TURITEA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – 5 May

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Nau mai hoki mai - welcome to Term 2. We hope you all enjoyed some valuable whānau time over the break and were able to take some time to relax and enjoy some of the beautiful weather we had (or was that just in Hamilton where Pete and I were for a few days last week?!). I had a special

time catching up with past students and whanau from Turitea. We had the privilege of attending Brad 21+1 birthday - one of the photo boards was dedicated to Brad's time at Turitea. The party was a bit like a mini



reunion 🛈 While we were in Hamilton, I visited Megan at Deanwell School -Megan is now one of our colleagues in her first year of teaching. A proud teacher

moment indeed.

This week we warmly welcome three new students to



the Turitea School whānau - Alice who joins her big brother Billy at school, and Stanley who joins his big brother Ben. Our new little

people are New Entrants in Rimu. We also welcome Angus and his parents Sonia & Shanon, all the way from Dunedin. Angus is a Year 3 student in Matai. We hope you have a long and happy association with Turitea School. Have fun with your learning guys.

ANZAC PARADE

Many thanks to Isabella and Fergus who represented us

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at the ANZAC Day Civic Service and laid the Turitea School wreath on the cenotaph. This a very special time for was

Isabella as Dad



currently serving in Egypt.

KIND HEARTS



Kind Hearts Regional Day – 19 May. You received a notice about this last term. Please return the permission slip and transport money for your child(ren) by FRIDAY.

Please take note of the following dates:

- Tuesday 1 June a parent meeting with our \geq Literacy PLD coach, Liz Kane. The Science of Reading. More information to follow.
- Tuesday 8 June is a Teacher Only Day only the teachers will be at school.

FITZHERBERT SENIOR CLUSTER ATHLETICS

Term 1 ended on a high note with the Fitzherbert Cluster Senior Athletics being held at the Massey Athletics Track on April 15. Congratulations to the following students who were placed in the Championships:

- Jaxton 2nd = Year 4 Boys
- Izzy 3rd = Year 5 Girls
- Millar 2nd = Year 6 Boys
- Ella 1st; Julia 2nd; Eden 3rd = Year 6 Girls

An awesome effort from all our students (and the parents who challenged the Year 7 & 8s in the relay!), and a big thank you to all the whanau members who came along to supervise and support our athletes.



PARENT TEACHER STUDENT KORERO

These will take place on Tuesday 18 and Thursday 20 May. Korero will be 15 minutes long and will start at 3.15pm each day. We would like the students to be a part of this korero. To book just go to the Skool Loop app, click on interview tab and follow steps from there. Any problems - please come to the school office.

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. School Cross country will be held on Tuesday 25 May, starting at 11.30am.

YUMMY APPLES



Our latest collection of P.E. equipment from our Yummy Sticker collection 🐵

Thanks heaps for sending all your stickers in - keep them coming for the next round!

STATIONERY



Last week you should have received a Stationery Invoice and a School Donation Request via email from Trevor Adams, our Board Financial Officer. It would be

appreciated if these could be paid by **4 June** please.

SCHOOL FIELD

Our school field is still out of bounds to all as the new grass continues to grow. Many thanks to the Hazlitt whānau for their work at the beginning of the holidays spreading the soil and sowing the seed 🐵 Finn, Ryleigh and Ruby were real troopers, picking up hundreds of stones from the field. A big shout out also to Mech Traders for donating the roller, Murray Free for donating the direct drill and Jared Hercoe for donating the levelling bar. Your support is greatly appreciated.

PTA NEWS

The PTA Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 13 May at 7.00pm at school. Everyone is welcome, and attending an AGM doesn't mean you'll get a job! A General Meeting will follow the AGM.

On Monday, you received a notice about the Pool Party at the Freyberg Pool on Saturday 15 May. Make sure you save the date and come along for some fun! RSVPs are necessary please.

The Recipe Book, What's Cooking, Turitea School? produced last year to celebrate our 125th year, is still for sale through the school office. Packed full of triedand-true recipes, it's a bargain at \$15.00. They make great gifts too.

MOBILE LIBRARY



TOMORROW Thursday 6 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.



We hope all you Mums out there have a very Happy Mothers' Day on Sunday. Enjoy your special day.

LUNCHES – PITA PIT



Please place your order online www.lunchonline.co.nz

Order by Friday 9am. Please update your child's class. Please note that there needs to be a minimum of 20 orders to be economic for all parties involved. It takes a little bit of time to set it up initially. There are a few tips on our website:

https://turiteaschool.wordpress.com/fridaylunches/

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Turitea wind farm Community Liaison Group meets quarterly to discuss with Mercury the impact of the wind farm construction. Their next meeting will be held in our school hall at 5.15pm TONIGHT and everyone is welcome. The agenda includes noise control, construction traffic and ecological monitoring. Find out more about the project at https://www.turiteawindfarm.co.nz/ and if you're interested in updates, you can join their email list TuriteaWindFarm@mercury.co.nz.

WHAT'S ON TOP WITH THE TURITEA SCHOOL **BOARD - Term 2 2021**

Property has been a hot topic of conversation at recent Board meetings. 79.5% of families voted for a turf in response to the PTA survey so budgeting decisions are being made and quotes are being gathered to progress with this space. 20% of responses were around 'beautification' of the school grounds - this is still on the action plan and will happen in and around the turf developments. Policy review is an annual process for schools. Home Learning and Financial and Property Management are the policies up for review at the current time. Earlier this month, Staff and Board members were invited to join Jon Procter on a tour of Rangitāne landmarks and places of significance. This supported us all in our culturally responsive journey - thank you for your korero Jon. Minutes from Board meetings are available on the school website if you wish to find out more.

Hui Dates for this term are:

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

Glenys Murphy, Principal



Some dates for you to note:	
TONIGHT	Wind Farm meeting, 5.15pm
11 May	Turitea School Board Meeting, 6.00pm
13 May	PTA AGM & General Meeting
15 May	PTA Pool Party
25 May	School Cross Country
8 June	Teacher Only Day
10 June	Fitzherbert Cluster Cross Country