



Taitā Central School Newsletter



Ako tahi Tātou, Tipu tahi Tātou
Together we Learn, Together we Grow

Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Bula Vinaka, Malo e lelei, Malo ni, Fakatalofa atu, Namaste, Mingalaba, Kumusta, Marhaba, Sawatdee, Xin chào, Choum, Reap, Sour, Assalamu alaikum, Hello, Greetings!

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Number 10
Tekau

Term 2: Week 9
Wāhanga 2: Wiki 9

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Coming Events:

Fri 28 June – Matariki Public Holiday – **School Closed**

Tues 2 July - HuttFest 6:00-8:00pm

Mon 22 July - Term 3 starts

Tues 30 July – Year 6 visit to Avalon Intermediate

Mon 5 Aug – Cook Island Language Week

Fri 16 Aug - Staff Only Day – **School Closed**

Mon 19 Aug – Tongan Language Week

To Action:

Important Dates to remember...

Tues 2 July – Taitā Central School HuttFest performance 6:00-8:00pm

Absence TXT Line: 022 351 2655 - Text child's first & last name, Ako/class, absence reason, sender's name

Manawatia a Matariki

Thank you for the wonderful response by our parents, caregivers, whānau and aiga to my request last Friday to keep your children home from school if you were able to. Your support was very much appreciated by those of us who were at school. Last Friday we had Matua Dylan and Miss Powell attending the Niho Taniwha workshop which was focusing on improving teaching and learning for ākonga Māori. We also had Miss Forman and Merehana attending a Lego Therapy Workshop which provided support to use lego to assist with the development of social skills, collaboration, problem solving and creativity with our ākonga/students. There were also 2 staff away sick and the reliever we had booked called in sick that morning as well.

Attendance, Engagement & Achievement

As a school we continue to focus on ensuring our ākonga are at school and actively engaged in learning. It is great to see the increase in student attendance in Term 1 this year compared to Term 1 last year. We continue to focus on attendance and arriving at school on time as these are essential for our ākonga/students to be able to fully engage in school and be successful. Thank you to our families, whānau and aiga who are working with us to support your tamariki, you are making a difference for them!

Skool Loop App

We are keen to get all our families, Whānau and Aiga using the Skool Loop App, so that next term we can start to send out notices through the app and parents can then fill out permission forms through the app. This will save a lot of paper, lost notices and hopefully be quicker and easier for you.

To make this work we need you to join the Skool Loop App notice groups for your tamariki. There are groups for each Block e.g. Pohutukawa and Kowhai, as well as groups for each class e.g. Ako 1, but we also have a group for Study Centre and for our Akomanga(Classroom) Ngā Hau e Whā.

We have attached the instructions to this newsletter. If you are having any trouble joining the groups, please come and see Whaea Shell or Erin.

SCHOOL NEWS



P	Perseverance / <i>Whakapau Kaha / Onosa'i</i> - give it a go and keep trying, even when it gets hard.
O	Outstanding / <i>Kei runga noa atu! / Matua <u>silisili</u> ona lelei</i> - always being the best that you can be.
W	Whakawhanaungatanga / <i>Te toa takitini / So'otaga</i> - we come together as one.
E	Empathy / <i>Aroha - Ngākau aroha / Lagona Alofa</i> - trying to understand how others feel.
R	Respect / <i>Kiritau - Whakamana -Whakaute / Fa'aaloalo</i> - treating others how you would like to be treated.

POWER Values - Our value focus for Week 7 & 8 across the school was Empathy, Aroha / *Ngakau aroha, Lagona Alofa* - trying to understand how others feel. The New Zealand Falcon (Karearea) is our mascot for our values.

Assembly – Week 6 & 7

Friday Assembly. Thank you to Ako 7 and our hosts Emma, Faaeteete and Maddie and visuals Albert and Navilan.

Congratulations to our Ako Award Winners:

Ako 1: Amara & Kina
 Ako 3: Jack & Phoenix
 Ako 4: Simaima & Ace
 Ako 7: Albert & Khanishk
 Ako 8: Londoni & Jahziah
 Ako Iwa: Victoria & Emily
 Ngā Hau e Whā: Ngā Hau e Whā tamariki & Emily

Congratulations to our Principal Award Winners:

Week 6:

Ako 4: Manuah for making a huge effort in the class, with his schoolwork and working towards his Pathway to Leadership certificate. Keep up the great work Manuah
 Ako 8: Atarangi for showing leadership within Ako 8, Pohutukawa Block and the school. Keep up the great mahi!

Week 7:

Ako 1: Jahmima for being a thoughtful friend. You are always making sure that people are okay and have someone to play with.
 Ako 3: Samuel for working consistently towards your learning goals. Great to see you persevering. You contribute to all our learning discussions and ask when you are not sure. Tino Pai!
 Ako 7: Rhys for showing Positive behaviour inside and outside the class for the whole week. He has been listening, following instructions and being respectful. Keep it up!
 Ako Iwa: Elisefou for taking more of a lead in your own learning and asking questions when you are stuck. You are willing to help others and always trying to be your best. Ka mau te wehi.

Congratulations to our Special Prize Winner: Izzy (A9)

Congratulations to our Pathway to Leadership Award Winners:

Ako 1: Kina, Niko & Zeta
 Ako 4: Mirai & Manuah
 Ako 7: Kent, Kanishk, Navilan, Faaeteete, Aaru, Maddie & Jared
 Ako 8: Jahziah
 Ako Iwa: Glynis, Janelisa, Victoria, Emily & Kaden



Congratulations to our POWER in the Playground Winners: Naayagi (A3) Sitina (A7) Eva (A3) Jonathan (A8) Londoni (A8) Victoria (A9) Eliana (A8) Brynn (A3) Navilan (A7) Amara (A1)

Mana Moments

Ngā Hau e Whā tamariki made some Parāoa Koroua (Old Man's Bread) and then got to eat it with butter and jam.



Te Ahi Ora – Fire and Flow

Last Wednesday evening the Te Ahi Ora team came back to work with some of our ākonga/students to put on a demonstration

Our teachers were extremely proud and impressed with the responsible and respectful way our ākonga/students approached their fire performance last Wednesday evening. It was great to see how confident our tamariki were when using the fire sticks and how well they persevered to master the skills.



Matariki celebration Day

On Monday 24th June our ākonga/students worked with their buddy class to participate in a variety of Matariki Art and craft activities. Our teachers and teacher aides organised lots of Matariki activities such as decorating star shaped biscuits, weaving stars, building kites, drawing, colouring and painting stars and singing waiata.









During the day teachers and teacher aides looked for ākonga/students who were showing our POWER Values, being Outstanding, showing whakawhanaungatanga and being supportive buddies and simply being Superstars! All these names went into a draw for the Duffy matariki Book Kete which was draw at our sharing assembly. This prize was won by Leigon from Ako 7. Kau mau te wehi Leigon.

Tuakana Teina in Ako 4

Atarangi and Cherie showing leadership and reading with Ako 4 children.



Te Reo Māori Phrase of the Week.

Whaea Michelle has been supporting our teachers and ākonga to increase the use of Te Reo Māori within our classrooms and school. We now have a Te Reo Māori phrase of the week which we are all learning and trying to make sure we use. You may hear your tamariki using these phrases at home.

Week 8 - "Whakarārangi mai" (line up here)

Board News

The Taitā Central School Board received the resignation of board member Kelly Lia at our meeting in June. Kelly was co-opted onto our school board in 2019 and has served our school community extremely well in her role as a parent trustee. The Board acknowledges the work that Kelly has done and her contribution to Taitā Central School during her time as a Board member and Presiding Member. Kelly has been a strong advocate of all our ākonga/students and staff as well as being a representative of our Māori Whānau ensuring that their voice is heard at a board level. Kelly has worked with two school boards and as the only board member who stayed on during the last election she was elected as our Board Presiding member (Chairperson) during my first years as principal at Taitā Central School. I would like to personally thank Kelly for the support and guidance she provided me at this time and wish her well.

Community News

A message from Isobel Furnis our Public Health Nurse

You may be aware that the Pertussis (whooping cough) infection is on the rise in our region.

Whooping Cough (Pertussis)

Whooping cough (pertussis) is a highly infectious disease that is spread by coughing and sneezing. It is caused by bacteria which damage the breathing tubes and can be very serious for babies and children, especially those under 1 year old.

If babies catch whooping cough they may not be able to breathe properly, may become ill that they need to go to hospital and could end up with serious complications.

The disease is most infectious in the first couple of weeks, when symptoms present like a normal cold, and is infectious for 3-4 weeks after the cough starts.

Most babies catch whooping cough from parents or older siblings, before they are old enough to be immunised.



Prevention

Immunisation is free and is given when the baby is 6 weeks, 3 months and 5 months old. Booster vaccinations are available for other groups.

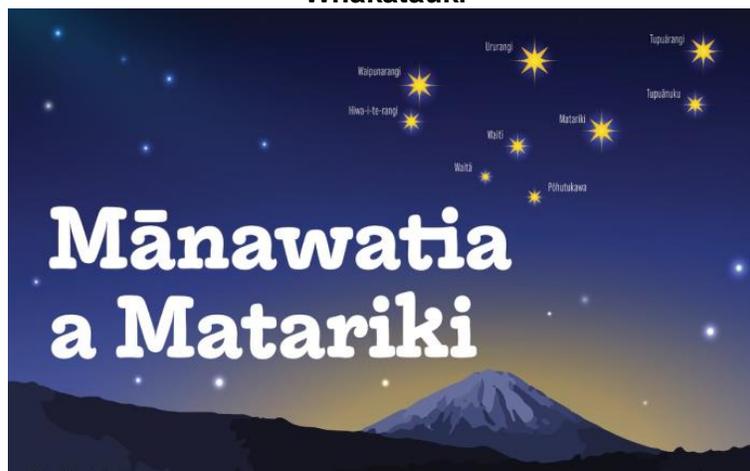
Below is a link to public health advice about Pertussis which you may want to add to your next newsletter.

<https://www.rph.org.nz/public-health-topics/illness-and-disease/whooping-cough-pertussis/>

To keep up to date with our learning and news, please join our new Taitā Central School facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61558675191792>

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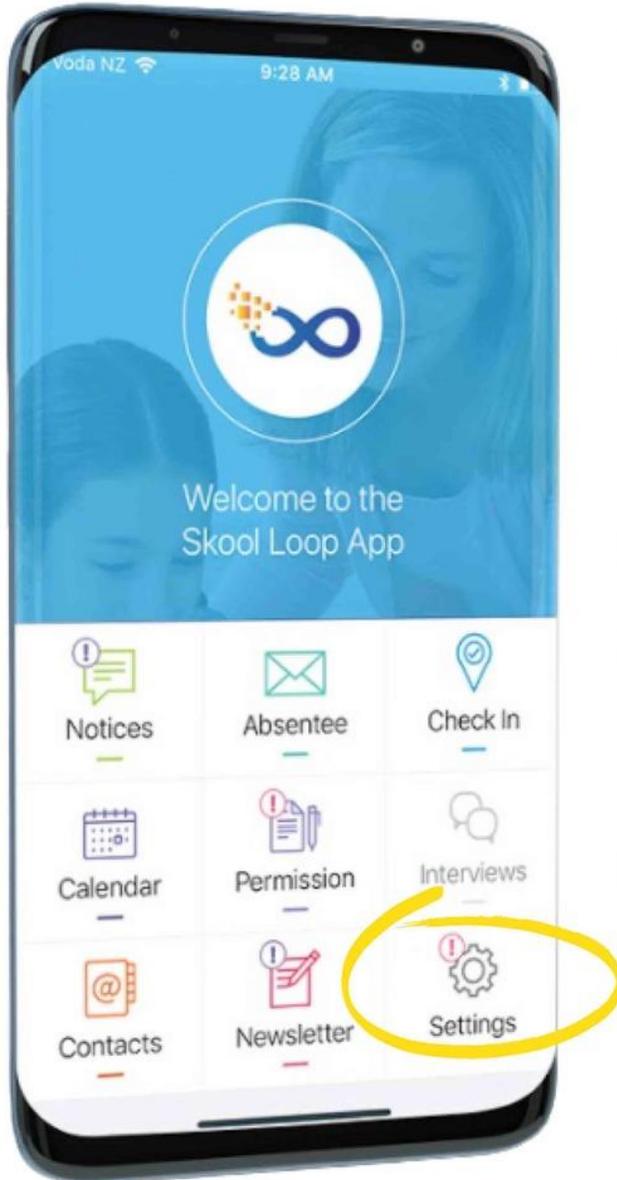
Ngā mihi maioha / warm greetings

Whaea Shell / Michelle Picard and Taitā Central School Staff

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- Go to 'Subscribe to groups'
- Tap to select the group/s you would like to receive notifications from
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