

Newsletter Week 2, Term 2

May 9, 2024

Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou,

It's been a busy and fun start to term two at Tomarata School. I've had a chance to visit all of our classrooms and catch up with lots of happy and engaged students about what they are learning about. Our topic over the term is Science. Classes are starting to inquire into our natural world, and learn about the world around them.

We are welcoming lots of new students this term, and our school roll will be over 70 by the end of term two. It is really exciting to see the school grow, especially with the large number of year 1 students coming through. I'm so proud of the work that our amazing teaching team is doing to make sure that Tomarata School is an awesome place for our tamariki to be.

Next week is national Bully Free Week across Aotearoa. While we are very lucky to have an amazing school and community, it is still important for us to learn about how to treat others, and accept people for who they are. Next Friday is Pink Shirt Day, and Tomarata School will be wearing pink to show our commitment to being a bully free school. I will send more information out next week.

As we head towards winter, we are getting ready to do some more planting for our Garden 2 Table programme. If there are any community members out there who would like to come along and help us out in the gardens, we would really appreciate it. Our normal afternoon in the garden is Wednesday.

Nga mihi nui,

Chris King <u>principal@tomarata.school.nz</u>

What's coming up?

Friday May 10	Sausage sizzle \$2 @ lunchtime
Friday May 10	Whole School Assembly @ 1.45pm
Sunday May 12	Mothers' Day
Monday-Friday 13-17 May	Bully Free NZ Week
Thursday May 16	Junior Tabloid Sports (Years 1-3) Hosten by Tomarata School Room 7 students
Friday May 17	Pink Shirt Day on Friday May 17, with gold coin donations going to the Pink Shirt Day charity.
Friday May 17	Singing Assembly @ 2pm
Monday-Friday May 20-24	Book Week "Book Week and Beyond", space theme This is a Scholastics event, with more information to follow.
Thursday May 23	Auckland Libraries Mobile Library Van Visit
Friday 24 May	Book Parade. Book related costume parade with a space theme

Fantastic kids doing fantastic things



Room 1 students with Mrs B, enjoying the Nature Classroom today. Feeding the eel, searching for creepy crawlies and having a lovely day out.



Some of our harvest of kumara and butternut. We are getting ourselves organised for some winter crops..



Room 5 hedgehog arts and crafts.

Do you have concerns with your child's speech, language, communication skills and behaviour?

We, your local Ministry of Education therapists are hosting a **FREE** 'drop in' session for families in the local area to come and have a chat with us regarding any questions you may have.

This is an opportunity to take away advice and guidance on what you can do in your home to support your child's development.



Board Update

The next Board of Trustees meeting is on Wednesday, 29th of May.

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