



Learning for the future in a supportive environment



Te waka o Tamatea

"He waka eke noa"  
We are all in this together

MANAAKITANGA

PERSISTENCE  
Kaitiaki  
Kaitiaki

INTEGRITY  
Kaitiaki  
Kaitiaki

RESPONSIBILITY  
Kaitiaki  
Kaitiaki

DEPENDABLE  
Kaitiaki  
Kaitiaki

 KidsCan

## Kia ora Koutou

8 November 2018

Our Kapa Haka group did an amazing job of welcoming the team from ERO into our school this week. It is wonderful to see our students displaying our school virtues both in the classroom and the playground. Remember correct school uniform including hats must be worn, we have the same expectations all year round! There have been some amazing works of Art being created this year. Have a look at the front page – **Azyln Jacobs** you are very talented!



**UNIFORM:** Girls if not wearing roman sandals need to have white socks on not coloured ones! The correct footwear is still important. Please don't let standards slip, we all need to be looking smart there are still 5 weeks to go. If your child cannot wear the correct uniform in special circumstances a note needs to be given to Vicki Strachan or please text her on 027 341 5373. Thank you.

### SCHOOL CLOSED TUESDAY: Teachers' Strike

As previously advised, the Board of Trustees have carefully considered the availability of teaching staff, and have decided that we can't provide the normal teaching services during the strike. School will therefore be CLOSED on Tuesday (13<sup>th</sup> November) Thank you for your understanding and support.

*Stephen Brown  
Chair, Board of Trustees.*



We are now a Kids Can School! Thank you Te Aotaki and Christian who helped unload all the many cans of fruit, baked beans etc for our breakfast club. We have also been provided with raincoats, boxes of tissues, girls' personal products and items for kids in need. Many thanks to Kids Can and Vicki Strachan for organising this.

**ATHLETICS STANDARDS:** Our school Athletics including shot put, discus, and long jump is being held from 1.00 tomorrow. Parents/caregivers are more than welcome to come down and cheer our students on.

## POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

**We want your voice!** To access our school policies and give feedback on policies that are up for review, head to the Tamatea Intermediate School Docs site.

### Items up for Review Term 4, 2018

- Improving Educational Outcomes for Maori
- Religious Instruction
- Harrassment

Log on to have your say on our policies and assist us in our upcoming reviews

[Tamatea Intermediate School Docs Site - CLICK HERE!](#)

**CAMP** Our Year 8 campers head off on Monday!! We know you will have a fantastic time. Please remember camp is to be paid in full by TOMORROW unless an AP is well underway. If your child has lost any camp notices, they are available on the newsletter page of our website. Double check your gear list over the weekend while you are packing. Have fun!

**FUNATHON:** The amount we raised for Fun a thon this year is:

**\$5646.80**



If you have any more money at home to bring in it is **not** too late! Please bring it into the office. Thank you to all our parents, whanau and the community for your support with our fundraiser and Mrs Polly for counting it all!

**LOST PROPERTY!!** Please have a look at the lost property box outside Vicki's office, there is A LOT of clothing in there! Chances are the sweatshirt your child thought was stolen is actually in the Lost Property Box!! With the warmer weather students are taking their sweatshirts off and leaving them on the playground, field or courts.



**MATHS MIND MOVER:** If 4 is the square root of 16, and 6 is the square root of 36, what is the square root of 576?

*Please remember to include your name and room number with your working out. Good Luck.*

**Socials:** All classes are practising social dancing. A permission slip for the socials along with further information will be sent home with your child a couple of days before the social. This permission slip is then used as their ticket in the door. But as a heads up, students will need to be tidily dressed, bring a plate of food suitable for supper and have \$2 entry fee!



Regards,  
Joanne  
Smith,  
Principal



Upcoming Events	
9 November	Athletics standards 1pm School field
13 November	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED TEACHERS' STRIKE</b>
12-16 November	Year 8 Camp
28 November	Year 7 Social 7pm – 9pm
29 November	Year 8 Social 7pm-9pm
4 December	Service Award Assembly 9.30am
6 December	Final Prize giving Assembly 9.30am
7 December	Road Patrol Reward Day at Splash Planet / Reports home
13 December	Last day of school <b>12.30 finish</b>
14 December	2 <sup>nd</sup> Hand Uniform Sale 9am-11am School Hall
28 Jan 2019	School office opens 9am-11am
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Year 8's start back (Yr 7 drop in day)
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 7's begin

# Here are some more online safety tips from netsafe



## Screen Time

The internet has changed the way we work, rest and play. With so many ways to connect many parents worry about how much time their children spend online.

Here are Netsafe's top tips for parents wanting to manage how much time their children spend online:

- Not all time spent online is made equal – time spent passively consuming is not as constructive as time spent creating or learning online. Talk to your children about what kinds of activities they are doing online and base your screen time limits on this.
- Set boundaries – try to set limits on the amount of time they spend doing certain activities online as soon as they get the device, this makes it easier later on. You can also look into using parental controls or scheduling or restricting access via the router.
- Model good behaviour – agree limits on technology use and make sure you stick to them too! This could be no devices at the dinner table or no answering emails after a certain time at night.
- If your child's technology use is affecting their ability to take part in normal activities (such as sleeping, doing their homework or doing other hobbies) or changed their behaviour at school or at home then it's important you look at managing their technology use.

For more information on screen time visit [www.netsafe.org.nz/screen-time](http://www.netsafe.org.nz/screen-time)

## Online Gaming

**Gaming is everywhere. Many mobile games are played online and can have a multiplayer option where gamers can interact with their friends, as well as strangers all over the world. Many also have private messaging features.**

Here are Netsafe's top tips for parents wanting to keep their children safe while they play online games:

1. **Set up parental controls:**  
Both mobile and traditional gaming platforms offer parental control features or apps which requires you to okay any game your child tries to download.
2. **Set boundaries:**  
Talk to your child about the game before they get started and set some boundaries about how many hours you think it is appropriate for them to play the game each week. It's also a good idea to discuss appropriate online behaviour and the expectations you have of their own online conduct. Remind them that they should never share any personal or private details with someone they meet online.
3. **Make a plan for if something goes wrong:**  
It's important to talk with your child about the types of behaviour they may experience from other players while playing the game – unfortunately some of this may be negative. Make sure they know how to use any blocking and reporting features and let them know that they can always talk to you if they encounter something that makes them feel uncomfortable or upset.
4. **Check in:**  
Check in with your kids when they're playing games and show interest in their progress. Ask how they are going and if they have any concerns about other players. Note any changes in behaviour or sleeping patterns, or if they start talking a lot about a new friend they met in the game.

For more information on online gaming advice visit [netsafe.org.nz/gaming](http://netsafe.org.nz/gaming)

