



Message from the Principal **An Exciting Term 4 Ahead**

Term 4, Ag Day, Gala, 2016 Staffing, Enrolment, Cyber safety, New Parents/Caregivers evening, World teachers Day

Kia ora koutou katoa, Talofa Lava, Malo e lelei, Ni Hao, Anyoung haseyo, Konichi wa, Guten tag, Gruetzi, Bonjour, Ola, hello and welcome back to everyone for Term 4, the final term of 2015!

A very special warm welcome to Coley Christy, Benjamin Merritt, Faith Ruddell, Honor Champion, Abbigale Jones, Taya Angus, Holly Blakemore, Stephanie Gifkins, Georgia Gifkins and Karen Pauly who started at Tauriko School this week. We are thrilled to have you with us as part of the Tauriko whanau.

For all students over the next ten weeks a lot of learning will happen and for our Year 8 Tall Poppies this will be a very special term before they head off to College.



Agriculture Day

This week students and staff, with the support of parents, are working hard to complete learning activities which will be part of Agriculture Day exhibitions. At each level of the New Zealand Curriculum (Year 0 – 2, Year 3 & 4, Year 5 & 6 and Year 7 & 8). All students have been involved in one cooking, one art and one inquiry activity. These will be judged





and points awarded in order that students can compete for one of our four exhibition cups.

Year 0 – 2 - Buck Hopping Cup

Year 3 & 4 – Spiers Cup

Year 5 & 6 – Wallingford Cup

Year 7 & 8 – Jensen Cup

We wish all students the very best for their exhibition pieces and in showing their animals if they are involved in this on Saturday.

All students are expected to be at Agriculture Day on Saturday as this is considered a school day. They then have a day in lieu off school on Tuesday 27th October (the day after Labour Day) to make up for this.

The PTA are working very hard also to organize the Gala Day. Thank you to all those people who have put their names down to support the PTA and join in and be a part of this important fundraiser in the school's annual calendar. This year the funds will go towards the refurbishment of the library.

The timing for the day runs as follows:

Time	Event
	Students and their animals arrive and prepare for showing.
9:00am	Agriculture Day begins in the show rings (calves, lambs, kids). Chickens are on show during this time. Possum weighing in. BBQ brunch and coffee available.





Pet parade happens near the end of the showing of animals.
Prize-giving for Agriculture Day

11:00 Gala starts with student stalls **AFTER** the prize-giving.

Magic carpet rides, candy floss, silent and live auctions, student stalls, cake stalls, gumboot throwing, food and drink... and so much more!!

Thank you to all our many sponsors for their support, please support them over the following year. We are also very grateful to our neighbours, the Hopping family, who allow us to use their front paddock for the day. Please park carefully and not in the area roped off for the magic carpet ride.

Our Agriculture Day/Gala is a wonderful community event which is great for all our students and their families to be involved in. We also look forward to seeing many of our past pupils and their families on this day as often they return each year for this special event.

Tauriko School has a strong, proud rural tradition which all our families enjoy and which is much valued by our school and wider community.

School Production

For the first time in many years Tauriko School is putting on a whole school production - "Captain Schmook and His Chook". Every student in the school will be involved. Choir practices for this began this week and next week production practices begin in earnest.

There will be one matinee and two evening performances over 25 and 26 November. So, mark the dates on your calendar at home. More detail around times and ticket prices will come out soon.

Other important dates for this term can also be found on the school calendar. Dates for 2016 can also be found in the "Our School" area of the website.



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morning tea time.
We will be selling some left over
treats from the Disco as well as our
usual snacks.



Staffing Update for 2016

Currently we are in the process of employing teaching staff for next year due to roll growth and staff changes. Shortly we will be able to inform you as to who staff will be in 2016 and at what level of the school they will be teaching.

I am able to let the community know at this stage, however, that Greg Lochhead has decided to study to be a High School teacher next year and so he will be leaving us at the end of 2015. We thank Greg for the year he has spent with us and we wish him all the very best for the future.

Jo Te Whaiti is taking leave for 12 months to travel with her family to the UK. This will enable her to join her husband Andrew, who is working there for much of the year. We will miss Jo, William and Emily over this time but we wish them all the very best for their 12 month adventure and we look forward to their return for the 2017 school year.

Enrolment for 2017

We encourage all families with children who will want to attend Tauriko School who will live within our zone to let the school office know as soon as possible. This helps us to plan for staffing and for out-of-zone enrolment numbers for 2016.

Out-of-zone enrolments for 2016 will be advertised this Saturday 17 October in the BOP Times. [Information about this process is on our website](#) and the application form is here also. Out-of-zone enrolments close Thursday 19 November and if a ballot is needed, this will take place Friday 20 November.

Cyber Safety

With the use of devices across the school our students are taught skills relevant to their age group in their time at Tauriko School. Our school's philosophy around cyber-safety is to teach our students to be responsible cyber-citizens progressively with skills aligned to our school [values](#). This means they can make sound decisions whether at school or at home based on values they know and understand. Recently "[Netsafe](#)" updated their website. This is a wonderful resource helping us to teach our children how to keep themselves safe and giving us important information as parents



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New Parents/Caregivers Evening

Each term our PTA host a "New Parents/Caregivers" meeting for new families to our school. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other parents in our school and have an opportunity to get a parent's view of how things work at Tauriko School. Our first meeting like this was held last term in the afternoon. This term the PTA has asked a BOT member and I to speak briefly to you about the school and answer any questions you may have for us.

They also plan to hold this event in the evening at 7pm, Monday 16 November. So diary this event and more information will come out soon with further details.

World Teacher's Day

Friday 30th October is World Teacher's Day. This year the theme of a leaf has been chosen to symbolise growth in learning and potential, growth that is nourished by quality teaching.

[Earlier this week a notice went home about this.](#) Attached was a leaf outline for parents to write a message to our teachers on, colour in, cut out and bring into the office. These will be placed on a tree in the PAC for the teachers and community to enjoy.

Student leaders are also organizing for students to complete leaves over the next week. There will also be a student message tree in the PAC. It will be a bit of a competition to see which tree is the most colourful and has the most leaves... no pressure parents!!!

A wonderful term lies ahead and we look forward to enjoying this together.

Suzanne



Office Queries

Please check the website first before calling the office for your enquiries

e.g. [School Hours](#) [Report an Absence](#) [School Buses](#) [Lunch orders](#)



School Events and Celebrations

Year 7 & 8 Inter-school Speech Competition





Extra-curricular

[Extra-curricular activities](#)

Rewired Activate, Engage, Musiqhub, & Crafty Fun with Paula Simmonds



[Upcoming Events](#)

- 17 October AG Day
- 22 October Curriculum Connections Meeting @ 5pm – Literacy & Mathematics
- 26 October Labour Day
- 27 October Day in Lieu of AG Day – Schools Closed
- 29 October BOT Meeting
- 25 November Tauriko School Production – Evening
- 26 November Tauriko School Production – Matinee & Evening
- 15 December Last Day of Term Four



[Community Noticeboard](#)

- 24 October The Incubator Community Day – Wonderland Festival
- 31 October Bethlehem Baptist Church – Candyland

PTA

Message from the PTA

It's all go for the Ag Day and Gala for this Saturday! For the Gala side of things, the PTA would truly like to thank all our sponsors, the volunteers, our teachers and school management for helping to organise the Gala. There has been a great deal of effort put in and it should be a great family day out!

Keep in mind at 9am Ag Day starts with the pet parade and judging taking place. Bacon Buddies and Coffee will be available to purchase from 9am for those who don't quite have time to fit in brekkie. 11am the Gala kicks off with quick fire raffles starting at 11.15am. The major raffle will be drawn at 1pm followed by some pretty impressive live auctions! See you there!

Jolene Nelson PTA Chairperson

SPECIAL NOTICE
Tauriko School AG Day & Gala
17th October 2015
9am Start



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