



Te Kauwhata Primary School

Panui ~ Newsletter

4 May 2016 Term 2 Number 1

Kia ora koutou, Greetings all

A very warm welcome back to Term 2, and a special welcome to all new families who have recently joined our school community. We wish you all the best as you settle into life in Te Kauwhata, a growing village!

For the first part of this term the children continue with their learning inquiry around 'what makes the earth work, and how do we care for it?'. During week 5 they will have a concentrated Science focus to conclude their inquiry, at which time you will be invited to our open day to view and talk about their discoveries. Also this term we run our biennial Kia Kaha Anti-Bullying Programme with the support of our local Police Officer, Gareth. You will receive further information about this and the time and days when the whole school will be involved in the programme.

Last term we achieved 93% attendance across the school, with lateness sitting at just under 3%. Please remember we want to work with you to help you get your children to school on time and each day. If you would like support please contact us.

Over the holidays our school roofs have been painted and are looking 100% improved. Our property maintenance continues and our next big projects will include some renovations around the middle team classrooms and painting the school exterior.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Kapahaka group for their first performance at the end of last term, it was wonderful to have so many people join us for the evening.

Our thoughts and sincere condolences are with the Honiball family following the sudden and very sad passing of a husband and dad this week. We are thinking of you all.

Nga mihi nui on behalf of our team...

Vicki Saunders, Principal.

A message from the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees

This week you will be receiving some further information and nomination forms for the upcoming Trustee Elections. Several parents have already signalled their intention to stand for one of the five available positions, including at least two of the current trustees. I would encourage more of you to put your names forward, so that we have the best chance of forming a Board that fully represents our diverse school community.

At this time, the Board also wishes to confirm that it last year approved a Teach NZ Primary Principals' Sabbatical application for Vicki Saunders, which was successful. During her absence from Te Kauwhata Primary, Vicki will be completing some papers towards her Masters degree and taking some time for further personal development and travel. The Board supports such initiatives as a way of developing the skills of all staff members. Vicki's sabbatical will commence at the end of Term 2, and she will return to school in the second week of Term 4. For this period Brian Martin will be Acting Principal.

Grant Clegg

Term dates

Term 2:

Monday 2 May -
Friday 8 July

Term 3:

Monday 25 July -
Friday 23
September

Term 4:

Monday 10 October
- Thursday
15 December

Public holidays

Monday 6 June -
Queens Birthday

Monday 24 October
- Labour Day

Notifying of absences..

If your child is absent please let us know as soon as possible.

You can do this in one of the following ways:

- Phone the school office 07 8263564, if it is outside of office hours please leave a message
- Text the school mobile phone 027 503 7425
- Leave a message on the school website www.tkp.school.nz

On the home page click on 'Absences' and enter your message.

You can also send us an Absence note through our school phone App.

Please always state your child's name, their room number (or teacher's name) and the reason for their absence. Unexplained absences will always be followed up.



Te Kauwhata Primary School
Board of Trustees Election

Nominations are invited for the election of five parent representatives to the board of trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself (make sure you sign both parts of the form).

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on 20 May 2016 and may be accompanied by a signed candidate's statement.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on 3rd June 2016..

Signed

Brenda Hitchcock
Returning Officer

***Did you know that our school has a Phone App. for both Apple and Android?
You are able to keep up to date with events and notifications. You can also do absences
through the App. A link to that will be on the School Website. www.tkp.school.nz***

***Just a reminder Stationery Fees are now due! Thank you to everyone who has paid for their
Childrens' Stationery, please see Brenda at the office if your fees are overdue.***

Coming Up:

- TK's Junior Tough Kid Challenge Trails
- Board of Trustees meeting
- Next PTA Meeting
- Queens' Birthday (no school)
- Junior Tough Kid Challenge Ngaruawahia

Thursday 12th May
Wednesday 18th May
Wednesday 1 June – 7pm
Monday 6th June
Friday 10th June

PTA Update

Wed 1 June – 7pm
Wed 3 August – 7pm
Wed 2 November – 7pm

Wed 6 July – 7pm
Wed 7 September – 7pm
Wed 7 December – 7pm

Community and Sports News:



Huntly College Old Boys RFC
HUNTLY JUNIOR RUGBY

*Dress like your
sport icon*

QUIZ NIGHT

\$10.00 per person (up to 6 per table)

Raffles will be held through the night

Friday 27th May 2016, Huntly RSA - 7PM START!

RSA Courtesy Van Available

For all inquiries OR to book your table: Jess Steiner 021720517



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Ph: 826 3280

Email: tkchildcare@xtra.co.nz

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FOR THE SCHOOL GARDENS

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STORING EGGS

Health authorities
recommend storing
eggs in their carton
in the refrigerator.

This keeps them
fresh so they last
longer.



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