

APRIL 2017



Diary

Wed 12th Apr

Dargaville swimming competition (qualifying students only)

Thu 13th Apr

Last Day of School
FUN DAY!
School Lunches available
Movie screening during the day. Gold coin donation (Bring money for drinks and snacks)

Fri 14th Apr

Good Friday

Tue 18th Apr

First Aid Course

Mon 1st May

Term 2 Begins

Thur 25th May

Junior Tabloid Sport Day

Thur 8th Jun

Cluster Soccer/Hockey Day

Fri 7th Jul

Term 2 Ends



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Tapora Times

WEEK 10 - TERM 1

Swimming Pool

OK, so a little bit of wishful thinking that the pool might be back in use. Fortunately with the weather we have had, the pool hasn't really been missed.

I officially declare the swimming pool closed and hopefully it will reopen in term 4 with a lovely new paint job and no more leaks as well. Please return your pool keys to the school office before next Thursday to be reimbursed your bond.

Last Day of Term

With the change of weather, a reminder to please bring a change of clothes. It's a good idea to have them in a plastic bag so that the dirty clothes can be put in it afterwards. Children without a change of clothes will need to stay off the field.

School Cleaner Vacancy (see details in Community section of newsletter)

Sadly we farewell Kim who has done such a magnificent job keeping the school spic and span for many years. Many thanks for all your effort and so pleased you still have time for your FOTS involvement and volunteering.

Year 7 & 8 Camp

This is coming up fast and will be happening in week 2 of Term 2. The students would really appreciate offers of work during the school holidays to help them raise money toward this. Please phone the school if you have something that 5 strong boys and one strong girl could do. 422 1835

Athletics

The 23rd of March was athletics. It was held at Centennial Park Wellsford. There were 5 schools competing including us. When everybody arrived the 4 hundred meter race was about to begin. I was nervous because the 4 hundred race was going to be tough. When I lined up to get ready there was a boy called Toby by me. His friends were saying that he'll smoke me which didn't help. When the clappers went everybody bolted off. Toby and I were right by each other sprinting as hard as we could. I'm pretty sure people were cheering for me but I couldn't hear them cause I was too focused. I came 2nd, just. The next event was high jump and I was excited. Everybody was good but I was the best cause I had no faults. The bell rang and the judges scored and I came 1st. After that was long jump. Everybody had a practice jump. Liam and I had 3rd equal so Liam and I had to re jump and I only just came 3rd cause Liam stepped back a bit. Next was shot put and discus. I didn't come anything. For the 50 meter 75 meter and 100 meter race I came 1st in every one and for the relay our team came 3rd.

By Aidan

Results - Amazing effort by everyone

Ethan Powley 1st in the following 6 events: (Junior Boy) High Jump, Long Jump, 400m (8 year old boys) 50m, 75m, 100m

Aidan Whittle: (Senior Boy) 1st High Jump, 3rd Long Jump, 2nd 400m, (12-13y boys) 1st - 50m, 75m, 100m

Xavier Henderson: (Intermediate Boy) 3rd= High Jump, 2nd 400m, (10 year boys) 2nd 50m, 1st 75m, 1st 100m

Lolli Cotton: (Intermediate Girl) 1st 400m, (10 year girls) 3rd 50m, 3rd 75m, 2nd 100m

Liam Whittle: (Junior Boy) 3rd High Jump, 3rd Long Jump, (8 year boys) 2nd 75m, 2nd 100m, 3rd 400m

Kate Powley: (8 year girls) 2nd 50m, 2nd 75m, 2nd 100m,

Ellie Gibson: (7 year girls) 2nd 50m, 2nd 75m, 2nd 100m,

Tak Whittle: (Intermediate Boy) 2nd Long Jump, 3rd Discus, 1st High Jump

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Liam Fifiield-Enright: (12-13y boys) 2nd 100m, 2nd 75m, 2nd 50m

CJ: (Senior Boy) 3rd Discus

Team Relays: Juniors - 1st Intermediates - 1st and Seniors - 3rd

Well done relay members: Liam Whittle, Kate Powley, Ellie Gibson, Taylor Gurney, Xavier Henderson, Tak Whittle, Lolli Cotton, Cassidy Henderson, Aidan Whittle, Liam Fifiield-Enright

Swimming Sports

We ended up with 6 of our students being selected to travel up to Dargaville for the Northern Swimming Competition on the 12th April and 4 will be attending: Jacob, Liam F, Xavier and Liam W. Best of luck boys, have a great time and make us proud.

Sumdog Senior Class Competition

On the 17th of March, for the Sumdog Challenge, Room one all won a free gift for their Sumdog house by answering 100 questions correct. We joined the challenge so we don't lose our subscription. If we didn't win we would have lost our subscription and there would be less games available to play.

Some were on laptops like me and some were on iPads.

I think it was extremely fun. By Tak

To add to the above...in total students had to answer 1000 questions. Yes! Tapora School Room one did win the competition playing against 32 classes from Auckland North schools. 677 students played 286,353 questions answered and 239,453 correct. In the top 50 leader board of students Keegan G came 13th, CJ 23rd, Ethan P 38th and Liam F 42nd.

Thank you (our children are so well fed!)

- Vector for the yummy left-over food.
- Kim for the feijoas
- Jane and Kim from Protea Patch for the many grapes

Assembly

Assembly was held on Friday and the following certificates were presented.

Congratulations to:

Healthy Sugar Free Lunch - Whittle Family, Misty, Ellie and Gurney Family a total of 8 students. have to say it is becoming harder and harder to judge. Well done everyone.

Also a quick reminder that we have brain break after fitness in the morning and students are expected to have a healthy fresh snack such as fresh or dried fruit not processed snack bars.

We also do not allow confectionary at school as part of everyday lunch box items. They might be provided by school staff or parents when having a special occasion treat.

Junior Class:

Hone - For being brave to participate where you can during your first 2 weeks at school. Welcome to Tapora School!

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

Melody - For a wonderful start to school. Your focus is very impressive. So glad you're here!

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

Progress Certificates:

Reading – Jacks & Utu (1 PM level each), Ellie (2 PM levels).

Basic facts – Utu (5 lists).

Spelling – Ellie (5 lists).

Senior Class:

The following students have completed all the introduction activities in Seesaw (online learning journal used in the senior class) and earned their certificate: Jacob, Aidan, CJ, Cassidy, Zane, Xavier, Takara, Lolli, Keegan, Ethan and Ruby

Core 5 Reading: Koby, CJ, Aidan, Ethan, Lolli and Takara for passing a level.

CJ for passing Essential list 7 spelling words

Keegan for earning the most class dojos in Room 1 for the previous fortnight.

Congratulations

To our Board Member and Parent Phil and his partner Renea for the exciting new addition to their family! Asher is very lucky to have a big brother in Koby and we can't wait to meet him!

Lastly, we would like to wish everyone a fantastic Easter break and school holidays! Safe travels and see you next term.

Keryl Lee
Principal



SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



In the last 2 weeks I have enjoyed playing rugby at morning tea and lunch with the older kids, also I have really loved doing core 5 and maths in the senior class after morning tea.

Liam Whittle.

BOT UPDATE

Meeting 5th April at 6pm. Bryony McOnie was welcomed onto the Board by selection as a Parent Trustee. Strategic Goal one progress report was presented. Concerns and Complaints Process was reviewed. A number of property concerns were addressed including the swimming pool, the school entrance way, electrical and plumbing.

The draft financial statements for the 2016 audit were also received.

FOTS UPDATE

Friends of Tapora School Fundraising Committee

FoTS will be organizing a movie next Thursday for the last day of school (during school time). Gold coin donation. We will also be taking lunch orders on the Thursday as there is no school on Friday. There will be drinks and lollies for sale as well as the usual lunch menu as a last day treat.

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 or phone Heidi on 021 264 5501

FIRST AID COURSE

We are making arrangements for a first aid refresher course for those who have their certification about to expire this year. The date will be 18th April and will run for 8 hours. Starting time yet to be determined but will be between 8 and 9am. The course will be taken by Rowan Smiley.

Normal cost is \$90 per person to a maximum of 20, plus \$10 per person for any who require the NZQA units to be registered. If there were 15-20 there could be a discounted price.

Last chance to make a booking! Please contact the school office on 09 422 1835 by Thursday 13th of April to book in.



PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Our Public Health Nurse, Maretta 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. Maretta 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.



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~ Community Notices ~

RIPARIAN PLANNING & PLANTING UPCOMING FIELD INFORMATION DAY TAPORA AREA



Farmers and landowners wanting help to develop a riparian management plan for your property, a field/information day will be held in Taporā in the next few weeks – date to be advised.

Dairy NZ Scientist who specialises in planting and riparian management will be on site for individual assistance and advice. This scientist has developed the Dairy NZ online riparian planting programme.

We are working on the possibility of obtaining discounted price trees for public purchase through IKHMG (Integrated Kaipara Management Group).

Any farmers and landowners interested are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Further information to follow. Enquiries to Earle Wright 021 509984.

SCHOOL CLEANER VACANCY TAPORA SCHOOL

Approximately 12 hours a week, after school hours and some hours during the holidays.

For more information and an application pack please contact the school office 4221835

STUDENT FUNDRAISING FOR SENIOR CAMP

Hi, my name is Aidan and I am trying to raise \$50 to contribute toward the cost of our Year 7 & 8 camp in Term 2. I will be selling pine cones for \$5 per bag. The bags are the size of calf meal sacks. I can deliver, if needed.

Please contact me either via the school or at taporaamino@gmail.com. You can also leave a message on 422 1992.



Thank you for your support.

Basketball Holiday Camp

Dates: Wed 19th & Thurs 20th April

9am-3pm Both Days

Venue: Mahurangi College Basketball Gym

Cost: \$80 for 2 days

Come along for 2 days of all out Basketball! Whether you're a beginner or been playing basketball for years this your chance to learn the game, learn new skills and play one of the fastest growing sports in NZ working with some of Harbour Basketball's top Coaches and players!

To register please email schools@harbourbasketball.co.nz

Payment Method: Internet Bank transfer to

12-3053-0401960-00

referencing "Bball Camp + Childs name"

TAPORA COMMUNITY HALL

Coffee Morning at the TAPORA HALL

LIBRARY will be open 11 AM FORTNIGHTLY:

Dates for this term: 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.

Liz King—09 422 1953 or 0210 247 2053

JUNIOR SINGING GROUP PROPOSED FOR LOCAL CHOIR

The local choir Local Vocals (LVC) are keen to extend the joy of singing to young students who may be attending schools around Wellsford.

The choir is subsidising a **free singing workshop** to be run at the Community Centre in Wellsford. Interested parents are welcome to come to the LVC **Club Night on Saturday 8 April** to hear the adult choir.

The initial workshop will be run in the school holidays on **Wednesday 19 April from 3.30 to 5.30 pm at the Community Centre**, Rodney Street, Wellsford. All Primary School-aged children over 7 are welcome to attend.

The junior group will be taught by Jill Jackson, a member of the Local Vocals and an experienced Primary Trained teacher.

Jill hopes the workshop will encourage young singers to consider committing themselves to attending a short 7 week singing course starting 25 May, 5.30-6.30pm (cost \$30 per family) which will finish with a combined LVC concert in the Community Centre on July 8.



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

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Cutting, Styling, Colour, Foils, Straightening and or Perming
you decide and I will create.



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COURSE HELD IN TAPORA. See pg.3 for details