

TPS Newsletter

7th February 2020

Friday, 7th February 2020

Message from Julie

Tēnā koutou katoa,

It is my pleasure to welcome everyone back for the 2020 school year.

There was definitely an exciting buzz in the air on Monday as the children re-united with friends and teachers. The children have settled into their classrooms and are learning very quickly. A huge thank you to our amazing teaching staff for all their hard work before school started.

Meet the Teacher

On Wednesday 12th February we invite all our parents to 'Meet the Teacher'. The following sessions will take place:

5.00-5.30 - Y1 and Y2

5.30-6.00 Y3/4

6.00-6.30 Y5/6

I have staggered the sessions so if you have more than one child you will have the opportunity to meet all their teachers. Apologies to families if you have children in Y1 and Y2. I respectfully ask parents to arrive promptly at the classroom where your child is taught, as their teacher will have a presentation with a whole range of information for you.

The fields, courts and pool will be open so please bring a picnic and enjoy this event with our school community. If there are any lifeguards out there we would really love your support for an hour and a bit.

I will also arrange adult supervision in the library during the session times, especially for younger children, who may not want to sit in on their class session.

5:30- 7:30pm PICNIC

5:45 -7:00pm POOL OPEN (Parent supervision is required)

Swimming Pool Update

I have been working with Sports Waitakere on a community access scheme "West Auckland Open Up". This project has been developed from legacy Hillary Commission funding to support building

relationships that can enable the wider community use of school facilities, e.g. swimming pools, outside of school hours. I am hoping we can open the pool to the school community by late February/early March. In order for the pool to be open to the community, pool attendants will be required.

My first job is to find Pool Attendants to work at our school pool over Term 1 and the Easter Holidays. Ideally, this would suit University students who are able to work after school and on weekends. Our pool attendants are not lifeguards. Duties include admitting pass holders, ensuring patrons are adhering to the pool rules, monitoring the water quality and cleaning the pool area, changing rooms and toilets. The specifications are as follows:

- 17 years and over
- First aid certificate is an advantage (training is provided)
- Sensible, mature and reliable
- Date: Available from late February/early March – 28th April (weather dependent)
- Time: 3.30pm – 7.00pm weekdays and 11.00am – 7.00pm weekends and holidays, various shifts available. The pool will be closed over Easter weekend.

This is a paid position so if you or someone you know would like to apply for a pool attendant position, please email juliel@titirangi.school.nz

I will send out further details about the opening of the pool once I have secured some pool attendants. Exciting!!!

Welcome to new staff

We start the year with a few changes in staffing. I would like to welcome Victoria King (Y3/4), Nicky Pacey (Y3/4), Julie Hoffman (Y3/4) and Hannah Smellie (Y5/6) who are all full-time teachers. Jacqui Stenson is also joining the school in a new role funded by the Ministry of Education as a Learning Support Coordinator. There will be more information throughout the term about what these roles involve for our school and the Kōtuitui cluster. Kasha Klee, Celia Wakely, Maya Ishida, and Trish Speedie are joining us again on a part-time basis and will be mainly releasing teachers/ We are lucky to have consistent relievers for our children.

Cath Davies, the Executive Officer, is proving that she is a life long learner and will be leaving us on 14th February to train as a paramedic. Cath will be missed by us all but we are delighted she is following her dream. I have managed to appoint a new Executive Officer, Shelley Wood, who will join us on Monday, 10th February.

Learning/New Initiatives

Last week our teaching staff joined together for a Treaty of Waitangi workshop, facilitated by Dr Ingrid Huygens and Fiona Ting from Treaty People <http://www.treatypeople.org/>. It was an excellent workshop in which we learnt in-depth about the history of how New Zealand society developed, understandings of the position of Māori people in New Zealand society today, and how and why the Treaty of Waitangi is a founding document for New Zealand society. Dr Ingrid Huygens guided us through the Māori-European relationships leading to the signing of the Treaty, Māori aspirations for the relationship with new settlers as shown in the Declaration of Independence, what Te Tiriti o Waitangi/The Treaty of Waitangi says and the history of colonisation in this country and its impacts. I highly recommend this workshop and they are happy to work with a range of organisations.

Pause, Breathe, Smile

After a successful trial of the Pause, Breathe, Smile programme in two classrooms last year, all our teaching staff are participating in professional learning this year. The programme aims to improve focus and attention, increase calm and student wellbeing, enhance self-awareness and pro-social behaviour and boost resilience for children. It also has these positive effects for our teachers too.

For more information visit <https://mindfulnesseducation.nz/pause-breathe-smile/>.

I will continue to update you on how we progress and I am sure you will hear the children talk about the strategies they are learning very soon.

All the learning the teachers have participated in also links nicely with our Term 1 Concept of Turangawaewae | Understanding Where I Stand especially the enduring understanding:

'I know that my sense of identity, beliefs and connections, thoughts, feelings and emotions, all affect a person's physical health and overall well-being'

With key questions asking:

What makes me unique?

Why do I need to be connected to others?

Why is it important to keep my body healthy?

Why is understanding and expressing my emotions important?

A very exciting term ahead for us all!

Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Julie Lynch

Principal

Our New Staff



Left to right

Mrs Nicky Pacey Year 3/4, Jacqui Stenson Learning Support Coordinator, Julie Hoffmann-Earley Year 3/4, Victoria King Year 3/4 and Hannah Smellie Year 5/6.

What's On - Term 1, Week 2

Week 2

Wednesday 12th February 2020

- Y1 -6 Meet the Teacher & Picnic
- Sushi lunch orders close at 9.30am order via Kindo
https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user_home.shtml

Friday 15th February 2020

- Sushi lunches available (Orders must be placed by Wednesday 12th February)



Week 3

Wednesday 19th February 2020

- Y2 Walk to Mt Atkinson

Friday 22nd February 2020

- Pita Pit lunches available Order by 9.30am via Kindo
https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user_home.shtml

TPS School App

To download the app, use this link <https://titirangi.apps.school.nz/share> or go to the app store on your Apple or Android device and search 'SchoolAppsNZ'.

Once downloaded, search 'Titirangi' to find our school.

Make sure to select your child's class and Year group to receive the correct notifications.



School Hours

School starts at 8:50am and finishes at 2:55pm.

Classrooms are open from 8:30 for students to arrive, catch up with their teacher/friends and prepare for the day.

Students must not arrive at school before 8:15 am and must be collected by 3:30pm pm, unless they are involved in an afterschool extra-curricular activity.

The school offers a before-school and after-school care programme called SKIDS, which operates in the School Hall.

For further information refer to our school website: <https://www.titirangi.school.nz/skids->



8:50am Morning Roll / Block 1

10:30am Morning Tea

10:55am Block 2

12:30pm Lunch Eating

12:40pm Playtime

1: 25pm Afternoon Roll / Block 3

2:55pm End of School

Parent help required for Interschool swimming and school cricket

We have two sporting events coming up in March for which we need parent help:

School Cricket on 4th March

Interschool Swimming on 9th March

If there are any parents with knowledge or coaching experience in either of these sports, we would greatly appreciate your assistance.

Please contact Hilary Peterson via email hilaryp@titirangi.school.nz for details.



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Extra curricular activities available at school

Rhythmn and Steps Lunch Time Dance

Term 1 2020 - Monday Lunchtimes will see a JAZZ dance class running and Thursday Lunchtimes will see a BALLET dance class running.



The children bring their lunch and water bottle to the hall, and get a 45 minute dance class. The cost of this is \$120 per Term per genre, from which the school receives a donation per head donation.

To secure your child's place, visit online www.rhythmnsteps.co.nz and fill out the online enrolment form. The only information we will need updated will be their classroom number for 2020.

Your enrolment will be acknowledged with an email with further information.

Interested in Recorder Lessons?

Recorder lessons are available at Titirangi Primary School, taught by professional recorder player, Imogen Morris. Beginning students will learn the fundamental skills to create a beautiful recorder sound. As they advance, they will develop these skills with fun group pieces.

Older children may have the opportunity to play on larger recorder sizes. Lessons are held on Friday during lunchtime. For more information and to register your interest, please contact Imogen:

imogen.m@windowslive.com.



TRIAL SESSION
Have a try on a
Thursday morning
8am Feb. 20th

**Prior-booking
is essential.**
★★★★★

Enquiries: Kaori Sense'e
Phone: 021 061 6056
Email: WestiesRisingSun@gmail.com



Morning ORIGAMI-Do

Dates: Thursdays - February 27, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2 & 9
Place: Library Time: 8:00- 8:45 am Max. no.: 10 students
The term fee: \$60 *Pre-enrolment and payment are essential.

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Lunchtime ORIGAMI-Do

Dates: Wednesdays - February 26, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1 & 8
Place: Library Time: 12:40- 1:25 pm Max. no.: 10 students
The term fee: \$65 *Pre-enrolment and payment are essential.



MUSIC LESSONS at TITIRANGI PRIMARY

Does your child want to learn to play music?

Would you like in-school lessons with a professional Music Tutor with many years of teaching experience? You can enrol your child in guitar, ukulele, bass or drum lessons at Titirangi Primary!

We deliver a fun, varied and structured curriculum. Students learn songs in styles ranging from traditional to contemporary during school hours.

For information on **GUITAR, UKULELE, and BASS** lessons, contact Jakub Roznawski • 021 0242 0972
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– Rien & Andrew

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Community Notices



The Developing Brain

Woodlands Park School - Titirangi/Auckland
Mon 24 Feb 2020 - 7:30pm - 9:00pm
Tickets at Eventfinda.co.nz



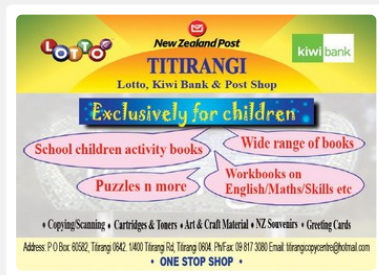
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