

TE AWAMUTU PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Together Achieving Personal Success'

Wednesday 8th May 2013

>Welcome to Week 1, Term 2 - 2013 Deputy Principal's Diary...

Tēnā koutou katoa and welcome back to the new term.

It has been a wonderful start to the term with exciting hook-in learning experiences school-wide. Each syndicate is taking a slightly different focus which creates a variety of learning experiences for students to share. Please feel free to come in at any time to see what is happening in your child's class.

During this term literacy and numeracy continue to be a priority and across the school our inquiry focus is on ecological sustainability. This week we have welcomed the Education Review Office (ERO) into the school.

On Friday we have our assembly to celebrate the work that the students have done in recent weeks and to introduce the school value of "Honesty". You are most welcome to join us. The assembly begins soon after 10am in the school hall.

Have a wonderful week.

Yours in learning

Gill Gibbs

Deputy Principal

Check out our web site:

www.taps.school.nz

**Kai & Korero – Tuesday 28th May at 6pm in the staffroom
ALL WELCOME**

Please read: important information.

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office and on our website www.taps.school.nz

The next enrolment period runs from Monday 29 July 2013 to Friday 23 August 2013. For students seeking enrolment within these dates, the deadline for receipt of applications for out of zone places is 3pm Friday 24 May 2013

Please note: **If you currently live 'in zone' this does not affect you but we ask that you pre-enrol your child as soon as possible so we are aware of future needs.**

SCHOOL NOTICES

Wednesday Wonderland

We would like to extend an invite to all our pre-school community (all children 4.5 years and older) to attend our preparation for school programme run every Wednesday afternoon from 1.30pm – 3pm with Maree Parkes (teacher and TAPS Community Connector). The programme is fully funded by the school and therefore free of charge.

School Fees & Consumables Levy

2013 invoices were sent home last term. Thank you to those that have paid. School fees are set at \$50 per child, \$90 for two children and \$120 for 3 or more children. These were due by the 28th March. The consumables levy is \$15 per child.

Bus Tags

All bus students must have a current Term 2 tag by Friday 17th May. These tags are available at the school office and are \$30.00 per student, per tag. Students without tags after the 17th May will NOT be able to travel by bus until one is purchased.

Uniform Room

The fully stocked uniform room is open every Wednesday morning from 8.15am until approx. 8.55am. Orders outside this time can taken at the office.

Sickness

Most parents are considerate and co-operative, keeping their children home when necessary – if in doubt please contact the school. If infectious diseases are involved your doctor will advise when a child is able to return to school. Often once a treatment has started, peer to peer contact is no longer a problem. With the winter months approaching, please ensure hand washing after toileting and before and after eating to lessen the chances are spreading colds and coughs. You are welcome to supply a box of tissues for your child which can be left in their classroom.

Parent help in the school

One of the strengths of our school is the large amount of help provided by parents. This includes taking children on trips, mending books, coaching sports teams, and classroom support. We realise many people cannot help because of work commitments, but if you feel you would be like to offer your services, please contact the classroom teacher. We are grateful for all and any help we can get.

School Assemblies

At assemblies, children sing, present class items, receive merit certificates and notices are given to children. Parents are very welcome to attend these assemblies. Each syndicate has a set time, for these please contact your classroom teacher.

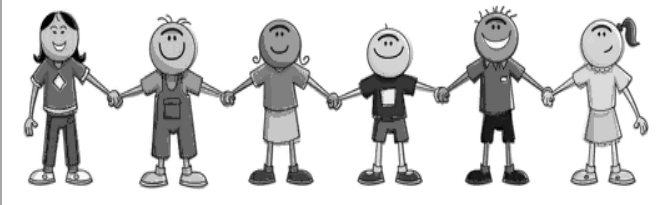
School Lunches

The school lunch service operates Monday, Wednesday and Friday. A variety of items are available. If your child would like to order, please have the correct money in a clearly named envelope with what they are ordering and drop it into the office **BY** 8.55am on the days mentioned. Syndicate One lunches are delivered directly to the classrooms just before the lunch bell, while all other syndicates are responsible for collecting theirs from the hall at the beginning of lunchtime.

Milo Monday

Your child can purchase flavoured warm milo a cookie for \$2 at morning tea time from the hall foyer. We are looking for volunteers to help run these fundraisers. Please come along to our next PTA meeting or contact Kim Fabish in the office if you are able to help in any way.

PTA 2013



PTA MEETING Monday 13th May at 6.30pm
In the staffroom - ALL WELCOME

TAPS 107.8 FM

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Broadcasting daily from Te Awamutu Primary School

NEW!

FLEECE LINED
WATERPROOF SCHOOL JACKETS
\$40
BEANIES \$10
WINDBREAKER JACKETS \$25

ORDERS CAN BE TAKEN AT
THE UNIFORM ROOM OR AT
THE OFFICE

SMART SWAPS

This term's nuggets are all about giving you some advice on 'healthy swaps' for you and your family. The swaps will give you ideas on easy, healthy and super yummy snack and drink suggestions.

Remember: The healthier choice doesn't have to mean a lot more work or more money!



DRINK SWAPS

Fruit juice and cordial contain a lot of sugar. Try swapping this for water flavoured with fruit.

Take a glass of water and add a slice of lemon, apple or orange.



Netball Draw

Saturday 11th May
Competition Grade

TAPS Hotchicks vs Pokuru Diamonds 10.40am C6
TAPS Tigers vs K-Town Tigers 12.20pm C2
TAPS Stormers vs Pakerau Pride 12.20pm C6

Future Ferns

TAPS Mini Magic vs Ohaupo Go Girls 11.30pm C8
TAPS Wild Cats vs St Pats Pink 12.20pm C7
TAPS Silver Ferns vs St Pats Purple 1.10pm C7

****JUNIOR RUGBY & SOCCER STARTS THIS SATURDAY****

SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

The triennial Board of Trustee Elections will be held this year. Your Board of Trustees has determined by resolution that the date for the election shall be 30 May 2013.

There are five parent elected positions on our Board and the timetable for the electoral process is listed below.

Nominations for Parent representatives close on Thursday 16th May at noon.

We currently have 2 nominations:

Tracey Miller
Andy Goodridge

21 May 2013 - Voting Papers issued
30 May 2013 at noon - Voting closes
5 June 2013 - Votes counted and result declared
6 June 2013 - New Board takes office.

Ian McLauchlan
Returning Officer

Election nomination forms for the 2013 BOT elections were sent out on the 15 April, if you have not received this form please contact Mr McLauchlan on 0273895470.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT
THE SCHOOL HAS ON
RECORD AN
EMERGENCY CONTACT
NUMBER. PARENTS ARE
REQUESTED TO ADVISE
THE SCHOOL OF ANY
CHANGES TO
ADDRESSES OR PHONE
NUMBERS.

