"Hooked on learning"



Taupo Primary School

'Ko te ako te maneatanga' 'Hooked on Learning' Term 2, Week 9



As we near the end of term 2, we have certainly hit winter! We had a short time of top excitement as we had 'snow' falling during the school day. The cold weather has prompted some very descriptive writing in some of our classes and given a great opportunity to look at temperatures and thermometers in maths!

As the temperature drops its a good time to remind everyone that school drop off in the morning is from 8.15am, classes are not expected to be opened until 8.30am. The playgrounds are often closed in the mornings due to ice and wet slip hazards. We recommend not dropping your children off until after 8.30am.

Teachers Paid Union Meeting

Thank You so much to those that are collecting their children before lunch next Monday. This has helped us hugely in being able to stay open and supervise those students that cannot be collected with the skeleton staff that are remaining on site.



Cupcake day was a huge success, with the PTA raising almost \$1000. Thank You to all those who contributed and purchased a wee treat last week!

Staffing Updates



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At the end of this term Sue Forsyth will be taking an extended leave of absence. Mrs Forsyth works predominantly in our school as our Special Education Needs Coordinator. We will be advertising a fixed term part time position to find someone to take over in her role while she is away.

Senior Leadership Team - (Reminder)

It is with regret that we share the news that Kirsty Tatere (our Associate Principal, overseeing the Junior School) is stepping down from her leadership position. Mrs Tatere has played a vital role in the school leadership and education direction over the last 5 years or more. She will be greatly missed and we wish her well in her next endeavours.

We are in the process of appointing a 'acting' Associate Principal to join the senior leadership team and continue to oversee the Junior School. This will enable the Board of Trustees to carry out a robust recruitment process in term 3.

Room 4 - New Entrant Class - (Reminder)

We are excited to welcome Mrs Chanelle Wootton to the junior school, she will be opening up our 4th New Entrant class at the beginning of term 3. This will be located in room 4. Mrs Wootton has been teaching part time and casually in our school over the past 12 months. We look forward to having her join our team for the rest of the year.

Diary Dates		
Week 10	5 July	Paid Union Meeting for Teachers
Week 10	8 July	Mid Year Reports come home
Week 10	9 July	Last day of Term 2
Term 3		
Term 3	26 July	First day of Term 3
Week 2	3 August	Ripper Taster Session Y5/6
Week 3	9 August	Teacher Only Day - Whanau Hui/Parent Teacher Interviews
Week 3	11 August	Dance NZ Made for Senior School Dance Teams
Week 3	12 August	Senior School Y4-6 Cross Country, Spa Park 9.30am to 1pm
Week 4	16 August	Whanau Hui/Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30pm to 5.30pm
Week 4	18 August	Rippa Rugby Tournament
Week 6	1 September	Interschool Cross Country Y4-6, Spa Park
Week 6	30 Aug to 3 Sept	School wide Badminton Taster Sessions





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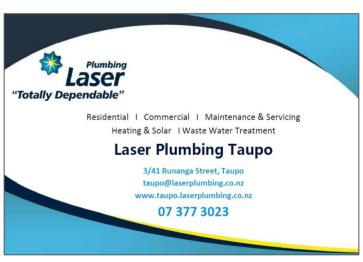












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