

FEBRUARY 2017



## Diary

**Mon 13th Feb**

Healthy Lunch Box Day

**Tue 14th Feb**

Dental Van available in  
Tapora this week

**Thu 23rd Feb**

Cluster Swimming

**Fri 24th Feb**

Assembly (1:45pm)

**Mon 1st Mar**

Healthy Lunch Box Day

**Wed 8th Mar**

BOT meeting (6:00pm)

**Fri 10th Mar**

Kids Movie Afternoon  
(3:30pm-5:00pm)  
Community Thank You  
Evening  
(5:30pm-7:30pm)

**Thu 23rd Mar**

Cluster Athletics

**Fri 24th Mar**

Assembly (1:45pm)

**Mon 3rd Apr**

Healthy Lunch Box Day

**Fri 7th Apr**

Assembly (1:45pm)

# Tapora Times

## WEEK 2 - TERM 1

Kia ora everyone and welcome back to Tapora School. The first two weeks have started incredibly well. Students are enthusiastic, teachers and staff are enthusiastic, it must have been a wonderful break for all of us.

On our first day of school we welcomed 3 new students and one not so new. Jahziiah, Mikaela and Mason have settled in very quickly to the Junior Class Room 2 and it seems as if Liam has always been here in the Senior Class Room 1. He has slotted right back in. We wish them a big heartfelt welcome and all the best for a wonderful time at Tapora School.

### Swimming

First day of school also meant the first day of 10 free Learn to Swim lessons.

We are so lucky to be able to have these funded and it is astounding the progress that students make. A very good sign of the of Dell's expertise (swimming instructor) and students motivation. To get the most benefit out of these lessons children need to have their swimming togs every day. At the moment the water is amazingly warm even on overcast days so there is no excuse.

If children could bring their own goggles and hats that would be appreciated. We do have a supply here at school but it is dwindling.

### Sunsafe

In terms one and four sunhats with a wide brim must be worn by all students when playing outside. Staff also wear wide brim hats to set an example.

Students may bring their own and those that don't, have had numbered hats allocated to them for the remainder of the year. Sunhats may be kept at school.

### Assemblies

This year we are reducing the number of assemblies from every fortnight to approximately one a month. Our first assembly for the year will be Friday 24th February starting around 1:45pm. We will have announcements and certificates awarded first then activities such as dance and song finishing with a whole school game if time.

We would love as many parents as possible to come along and be a part of this. I know the students would love having parents join in the games with them.

### School Lunch Sugar Reduction Programme

The first healthy lunch box day is this coming Monday 13th.

Firstly, don't panic, we are not going the way of some Australian schools that may or may not have been in the news lately for sending home sad face notes. We are not in the business of telling parents off for putting sugary slices in their child's lunch, but there is still a ban on lollies and chewing gum at the school unless it is for a special occasion and an exception has been made.

At Tapora School we believe in balance and really sweet items are great as treats. A slice of cake or cupcake along with fruit and vegies in the lunchbox is also a good balance.

We have joined in with the above programme because we still want to promote healthy lunches and the programme offers ideas for including sugarless options. It is also offers incentives in the form of prizes for the healthiest lunch. All parents (with e-mails) will receive an e-mailed flyer containing a link to see three inspirational lunch box ideas. So have a go and try these options and send your child with a healthy sugarless lunch on the first Monday (following Monday if it's a holiday) of every month.

Now I did say we weren't going the way of some schools mentioned however staff may possibly confiscate unhealthy choices (#delicious) to be stored for an indeterminate time in the staffroom. (wink, wink)

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### Thank you

To the Community Committee and Liz for the notices up on the Community noticeboard. What a wonderful addition to the community.

### Heat Pumps

We are looking to service our heat pumps here at the school. If any others in the community require the same service, please let the school know as the company that we are dealing with may be willing to waive the travel cost if there is enough interest.

### Dental Clinic Van

The van will be here next week. Children can be seen from Tuesday onwards. Pre-schoolers can be enrolled from 9am Wednesday the 15th.



### Congratulations

To the students who applied for class/school positions and were appointed the following responsibilities.

Lost Property: CJ Classroom Supervisors: Jacob and Zane Milk Monitors: Tak and Kate Recycling: Koby and Keegan Library Monitors: Aidan and Liam P.E. Shed: Wiremu and Xavier Hall/Room 3 Supervisors: Cassidy and Lolli Information Technology: Ethan

Liam and Jacob both wrote very impressive application letters.

Also to Jacob and CJ for a brilliant start to the year earning the most dojos in the first week and receiving a scholastic book voucher.

Keryl Lee  
Principal

## ROOM 1 HAPPENINGS

### UPDATE FROM MS K & ROOM 1

All students are learning how to use Seesaw. Seesaw empowers students to independently document their learning through a digital portfolio and provides an audience for their work—their peers, parents, or the world. Seesaw gives families an immediate and personalized window into their child's school day, helping to answer: "What did you do at school today?" Seesaw saves teachers time on organization and parent communication, makes formative assessment easy, and provides a safe place to teach 21st Century skills.

Once students have uploaded some items into their portfolios an invite will be sent home (next week) to parents/caregivers asking them to download the app or access the website and join. After joining you will only be able to see your own child's portfolio and you will also receive automatic notifications about new work.

## BOT

A summary following last night's BOT meeting.

Simon Robinson was unanimously re-elected without opposition as Chairperson of the Board.

There were no responses from the community requesting an election to fill the casual vacancy and so the Board will fill the vacancy by selection.

The following Governance policies were adopted: The Relationship between the Board and Principal; Principal's Performance Management and Relationship between the Chair and Principal.

A date has been set for a school barbecue to thank everyone from the community for their support and help over the past year. Put 10th March in your diaries and keep a look out for more details to follow.

The Board has approved the purchase of five chromebooks to replace the very outdated desktops in the senior classroom. Next Board meeting Wednesday 8th March, all welcome.



## LUNCH MENU UPDATE

### PIES

Mince - \$2.50

Mince & Cheese - \$2.50

Steak, Bacon & Cheese - \$3.00

Butter Chicken - \$3.00

Lamb & Mint - \$3.00

Apple & Wildberry - \$2.00

### TOPPERS

Butter Chicken - \$2.50

Lasagne - \$2.50

Vege - \$2.50

Macaroni Cheese - \$2.50

American Hotdog - \$3.00

Hawaiian Pizza - \$2.50

Sausage Rolls - \$2.00

Tomato Sauce - \$0.50

Smoothies - \$3.00

Juice Box - \$1.50

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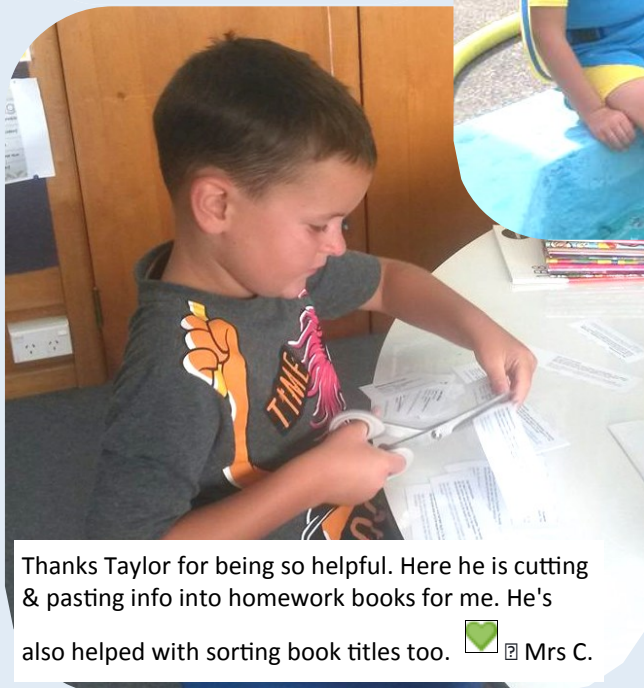
## FOTS UPDATE


### Friends of Tapora School Fundraising Committee

As of next week, FoTS will be selling chocolate Easter eggs at school for \$1.50 each or \$60 per box of 40. These will be available for purchase at the school office.

We will also be holding a movie afternoon for students on Friday the 10th of March from 3:30pm until 5:00pm before the Community Thank You Evening. RSVP to the school office. Entry is free of charge and there will be snacks for sale. We will have more information out in the next newsletter for the event.

As always, we would love to have new parents and community members to join our committee. If you would like to help out in any capacity, please email [fots@tapora.school.nz](mailto:fots@tapora.school.nz) or phone Heidi on 021 264 5501



Thanks Taylor for being so helpful. Here he is cutting & pasting info into homework books for me. He's also helped with sorting book titles too.  Mrs C.



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### PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Our Public Health Nurse, Marettta Hodgson, is a Registered Nurse who visits our school regularly and is available to discuss any concerns about your child's health, growth and development. This is a free service. Public Health Nurses can help with any health problems including skin and ear infections, bedwetting, behavioural difficulties, nutrition and diet or any other advice or concerns you may have. Marettta is in Wellsford and surrounding areas 2-3 times per week and can make home visits as well as school visits. For more information or for a referral form, you can contact her directly on 021 227 8680. Txt messages welcome.



# ~ Community Notices ~

## TAPORA GOLF CLUB



We are holding a meeting at the Golf Club on Sunday 19th February at 2pm, to do a feasibility study regarding the formation of Tapora Social Club, whereby the Social Club can use the Golf Club facilities depending on the rules and regulations of both the Social Club and the Golf Club. Please come and be a part of the meeting. Bruce Davies has kindly offered to Chair the meeting and be the facilitator. If you are unable to attend but would like to make a comment - please send comments to me - Liz King at [ecacott@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:ecacott@yahoo.co.nz)

## HOUSE CLEANING SERVICE

One off or regular cleaning. Experienced. References available. \$20 an hour for regular cleaning and one off cleans to be arranged depending on requirements. Phone Kim on 422 1012 or 021 253 6317.

## GUITAR FOUND

A guitar has been found at the end of 2016 on the road. If it belongs to you or someone you may know, please contact Gail or Rod at Northland Waste Warkworth on 09 425 8567.

## TAPORA COMMUNITY HALL

### Coffee Morning at the TAPORA HALL

LIBRARY will be open 11 AM FORTNIGHTLY:

Dates for this term: 13 th & 27th February, 13 th & 27th March, 10th April. There is also available tennis, badminton, table tennis, indoor bowls, boules. Bring a plate if you wish, or a gold coin donation.

Please mention this to anyone you have contact with in the district. If you are interested in being on the mailing list for the Hall, please email me at [ecacott@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:ecacott@yahoo.co.nz).

Liz King

09 422 1953 or 0210 247 2053

## Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$150,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

# \$500

To take up this offer, your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between the 2 May 2016 and 31 December 2016.

ASB lending criteria, and terms apply. Fees may apply. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property. This donation offer is only available when you apply for new home lending through an ASB branch, contact centre or mobile lending manager. Other terms apply. For full details and to download the voucher visit [asb.co.nz/schoolbanking](http://asb.co.nz/schoolbanking).

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## 2017

## Hockey Development sessions



### Primary Age Players

Sunday 5th March 10am-12pm  
\$25 per student

### Secondary Age Players

Wednesday 1st, 8th and 15th March  
Year 7-8: 6pm - 7pm  
Year 9-13: 7pm - 8pm  
\$45 per student for all 3 sessions

Register your child's details with  
Mahurangi College:  
[sports@mahurangi.school.nz](mailto:sports@mahurangi.school.nz)

All sessions are held at Warkworth Hockey turf



## Melissa Wallace

Senior Stylist

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## Mobile Salon

Call or Text for an Appointment

Quick response 021-077-2762 or leave a message 09-423-8642

Great creations, either by  
Cutting, Styling, Colour, Foils, Straightening and or Perming  
you decide and I will create.

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