



# 'Ko te ako te maneatanga' 'Hooked on Learning' Panui / News Letter Term 1, Week 4

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Since our last newsletter, a lot has happened in our town and in our nation. I would like to thank you for your support and understanding last week as we, along with the other Taupō Schools, remained closed in the aftermath of Cyclone Gabrielle. As a school we were very fortunate to not have large trees down and no damage to the property and buildings. Many of our surrounding schools had multiple trees to clean up and make safe.

I know many of you are likely to have had big clean up jobs to do at home, or had multiple days with no power or connectivity. It was certainly a BIG week! As it progressed we saw very clear signs and heard many stories of how exhausted everyone was. We then started getting an understanding of just how lucky we were, and how much devastation there was in other areas of our nation. We, as a school made ourselves available to be a collection point for goods to support those around the country. Despite the hardships many are facing in this economic climate, our Taupō Primary whānau / community went above and beyond with donations of food and essentials, day after day, after day! Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity. It is an honour and a privilege to part of such caring school community.

Next week we will be having a non-uniform day. This is another way to show our support for the ongoing efforts to provide 'the basics' for those much more affected than us.

By showing up not in uniform, students will be carrying out a physical act that shows we are thinking of others, and if your whānau wish to contribute, we will be taking a coin collection to donate to Red Cross.

Thank you again for your kindness and generosity.

Ngā mihi  
Zac Taylor  
Principal



A huge thank you to everyone who have made donations. Sorry we have been unable to thank everyone but the love that is going around is amazing 🙏❤️

🇳🇿 Suncourt Sweets - Donations have gone straight to Lakeview Helicopter and heading to Tutira, Patoka and Puketitiri

🇳🇿 Tāupo Primary - They have received huge amounts of donations from the Taupo community heading to Te Karaka Gisborne area being transported by Alec Barrett.

Again thank you so much for all donations they are going to help so many thankful and overwhelmed whānau and families.



**SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1PM ON TUESDAY 28TH MARCH**



# HALF DAY

## SHORT DAY

**Tuesday 28th February  
School finishes at 1pm**

Teachers have a legal right to attend the up and coming paid union meeting on the 28th Feb. We will not have enough staff left onsite to remain open for instruction.

**Please collect your  
children at 1pm.**

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## Friday 3rd March

## No Uniform Required!

Please help our students take a moment to think of those less fortunate or more affected by need. Send them to school in regular clothes and in the process take a moment to reflect with them that there are others in need, and they are not that far away from us.

If you want to and are able to, please send them with a coin to add to a collection that will be donated to red cross to support their efforts.



## No Uniform Day!

## Cellphones and Smartwatches

It is school policy that students are not to have cellphones or smartwatches at school. If you feel it is necessary for them to have a phone or communication device at school, it must be handed in to the office each day and collected at the end of the day.

## Parking And Traffic Congestion Around the School

As a school located in the CBD, parking and traffic congestion at pick up and drop off times is always going to be an issue.

The advice we have been given to pass on is:

- Plan ahead.
- Park in side streets and walk.
- Have a meeting place with older students around the back field using the lights crossing.

## DO NOT DOUBLE PARK

Double parking for pick up adds to congestion and puts students at risk. Please do not do this. The police and council will be proactively monitoring for this unsafe parking behaviour.





What can we do as parents and community to

# Raise Resilient Children?



What does Resilience actually look like?  
And how do we develop it?

**Gold Coin Entry**

Take home 'real strategies'

**Kathryn Berkett**

March 7, 2023

6-7.30 p.m.

**Taupo Primary Hall**

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# Diary Dates

Week 5	27 February	BoT Meeting 6.30 School Staffroom
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>28 February</b>	<b><u>School Closes at 1pm - NZEI Union Meeting</u></b>
Week 5	1 March	Football Tasters Year 1 & 2
Week 6	7 March	Powhiri All New Students/Whanau/Staff
Week 6	10 March	Basketball Tasters Year 3 & 4
Week 6	10 March	Rugby League Tasters Year 5 & 6
Week 8	23 March	Bike Skills Year 4
Week 8	All Week	Cricket Tasters Year 1, 2, 3 & 4 Yeah Girls Cricket Training Y5 & 6
Week 8	All Week	Food for Thought Year 5 & 6 Health
Week 9 & 10	27 March - 6 April	Swimming rooms 14, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21
Week 10	3 April	Rugby League Hickling Park
Week 10	5 April	Yeah Girls Cricket Owen Delany Park
Week 10	6 April	Netball Tasters Year 3 & 4
Week 10	6 April	Last day Term 1
2023	24 April	Teacher Only Day
2023	25 April	Public Holiday - ANZAC Day School CLOSED
2023	26 April	First day Term 2



**Be in to win one of ten \$50 supermarket vouchers**

Simply fill in the survey at the link below (or use the QR code) and tell us about your needs for out of school care/ activities. Include your contact details and you are in the draw.

We know many families requirements for out of school care has changed in the last few years and we'd love to know your thoughts.

CLICK HERE FOR THE SURVEY



SCAN ME

Terms & conditions apply - see [here](#) for details.

## Sports Uniforms/Gear

This week Basketball and Hockey notices have been given out to students who are interested in playing. If you missed either of these notices they are available from the school office.

Also we would like to remind families to check if they have any sports uniforms (touch tops, netball dress, hockey tops and shorts) or sports gear at home. Please return these to school so that we can prepare for our upcoming winter sports season. Thank you.

Mieke  
Sports Coordinator  
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