



## **Taupo Primary School Newsletter**

### **Thursday 15 August 2019, Week 4**

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



Tena koutou katoa,

It's a HUGE week of celebrations and a lot of good luck as we celebrate our extra-curricular opportunities available at TPS! Our kids being **'HOOKED ON'** sporting and dance.

**Congratulations** to our Dance NZ Made girls who participated on Friday. All girls were so awesome on the night and you looked great in your punk outfits. A huge thank you to the parents, grandparents and other family members who supported our Dance NZ Made girls.



**Congratulations** Taupo Primary Flames who won medals last weekend. Winners of section 3 round 1 and undefeated. They moved up a section and then came 3rd equal. A message to the girls from their coach Arna..."So proud of my Flames. It was a pleasure to coach you. Thanks to all our parents and supporters and a special thanks to Renee King for helping out.



**Congratulations** Taupo Blazers who took out the 'Top Section' for Yr 5 & 6 Netball for 2019 this year. They remained unbeaten this season. Tumeke! Girls from your coach Deliala "Tumeke! I'm so proud of you all".



**King Country Rugby-** A huge congratulations to Ollie Maclachlan and Chase Kapua who have been selected to play for the King Country Under 45 kg representative team. These boys were selected to play after competing in the King Country Under 45 tournament in Taumaranui last weekend.

**Central Plateau Ski Champs-** Good luck to Meadow Peacocke, Georgie Dickie, Riley Staddon, Lottie Bull and Ben Coffin who are competing in the Central Plateau Ski Championships this Thursday.

**Junior School:** Room 3 have been working hard on their cross country training! They have been doing star jumps, marching and a few other things. They have also been learning to count to 100!

**Middle School:** Room 15 have been researching about birds! They have also been asking each other questions like, what they look like, what predators they have, their life cycle and a few other interesting things.

**Senior School:** Room 17 have been reading the book Holes for chapter chat and have been making the rec room in minecraft! Ollie from room 17 has been inventing a set of cardboard wings! He has done it all by himself and has put a huge amount of effort into it. Well done Ollie!

Our main school aim in 2019 is to **improve our students' writing and their achievement outcomes**. Here's a celebration of some of our year 3 and 4 boys...I love the way they write about our treasured maunga or mountain...

One magnificent and cool day there was a mountain called Mount Tauhara. He is in New Zealand a mountain that you can go up. The water, cool, awesome, silhouetted by the sky. The sky, magnificent, ugly and beautiful. Mount Tauhara an amazing mountain. Majestically, he guards Taupo. (Charlie)

One spectacular, amazing and unspeakable day some people were out on a boat. Suddenly, they noticed a silhouetted sight. It was Mount Tauhara "wow!". The clouds were fluffy as a bunny. When they looked at the mountains their mouths dropped. It was spectacular. Taupo was a beautiful sight. It made their day. (Teahu)

Quickly the rough lake glimmered in the reflection of the sun-blazing, hot, bright. AS Mount Tauhara stands still, mankind wakes up! The clouds puffy, fluffy and ugly in the sky. (Travis)



### **This weeks Whakatauki**

#### **Tōtika - Balance**

#### **Mahia i runga i te rangimārie me te ngākau māhaki**

With a peaceful mind and respectful heart,  
we will always get the best results

Nga mihi nui  
Sarah Sade, Acting Principal  
Taupo Primary School

## Upcoming Events

- Week 4 Central Plateau Skiing Champs (today)
- Week 5 Swimming starts for Rooms 16 - 21, cost \$20 per student
- Week 5 Senior Cross Country Wednesday 21 August, Spa Park
- Week 7 Junior Cross Country Tuesday 3 September, 9.30am to 11am
- Week 7 Interschool Cross Country Wednesday 4 September, Spa Park
- Week 8 Big Music Day Thursday 12 September, Great Lake Centre
- Week 8 Ripper rugby challenge kids versus Otago U19 rugby team
- Week 10 Cricket Tasters (Tuesday, Wednesday)

Tuwharetoa Festival dates and tentative performance times:

Tuesday 17 September - Juniors, 3.20pm

Wednesday 18 September - Seniors, 3.20pm

Thursday 19 September - Middle, 10.50am

**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 Monday**. Please see below for rooms hosting this terms assemblies.

### Term 3 MONDAY MORNING ASSEMBLY

- Week 5 Room 21
- Week 6 Room 20
- Week 7 Room 19
- Week 8 Room 18
- Week 9 Room 17
- Week 10 Room 16

## 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 White Jelly Bands** Oscar Devonport, Savannah Davey

**Room 11 White Jelly Band** Charlie Dickie

## Meet our Board of Trustees Member - Kirsty Darvill



Hi, I am Kirsty Darvill. My husband Mike and I have lived in Taupo for 10 years. We have 4 daughters Ella, 11, Kate, 9, Pippa 6 and Charlie aged 3. We have loved being involved in Taupo Primary School since Ella started as a new entrant in 2013 and I am excited about being on the Taupo Primary Board of Trustees.

I started my career, a few years ago, as a primary school teacher in Hastings and I then taught in London. When we returned from London to start a family I retrained as an early childhood teacher. In 2011 we opened My Treehut early learning centre.

I am passionate about education and about helping our Taupo Primary tamariki to be the best they can be and about supporting our wonderful Taupo Primary staff.

Nga mihi nui, Kirsty



We would like to welcome our new students  
Anya and Karlos to Taupo Primary School



## **Is there anyone interested in their child attending the SEASONS programme next term?**

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 is 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 4.

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](mailto:suef@taupopprimary.school.nz)

## **Touch Rugby**

Last week Touch Rugby forms were sent out to students who are interested in playing in the upcoming competition in Term 4. We have had a great response but we do need more GIRLS as the teams are mixed. Forms available from the office.

## **Taupo Primary School Christmas Soap**

We have made some custom soaps to help fund raise just for Taupo Primary!

Beautiful soaps in school colours that are great at home or for gifts. Each soap comes with a special box that will be created and coloured by your child ready to give to someone special.



Order as many as you need for Christmas by returning the form along with cash payment to the 'soap box' at the office by 27th September. Soaps will be brought home by your child in early December. Proceeds are given to the PTA for the benefit of all the children at TPS

*All soaps are made from Coconut oil, Olive oil and Rice bran oil.*

*Made by Double Bubble - For any further info on the soap please contact Faye at fayebl@gmail.com*

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class : \_\_\_\_\_

# of soaps required : \_\_\_\_\_ @\$6 each

Total due : \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Ph : \_\_\_\_\_

