

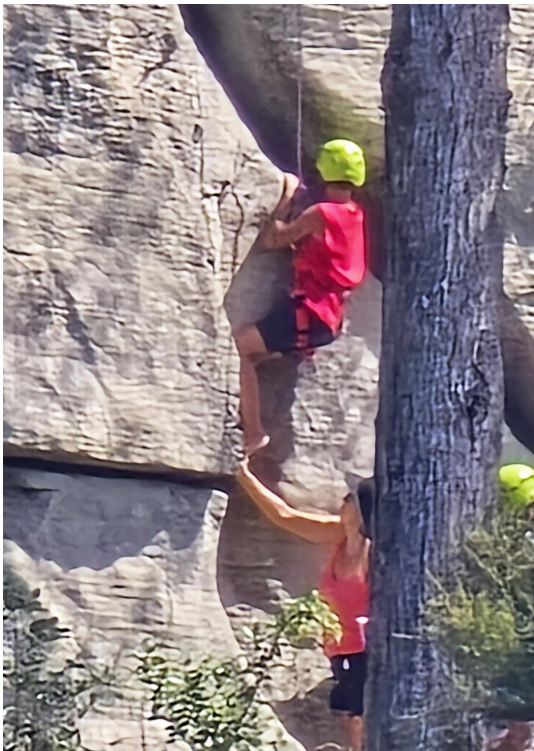


TAUHOA SCHOOL

Learning to live | Living to learn

TAUHOA TATTLER

#3 March 3rd 2025



Rock climbing, Senior Camp



Sand Castle Competition, Beach Day

Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

We are pleased to announce this year's house leaders at Tauhoa School:

- Rimu House (Green): Chantay Fitchett and Shelby Mason
- Pohutakawa (Red): Liam Harris and Phoenix Marshall
- Kauri House (Blue): Logan Owen and Eden Smith
- Kowhai House (Yellow): Travis Marshall and Billie Boler

We are also reintroducing Cool School mediation with two new Mediator Leaders: Connor McManus and Layla Smith.

This year, leaders must sign a contract to meet their obligations and wear different-colored hats. Mediator Leaders will wear white hats!

During my nephew's wedding in Hong Kong, I reflected on how fantastic our school environment is! I noticed a schoolyard typical of Hong Kong schools from my hotel

room, lacking grass, trees, or appealing buildings. My new niece, a teacher there, mentioned that each school level is on a different floor.

We are fortunate to have spacious playgrounds! Thank you to everyone who helps with working bees, plantings, and events, especially our caretaker, Bode, for keeping it in great shape. I've included a photo for your interest.



What's coming up in the calendar

March 2025

- 4th Year 7 & 8 Immunisations
- 5th School Board meeting
- 7th Years 5, 6 7 & 8 to Rodney swimming pool for trials
- 11th FOTS Meeting 6-30pm Atuanui rooms
- 14th RRS Swimming Years 4 to 8 (competent swimmers only)
- 25th RRS Cricket Day. (Years 3 to 8)

April 2025

- 11th Last day of Term 1
- 25th Anzac Day and Dawn Parade Wellsford
- 28th Term 2 Starts for Students

Term Reminders

- School hats must be worn at school and at all times outside. They can now be purchased require togs, towels and swim caps with optional goggles all summer. *Swimming is compulsory* unless a note from home is sent with a relevant reason why a child cannot swim.
- 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.

Music At Tauhoa

Les Watene offers music lessons in Guitar and Drums. These are extracurricular activities arranged privately between you and Les.

Ukulele and introduction to music classes.

Dawn Charlton will provide a fun after-school class (the day will be confirmed) to introduce children to music, singing, and rhythm.

The instruments used will be ukulele, xylophones and percussion. We have limited instruments available, so please bring your ukulele or tambourine if you have one!

Classes will be \$15 per child for 30 minutes after school.

Please contact Dawn Charlton with any questions.

021702035 hello.down.nz@gmail.com

We will also enter a choir for those who enjoy singing at the APPA choir festival.

Kids Can

Please order all your shoes, jackets, and socks by this Friday. This is an opportunity to order winter shoes and jackets for your child.

Teacher Only Day

Due to a lack of notice, the TOD has been cancelled. This means that senior leaders can attend a leadership conference. A notice will be sent home to the students involved.

Swimming Trip

As the Rodney pool is so much bigger and deeper, the senior room teachers are having a trip to Rodeny College to sort out the swim team for the RRS competition. Thank you to the parents who are making this trip possible. A bus will take them to and from the pool.

School Survey

Thank you to the nine people who have completed this survey! Your suggestions for a staff holiday and a fish tank in the office are interesting. **We want to hear your thoughts! Please make sure to share your feedback by this Wednesday.**

You can find the survey at the following link:

<https://forms.gle/hU1y452nRKCGz7ed7>

If you prefer a paper copy, feel free to contact the office.

Head Lice

Please take a moment to check your children's hair for nits (head lice). We have noticed a few itchy heads among the children. If you find any nits, it is vital to treat them immediately. Treatment solutions are available on

prescription for free, or if you need assistance, please visit the office as we have some spare bottles available.

Additionally, I want to remind everyone that hair must always be tied back. Our office is low on spare hair ties, and tying hair back helps prevent the spread of lice.

Thank you for your cooperation.

School Pool Use

The school was notified, and the security cameras caught the car and people at the pool yesterday, at about 4:30 pm, playing and jumping on our school pool cover.

Please respect our school property when coming to school outside of hours.

Netball

Our school runs several teams in the Rodey netball season.

We need players for:

Year 1 and 2, 3 and 4, 5 and 6, and 7 and 8 teams

We have some very keen netball parents who have volunteered for several years to ensure we represent our school. Boys and girls play together.

Please consider this as a sports option for your child this year. For more information, please chat with Jody in the office.

School Buses

The school bus service, including the one that takes students to Technology, is a privilege granted only to those students who adhere to their bus contract and demonstrate behaviour in line with our Tauha BEST values.

Unfortunately, this was not the case last week, and our bus driver was understandably upset.

This serves as a reminder to all students that there is an expectation to remain seated, not to move around, and to avoid loud voices and distracting behaviour for the bus driver while the bus is in motion.

Both Leabourns and our staff take poor behaviour on the bus very seriously. Please be aware that your child may lose their right to travel on the bus if these expectations are unmet.

FOTS.

Friends of Tauhoa School functions like our PTA. We are a group of parents dedicated to fundraising for our school while coming together to share ideas, discuss issues, and build lasting friendships.

Our first meeting will be on March 11, 2025, at 6:30 PM. We will review the survey results and discuss this year's social and fundraising initiatives.

School Accounts

Last week, we sent out invoices, and we thank everyone who has paid or is paying off stationery and camp fees. We understand that this time of year can be costly, so please notify the office if you would like to arrange automatic payments.

Lunches This Week, Week 6

Monday - Bacon Zucchini Pasta

Tuesday - Bento Bowl

Wednesday - Lasagne

Thursday - Chicken Pasta Salad

Friday - Butter Chicken

Our Tattler comes out every fortnight. Please feel free to add community news by contacting the office.

Tae noa ki muri.

Vivienne Goldsmith
Principal

Staff and Board Contact Details 2025

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Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

- Open the Skool Loop App - you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.



