



Newsletter Term 2 Week 7

June 15, 2022

What's going on?

15 June	Yr 7/8 Tech
16 June	NO SCHOOL-POWER OUTAGE 8-5PM
17 June	Grip Leadership Conference for House Captains-Albany Tomarata Playcentre visiting
22 June	Yr 7/8 Tech
23 June	Tomarata Weetbix Tryathlon at school 1:45 whole school assembly
24 June	Matariki Day -NO SCHOOL
28 June	Soccer/Hockey Tournament
29 June	BOT meeting 7 pm
30 June	Room 1 & 2 trip to Kelly Tarltons Whanau Forum 6 pm
1 July	School hangi Room 6 overnighiter & trip Ms Haddow's last day
6 July	Yr 7/8 tech
7 July	Reports on HERO
8 July	Parent/Teacher Interviews Last day of Term 2
25 July	Term 3 starts
3 August	Whole school planting day

Birthdays



Mrs Neel's Notes:

Dear families & whanau

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

We are hoping for fine weather next week with our Weetbix Tryathlon happening on Thursday. Every child will receive a special tee shirt to wear on the day, & a medal when they finish. It will be a House Competition as well, with the children putting a coloured ball into a container for every round they finish. The course will be full of exciting things to climb over & under. It should be a lot of fun! The teachers will be contacting you to see if you can help on the day. We need 3 parents or whanau members from each class.

The children have been practising their skills for soccer & hockey for PE. Everyone is looking forward to the Soccer/Hockey tournament with the other Rodney Rural Schools on the 28th June.

As you may or may not be aware there are currently negotiations underway by the Primary Teachers Union (NZEI) in an effort to improve pay & working

conditions & reduce workload. Numbers entering teacher training programmes have been dropping steadily & once trained, increasing numbers are leaving the profession. The same is happening with experienced teachers and Principals. It's in the interests of our children that teachers get looked after. Soon there will be paid union meetings, & we ask for your support & understanding when the meetings come up, to help advance the teacher's cause.

We have class trips coming up soon to Kelly Tarltons & the Observatory. I look forward to the photos of these events!

To finish

CHILD'S SPEAK: Assembly last Friday.

*Mrs Neels: ... and why are you studying octopuses Room *** ?*

Child... hands on hips- I have absolutely NO IDEA.

Stunned silence ensued then we all burst out laughing

principal@tomarata.school.nz

Letter from Lynnette Haddow

I regretfully have to inform you that I will be leaving Tomarata school on the 1st of July. I will be returning to full time study. Through the past two terms, I have tried to do both work and study and have found it too difficult. Concentrating on my future is important and this means a total focus on my studies.

I have loved working with you and your tamariki. This decision is by no means connected to my work or enjoyment at this amazing school. I have felt

welcomed and supported throughout my time at Tomarata. All the staff have a great passion and have made my time here awesome.

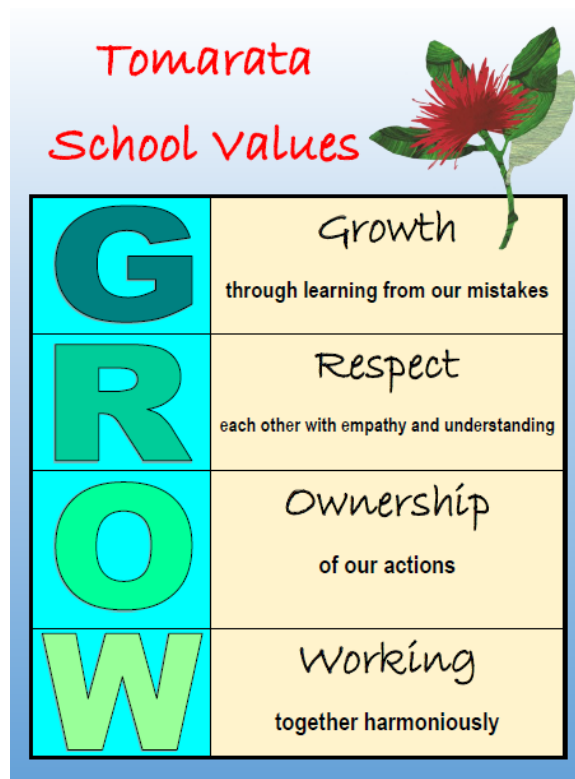
I look forward to visiting lots and seeing you all on my last day with the matariki celebrations. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you all for welcoming me into your unique community and wish you all the best in the future.

Reminders

Sausage sizzle every Friday run by Room 7 students

NO SCHOOL TOMORROW-THURSDAY 16 JUNE



Our Vision

Each child has the opportunity to find their passion.

Every child has something that they are really interested in, or that grabs their attention. Science; art; skateboarding; pig hunting; singing... The lists are endless. Our Day 1 interviews are about getting to know your children. We then try to give the children lots of experiences & opportunities to develop or find their passions. At this point in time we have the Nature Classroom; Garden to Table; Kapa Haka & the Makerspace for children to explore. One of our Year 6 boys has found out that he absolutely loves baking & what's more is really good at it. Who knows- we may have the next budding Jamie Oliver at Tomarata School. We still have a way to go with developing this area in our curriculum, but it will happen.

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

PB4L Focus

This week teachers & children have been looking at keeping their hands, feet & mouths to themselves. This supports the Respect (whakaute) area of our GROW values & working together harmoniously (mahi tahi). The more we talk about & model these values the more entrenched they become. As a result we very rarely have issues in the playground now.

Andie McGuinness andie@tomarata.school.nz

Shout outs

ASSEMBLY:

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD - Cody Davis Room 3





Community

We are still looking for a business who would be interested or able to sponsor a lease for a van for Tomarata School. If you have any ideas or suggestions please send them to Cherylene.

BOT Update

We are having our next board meeting, **on Wednesday 29 June** and you are welcome to attend. These meetings are held at Tomarata School at 7pm and are always open to the public. Remember that the Board elections are coming up in September.

Jason Kerrisk boardchair@tomarata.school.nz

Garden to Table

The list of needed equipment for our GARDEN TO TABLE programme is below., & getting shorter yahoo! If you have any of the following, & are willing to donate them to the school we would be very, very grateful. As items are donated they are removed from the lists. **Bolded blue items desperately required**

GARDENING

Herb/Tea/Medicinal Garden: Borage, Comfrey, Fennel, Anise, Caraway, White Mustard, Celery

SOIL- Lots (trailer load)

Compost min 2m

Sheep Poo

Olla Pots (Clay Pots with lids) - watering system

Flat-bed Trolley

Sledge Hammer

KITCHEN

3x serrated knives

2x small paring knives

1x pastry brush

1x colander/strainer

Beater

Tall pantry type cupboard

Set of drawers- plastic or trolley type would do

Fry pans

6x serving spoons/forks

Tea towels

Handee towels/ foil

2x containers for compost/worm farm scraps

FIREWORKS EXTRAVAGANZA NIGHT

SAVE THE DATE! Fireworks Extravaganza

12TH NOVEMBER



Our Fireworks team are as follows:

Cherylene Neels (Coordinator)

Robyn Sibtsen (Coordinator)

Paula Bishop (Sponsorship)

Anne Richards (Vendors)

Shannon Josephs (Traffic control)

Hayley Hawke (Donations/raffles)

Tickets will be ready to go on sale next term. The prices will be:

Pre sale / online

Child - \$7

Adult - \$15

Family - \$35

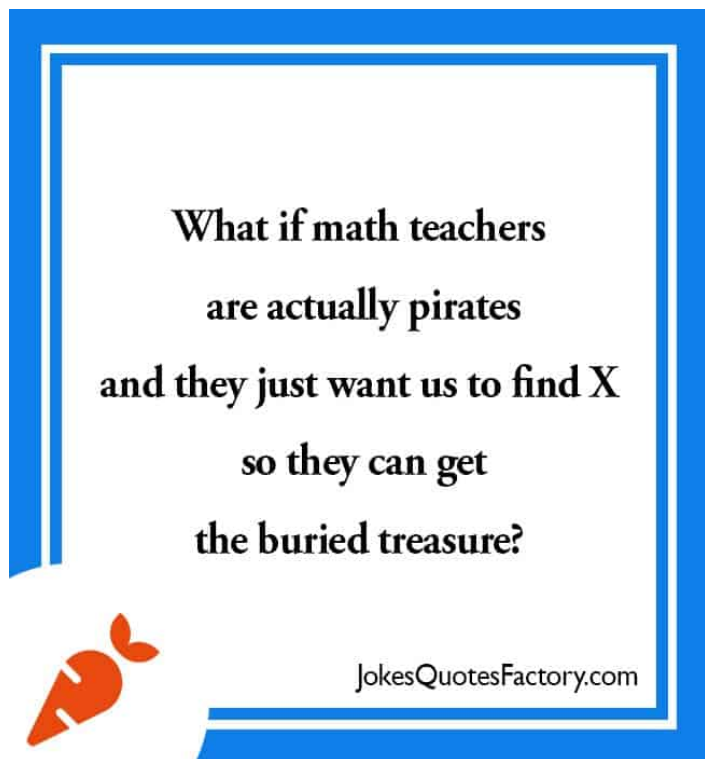
Gate sales

Child - \$10

Adult - \$20

Family - \$40

Just for a Giggle:



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