

TAUMATA SCHOOL



Key Dates:

- 11 JUNE: WESTERN BAY CROSS COUNTRY
- 19 JUNE: STUDENT LED CONFERENCES
- 24 JUNE: PHOTOLIFE SCHOOL PHOTOS
- 24 JUNE: 7PM WHANAU ROPU MEETING
- 25 JUNE: MATARIKI EVENING
- 5 JULY: END OF TERM 2
- 22 JULY: TERM 3 BEGINS

Nga mihi nui kia koutou katoa.

It is fair to say that we are now into the winter season after what seemed like a very long, mild autumn. The cooler mornings, along with recent wind and rain has meant that we are seeing more of our students in 'thermal' undershirts, blast fleece and jackets. We love our uniform and when worn correctly it looks smart and distinctive. During the cooler months we are happy for students to wear a plain pair of black/charcoal track pants, instead of the shorts or skort. However this is the **only** variation to the uniform, and any alternative clothing will need to be removed. In order to maintain our school identity and pride in our school we ask for your assistance with this matter.

The last two weeks have provided many learning opportunities for students that fit within our school curriculum and those that enhance our learning curriculum. Last week students were involved in a range of activities supporting Book Week, which culminated in a Book Character day on Friday. Thank you for supporting your children with their choice of character - we definitely have some very creative parents/whanau and students in our community.

Over the last few weekends I have had the opportunity to watch winter sport at QEII, the hockey turf and netball courts. First of all, well done parents/whanau for encouraging this and getting them to and from the games. But I also wanted to mention that I am very



proud of how our children are getting involved and showing real GRIT (especially on those cold mornings). A big thank you to all of the parent coaches who are supporting our students to learn and refine their new skills and supporting them from the sideline. We couldn't offer these opportunities without you.

This week we welcome the following students and their families to our Taumata community. A warm welcome to: Hamish Heenatigala, Hazel Whitehead, Zoran Mann, Zoe and Maddison Moorehead, Charlotte Mulder, Braxton Krivan, Dante and Lucy Allen.

Finally, next week I have the wonderful opportunity to join other Western Bay Principals and learn about innovative schools in the Hawkes Bay. During the week we will visit Kimiora School to look at their approach to holistic learning; Nelson Park School who work closely with Longworth Education where we will look at Learning through Play; and William Colenso School looking at culturally responsive pedagogy and inclusive learning approaches. Should you have any urgent matters these can be addressed with Jacq Price or Mike Rankin.

EPRO 8

On Wednesday we had two teams represent Taumata School at the EPRO 8 challenge held at Welcome Bay School. EPRO 8 is an inter-school science and engineering competition where students work in teams to construct and create solutions to different challenges. We had the Easy Claps (team 1) constructing a working elevator with pulleys and ropes, and the Thunder Wolves (team 2) creating a giant rat wheel which would free spin on axles and generate power. Both teams had a lot of fun working through possible solutions and as a result were placed 4th and 7th overall. A big thanks to Matua Dan and Matua Sean for working to prepare our students and we look forward to 2020 EPRO 8. Sean Clarke.



Student-led Conferences:

This week you will have received information about our up and coming 'student-led' conferences. These conferences align with our 'learner agency' principle where we are committed to empowering our learners as partners in their learning journey. Please take the time to read the information shared and visit the website to make your conference booking.

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Staffing Changes:

Taumata School is growing! We now have 198 students and this is wonderful as we grow our family. This also means that we need more learning coaches (teachers). Next week Trudi Fausett will join the Mauao 2 team and over the coming weeks we will be announcing the recent appointment of 3 additional learning coaches. These learning coaches will start at the beginning of Term 3 and join Mauao and Pūwhenua. This is an exciting time for our school, and whilst there are a number of changes we want to assure you that we are doing all we can to minimise disruption for your child's learning.

Community Notices:



Doggy Day Out

Sunday 9th June

Koiko Reserve

Double Bay Road, The Lakes



All Profits
To Local
Community
Lions Projects

\$5 Registration & Entry

Please bring cash on the day



10.30 am – Doggy Registration Opens

11.15 am – Agility Demonstration

11.30am – Small Dog Agility Entries

Followed by

- Medium Dog Agility Entries

Followed by

- Large Dog Agility Entries

1.00pm – Me & My Shadow Dress Up Prize
(for Best Matched Owner & Dog)

Great Prizes

1st, 2nd & 3rd
For each Category

ALL DOGS ON
LEADS PLEASE

Contacts:
Doggy Day Out
Delwyn Dyson
02 7 4770-850
Lions Club Membership
Julie Wilson
02 1 0239-2318

Sausage Sizzle – Ice Cream – Coffee – Cold Drinks – Raffles

Available to buy on the Day



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N.B. The event will be cancelled if the weather is bad. An update will be posted by 7am on 'The Lakes Community' Facebook page.



BRICK SHOW

Saturday June 8th

9am – 4pm

Lots of fun for kids of all ages

Sets and creations on display

Guess the Bricks

Brick Play area

Raffles, Prizes, Shop



Door Sales Only
Tauranga Primary School
5th Avenue, Tauranga

Only \$5 per person

(kids 3 years and under free) EFTPOS available

For more information check out Facebook : BOP Brick Show



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