



• Taitā Central School Pānui • Term 1 Week 4 - 26th February 2026 •

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!



Vision

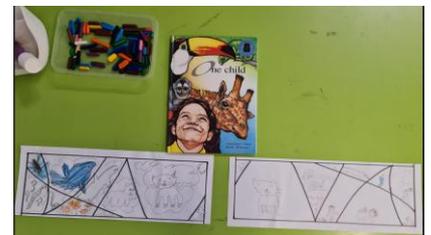
"Te tu pakari tahi, te whakamana i nga ākongā katoa."

Standing strong together – enhancing the mana of all learners

Mission

Ako tahi Tātou, Tipu tahi Tātou

Together we Learn, Together we Grow



Last Wednesday I spent the afternoon in Ako 3. We read the book **One Child** by Christopher Cheng and Steven Woolman, which tells the story of how the actions of One Child can change the world and help to make the world a better place to be. The photos show some of the tamariki in Ako 3 creating their own stained class windows of the pollution and waste or the way they can help to clean up the world.

New Enrolments – Nau mai, haere mai ki to kura o Ngā Hau e Whā, ngā mihi maioha - A warm welcome to our Taitā Central School community:

Ako 4 – Cyrus, Natano

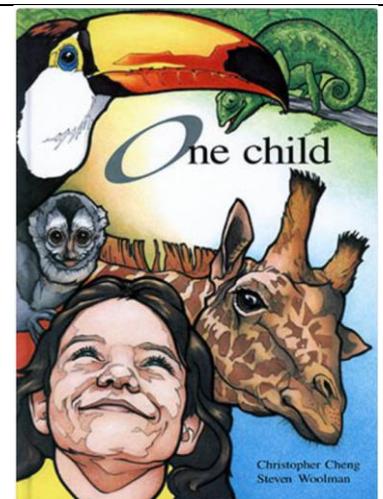
Coming Up

Monday 2nd March – Movin' March starts – walk, scooter or bike to school.
Friday 20th March – **Whānau Back to School Celebration** 3pm – 6pm.

School Attendance

Taitā Central School has created and approved our Attendance Management Plan in preparation for the mandated introduction by the start of Term 1 2026. A copy of our Taitā Central School Attendance Management Plan + STAR has been uploaded to our school webpage. This link to this document is found under the Heading About Us > Information for Parents > Absences – Attendance.

<https://www.taitacentral.school.nz/about-us/information-for-parents/>



School Policies – SchoolDocs

Our school policies are available to all parents, caregivers, whānau and aiga to view and also to participate in their reviews.

All reviewers

1. Visit the website <https://taitacentral.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
2. Enter the username (taitacentral) and password (power).
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the **Start your review** button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type.
7. Enter your name (optional).
8. Follow the prompts to show that you've read the topic and enter your feedback if you'd like to comment.
9. Agree to the privacy statement and click “Submit review”.

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.



Te Reo Māori Phrase of the Week.

This year we are continuing to focus on using 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.

The phrase we are reviewing for Week 5 & 6 is, Ka mau te wehi! / Amazing.



Taitā Central School Meet the Parents / Whānau – School Interviews

Thank you to everyone who was able to come along and meet your tamaiti / child's teacher for 2026.

All About Me Sheet

Our teachers are keen to know more about your child and their family, whānau, aiga. The more our teachers know their ākonga/students, the better they can meet their learning needs. **Please spend some time with your child to fill in the sheet together, if you have not already completed it and send it back to school as soon as you can.**

Our Strategic Goal 1 is Whānau Engagement - Build strong relationships and work in partnership with families, whānau, aiga to support their tamaiti/child.

Our initiatives for 2026 will focus on...

- Seek regular opportunities to build strong engagement with families/whānau, and aiga and create a schedule of interactions.
- Grow our families/whānau, and aiga understanding of their tamaiti/child's strengths and needs and ways they can support them.
- Create an effective learning pathway which supports our ākonga/students and family/whānau to transition to and from our kura/school.



Community News

Community News this week



HUTT VALLEY GYMNASTICS

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From our littlest explorers, to teenagers and beyond, there is a class for everyone at HVG!

Where kids can swing, jump, flip and run in a safe & supportive environment, while challenging themselves and learning to push their limits with our incredible, qualified coaches to guide them.

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Arohanui Strings+ is a Sistema-inspired early intervention music education programme, and registered charitable trust, running groups in Taitā, Stokes Valley, Wainuiomata, Mt Cook, Miramar and Newtown. We teach strings, brass and woodwind.

All children aged 6 to 18 are welcome – we do not audition. **If you are interested in registering your child, or would like to find out more, please [email us](mailto:admin@huttvalleygymnastics.co.nz).** To find out about our day-to-day activities and upcoming events visit our [Facebook page](#) or [Instagram](#). Also, see our videos on [YouTube](#).

Westpac Rescue Rashies™

A big shout out to one of our parents who entered Taitā Central School into Westpac's competition to win 25 Westpac Rescue Rashies for tamariki. Which we won! These Rashies will protect our tamariki from the sun, and unzips to reveal lifesaving CPR instructions. CPR knowledge and water safety education is essential to keep our tamariki safe, so let's get better, together.



A GREAT REMINDER TO STAY SAFE AROUND WATER

Get your Westpac CPR Rescue Rashie for a greater, safer summer.

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Whakatauāki

Ki te kotahi kākaho, ka whati: ki te Kāpuia, e kore e whati.

When we stand alone, we are vulnerable; but together we are unbreakable.

Ngā mihi maioha - warm greetings
Whaea Shell and Taitā Central School Staff

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