

"Hooked on learning"



Taupō Primary School

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

## **Panui / News Letter** **Term 1, Week 2**

Tēnā koutou katoa,

We are all back into the swing of things, but are all very thankful for a couple of short weeks to ease everyone back into 'school routines'.

Another huge thank you to everyone that was able to attend our whanau fun day and those that took time to meet with this years teachers. What a great way to connect and start the year.

This week's newsletter has a number of need to knows and important reminders. Every second week the 'newsletter' is a celebration of learning in our school. Our teams all take turns in putting together these 'celebration' newsletters but they will also contain any important announcements and diary dates.

We recommend you follow us on facebook and check to make sure you are receiving email updates and correspondence from [office@taupoprimary.school.nz](mailto:office@taupoprimary.school.nz) (this is how we send out almost all newsletters and flyers etc). If you are not receiving communications from the office, or would like other email addresses added to the emailing list please reach out to Kerry in the office with details.

On page 2 this week, is a list of teachers and classes and their age groups etc with their email addresses. Should you want to talk in depth with a teacher the office maybe able to assist in this, but we **recommend** sending an email to the teacher in the first instance to arrange a time with them directly.

We are excited about a busy term ahead and look forward to partnering with you and your whanau as we 'hook your child on learning!'

Ngā mihi  
Zac Taylor  
Principal



Welcome to all our new families this year. We will be holding a powhiri later in term 1 to officially welcome you and your whānau.

### **A huge Taupō Primary welcome to our 2 new teachers this year**

**Hannah  
Simpson  
(Mrs Simpson)  
Room 17  
Year 5 / 6**



**Margaret  
Foe  
(Miss Foe)  
Room 21  
Year 5 / 6  
Team teaching  
with Miss  
Dundas**



Keep your eyes out for welcome back introduction letters or slide show coming home this week from teachers!

**Whānaungatanga - Aroha - Kotahitanga - Manaakitanga**

## Save the Date Up and Coming Events

13 February	Football Tasters Y1 / Y2	
19 February up to 23 February	Y5/6 Cycle Skills Rooms 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21	
21 February	Cricket Tasters Y1-6 Mixed	
22 February	NE Cohort 2. Bright Beginners visit 1 9am-10am	
23 February	Y4/5 Cycle Skills Rooms 14, 15, 16	
29 February	NE Cohort 2. Bright Beginners visit 2 - 9am-10am	
1 March	Cricket Tasters Y1-6 Mixed	
5 March	Rugby League Tasters Y5/6	
6 March	Basketball Tasters Y3/4 Ki-o-Rahi Y5/6	
7 March	NE Cohort 2. Bright Beginners visit 3 9am-10am	
8 March	Girls Cricket Tasters Y5/6	
11 March	NE Cohort 2 start.	
13 March	Powhiri	
14 March	Rugby League Festival Y5/6	
20 March	Ki-o-Rahi Y5/6 Hockey Tasters Y1-3	
27 March	Ki-o-Rahi Festival Y5/6 Crown Park	
28 March	NE Cohort 3. Bright Beginners visit 1 - 9am-10am	
29 March	Good Friday - <b>No School</b>	
1 and 2 April	Easter Monday and Tuesday - <b>No School</b>	
4 April	NE Cohort 3. Bright Beginners visit 2 - 9am-10am	
5 April	Girls Cricket Tasters Y5/6	
10 April	Girls Cricket Festival 5/6 Owen Delany Park	
11 April	NE Cohort 3. Bright Beginners visit 3 - 9am-10am	
12 April	Last day of Term 1	
29 April	First day of Term 2	

## **SCHOOL DROP OFF**

Morning drop off time **is not** to be **before** 8.15am, classes open at 8.30am to welcome students. Before school care at Kelly Club is available if you have to drop off early.



## **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.

A thank you to NZ Police and Taupo District council for supporting us with monitoring traffic safety and behaviour at pick up times in the afternoons.

## **New Day Structure for 2024**

9.00am	School Starts - First Learning Block
10.40am	Morning Break
11.20am	Second Learning Block
1.10	Afternoon Break
1.50	Third Learning Block
3.00pm	End of Day

## **School Hats**

School hats are compulsory in term 1 as part of our sunsmart policy. Please ensure your child has a red uniform hat to use when outside.

Students without hats will only be allowed to play in shady areas.



We have 2 building projects underway onsite. Please stay clear of the well cordoned off and marked zones.



Our School Policies Can be found Online



DASHBOARD for  
Taupo Primary School

Our school policies can be found at

<https://taupoprimary schooldocs.co.nz/Logon>

User name: taupoprimary Password: hookedon

Welcome Letters / slide shows are being sent home from each team this week!

## Teachers, Classrooms, Teams and Contacts for 2024

Room 1	<b>Chanelle Wootton</b> <a href="mailto:chanellew@taupopprimary.school.nz">chanellew@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	Learning Support Teacher
Room 2	<b>Clare O'Connor</b> <a href="mailto:clareo@taupopprimary.school.nz">clareo@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 1/ 0</b> Team Leader
Room 3	<b>Jo Oats</b> <a href="mailto:joanneo@taupopprimary.school.nz">joanneo@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 1/ 0</b>
Room 6	<b>Cat Kearins</b> <a href="mailto:catherinek@taupopprimary.school.nz">catherinek@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 1</b>
Room 7	<b>Kate Pearce</b> <a href="mailto:katep@taupopprimary.school.nz">katep@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 1</b> Team Leader
Room 8	<b>Helen Beijemen</b> <a href="mailto:helenb@taupopprimary.school.nz">helenb@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 1/2</b>
Room 9	<b>Trevor Harvey</b> <a href="mailto:trevorh@taupopprimary.school.nz">trevorh@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 2</b> Team Leader
Room 10	<b>Lisa Pellowe</b> <a href="mailto:lisap@taupopprimary.school.nz">lisap@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 2</b>
Room 11	<b>Liz France</b> <a href="mailto:lizf@taupopprimary.school.nz">lizf@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 3</b>
Room 12	<b>Emma-Jean Lee</b> <a href="mailto:emmajeanel@taupopprimary.school.nz">emmajeanel@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 3</b>
Room 13	<b>Karen Watson</b> <a href="mailto:karenw@taupopprimary.school.nz">karenw@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 3</b>
	<b>Janice Bowman</b> <a href="mailto:janiceb@taupopprimary.school.nz">janiceb@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	Release Teacher Junior School
	<b>Bronwyn McKay</b> <a href="mailto:bronwynm@taupopprimary.school.nz">bronwynm@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	Release Teacher Junior School
Room 14	<b>Jasmine Griffin</b> <a href="mailto:jasmineg@taupopprimary.school.nz">jasmineg@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 4</b> Team Leader
Room 15	<b>Maddie Evans</b> <a href="mailto:maddiee@taupopprimary.school.nz">maddiee@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 4</b>
Room 16	<b>Phoebe Kearney</b> <a href="mailto:phoebek@taupopprimary.school.nz">phoebek@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 4/5</b>
Room 17	<b>Hannah Simpson</b> <a href="mailto:hannahs@taupopprimary.school.nz">hannahs@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 5/6</b>
Room 18	<b>Kasey Izett</b> <a href="mailto:kaseyi@taupopprimary.school.nz">kaseyi@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 5/6</b>
Room 19	<b>Mandy Woodcock</b> <a href="mailto:mandyw@taupopprimary.school.nz">mandyw@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 5/6</b>
Room 20	<b>Danielle Collard</b> <a href="mailto:daniellec@taupopprimary.school.nz">daniellec@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 5/6</b> Team Leader
Room 21	<b>Jo Dundas &amp; Margaret Foe</b> <a href="mailto:jod@taupopprimary.school.nz">jod@taupopprimary.school.nz</a> & <a href="mailto:margaretf@taupopprimary.school.nz">margaretf@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	<b>Year 5/6</b>
Room 5	<b>Jenny Bohan</b> <a href="mailto:jennyb@taupopprimary.school.nz">jennyb@taupopprimary.school.nz</a>	Release Teacher Senior School



**FREE WORKSHOP**

# WASTE-FREE Lunch Workshop

Practical tips to reduce waste in your child's lunchbox –  
saving both your wallet and the environment!

- + Make and try easy plastic-free snacks!
- + Take home your own beeswax wrap!

**WHEN:** Tuesday, 13 February from 6:30pm till 8pm

**WHERE:** East Wing, Great Lake Centre **COST:** Free



Spaces are limited. To register or find out more visit:

**[taupo.govt.nz/wastefreelunch](https://taupo.govt.nz/wastefreelunch)**



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Taupo District Council

