



# Newsletter Term 3 Week 1

July 27, 2022

## What's going on?

5 August	Whole school assembly
8 August	Young Ocean Explorers visiting school
10 Aug	Whole school trip-Leigh Production
12 Aug	Family Fun Pizza night TBC Clubs start
17 Aug	2 pm New student welcome assembly
18 Aug	Earthquake Drill Rodney College visiting Yr 8's
19 Aug	Whole school assembly Room 1 visiting playcentre
20 Aug	Tomarata School Quiz Night! TBC
23 Aug	School Planting Day
24 Aug	BOT Meeting 7 pm
25 Aug	Yr 8 Open Night Rodney College 5pm
26 Aug	Daffodil Day
29 Aug	Teacher Only Day-NO SCHOOL
30 Aug	Rain day for planting
1-2 Sept	Mike King-Forager in school

## Birthdays



## Mrs Neel's Notes:

### Dear families & whanau

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

Welcome back to Term 3 everyone. I hope that you all had a great Winter holiday. I actually managed to get away for the first time in years, to Queenstown. My hubby & I had a lovely ( albeit very chilly) time away. However Covid finally caught us, & we both have spent this week at home. Tony had a mild dose, but unfortunately I copped a nasty one, & am presently still in bed. I am hoping to be back on deck on Monday. Yesterday's storm was hideous, & I have a feeling that this is what we will be faced with this term. Please make sure your lovelies are dressed accordingly, as we still have that nasty influenza virus lurking around.

There have been a few date changes for the calendar, so please do look at it & note important dates & events. We are hoping to have a fundraising quiz Night in August, organised by Jeanette Mabin. This is to start our fundraising for a school van. Please make a note of the 20th as it promises to be a fun Saturday

night. As school has only just started there is not a lot of news to share. There have been a number of articles in the local newspapers about school events, so please do look out for them.

This term we will be having a lot of outside people working with your children on STEM activities outdoors. We even have Ruud the bug man organised to come in to work with the children. So lots of exciting things to look forward to

You would have received information by now about the Board of Trustees elections. Please consider putting yourself forward to joining this important group. We would love to have you onboard.

Many thanks to all of you who attended the parent/teacher interviews in the last week of term 2. If you were unable to attend, & would like to talk to your child's teacher, please do make an appointment. Lastly a warm welcome to Maria de Razza who is working 3 days in Room 7 for the rest of the year. We hope you enjoy your time at Tomarata School.

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## Reminders

School starts at 8:30 am and finishes at 2:30 pm.

## Our Vision

*We collect and share purposeful information reporting about the whole child.*

Again there is a huge amount of information to be gotten from this small sentence. To inform parents we have HERO; our website; our Facebook site; emails; phone calls & face to face conversations. We endeavour to get information out as soon as possible.

We use a variety of methods to develop and make judgments on the whole child including their key competencies; friendships; values; peer relationships and health & wellbeing. The whole school is using Te Whare Tapa Wha- which looks at the 4 pillars that make a whole person being physical, emotional, social & spiritual health.

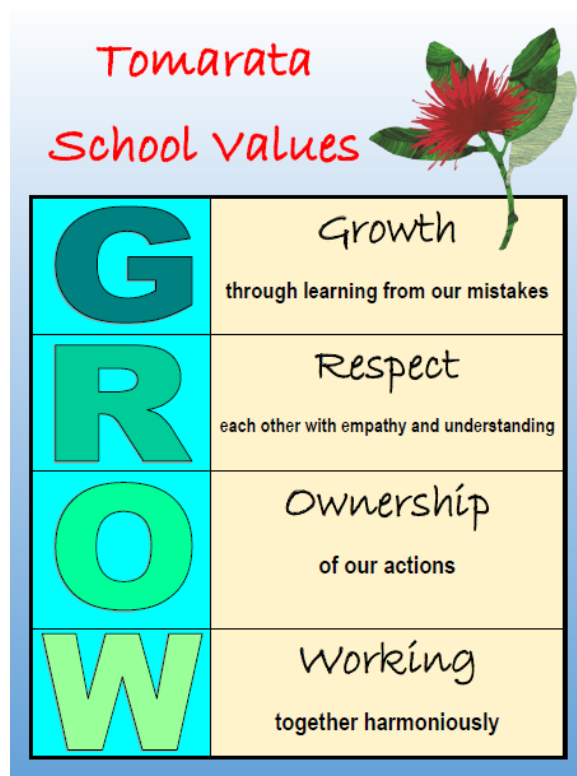
The Year 8's will also be trialling an MOE programme on monitoring well being through a digital platform this term. It is called Goodspace, & will allow students to log in & self monitor how they are feeling.

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

## PB4L Focus

This week teachers & children will be recovering the GROW Values as a whole, & the class Essential Agreements that were formed at the beginning of the year.

**Andie McGuiness** [andie@tomarata.school.nz](mailto:andie@tomarata.school.nz)



## Shout outs

### AWESOME PARENTS CELEBRATING SUCCESS

**Congratulations to** Alya Jade

(Harper's mum from Room 2). Alya has released her first single in English & Te Reo. It is called Under Her Spell (Boom). It debuted at No 18 in NZ hot singles & No 9 in Te Reo. Ka pai rawa!

### FANTASTIC WORK!

**Well done** to the following student who shared great maths with me in the last week of Term 2:

Nathan Baker Room 3

## Community

We have a huge amount of grapefruit on our mother lode tree. Please do help yourself as I hate to see fruit go to waste!

We are still looking for a washing fairy for our sickbay linen. If you can help please contact Vicki in the office.

**CALLING NANAS/AUNTS OR MUMS.....Do you have Tuesdays free & love cooking? We are needing a kitchen specialist to assist with our Garden to Table programme. You would be liaising with Sue our Garden specialist & Renee Wade, Room 6 teacher to organise the kitchen aspect. Unfortunately we do not have the funds to make this a paid position. If you are interested please contact Cherylene at school.**

## BOT Update

We are having our next board meeting **on Wednesday 24 August** 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](mailto:boardchair@tomarata.school.nz)

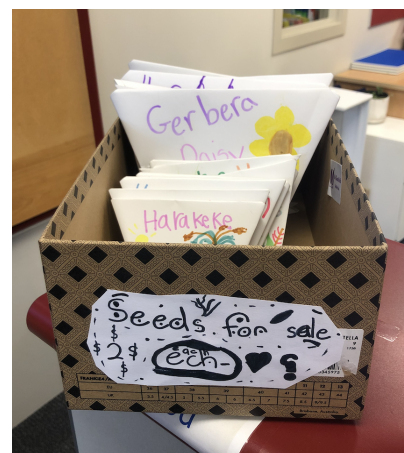
## Garden to Table

### FOR SALE

Garden to table have made some seed packets for sale at the office. \$2 a packet and a choice of:

Flax

Daikon Radish



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

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**

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 2022 4:30 pm - 10 pm**

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:

**What's the best  
thing about  
Switzerland?**

**I don't know, but the  
flag is a big plus.**

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