



# TAUHOA SCHOOL

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## TAUHOA TATTLER #18

**30th October 2024**

### **Dates to Remember**

### **Using staff contacts on Messenger**

Ngā mihi o te tau hou. Hello my Friends

What a fantastic day Ag Day and the Gala was! I am incredibly proud of all our community members who came and supported this day. Whether you took your turn on a stall, donated items, played music, or even brought more people to the day, it counted. We made at least \$12,000!!

Thank you to those who went the extra mile and worked hard over a long day. You all know where you sit in the spectrum of support. Some came and didn't even put in their share of effort in being on a stall, whereas others... you were mind-blowing!

#### **Athletics Day**

We need your help to fundraise at athletics. We require people to roster both at the cafe and help run the day. The school also needs baking and other items to sell at the cafe. A note is coming home today.

#### **Contacting Staff**

The use of staff messenger and Facebook accounts has become prolific! School staff, be it support staff like teachers' aides, office managers, or teachers and principals, should be able to go home from work without dealing with parental messages and issues after work, when sick at home, or when on leave.

If you are friends with staff on Messenger, only contact them with that hat on!

If you want to message staff about anything related to school issues, such as pick-up, absences or other matters, you should go through the school office during school hours.

Would you contact your lawyer or doctor this way? The answer is no. We do clear the phone for pick-ups, drop-offs, and other things. Please use this.

Our office manager, Jody, does not deal with student issues regarding homework, school work or behaviour. These need to, and will be directed to, the teacher first.

Behaviour issues must go to the staff member concerned by ringing the school office and leaving a message or emailing them. ( These are on the School website or at the end of every Tattler)

Please consider this from now on when needing to speak to any of the School Staff.

Mrs Goldsmith

**Dates to Remember**

The rest of the year is full-on, with many events and activities.

This continues right into February 2025.

We have many new parents and this Tattler is especially for you to help you get to grips with what's coming up. I have added explanations and created a sheet for you to pull off and pop on your fridge door!

### *What is Coming up*

#### **November**

- **4th Teacher Only Day: School Closed**

This is a planned TOD that the Ministry of Education has given us to sort out the new curriculums and prepare for 2025. We have a few more in 2025

- **8th Trip to Tiri Tiri Maitangi**

Initially, this trip was for the whole school. However, the school visits for children under year 3 have stopped, so only Atiu Room and Cleasby Room will go to Tiri on this day.

This is a long day.

We leave school at 7:30 am to meet the ferry at Gulf Harbour and return later than the buses. Students will need to be collected from school at 4 pm.

Students must wear good walking shoes, a jumper, a raincoat, lunch, morning tea, and a drink bottle in a backpack. Permission for this trip is on Skool Loop.

- **9th Icon Family photoshoot fundraiser**

This is another great fundraising opportunity for our school and a perfect chance for you to finally get around to capturing that perfect family photo! For a \$15.00 sitting fee, you will receive a FREE 10x13-inch portrait to keep (Valued at \$79.00). Vouchers were sent home last week. Please fill them in and return them with payment and your preferred time slot. More forms are available from the office.

- **15th RRS Athletics Day Whole School**

The whole school attends this athletics day at Centennial Park. We are organising a bus to take students. We run this day and also run a cafe and fundraise at it. We will be needing helpers on the day and lots of baking. All students are issued with a sports uniform. They must bring morning tea, lunch and money to spend on hot sausage, drinks etc.

- **28th A plus Music Night**

This is an entertaining night brought to you by the students doing music under Martin's tutelage. 6-30 at the Community Hall

- **29th Survival swimming and activities Millennium Centre**

This is a great day out for our Year 2 to 8 students. All paid for by a grant, the students will travel to the Millennium Centre in Albany for Kayaking, Rock Climbing, and Water Safety. The students receive lunch compliments of Nestle. A gear list will come home closer to the day.

- **30th Otamatea Kapa Haka Festival**

This is on a Saturday for the students practising for this event. If your child has been in the Wednesday Kapa Haka Group, this is their big day!

More details will be provided to those students involved.

#### **December**

- **4th Thank You Morning Tea**

This is our thank you morning tea for those who have supported our school. Our local community constable, ASA officer and others are included in our FOTs team. Invites come home to those who are asked to attend

- **5th Community Xmas Night, BBQ and Fun at School**

This is a new event that has formed our survey regarding the end-of-year prize giving. Christmas songs, BBQ and drinks, and the big guy turning up for a lolly scramble. As requested, no gifts for Santa will be bought, but it will be a fun time to celebrate as a community.

- **7th Staff Xmas Function**

Our staff and board celebrate the years' successes.

- **11th Graduation Dinner for Year 8's**

This is an invitation to the year 8 and their adult caregivers/parents to celebrate the end of their time at Tauhoa School. Invites have been sent out. The evening includes principal drinks followed by a Dinner, Speeches, and the Board's gift to students.

- **12th End of Year Assembly**

This is now just the assembly and acknowledgement of students' learning and graduation of our Year 8's. The format now does not include a supper, Santa or carols, as this happens as a community on the 5th

- **13th End of term School closes at 12-30pm**

The year finishes on Friday, the 13th, at 12-30. We run one bus to do both routes on that day.

## **2025**

### **January**

- **27th Anniversary weekend**
- **28th Tuesday TOD and office open for stationery and Enrolments**
- **29th Wednesday First day of school, and the bell rings at 8-30 am !**
- **31st Friday Beach Day**

This is a community day at the beach, where games and sand castle competitions are held. The school is Open and operating out of Martins Bay for the day. We welcome all our school community to join us.

### **February**

- **6th Waitangi Day, school is closed**
- **7th School Closed this day is as requested by the community and is made up at the end of the year**
- **10th to 14th Senior school camp. And Camp week**

Students of Cleasby Room, Years 6, 7, and 8, will be Heading to Lonsdale Camp in the Bay of Islands for the week. If we do get higher numbers for a fourth class this year, the year 5 students will also attend this camp. This week, activities will take place at school for the other students.

This rundown helps you see what is happening and why and how.

I look forward to catching up with you throughout these events! A reminder that a calendar is on the Skool Loop App.

### **Term four Reminders**

- School Hats must be worn during term 4. Please return these to school
- We are a healthy lunch school. If you choose to send a lunch to school, please supply A a healthy lunchbox <https://nutritionfoundation.org.nz/lunchbox-ideas/>
- We keep personal stationery at home and use school supplies only at school.

## For Your Fridge Door

### October

- **14th** First day of term 4
- **15th** Ballot Closes
- **22nd** RRS Speech Competition
- **26th** Ag Day and Gala

### November

- **4th** TOD School closed
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## 2025

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- **29th** First Day 2025
- **31st** Beach Day, school operating at Martins Bay

### February

- **6th** Waitangi Day
- **7th** School Community Requested a closed day for a long weekend
- **10th- 14th** Camp week
- **10th -14th** Senior classroom Lonsdale Park Bay of Islands

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