



**Taupo Primary School
Newsletter
Thursday 23 July, Week 1
'Ko te ako te maneatanga'
'Hooked on Learning'**



Welcome Back to Term 3!

A special welcome to Mrs Danielle Collard who started this term as the full time teacher in room 14.

This term we have opened our 4th new entrant classroom, a warm welcome to our students and families that have started this term. We are so excited to have you join us and become part of our school whanau.

We have a busy winter term coming up and will be continuing to operate around some of our super important and ongoing property projects (rooms 6, 7, 10 & 11) continuing, the hopeful beginnings of our much needed and awaited school field revitalisation project. Please observe any signage and barriers around these project zones and thank you for your patience and understanding.

Please take note of the beginning of term reminders in this newsletter and some of the minor changes in operations that are being introduced / trialled.



Welcome To Our New Room 14 Teacher

We are delighted to introduce Mrs Danielle Collard, our new Teacher who has starting in Room 14. She comes to us very highly recommended from Kohimarama School in Auckland. Danielle is an experienced Teacher and Team Leader who is passionate about students being hooked on learning in fun and creative ways. We are super excited about the passion and zing she is going to bring to Taupo Primary. We know you will give her a warm Taupo Primary School welcome.

**TEACHER ONLY DAY
THURSDAY 6 AUGUST**

Kelly Club will be open all day if you need childcare.
Call Rebecca on 0211950139 for more info.

Morning Gate Times

(arrival / drop off times)

We highly recommend not bringing or sending students to school until 8.30 (this is when classrooms are opened for students). Students **SHOULD NOT** be at school before 8.15am (unless they arrive by bus).

Before school care operates in the hall for those that need to be at school before this.

The School Day Starts At 9am

In the past we have had a bell at 8.55am and then again at 9am. This has caused confusion around the start of day timings. School officially starts at 9am. Late students do not need to sign at the office until 9.05am. *There will be no 8.55am bell.*

Reports and Whanau Hui (Interviews)

School reports will be sent home at the end of next week. These are a new format which we intend to use for this report and the end of year report. We will seek your feedback on this format early next year. Parent interviews are in week 3.



School Bells

For a variety of reasons we have decided to trial a reduction in the number of school bells in the day. We will be removing the bells that indicate the beginnings of break times. This will take effect as soon as our technician has time to change them for us. At this point in time there will still be a 3pm bell.

Assemblies

This term we are trialling reducing the number of whole school assemblies. With student leaders running these assemblies with a focus on celebrating success for students. Parents are welcome! Classes presenting learning and running assemblies will now take place in team assemblies where **parents will be invited to attend**. This will enable classes more chances to present a celebration.

Welcome to our new students Vaishvi, Amaira, Bradly, Olivia and Riley



Powhiri For New Students, Families and Staff Friday 31st July 2020

We will be holding a Powhiri (formal welcome) for our new students, families and staff.

If you are new to the school you will receive a formal invite to attend alongside your child.

If you are already part of our school and would like to support the school in welcoming newcomers please be seated in the hall by 9.15am.

From the New Entrants

We would love to create a seating area for our outdoor mud kitchen. If you have any stumps or wooden reels that you could donate we would be very grateful.

Many thanks
Rooms 1,2,3 and 7

**CAN YOU
HELP?**



Upcoming Events

31 July	Reports come home
3 August	Whanau Korero (parent interviews) 3.30pm to 7.30pm
6 August	Whanau Korero 9am to 5.30pm (School closed)
14 September	Stay Safe September through St Johns (all classes)

Dental Clinic

The Taupo Primary School Dental Clinic will reopen in Week 4. If you need to contact this service before week 4 please phone the Taupo Hospital Dental Clinic 378 9470.

Whanau Korero (Parent Interviews)

This week students have been given a notice with a booking instruction with a booking code. Use this to secure your spot on the 3rd or 6th of August.

To book an interview time please go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

and use Event Code: **x576v**

Select Go and follow instructions

INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENTING PROGRAMME

FOR PARENTS OF 3-8 YEAR OLDS



FREE 14 WEEK COURSE

General Overview

A Clinical Psychologist - Carolyn Webster-Stratton developed the Incredible Years Parenting Programme. The programme has been extensively researched for over 30 years to provide the most accurate way to help children grow up through life's hurdles in the best possible way. The Incredible Years Programme uses 14 weeks of two and a half hour sessions to give you information and practical application to ensure that in the completed time, you the parent have enough tools to tackle any behavior issues that your child presents. A lot of Taupo Primary School's teachers have completed the programme also. Work together to support your children.

COURSE INFORMATION

Dates: 5th August to the 4th November

Venue: St Andrews Church
89 Titiraupenga St (Behind the Warehouse)

Time: Wednesdays 10am -12:30pm

School Contact Details for more information: Sue Forsyth suef@taupoprimary.school.nz
or 027 555 3339

BUS SAFETY

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY TIPS

The school bus is one of the safest ways to travel. To keep them safe, please follow these steps when picking up or dropping off children at the bus stop and teach them about staying safe.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

If you pick up or drop off children at the bus stop:

- Wait on the same side of the road as the bus stop, where safely possible.
- Park your car well away from the bus stop or other children.
- Teach children about safe bus behavior - and practice it with them.
- Encourage children to wait quietly at the stop and to keep away from the road.

If your children make their own way to and from the bus stop:

- Teach and walk your child along the safest route from your house to the bus stop.
- Choose the route with the fewest road crossings and least traffic.
- If they have to cross the road after getting off the bus, teach them to wait until the bus has moved away and they can see up and down the road clearly.
- Dress them in brightly coloured or reflectorized clothing that can be easily seen by drivers.
- You could also encourage your school to establish a bus warden system.

WHAT TO TEACH YOUR CHILDREN

Waiting for the bus

- Wait at the nominated bus stop area.
- Keep well away from the road edge.
- Wait quietly, avoid playing games where you might end up running onto the road.

When getting on the bus

- Form a single line.
- Make sure the bus has stopped fully before you try and get on.
- Be patient and let those in front of you get on without any shoving or pushing.
- Carry your backpack or school bag as it may get caught in the door if you wear it.
- Let younger children on first.

When waiting for the bus

- Quickly choose your seat and sit down.
- Put your bag on your lap or under your seat and keep the bus aisle clear.

- Stay in your seat until the bus has stopped.
- Follow what the bus driver or bus warden tells you to do.
- If you have to stand, put your bag on the floor and hold onto a seat back or handrail.

When getting off the bus

- Wait until the bus has fully stopped before getting off the bus carefully.
- Be patient and let those in front of you get off without any shoving or pushing.
- After you get off the bus, wait as far away from the edge of the road as you can, until the bus has moved away.
- If you need to cross the road, wait until the bus has driven past and you can see clearly up and down the road before crossing. Always use the kerb drill to cross.
- Stand well clear of the bus if it's turning or reversing.

Setting up a school bus warden system

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Bus wardens are responsible senior students who help promote safe behavior on school buses. The Wardens tasks are to:

- Help students travel to and from school safely.
- Help parents look after their children.
- Notify bus drivers of any passenger changes and prevent students from distracting them.

You can suggest that your child's school sets up a bus warden system. Together the school, bus operator, parents and the local police school community officer decide whether a system is needed.

Find out more on setting up a bus warden team in the school traffic safety manual

<https://education.nzta.govt.nz/teacher-resources/school-policy-and-practices/school-traffic-safety-teams>.



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PARENTING IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Struggling to work out how to parent in the digital age?
We've got some tips to help!

MONDAY 27TH JULY 7PM
TAUHARA COLLEGE HALL

TUESDAY 28TH JULY 6.30PM
TURANGI TOWN LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY 29TH JULY 7PM
WAIPAHIHI SCHOOL HALL

THURSDAY 30TH JULY 7PM
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CHILDREN AT SCHOOL

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SCHOOL YOUR
CHILDREN ATTEND.

COME AND GET SOME
TOOLS FOR YOUR
PARENTING TOOLBOX

Contact: Natasha.Marinkovich@police.govt.nz

GRANDPARENTING IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Do you look after your Mokopuna (grandchildren)?
Have no idea what they are doing on their digital devices?
We've got some tips to help!

MONDAY 27TH JULY 10.15AM
TAUHARA COLLEGE HALL

FREE & OPEN TO ALL GRANDPARENTS, PLUS
WE WILL COVER SOME TIPS TO KEEP YOURSELF SAFE ONLINE TOO

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What has been happening at Kelly Club this week



THEME: Science Challenge Week

Term 3 Week 1, 20th July 2020

Weekly Activities Plan
Kelly Club Taupo

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:30 - 8:15 am	Colouring Comp & Structured Free Time	Lego Building & Structured Free Time	Dance Battle & Structured Free Time	Kids Choice & Structured Free Time	Board Games & Structured Free Time
8:15 - 8:30 am	Game: Chicken Tag	Game: Staff Choice	Game: Musical Statues	Game: Stuck in the Mud	Game: Captain's Coming
3:00 - 3:10 pm	Sign In & Free Time	Sign In & Free Time	Sign In & Free Time	Sign In & Free Time	Sign In & Free Time
3:10 - 3:30 pm	Intro & Afternoon Tea Eggs & fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Yogurt Banana & fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Corn Chips & fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & fruit
3:30 - 3:45 pm	Game: Zip Zap Boing	Game: Rainbow Rush	Game: Crab Football	Game: Tug O War	Game: Hospital Tag
3:45 - 4:30 pm	CRAFT Mini Planets	GAME Bust the Atoms	DISCOVERY Science Word Challenges	SPORT Test Tube Relay	COOKING Fossil Cookies
4:30 - 4:35 pm	Pack Up	Pack Up	Pack Up	Pack Up	Pack Up
4:50 - 5:15 pm	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time
5:15 - 6:00 pm	Game: 4 Corner Dodgeball & Projects	Game: Doggy Doggy & Projects	Game: Around the World & Projects	Game: Barnyard Game & Projects	Game: Beanbag Attack & Projects

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