

# TPS Newsletter

## 18th June 2020

*Thursday 18th June 2020*

### Message from Julie

Tēnā koutou katoa,

#### **SAVE THE DATES!**

#### **Week 12 (29th June - 3rd July)**

We have some important events happening in Week 12:

#### **Parent/student/teacher conferences**

Please remember to book your 15-minute time slot, as bookings close on **Friday 19 June at 3:00 pm**.

To book an interview, please use [schoolinterviews.co.nz](https://schoolinterviews.co.nz) - Conference Code: **2fy8c**

The dates and times are as follows:

Wednesday 1st July 2.00pm-7.00pm

Thursday 2nd July 3.15pm-5.30pm (finish times are earlier for Y1 and Y2)

Jacqui Stenson, Learning Support Coordinator, is available from 4.30pm-6.30pm if any parents would like to pop in and see her.

**We ask that children are collected at 1.45pm on Wednesday 1st July.**

The **PTA** are organising a sausage sizzle and coffee cart so please remember to bring some cash to purchase these treats. Ice creams will also be on sale for these two days.

#### **Book Fair**

The book fair will be held in the library during the week of 29th June to 3rd July. It will also be open during the evenings of parent/student/teacher conferences.

Book Character Parade Weather permitting, we will hold our book character dress-up parade on the courts at **9.15 am** Wednesday 1st July. Parents are welcome to come along and enjoy the fun.

#### **Achievers/Farewell Assembly - Friday 3rd July**

We will be acknowledging the achievements of this term and farewelling Jonathan Lambert on Friday afternoon.

### Matariki Dawn Ceremony

We will have a special dawn ceremony on 24th July. The celebrations will start promptly at 7.30 am so please start to gather at 7.15 am on the field by the seating. Food is provided by the PTA, including sausages and milo. In line with the school's environmental efforts, this is a **BYOC** event, Bring Your Own Cup. All parents, caregivers, family, and whānau are warmly invited to join us.

### Property Update

There has been a flurry of activity over the last couple of weeks with the refurbishment of Rooms 11 and 12, and a new fire escape that is in the process of being installed. The children have been fascinated with the diggers, skips and concrete trucks that have arrived on site. The concrete cutter was a particularly exciting and noisy day! We have everything crossed that Room 11 will be ready in time for the new entrant class to open in Term 3. We also have approval for a new Junior school playground, rejuvenation of our playing field, and a multi-purpose court for the top field.

### Distance Learning Feedback

Thank you to everyone who has completed the parent survey I have 159 responses, which is great.

### Thank you

Through the efforts of the PTA last year and the school contributions from our amazing community, the Board of Trustees has been able to allocate funds to purchase new furniture for Year 3 and 4 classrooms, as well as new televisions across the school. The chairs and stools are ergonomically correct for the children and a huge improvement. We would like to say an enormous thank you to our school community, as the operational grant we receive from the Ministry does not cover these luxuries.

Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Julie Lynch  
Principal

## What's On - Term 2, Weeks 9 and 10

### Week 11

#### Tuesday 23rd June 2020

- Year 6 talks about transition to intermediate, previous students visit to talk to current Year 6 cohort.

#### Friday 26th June 2020

- Pita Pit lunches available. Order by 9.30am via Kindo  
[https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user\\_home.shtml](https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user_home.shtml)



### Week 12

Annual Scholastic Book Fair Monday 29th June - Friday 3rd July (see details below)

#### Wednesday 1st July 2020

- Sushi lunch orders close at 9.30am. Order via Kindo  
[https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user\\_home.shtml](https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user_home.shtml)
- 9.15am Book Character Parade (Weather permitting) on the courts
- Early finish 1.45pm
- Student conferences 2.00pm-7.00pm

#### Thursday 2nd July 2020

- Student conferences 3.15pm-5.30pm

Friday 3rd July 2020



- Sushi lunches
- 2pm Achievers Assembly
- 2.55pm End of Term 2

### Term 3

**Monday 20th July 2020**

- 8.50am Term 3 starts

**Friday 24th July 2020**

- 7.30am Matariki Dawn Ceremony

## Book Fair and Book Character Parade

**BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP DAY** will be held on **Wednesday 1st July** so you may want to start getting your costumes ready over the next week! There will be a parade on the courts in the morning. See you there!

**ANNUAL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR** - this is taking place in the Library from Monday 29th June - Friday 3rd July. Classes will visit the Book Fair during the week & parents are welcome to come to the Fair to browse and purchase books at the following times:

**8.30 - 9am Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri**

**3.00 - 4pm Mon, Tues**

**3.00 - 5pm Thu**

**1.00 - 7pm Wed** (the afternoon/evening of Student-Led Conferences)

There will be a wide range of books available & proceeds from the Fair will go towards learning & literary resources for the school.

### BOOK FAIR HELP

We would really appreciate some volunteers to help parents purchase books, so if you can spare an hour or two before school or after school during that week, we would love to hear from you!

Also, if anyone is available to assist with setting up the library for the fair on the Friday before, or with packing down the last Friday morning of Book Fair week, we would be grateful for your help.

Please contact our librarian, Anthea, at [librarian@titirangi.school.nz](mailto:librarian@titirangi.school.nz)

Thank you!



## PTA Corner

Hi there school community, we thought we would introduce ourselves - we are your PTA representatives and we want to take this opportunity to tell you what we get up to...and why!

### So what is a PTA?

Many of you will already be very aware of the answer to this but for those parents new to being a school parent, this can be a bit of an unknown.

The PTA is a group of people from the school community that are behind school fundraising activities and community events. Did you know that our school raises around \$30,000.00 every year? This money goes towards things that would not ordinarily get funded through the operational grant of the school. Last year, fundraising from the PTA helped pay a substantial amount towards the new furniture in the Year 3/4 classrooms. This year, we have our eyes set on a new shade solution for our fabulous, newly-refurbished swimming pool.





Being involved in the PTA doesn't have to mean attending lots of meetings and volunteering all of the time. The way a PTA is most effective is when it is well-connected to the school community and has a great network of parents who are happy help out now and again. The strength of a PTA is just that – a keen group of people who can encourage others to get involved in our school community. It could be as little as turning sausages at a sausage sizzle or being the person to organise a coffee cart to turn up!

### **What does fundraising look like at Titirangi Primary?**

We put on some really cool community events designed to bring people together and of course, raise some of that much needed money for things. This includes events like School Discos, the Matariki Breakfast, and the infamous Annual Quiz Night. We are always on the lookout for new ideas or ways of doing things so please reach out if you have a great idea or want to lend a hand - we are a very welcoming bunch!

Below are your current PTA representatives – we are all passionate about our school community, bringing people together and of course, raising money for those "nice to haves"... how great will it be for our kids to have a new shade sail for the pool this coming summer? You will hear more from us throughout the year with lots of opportunities to get involved so go on, give it a go & lend a hand in making our school community fantastic!

If you want to know more about getting involved, feel free to drop me a line, no pressure – we would just love to hear from other passionate members of our fabulous school community -

[pta@titirangi.school.nz](mailto:pta@titirangi.school.nz)

## Meet our PTA



## Introducing Linda Hall our Math Lead at TPS

I thought it would be great to share with you the exciting developments that we have had in this curriculum area over the last 18 months. We have been very lucky to be working with Marie Hirst at Special Addition Ltd. She has been working with the teachers, leading our Maths Professional Development.

Problem Solving in Maths is proving hugely beneficial. This involves children tackling more complex problems, problems that need to be unravelled before they can be solved. This style of teaching includes groups of children working together to solve open-ended, real life questions, often problems which have multiple solutions. These types of problems cover numerous areas of our Maths Curriculum all at the same time. I have attached a couple of examples, one for our younger children, and one problem which senior children would be tackling.

This is just part of a balanced Maths programme. Maths within the classroom involves many different approaches, including whole class teaching, small group work, one-to-one teaching, working with a buddy and working with small groups. Over the school year, the children will be exposed to the entire New Zealand Curriculum, covering Number and Algebra, Geometry and Measurement and Statistics and Probability. If you have any questions or queries, I am always happy to talk.



Scott is having problems with his dog, he keeps running away. You need to design an enclosure for Scott's dog Percy. You only have 24 metres of fence to use. You must use all of the fencing. Percy doesn't like square enclosures.

What will Percy's enclosure look like? Which enclosure would have the largest area for Percy to run around in?



#### Leo the Rabbit

Leo the Rabbit is climbing up a flight of 10 steps. Leo can only hop up 1 or 2 steps each time he hops. He never hops down, only up. How many different ways can Leo hop up the flight of 10 steps? Provide evidence to justify your thinking.

## Lost Property

Lost Property is located in the foyer of the school hall.

Please take a moment to check through all the items that are building up in there.

All the lost property will be packed up and donated to charity on the last day of term, Friday 3rd July.



## Auckland City Mission One Can Two Can Appeal

Thank you to everyone that managed to spare some food for those less fortunate than ourselves. Your generosity saw us smash our goal of 800 cans and the school donated 1040 cans to the Auckland City Mission, who were very grateful when they collected our haul on Friday.

Special congratulations to Room 15, who earned an extra long playtime with their collection of 235 cans. Thank you also to the School Councillors for all their hard work on this project. Well done!







## New Entrants 2020 -2021

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

Do you have a child who will be turning 5 before December 2021?



Or do you know a family with a child turning 5, 2020 or 2021? (In Zone only at this stage)

We are updating our preschool register, please email the office with your child's or children's name, date of birth, address and contact telephone number.

[office@titirangi.school.nz](mailto:office@titirangi.school.nz)

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

## 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.

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



## Photolife - Class, individual and sibling photos

Photolife has been re-booked for the 19th and 20th November 2020.

They will take class and group photos Thursday 19th November and individual and sibling photos on Friday 20th November.

**PhotoLife**

## Friday Lunches

Friday lunches are back

Pita Pit weeks are 26 June.

Sushi weeks are 19th June and 3rd July.

**Lunch  
Orders**

Sushi orders close at 9.30am, Wednesday morning of sushi week.

Pita Pit orders close at 9.30am Friday, the day of the pita pit lunches

## Titirangi Tea Towels

LIMITED EDITION Titirangi tea towels are available now! Cost is \$15 per tea towel or \$10 for each additional tea towel purchased.

Available through Kindo. [https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user\\_home.shtml](https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user_home.shtml)

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## Community News





## Glen Eden Intermediate School

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### OPEN DAYS

**Tuesday 28th, Wednesday 29th, Thursday 30th July**  
9.00am—10.15am, 11.45am—1.00pm

Meet in the school auditorium for a short presentation from Senior Leaders followed by a guided tour of the school hosted by our school councillors. Please arrive at the start time.

*\*Please note that our Open Evenings are traditionally very busy.*

*We highly recommend attending one of our Open Days instead as these offer the opportunity to view 'business as usual' at GEIS, minus the crowds\**

### OPEN EVENINGS

**Tuesday 4th August 7.00-9.00pm**

(Enrolments from Fruitvale, Kaurilands, Laingholm, Prospect, Titirangi, Western Heights and other Out of Zone schools)

**Thursday 6th August 7.00-9.00pm**

(Enrolments from Arahoe, Glen Eden, Henderson Valley, Konini, Oratia, Woodlands Park and other Out of Zone schools)

Meet in the school auditorium at 7pm for a short presentation from Senior Leaders followed by a guided tour of the school hosted by our school councillors.

In Zone and Out of Zone applications must be lodged by **Wednesday 2nd September 2020**.  
The ballot date for Out of Zone selection is **Wednesday 9th September 2020**.

Letters notifying Out of Zone applicants of the outcome of the ballot will be emailed on **Friday 11th September 2020**.

Please visit our school website for all enrolment information and forms.

[www.geis.school.nz](http://www.geis.school.nz)

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## French Bay Yacht Club

Did you know that French Bay Yacht Club has five of these cool boats in its shed, available for our kids to get into and learn to sail in at very low cost? Sailing is a sport for life that teaches independence, resourcefulness and water skills, and your children can enjoy the benefits of this wonderful activity right here in Titirangi at French Bay Yacht Club. French Bay's coaches recommend that sailors start at around 9 or 10 years old, so long as they can swim 50m (with a life jacket). All equipment is provided, and sailing takes place on weekends at high tide. As children develop their skills they have the option of progressing to racing and different types of boats - like these skiffs. Spaces will fill up before winter finishes, so please pre-register your details at [www.frenchbay.org.nz](http://www.frenchbay.org.nz)







# Children's Community Dental Clinic

Free for children 0-17 years

Request to schools to place in their school newsletters/communications:

Kia ora,

During COVID-19 Alert Level 2, the Children's Community Dental Service has reopened some of its clinics for children with urgent dental care needs.

We will be in contact with you if your child requires an urgent appointment.

Alternatively, if your child is in pain, or you have immediate concerns about their teeth, please phone 0800 TALK TEETH to speak with one of our therapists.

We are not able to offer routine appointments just yet, but we will let you know as soon as this changes.

This means that your child's routine appointment may be delayed.

For more information, search for 'ARDS' on the Waitematā DHB website.

Thank you for your understanding and support during this time.

The Children's Community Dental Service.

## Thanks Also To:



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