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Tena koutou Parents and Whanau

Welcome to week 1 of term four. This is a very busy term and is only nine weeks long. It hardly seems possible that we are in the final weeks of 2020. What a year it has been for our school. Thank you to everyone for the amazing support this year and we look forward to working with our community again this term.

School Upgrade / Renovations

Renovations at our school are well underway.

Our school office is temporarily located in the staffroom. This can be accessed via the Ema Street gate next to Room 10. At this stage this is the only way to get to the office.

There are fenced construction sites all over the school, as various projects are underway.

At this stage the project is slightly behind schedule and if this time is not made up then it looks as if the project will only be completed at the end of November. I will keep everyone updated as things unfold. It is going to be an interesting term as we work around the construction. Once completed, it will be an awesome improvement for all of our staff and students.

CELL PHONES AT SCHOOL

This is a reminder that our school policy is that no student is permitted to have a cell phone at school either on their person or in their school bag. If a child needs to contact their parents then they can go to the admin office and our secretary will contact the parent for them.

LEVEL 1 COVID 19 REQUIREMENTS AT TAPS

This is a reminder to our parents that at Level 1 parents/visitors are permitted onto the school grounds.

We ask that parents do not go into their child's classroom before and after school. We are still trying to limit the number of people accessing the workspaces of our students even at Alert Level 1.

COVID - 19 (Corona Virus) Reminder

- We ask that you do not send a sick child to school.
- If we discover that any child is sick and showing flu like symptoms you will be asked to pick him/her up immediately.
- If your child has flu like symptoms, he/she needs to be assessed by a doctor and then tested for Covid 19. Phone Healthline for advice. The number is 0800 358 5453

A NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR TE AROHA PRIMARY

Our new school website is under development at present and should be ready very soon. So watch this space!

ONLINE SAFETY INFORMATION EVENING

Attached to the newsletter is an information sheet about an Online Safety Information Evening to be held at our school on 10 Nov from 7.00 – 8.30pm. This is a must for every parent to listen to. We look forward to seeing you there.

Ngaa mihi nui

Kevin Johnson

Principal /Tumuaki

Classroom Round Ups

Rm 1 Mrs Johnson

Welcome back everyone and a very special welcome to Kaia who joined our class today. This is going to be a very busy term. We begin our Letterland work with **a,c,d** and **h** and we are working on recording words that end in **-at**. Our big focus this term is to increase the number of words we can write from memory, practise in this regard is included in the homework notebook. In Maths we are working on Capacity and we will measure and estimate quantities and use measuring language to compare capacity - full, nearly full, half full, nearly empty, empty. We are getting ready for Athletics Day in Week 4 so we will be practising each day. Children will need a spare pair of shorts and a t-shirt in their school bag each day please.

Rm 2 Miss Green

Welcome back! Hope everyone had a great holiday and are feeling refreshed and ready to hit the ground running for our last term of the year. Christmas is literally around the corner. We welcome Jack, Andy and Courtney from room 1 as they join us for the remainder of the year. This week is all about settling back into school and routines. Reading books will come home Monday- Thursday. Please sign notebooks and book bags are to return to school daily. Friday's we visit the school library and children will bring home a book to share/ read with you at home. This is to be sent back to school before the following Friday. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. My door is always open or you can contact me through Seesaw.

Rm 3 Mrs Bankier

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope you all had a great break and time with family / friends. This week we are settling back into routines and remembering our Room 3 expectations. We will also be learning about zero waste. If anyone has material that would be suitable for making beeswax wraps Room 3 would appreciate it. In the last week of the term we welcomed Isaiah-Dre who joined Room 3, we look forward to getting to know him more over Term 4. We will be getting ready for Junior Athletics over the next few weeks, we hope you are able to come and watch us on Athletics day. In Reading we will be learning about how to read and present plays. This will also involve art and craft in making masks and props. Maths this term we will be looking at how to measure and weigh things, shapes and number, We will also be learning about Financial Literacy in Week 4. Our Library day is still Wednesdays. We are hoping to work with Room 4 again this term on Tuesday afternoons. Please remember you can email me kbankier@tearohapriprimary.school.nz I am looking forward to an exciting Term 4 in Room 3.

Rm 5 Miss Entwisle

Our Spelling words this week are all about **ay** and **pr**. In Mathematics we are continuing to develop our Number Knowledge and problem solving strategies. We will be training each day (weather permitting) for the upcoming school athletics. Children who were still aged 7 at the start of this term will be competing in the Junior School event. Those who were already 8 years old or older will be participating in the Senior Athletics. Please ensure that you have suitable clothing to train in each day.

Reminders:

Homework:

- ✔Go back and 'finish' some of the Seesaw activities you may have missed over the past few weeks.
- ✔Learn your spelling words each night (Copies of the spelling lists can be found in the daily Spelling/Punctuation and Grammar activities on Seesaw).

Optional Homework Activities:

- ✔Sumdog
- ✔Code Avengers
- ✔StudyLadder.

If you have any questions regarding the homework, please feel free to contact me via Seesaw or my school email:

mentwisle@tearohapriprimary.school.nz

Rm 6 Miss Boyd

Welcome to week 1 of term 4. This week will be a busy week with Zero Waste. We look forward to learning more about recycling. For the next couple of weeks we will be in training for our School Athletics. In Maths we will continue with Geometry and Measurement. For Reading we are learning to select and use sources of information and use our prior knowledge with growing confidence to make sense of increasingly varied and complex texts. Writing this term our focus will be on sequencing ideas and organising our written ideas into paragraphs. New Homework Grid and Spelling words will be going home for Homework this week. Homework is due on Friday's. Enjoy your week.

Rm 7 Mrs Paul

Welcome to Term 4! Such an exciting and fast term as we seem to be involved in so many things. We start off with the Zero Waste facilitators in the school- teaching us how to look after our planet a little more. Our topic is COMPOST and we will have 4 sessions with the facilitator on this. In Numeracy 2 groups will be looking at addition and subtraction of decimals and the other group will be looking at strategies for addition and subtraction. We will still be hounding those times tables!! In Literacy we will be having a good push on punctuation. It is amazing how many children will hand in a whole piece of writing with a single full stop!!! Full stops and capital letters should be automatic at this stage of a child's learning/ Athletics will be the big focus outside!!! A sure sign that summer is on its way!!

Rm 8 Mrs Young

Welcome back to 9 weeks of exciting learning and sporting activities!
ZERO Waste - We will have 4 sessions with Vicki the Zero Waste Facilitator covering a range of topics from compost, recycling to sustainability.
PARLIAMENT Unit - With the upcoming Election on Saturday we will have a brief understanding of New Zealand's parliament - *the role of parliament, Members of Parliament and their roles, the MMP system of voting, how a General Election works, the New Zealand Parliament Buildings, the 2020 General Election, New Zealand political parties and more!*
Numeracy - Strand Maths
Current Events - Online interactive quiz with detailed answers. Please login via <https://socrative.com/> Click on Student Login and enter TAPSROOM82020.
Online Maintenance: Studyladder and KHAN Academy - click on assigned activities. *Students are well equipped on these main websites (with assigned tasks from me to match our learning).*
Want to touch base? Flick me an Email or contact me on Seesaw
kyoung@tearohaprimary.school.nz

Rm 9 Mrs Robertson / Mrs Gamble

Welcome back everyone, we hope you all had an enjoyable holiday break. We welcome Vicki, Zero Waste facilitator, to TAPS this week. She will work in every classroom covering themes around Zero Waste. Resource Sustainability will be the theme for senior classes. In maths we will be revising our basic facts and finishing our learning on time. For writing we will be focusing on character writing, describing a character in order to build a vivid picture in the reader's head. In reading we will continue to focus on developing our skills in self- monitoring and decoding. Guided reading groups will begin again and novels will be issued. Weather permitting, we will be covering athletic codes in preparation for school athletics. Homework: Reading, weekly quiz, basic facts, Banquer homework (our focus will be on credit scores and what they are).

Rm 10 Mrs Brittenden

Kia ora koutou - welcome to Term 4!
 I love the first week back at school - always fabulous to be back together to learn. This is a busy term and it will be an action packed nine weeks. We begin our term with **Zero Waste** and we look forward to working with outside facilitators for this programme.
Maths - we begin our work on Statistics, with data collation, interpretation and graphing.
Literacy - we use our knowledge of vocabulary to understand elements of description and link this to character writing.
Spanish - Hola! We are looking forward to learning Spanish.

Reminders - *Tech* will continue on Friday mornings. Please have shoes that cover your feet and long hair tied up.
Uniform - please make sure you have the correct school uniform.
 Looking forward to an awesome term and a wonderful first week.
 Arohanui - Mrs B dp@tearohaprimary.school.nz

SPORT



Basketball:

Well Done to Devan and Baraka (and Thomas who was a pupil last year) who were part of the winning U13 team at Regional Champs last week. Special mention goes to Mwangi who was the Team Manager, and Nelson and Robyn Elgar who were Coach and Camp Mum. Thank you for the opportunities you give to our athletes.

Basketball for the rest of the teams doesn't start on Mon and Wed for a few more weeks.

Touch Rugby starts this Friday Night as per the notice I sent home. Teams are on the school App. I haven't received the draw yet but we ready to go at 5.30pm.

TERM FOUR DATES 2020

1. School re opens for term 4	12 Oct 2020
2. Totara Springs Sports Camp	19 –23 Oct 2020
3. Labour Weekend	23 - 26 Oct 2020
4. School Athletics	4 Nov 2020
5. Parent Information Meeting	10 Nov 2020
6. District Athletics	11 Nov 2020
7. TV Athletics	18 Nov 2020
8. Teacher Only Day	18 Nov 2020
9. Rainbows End	24 Nov 2020
10. School Fun Day	7 Dec 2020
11. Yr 8 Social	8 Dec 2020
12. Prize Giving +Yr 8 Final Assembly	10 Dec 2020
13. Reports Go Home with children	10 Dec 2020
14. School Closes for Holidays	11 Dec 2020

TERM ONE DATES 2021

1.T O D + Office open for uniform sales	Thurs 28 Jan 2021
2.T O Day +Office open for uniform sales	Fri 29 Jan 2021
3.Auckland Anniversary Holiday	Mon 1 Feb 2021
4.School opens for students	Tues 2 Feb 2021
5. Waitangi Day Holiday	Mon 8 Feb 2021



TAPS TOTARA SPRINGS

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Friday 16th Oct 2020

- **Cheese**
- **Pepperoni**
- **Hawaiian**
- **Gluten Free Hawaiian**



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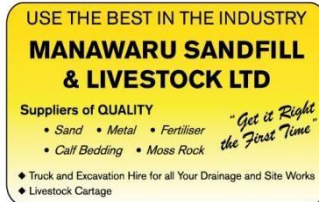
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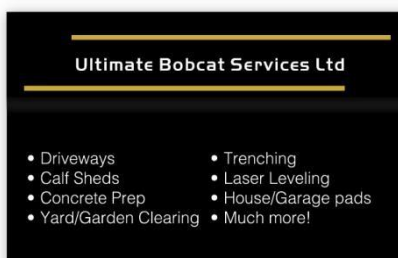
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