

TURITEA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – 28 July 2021

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Nau mai hoki mai – welcome to Term 3. We hope you all had an enjoyable break and managed some quality family time. Pete and I had a lovely week away with friends in Blenheim. We were on the ferry that was turned back due to the flooding in Marlborough, came home again for the night, and had a smooth crossing the following day!

What a crazy start to the term on Monday! An outside tap was broken so there was water pouring everywhere outside the children's toilets on the deck. At the end of lunchtime, the fire alarms went off and

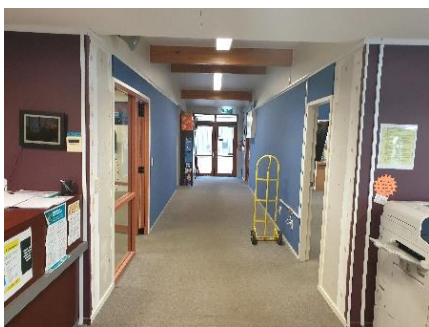


two fire trucks arrived, one driven by Callum Reid! The failure of a manual call point in the Resource Room was the cause. In the middle of this, staff dealt with a sick child,

then the builders arrived!! All in a day's work as they say!

Our building work started properly on Tuesday. Special thanks to Juliet and Bridgit for their mahi in moving from their classrooms to Tane Mahuta at very short notice, and to the students, staff and parents who helped with that shift. Mānuka and Rimu will work in the hall and the library, probably for most of this term, while their rooms are refurbished. It will be a challenging time as we manage rehearsals for our production and all the other activities Tane Mahuta is used for. Please bear with us.

If you are coming to see Julie in the office, please continue to use the main entrance as usual. There will be **NO ENTRY** to or from the office from the courtyard. Two of the 'yellow' carparks will have cones put in them before 3.00pm for the *Kids' Club* and YMCA vehicles and children going to after-school care will meet by the steps to the main entrance. The builders will occupy some of the staff carparks and the Rimu deck will be used for timber, etc.



We are fortunate to be working again with The BSM Group as our Property Managers, and Isles Construction who are carrying out the work.

Rest assured, your children's safety will always be our main consideration.



This week we warmly welcome Mrs Laurel Winiata to the Turitea School whānau. Laurel is doing her 10-week teacher placement from Waikato University in Pohutukawa. From being a past parent and Teacher Aide at Turitea, it's awesome to welcome you back as a colleague, Laurel. We also welcome Baxter and his parents Melody and Brandon, and Evander who joins his big sister Carmen at school. Baxter and Evander are New Entrants in Rimu. We hope you enjoy a long and happy association with our school. Have fun with your learning guys.



Our thoughts are with the Tootell whānau at this sad time. Brendan's grandmother, Laureen Holdaway passed away on Thursday, just four days short of her 93rd birthday. Laureen has been a long-time supporter of Turitea School, firstly through her work with the Country Women's Institute, and for many years as an indoor judge for the children's exhibits at Lamb, Calf and Pet Day. Rest in Peace Laureen – we will all miss you.



Sadly, we are losing a very valued staff member towards the end of this term. Paula Cutts has won a Team Leader position at Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School (PNINS), starting on September 13. Paula will be sorely missed, as an amazing teacher, colleague and leader – her new appointment is testament to the wonderful mahi during her time at Turitea. The Board and I are managing the process of finding a replacement for Paula – another challenge for us to face this term.



Congratulations to Harley Bristow and his partner Christina who had their new daughter Evelyn arrive last week. Leo is a proud big brother.

MOBILE LIBRARY



Next visit tomorrow

Thursday 29 July. The

children who are members can exchange

books during these visits. If your child is not a member and you would like them to take advantage of these visits, please see Julie in the school office for a membership application form.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION



Rehearsals for our school production, **Moana**, are well underway. Please make sure you keep

Monday 6 September free

for a fantastic night at the Regent Theatre. All students are expected to take their place on the stage that night. Tickets will be on sale shortly - \$15.00 for adults and \$8.00 for children, plus the usual booking fees and charges. We are unable to sell tickets through the school office this year. We will let you know when the bookings open.

Last term you received a notice about the costumes we require our actors to wear. Please let us know if you are having any problems finding the items required. We are trying to keep rehearsals mostly to the afternoons for the first five weeks of the term. More information will follow shortly.

SURVEY

During the holidays, I sent out a survey via email to all whānau, requesting your thoughts on assessment data, to assist with a PLD application to the Ministry. We would really appreciate your responses **BY FRIDAY** please (Google Form).



Congratulations to Henry Giles who

won the *NumberWorks'nWords* voucher for a term's free tuition at the end of last term.

PTA NEWS

The next PTA Meeting will be held on **Tuesday (3 August)** at 7.00pm in the staffroom. Everyone welcome.

Dates this term:

- 6 August – Hui (assembly); 20 August – Buddy Sharing; 3 September – Hui; 17 September – Buddy Sharing; 1 October – Hui
- **6 August** – School Speech (Year 5/6) and Poem Recital (Year 4) Finals. Time to be confirmed but it will be in the morning.

LUNCHES



FRIDAY'S lunch is pizza. Please bring money in a clearly marked envelope with name, what pizza you are having (either Hawaiian or Meat Lovers), and how many pieces you would like (**\$2.50** per slice & cookie \$1), by Thursday 9.00am.

FOR SALE - EGGS



direct from The Free Rangers - Fresh, free range eggs – mixed grade Size 7+. **\$7 per dozen** with \$1 from each dozen being donated back to Turitea School. Available any time from the school office – **CASH ONLY**

ORAL CARE/YUMMY FRUIT COLLECTION



Please keep bringing in all your oral care boxes, packaging, old toothpaste tubes and old toothbrushes and place them in the box at the school office. Also, please keep collecting your *Yummy Stickers*. If you have filled up your sheet, please bring it in to the school office and get a new one



FIREWOOD

There are some large rounds of a tree trunk available for firewood. If you would like some, bring your trailer and help yourself. A donation would be appreciated too please.

PALMERSTON NORTH INTERMEDIATE NORMAL SCHOOL



OPEN DAY

Tuesday, 3rd August

Meet in Te Tihi (our Performing Arts Centre) at any of the following times:

- 9.30am
- 11.30am
- 2.00pm

Glenys Murphy, Principal

Glenys ☺



Some dates for you to note:

3 August	PTA meeting, 7.00pm
6 August	School Speech Finals
30 August	Mid-term break – NO SCHOOL
6 September	School Production