

TURITEA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – 19 May

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

A big THANK YOU to the PTA for a fun night on Saturday at the Pool Party at the Freyberg Pool. Everyone had a great time in the pool, on the Aqua Run and the Rope Swing, and eating delicious sausages off the BBQ. Thank you so much for organising an awesome community event – a chance for whānau to chat together too.



PARENT TEACHER STUDENT KORERO

Staff enjoyed sharing learning outcomes and goals with you last night at Parent / Teacher / Student Korero. More to come tomorrow. We used a new booking system through *Skool Loop* this year. We hope you found it user-friendly – your feedback is welcome. It worked well for office staff.

KIND HEARTS



As the newsletter goes to print today, students are attending the *Kind Hearts* Regional Day – stories next week.

Please take note of the following dates:

- Tuesday 1 June – a parent meeting with our Literacy PLD coach, Liz Kane. The Science of Reading. 5.30pm in Tane Mahuta. A crèche will be available.
- Tuesday 8 June is a Teacher Only Day – only the teachers will be at school.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY



This term we'll be holding our school and Fitzherbert Cluster Cross Country events. Fitness training is the focus of our Physical Education programme for the first half of this term. Some of the training is across the road on the Massey farm. Children need to have suitable clothes and shoes for running in every day please. A change of clothes is a good idea – there will be days when the ground is wet and things get grubby! Please no gumboots or sandals for running in; older shoes/sneakers are sensible.

Our school event will be held **on Tuesday** (25th) with a slightly earlier start time of 11.00am. The order of events will be Year 6, Year 0/1, Year 5, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4. The finish line this year will be on the court, so parking is available along the school road, and if you arrive early enough and don't need to leave until the end, you can park near the staff cars as well.

SCHOOL FIELD

If you are using the school grounds out-of-hours, please remember that our school field is still out of bounds to all as the new grass continues to grow. It's looking fantastic 😊

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**

PTA NEWS

The PTA AGM was held last week. Congratulations to our office holders who were all returned to office: Anna James – Chairperson, Colleen Kerr – Secretary, Kim Sharpe – Treasurer. Great testament to your mahi ladies 😊

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.

Hui Dates for this term are:

28 May – Buddy Sharing; 11 June – Hui; 25 June – Buddy Sharing; 9 July – Hui



Reminder: Stationery Invoices and School Donation Requests to be paid by **4 June** please. Many thanks to all the people who have already attended to this – much appreciated.

To fully fund planned activities, the school needs more money than is provided by the government. Sources of additional funds may include:

- school donations
- student activity payments
- fundraising
- approaches to trusts and charities
- sponsorship

As well as increasing the school's revenue, fundraising provides many benefits including:

- providing valuable experience and training to students
- involving students in service to the community
- encouraging students to value equipment they helped provide
- drawing parents more closely into the life of the school
- giving the community a sense of involvement with the school

SCHOOL DONATIONS

From time to time the board sets the level of the school donation and advertises it to parents. The amount is set at the last board meeting of the previous school year.

It is currently set at \$100 per year for the first child in a family, or \$120 for two or more children. Payment of the donation is voluntary and parents can claim an income tax credit from Inland Revenue. A request for the amount is sent to each family in Term 1.

News from the Turitea School Board



All Board members were present on a warm Tuesday night for our monthly board meeting. Areas of discussion included literacy progress for our tamariki, and what

measures are in place to track progress being made across all key areas. This information will be discussed with whānau during the upcoming Parent Teacher Student Korero sessions. Our teachers look forward to seeing you there.

In really exciting news, sign off has been obtained on the refurbishment and upgrade of some classrooms (as part of our 5-year property plan) and with great thanks to the PTA for their support, we will soon be progressing development of our new turf area!

The Board would also like your help to contribute a submission on speed limits around our school. Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency is consulting on the proposed Setting of Speed Limits Rule 2021 that lowers speed limits around schools. There is more information on the Waka Kotahi website (<https://www.nzta.govt.nz/about-us/consultations/land-transport-rule-setting-of-speed-limits-2021-consultation>) but look out for an email with all the links coming soon. Consultation runs to **25 June**. Our feeling is the more submissions that are made the better.

MOBILE LIBRARY



Next visit Thursday 27 May. 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.

BOOKS AND GIFTS DIRECT



On display at the office or online too. Money is due by **Friday 28 May**. Please make sure you pay by the due date.

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.



Glenys Murphy, Principal

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Some dates for you to note:

25 May	School Cross Country
8 June	Teacher Only Day
10 June	Fitzherbert Cluster Cross Country