

Titirangi Primary School News

Friday, 8th March 2019

Message from Julie

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Million Dollar Mission

WOW! I have just been blown away from the support we have received to raise \$25,000 through the Million Dollar Mission. I would like to say a huge, huge, huge thank you to our families, friends, colleagues, children, ex-students and local schools who have voted. The speed at which we have raised the amount is fantastic.

It was our very own teacher, Ms Mel McCorquindale, up in the early hours this morning who cast the last vote required.

Thank you everyone. I know you will have received a huge amount of emails from the school over the last week or so. We have a new system so emails from your class teacher will look slightly different so please don't delete too quickly!

Education Outside The Classroom (EOTC)

EOTC programmes provide students with access to hands-on experiences that are not available inside the classroom. They offer unique and stimulating learning opportunities that support your child's learning and achievement.

An EOTC experience can be ten minutes in the school grounds, a half day visit to the bush, river or local museum. It can be a camping experience, being involved in a hands-on project in the school's grounds or a local reserve, playing a sport or performing at a local Kapa Haka competition. Each experience provides students with the opportunity to do and learn new things.

We have seen so many hands-on learning experiences this term with our juniors walking up to Mt Atkinson, Year 3's visiting the Corban Estate, the Year 5 Motu Moana camp, Year 4's visiting Arataki and the Year 6 Camp Adair trip next week. The Enviro Team working hard on 'hands-on' projects in the school grounds and huge attendance at Kapa Haka on Fridays. These opportunities reflect what we want our learners to be 'well-balanced', 'connected', 'thinkers', 'respectful' and 'achievers'.

I would like to thank our wonderful teachers who organise these opportunities and give up time away from their own families and children especially during the overnight stays at camp. To all our parent

helpers who support us during EOTC activities, we really can't do this without you.

PTA Picnic

What a fun afternoon we had last Friday. It was lovely to be able to have the pool open, and we even had a few keen parents swim as well.

Thank you to our PTA for organising this event, it was a great way to get our community together.

Pasifika Fono

A huge thank you to our families who attended Pasifika Fono on Tuesday. This was a lovely opportunity to share our 'Diversity' theme and all the learning that has been happening across the school. I look forward to the term ahead and seeing how the ideas, suggestions and offers of support unfold. It is exciting times.

3 Way Conferences

Please note that all bookings for the conferences close today.

The days for the 3-way conferences are **Tuesday 19 March and Thursday 21 March**. Online bookings for these close Friday 8th March. **On Tuesday 19 March, children will be leaving school at 12:30 pm.**

Paid Union Meetings (PUM)

NZEI has organised Paid Union Meetings week commencing Monday 18th March. I will ensure that all NZEI members attend the meetings and I will try to make sure there is as little disruption to student's learning as possible.

Ka kite ano au I a koutou

Julie Lynch
Principal

Thank you from the Children of TPS



More photos below of the fun things happening at school this week

What's On - Term 1 Week 6

Monday 11th March 2019

- Interschool Swimming Gala at Westwave Pools

Tuesday 12th March 2019

- Year 6 to Camp Adair

Wednesday 13th March 2019

- Hearing and Vision Testing

Friday 15th March 2019

- Pita Pit lunches orders close at 9.30am order via Kindo our online shop, Kindo
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Tuesday 19th March 2019

- 3-Way student Conferences, students go home at 12.30pm

sKids available for Student Conferences Tuesday 19 March 2019

sKids will be open from 12.30pm on Tuesday 19 March 2019, student Conference Day.



If you wish to book your child in for the earlier pickup time of 12.30pm please contact sKids directly.

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Phone: 021 064 4681

Pita Pit Lunch Friday 15th March 2019

We have Pita Pit available for lunch **Friday, 15th March 2019**.

Please Note - Pita Orders must be placed by 9:30am Friday morning, 15th March 2019

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New Entrants 2019

Attention: In-zone families, or siblings of existing students.

Do you have a child who will be turning 5 between now and December 2019?

Or do you know a family with a child turning 5 this year? (In Zone only at this stage)

We are updating our preschool register please email the office with your child's or children's names and Date of Birth

join@titirangi.school.nz

For details on our school zone please refer to our website <http://www.titirangi.school.nz/enrolment>



Parent Tutor Reading Programme

We need your help! We are seeking volunteers to assist in our Parent Tutor Reading Programme.

This involves working with four individual children, giving them extra reading practise on one morning a week from 9.00 – 10.00. It is very rewarding to tutors and the children grow in confidence in their reading.

We need help on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings. If you are keen to help, or to find out more, please contact Brigette Helwes.

brigetteh@titirangi.school.nz or call 8178346



New Walking School Bus Route - Kohu Road

NEW WALKING SCHOOL BUS ROUTE

KOHU RD

*Do you live on or near Kohu Rd, Kopiko Rd or Konini Rd.

*There will be an official walking school bus starting soon near the Kopiko/ Kohu intersection. At this stage it will be mornings only.

*If you are interested in your child joining the walking school bus, then please contact Lisa Sparey

Lisas@titirangi.school.nz



We are collecting Yummy Apple stickers

We are going to be collecting Yummy stickers again this year to help raise money for some new PE equipment.

Start looking out the "Yummy" fruits and bring stickers to school. Each classroom will have a collection sheet, with plenty more available if needed.

Thank you for your support.



Desperately seeking Volunteers to assist with the Friday afternoon ice cream stall

Friday afternoon ice creams have become a fun way for parents and children to finish the week with a treat and a chance to catch up with the School Community.



Our ice cream stall raises \$6000 annually for the PTA which supports our children with resources and equipment for our classrooms and books for our library so it's a wonderful way to support the School and your Kids!

We desperately need your help on a Friday for the ice cream stall to continue.

It would be a shame if it couldn't continue and leave a large hole in the fundraising budget.

* Could you spare 25 minutes once a week?

* 2.45pm - 3.10pm

* Just pop along to sell!

- * Everything will be set up - tables and ice creams
- * Your Kids will love seeing you on the stall!

Please text Jennifer on 0275 644 299 if you can help or just turn up on Friday afternoon and we'll gladly accept your help!

PTA Corner

With all the changes to the PTA, we thought it best to introduce ourselves a week at a time so you know who we are.

I'm John Bradley, the new PTA Chair. You've probably seen me around the school as part time caretaker, usually Wednesdays and Thursdays. I live near the top of Huia Road with my amazing (she made me add that) partner Angela and daughter Victoria, currently in Room 16. The older step-children are already working!



Before caretaking, my background was primarily as a Financial Adviser, most recently on the BNZ Private Banking management team, ensuring the Compliance of all the Financial Advisers within the bank.

In my spare time I do contract compliance work to keep the brain engaged, play golf, colour in with Victoria, ride my motorbike, DIY and generally enjoy getting involved and helping out wherever I can.

Catch me at school pick up time for a chat, or look me up on LinkedIn, if you're keen to know more about the PTA.

John



Merit Awards



Fancy Feet Friday

FANCY FEET WALKING

This month is walking to school month - celebrating walking school buses

Thank you to those children who decorated their shoes and also to those people who walked to school.

Park and walk is another option for some families.

We encourage you to walk your children to and from school as it:

- § Helps improve your child's fitness and health (and yours!)
- § Gets them to arrive at school awake, alert and ready to learn
- § Keeps the school gate area clear of parked cars so it is safer for everyone
- § Helps your child to become familiar with their community and to learn road sense skills
- § Saves on petrol money



EOTC Education outside the class room

Year 2 go to Mt Atkinson



Year 1 go to Mt Atkinson



Year 5 on camp at Motu Moana



PTA Family Picnic last Friday



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