

## Newsletter Week 4, Term 1

February 29, 2024

## Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou,

Week 4 has been very busy at Tomarata School. The focus on learning in each class is really noticeable, and as you walk through the school, there is a real sense of excitement, that our tamariki are making progress with their learning, and working towards their goals.

Next week is "Assessment week", which means that students will be putting their best effort into showcasing their learning in reading, writing and mathematics. Teachers are spending time working one on one with each student to get a clear picture of where they are at with their learning, and what their next learning steps are. This is all building up to the reports that will come home in the last week of Term One. These reports will be followed by student, parent, teacher conferences in the first week back after the holiday break. We are holding these from 2pm-5pm on Wednesday and Thursday the 1st and 2nd of May. Booking information to follow in the coming weeks.

One thing that I need to mention this week, is that we are having a few issues at school with students wearing hoop earrings and lots of jewellery. We would ask that if students have their ears pierced that they wear studs or sleepers, as big earrings can get caught on things or torn out. With other forms of jewellery, we would ask that it is kept to a minimum please, because we don't want to risk personal belongings getting lost.

On the subject of personal belongings, we have found that there is a lot of lost property at school. If your child has lost anything, please pop in, or get them to check in our lost property area. So many hats are being left around the school. These two students helped out by doing a round up... Can you please remind your child to keep track of their belongings.

The Tomarata School Strategic Plan 2024-2025 has been passed by the Tomarata School Board, and will be uploaded onto our website very soon. We are excited about this plan, which will deliver great outcomes for all of our amazing learners. Please have a look when you have time.

Nga mihi nui,

Chris King <a href="mailto:principal@tomarata.school.nz">principal@tomarata.school.nz</a>



Look at all the hats picked up from around the school. Thanks girls.

# What's coming up?

| Friday March 1st     | Sausage sizzle @ lunchtime \$2 each.                       |
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| Friday March 1st     | Whole School Assembly @ 1.45. Everyone Welcome             |
| Friday March 1st     | Tennis @ Tomarata School 3pm. Flyer attached               |
| Friday March 8th     | Rodney Rural Schools Swimming at Rodney College            |
| Wednesday March 13th | GRIP Student Leadership Conference Y7 and 8's              |
| Wednesday March 20th | Y 7 and 8 Technology at Rodney College                     |
| Thursday March 21st  | Rodney Rural Schools Cricket at Centennial Park, Wellsford |

# Fantastic Kids Doing Fantastic Things



Room 5 visiting the Mobile Library Van.

Room 1 growing in confidence in the pool.



Room 5 students undoing a human knot.

## Netball

If there are any students who play, or are interested in playing netball, Lynette from Tomarata Netball Club is looking for students to join up. If anyone is interested, they can call our office or pop in. We will be staying in touch with Lynette, who has offered to come in to do coaching sessions. Everyone is welcome. We've had a few names come forward but are keen to get more students involved.

## Tennis @ Tomarata School Starts Tomorrow!



### Tomarata School Tennis Series

#### Starting 1 March, 2024

Tomarata School invites you to a 4-week friendly tennis competition.

Whether you're a seasoned player or a first-time enthusiast, everyone from the Tomarata Community is welcome to participate.



### **Event Details:**

Start Date: Friday, 1 March, 2024

Start Time: 3pm

**Duration: Every Friday for 4 Weeks** 

Cost: \$2 per player for balls

Location: Tomarata School Tennis Courts

#### Who Can Play?

- Children and/or Adults
- Open to anyone from the Tomarata Community

#### How It Works:

Teams and games will be organised based on the numbers of participants on the day.

#### Registration

To join this exciting tennis series, simply register your interest by emailing office@tomarata.school.nz

## **Board Update**

The Board of Trustees is next meeting on March 27, 2024

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