

# Tapora Times

# WEEK 6 - TERM 4

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

### Cricket Tournament

23rd November (Thursday) After speaking with Mrs J, Heidi and students this morning, it sounds like a wonderful day was had by all. Many thanks to the above mentioned for their wonderful support as well as the parents who transported the students and those who stayed to help supervise. It seems both teams were very successful, winning all their games and placing second and first overall.

Draw A (yr 7&8): 1st TOM 3 [3 wins, avg runs: 53.0] 2nd TAP/PAK 1 [3 wins, avg runs: 36.0] 3rd TOM 2 [1 win, avg runs: 30.7]

Draw B (yr 4-6) 1<sup>st</sup> TAPORA 2 [3 wins, avg runs: 35.0] 2<sup>nd</sup> TOM 8 [3 wins, avg runs: 27.7] 3<sup>rd</sup> TOM 11 [2 wins, avg runs: 21.0]

Well done everyone, awesome results.

Unfortunately with adults so busy supervising or umpiring, there were no photos taken.

#### 2018 School Camps

In February next year we will be holding two senior camps and one junior camp so I would like to give parents advance warning to ensure that we can count on enough support to make these a success.

**Overnight Tawharanui Camp:** Date: Wednesday 21st February - This will involve Year 5-8 students (approx. 14) and we will be asking for transport and possibly 1-2 parent support.

**Senior Camp Lonsdale:** Monday 26th February to Friday 2nd March - This will involve Year 6-8 students (approx. 11) Once again we will need transport and 1-2 parent support.

**Junior Camp Tapora:** The same week as the senior camp for Years 1-5 students. They will be having a week of fun camp activities with an overnight stay on the Thursday.

The junior camp will require parent support/help for the Thursday and Friday 1st/2nd March.

More information will be provided closer to the time.

Many thanks to the Board of Trustees who has approved the spending for the camps and the school families who have funded the camps through the telephone book deliveries.

Nga Mihi

Keryl Lee, Principal

Miary -

Wed 29th Nov Technology Y7 & 8

Thurs 30th Nov Cricket Save Day

Tues 5th Dec School Leaders Day at "Jump"

Wed 6th Dec BOT Meeting

Fri 8th Dec

Assembly 2:15pm Room 2

#### Mon 11th Dec

Awards Ceremony and shared morning tea

**Tues 12th Dec** 

Prizegiving—<u>NB</u> <u>change of date</u>

Fri 15th Dec

Last Day of School

Wed 31st Jan

First Day of School

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#### **School Robot**

Yes the school is up with the play in technology and now has its own robot. Many thanks to Sarah who replied to a request to advertise the Auckland Brick Show School Competition and as a result we were lucky enough to win a \$600 Lego robot that when built can be programmed to talk, see, recognise colour, touch, make teachers cups of tea (wishful thinking the last one). As we are a small school the lovely people from Auckland Brick Show providing the prize have also given us a Lego 'Digger' kit for every child. These were given out at assembly today.

#### **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 or for on 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.

#### Prizegiving - Date Change: <u>Tuesday 12th December</u>

#### **Swimming Pool**

It looks very likely, if the weather treats us kindly, that the pool repair and painting will go ahead the week of December 4th -8th.

This could mean that the pool might be available for the summer holidays. If the weather is not kind to us then the pool will not be available until the start of the **school year**.

#### **Help Please**

If it is available then we will need someone who will be able to test the pool daily for us to ensure that it is complying to the required standard for swimming. Unfortunately I will not be able to do this during these holidays.

If anyone can help out then please call the office to let us know.

#### **Wanted Please**

We saw a wonderful idea for encouraging imaginative play in a playground setting... the use of an old wooden dinghy. So we're putting it out there that we would love a donation or at a not too expensive cost an old small boat that no-one wants. Please call the office if you have one or know of someone who has.

#### **Farewell to Liz and Steve King**

Tapora School would also like acknowledge and thank Liz and Steve King for all their wonderful help and support over the years.

#### **BOT Meeting**

At our last meeting 13th November following our advertising to the community to see if an election was required we duly appointed Willie Dodd as the selected board member. We welcome Willie onto the board and hope he finds it a very rewarding experience.

A playground consultant spoke to us about the options for a new playground and the board were able to add their ideas to the students' wish list.

National Education Guidelines and Self Review Policy review report was received.

Junior and senior achievement progress was reported on with final overall data to be presented at next meeting. Some very pleasing results from the Accelerated Literacy Learning programme in term 3.

Minutes are available to the community from the school office on request. Next Board meeting is 6th December at 6:00pm in Room 1- All Welcome. Agenda:

- 2018 budget
- Prizegiving planning
- Self Review: Health and Well Being Stewardship

#### Room 2 Update

ROOM 2's LETTER 'W' WEEK: Wrist bands!! Thanks Mrs Cotton for this great craft. We also had an extra student in Room 2. Elmo even went to fitness, singing and production practice! Oh and apparently got fed some milk at lunchtime.....



#### Assembly (next one 8th December)

At our assembly today the following certificates were awarded.

#### **ROOM 2 CERTIFICATES:**

#### **Progress Certificates:**

Reading - Chance Moana, Mason Woods & Natalya Pratt (1 PM level), Tillie Dodd & Tyler Hill (2 PM levels), Jahziiah Knight, Melody Robinson & Utu Cotton (3 PM levels)

Basic facts - Mikaela Martin-Cook (5 lists)

Spelling - Jahziiah Knight & Melody Robinson (5 lists each)

Skoolbo - Jacks Gurney (1,000 Answers) & Melody Robinson (4,000 Answers)

Lexia - Utu Cotton (Level 1) & Jahziiah Knight (Level 2)

Studyladder - Melody Robinson (Silver 1000 Points)

#### **Class Certificates:**

Tillie Dodd - For continued excellent effort to finish your work. Well done! Tyler Hill - For improved effort and producing work that is tidier. Keep it up!

#### **Room 1 Happenings**

Senior students had a wonderful time making their necklaces from beach materials with Julie. There were some very creatives ideas and designs. They have also been very busy with final assessments squeezed in amongst practise for end of year performance and creating costumes. We also mustn't forget cricket coaching with Brendon Bracewell and the cricket tournament as mentioned earlier in the newsletter. Last week a Sumdog maths competition started and ended yesterday so the bad timing meant not a great deal of participation but we made 35th place out of 55 schools participating. Thanks are due to the juniors for answering lots of questions while the seniors were away.

#### **Certificates:**

The most class dojos: Misty-Rose Tutauha

#### Mathsbuddy:

Platinum Level: Liam Whittle - Mental Strategies

Silver Level: Keegan Gurney - Mental Strategies Ruby Stanford- Subtraction

#### Spelling Certificates for passing Essential Words:

List 3 - Misty-Rose Tutauha

# ~ Community Notices ~

#### TAPORA COMMUNITY HALL

Coffee Morning

LIBRARY will be open 11 AM FORTNIGHTLY:

Dates for this term: 13th November, 27th November & 11th December. There is also available tennis, badminton, table tennis, indoor bowls, boules. Bring a plate if you wish, or a gold coin donation.

Playgroup

Thursday 30th 10.30am—12pm - Last playgroup for 2017

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



#### POT LUCK DINNER

There will be a pot luck dinner held at Tapora

Community Hall to Farewell Steven and Liz King who are moving to Whangarei after contributing much to our community.

Thursday, 30th November 6:30pm

Please bring your own plates and cutlery as well as something to share for the meal.



#### Wharehine Hall Christmas Variety Show

Donation on entry to help the hall.

Licenced Bar

Food available

279 Pah Hill Road Wharehine

Saturday, 2nd December - Doors open 5:00pm

Tapora Golf Club

Sunday 26th November
 Ambrose tournament. Teams of Four.

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# Wave Warriors

## **Holiday Surf Programme**

The O'Neill Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the spring holidays for 6-16yr olds at Orewa Beach

#### Fun, Safe, Active & Healthy

6-16yr olds | 5 Day Programme | 18-21 Dec | 15-19 Jan | 22-26 Jan \$150 per person | Morning or Afternoon session times

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment at Orewa Beach



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