



# Tauriko School

## Newsletter #9

Week 6, Term 3 2017

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### Greetings Tauriko School Community. Welcome to Week 6 of Term 3.

And with a whizz and a roar the term is officially over halfway and Spring is just around the corner, bringing not just daffodils but copious amounts of rain! In the lead-up to our annual Ag Day, it is great to hear about the various goats, lambs and calves that are 'in training', even the chickens are getting a mention.

Congratulations to Rooms 5 and 6 for taking out the overall prize for the PTA Mathathon. Both classes are looking forward to their trip to Flip Out in Week 8. Thanks again to Flip Out for sponsoring this great prize for the two classes. Other classes to be acknowledged with a special lunch provided by the PTA in Week 8 are Rooms 3, 10 and 13. We are so fortunate to have such an active, enthusiastic PTA!

This week we welcomed Constable Emma Buxton into the school. Constable Emma worked in each of the Year 5 -8 classes with a specific focus on Cyber Safety. Having worked in the school earlier in the year as part of the Keeping Ourselves Safe programme this was a perfect opportunity to revisit and highlight key ideas for students as part of staying safe on-line. Following my discussion with Constable Emma, there are a few key messages for all parents that I would like to share:

- Be involved with your child on-line – know what they are doing, know about their social conversations. Are they appropriate? Are they kind?
  - Actively and regularly check in when they are on-line.
  - Ensure that the real age is entered into sites – on most sites there are restrictions to messages or language used based on the age entered.
  - Consider screen time – is there a balance of on-line and off-line time?
  - A great website to regularly visit is NetSafe <https://www.netsafe.org.nz/advice/parenting/>  
This website is highly recommended and has excellent advice for parents.
- These messages are timely reminders for us all as we work together to support our children to develop into digital citizens who actively model our school values of Respect, Integrity, Innovation and Excellence.

I had the pleasure of watching the 'Stand Up, Speak Out' Poetry and Speech Celebration for Years 1 - 4 students on Tuesday afternoon. What a wonderful achievement to be selected for this event, it was obvious that much preparation had gone into the learning and delivery of each poem and speech. It was also fantastic to see so many families there – proud as punch, as was I! Congratulations again to the students who shared their poem or speech.

This morning I was a very proud member of the audience as selected finalists from Years 5-8 presented their speeches. Thank you to Jill Taylor who judged the speeches with her usual dignity and wisdom.

Congratulations to all finalists for a stunning effort. All the very best to our winners - Lacey Graham (Year 5), Rylee van Dijk (Year 6), Matthew Couper (Year 7) and Ivy Anderson-Podmore (Year 8). These students now go on to represent Tauriko School at the Inter-School Speech Competitions.

Finally, thank you to all the parents for their support and understanding regarding the black gates being locked each day between 8.45am and 2.15pm for health and safety reasons. For parents who do park in the drop-off bay during the day, a pathway has been cleared through the native garden alongside the fence so you can walk safely to the office without having to go on the road. This is a timely reminder that all parents and visitors to the school during the day are required to enter the school via the office.

From sports to speeches, Inquiry to Maths, Languages to the Arts, there are wonderful things happening across our school. Thumbs up to all our great learners!!

Lisa Rose  
Acting Principal

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## Senior Speech Finals

Today the senior school congregated in the PAC to celebrate as our finalists shared their speeches.

The senior school speech finals were held today. Jill Taylor, one of our absolute favourite people, was there to judge.

Mrs Taylor is somewhat of an expert when it comes to speeches, so we were very excited to have her along.

Finalists and their topics:

### Yr 6:

Rylee van Dijk - English is a crazy language

Alex Wright - Imagination, use it or lose it.

Wesley Newland - Overcoming disabilities.

**Yr 6 Winner:** Rylee van Dijk

### Yr 5:

Yumin Song - Littering

Analise Roscoe - Living with anxiety

Lacey Graham - Crazy things parents say

**Yr 5 Winner:** Lacey Graham

### Yr 7:

Lachlan Fraser - Noses

Matthew Couper - Speeches

Kayla Adlington - Whales in captivity

**Yr 7 Winner:** Matthew Couper

### Yr 8:

Jennifer Mackinnon - Personalities

Jessica Hayman - Don't hold back

Ivy Anderson-Podmore - Manners

**Yr 8 Winner:** Ivy Anderson-Podmore

Congratulations to our finalists and to our winners. The four top placings will now go the next stage of the competition: Year 5 & 6 West Cluster Competition and the Tall Poppies Speech Competition. Best of luck - we know you will do us proud!

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## Stand Up, Speak Out Poetry and Speech Celebration

On Tuesday this week we held our annual Year 0 - 4 Stand Up, Speak Out Poetry and Speech Celebration. It was a fantastic way to celebrate the learning that had been happening in the classrooms (and at home) over the past few weeks.

The purpose of the Poetry and Speech celebration is for the students to learn how to confidently recite a poem or speech for an audience, how to project their voices and use expression when speaking, learn and memorise a poem or speech and begin to learn how to use prompt cards, if needed.

All Year 0 - 3 students had to learn and recite a poem in front of their class and the Year 4 students have been busy learning how to write and perform a speech for the first time.

Congratulations to the students who were selected to share their poems or speeches at our celebration on Tuesday.

**Wee Sprouts** - Austin Campion, Alonso Currie, Cooper Nelson, Yershalin Reddy, Madilyn Whitehead, Kian Wilford

**Room 3** - Kiana Schoeser, Dresden Hurley, Lousha Russell

**Room 4** - Eden Adams, Olive Moser, Faith Ruddell

**Room 5** - Brooke Nelson, Levi Dickinson, Joshua Hall

**Room 6** - Logan Simmonds, Sophie Hurley, James McCallum

**Room 7** - Leo Fraser, Emerson Barber

**Room 8** - Monique Stols, Elise Cao

**Room 9** - Aiden Louw, Jade Rini

**Room 10** - Phoenix Ruddell, Abigail Lord

**Room 11** - Sacha Booth, Leah Parnwell

**Year 4 Speeches** - Coco Campion, George Vedder, Keenan Jackson-Somervell, Sophie Neustroski

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## Kids Can Ride at Tauriko

The year 5 & 6 students spent a few days learning about how to ride safely on the road.

We loved participating in 'Kids can ride'.

We all had a great time on our bikes.

I liked pretending the back field was a give way. The first thing we had to do was look backwards for cars.

Then when you got to the second cone you had to use your left or right hand signals.

And then when you got to your last cone you got to look back for cars again.

Then we cycled to the give way sign and stopped to do our hand signals. Following this, we cycled around the whole back field. At the end there was a little jump. It was so much fun.

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## Tall Poppy Open Evening 2017

On Thursday the 17th of August I attended the Tall Poppy open evening with my Dad. I am going to be a Year 7 student at Tauriko School next year and I am really looking forward to the many opportunities that are on offer for me.

I really enjoyed listening to Jessica and Jennifer (who are currently Year 8 students in the Tall Poppies class) talk about all the wonderful opportunities that they get to experience as Tall Poppies at Tauriko School.

As a Tall Poppy you get to attend two camps each year. Early on in the year is the Art and Leadership Camp where you get to experience a range of fun, creative and confidence building challenges. The Tall Poppies class also attends Sports Camp in Term 3 every year. There are multiple sporting opportunities for everyone and the whole class gets involved. Some of the sports I am looking forward to are croquet, netball and I am also looking forward to participating in the cheer dance (possibly because my Mum helps out with this).

Some of the other opportunities I am really looking forward to experiencing as a Tall Poppy next year are:

- Learning to speak French
- Attending National Young Leaders Day with the Tall Poppies class
- Starting Technology at Tauranga Primary School

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## Tauriko School Book Week

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**Tauriko School** LEARNING HAPPY. LEADING TOGETHER.

### Book Week 2017

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> September

**Teacher Readaround**  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
10:00-10:15

**Buddy Reading**  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
12:00-12:15

**Happy Campers Picnic Lunch**  
Bring your lunch and a soft toy for our Picnic Lunch on Thursday.

**Happy Campers Character Parade**  
Come dressed as a book character or camper.  
Thursday 9am

**School Council PJs and Poppoin event**

**Lunchtime events, games, competitions**

**Stay on for:**  
Grandes Reading time  
Welcome all grandparents to come and read with our happy campers.  
Thursday 10:35 - 12:15

**Story Time with Tauranga City librarians at the PTA Milo and Marshmallow event**  
Thursday 5:30-6:30

**Book Fair**  
open daily before and after school.  
(Tues-Fri)

**HAPPY CAMPER BOOK FAIR**  
s'more fun with books!



## Tall Poppy Sports

The Tall Poppies are full-on into their training for Sports Camp and AIMS Games.

The Tall Poppies have been working hard as they train for Sports Camp. The first two terms involved a lot of work on skills, fitness and stamina. Term 3 has seen a shift to focussing on specific sports and the skills and teamwork required to play effectively together. Over the past few weeks they have added an element of competition with

games in various sports against Pyes Pa, including basketball, touch rugby and soccer. This is enabling them to put all of the learning into practise! They have won all three games. Keep it up Tall Poppies! Roll on Sports Camp!

Special thanks to Nika Rikiriki and the parents who have supported him with transport and supervision.

We also have a group of students who are preparing for the AIMS Games. These games are the biggest sporting event in NZ with competitors from all over New Zealand competing in a massive range of sports over a week. Tauriko School Tall Poppies has competitors in GymSports, Trampolining, Table Tennis and Cross Country.

Maree Logan oversees this group of students and we appreciate the time, effort and dedication that she puts in. Maree has certainly proven herself to be a talented and committed coach and we are lucky to have her!

Special thanks, once again, to the parents who help with transport, especially Kelly Bain who take a group to Argos Gym every week. This lovely lady doesn't even have a child in the team! This is an example of the amazing community we have.

Keep up the wonderful efforts, Tall Poppies!



## PTA Update...

### Family photo fundraiser

After a fantastic uptake with the bookings for the Katrina Friend family photo session, bookings are now open for a second day of photos to be taken on Sunday the 12th of November. The booking system is the same as what is used to book Learning Partnership Meetings, so follow the link that will be sent out and choose your 15min time slot and turn up on the day!

There is a \$20 sitting fee for the photography session however this is great value as you automatically receive a free 5x7 photo valued at \$25 just for attending the photo sitting. Katrina Friend Photography is known for taking lovely photos locally and is generously donating 10% of any further photo orders you may wish to order back to Tauriko School.

Photos will be taken at McLaren's Falls weather permitting, otherwise Plan B will be back at school in the PAC. Keep an eye out on the school Facebook page the weekend of the event to be certain of the location.

### Tauriko Twilight Gala

The PTA are well underway preparing for the Tauriko Twilight Gala that is being held following Ag Day on Thursday 19th October. The PTA are still seeking sponsorship from businesses or individuals that may be willing to support the Gala. If you are able to help out and provide a hamper for the quick fire raffles, or provide a voucher or prize to auction off as part of the silent or live auctions please email the PTA on [pta@tauriko.school.nz](mailto:pta@tauriko.school.nz) or call 027 233 2676. Further information with details regarding the Gala will be sent out to families later in the term.



## Hangi

We are pleased to announce that we will be having another hangi.

We are excited to announce that our school hangi is looking like becoming a reality. At Tauriko School we really value the bi-cultural nature of New Zealand. We are keen to provide opportunities for our children to have cultural experiences. We are planning on putting down a hangi on **Thursday the 14th of September**. We would love for all of our children to be able to experience traditional Maori kai. We are looking for support to make this exciting experience a reality.

We have had chicken donated by Inghams. Thank you to the Vedder family for organising this for us. We will also be looking for veges (potatoes, kumara, pumpkin) and/or paper plates/bowls in order to keep costs down. We need wood (untreated pallets please) and would love to borrow another

hangi basket.

Donations can be brought in to school any time from now. Alternatively you may choose to send in a gold coin donation to be used towards a koha for those helping us.

A notice will come home tomorrow whereby you can indicate how you might be able to support us to make this a reality for our tamariki. If you have any other ideas, please let us know!

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## Science Roadshow

Last Thursday the senior school were treated to an afternoon of discovery at the Science Roadshow.

On Thursday the year 5-8s went to a Science Roadshow at Bethlehem College. We tried out a whole bunch of science equipment. We learnt about microscopes, science experiments, physical change and chemical change. It was a lot of fun for all of us.

The Science Roadshow is a portable show that travels around the country. It includes science experiments and there are lots of stimulating activities that you can do.

Lucas's favourite part was finding out how to use the bowling ball piston and trying to get the ball as high as he could. Ryan's favourite part was when he had to test his own reactions.

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## Office News

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### School Gates

A reminder that the black entrance gates beside the PAC and teacher's carpark will be locked during school hours. ALL visitors to the school must enter through the office. If you are dropping your child off late or picking them up early, please remember that they must enter/exit via the school office. We understand that this can be an inconvenience at

times, but please trust that we do not make these decisions lightly. They are made in the best interests of all students.

### Student Absences

Parents, please contact the school office every time (via the website or by phone) your child is away. We are required to report all absences to the Ministry of Education. Every time you do NOT let us know where your child was or is going to be, this is recorded as 'truant' against their name.

Website: <http://www.tauriko.school.nz/606/forms/2-report-an-absence/submissions/new> or leave a message on: 5430430

### Registration for our online school shop

We've set up our Kindo online school shop to make it easy for our families to pay for school costs anywhere, anytime. It's open 24/7, offers secure payment options and is available on our school website!

*It is our preferred method of payment and we encourage all families to register now.*

New users can register easily

1. [Click here](#) for our registration link.
2. Enter in the same email address the school has on file for you, and click 'continue'.
3. You will receive an email with a link to select your password. Enter in your password to complete the registration process.

Your family account is now set up.

Next time you login you will just need to enter your email address and password.

If you need assistance, call our Kindo helpdesk on freephone 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636).

### **SAVE TIME - PAY ONLINE**

**Ag / Gala Day** - Thursday 19th of October 2017.

Note: the change of date is due to the fact the first weekend of Term 4 is Labour Weekend.

Animal judging starts at 2pm.

Prizegiving at 4pm.

Twilight Gala from 4.30pm

School will finish at 12.15pm on this day.



## **Community Notices**

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**Future Machine Family Fun Day Saturday 14 October 10 - 3pm** Entry \$5 per family + gold coin donation for face painting. No bookings required. It's our 10th Birthday and Tauranga Art Gallery is celebrating with a Family Fun Day. Experience our new exhibition 'Future Machine', create an artwork at one of our creation stations, get your face painted or attend one of our story telling sessions.

### **Omokoroa Coastal Challenge**

Sunday 29th October 2017 Dualathlon - Run - Walk

Earlybird pricing available until 27th August 2017

Register online now: [runrunrun.co.nz](http://runrunrun.co.nz)

### **Phillip Upton - Upton Drum School**

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