

"Hooked on learning"



Taupo Primary School

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

Thursday 3 March 2022 Term 1,
Week 5

Kia Ora kotau,

I would first like to acknowledge and thank our parents who have been super understanding and supportive of our schools operations and requirements to keep everyone as safe as we can. From staying at the gate, to phoning instead of popping in, those keeping their kids at home with sniffles, and those picking up students who might not be 'sick' but are displaying covid like symptoms. All of your efforts help our day run smoother and keep all of us as safe as possible. Thank you, thank you thank you!

You will be aware covid is making its way through our school. We continue to send letters to families if covid has been discovered in your child's class. We are beginning to see teachers having to stay at home for a number of reasons. The 'pandemic' is upon us. I am so proud of the staff and you, our community. Our staff are on the coal face now, knowing they are daily exposing themselves and their family to getting covid. They do not have the luxury of staying at home like many of our students and families have chosen to do. Our staff are doing an amazing job at 'keeping calm and carrying on'. I thank them for their resolve to keep learning going as best they can in this challenging time.

The atmosphere within the school is calm, industrious and productive. Our students are just getting on with life and taking any changes we have to make in their stride. I am proud of them all! Those at school and those at home just now!

Collectively, with the mahi and resolve of our committed TPS team, and the ongoing support of you, our community, we are going to ride this out and come out the other side an even tighter knit team. All doing the best for our tamariki and their ongoing learning journey.

Keep Us In The Loop - Let Us Know

Please let the office know (email is preferred, office@taupoprimary.school.nz) :

- If any of your enrolled children test positive.
- If any enrolled children are having to isolate at home due to a family close contact.
- If any child enrolled that is already in isolation develops Covid-19 during isolation.
- If you are keeping your children home as a precaution.

Class & Staffing Disruptions

We are already experiencing high levels of student absence. We anticipate at some point we will also experience higher than usual staff absences (and for long periods ie 10 days at a time). We will do everything we can to source relievers, however the demand on Taupo's Relief teacher pool is very high. Getting relievers is already presenting a challenge. There are a number of things that may happen in the case of low class numbers and unavailability of staff.

- Ideally we will engage the same reliever for the whole time the teacher is not available.
- Classes may have a couple of different relievers while their teacher is away.
- Classes may be split some days and go to another teacher within the same team (when relievers are not available).
- Classes may be split for the entire length of the class teacher absence.

These decisions will be made case by case basis, sometimes morning by morning! We will do our best to keep you well informed of the changes to your child's class, teacher and location.

Some Useful Live Links To Learning
If You are At Home

[Learning from Home](#)

[Kauwhata Reo](#)

[Learning at Home NZMaths](#)

Diary Dates - Term 1

Week 4	Fridays	Yeah Girls Cricket continues (every Friday tournament TBC)
Week 6	7,8,9 March	Hockey Tasters Y3-6
Week 7	14, 15 March	Basketball Tasters Y5-6
Week 11	11 April	Board of Trustees Meeting
Week 11	14 April	Last day Term 1
Term 2, Week 1	2 May	First day Term 2

Well done to our students who are joining Kids Greening Taupo this year:

Kaitiaki Crew

Lucinda, Benji, Ginny, Kate, Beau and Hector

Nature Explorers

Arabella, Eli and Emily



Winter Sports Registrations coming up soon

Hockey: Notices were given out last week to students who were interest in playing hockey. If your child missed the notice please email office@taupoprimary.school.nz for a copy.

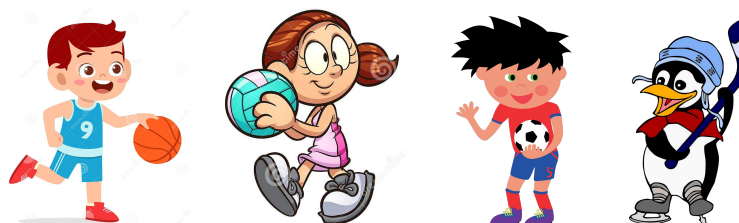
Netball: Information coming soon.

Basketball: All students will register individually online. The registrations will open on the 14th March and close on the 25th March. Once registrations have closed the school will put the teams together. Parent help is welcomed to help put teams together, sort uniforms and manage/coach a team.

Football/ Rugby: These codes are now completely independent of the school and any students wanting to register for these codes can find all the information on their websites or FB pages:

Rugby – Taupo Rugby and Sports Clubs Juniors

Football – Taupo Junior Football



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THEME: The Wild West

Term 1 Week 6, 7 March 2022

Weekly Activities Plan
Kelly Club Taupo

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:30 - 8:15 am	Structured Free Time	Structured Free Time	Structured Free Time	Structured Free Time	Structured Free Time
8:15 - 8:30 am	Game: Where's Wally	Game: Turkey Tag	Game: Train Stations	Game: The Warm Wind Blows	Game: Switcheroo
3:00 - 3:10 pm	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time
3:10 - 3:30 pm	Intro & Afternoon Tea Muesli Bars & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Pasta & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Corn thins & Fruit
3:30 - 3:45 pm	Game: Teepees & Indians	Game: The Warm Wind Blows	Game: Train Stations	Game: What's the Time Wally?	Game: Zombie Tag
3:45 - 4:30 pm	GAME Pass the Corn 	CRAFT Wild West Bandana 	DISCOVERY Pan for Gold 	SPORT Sheep Herding 	COOKING Cornbread 
4:30 - 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up
4:35 - 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: All in Tag & Projects	Game: Around the World & Projects	Game: Barnyard Game & Projects	Game: Beanbag Attack & Projects

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