



Tomarata School

Newsletter Term 3 Week 4

August 17, 2022

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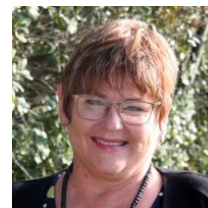
Birthdays



Charlotte Clayden Room 6

What's going on?

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
23 Aug	School Planting Day - Barne's Farm
24 Aug	BOT Meeting 7 pm
25 Aug	Yr 8 Open Night Rodney College 5pm
26 Aug	Daffodil Day Kapa Haka & Colour Fun Run at Pakiri School for the whole school.
29 Aug	Teacher Only Day-NO SCHOOL Pre-school Expo Wellsford
30 Aug	Rain day for planting
1-2 Sept	Mike King-Forager in school 1st Parent Forum 6 pm
2 Sept	Whole School assembly
5 Sept	Yr8's visiting Rodney College
6 Sept	Hon. Jan Tinetti visiting Tomarata School
9 Sept	Tomarata Playcentre visiting



Mrs Neel's Notes:

Dear families & whanau

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

All of our classes are getting ready for our annual speech competitions & poetry recitals. A lot of effort & practice goes into writing, memorising & performing. We will notify you of competition dates/times when we receive them. The top 2 place getters from each category will participate in the Rodney Rural Schools finals. The Kura is supposed to be hosting this, this year.

We are also waiting to hear about the Touch Rugby/Netball Day dates & time. This is usually held at Centennial Park for Year 4-8 students which we travel to by bus. We will send a notice out by HERO when we get the details. You will be able to transport your children if you wish to, especially if you want to watch them. They will need to wear their Tomarata School tee shirts; take lunch; a drink; warm clothes; & wear sneakers.

Please make sure that you have sent in the details of entries of lambs or calves to Mrs B for Show Day. We expect all children to take part in 1 of 4 categories: lambs; calves; gardens; or sculptures

Animals must be:

- Born between 1 July & 31 August 2022
- 1 animal per competitor
- Competitors to take charge of animals within 1 week after birth & personally care for them
- Competitors can use any kind of food in any amount. However the animal can't be reared on it's mother for more than 1 week

Gardens:

- Can be started from now onwards
- Need to be portable as they are brought to school to be judged
- Can have a theme
- Points are awarded for starting gardens from seed; visual impact; regular journal entries; obvious child input & care

Journals:

- Must have regular dated entries on the progress of the garden
- Have a plan of the garden
- Include names of the plants
- Include drawings or photos of progress
- Include any relevant observations, including ideas behind the garden theme choice

Sculpture:

- Should be made out of recycled materials
- Should be freestanding OR be able to hang

- Minimal parent assistance
- Be original in design
- Must have a moving component or make a sound
- Children must submit their design plan/journal showing the process; including materials, design, changes, any help required etc. This must be submitted on the day

I am very pleased that we will have a full Board for our meeting next week. We welcome Siobhan Reid as our brand new member.

We have organised the dates for 2023....EEEE are we really at that time of the year already??? Please note them down:

2023 DATES

TERM 1: 7 Feb-6 April

TERM 2: 24 April-30 June

TERM 3: 17 July-22 September

TERM 4: 9 October-20 December

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Reminders

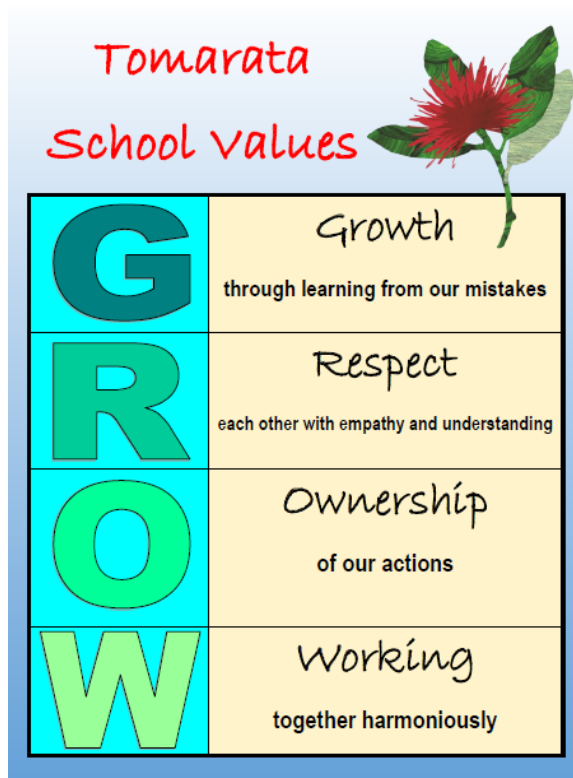
Students doing the planting need to wear/bring:

- **Practical comfortable clothing –** showerproof **jacket / hat / garden gloves / boots**/footwear that have a good grip and are okay to get quite muddy
- BYO tree planting spade and garden gloves if you have them

- Change of dry clothes / bag for muddy gear
- Bottle of water and a morning tea snack to keep your energy up!

focus on Environmental studies & sustainability. It also means that bare feet or gumboots are normal attire, & we wouldn't have it any either way!

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



PB4L Focus

This week teachers & children have been discussing what creativity looks, sounds & feels like in what we do- including Reading, Writing & Maths.

Andie McGuiness andie@tomarata.school.nz

Community

URGENT

It is coming up to Spring, & to ensure that we continue our Garden to Table programme as successfully as the previous terms we need the following:

Seedlings for the spring plantings

Plastic Sheeting to make a "greenhouse" OR a greenhouse if anyone has one they want to donate.

Compost

Sand

Small stakes/offcuts of wood for the signs to put them in the ground (nothing fancy, anything will do)

Our Vision

Tomarata is a little country school with a big heart.

Yes we are a little school. Currently we are sitting at 71 students. We are promoting the school in order to grow our numbers, but have the barrier of transport against us at the moment. If anyone owns or knows of a company that would be willing to sponsor a van for us that would be fantastic. We could then transport students to & from other areas especially Mangawhai. Ideally we would love to grow to 120- which still enables us to have small class sizes. Anyone who visits us always comments on the warm, family feel that the school has. I believe our Values have a lot to do with that. We are a country school, hence our

White Butterfly Cloth

Hose to make tunnels

THANKS TO: Hayley Hawke for her fabulous donation of Lego sets for our Lego Club & Therapy sessions. Very very much appreciated!

Thank you to Wellsford Lions for another generous donation

Shout outs

AWESOME CHILDREN CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Eddie Cammell & Taine Sawyer for excellent writing

BOT Update

Our first board meeting with the new Board is **on Wednesday 24 August at 7 pm..** **Jason Kerrisk** boardchair@tomarata.school.nz

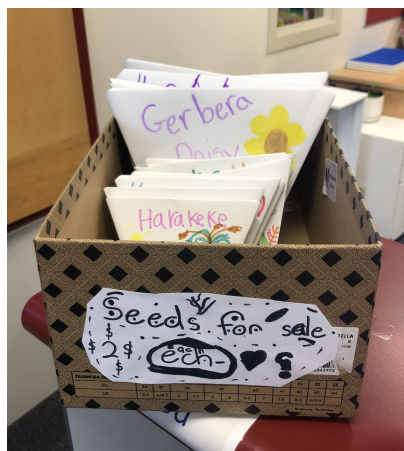
Garden to Table

FOR SALE

Seed packets for sale at the office. \$2 each.

Flax

Daikon Radish



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 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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