

"Hooked on learning"



Taupo Primary School

'Ko te ako te maneatanga' 'Hooked on Learning' Friday 6 May 2022 Term 2, Week 1

Welcome back to Term 2,

I hope everyone managed to get a break, rest and enjoy the stunning weather we had over the school holidays.

This term looks to be a very busy term with lots going on from sport events, dress up days, swimming lessons, community learning evenings and everything in between. Keep an eye out for more details and newsletters coming home.



Last term we farewelled Mrs Amy Webster (class teacher in room 20) who has been with us at Taupo Primary for over 15 years. She has secured a promotion of sorts and has moved into a slightly different avenue of education, working as an RTLB in multiple schools across Taupo. We wish her all the best and we will miss her! We were unable to farewell her properly last term, however the senior school will host a farewell assembly for her in the coming weeks.



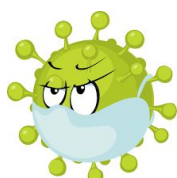
This term we welcome back Mrs Melanie Cross (formerly Miss Matthews) who left us a couple of years ago, but was available to return and step into Room 20 for the remainder of the year. We are lucky to have been able to fill the gap with a very experienced teacher who knows us and how we operate.



As you know on the last day of term 1, the government moved New Zealand into Covid Response Framework Level Orange. More key information on what that looks like at school is within this newsletter.



We ended term 1 with Covid having been active in all classes in the school. Please operate under the assumption that Covid is likely to be present within all classes this term also.



CPF Orange Level Need to Knows

Masks are no longer mandatory, however they are recommended by the Government. At this point of time masks at TPS are optional in most situations (More details and information on Masks on page 2).

School Breaks - we are not operating morning tea and lunch in smaller groups, so we are back to our normal break times - 11am and 1pm.

Reduced number of non essential visitors on sight - we are still asking parents to drop off and pick up at the gate as much as possible. If parents are onsite for any reason we would appreciate you wearing a mask and not entering classes without the invitation of the teacher.

Making an appointment to chat with staff is still essential. The easiest way to do this is to Email the staff member concerned to arrange. Some teachers may still prefer virtual or phone conversations as opposed to face to face. Please respect our staffs preferences at this time.

CPF Orange Level Need to Knows

Assemblies - large indoor gatherings are still advised against. However, should we still be seeing a declining number of covid cases we will allow smaller group assemblies to take place ie team assemblies. Parents may be invited to these if relevant and appropriate space for social distancing is available.

Sick Students or Students with Symptoms

As per CPF red, if your child is sick or has symptoms keep them at home (even if they have already had covid). If a child presents sick or with symptoms at school, you will be asked to collect them and keep them at home until symptom free. Please note that within our younger students, sore tummy and/ or vomiting has been a very common sign of covid at TPS.

Singing and Dancing Indoors - with ventilation and some social distancing it is deemed that singing indoors can happen - this has made many teachers very happy!

Stand-by Mask - Please ensure students in year 4 and up have a mask in their bag or at school daily. There may be times when they are asked to wear them ie if gathering in large numbers indoors or in the sick bay.

Masks - Further conversation



While masks are currently optional at school for staff and students we are still wanting to promote a culture that masks are encouraged, accepted and respected. Students and staff who wish to wear masks will feel accepted and empowered to do so.

We continue to ask that parents and visitors wear a mask onsite, especially if you are inside with other staff, students or adults. Thank you to everyone that has continued to wear masks around our teachers and students.

Students **may be** asked to wear a mask in different circumstances. These could include large assemblies, gatherings inside in small spaces etc. Students year 4+ will be asked to wear a mask in the sick bay. Please remind your child to calmly and politely inform / remind the teacher or staff member if they are exempt **or** you do not want them to wear a mask. Teachers will take this at face value and **may** follow it up with communication home just to confirm.



ANZAC DAY



Thank you to Liz France for
organising our students to attend
the ANZAC service on behalf of
Taupo Primary School





Are you a parent/guardian with a child that uses the internet or mobile phone?

Cybercrime is a very real issue facing families in NZ, but there are easy practical steps to reduce the risk. **Taupo Primary** invites you to a presentation on the issues associated with the inappropriate use of computers, mobile phones and the internet.

INTERNET HEALTH AND WELLBEING PRESENTATION

WITH JOHN PARSONS www.facebook.com/johnparsonss2e

New Zealand's leading authority on Safeguarding children online.

John is a published author and signed copies of his book **Keeping Your Children Safe Online** will be available on the day.

Venue: **Taupo Primary School Hall**

Date: **Tuesday 24 May**

Start Time: **6pm**

Diary Dates

Week 1		Wednesday Senior School Y5/6 Kapa Haka Starts
Week 1		Dance NZ Made Competition Groups Start
Week 3	18 May	T-Ball tournament Y5/6
Week 4	24 May	Safeguarding Children Online with John Parsons (6pm in the school hall)
Week 6	9/10 June	Cycle Skills Room 21
Week 7	13 June	Cycle Skills Room 19/20 (Catch up group)
Week 8	22 June	Interschool Swimming Sports
Week 10	6 July	Orienteering Kiwi Sport Y5/6

Triennial School Board Elections 2022

The Triennial Board Elections will be held in September this year. We will have 3 parent elect places. If any parents are interested in standing for the Board of Trustees and want to find out more, please contact the school office.



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Here are the school break times:
11.05am -11.25am Morning Tea
1.00pm - 1.50pm Lunch Time

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Bank Account: 01-0427-0143377-000 For payments, use Name of ADULT 1 as reference.

School Banking Update

First Credit Union wishes to advise parents that School Banking will resume in Term 2.

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