

Taupo Primary School Newsletter Thursday 12 September 2019, Week 8 'Ko te ako te maneatanga' or 'Hooked on Learning'



Kia ora e te whānau,

This week it's Māori Language Week which has been celebrated each year from 1975. Māori Language Day is September 14 and commemorates the presentation of the 1972 Māori language petition to parliament. Mahuru Māori is an initiative begun in 2017 to promote the use of te reo Māori throughout the month of September.

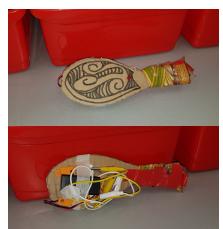
Why a week? Why not a year? Why not a decade? A century?

Because New Zealand is revitalising the Māori language and a part of that is a celebration of our success and promoting te reo Māori. Māori language week is an opportunity for concentrated celebration, promotion and encouragement. And every minute of every hour of every day is a Māori language minute – we can choose to use te reo – every time we do, even just a 'Kia ora!' contributes to revitalisation.

The goals of Māori language week...are to...

- Create a positive environment for the use of Māori language.
- Promote Māori language initiatives and events.
- Encourage non-Māori speaking New Zealanders to use reo Māori.
- Encourage speakers of Māori to support others who are just starting out.
- Encourage community, business, government and media organisations to participate.
- Promote resources to make Māori language more accessible.
- Contribute to awareness of the Crown Māori Language Strategy and the Māori and iwi strategy that work together for revitalisation.
- Also one of our New Zealand Curriculum areas that should be taught weekly.

Knew to our digital learning- the MICRO BIT! this week we were lucky to have Jenny Bohan introduce the Micro Bit to staff. This great little gadget looks fantastic and will help form part of the work we do in the new Digital Technologies or in **te reo Hangarau Matihiko** curriculum. It's about programming and coding. Writing a script in a digital world. Here's a link should you wish to know more about this little tool... <u>https://microbit.org/teach/</u> our kids in room 21 love this tool! It's hard to keep up with what our kids do! Check this Patu out made by Devon and Matthew using the micro bit...coded and script written to make the light glow.





Knew to our STEAM curriculum- the STEAM box! Last week we were lucky to have Sarah Lightfoot introduced to staff the STEAM BOX. A fabulous box filled with authentic Science, Technology, Environmental, Arts, and Math challenges and problems. This great box of STEAM is to help promote our new curriculum and we hope that soon no matter where you go around the school at a certain time our kids will be STEAM learning! Our teachers loved it and snapped up all the boxes. Keep an eye out in your child's room for their STEAMING work! Room 15 completed the SPIDER WEB

challenge!



Congratulations to our staff member **Sarah Keehan** who has recently come back this term from study leave. Sarah has achieved her Masters of Education in Education degree, which she will be awarded with First Class Honours. WOW!!! Way to go Miss Keehan or in **te reo Whakamihi Hera** we are all so proud and happy for you! Thanks to the board for approving Sarah's study leave.

Camp 2020- The year 5 and 6 students will

be going to Mi Camp located at the southern end of the lake by Motuoapa. Camp will be taking place in May and be over 3 days or 2 nights. More info soon from Mrs McCarthy and the Senior School team.

He aha nga mea a ta maatau tamariki e kii i tenei wiki i roto i o ratou panui...what our tamaiti (children) have to say in this weeks panui...he aha te mea e tupu nei i roto i o maatau kura? What is happening in our school?

Kapa Haka

This coming Tuesday,Wednesday and Thursday is Kapahaka for the school. All the children have been practicing very hard. We have three groups Junior, Middle and Senior. We have had over Teiria Rameka, Georgina Te Heu Heu , Matua Grant and Manu Te Heu Heu helping teach the groups.



Junior Kapa Haka: The junior Kapa Haka will be performing on Tuesday the 17th September at 12:00AM. There are 64 kids in the group years 0-2. They have been practicing for 10 weeks, two days a week. Matua Grant has been helping them to move into the right places, Haka and he plays the guitar. The teacher for junior kapa haka is Lisa Pellowe.





Middle School Kapahaka : The middle school will be performing on Thursday the 19th at 10:50AM. They have been practicing for 14 weeks. They have been lucky enough to have Manu Te Heu Heu helping them with the Haka. Their Teacher supporting them and teaching them the

Waiata actions is Mrs Dundas. Man are they lucky to have Georgina Te Heu Heu helping them as well as their new Guitarist Teiria Rameka. They have 60 kids that are year 3-4.

Senior Kapa Haka: The Senior Kapa Haka group will be performing on Wednesday the 18th at 2:40pm. They have 50 kids in the group with year 4-6. They have been practicing for 10 to 14 weeks, 2 days a week. Teiria Rameka and Maia have been helping them to learn the actions and the haka. The guitarist is Teiria. The teacher is Miss Woodcock.

Good luck to all the Kapa haka kids.

Nga mihi nui

Sarah Sade Acting Principal Taupo Primary School

Upcoming Events

- 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)

Term 4

Week 1 Monday 9.15 am Powhiri to welcome our new Principal Zac Taylor, new children and whanau

Tuwharetoa Festival dates and performance times: Tuesday 17 September - Juniors, 12.00pm Wednesday 18 September - Seniors, 2.40pm 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 9 Room 17 Week 10 Room 16 Term 4 Back to FRIDAY MORNING ASSEMBLIES Week 1 Room 15 Week 2 Room 14 Week 3 Room 13 Week 4 Room 12

2020 School Dates- Monday 3rd February (Start) to Friday 11th December (Finish)

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: Ben Pridham, Justin Colledge
- **Room 3** Red Jelly Bands: Aaliyah Dryden, Nikau Asher, Paige Harris, Sophie Piper

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Some of our ski elective students skiing in the Rock Garden

Ski Team 2020

Expressions of interest for the Taupo Primary School ski team for 2020 will be available from the office on Friday.

Heartland Under 19 team visiting tomorrow

The Heartland Under 19 team will be visiting the school this Friday 13th September at 2.00pm.

Immunisations Certificates

Thank you to all of our parents and caregivers who have provided an up-to-date immunisation certificate for their child over the last week. The response to our request has been awesome. Thank you.

If you received a letter asking you for the up-dated copy of your child's immunisation certificate please bring it into the office or ask your doctors surgery to email a printout to <u>office@taupoprimary.school.nz</u>. It is important that we hold a whole school immunisation register in case of an outbreak.

Meet our Board of Trustees Member - Arna Rolleston

Kia Ora, I'm Arna Rolleston, and I am Sapphire and Skyela's Mum. I am new to the Board of Trustees. I am excited to be a part of such a fantastic Board, together with the excellent job that our Taupo Primary Senior Leadership and staff do in providing excellence for our students.





I am a local girl having been away for the past 20 years, I have come home to raise my girls in this wonderful great lake Taupo region.

I have been employed in roles of management, legal, governance and administration and was previously on the Taupo Primary School Board of Trustees as Board Secretary.

For the past 5 years I have volunteered at our school as Coach for Taupo Flames Netball, Taupo Magic Netball assisting in both of my girls' classes, trips, hangi, kapahaka, skiing and fundraising.

It's important that we all collaborate to achieve our school goals and most Importantly of our kids'education and success.



Taupo Junior Cricket registrations NOW OPEN!

Registrations open for school year 0 through to year 8 (intermediate). What's more, we have a brand new website to go with it...

Please register online at: <u>https://taupocricket.co.nz/</u> This is the first season we are taking registrations via our website, so if you encounter any issues or need help, please email: taupocricket@gmail.com for assistance.

Paper registrations will be held on Friday 20th September 2019 at Kaimanawa Reserve from 3:30-5:00pm.

First games will commence Friday 18th October 2019.



Ever wanted to breath underwater! We can show you how ...

What is it: Try scuba is the first step to scuba diving in a pool setting under the guidance of an SSI Instructor, you will learn the fundamentals of scuba while also having a bit of fun blowing bubbles.

<u>When is it:</u> Monday 30 September, **2 sessions** 9am and 1pm (max of 8 per session) we will try our best to fulfil the time slot that suit, but spaces are limited.

Where is it: Taupo AC Thermal Baths (26 AC Baths Ave).

Who can do it: Must be over the age of 8 to participate and must be medically fit to dive.

How much is it: \$65 per person includes all scuba equipment,

What should you bring: Togs , towel, water bottle, snack, swimming rash guard or tee shirt as wetsuit is not provided

Terms and Conditions:

To dive you must be medically fit. There is a questionnaire to fill in.

To register please go to nzdiveschool.co.nz/tryscuba - RSVP before 22 September.

Any questions please email or call Renee, info@nzdiveschool.co.nz 0275008225

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 scap please contact Foye at foyeb1 Ogmail.com

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General Information: We believe in giring children oppartunities to do the things they fore and enity in a supportive and encouraging environment. We provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings for children out of school: Our holiday programme is focused around sports, arts and crafts, cooking and outings to local entercions. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with raining on behaviour management schniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

Who can offend! Boys & Girls aged 5-13 yrs What do you meed to bring: Shoes and appropriate collating, jacket or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and long.

Food: Please bring plenty of packed food and dink for morning lear/functir/attennon-tea. Lunch will be from approximately 12,30pm to 1.00pm each day.

Programme activities: Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age depending on unibers. Programme activities may vary without notice dependent or weather conditions and programme numbers.

Payment details: Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

Work and Income OSCAR Subsidy: Parents/caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a VINUZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information wish http://www.workandincome.govi.nz.

Please note: Every care will be taken to ensure the softey of your child/ten and their property. However, organises of Kelly Club accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst on the programme. If your child/ren are collected lab other the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$15 per 15 minutes or part hereof.



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DEANO YIPADEE SHOW

Come and meet international Kiwi children's author and musician, Deano, aka Mr Yipadee.

He has topped the UK, New Zealand and Australian Children's Best-Sellers Charts on numerous occasions.

His albums and books include Jingle Bells, Rudolph Smells, Nee Naw The Little Fire Engine and Stink-o-saurus.

3.30-4.30pm

(All ages; adult supervision required)

