



# TAHUNANUI SCHOOL NEWS



I can - I will  
Ka tāea - ka tutuki

## School and Community Newsletter No 1 - 19 February 2019



We were very entertained at the end of last year with the junior school Christmas Show. The children had worked very hard learning songs and dances. Well done!



Congratulations to Annika Horn and her partner Chris on the birth of their beautiful daughter Mya. Annika and Mya came to visit us during one of our teacher only days at the start of the year.



### 2018 GRADUATION

We farewelled a stunning group of year 6 students at the end of last year. Special congratulations to our cup winners:

Harry C: Boys Endeavour Cup  
Tristan S: Boys Citizenship Cup  
Solomon McB: Lucas Art Award  
Violet S: Girls Endeavour Cup  
Apolosi B: Sail Cup  
Ania M: Cultural Award  
Freya R: Sports Cup  
Briana B: Girls Citizenship Cup



What a difference a year makes..... stormy weather and a sewerage spill last year, drought and fires this year! New staff and families have joined our community and others have gone on to their next adventures. The rest of us have got another year older and wiser and here at Tahunanui School we're well set up for an exciting year. Our Meet the Teacher evening last week was a great success. Many took the opportunity to visit classes and find out about programmes and events; the sausages went down a treat; it was a lovely night for a swim and wonderful to see many new and old connections being made. Thank you for supporting us with this and other start of year routines like stationery, uniforms, early wake ups and packed lunches. Believe it or not we're into week 3 already and every day counts when it comes to growing up, enjoying life and learning. It is so satisfying to see our children come through the gates with such joy in their faces and to hear our staffs' enthusiasm as they go about their work. Sharing curiosity, discovery and learning is the best job in the world no matter what age. What are you going to learn to do differently this year? I've decided to explore how to be a little more self sustaining and reduce my negative impact on the world - trying to grow, cook and eat our own food; use my bike more often and minimise the creation of rubbish (by buying less, choosing things with less packaging and recycling). Not easy in a drought when the only thing I've been able to grow is zucchinis, it feels too hot to bike and keeping stuff to recycle fights against my minimalist urge! Fortunately I am surrounded in an encouraging learning environment - your children are the best role models ever! I hope they feel the same about us as adults because working together, people of all ages really can do amazing things. Have an amazing week.

- Barbara Bowen, Principal

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Courage does not always roar, sometimes it is the little voice at the end of the day that says "I'll try again tomorrow".

-Maya Anne Radmacher

**Term dates 2019**

**Term 1**

Thu 7 February - Fri 12 April

**Term 2**

Mon 29 April - Fri 5 July

**Term 3**

Mon 22 July - Fri 27 Sept

**Term 4**

Mon 14 Oct - Fri 20 Dec



Muritai Street and Tahunanui Drive crossings are manned from 8.30am until 8.50am and 3.00pm until 3.10pm. Please make sure that your children use the crossings during these times.

## SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS



Make a difference  
Ki te whakapiki

New Zealand School Trustees Association are preparing for the upcoming Triennial BoT elections. NZSTA is working very hard to encourage parent and whanau participation on school boards in order to help shape and support the education of their children. To that end, we will be rolling out the Korari Programme for anyone interested in finding out about standing for the school board elections and having a say in the education of their children

**Korari:** a programme (workshop) that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees. We will be rolling out workshops for Korari in March/April this year. For more information, please visit [www.nzsta.org.nz](http://www.nzsta.org.nz)



Well done to Tatahi for taking out the house cup at the end of last year!



A huge welcome to all our new students and their families:

Daniel Leigh - Room 14  
Kaelarn Parkinson - Room 14  
Reeve Parkes - Room 14  
Cooper Coulston - Room 14  
Ivy Peters - Room 14  
Sophie Fogden-Maynard - Room 14  
Eric Fekete - Room 14  
Jayden Morris - Room 14  
Delta Grigg - Room 14  
Ace Grigg - Room 7  
Mikayla Morris - Room 5  
Rylend James - Rotoiti  
Logan Ballinger - Room 14  
Garv Grover - Room 4  
Wyllder Polkinghorne-Buckley - Room 14  
Neal Bachmann - Tamaki  
Cooper Mockler - Room 6  
Griffin Robinson - Room 6  
Eva Gagnepain - Room 14  
Ella Jenkins - Room 14  
Arwen Jozwiak - Rui  
Khendrik Ah-Hoi - Room 14  
Aali Bloomfield - Room 6  
Marley Bromell - Rotoiti  
Siya Gupta - Room 4  
Harper Orr - Room 14  
Tayana Buchanan - Tamaki  
Peter Boy Davis - Room 14  
Shayden Coleman - Room 7

And welcome back

Tegan Heitia - Rui  
Nikita Tehana - Room 5



### SUNDAY 3RD MARCH 2019

Tahunanui School is now registered for the 2019 Weetbix TRYathlon! If you are wanting to register your child, please visit [www.try.weetbix.co.nz](http://www.try.weetbix.co.nz). You will be required to pay online and your kit will be couriered free to your home address. If you need to pay by eftpos, cash or cheque, you can do so through the school office and your kit will be couriered to school the week before the event. Click on the link below to register:

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=31843&G=78061>



If your contact details have changed over the holidays, please make sure you let us know. We also need to know if there are any changes to medical records or custody arrangements. We will shortly be sending home a copy of the details we currently have, please check this very carefully and make any changes necessary.

### Joke Corner

Why did the banana go to the doctor?

He wasn't peeling well



Why didn't the orange win the race?

He ran out of juice!

### Tuatara Award



### Stretch Award



### Muffy Award



At team assemblies each fortnight, a student is chosen that has impressed the teachers. They are awarded with the team mascot. In the Tosswill Syndicate they present "Muffy" the Teddy Bear, Chamberlain present "Tahuna Tuatara" and Burrell have "Stretch" for the student that has stuck their neck out.

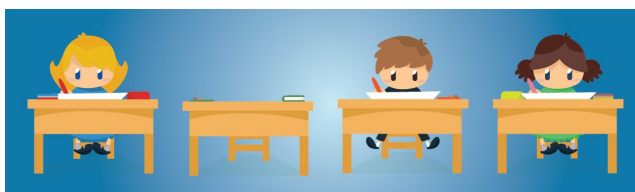


It was great to see so many families turn up to our 'Meet the Teacher' event. It was awesome to see children proudly showing their work and classrooms off to their parents.

### Term One Events

22nd February - Outdoor Education Day  
25 Feb - 8 March - Swim Magic swimming lessons  
3rd March - Weetbix Tryathlon  
8th March - Disco  
12th March - School photos  
13th March - Interschool Swimming Sports  
27th March - Stopping Distance Demonstration  
8th & 9th April - Parent/Teacher conferences.

To keep up to date with school events, see our calendar and get notices, please download the 'Skool Loop' app and select Tahunanui School



If your child is away from school, you must let us know. You can do this by leaving a message on the absence line by calling 548 6167, email: [secretary@tahunanui.school.nz](mailto:secretary@tahunanui.school.nz), you can notify us via the Skool Loop app, or text 021 027 96134.

You must also let us know the reason for the absence, we are required to report to the Ministry of Education on all absences. If we do not hear from you, your child will be marked as truant.

## LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome to the term 1 2019 librarians. We have super keen, new term 1 lunchtime librarians all signed up and underway. 18 of our new librarians are year 4s giving it a go for the first time.



Marina C, Jorja H, Grace B, Molly H, Juniper S, Oceana J, Madalyn O, Breeze SM, Madison S, Ollie M, Will H, Cade L, Saul C, Blake C, Elliot Y, Arvahli W, Ellie PR, Sienna TK, Ruby V, Grayson R, Harrison R, Nathaniel A, Kingston PR, Cruz KE, Thomas R, Monique V (absent from photo).



A big thank you to Ruth French (a former parent) who has donated a bag of art supplies for the library as well as some sparkly cushion covers.

Thanks also to Ang and Brianna Govier for donating bright, colourful cushions to the library. The library is looking great!

Amber Court Motels are seeking some one for the following position.

Casual General Cleaning of motel units with training provided.

Approx hours between 9.30 - 1.30pm.

Above award wages for the right applicants with experience. Must be reliable, own transport.

Phone: 03 5485059 or 02108746096 between 10am - 7pm  
190 Annesbrook Dr, Tahunanui, Nelson 7011, New Zealand.

## PUBLIC NOTICES



Nayland College School of Music has spaces for children wishing to learn to play a number of instruments. Details are available from the office.



## St John

St John runs a Youth Programme to help young people develop first aid, health care, leadership and life skills. Programmes are available for ages 6-8 years and 8 - 18 years.

Stoke Division meet on Thursday nights at the Stoke Methodist Church, Neale Ave, Stoke. Call Carol Polglaze on 027 604 9951 for more information.



Junior registration for Nelson Rugby will take place on Saturday 2nd March at the clubrooms from 9am to 3pm. Call Quentin Harwood on 027 302 3508 for more information.



This term we are reviewing our School Policies on our Swimming Pool and the one on Alcohol, drugs and other harmful substances.

You are able to actively help us in this process by

Visit the website: <http://tahunanui.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>

Enter the username (tahunanui) and password (sail).

Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.

Read the policy.

Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.

Select the reviewer type "Parent".

Enter your name (optional).

Submit your ratings and comments.

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form. We value your input.