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Diary TERM 2

School Assembly.

Every fortnight (on even weeks of the term) on Friday at 2:30pm.

Tuesday 9th August
BOT meeting 6:30pm

Wed 10th August
Trip to Fire Station and Wellsford Library for Auckland War Memorial Outreach Programme (Y1-6)

Fri 12th August
Planting Day at Atiu Creek

Tue 16th August
Rodney College visiting prospective Year 8 students

Fri 19th August
School Speeches & shared morning tea

Thu 25th August
Cluster Schools Speech Competition

Mon 29th August
Mid Term Break

Tapora Times

“Arriving at one goal is the starting point of another.”
- John Dewey

WEEK 2 - TERM 3

Welcome everyone back to term 3. It will be a busy two weeks coming up. I wasn't thinking too far ahead and missed the opportunity to include the permission slip for Atiu Creek along with the recent Wellsford trip. My apologies for yet another permission slip coming out.

On August 19th, we will be having School Speeches from 9-11am followed by a shared morning tea. Everyone is welcome.

Thanks to Alicia for the wonderful, thoughtful donation of boxes of tissues to be used in the classrooms.

If you collect stamps and would like to add to your collection then please contact the school. A very kind community member has offered her surplus collection of stamps from around the world.

At the end of last term, two of our longest standing board members were bid farewell after their time on the Tapora School Board of Trustees came to an end. We would like to sincerely thank Sue (6yrs on the board) and Clare (18yrs on the board) for their dedication and service to our school. Mrs C (our resident sonneteer) has written a poem dedicated to Sue & Clare (Pg3).

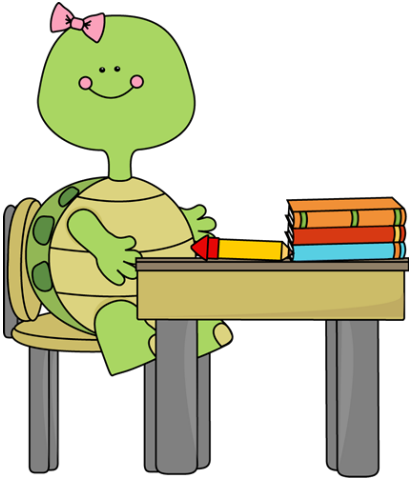
With this said, we also welcome new members to the board: Heidi, Simon and Rodney as well as re-elected members Logan and Phil. Mrs C has been re-elected as staff representative.

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

ROOM 1 HAPPENINGS

UPDATE FROM MS K

We got right back into the swing of things within the first week. Regretfully I accepted Jenny Casale's resignation as release teacher due to health reasons and we all wish her the very best for a speedy recovery. Year 7 & 8 have continued on with their Technology sessions in Wellsford at Rodney College. We had an exciting visit to the science roadshow in at Wellsford. I was very impressed with our school's behaviour interest and participation. Speech writing and training for the touch and netball is our focus now. Please can we have the sample folders back to school as soon as possible.



Mathsbuddy Awards

Passed with 100% = Platinum

95% - 99% = Gold

80% - 94% = Silver

Platinum Fractions to Eleanor Year 7 100% and Number 1 to Takara Year 6 100%, Gold Fractions to CJ Year 6 96% and Keegan Year 5 96%, Silver Fractions Year 5 to Sasha, Xavier, Zane and Takara, Whole Number Year 5 to Keegan, Spelling to Keegan for passing Essential Spelling words List 6.

Class Dojo

The most class dojos in the last fortnight to Takara

Congratulations for all these wonderful achievements.

ROOM 2 HAPPENINGS

UPDATE FROM MRS C

At the beginning of the term we were able to celebrate from the start as we wished Utu a happy birthday and welcomed Madison to our class. Utu benefited from a recently restocked 'Mrs C's Birthday Box' as I had picked up some more presents over the holidays.

We have been busy learning about persuasive writing and thinking about our speech topics. We've also been working on our Kia Kaha – Anti-bullying topic, which we have made our free choice for the speeches. There have been some interesting discussions, brainstorming and role-plays about the behaviours we appreciate in each other. This week we enjoyed a trip to Wellsford for the Science Roadshow which had some interesting experiments and exhibits. We have also been lucky enough to participate in Touch Rugby and Netball, coached by Tuli, Heidi and Donna - thanks for your time in training the students.

Early in the term we decided to rearrange our classroom to make our library area larger. Thanks to Mandy and the students who helped her move the furniture around as per our plan. The students are loving the new area and are slowly getting used to where to return their reading books each day!

Parents, I have sent home some Sight Word resources, information and activity suggestions in the back of your child's homework exercise book. Please make sure they have remembered to show you these.

Congratulations to the following students for their hard work to earn these certificates.

Progress Certificates:

Basic facts – Taylor & Liam (5 lists each).

Reading – Ethan & Ruby (for completing all sight-word lists).

Class Certificate:

Taylor – For wonderful self-management by having the things ready that you need and following routines without reminder.

A Poem to Clare & Sue

Tonight we say goodbye to Clare and Sue,
we hope you know how much we will miss you.
You've done so much as Board of Trustees,
for that we thank you on our knees.

Like delivering so many Yellow pages telephone books,
I hope that hard work hasn't ruined your looks.
And that's where the poem ended at dinner on Friday,
so now here's some more things that I didn't say.

Clare you've said how proud you are of building our hall,
a wonderful place to gather together, that fits us all.
You always knew how the board meetings should run,
but with 'Pass the motion', you still let us have fun.

And Sue you always looked after the school's financial accounts,
never letting them be out by any amounts.
At fundraising money for us you really were great,
Organising and delivering phone books to many a gate.

You both spent time sitting in the position of Chair,
giving advice to us all or lending an ear.
And many hours you spent organising our school Ag Days,
Awarding ribbons and making burgers, did they have mayonnaise?

You served 18 and 6 years on our Tapora School Board,
Your dedication, effort and wisdom we just have to applaud.
So thanks again for all that you've done,
you wanted a poem, so now you have one!

With love from Mrs C.



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PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Our Public Health Nurse, Marett 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. Marett 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.

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.



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CHILD'S SWING

Free to a good home. Please contact the school on 09 422 1835 to arrange collection.



Sunday Junior Basketball – Hosted by Harbour Basketball Association & Mahurangi College

Come along and get involved with basketball on Sundays at 10am @ Mahurangi College. For all primary school ages and skill levels!

Sessions include skills coaching and social basketball games...

Contact Zac Fitzgerald for more info – 021 065 9721 / schools@harbourbasketball.co.nz



TAPORA COMMUNITY HALL COMMUNITY EVENTS

Fortnightly Coffee Mornings: 11am. Gold coin. Indoor games available to partake in if you wish.

Dates for next term: 8th and 22nd August, 5th and 19th September.

Email ecacott@yahoo.co.nz to join the mailing list. For more info, contact Liz King on 021 024 72053 or 09 422 1953

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