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SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou katoa, Talofa Lava, Malo e lelei, Ni Hao, Anyoung haseyo, Konichi wa, Gruetzi, Guten tag, Bonjour, Ola, hello

As you are all aware NZTA have placed a variable speed area outside the school at peak traffic times for pick up and drop off of students in line with the agreement they made last year. With growing traffic numbers due to the growth of Tauranga we continue to have safety issues as impatient drivers make bad driving decisions at our school gate.

Recently I placed a statement on our school [facebook page](#) that created a great deal of discussion in our community. Thank you for sharing your thoughts and information about what you have seen. I have sent this link to Simon Bridges, Martin Parkes (TCC), Adam Francis (NZTA), Richard Standing and Arona Jacob (MOE). They are able to view your comments. Several have been in touch about trying to get a meeting time together to discuss the carpark that was promised last year. The Bay of Plenty Times have run a story today (28 February, 2017, pg 7) discussing the growing issue.

It is heartening to hear that the [TCC are also discussing](#) the possibility of free buses for urban students. The large cost of buses to parents in the city is causing many to choose to drive their children to school. If this does go ahead we might talk to the TCC re morning and afternoon buses for our urban routes.

All our students in Rooms 9 - 12 are in their new and renovated classrooms and have settled into learning beautifully. The builders are still finishing off projects after school hours on the new modular classrooms and the new toilet block and ramps are nearly finished. We all can't wait until we see the fences come down and then we will just need to be patient while the grass grows!

The students are enjoying their colourful new environments and different furniture.





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Our students are all involved in a range of PE curriculum learning at the moment. Our Year 1 & 2 students have been learning hockey skills with Sport BOP specialist instructors, all students are learning swimming in our school pool and our Tall Poppies have been involved in specialist swimming instruction down at the Polytech Pools with Jenni's Swim School instructors. PE is part of the New Zealand Curriculum (NZC) which is delivered in all State and State Integrated schools in New Zealand.

As a celebration of our learning in swimming we hold a whole school swimming sports event down at the Greerton Pools. This enables children to show everyone how they have progressed in their learning and confidence and to experience competition progressively across their time at Tauriko School. We want all students to experience success in reaching personalised goals and challenges.

This year our school swimming sports are on Friday 17 March. Details of the programme for the day are on our Tauriko School website .

All school notices and the school newsletter are posted on [our website](#) so if you think you have missed anything or this has been misplaced at home don't hesitate to look here.

Language Support



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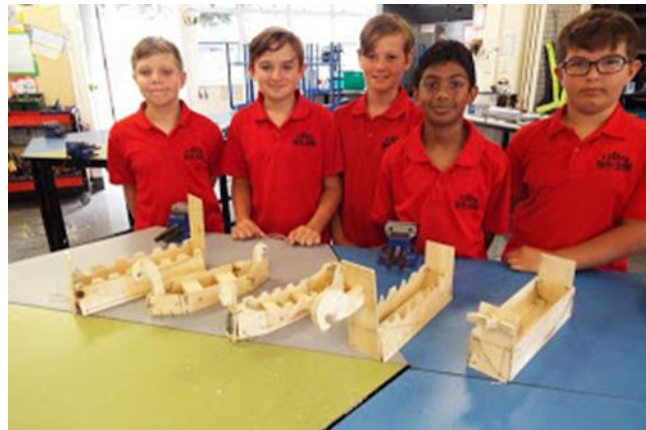
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Technology Center - Tauranga Primary

Tauriko School Intermediate students (Tall Poppies) are so fortunate to be able to spend four full days a term at the purpose built, multi-million dollar Technology Centre at Tauranga Primary. Their students learn a range of technology dispositions and skills. All students absolutely love their learning here and are very fortunate to have this facility available. Having full days here, rather than hour sessions also means they really get their teeth into projects for the time they are there and achieve a lot.

Thank you to the staff there for all you do for our students!





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The school office hours are 8am to 3.30pm daily. If you do come to the office before 8am please do not be offended if you are asked to wait. You can visit the school website to help you know new information or report an absence, or to add bus changes (which must be done before 12 pm daily, as notification after this time will not be actioned). You can change your address or contact details, and contact people. The lunch order forms are also able to be downloaded and printed from home.



Yummy Sticker Collection has started. Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for your school's share of the \$200,000 free DG Sport sports gear prize pool. Yummy apples are available from New World, Pak'n Save and participating Four Square stores. The more you collect, the more sports gear you get so get going and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now! Below are the links for the sheets:

http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/pdf/Sticker_Collection_Sheet.pdf

http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/pdf/New_Variety_Sticker_Collection_Sheet.pdf

http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/pdf/Cut_Out_Label_Collection_Sheet.pdf



Reminder can you please return the Swimming Sports Notice with payment and permission slips back to school by Friday 3rd March.



From Monday 27 February, you can help a local school win a share of \$7,500 cash with Receipts for Schools at Pak 'n' Save Tauriko.

The Tauriko School is one of the eligible schools. Shop and drop your receipt in the entry box for the school you choose from the list. The top five schools with the most receipts per capita win a share of the cash.



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Listen to MORE FM to find out how each school is tracking. Winning School's will be announced on Friday 17 March during the Workplace Social Club with Lauren. Shop at [Pak 'n' Save Tauriko](#) to support local schools with Receipts for Schools!

Key Dates – Term One, 2017

Week:	Date:	What's Happening:
Week 4	Thursday 2 nd March	School Assemblies Year 1-4 Assembly @1pm, Year 5-8 Assembly @ 1.45pm
	Friday 3 rd March	Whole School Photos
Week 5	Monday 6 th March to Thursday 9 th March	Tall Poppies Art & Leadership Camp @ Aongatete Lodge
Week 6	Monday 13 th March	Learning Partnership Meetings
	Wednesday 15 th March	Tall Poppies – People Savers First Aid Course
	Thursday 16 th March	Learning Partnership Meetings
	Friday 17 th March	School Swimming Sports
Week 7	Monday 20 th March – 21 st March & Tuesday 21 st March – 22 nd Wednesday	Yr 3/4 Camp @ Aongatete Lodge
Week 8	Wednesday 29 th	West Cluster Swimming Sports @Greerton (Year 5 to 8)
	Thursday 30 th March	Future Champs (9am to 3pm)
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Week 10	Tuesday 11 th April	BOP Zone Swimming Championships Year 7 & 8
	Wednesday 12 th April	WBOP Swimming Sports @ Greerton (Year 5 & 6)
	Thursday 13 th April	Last Day of Term One
	Friday 14 th April	Easter Friday
	Monday 17 th April	Easter Monday
	Tuesday 25 th April	Anzac Day
Term Two Week One	Monday 1 st May	First Day of Term Two

PTA

Message from the Tauriko School PTA

The PTA are well underway planning some great events for the coming year. A Math-a-thon, a Twilight Gala, a Quiz Night, Pizza Days and Ice Cream Sundae Days, are just some of the events on the calendar. Our numbers have almost already doubled from 2016, which is fantastic and we have a great bunch of people on board, however the more parents we can have involved the more it helps reduce the load on individuals.

During term 1, we are really wanting to focus on the approach of the 'many hands make light work', so we are currently on the lookout for some extra hands. If being involved interests you, the PTA meet once a month for about an hour and a half, on a Tuesday night at school and we would love to see you there. (Our next meeting is 7pm, Tuesday 28th March in the staffroom J.) It is a great way to meet new people, especially if you are new to the school. We discuss and plan events to hold during the year that can be both fundraising events and events that help build our school community.

We do know though as much as we are wanting to increase our membership, being in the PTA isn't for everyone, and so we are also on the lookout for parents who might be willing to be contacted to see if you were available to help out a couple of times a year for events, i.e. help out at sausage sizzle on Cross Country day, or deliver flyers around The Lakes in the lead up to the Gala, or help make milo's on Milo and Marshmallow night. Tasks that are not too onerous but make the job of being on the PTA easier.



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If you are able to help out either way, the PTA would love to hear from you – feel free to send us an email to pta@tauriko.school.nz or pop into the office to let the office staff know and we will be in touch. The more participation we get – the easier and more enjoyable it is for everyone.

In terms of specific events over the next few weeks, to make the most of this warmer weather an Ice Cream Sundae Day is to be held at lunchtime on Friday 24th March – keep an eye out for the order forms coming home in school bags and remember to send back your forms if your children would like a sundae or an iceblock so we can have enough made up and ready to go on the day.

'Entertainment Books' will be on sale shortly for the 2017/18 year. This is a great fundraiser where \$12 from the sale of each of these great cost saving books, goes to the school. Again, keep an eye out for flyers in school bags over the next couple of weeks to make your pre-order for when the books are released.

And last but not least, if you have booked your Learning Partnership Meetings from 4pm onwards on either the 13th or 16th March, a sausage sizzle will be taking place and ice blocks will be for sale, so remember to bring along some cash to help control those early evening hunger pains.

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TBOP Night Owl Cinema School Newsletter Blurb:

The magic of Disney is coming to the Bay of Plenty, with a unique family friendly event at McLaren Falls Park.

Night Owl Cinema and Tourism Bay of Plenty are proud to present a special outdoor cinema screening of Disney's *Pete's Dragon* on **Saturday, March 4, 2017** to celebrate the park as a filming destination for the Hollywood movie.

Fun for the whole family, this **FREE** event features food trucks and live entertainment, with the screening starting at dark (about 8pm).

This is an event not to be missed!

To find out more information, visit nightowlcinema.org.nz

