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a supportive environment**





The Storm Has Arrived!! 23 February 2017

Kia Ora Koutou. Welcome to the second newsletter for the year. Wow it sure has been a busy start with so much going on!! Our chocolates arrived at 3.00 on Monday!! Many thanks to our helpers who formed a working chain to get the chocolates into the air conditioned office. It is not too late to get permission slips into school so your child can sell chocolates and be a part of this major fund raiser. Thank you to the parents/families /caregivers who attended our 'Meet the Teacher' last week. It was great to see so many families here supporting their children in their learning.



EXPLORING OUR VIRTUES.....

What is Manaakitanga???

Mana – Self worth

Aki – How self worth is generated

Tanga – Treating others as you would like to be treated, respect (creating self- worth in others), giving of yourself.

At Tamatea Intermediate

Manaakitanga is our overriding virtue. It encompasses all we do, how we care for and respect for ourselves, others and our School.



FREE MUFTI DAY TOMORROW!!!

TOMORROW Friday 24th February we will be having a Mufti Day in recognition of those classes who have earned their 'Getting Started' PB4L Class Reward. Sensible clothes to be worn **ONLY**. **PLEASE NO PJ's or Onesies!!** Also:

NO

exposed midriffs/tummies etc, offensive messages on clothing, bandanas, extreme hairstyles or outfits, makeup/nail polish!!

Students need to make sure they have covered shoes if doing Technology.

Sausage Sizzle! \$2.00

As well as the Mufti Day tomorrow we are also having a sausage sizzle, all proceeds will go towards PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) for prizes and rewards for our students. \$2 to the classroom teacher tomorrow morning please.



The Canteen will NOT be open at interval or lunch tomorrow. Lunchonline still available

Is your child handing \$\$\$\$\$ in to the School Office? PLEASE!
put it in an envelope with....

STUDENT NAME
ROOM
ACTIVITY / TRIP

John Brown
R4
Marine Parade Trip

..... and then mail it..... in the student service window:

STUDENT SERVICE WINDOW Where is the student's service window you may ask? This service window is situated to the right of the main Office block. It is accessible for all students before school and supervised by Mrs Julie Polly. Purchases for school stationery can also be made from here. Envelopes can be placed in the mail slot. This alleviates any problems with students and/or staff handling money and also keeps the School Office free from congestion each morning. The mail slot is secured and emptied every day. All money brought to School each day is required to be in a named, sealed envelope and clearly labelled notifying what the payment is for.



RAINY DAYS

On wet/rainy days, the School may close early at 2.35pm. The decision to close the School early is made at approximately 11.45am. Early closure will mean that the lunch hour is shortened by 25 minutes, therefore students going home for lunch need to return to school earlier.

A message is left on the Parent line informing Parents/Caregivers that the school will finish at 2.35pm and will also be posted on our school website and facebook. We ask that Parents/Caregivers **please ring the Parent line – 8449 332** to access this information.

When ringing to enquire about an early finish, it is best to access the Parent line rather than contacting the School Office. This system works best and doesn't tie up the office telephone lines. If you find this number engaged – please wait and try again in 2-5 minutes.

ABSENCES TEXTING / ANSWERPHONE

Please ensure you make contact with the School to inform us of any absences or late students:

PARENT LINE / ANSWER PHONE – 8449332 TEXT – 027 3415373



STUDENT DATA BASE INFORMATION

Don't forget if you have had a change of address, contact phone numbers, email or a change in family circumstances please advise the office. It is very important that the contact details are up to date so that we have the correct phone numbers and contact names in case of sickness or emergency.

ICECREAM CONTAINERS:

Wanted for the Art Room please!!!!!! If you have any to spare Ms Kennett would appreciate them being dropped into the office, thanks!



LUNCH ON LINE ROOM CHANGES

The team at Lunchonline have contacted us asking that students' room numbers be updated, so if your child is now Year 8 please update the details using your login and password. If your child is in the new block the classes should be available on the room drop down now, as Rongokako and Muriwhenua.

TARADALE ROAD SAFETY!!

Our Road Patrollers and staff are very concerned by the number of parents/caregivers allowing their children to cross over Taradale Road without using the pedestrian crossing! This is very dangerous and we would hate for an accident to happen, we have already seen too many near misses. Please use the Road Patrol service we have available both before and after school.



SOFTBALL!!

It's great to see our Softball team out on the field every Wednesday afternoon. Our school has organised a Tri-Series Competition between William Colenso, Te Arahou and ourselves. Thanks to everyone helping Vicki with umpiring, scoring and assisting with coaching.



MATHS MIND MOVER!! Andrew, Tasman and Jasper are mates. They like different sports (rugby, hockey and soccer), and go to practice on different evenings (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday).

Tasman practices on Tuesday but doesn't play hockey. Soccer practice is held on Wednesday and does not involve Jasper. **Who plays hockey and on what day does he practice?**

Please record your thinking, name and room number on your entry and place in the competition box in the front office. Mrs Polly will draw a winner at the first assembly on Monday morning. Entries must be handed in before 8.40 each Monday. Good luck.

PLAY FOOTBALL FOR PORT HILL JUNIORS: Please register online at sportsground.co.nz/porthilljuniors All registrations must be completed by 17th March. Please contact Kerry 834 3055 or 022 1599475 for further info. AGM TONIGHT 7.00pm at the Port Hill United Clubrooms Herrick St.

HEADLICE: This remains a problem even at Intermediate age. Please check your child's hair regularly and begin treatment immediately. Students can return to school once treatment has started.

YEAR 8 TRIP TO PANDORA POND: A letter and permission slip will be sent home tomorrow with details of a trip to Pandora Pond/Ahuriri Estuary we are looking at doing the end of March. There will be spare copies available in the office if your child does not receive one.



Regards

Jo Smith
PRINCIPAL

Upcoming Events!

24 February	Mufti Day & Sausage Sizzle (canteen closed)
8 March	Unsold chocolates to be returned to school
13 March	Chocolate money due back
20 March	Chocolate Storm Prize Giving 11.50am
27 th & 29 th March	Year 8 trip to Ahuriri Estuary
5 April	Interim Reports sent home
10 th /11 th April	Informal parent conferences
13 April	Last day term one (Good Friday tomorrow!!)

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