



Our Vision
Te Pikinga -
Onwards and Upwards
Kia mau ki to mana – Hold
Steadfast to that which is yours



Tainui Full Primary School

TERM 1 WEEK 7 Rāmere 20 Poutū-te-rangi 2020

Quote

Play is the shortest route between children and their creative calling



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Wednesday 1 April, 6:30pm	BOT Meeting
Wednesday 25 th March 11am	Hearing and vision checks

Kia ora, Kia orana, Talofa, Greetings

Meet Our Junior team and learn about our transition to school program

2020 Te Tauihu (Y0-Y2) Kaiako at Tainui full Primary School

Ngā Pēpi Manu - Transition to school programme
Where: Room 1
When: Every Tuesday weeks 2-9, term 1-4
from 9am-11:30 (block 1 & 2) for their first three visits
Then 9am-12:30pm (block 1, 2 & 3) for the next three visits
How: Come and see the office to enrol

Let's support the most important transition of their lives and make it a positive experience.

Kia Ora, I am Miss Beggs. I was born in South Africa and moved to New Zealand in 2019. I have seen Elephants, Lions, Giraffes, Rhinos and MANY more wild animals! One of my favourite animals are Elephants.

Kia Ora koutou, I am Mrs Whetu. I am passionate about teaching children. I love to read books and I like to shoot 100 netball goals without missing.

Kia Ora, I am Whaea Tanora. I am born and bred right here in Tokoroa and I know how to talk to whales just like Dory! I also like to race cars like lightning McQueen.

Kia Ora, I am Whaea Sam. I love to play dress-up and make costumes. My favourite food is ice-cream.

Introducing our BOT staff rep



Dean Sanson
Staff Rep

Kia ora, my name is Dean Sanson and I am the staff representative on the Board of Trustees for Tainui Full Primary School. I am a South Waikato guy and grew up in Putaruru, just one town over from Tokoroa.

Teaching and travelling have always been passions of mine and they have both enabled me to work multiple summers in a Summer Camp in the USA and work in schools in London. However, home will always be in the South Waikato for me and it was time to come home. This is now my 4th year at Tainui Full Primary School and I am very proud to call it my second home. There is a great community vibe here and I am very fortunate to have a teaching position here at Tainui Full Primary School.

Our tamariki will always be at the heart of all that we do and they deserve a great education in all aspects of their school life. I look forward to working alongside our other awesome board members and being a part of what the future has in store for Tainui Full Primary School.

Student Voice



Name: Kalevi Vartiainen
Age: 12 Room: CC1
What do you like about Tainui? **Playing sport & seeing my friends.** What is your Favorite subject? **Math's & PE** What makes our school cool? **We have funny/cool teachers, we are friendly, & we are athletic.**



Name: Azaleah Mayes
Age: 6 Room: Te Matauranga
What Are you learning in class? **I am learning about the school logo and what it means.** The bone in the middle represents onwards and upwards and the koru patterns represent teachers students staff & family.

SunSmart School

We are a SunSmart School therefore; it is policy that we have all our students and staff wear a sunhat for Terms 1 and 4. It is about protecting the children from the sun.

WINTER SPORTS

Update the Tokoroa netball & soccer association have decided to suspend all games & trainings for all age groups following guidelines from the ministry of health. We are awaiting confirmation from others sports codes but will keep you all in the loop as we get this information

Our Expectations

HELP - LICENSE PLATES

Please note if you are parking on the yellow lines outside the school your license plate number will be taken down and noted in the newsletter. We have repeatedly asked for cars not to park on the yellow lines, it is illegal and most importantly it is so dangerous for our students. We have had so many near misses because tamariki cannot see past the cars that are parked on the yellow lines. We have no other solution but to try this. Hopefully it will stop and ultimately keep our precious children safe. Thank you for those who are supporting us and following the rules.

IS THIS YOU?

Here are some parking offenders
FG386 KRG461 HUJ320 LJJ857 KPM49 DBB988
JWR903 EFK187 GYF684 LWD796 HHU928

Coronavirus

Basic hygiene measures are the most important way to stop the spread of infectious disease, including the 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Basic hygiene measures include:

- hand hygiene – that is, washing hands regularly with soap and water, or cleansing with hand sanitiser
- staying at home if you are sick

Keeping yourself and your loved ones safe online

Netsafe is New Zealand's independent, non-profit online safety organisation. We provide online safety support, expertise and education to people in New Zealand. After noticing the growing influence of technology in their respective areas, the New Zealand Police, Ministry of Education and several not for profits teamed up with telecommunication organisations and IT industry partners to create an independent body focussed on online safety. Together they created the Internet Safety Group (rebranded Netsafe in 2008). Netsafe was given the remit to build an internet safety organisation that didn't scare people away from technology. Instead we encouraged people to adopt it by promoting the tools and techniques they could use to minimise their online risks. Check it out! <https://www.netsafe.org.nz/>

SCHOOL SWIMMING - Postponed

We would like to advise that our remaining swimming sessions at the Tokoroa Pools have been postponed as a response to the COVID-19 pandemic. We will look into rescheduling later in the year if possible. We are following Ministry of Education recommendations in order to keep our tamariki safe.

What is BULLYING?
• is deliberate, harmful, aggressive behaviour
• is behaviour that is repeated over time
• involves a power imbalance between those who bully and those being bullied
• can be physical, emotional, verbal or online

At Tainui Full Primary School...
others respect people's treat

Bullying STOPS Here We treat others with RESPECT

NO BULLIES! We STAND UP for one another

others respect people's treat We TALK about our feelings

We say 'NO' to BULLYING

How will the transition look for your child:
Children to come in the mornings for the first two blocks ie: 8:55-11:30am (for the first three visits) then three blocks per visit every Tuesday. We are flexible so if you believe your child may need extra visits please come and talk to Whaea Taiora.

Ngā Pēpi Manu learning pack is given and each visit a new learning tool is provided.

A welcome wall will be evident, you will see your child's name and photo, newsletters and learning activities.

Each visit Whaea Taiora (Transition to School Leader) will take the time to get to know the child and whānau also ensure that the other teaching team members know who your child is. The whānau will be taken through the learning activities, the class Facebook Page, School Website, and School App. These are various platforms to keep whānau in the loop.

Whaea Taiora will visit at least two Early Childhood Centres every week so she is a familiar face in the centres and the children can connect with her on a level that is safe and within their own space.

Your child will graduate from Ngā Pēpi Manu, they will get cloaked and receive a graduating certificate - yah!

We are very open to your feedback if you think there are some further ways we can help to make certain your child has the best start to their schooling.

TO OUR TAINUI WHANAU : We understand that this is a very scary time for humanity, our Tokoroa whanau and wider community. We as a school are doing everything we can to help keep all our tamariki safe. We have supplied all class rooms with hand soap and they are required to wash at least 3 times a day, hand towels to ensure proper drying, disinfectant spray and wipes to clean all our school spaces and plenty of korero around Covid-19 and the importance of good hygiene. For parents at home who have children asking questions a good video to watch is Nanogirl on you tube. Please also refer to the ministry of health website for updates and information.

www.ministryofhealth.co.nz

Onwards & Upwards

Onwards - moving forward, moving on to something better
Upwards - having a goal of continued self-improvement



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