

Newsletter

- TOMARATA SCHOOL -



Term 2 Week 7

June 16, 2021

What's going on?

18 June	Rodney Rural Schools Soccer/Hockey tournament
22 June	Student Voice meeting
23 June	House Captains to GRIP Conference Footsteps Dance Company
24 June	Lunch order day
25 June	Whole school assembly
30 June	Footsteps Dance Company BOT meeting 7 pm
6 July	Paid union meeting for teachers - School closed from midday
8 July	Whole school planting day-Tomarata Lakes
9 July	Parent Teacher Interviews Last day of Term 2
26 July	Term 3 begins
6 August	Whole school assembly

Birthdays

Uawa Taliauli





Mrs Neel's Musings

Dear families & whanau

Kia ora, kia orana, talofa, malo e lele, kon'nichiwa, hello

Friday will be an exciting day for our Year 4-8 students with the Rodney Rural Schools Soccer/Hockey Tournament Day. It is the first one since COVID disrupted everything last year. Here's hoping the weather stays fine for us. The enthusiasm being shown by the children in their practises points to it being a great day. If you can make it, please go along to support our school. I would like to thank Miss McGuinness for organising this event for us.

I am receiving some very positive feedback from parents on the various programmes being run, especially the Art with Geva Downey & Mindy Catt. It is wonderful that we are able to provide these opportunities using Ministry grants so that no child misses out.

I attended my final first time Principal Hui yesterday, & received my certification for 2 years service. It's hard to believe that I have been here that long already! Miss McGuinness attended more training on PB4L on Monday, & I am pleased to say that this initiative is working extremely well at Tomarata School.

Please continue to support the children by purchasing honey at the office, &/or the lip balms that Room 3 made from the honey & wax from our bees. The children are very proud of their efforts.

Remember that Show Day is coming up on Friday 22 October this year. Mrs B will be sending out information re: birth dates for lambs & calves soon in a booklet.

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Our Vision

There is unity, respect & transparency amongst all staff

Just as the children have the GROW Values to live by, so do the staff. It is our job to be role models for these values, for the children & the community. In order to work successfully as a staff there has to be a shared understanding of how we work together in this place. To that end we have a staff essential agreement, like the classes do. We also have expectations of behaviour stated in the Teacher's Code of Conduct. On our staff room wall we have broken down what each of the values looks, sounds & feels like as staff.

[Tomarata School Shared Vision can be read in full here.](#)

Reminders

There will be a tuck shop operating on the Soccer/Hockey day, so please provide money for your children if you wish them to buy anything. Here are the prices.

\$2: sausages; juicies; cream donuts

\$1: juice box; water; lolly bag & chips 50c

PB4L Focus

Our PB4L focus this week is on children being able to resolve conflicts using problem solving strategies. Our Pause, Breathe, Smile programme helps in this area with children learning to recognise what emotional state they are in, and being able to regulate their reactions & behaviours. It takes a lot of practice to be able to do this, & I am sure there are parents out there who need to pause, breathe & smile when faced with stressors. Being a great role model for this will show your children that everyone has to work at this sometime in their lives.

[Tomarata School Behaviour Plan can be read here](#)

Shout outs

Students

Awesome effort to the following students who received the Values mascots on Tuesday: Helio Rm 3 for Growth; Kyle Rm 6 for Respect; Lillias Rm 2 for Ownership ; Tia Rm 6 for Working Together Harmoniously.



Felix in Room 2 bought me his marvellous Maths think board to show how he uses problem solving. Ka pai Felix!

Congratulations to the following students who gained rewards at assembly last week- Ellie Russell, Clancy Ryan, Eddie White and Jesse Logue.

Community

The Fireworks committee has put together the proposals for where the money raised this year will be spent. Please take the time to vote on this by using the link on SEESAW.

Welcome to...

Maddie Prater, Hemi Hobbs & Cherish Menzies who have all started in Room 2 as New Entrants. HOORAY to the beginning of your schooling journey!

Parent Forum

As a result of the parent forum, next term , I am looking at organising parent education afternoons/nights on Maths & Reading to foster home/school partnerships & understanding. These meetings will be to discuss & show ways on how to support children's reading at home; and how problem solving maths works. So keep an eye out for dates/ times & the RSVP notice.

Helping Hands Update

We need more helpers for soccer /hockey day this Friday for the sausage sizzle from 9.30 at Port Albert soccer grounds. Without your help we can't do it!!!

Anyone that is able to help please let me know urgently. Many thanks in advance!

Erica Casey helpinghands@tomarata.school.nz

BOT Update

Our next Board meeting is on Wednesday 30 June at 7 pm in the Boardroom. All are welcome.

To contact the BOT please email

Jason Kerrisk boardchair@tomarata.school.nz

House Captain Hello

Many thanks to Hagan Logue who will be assisting the House Captains with their stall. We also have an exciting project happening in the hall so look out for that soon.

Community Notices.

CATWALK ARTS WEARABLE ART AWARDS Sat 28th August 2021 Mahurangi College.
Please see our facebook page for more information

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Just for a Giggle

