

# TAUMATA SCHOOL



## Key Dates:

- **15 FEB: VOLLEYBALL GAMES START AT QEII CENTRE**
- **18 FEB: PŪWHENUA SWIMMING BEGINS**
- **28 FEB: TAUMATA SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS**
- **6 MAR: ROAD PATROL TRAINING**

## Message from the Principal:

*Genavier Fuller*

Nga mihi nui kia koutou katoa.

A warm welcome to the new school year at Taumata School. After all of the planning and preparation it is wonderful to finally see our learners in the spaces and learning well underway.

As mentioned at the powhiri, together we are creating history; making our mark on the future of Taumata School and particularly The Lakes and Pyes Pa community. As a team we have been overwhelmed by the positive, supportive and proactive feeling within our community and the fact that many of you are just as excited as we are to be on this journey. Thank you.

On Monday 11 February we were privileged to host Mr Welby Ings. Welby is a designer, film-maker, playwright, educator, professor and author. His most recent book "**Disobedient Teaching**" is a tool to challenge the status quo, a provocation to educators to think differently about how we prepare learners for the future. Together with Welby, we looked at the notion of creativity; what it really means; how we encourage it and how we know when we are being creative.



The provocations that Welby crafted were timely as we start to unpack our learning principles with children. Our learning principles include: collaboration, creativity, authentic learning, learner agency and grit. We really appreciated our time as learners in the company of Welby. Thank you to Welby for spending time at Taumata School.

Over the coming weeks there will be many notices about opportunities both within and outside of the curriculum. Some of these opportunities are ways that we can offer additional learning in sports, drama, and the arts. We hope that there is something of interest for each of your children.

**Sun Smart:**

Given our amazing summer weather I would like to remind all families about being sun smart. We would appreciate your assistance by ensuring your child has sunblock applied in the morning, and a hat for each of the break times. From next week on we will be implementing a "No hat; No play in the sun" focus. If you are finding it difficult to get a charcoal hat, please send your child with an interim hat.

## School Policies/Communication

Our school policies are managed through School Docs and are available for viewing at anytime. You can access our policies and procedures by visiting: [www.schooldocs.co.nz](http://www.schooldocs.co.nz) in the search bar type Taumata School. Enter our username (**taumata**) and password (**empowered**)

Presently we are establishing our systems of communication and the majority of our communication will come via Linc Ed to your email directly. Please make sure we have your most up to date contact details including email address.

In addition to Linc Ed, we have our school facebook page (see link below) where we post regular updates and also are working with CoreDesign on a school app. Details on how to download can be found below.



**Taumata School**  
Kennedy Road, Tauranga, New Zealand  
11 people checked in here



## Additional opportunities:



**GREERTON MARIST JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATION 2019**

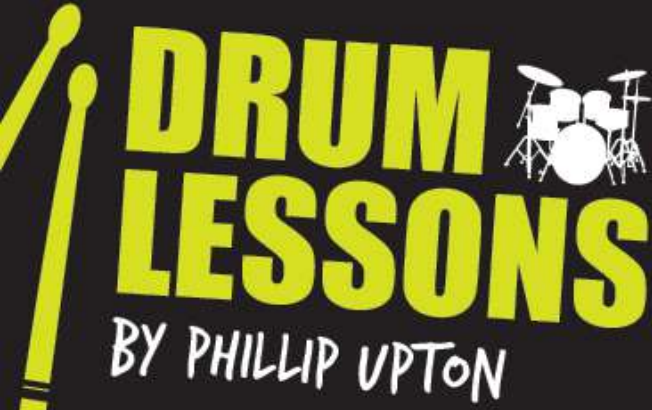
ONLINE REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN:  
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/85757>

REGISTRATION DAYS:  
 WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH, 5.00PM – 7.30PM  
 SATURDAY 16 MARCH 9.00AM – 12.00PM  
 GREERTON MARIST CLUB ROOMS, 90 OROPI ROAD, GREERTON

REGISTER AND PAY ONLINE PRIOR, BUT DON'T FORGET YOU MUST ATTEND REGISTRATION DAY TO BE WEIGHED IN, AS PER BOPRU RULES.

SEE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE TO WIN YOUR CHILD'S MEMBERSHIP FOR THE SEASON!

CONTACT OUR COMMITTEE FOR MORE INFO:  
[greertonmaristjuniorrugby@hotmail.com](mailto:greertonmaristjuniorrugby@hotmail.com)  
 OR PHONE STEF: 021 058 8639



Upton Drum School is a Tauranga based music school focused on teaching drums. We have a mobile teaching studio "The Drum truck" that is taken to schools in the Tauranga area. The studio has 3 Roland TD9 electronic kits all linked into a controller that enables the students only to hear themselves and the tutor.

**ABOUT THE TUTOR**  
 Phillip Upton is a qualified musician, he has 14 years experience in playing drums, 4 years of drum tutoring and regularly plays in bands and events.

*New Students receive their own pair of drumsticks\**

## Speech and Drama

Dee Ellwood currently offers itinerant Speech and Drama lessons at ACG, St Mary's Catholic School, Matahui Road and Omokoroa Point School. Dee has offered Taumata School students the opportunity to be involved in learning the skills of drama and speaking. If you are interested then please contact Dee on:

P: 021 581917

E: [dee.ellwood@gmail.com](mailto:dee.ellwood@gmail.com)



For more information and bookings contact Phillip at  
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 w: [www.uptondrumschool.co.nz](http://www.uptondrumschool.co.nz)

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 FIND YOUR RHYTHM

## Notifying an Absence:

If your child is unable to attend school for any reason please notify us as soon as possible. You can let us know by calling the office on 07 579 0990, using the absentee notification on our website, using the absentee notification on our school app or by emailing Vanessa at [office@taumata.school.nz](mailto:office@taumata.school.nz)

If a child is absent and we have received no formal notification you will be contacted via phone between 8:45 and 9:15am as part of our Health and Safety procedures.