

10 November 2010

WEEK 5 2010

Principal's Diary...

Kia Ora Te Awamutu Learning Family/Whanau

Welcome to Week 5 everyone – half way through the term already!!

What an awesome time our senior students had at Camp Adair last week! Mrs Gibbs and I went for the day on Wednesday to visit all campers and they were having an exciting & fun time mud sliding, abseiling, orienteering and much, much more. The sun was also on our side with fantastic weather for the whole week. We still have a few lost property items (towels, jerseys, a sleeping bag, shoes and various other items so if you are missing anything please take a look). Teachers from Syndicate 4 will be organising photos from camp which will be available to purchase in disc form, shortly.

Our school athletics will start this week with Syndicate 3 & 4 having their athletics day at the Te Awamutu Velodrome (stadium) tomorrow (Thursday). All students are required to come to school as normal for roll check. At 9.15am they will walk with their teachers to the stadium. Children can dress in mufti suitable for the day and preferably in their house colours. ** Please remember your hat, sunscreen, plenty of water and a packed lunch. Parents are always welcome and we encourage you to come and support your children. Syndicate 2 will be holding their athletics day on the back field next Thursday 18th November starting at 1.30pm, with Syndicate 1 also on the back field on Wednesday 24th November at 1.30pm. Again all parents, grandparents and family members are welcome.

** Tokomaru – Green Tainui – Yellow Arawa - Red Aotea – Blue

2011 Classroom placements

All parents/caregivers have an opportunity to put thoughts in writing to the Principal and the management team regarding the best placement for your child during the 2011 academic year. This is not a time to choose a particular teacher or the best friend that you would like your child with, but to share the learning, personal and social needs of your child. We will discuss your thoughts with the current teacher and the Syndicate Leader and together we will make the best choice for your child based on the data and knowledge we have already. Please feel free to share your thoughts via letter or email me directly principal@taps.school.nz by **Friday 19th November**. Classrooms do not have a teacher assigned to them until late in December when we will notify you all via the school newsletter.

Take care

Gareth Duncan
Principal

SCHOOL NOTICES

This Friday is CRAZY HAIR MUFTI DAY for all students and maybe even some teachers ☺ Gold coin donation with proceeds going to the PTA.

Overdue accounts

We only have a few weeks left until the end of the year. This is a friendly reminder to pay any outstanding accounts whether it be, After School Care, school fees or the compulsory consumables levy. Payment can be made via eftpos, internet banking, cash or cheque. **Accounts must be cleared before Tuesday 14th December unless other payment arrangements have been made.**

Road Patrol

Could those who took home permission slips for 2011 please return them ASAP.

Syndicate 3 Car Wash

During this week and next, Syndicate 3 students will be running a staff car wash here at school during lunchtime. Funds raised will go toward replanting their vegetable garden in the Syndicate 3 courtyard. We would like to thank the following organisations for supporting our Car Wash Fundraiser; **The Warehouse, Bunnings Te Awamutu, Rickets Mitre 10 and Repco Te Awamutu**

Uniform Room & Second Hand Uniform Sale

The school uniform room is open every Wednesday morning in the hall from 8.15 until 9am. Hats are now compulsory for students and are available to purchase from the uniform shop or the office. Hats are \$10 each. Please ensure you name all pieces of uniform especially hats.

There will be a second hand uniform sale on the last day of this term (Wednesday 15th) from 8am until 9am in the hall. Anyone wishing to sell school uniform items can leave them at the office. They **MUST** have a price and a contact number attached to them.

Milky Monday

Every Monday at morning tea children can purchase a flavoured milk and cookie for \$2 from the tuck shop located in the foyer of the hall.

School Lunches

Volunteer Lunch Co-ordinator needed to collate and take lunch orders, Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. See the office staff or phone them on 871 5378 if you are able to help.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

GKR Karate

Are opening beginners' classes at your school. Karate promotes self-esteem, fitness, confidence, discipline and of course self defence and fun! Our classes are great for the whole family ages 5 and up. For more info about class times please phone Callum on 07 211 7929 or 021 2999 560

Bowen Therapy

Do you or your family suffer from asthma, colic, bed wetting, shoulder pain, back pain, knee pain, headaches, sinus???? Jill will give \$10 to Te Awamutu Primary PTA if you make an appointment with her and mention this advertisement and if you also mention this advertisement for a child under 10, the consultation will be free.

Jill Taylor – Bowen Therapist 07 871 4644 to make an appointment

T.A.L.O.S Presents Cinderella

This season the Te Awamutu light operatic society will run their production of the popular story 'Cinderella'. 4th – 18th December 2010. Evening performances will start at 7.30pm and there will be two matinee performances at 2pm. For bookings and information visit the Te Awamutu i-site Information Centre or phone 871 3259 from Monday 15th November.

The Maunga Cycle Challenge

Sunday 14th November 10am start. Events for all the family, 30km fun challenge, 100km events, relay team event. For details and entry forms visit www.themaungachallenge.co.nz.

Te Awamutu Primary School PTA Gala

On behalf of the Te Awamutu Primary School PTA, we would sincerely like to thank the following business who donated various items for our raffles:

Otto Inc Hairdressing
Dollar City
Tony Fabish Panelworks
The Garden Shop
Empire Espresso
Robert Harris
Hire Centre Te Awamutu
Strawbridges Retravison
Rosetown Holden
Heathcoates
Sanders Chemist
KLB Hairdressing
LJ Hooker
Guthrie Bowron
Health 2000
Kelly & Bryant
Westpac Te Awamutu
Farmlands
TA Pharmacy
Stirling Sports
Bees & Buttercups
House of Wares
Selectrix
Woolworths Te Awamutu
Flemings Homekill

We raised a whopping \$5500. The funds raised will help to buy resources for our school. We thank all that came along to support us. ☺

Te Awamutu Intermediate Sizzling Summer Gala Night

Friday 12th November 2010 from 5pm to 8pm.

Bouncy Castles, Obstacle Course, Class Activities and Raffles, Food Hall, White Elephant, Cakes, Chocolate Wheel, Entertainment, Chair-o-plane, Mini Jeeps, Garden and Produce Stall, Auction, Free parking and much more. **ALL VERY WELCOME!!!**

TIP SHEETS!

HEALTHY ACTIVE IDEAS

This term we will be giving you two tip sheets that you can stick up on the fridge.

Look out for these coming home soon!

So stick them on the fridge and remember – Eat Healthy, Be Active and Have Fun!



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 4

November 2010

11th Thursday – Syndicate 3 & 4 athletics 9.30am
Te Awamutu Velodrome (stadium)

12th Friday – Crazy hair mufti day
Gold coin donation

16th Tuesday – Teachers vs Students touch rugby game

18th Thursday – Syndicate 2 athletics 1.30pm back field

18th Thursday – TAPS Festival Kapa Haka performance
at Te Awamutu Intermediate 11.15am

19th Friday – Inter-school athletics 9.30am
Te Awamutu Velodrome (stadium)

19th Friday – 21st Sunday – Te Reo & Tikanga trip to Kawhia

24th Wednesday – Syndicate 1 athletics 1.30pm back field

December 2010

1st Wednesday – Syndicate 1 showcase 1.30pm

4th Saturday – Kihikihi Christmas Carnival Song Squad

6th Monday – Syndicate 4 showcase 1.30pm & 6pm

9th Thursday – Syndicate 2 showcase 6.30pm

11th Saturday – Te Awamutu Christmas Parade
(Syndicate 3 will have individual class showcases,
dates to be advised)

15th Wednesday – Second hand uniform sale 8-9am in the hall

15th Wednesday – last day of term 4 2010 2pm finish

Mufti Day

