



Te Kauwhata Primary School

Panui ~ Newsletter 12

26 July 2017

Kia ora koutou,

A very warm welcome to term 3 and a special welcome to all new families and whanau who have joined our school community.

At the end of last term we farewelled Mrs. Maria Farmer who for several years has been one of our valued release teachers. We wish Maria all the best as she takes up a teaching role at her children's school in Hamilton. This term we warmly welcome Mrs. Nicola Brogan-Brown who will be providing teacher release for Mrs. Berney in Room 7. Mr Martin will now provide release for the senior team, and Miss. Vanessa Hickey will teach each Monday in Room 8. Miss. Stephanie Gudsell is all set up in Room 12 with our new 5 year old children, so we are very pleased to be fully staffed for the new term.

Community Consultation

Last term the Board of Trustees sent home their annual consultation survey, thank you for taking the time to complete it. There were over 130 responses received, which is very encouraging. The results and comments are now being collated and analysed and outcomes will be shared with you in due time.

Concerns or problems

From time to time issues do arise. In the first instance we ask that you speak to your child's teacher, often a small matter can be 'nipped in the bud'. If you do not feel your issue has been resolved please then speak to your child's team leader: Mr. Brian Martin - Learning Hub; Mrs. Carolyn Berney - Rooms 7, 8, and 9; or Mrs. Gillian Constantine - Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 12. If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome please contact myself. Thank you, we strive to work with you all in a positive way to resolve any issues.

Ngaa mihi nui ~ Vicki and team

Term dates 2017

Term 3:

Monday 24 July -
Friday 29
September

Term 4:

Monday 16
October - Friday
15 December

Public Holidays 2017

Monday 23
October - Labour
Day

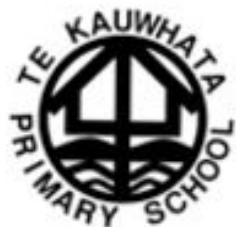
Photolife - School Photos 3 August

These are scheduled to take place on Thursday 3rd August. Please return your Photolife envelopes before Tuesday 1st August. Envelopes for Sibling group photos and for Netball team photos are available at the school office.

Make sure all children are in correct uniform for photo day. Could all the netball girls please bring their netball dresses in for the Team Photos.

Treaty of Waitangi Policy

See the '**draft**' of this policy now being shared for consultation. If you would like to feedback or comment on this please do so by either emailing me, principal@tkp.school.nz or you are most welcome to arrange a time to come in and have a chat. Thank you.



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'Learning Together' – 'Kia Ngatahi te Ako'

NAG 1: Treaty of Waitangi Policy

Rationale

The Treaty of Waitangi is the founding document of our nation; it provides a framework for partnership, protection and participation between Māori and all other people in New Zealand. Te Kauwhata Primary School accepts its responsibility in endeavouring to fulfill the intent of the Treaty of Waitangi by valuing and reflecting New Zealand's dual cultural heritage.

Purpose

To create a school environment and culture which:

1. Recognises and values the unique status of Māori as Tangata whenua, the indigenous people of Aotearoa, New Zealand
2. Enables and supports Māori students to achieve as Māori
3. Encourages and supports non-Māori students and teachers to engage with and develop an understanding of Te Reo Māori me ona tikanga (Language and culture).

Guidelines

1. All students and staff at Te Kauwhata Primary School will have the opportunity to engage with, learn about and practice Te reo Māori me ona tikanga through:
 - a. integrating Māori knowledge and understanding, tikanga and reo within our curriculum
 - b. providing Te Reo learning opportunities for both staff and students
 - c. kapahaka development and instruction.
2. Te Kauwhata Primary School will work to:
 - a. ensure proactive engagement of parents and whānau in making decisions about Māori education goals and targets and in the school self-review, vision, values and curriculum.
 - b. encourage Māori participation in school governance
 - c. include, in the school charter, our commitment to Cultural Diversity and Māori dimensions.
 - d. observe local tikanga in formal school events, and
 - e. develop sustainable relationships with local Hāpu.

Important dates...

- Board of Trustees meeting - Wednesday 26th July, 6.30pm
- Next PTA meeting Wednesday 2nd August at 7pm
- Whole school Cross Country 18th August
- Seniors Speeches finals 22nd August
- Runathon 23th August
- Interschool Cross Country 1st September
- Nga Toi Showcase 28th September
- Term 3 finishes Friday 29 September

Group Day 2017

That time of year again rolling around fast....we will be having the Lower Waikato Boys and Girls Agricultural Group meeting THURSDAY 10th AUGUST 7.30pm at the Rangiriri Tavern.

This meeting is open to parents, school staff, anyone interested.

Please come along and support our local Group Day.

Join the Parent Teacher Association

The PTA meets in the school staffroom on the first Wednesday of the month, excluding school holidays. This year our big focus is organising the school Gala, held in November.

We welcome new members and new ideas. Please pop in to a meeting, email us at pta@tkp.school.nz or call Jo on 027 471 7623 or Sandra on 022 657 7613.

Meeting dates:

Wed 2 Aug – 7pm

Wed 1 Nov – 7pm

Wed 6 Sept – 7pm October special Gala Meeting TBC

Wed 6 Dec – 7pm

HEALTHY HOME BAKING

HOME BAKING

With a few healthy changes muffins, scones, loaves and muesli bars can be made at home for a healthy, fresh and cheap snack. Also, great for the lunchbox!



Home baking = less packaging... a bonus for the environment



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MAAORI NEW YEAR

WATERCRESS

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Did you know, watercress is the oldest green leafy vegetable? Try making this 'quick quiche' at home:

- Whisk 2 eggs with 100ml trim milk
- Season, then add chopped watercress, tomatoes and grated cheese
- Pour into a non-stick pan and cook for 10 – 15min



Te Kauwhata ChildCare



& Learning Centre

Now offering **30 hours FREE**

Conditions apply

We provide quality care and education, where learning and fun become one!

Call in and visit anytime

Hours of Operation: 8.00-5.30 Monday-Friday ■ 9 Mahi Rd, Te Kauwhata
Ph: 626 3280 ■ Email: tkchildcare@xtra.co.nz

Te Kauwhata Skatepark has been revamped!

Bring your skateboard, your
best tricks and celebrate our
new skatepark at an...

**OPENING
CELEBRATION**
Saturday 29 July
12 noon-2pm

A skate demo crew will be
showing off some skills, so
get down to the skatepark,
by the war memorial, and
check them out.

**Food, drink and some awesome spot
prizes will be available on the day**



Bring your ASB School Banking Envelope to School

**Any spare coins will do.
If you save \$1 each
week in Term Three, you
will have \$10 for the
school holidays!**



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Do you want to make a difference in a child's life?

The Ministry for Vulnerable Children, Oranga Tamariki is currently looking for people in this area who can offer safe, caring, stable homes for young people in need of short term care, time out over weekends and/or holidays, or a home for life.

Our team will support you to understand and manage the challenges of fostering a young person, and we will be there with you to celebrate the successes.

You may be surprised; you could be just the right person to offer your care to a young person who needs you!

If you are interested in finding out more, or know someone who may be interested, or if you think you might be able to help in some other way then we would love to hear from you!

Please call Johnson Taoho, Manager Caregiver Support Waikato Region, on 07 957 4740 or email Johnson.Taoho@mvcot.govt.nz



**ORANGA
TAMARIKI**
Ministry for Vulnerable Children

Don't bury them, call...
Ernie's Casualty Calf Cart

We look forward to being of service to you again,
Collecting now!

Contact Ernie
Phone 07 8285742 027 4867184

Give your kids a 'head start' with **FREE** early childhood education

Do you have a 3 or 4 year olds' not
involved in early childhood education?

Do you want to access **free** early childhood education
so your child has a 'head start' before starting school?

Kōwhai will support families to:

- Access early childhood within Waikato district
- Provide support with transition to school

If you would like to know more about this **free** service,
please contact Stephanie on:

Phone: 0800 323 543 OR 027 4551 775

Email: stephanie@kowhai.biz



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