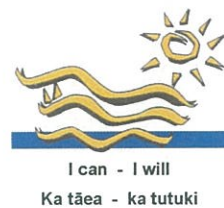




TAHUNANUI SCHOOL NEWS



School and Community Newsletter No 17 - 19 November 2019



Athletics Day will be held on Monday 25th November. This is a great fun day for all. Please come along and cheer on your children as they compete in sprints, distance running, vortex, high jump and much more. Always a great fun day. Our wonderful fundraising group will be selling coffee and cake so bring some cash for a snack. Please remember to put loads of sunscreen on you and your children at the start of the day and bring a hat for yourself so we can all be sun smart.



Congratulations to our fabulous gymnasts who competed in the Nelson Gymnastics Festival last week. You were confident and demonstrated your skills beautifully. Hazel H came 7th overall in Level 1 girls and 1st in the floor. Saul C came 4th in Level 1 boys bar. Nixon M came 6th overall in Level 2 boys and 2nd= in conditioning and Fletcher P came 9th overall in Level 2 boys. Wetiweti ana! Great job! Wicked!



A huge thanks to Sport Tasman who have partnered with local sports clubs to provide free sport training for our children. Toss will have been learning some cricket skills. They have been practising batting, bowling and fielding. Later this term, Burrell syndicate will be learning how to play netball.

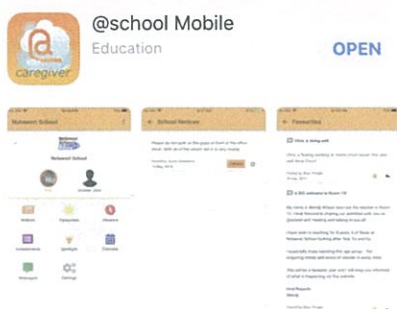


Pattison Swim School are running swimming lessons at our pool in three blocks over summer. They are offering a discount to school families, please visit their website www.pattisonswimschool.co.nz

Thought for the day

'What if today, we were just grateful for everything'.

Snoopy



We have sent out logins to '@school mobile'. @school mobile can be downloaded from your app store. @school mobile links directly to our student management system Etap. You will be able to see the details we hold about your child and their next learning steps, you can notify us of an absence and see our school calendar, daily notices and newsletters. The email contains an access code, this is unique to you and your child. Each caregiver requiring access will need their own email address and access code. If you have any queries about the app, please call in and see us.

The school pool is now open for swimming. Keys can be purchased from the office for \$100 for school families, this includes a \$20 key bond that will be refunded to your school account when the key is returned at the end of the season. A reminder that keys are per family and cannot be shared. All swimmers **MUST** be supervised by someone over the age of 18. Please be respectful of all pool users and make sure you are observing the rules and creating a safe, fun environment for everybody.



The fundraising group are looking for volunteers to bake treats for them to sell at Athletics Day and the Family Fun Night later in the term. If you would like to help, pop into the office and see Helen.



We are saying farewell to a number of teachers at the end of the year. Heidi Newland is leaving us for the West Coast, Annika Horn has decided to be a stay-at-home Mum for a bit longer and we have two very long standing teachers who are retiring. Kay Norgate and Jane Tambisari have both been with us for around 30 years! We will be holding a special celebration on 18th December at 3.20pm to say farewell followed by an afternoon tea for adults.



Tahunanui School News

Congratulations to our SAIL award winners for the last two weeks.

SHOW RESPECT

Te Atarangi T - Room 14

Cohen P - Room 14

INVOLVED

Garv G - Room 4

Tommy S - Room 14

LIFE LONG LEARNER

Sophie F-M - Room 15

Maia H - Room 15

Logan B - Room 15

Reeve P - Room 15

PURPLE SAILOR

Xavier J - Room 7

Khloe G - Room 11

Hank P - Room 11

Sabyn L - Room 15

Wylder P-B - Room 15

TIER TWO SHOW RESPECT

Liam H - Room 6

Josh P - Room 7

Charlie O-L - Room 7

Finn G - Room 13

TIER TWO ASPIRE

Lily R - Room 6

Isaac M - Room 7

Tilly R - Room 11

Cohen H - Room 13

TIER TWO INVOLVED

Ruby V - Room 5

Hazel H - Room 6

Maahaki N - Room 6

DID YOU KNOW



Parents who just talk as they go about their daily activities expose their children to 1000-2000 words every hour.

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Term 4 Calendar of Events

18th-29th November - Life Education Bus
 25th November - Whole school athletics
 28th November - Inter-school athletics
 4th-6th December - Year 3/4 activity days
 9th-10th December - 60 Seconds to Fame talent quest
 10th December - Helpers morning tea
 12th December - Family fun night
 18th December - Farewell afternoon tea for retiring teachers
 19th December - Year 6 Graduation
 20th December - Final assembly - 12.30pm finish



The Big Give is back!

The Fifeshire Foundation's BIG GIVE is on for the 8th Year. We have again teamed up with MediaWorks and Milestone Homes to promote "Locals looking after Locals" this Christmas. Some of our school families directly benefit from this initiative.

There is a real need in our community during this time and the BIG GIVE is an opportunity to work together to give back to those less fortunate.

Results of last year's BIG GIVE:

- Sixteen local schools (including ours) were a part of the BIG GIVE last year.
- We raised over \$22,000 in cash in the 4 weeks leading up to Christmas from the Community.
- We received thousands of gifts, vouchers, food and toys from the schools.
- We were able to give 270 families a real Christmas with Supermarket vouchers, gifts, vouchers, toys and food packages.

This year we want to aim to make a difference to over 300 families facing hardship in the Nelson / Tasman region this Christmas!

Many families face hardship struggle with the pressures of Christmas, they dread the expectations put on them, and this can often lead to undue stress, domestic violence and poor mental health.

The Fifeshire Foundation's sole purpose since 1993 has been to provide relief to those in financial hardship and domestic crisis. We have been looking out for locals during Christmas for more than 20 years.

We are approaching schools, businesses and the wider community to come on- board with the BIG GIVE and to select us as their charity of choice for this year.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

The Breeze radio station and the Big Give crew will be visiting Tahunanui School on Wednesday 27th November to collect donations of:

- NEW Christmas gifts (you can make them suitable to your type of school) – ideas are toys, indoor board games, arts & crafts, colouring books and pens, stationery packs, activity passes or vouchers, outdoor family games ie swing ball sets, sporting equipment, movie vouchers, swimming vouchers, Hydro-slide passes, gift vouchers, and Christmas treats. **New Gifts Only**, receiving something NEW is a real treat, and in line with the spirit of the event, hence our request.
- Non-perishable food items, (i.e. pasta & sauce, breakfast items, rice, canned food, dinner items, biscuit, crackers, treats).
- Gift vouchers including supermarket, Farmers, Warehouse or Kmart vouchers and petrol vouchers.

Please either drop your donations off to the school office, or give them to The Big Give team when the visit.



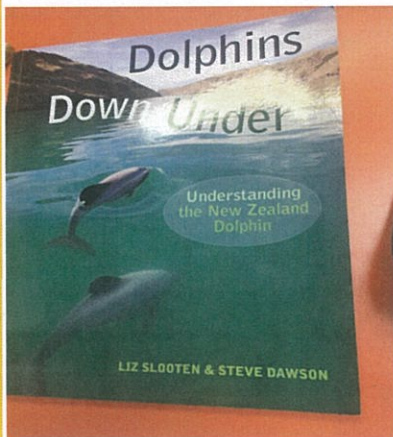
WHY YOU SHOULD SAVE THE MAUI AND HECTOR'S DOLPHINS

There are currently approximately 63 Maui dolphins left and approximately 15,000 Hector's dolphins left in the WHOLE world. Come and see our wall display in the Library.

Saul C and Liam R

Green Ninjas raised money by selling cookies to adopt a dolphin. We got to adopt 2 dolphins! The money we earned went to NZ Whale and Dolphin Trust. Go and look in the library to see the awesome posters.

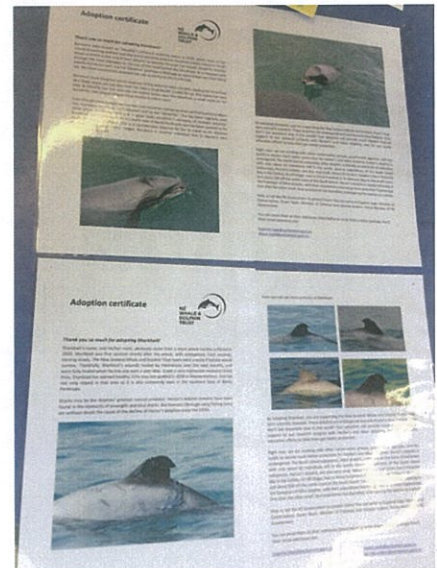
Maahaki N and Maddy S



With the cookie money we made, we bought a dolphin book about how to save Maui and Hector's dolphins. The title is **Dolphins Down Under** and it is in our school library for you to read.
Ruby PJ and Pheonix M

We have Maui dolphin postcards to send to the Prime Minister on our gigantic poster in the Library. If you want one, just go get one, make sure you actually use it so you send a message to Jacinda Arden to help save our dolphins.

By Lola and Abby



What you can do

- Watch your waste or you will pollute the ocean
- Don't use set nets, use a fishing rod
- Dolphins are very curious and attracted to boats so keep your boats away
- Expand the area of protection to 100 meters from the shoreline.

- Juniper S and Ayla M



We had a visit from Vikki and Asher from 'You and Your Dog' (www.youandyourdog.co.nz). Vikki spoke with students about how to stay safe around dogs.

Vikki showed Rooms 5 & 6 a video. When you run past a dog it will chase after you. If you freeze like a tree the dog calms down. She also taught us how to pat a dog, you're supposed to pat a dog from collar to tail.

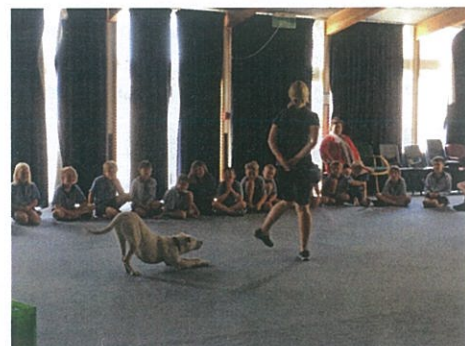
- Mayem H - Room 5

First Vikki taught us that if we were scared of a dog and if we were getting chased by a dog that we should stand still and make it look like we are a tree with our hands by our side. After she talked a little bit about standing like a tree, she showed us a video of two girls being chased by two dogs. They stood still like a tree and one of the dogs jumped up on her but eventually, the dogs got bored and walked away.

- Liam R - Room 5

On Tuesday a dog trainer named Vikki came to teach Rooms 4, 5 and 6 how to behave around dogs if you are scared or not. First, Vikki told us what to do if a dog is chasing you and you don't want it to, she said you should stand still and put your hands by your sides, she called this being a tree. Next, she taught us how to pat a dog correctly, she said to pat a dog from collar to tail even if you know the dog. Then she brought Asher out of her cage and told us to make a big circle around her and Asher so Asher could do some tricks.

- Saul C - Room 5





We will be holding the School talent quest '60 Seconds To Fame' 9th and 10th of December, start thinking about what you might do; dance, sing, a play, comedy skit....you will have 60 seconds to impress.



We love it when our friends from Tahunanui Kindergartens 'Fish Group' come and visit us.



At the start of November, Grace B, attended the National Cheerleading Competition in Wellington. After 2 days of competing with a routine full of tumbling, dance and stunts, Grace's Team, Electrix Dynamite, was crowned National and Grand Champs, this includes an invite to compete in Australia next year! If you are interested in seeing what cheerleading is all about, come watch the Electrix end of year showcase on Saturday 7th Dec at the badminton hall in Richmond, 2pm \$5 entry



We are very happy to announce that we have 3 new permanent teachers next year. We have been lucky to secure Jessie-Lee Mathews-Turton who has been teaching in Room 6 this year, Ashleigh Parkinson from Tamaki and Sophie Gibson from Room 15.

Tuatara Award



Arvahli W - Room 5

The Tuatara Award is being presented to a Room 5 student who is a supportive, helpful and caring class member. She is thoroughly involved in all aspects of school life such as being a librarian, a member of the Enviro Group, a gymnast and a cheerleader. Arvahli is a confident kapa haka leader and gives everything a go to the best of her ability. Thank you for being such a resilient and responsible classmate Arvahli

Muffy Award



Hemi N - Room 11

Hemi has been showing his SAIL values all year. He is a role model for the younger children in how to manage themselves and act in the classroom. Hemi aims high in his work and has learned to encourage and help others solve their own problems. He always contributes to our class in a friendly positive way.

Congratulations on your Muffy Award Hemi. It is well deserved.



Joining us next year is Linda Cook. Linda will be our new SENCO (Special Needs Coordinator)

Kia Ora, I am delighted to be joining the Tahunanui School and Nelson community. I have had many wonderful holidays here in Nelson visiting family with my husband Graham and now grown up daughters, Becks and Maggie.

I love teaching and have a passion for literacy. I have taught for more than twenty five years and come with experience in teaching children with many different learning and behavioural needs. I am so looking forward to starting at Tahunanui next year. Our dog Charlie is going to love walking along the beach too.



A huge welcome to our new students and their families.

Lochie W - Room 14
Whirinaki B - Room 14

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Library News

The 2019 librarians shared lunch was held on Wednesday 6th November. A big thank you to all 60 librarians that assisted in the library this year. What a great opportunity to learn new skills and help others. Well done!



Some keen librarians and friends pose for a photo before re-arranging our ample supply of cushions

Lunchtime in the library can be a peaceful place to sit with old friends or to make new ones.



Important dates this term

22nd November: No more issuing for year 6 and non-returning students. Please return your books before 2nd December.

22nd Nov - 5 Dec: No issuing for all students until after stocktake.

6 Dec - 19 Dec: Registered families can issue up to 20 books for the school holidays. See Mrs Trewavas at after school library, Tues and Thurs 3.00pm - 3.50pm.

Amnesty Weeks 9 and 10. Return any Tahunanui School book found at home that was missing at stocktake and receive a gift.



Aged Concern will receive our completed food boxes for the elderly without families in Tahunanui this Christmas. Christmas art will continue in the library at lunchtimes until the last week of term.

Entries are open for the Nelson Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon on Sunday 8th March 2020 at Tahunanui Reserve. Our school has created a School Group which you can join when you enter from home. Search for Tahunanui School when prompted. By linking to our school group, it will give us the chance to win some cool prizes. To enter the TRYathlon visit tryathlon.co.nz




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GRAEME WOODS PERFORMING ARTS SCHOLARSHIP, BROADGREEN INTERMEDIATE

The Woods family, through Graeme's memory, wish to encourage the pursuit and growth of Performing Arts skills for Broadgreen students by developing talent, effort and contribution to the community. Aspects include:

- Instrumental Music • Drama • Vocal • Dance

The Scholarship will be available to all Broadgreen students, including incoming Year 7 students. Application forms are available in the school office or at Broadgreen Intermediate's school office. Applications close Friday the 22nd of November.