

TAUHOA SCHOOL

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TAUHOA TATTLER #5 April 1st 2025

Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

We are fast approaching the end of term 1.

We will be very busy until the end of the term as the Education Review Office has given us short notice of a review in the last week of this term. They look at six key aspects of our school: Leadership Curriculum, Teaching and Learning, Professional Capability, Inclusion and Well-Being, Partnerships, Stewardship and Governorship, Te Tiriti o Waitangi, and Evaluation for Improvement. The team headed by Lynn Duffin arrives at lunchtime on Tuesday, 8th April.

Our school has experienced significant changes this term, including a remarkable 35% increase in enrollment! To accommodate this growth, we have added two new staff members and classrooms.

Thank you to everyone for your understanding as we work to ensure that our values and vision remain central to these changes.

Recently, I've noticed that some parents have been discussing, questioning, or gossiping about our school's students. At Tauhoa, we believe this behaviour is unacceptable. It fosters negativity and complicates situations instead of resolving them effectively.

If you have any concerns, please talk to your child's teacher. If that doesn't resolve the issue, please contact me directly. Many of our long-term parents know we are always willing to listen and act on any concerns.

Consider how you would feel if your child were being talked about in the community. Let's ensure that school-related issues are kept within the school. We adhere to a simple rule: "If you can't say something positive, don't say anything at all."

School Hours

We attempted to change our hours this term to accommodate the bus schedule in the morning. Unfortunately, this adjustment affected our teachers' ability to cover subjects and resulted in a long bus ride for our Wellsford students.

Given these challenges, we have decided that starting in Term 2, our school hours will be 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM daily. Leabourns has been informed of this change.

Upcoming Events in the Calendar

April 2025

- 7th Staff Only Day
- 8th School Photos
- 10th The Easter Raffle is drawn!
- 11th Last day of Term 1
- 25th Anzac Day and Dawn Parade Wellsford
- 26th School Sponsored Horse Trek
- 28th Term 2 Starts for Students 8-30am start

Term Reminders Term 1 only

- School hats must be worn at school and at all times outside. They can now be purchased. Children also require swimsuits, towels, and swim caps with optional goggles all summer. <u>Swimming is compulsory</u> 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.

Teacher Only Day 7th April

REMINDER

We have a staff-only day booked for 7th April. This is one of the two we can have without catching up.

School Photos: Bring a hair brush

Kyle from Life Lit Up will be here on 8th April. Sibling photos will be taken first, so be here at 9 am, Make sure that you have booked for your sibling photos to be taken.

Please consider what your child will wear on this day.

School Swimming

We will still swim on hot, sunny days until the end of the term, so please ensure togs are in your child's bag.

School Pool Use

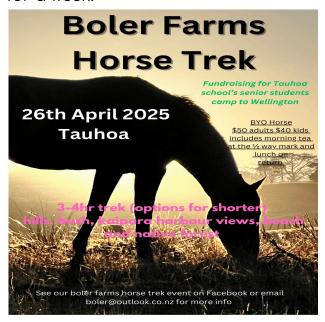
Families that purchased pool keys/codes still use the school pool. The pool will be open this holiday as the temperatures are still high. However, it will be closed at the beginning of term 2, and pool keys must be returned.

Netball! We still need players and 1 coach!

Our school has confirmed a year 1&2 team and Year 5&6 team. Thanks to Lila Marshall and Nicole Bland who have volunteered to coach this season. We are still one player and one coach short of making up a team for year 3&4. If we can not get a coach we won't be able to put a team forward. Please consider coaching, it is allot of fun!

School Buses

The behaviour has improved. Let's keep it up so no one is stood off the bus for a week!



School Horse Trek

A horse trek is part of the fundraising for the year 7 and 8 trip to Wellington. Please share this and register for a lovely day out.

School Accounts

Thirteen students still need to pay for the February senior school camp costs, which cover food and accommodation. We appreciate those who have already contacted us and begun making payments. For those who have not yet done so, please contact the office to start settling the amounts owed. Thank you!

We also have over \$1000.00 still owing to the school for stationery, Please check your account statements, again your welcome to start paying this off.

Easter Roffle

Please bring a donation to add to the Easter raffle. All families should return their money and ticket subs to the office. If you can sell more tickets, they are available at the office. Drawn 10th April.

Lunches This Week, Week 10

Mon - Chicken Burgers

Tues - Nachos

Wed - Chicken Pasta Salad

Thurs - Chicken Drums, coleslaw, and Garlic Bread

Fri - Lasagne

Lunches This Week, Week 11

Mon - TOD

Tues - Bacon Zucchini pasta

Wed - Butter Chicken

Thurs - Ginger Beef Bowl

Fri - Penne Bolognese

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

Tae noa ki muri.

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