2018





Mon 19th Feb Lonsdale Y6-8 camp meeting—Tauhoa School 6pm

Wed 21st—22nd Feb Tawharanui Overnight Camp Y5-8

Fri 23rd Feb Swimming Sports Y4-8 (capable swimmers)

Mon 26th Feb – Fri 2nd Mar Senior and Junior Camps

Fri 9th March Assembly 2:15pm Room 3 (everyone welcome)

Wed 28th March

Yr 7 & 8 Technology

Thurs 29th March Athletics

Fri 30th March Good Friday holiday

Mon 2nd & Tues 3rd April

Easter Holidays Wed 4th April

Y7&8 Technology

Fri 6th April BBQ lunch & Goal setting meetings (caregivers/ students)

> Wed 4th April Y7&8 Technology

# WEEK 3 - TERM 1

NDOVA

Office hours: Monday - Thursday 12:30 - 3:30 and Friday 9 - 3:30pm

As national standards were extracted from our system, there were some expressed concerns about what would replace them. We do not need to consider replacing national standards. They were invented ten years ago, in haste and imperfectly and have never served the purpose of lifting the learning success of our tamariki. Schools never wanted them in the first place and as we predicted, they were used to judge the performance of schools and teachers rather than help students. To lift success, we can turn to our curriculum, which has its own curriculum levels. These guide us to understand the progress of our young people. This is what hopefully you want to know and this is what your teachers want to know so that we can work out the child's next learning steps. The Minister has been clear about his intentions. He wants us to continue to report to parents at least twice a year and to tell them about their child's progress in all curriculum subjects.

Tapora's reporting programme will still include a New Entrant report to go out once New Entrants have settled into school and all students will have a mid year and an end of year report that will show progress made.

# Vacancies

Office Admin and Teacher aide vacancy

We are very sad to be losing Sarah but unfortunately for us she is needed elsewhere.

The position is for 10 hours teacher-aide and 20 hours office administrator per week. Depending on applications these could be as separate positions: teacher aide Monday to Thursday 2.5 hours per day and office admin Monday to Friday 4 hours per day or as combined Monday to Friday 6 hours per day.

The position will be advertised in the Rodney Times as well and the application packs will be available end of next week. If you are interested in receiving one you can leave your contact details with the school office 422 1835 or e-mail office@tapora.school.nz

# Board of Trustees Minute Secretary

We would like someone to attend Board meetings for the sole purpose of taking the minutes and if by hand then ensuring they are written up afterwards ready for distribution. Meetings average 2 hours and are held approximately once a month on a Wednesday evening at the school. Payment would be \$50 per meeting. If you are interested please e-mail CV to principal@tapora.school.nz or leave at the school office. Details of computer skills and programmes used i.e google docs would be an advantage.

Fri 13th April Last day of Term 1

Contact Details Ph: 09 422 1835 Mob: 021 027 09327 office@tapora.school.nz www.tapora.school.nz

# 2018 School Camps

Tawharanui Overnight: There is a high possibility that after all the organisation and planning this could be postponed or cancelled due to impending visit by Cyclone Gita. I will know by Monday or Tuesday and parents/caregivers of Year 5-8 students will be contacted.

Many thanks to Logan, Etsuko, Heidi and Lillian who have offered make this trip possible for these children by providing supervision and/or transport.

Lonsdale Camp: Once again thanks to Logan, with Donna's support, for providing transport and supervision this will be able to go ahead. Forms went home yesterday and are needed back as soon as possible. There is a camp information meeting at Tauhoa School Monday 19th 6pm.

We will be departing from Tapora School 8:30am Monday 26th. Students will need all their gear at school by 8am.

Iunior Camp: There is a lot of preplanning and organisation that goes into this and the above camps, that is why notices need to be returned in advance. Please make sure you get yours returned early so that the planning and organisation can go ahead.

### Swimming Sports (seniors and juniors)

A big heartfelt thank you to Dell and Mikayla for their wonderful swimming instruction and Aktive -Auckland Sport and Recreation who paid for the Water Skills for Life services. To provide 10 swimming lessons for each of 25 children would cost hundreds of dollars. Our students are very fortunate. Nine Year 5-8 students will be attending the local schools' swimming sports at Rodney College Friday 23rd February. Notices went home yesterday and we need these returned as soon as possible to work out transport.

While these students are at the sports there will be a mini swimming event held at school to showcase what the remaining students can do. To be able to do this we need parents and caregivers to come along so the children can show off to you.

Start time 1:45pm

#### Thank you

To Bronwyn and Michelle, Harbour Edge Avocados and Chance and Jahiizah's family for the wonderful melons to be shared at brain break time.

To Talayus for the temporary trampoline pads that are much appreciated and better than nothing while we order and wait for the new ones to arrive.

Nga Mihi

Keryl Lee, Principal

#### **BOT Meeting**

Minutes are available to the community from the school office on request. Next Board meeting is 28th March at 6:00 pm in Room 3 All Welcome. Agenda: Policy review; BOT Delegations; Working Bee

#### **Reminders:**

- Hats are a top priority this term. Children may bring their own as long as it has a brim all around it • for protection from the sun. If they don't have their own then they will be given a school one to keep here at school and for school trips.
- Please make sure students bring their own spoons in their lunchbox for yoghurts etc.
- Remember to include a healthy brain break in your child's lunchbox. Fruit, vegetables, nuts, seeds or cheese are acceptable options.
- Footwear suitable for activities such as running and jumping.
- Swimming gear everyday

# **Room 1 Happenings**

We welcome into the senior class this year three Year 4 students: Chance, Utu and our new to the school student Carsin.

The students were very excited to see the new Audio visual station installed in the classroom and have quickly learned more about it than the teachers.

Early stages in the year and so not many certificates to give out this time. We hope to see many more by next assembly 9th March and remember all parents/caregivers are most welcome to come along. We hope to have more sharing of learning to be proud of at each assembly.

# **Certificates:**

The most class dojos: Koby Wattam

Basic Facts: Koby Wattam for passing Stage 5

# **ROOM 2 CERTIFICATES:**

#### **Class Certificates:**

Jackson Guckert - For an excellent start at Tapora School. Your focus to work is impressive. Welcome to our school!

Leo Hampshire - For a wonderful start at Tapora School. You made friends very quickly. Welcome to our school!

Leon Wineera - For a great start at Tapora School. Congratulations on settling in so well. Awesome to have you here!

Logan Owen - For a great start at Tapora School. Congratulations on getting more confident everyday. Fantastic to have you here!

## Toi Toi visit

A **huge** thanks to Charlotte and Tony Gibbs for your visit today to present this terms set of Toi Toi books that you are donating to our school community. What a great publication to inspire our young writers and artists.



## FOUND!!!

A key has been handed into the school office. Has a black plastic bow (the top of the key) with "Xiehelock" on it. We have also found a pair of blue peace earrings at school over the holidays in a box. These could possibly have been lost for quite some time.

# LUNCH MENU UPDATE

PIES Mince - \$2.50 Mince & Cheese - \$2.50 Beef, Bacon & Cheese -\$3.00 Butter Chicken - \$3.00 Lamb & Mint - \$3.00 Apple - \$2.00

TOPPERS Butter Chicken - \$2.50 Lasagne - \$2.50 Vege - \$2.50 Macaroni Cheese - \$2.50

American Hotdog -\$3.00 Butter Chicken Wraps - \$3.00 Hawaiian Pizza - \$2.50 Sausage Rolls - \$2.00 Tomato Sauce - \$0.50

Juice Box -\$1.50 Juicies Ice Block - \$1.50

If you think either of these items are yours, please contact the school to arrange pick up. Please provided payment in a **named** envelope with your **order written on the front.** 

# ~ Community Notices ~

### WORK WANTED

I am looking for relief milking's in the Wellsford, Tapora, Tomarata and Kaiwaka areas. I have my own transport.

Please contact Hayden on 021 08081670

#### TAPORA COMMUNITY HALL

<u>Library</u>—Every Tuesday starting 20th February. 10am-12pm. Term times only.

<u>Playgroup</u>—Every Thursday starting 8th Feb 10.30am—12pm. Term time only. The council has now repaired the junior playground so it is now safe to be used.

Please mention this to anyone you have contact with in the district.

# Patoka Homekill

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# TOMARATA RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

# 2018 Junior Rugby Registrations Open Now Interested in Playing?

# **Registration Day**

DATE: Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2018 TIME: 10am – 11.30am WHERE: Tomarata Rugby Club Rooms, 710 Mangawhai Road, Tomarata

Or Register Online at

www.sporty.co.nz/tomaratarugby

#### **ALL WELCOME**

Girls, Boys, New and Experienced Players Ages 4yrs – 13 yrs as at the 1 January 2018. New Players please bring your birth certificate.

> Contact: Edwina Came ph 423 9266 Email: johncame@ubernet.co.nz

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