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Tena koutou Parents and Whanau

Welcome back to week 2 after a lovely Waitangi long weekend.

THANKS TO OUR AWESOME BOARD AND PARENT HELPERS

A **huge thank you** to our BOT and parent helpers who have worked so hard to scrape, grind and seal our swimming pool over the past week. Thank you to Dave Johnston who has led this work and round up helpers to get the job done.

Board members: Darren Diprose, Dave Johnston, Glen McLoughlin, Amy Paetai

Parent and family member helpers: Aaron Hirawani, Craig Bedford Meli Matafeo, Harold McGall

The pool will stand empty for 72 hours and then we will start filling it and fingers crossed we will have the leak fixed and our children can start swimming again.

Covid 19 / Coronavirus

As you will have seen in the media the situation is rapidly evolving internationally concerning the coronavirus.

As always anyone who is unwell should not be at school. If yo have a particular concern about your child, you can contact

Healthline at **0800 611 116** or their GP for medical advice.

SCHOOL PICNIC WEDNESDAY 10 FEB 2021 POSTPONED

We were to have a school picnic this week on Wednesday evening. But due to the pool having a leak the pool won't be ready for this occasion so we are putting this on hold. Watch this space for a new date. Hope fully next week



<u>HATS</u>

Please send your child to school with his or her hat as it is very hot to play in the sun without wearing a hat. A school hat is part of our school uniform and children are expected to wear them at morning tea time and at lunch time. This is to protect them from the sun and is part iof our school sun safe policy.

School bucket hats can be purchased from the school office.

Tikapa Moana Hub News



Week 1 Tikapa Moana hub certificate recipients.

SCHOOL APP

The School App can be downloaded for free from the Google Play Store or the Apple App Store. This app allows you to access the school newsletter, report your child's absence and access to key dates and to receive important alerts from the school.

Please download this app to your phone as it will become one of the important parts of our emergency contact procedure should we ever need to use it.

CHILDREN STARTING SCHOOL IN 2021

If your child is starting school at any stage during the course of 2021, please contact the school office this week to let us know. This helps us with planning for their arrival.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

www.tearohaprimary.school.nz

Our new school website is live. We will continue to add to it and make changes where necessary. You will find links to our Facebook page, our school calendar and the school app on the website. All information from these pages filters into the website.

Enjoy the week.

Ngaa mihi nui

Kevin Johnson Principal /Tumuaki

Classroom Round Ups

Rm 1 Mrs Johnson

What a great start to school, we are learning our class routines and making new friends. Letterland work this week is **d**, **h** and **m**. In reading we are learning to use our eagle eye which means we look



at the picture to give us clues. A reading book and a cut up sentence to rebuild will be in book bags each day this week. In writing we are learning to draw a picture to plan our story and then record a Writing a Story



sentence to go with it with the teacher's help.

As part of managing themselves, children are encouraged to unpack their school bags and book bags themselves please. A Pepeha is in book bags today and I would appreciate if you could assist me by completing it and returning it to school. Our goal is for the children to be able to introduce themselves in Te Reo Māori. As part of managing themselves, children are encouraged to unpack their school bags and book bags themselves please **Rm1 Miss Green**

I hope everyone enjoyed their long weekend and got out and about to enjoy this beautiful weather. This week we continue to look at school routines. Our Letterland work is s, t, i and n. In Maths we are practicing counting and sorting objects into groups. Can all pepeha please be sent back to school. Thanks to those that already have done so.

Rm 3 Miss Swan

Kia ora koutou. What an amazing first week back at school! Everyone has settled in well and ready to learn!

Writing: We are looking closely at rereading our writing to ensure it makes sense and to make changes if we need to.

Maths: We are continuing on with our Statistical investigations where we sort and gather data. I have heard some children are collecting data at home and practicing their graph work! Ka mau te wehi!

Reading: Reading books will be coming this week as we establish Room 3's reading groups.

Reminders for the week: During this hot weather please bring along a school sun hat everyday and a named drink bottle. Our Library day is on Wednesdays. Sue Ashman is in our class on Thursday. A Pepeha will be coming home this week and I would really appreciate it being filled and returned so we can learn to introduce ourselves in Te Reo Māori.

Email: <u>mswan@tearohsprimary.school.nz</u> Have an amazing week!

Rm 5 Miss Entwisle

Our first week went by in a flash and we can't believe it is Week 2 already! Our writing will focus on sharing about ourselves and making sure we are using lots of detail. In Mathematics we will be working on Statistics and learning about graphing and interpreting information. We are continuing to establish our daily routines for our core curriculum areas. Fingers crossed the pool will be up and running this week. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Miss Entwisle via the school office: 078848803; email: mentwisle@tearohaprimary.school.nz or through the Seesaw message function (once you have connected with it at home).

Rm 6 Mrs Bankier

Welcome to Week 2. This week we are learning about being good digital citizens and being safe on the internet. We will be starting to use the Chromebooks and getting passwords to website that we can use as part of our learning. These websites can be used at home as well as school. I am hoping that we have everyone on Seesaw by the end of the week, if you are having troubles please let me know. We are starting our reading programme this week. Please remind your child to read for 15 minutes every day as this helps to develop life-long reading skills.

In Maths we are learning about statistics and graphs.

Our Library day is Tuesdays and swimming every day when the pool is up and running.

You can contact me on <u>kbankier@tearohaprimary.school.nz</u> or through Seesaw. Have a great week.

Rm 7 Mrs Paul

We had a lovely time catching up last week- it was tough being back inside but our beautiful air conditioning sure took the sting out

of it! We are so grateful to our BOT for funding this awesome machine.

This week we will continue to look at our pepeha- this will be posted on Seesaw when it is finished. You should all still have access to this.Please check and let me know if you have any difficulties. We will also be investigating Waitangi Day and trying to understand what it means for us. In Maths we start our unit on graphing and will be looking at reading all different types of graphs.

Rm 8 Mrs Young

Learning Focus- Pepeha (My Story), Waitangi, School Wide Inquiry -My Story, Our Story, ShowMe Movie/CV/Powerpoints. Digital Citizenship. Code Avengers. Chapter Chat.

Maths -Focus: Addition and Subtraction - Rapid Recall STINKY and ROCKET warm up games.

All students have school and home access to Mathletics, a targeted, rewarding and captivating online learning resource, which is aligned to curriculum standards, passwords will be sent home for parents today.

Literacy - Launching our Chapter Chat focus, we will be tweeting on our monitored class account every week with many schools across NZ to discuss and share our work with an audience.

Treaty of Waitangi Scavenger Hunt.

Art - Pepeha, Portraits

Swimming - As soon as the pool is reopened we will be doing instructional lessons every day at 10.30 am and then a quick dip at the end of the day (2.40-2.55) to cool off.

Seesaw - We will be sharing snapshots from our curriculum areas and hopefully provide an insight into some of the daily activities in Room 8. All students are signed in, we have sent home new codes for new whanau to connect.

Looking forward to catching up with everyone at the Picnic. Email- <u>kyoung@tearohaprimary.school.nz</u>

Rm 9 Mrs Gamble

Due to a few hiccups with intermittent internet last week, we will be catching up on some work not completed last week.

Inquiry: This week we will continue to learn about each other and begin our pepeha.

Banqer: This has been a big hit so far. Covering income and expenses, Room 9 students are developing their understanding of the importance of money. This week we will look at credit score ratings and employment.

Reading: Last week we began our class novel, titled SS Penguin SOS by Adrienne Frater. We will continue our pre-reading activities before we begin our journey with #NZreadalouds which is a 'connected literacy' initiative. Watch this space!

Maths: We are developing our number knowledge and will look into Mathletics which is an amazing online learning resource which all students have access to.

Homework: <u>Room 9 Showcase!</u> Students are creating a presentation of a talent, passion or interest they have. Information about this will go home today. Reading 20 minutes each day.

Have a great week everyone.

<u>Rm 10 Mrs Brittenden</u>

Kia ora koutou - welcome to Week 2.

Last week was awesome! Great to get to know the new students in Rm 10 and begin to build upon our routines and expectations for working and learning together. GREAT NEWS is that the wifi has been fixed for us to all access in Hub 3 so we will be able to log on and complete tasks online. This will include online platforms, including Seesaw, Hapara and Mathletics. I know Rm 10 is looking forward to this. **Maths** - we are working together to revise and develop our number knowledge, which means we are working with large whole numbers to and beyond a million.

Reading - we have loved the first few chapters of our new book "Cuz". Activities to show our understanding of the plot, setting and characters will be completed after each chapter. Writing - we will engage in quick writes to support the generating of ideas and vocabulary this week. An effective way to get into writing. Waitangi Day - we use a graphic novel to explore the concepts of the Treaty of Waitangi and collaborate to "find the facts" *Rm 10 has made a great start to learning the ukulele - some budding musicians in our class. We will also hope to have an update on the school pool!*

Looking forward to a super week.

Arohanui - Mrs B dp@tearohaprimary.school.nz

TERM ONE DATES 2021	
 Immunisation Talk Public Health Nurse Yr 7/8 BOT Meeting TAPS Swimming Ready Set Go Programme Junior Swimming Sports 12.30pm District Swimming Ready Set Go 1.40 -2.30pm Hockey Big Day Out Immunizations HPV / Boostrix (Yr 7/8) Ready Set Go 1.40-2.30pm 	19 Feb 2021 25 Feb 2021 2 Mar 2021 3 Mar 2021 9 Mar 2021 10 Mar 2021 17 Mar 2021 17 Mar 2021 23 Mar 2021 31 Mar 2021
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