders showed their own initiative this week. They decided to clean out the junior play zone river when they saw it blocked up! Wonderful environmentalist



Whakatauki of the week

Ehara taku toa, he takitahi, he toa takitini

My success should not be bestowed onto me alone, as it was not individual success but successes of a collective.

Our value of the week

Kotahitanga- I really love this value as this is about being as one. We are all in this together to achieve common outcomes, goals and aspirations. This is all about team work together as in our whakatauki above...or the old fashion saying 'many hands make light work'.

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

Upcoming Events

Week 4	Wednesday 22nd May Senior Kapa Haka introduction session (starts in week 5)
Week 4	Friday 24th May, Leadership Day, Great Lake Centre
Week 5	Board Meeting, Tuesday 28th May, 6pm, staffroom, all welcome
Week 5	Wednesday 29 May, Teachers strike day, school closed, no buses will be running
Week 5	PTA Meeting, Wednesday 29th May, 7pm at Plateau bar & restaurant in the private room
Week 6	Monday 3rd June QUEENS Birthday School Closed
Week 6	Rippa Rugby Tournament, Wednesday 5th June, 10am to 2.30pm, Owen Delany Park
Week 6	Art Auction learning display open in the hall for your viewing Wednesday 5th June
Week 6	Art Auction Evening Wednesday 5th June
Week 9	Matariki Day 25th June Food Festival School Community Event
Week 10	Mid Year Reports Home Friday last 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.

Term 2

Week 4	Room 11
Week 5	Room 10
Week 6	Room 9
Week 7	Room 8
Week 8	Room 7
Week 9	Room 3
Week 10	Room 2

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: Noah Martin, Vaanya Sharma

Room 8 Red Jelly Bands: Kaia McIntosh, Caleb Foster, Ayden Ramsay,

Cooper Jolly, Sophia Ruon

White Jelly Band: Leo Whelan

Room 11 Red Jelly Bands: Indee McCarthy, Dayne Northcroft, Kaitlyn Colledge

White Jelly Band: Angus Eyre







We would like to welcome our new students Linro, Oscar and Statesman to Taupo Primary School



A huge thank you to Bruno Georges, pictured here with his son Pascal from Room 18, for the very generous donation of a Josef Prusa 3D printer. The printer is available for all classes to use. It will be invaluable within our STEAM programme when designing prototypes, or making components such as wheels, gears and propellers that can be prohibitively expensive.

Thank you so much Bruno.

Entertainment books — PTA Fundraiser—\$65 per book

The PTA is running the Entertainment Book fundraiser again this year. If you would like to order an Entertainment book please fill in the slip (on the flyer that has already come home) or order a digital membership by going online to www.entbook.co.nz/157t044

\$13 from every book sold contributes to PTA fundraising.



Building Awesome Whanau

A six week session course designed for whanau raising children aged 0-12 years. If you're looking after tamariki this course can help you become an awesome parent or grandparent or caregiver - even more awesome than you already are!

Whether you are already a super-parent or one who is struggling, Building Awesome Whanau will give you lots of ideas. You will receive a book packed full of great ideas, and watch short video clips featuring Pio Terei and positive stories from parents and practical ideas to help you. You'll share ideas with each other and discuss how the ideas could work at your place. You'll have lots of fun and learn useful strategies.

Sessions include - Building your family on aroha, protecting your whanau, boundaries to protect your children, keeping it sweet- atmosphere is everything, good communication, living in the big, wide world.

Cost: \$75 per person (concessions can be made if needed, please talk to Sue about this, so don't let the price stop you from enrolling). Morning tea will be included.

When: Tuesday mornings 9.00-11.00am. Starting 28th May 2019.

Where: Taupo Primary School.

Please contact Sue Forsyth ASAP 027 555 3339 or suef@taupoprimary.school.nz

Become a Kiwi Guardian

Treasure hunt maps for Spa Park, Waipahihi Botanical Gardens and 2 Mile Bay at your school office or go online www.kiwiguardians.org.nz

Toyota Kiwi Guardians is an activity programme helping kids connect with nature, go on epic guided adventures and earn rewards.



This programme is run by the Department of Conservation and – you guessed it! – Toyota New Zealand.

We're helping parents connect their tamariki with nature because we know that once a passion for nature is ignited, it'll burn brightly in the years to come.

While kids are outside enjoying fresh air, having fun and creating memories; they're also building good conservation habits.

Help us create the future guardians of New Zealand – Toyota Kiwi Guardians!

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Congratulations to our students - New Zealand Modern School of Music Competition Results for piano

Lottie Bull - 2 HC Kate Darvill - 2 VHC, 1 HC Olivia Spriggs - 1 Silver, 1 Bronze Chloe Collins - 1 Silver, 1 Bronze





