

## WEEK 8 2010

### Principal's Diary...

Kia Ora Te Awamutu Learning Family/Whanau

Welcome back to week 8 everyone.

With two weeks to go until the end of the term, the school is 'abuzz' with showcases. Syndicate 1 will have the first showing of theirs this afternoon at 1.30pm and an evening performance (today) starting at 6pm, both in the hall. Te Awa Syndicate (4) will have theirs on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December, with showings at 1.45pm & 6.30pm and will also be performing at the Year 6 graduation ceremony which is being held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December in the hall. This will be the last school showcase for our year 6 students who will be moving on to new experiences at various schools, with most attending Te Awamutu Intermediate. I wish them all well for the future, Kia Kaha! Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December will be Syndicate 3's showcases; each class will host their own, in their classrooms. Carols in the playground is the theme for Syndicate 2's showcase this year which is being held Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec. The children will be entertaining parents with Christmas carols that they have been learning this term. Please note that the time for this is now 5.30pm, which is an hour earlier than previously advertised.

Te Awamutu Intermediate will host our year 6 students for their orientation on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Students will come to school as normal and will be travelling by bus to the intermediate.

Our last day for 2010 will be Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December. School will finish at 2pm with the buses running at the earlier time.

TAPS 2011 Staffing and Classroom Allocation is as follows. **Please note changes to Syndicate 3 Classrooms & Teachers.**

<b>Syndicate 1</b>	Room 2	Mrs Diane Darlington ( <b>Syndicate Leader</b> )	Y0/1
	Room 3	Mrs Emma Baker	Y0/1
	Room 4	Mrs Jessie Monk	Y0/1
<b>Syndicate 2</b>	Room 7	Mrs Kim Tautari-Scott ( <b>Syndicate Leader</b> )	Y1/2
	Room 8	Miss Valida White	Y1/2
	Room 9	Mrs Bridget Perkins and Mrs Jane Ellis	Y1/2
	Room 10	Miss Jamie van Dorsten	Y1
<b>Syndicate 3</b>	Room 6	Mrs Davina Miller	Y3/4
	Room 12	Miss Helen Garland ( <b>Syndicate Leader</b> )	Y3
	Room 13	Mrs Sharon Ngatai (Mrs Anna Booth returns From Maternity Leave Term 2)	Y3/4
	Room 14	Mrs Janette Gillespie	Y3/4
	Room 15	Mrs Kathryn Picard	Y3/4
	Room 16	Mrs Jo-anne Dannock	Y3/4
<b>Syndicate 4</b>	Room 17	Mrs Anne Mackey	Y5/6
	Room 18	Miss Wendy James	Y5/6
	Room 19	Miss Tara Walter ( <b>Syndicate Leader</b> )	Y5/6
	Room 20	Ms Linda Woulfe	Y5/6
	Room 22	Mrs Kim Lester	Y5/6

Take care

Gareth Duncan  
Principal

### A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO THE PTA

On behalf of the students, staff and Board of Trustees of TAPS I would like to thank the PTA for their most generous donation toward the completion of the new school library. The PTA have resolved to donate the amount of \$15,000 which will cover the cost of the new window coverings (sun filters & block out blinds) as well as assisting with the purchase of furnishings such as tables, chairs, a couch or two & other soft furnishings required to complete the project. These items are not funded by the Ministry of Education so we are hugely indebted to the PTA for helping us achieve our goal in fitting out the library without impacting on the money we have available for the day to day running of the school. We all look forward to seeing the end result and hope to have the new library up and running early in Term 1 of next year.

Once again, on behalf of us all, THANK YOU TAPS PTA 🙏 😊

Regards

Janine Margetts  
Executive Officer

## SCHOOL NOTICES

### **Overdue accounts**

We only have two weeks left until the end of the year. This is a reminder to pay any 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 14<sup>th</sup> December unless other payment arrangements have been made.**

### **Kawhia Moana - Waipapa Noho Marae**

The weekend of the 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> November, the Te Reo and Tikanga Māori class whānau spent the weekend at Waipapa Marae in Kawhia. The highlights included a guided tour along the waterfront to the resting place of the Tainui waka, putting our learning into real-life through pōwhiri and mihi whakatau, floundering (more like mud-running!) and jumping off the wharf in town!

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa, ngā whānau ō ngā taonga o tā tātou kura. Anō hoki ki te marae o Waipapa, the whānau Whiu, me te whānau Scott mō ngā manākitanga i taua wā.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### **Te Awamutu Intermediate 2010/2011 Uniform Sale dates**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December to Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am to 4 pm Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – 4 pm. Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 11.30 am – 6 pm. Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2011 10.00 am – 4 pm. Payment by cash, cheque & eftpos. Credit Cards welcome but 4% surcharge will apply

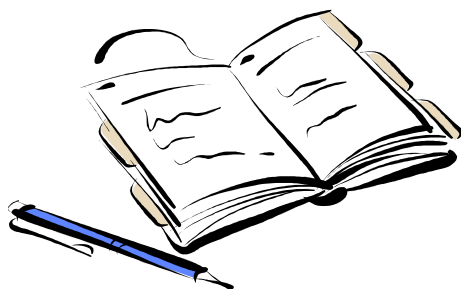
### **McDonalds Kihikihi Speedway**

National Midget Series this Sunday December 5<sup>th</sup>. Lots of supporting classes. Remember your sunscreen. ☺ Gates open at 1pm, racing starts at 3pm. Family \$30 (2 adults & up to 4 children).

### **Dolphinz Swim School**

Half of all 10 year old kiwi kidz can not swim, and a quarter can't even keep afloat. Dolphinz Swim School can teach your child to stay alive in the water. We are now booking our holiday courses. Pre Xmas lessons December 20<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup>.

Five day intensive courses are January 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> and January 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>. All enquires please call Lisa 07 843 3380.



## **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Term 4

**December 2010**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday – Syndicate 1 showcase 1.40pm & evening showcase 6pm in the hall
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – 2010 Road Patrollers Reward Day
- 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday – Kihikihi Christmas Carnival.  
\*Song Squad has been invited to sing in the parade
- 6<sup>th</sup> Monday – Syndicate 4 showcase 1.45 & 6.30pm in the hall.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Syndicate 3 showcases. Each class will entertain their parents in their classrooms.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – Te Awa final assembly in the hall at 1.45pm.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Thursday – Syndicate 2 showcase 5.30pm\*  
\* Please note time change
- 11<sup>th</sup> Saturday – Te Awamutu Christmas Parade  
\*our song squad has a float again this year.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Monday – Year 6 Graduation
- 15<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – Second hand uniform sale 8-9am in the hall
- 15<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – last day of term 4 2010 2pm finish**  
\*Mufti Day \*

