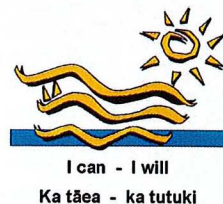




# TAHUNANUI SCHOOL NEWS



## School and Community Newsletter - 11 February 2020



At the end of last year we said farewell to the Class of 2019. This was an amazing group of young people and they will certainly be missed. Our cup winners for 2019 were:

Lily H - Girls Endeavour Cup  
Tommy M - Boys Endeavour Cup  
Sophia W - Girls Citizenship Cup  
Gus S - Boys Citizenship Cup  
Pearl H - Lucas Arts Award  
Will L - Sports Cup  
Czylah A - Fiona Paurini Cultural Award  
Cam W - Sail Cup

We look forward to hearing how the class of 2019 achieves in future years - Good Luck!

Welcome to all our new and returning families and staff. 2020 - how did that arrive so fast? I'm not just talking about the holidays ..... the year and now even the century is suddenly moving a bit too quickly for my liking! It reminds me that every moment of every day counts and a key part of my role as principal is to ensure we focus on the priorities for our children and make the very best use of our resources to achieve this. At the end of last year, staff and the Board of Trustees reviewed our strategic plan. We have enclosed a copy of this for your interest. Everything we do at Tahunanui School in 2020 should align with these goals and we'll be asking for your feedback on how we are going throughout the year as well as for any new goals we could consider adding in 2021. Meet the Teacher evening this Wednesday is one valuable way we connect with you this term and is also a nice social event to keep that relaxed summer feeling going as long as we can - hope to see you there.

- Barbara Bowen, Principal

### MEET THE TEACHER BBQ & SWIM

Our meet the teacher family night is on Wednesday 12th February from 5pm - 6.30. Visit the classrooms and meet the teachers from 5-5.30, then join us for a free sausage sizzle and a swim from 5.30 - 6.30pm.



### OE/HOUSE DAY

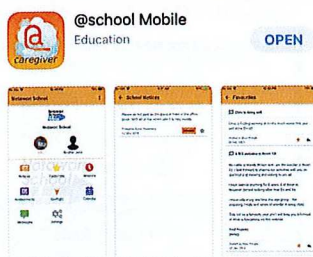


We will be holding our annual OE/House day this Friday 14th February. Children will need their uniform (with togs on underneath) a big lunch and morning tea, water, towel suitable footwear (we walk to the beach) a hat and sunscreen along with any medication they may require. We leave school at 9.40am to walk to the beach (opposite the tennis courts), then we will have morning tea and begin our rotations. We will walk back to school by 3pm. We will need parent help in the water, if you are keen to help us, please chat to your child's teacher or return the note sent home.

**"The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be"**

**Ralph Waldo Emerson**





We use @school Mobile app to communicate directly with parents and caregivers, this links directly with Etap, our student management system. The app will give you the ability to see the details we hold about your child, access to daily notices, school calendar, newsletters and teacher messages. You can also use this to advise us of an absence. If you do not have an access code, please let the office know and we will send one out to you. Each caregiver requiring access will need their own unique code. You can download the app free from your app store or you can access via website.



A massive Tahunanui School welcome to our new students and their families:

Andrea J - Room 13  
Sennah W - Room 13  
James O'S - Room 13  
Layla R - Room 13  
Dylan W - Room 14  
Lucie D - Room 13

And welcome back

Zion P - Room 12

Haedrian O - Room 13  
Keryn H - Rotoiti  
Winter S - Tamaki  
Farrah S - Orakei  
Sophia B - Room 13

### PARKING

Parking is always an issue, especially at pick up time. The carpark on Muritai Street has limited parking and we would ask that you do not park here unless you have babies or require disabled parking.

There is plenty of parking in Rawhiti St, and all children (including juniors) are capable of making their way to the Big Advench to meet you.

Please do not park in front of the gate on the yellow markings, even when dropping off and collecting your children. This is the access way for emergency vehicles and must be kept clear at all times.

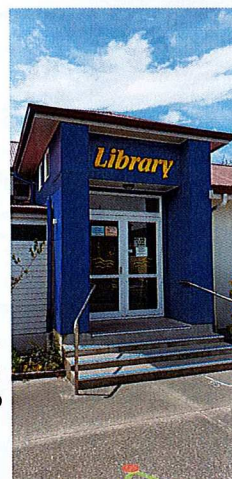


We would also ask that you are respectful of the disabled and after school care parking spaces, and don't park in these either.

Parking on the broken yellow lines near the pedestrian crossings on Muritai Street and Tahunanui Drive is very dangerous. It means that our road patrollers cannot see cars that are coming. Anyone parking here will be asked to move immediately and Police advise us that you could be fined.

## Tahunanui School News

We are well underway with the remodelling of Rooms 4 and 5. This construction work means that the entire Chamberlain block (Rooms 4, 5, 6, 7) are unavailable as teaching spaces. We have had to shuffle these classes around a little and this means that Room 7 is currently using the library and old e-space as a classroom. If you need to access the library, please enter through the door opposite room 11. This will give you access to the library without disturbing Room 7



### TERM 1 SPORTS

We have a number of sports on offer this term. Rippa rugby, mini football, softball, cricket, volleyball, hockey, tennis. Registrations close TOMORROW!! Make sure you have filled out the online form or paper copy and handed it into the office with your fees. Children will not be placed into a team without the fee being paid.

- Jacinda Beyer-Rieger  
Sports Co-ordinator



There has been quite a bit of lost property accumulate in the pool area over summer. If any of this looks like yours, please go and claim it from Raewyn.

With a new year and lots of new uniforms, please make sure that all of your clothing is named, we can get lost items back to people nice and easy when we know who they belong to!



We held a lovely afternoon tea celebration for Kay Norgate and Jane Tambisari to farewell them after 30 years at Tahunanui School, it was an emotional afternoon with speeches, songs, lots of laughter and memories. A number of ex staff members came along to celebrate with us, it felt a bit like a family reunion!





# Tahunanui School

## VISION

With an "I Can, I Will" attitude, our school empowers children to become resilient, connected and successful citizens

## VALUES

Kia tu te mana – Show Respect and  
Kia tu te Kaha – Aspire to be  
Kia tu tahi tatou – Involved  
Nga akona mo ake tonu – Life-long Learners

## STRATEGIC GOALS

### **CULTURE** **Turangawaewae**

The cultures of our students and whanau are embraced in our school. The Treaty of Waitangi and Te Reo, Whakapapa and Tikanga are integral parts of our curriculum

### **CONNECTION** **Whakawhanaungatanga**

Students, whanau, staff and our wider community are actively engaged in and are proud of their School and Tahunanui's place in the world

### **CURRICULUM** **Kaupapa**

Students are excited about coming to school and engaged in their learning. Their progress and achievement reflects this

### **GROWTH & WELLBEING** **Rangatiratanga**

Students, staff and trustees of our school take ownership for their growth, development and wellbeing

## INITIATIVES

- Review through Hautu Tool
- Culturally Responsive Practice
- Relationship based learning

- Community Engagement Events
- Spotlight
- Place-Based Curriculum
- Digital Curriculum

- Voices
- Team AREA Data
- Guiding Coalition
- Learning Support Model
- Co-Constructed Teaching & Learning

- SAIL/Zones teaching
- Impact coaching
- Trustee training
- Review of leadership roles and responsibilities



**"I can I will... Ka taea - ka tutuki"**



# LUNCHBOX IDEAS

For school children

Ngā tauira Kai



- **Try to include plant-based proteins in your lunches.** Use hummus as a dip with fresh veggies, soy beans as a snack and add canned chickpeas/kidney beans to leftovers.
- **Roll it, stuff it or spread it.** Try different breads to keep lunches interesting like wraps, pita bread, fruit bread, muffin splits or rēwena bread. Choose wholegrain.
- **Cut sandwiches, fruit and vegetables into different shapes** using a biscuit cutter or knife.
- **Use heart healthy spreads which are** nutrient-rich on sandwiches such as avocado, hummus, nut butters.
- **Make items in bulk** and keep in the freezer eg. mini pizzas, mouse traps or frittata.
- **Add lemon juice to cut up fruit** (apples and pears) to stop them going brown.
- **Choose water,** the best drink for your child.
- **A frozen drink bottle or icepack** helps keep milk products and meat/meat alternatives cold until lunchtime. Frozen bread also helps keep sandwich fillings cold.
- **Involve your children in lunchbox choices and preparation.** You could make your own healthy lunch at the same time.



2019



INGREDIENTS	12 SERVES
egg	2
vegetable oil	¼ cup
milk	¾ cup
creamed corn	½ cup
Edam cheese, grated	½ cup
blanched spinach, chopped	½ cup
tomatoes, chopped	½ cup
white flour	¾ cup
wholemeal flour	¾ cup
baking powder	1 Tbsp

## SAVOURY MUFFINS

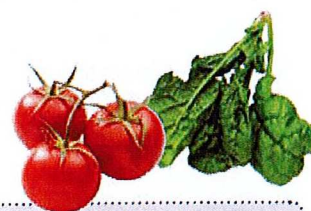


### Method

PREP TIME: 30-40 mins

1. Heat oven to 180°C.
2. Mix together eggs, oil, milk, corn and cheese.
3. Fold through spinach and tomatoes.
4. Sift flours and baking powder and gently mix into wet ingredients.
5. Spoon into greased medium muffin cups.
6. Bake in oven for approximately 15-20 minutes or until cooked through and golden brown.

\$0.39 per serve (Dec 2016)



**TIP**

Growing your own vegetables can be a cheaper and a great way to teach young children about vegetables and fruit.

**Remember it's what your child eats over the whole day that is important.**



## TERM 1 EVENTS

12 February - Meet the teacher  
 14 February - House Day  
 17 Feb - 28 Feb - Swimming lessons  
 4 March - School swimming sports  
 8 March - Weetbix tryathlon  
 11 March - Interschool athletics  
 18 March - School photos  
 6-7 April - Parent/Teacher conferences.



During week 3 and 4 we will be having FREE swimming lessons for all children. Please make sure your children bring their togs to school everyday.

Swimming is a very important life skill in New Zealand, and we are very lucky to have professional swim coaches come in to teach our children.



The first day of the year was very exciting for our new entrants, we had 6 start on day one with several more to come through the term. A huge welcome to you all.

We are delighted to welcome Tracy Marfell to the Board of Trustees. Tracy will fill the casual vacancy advertised last year.

Tracy has two children at Tahunanui School and is looking forward to getting involved in school governance.

 **SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS**  
 Make a difference  
 Ki te whakapiki



This term we are reviewing our School Policies on Recognition of Cultural Diversity.

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.

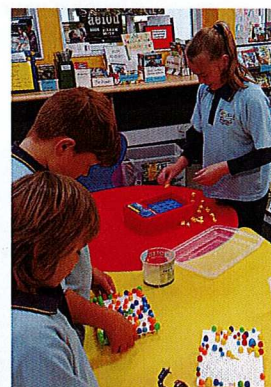
Select the reviewer type "Parent".

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.

Before school care is available in the Moana Room (at the back of the Muritai Centre) from 7.30am every day. A gold coin donation is appreciated. Children can be sent to our free breakfast club at 8.15 if required.



After school care is run by the YMCA in the Moana Room at the back of the Muritai Centre, forms are available from the office.



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.



### Term dates 2020

#### Term 1

Tue 4 February - Thu 9 April (Waitangi Day 6 February and Good Friday 10 April)

#### Term 2

Tue 28 April - Fri 3 July (Anzac Day observed 27 April)

#### Term 3

Mon 20 July - Fri 25 Sept

#### Term 4

Mon 12 Oct - Wed 16 Dec (Labour Day 26 October)

### ABSENCES

If your child is going to be late to school or away, you **MUST** let us know. It is a requirement that we report to the Ministry of Education about attendance for all students. It is also a safety net so that you know that your children have arrived to school safely.

If your child is not at school when the roll is taken and you have not advised us of the reason, you will be sent a text message advising of their absence.

Please don't be offended if we ask the reason for their absence, we are required by the Ministry of Education to record the reasons for all absences.

Children are marked as follows:

- P - Present
- L - Late to class
- M - Absent for medical reasons
- D - Doctor or Dentist appointment
- E - Explained but unjustified. This code is used for an absence that has been explained but doesn't fall within any of the other codes
- G - Holiday during term time
- T - Truant. No explanation has been received for the absence.

There are several ways you can advise us of an absence or if your child is going to be late. Telephone 548 6167 and leave a message on the absence line, text 021 029 64583, use the @school mobile app or email [secretary@tahunanui.school.nz](mailto:secretary@tahunanui.school.nz). If your child is late to class, they will need to come to office to let Helen know they are here.

### BACK TO SCHOOL COSTS

Work and Income has made a number of key changes to simplify the process for parents paying for their children's back to school costs. In many cases, these transactions can be approved via their contact centre service, which saves people having to come into their local office. The contact numbers are 0800 559 009 or 0800 552 002 for people receiving NZ Superannuation. Visit the Work and Income website for more information on back to school costs.

Nits are about again, and most classes will have them over the year. You need to treat your child's hair with head lice solution and comb twice a day everyday for a week. You will need to check your child's hair weekly to make sure you haven't missed any. We have **FREE** treatment and combs in the office, just pop in and ask. Please check your child's hair tonight, unless everybody treats their children it is very difficult to get rid of them.



### Muffy Award



Sophia R - Room 12

Term 1 is probably our sunniest term of all. Children **MUST** have a hat to be able to play outside in the sun. If they do not have a hat, they will have to stay in the shaded areas.

Please make sure your child has a **WELL NAMED** hat and sunscreen everyday.

There is a small supply of second hand hats in the office for \$1 each.

Sophia has made a great start to the term. She manages herself well and is super organised. Sophia is a focused learner and is kind to others. She shows our SAIL values everyday. Well done Sophia.



It is really important that we hold correct details for all of our students, especially caregiver contact details and medical information for your child.

If your contact details have changed, please let the office know. We will soon send out the contact and medical information we currently have, please check this and return it whether you have made changes or not so that we know everything is correct. This information is also available on the @school app.



## LIBRARY NEWS

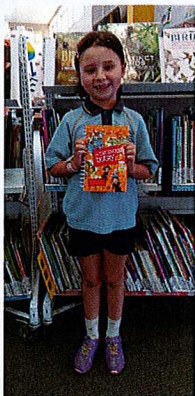
Congratulations to the term 1 librarians:

Siya G, Lily R, Liam R, Nevaeh-Rose F, Ruby PJ, Mackenzie H, Arvahli W, Brooklyn C, Amy M, Blake C, Will H, Cade L, Saul C, Breeze S-M, Nicola R, Pheonix M, Mikayla M.



It is great to see some new faces taking responsibility, specifically the year 4s and a couple of conscientious old timers back to assist with training!

This term, the library is accessible only from the south side of the building, opposite Room 11, to assist with Room 7's temporary class location while



Congratulations to Sophie S of Room 7 who was the lucky 100th library book borrower to return her book before stocktake in December, she won a hardback diary

After school library continues every Tuesday and Thursday 3.00pm - 3.50pm. All Tahunanui School families are welcome.



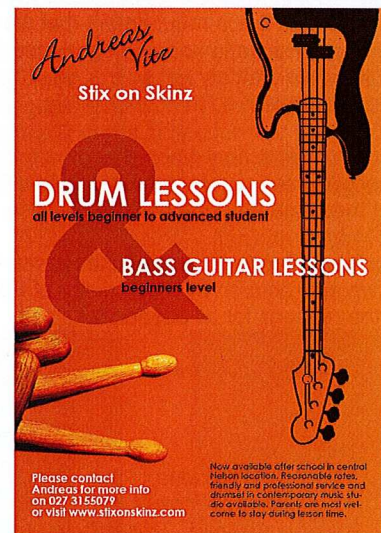
Entries are open for the Nelson Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at Tahunanui Reserve.

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](http://tryathlon.co.nz)



## Nelson Rugby Football Club Junior Rugby Registration

This will be held February 29<sup>th</sup> at the Nelson RFC Clubrooms from 9.30am till 2pm. All wishing to play this year are invited to attend and register for upcoming season. Apparel for upcoming season will be available to purchase. Come and play rugby for NZ's oldest club and help us celebrate our 150<sup>th</sup> year. All inquiries to Quentin Harwood JAB Captain 027 302 3508



Nayland College again have music tuition available. Lessons are available for flute, violin, clarinet, cello, trumpet, horn, trombone and oboe. If you would like more information, either contact Nayland College or come and see Helen in the Tahunanui School office for application forms.

## CORONAVIRUS

As you will know from media reports, the situation concerning coronavirus is rapidly evolving internationally.

The health of students and staff is a priority for all. Advice from the Ministry of Education is that any student who may be at high risk of exposure because they have recently been to China or have been in close contact with someone confirmed with the virus, is asked to delay the start of their school year for 14 days and voluntarily stay away. This is a new virus and its specific nature is currently unclear, however it appears that you can have the virus at an early stage and not be showing any symptoms. The incubation period is currently considered to be up to 14 days.

As always, anyone who is unwell should not be at school. Parents with a particular concern about any child are urged to contact Healthline at 0800 611 116 or their GP for medical advice. Healthline has translators and interpreters available 24/7 in 150 languages.