



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!

13 June 2024
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Number 9
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Term 2: Week 7
Wāhanga 2: Wiki 7

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Coming Events:

Thu 13 June – Pasifika Family Fono 3:00-4:00pm
Fri 14 June – Te Ahi Ora 4.30pm – 6.30pm
We will advise tomorrow if this is not on due to weather
Tues 18 June – Board Meeting 6pm
Mon 24 June – Matariki Celebration Day
Tues 25 June – Study Centre Children’s University trip
Fri 28 June – Matariki Public Holiday – **School Closed**
Tues 2 July - HuttFest 6:00-8:00pm

To Action:

Important Dates to remember...
Thu 13 June – Pasifika Family Fono 3:00-4:00pm
Tues 2 July - HuttFest 6:00-8:00pm

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

Tēnā Koutou Katoa,

Attendance, Engagement & Achievement

As a school we continue to focus on ensuring our ākonga are at school and actively engaged in learning. I have received our first Ministry of education Everyday Matters for 2024. The table below shows the improvement we have made from term 1 2023 to term 1 2024 and how we are tracking against the Ministry of Education’s attendance targets.

MoE Targets in relation to Taitā Central School					
		MoE Target by 2024	Term 1 2023	Term 1 2024	Students/ Whole School
Attending regularly	91% - 100%	70%	54%	61%	77/127
Irregular attendance	81% - 90%	19%	22%	18%	23/127
Moderately absent	71% - 80%	6%	14%	13%	16/127
Chronically Absent	0% - 70%	5%	10%	9%	11/127

Pohutukawa Block are learning online – did you know your child can now keep up with their learning even when they are not at school?

Matua Dylan and the teachers within Pohutukawa Block have set up Google Classroom and online learning tasks for our ākonga. Every child has a google classroom login as well as logins for our Reading programme Steps Web and our maths programme Prodigy. Our teachers have been working with our ākonga since the beginning of the year to support them to develop self-management skills which help them to become independent, self-directed learners. The ākonga work independently on tasks and activities when they are not working directly with the teacher in instructional lessons.

Our ākonga/students can now log in from home and continue their class learning, if they are away sick or unable to come to school, they can still access their learning through a device from home.

If your child can't remember their log in details, you can ask their teacher to send them to you via email or text.

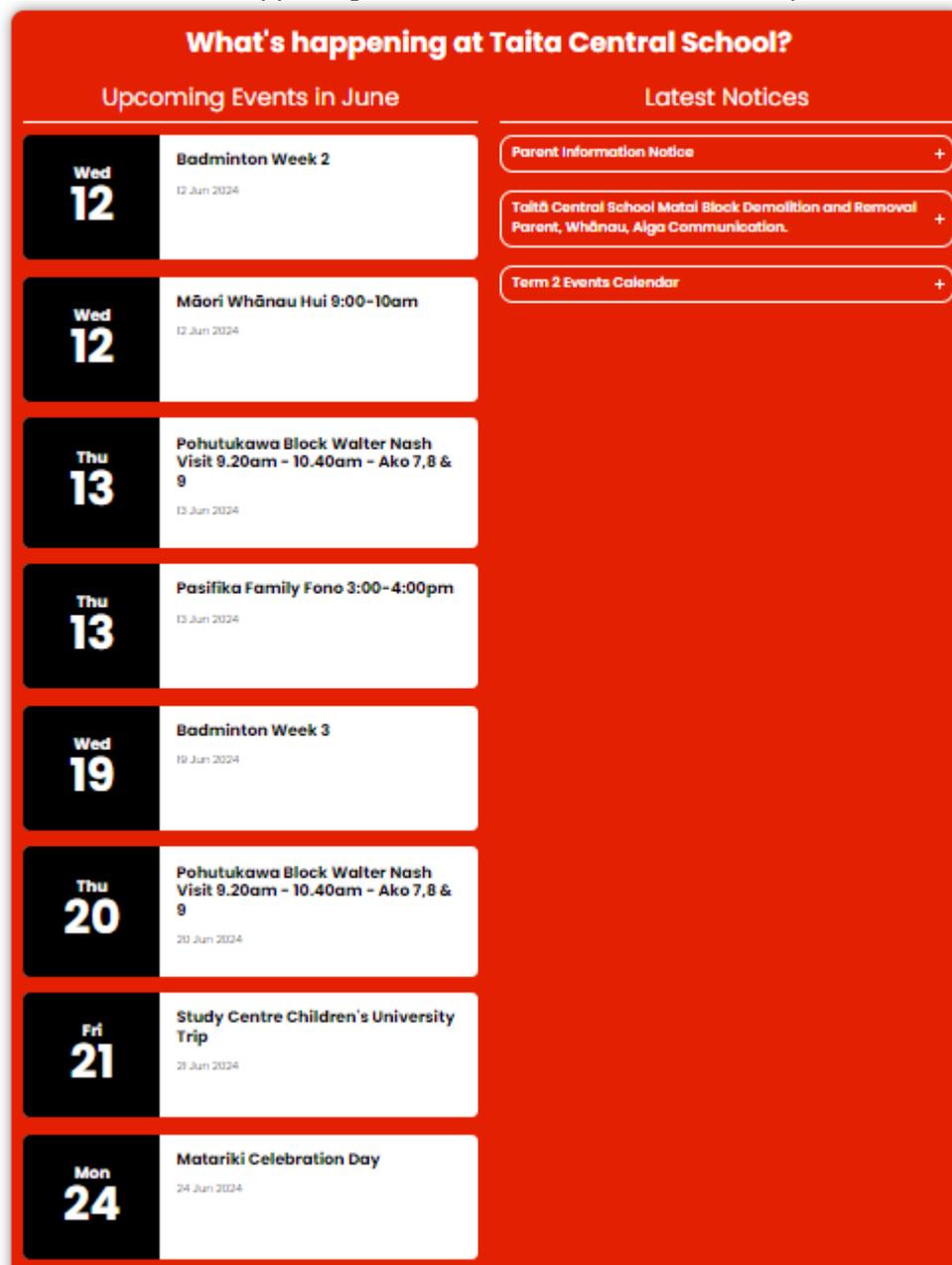
Over the last term I have seen some ākonga/students submitting their work at night and on the weekends

Taitā Central School Website – new and improved.

We have launched our new school website which has been created for us by 

You will find it here <https://www.taitacentral.school.nz/>

It has a fresh new look with up-to-date photos of our ākonga/students and a when you scroll to the bottom of our Home page you will find What's happening at Taitā Central School with an up to date calendar of events.

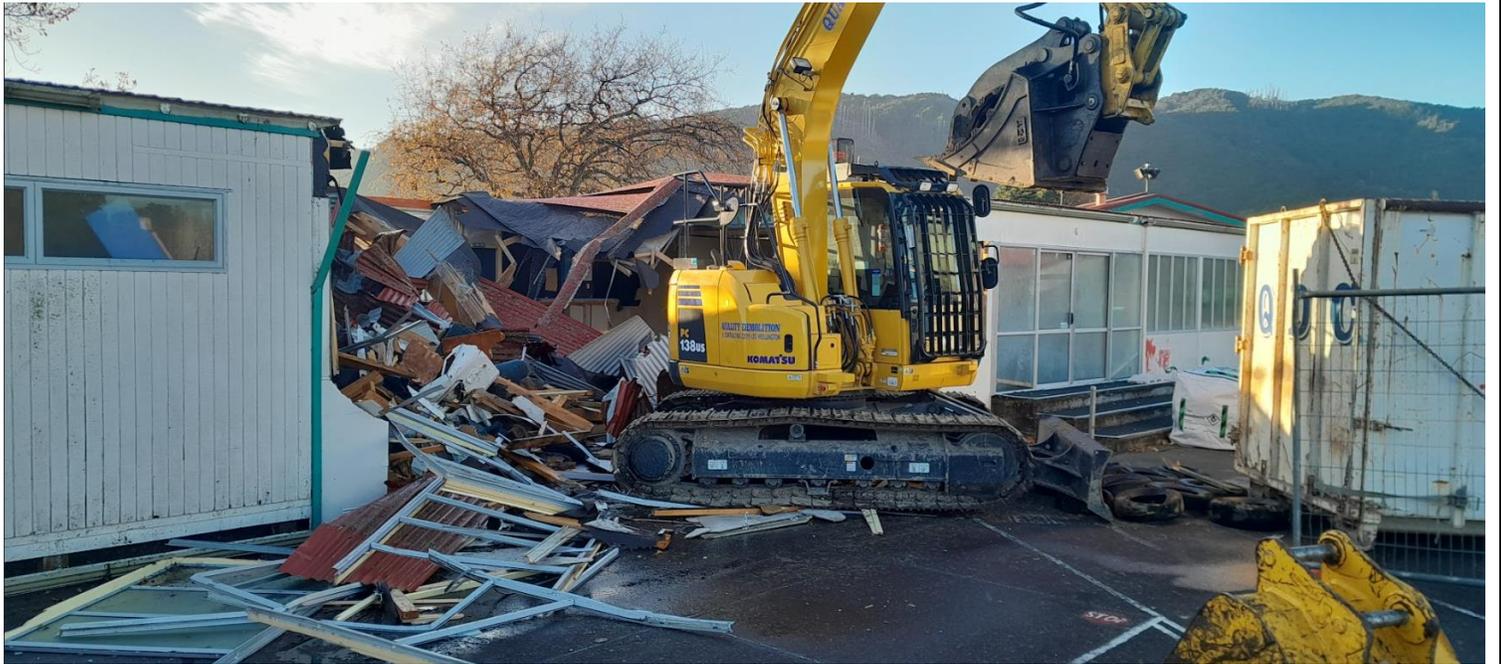


What's happening at Taita Central School?

Upcoming Events In June		Latest Notices	
Wed 12	Badminton Week 2 <small>12 Jun 2024</small>	Parent Information Notice	+
Wed 12	Māori Whānau Hui 9:00-10am <small>12 Jun 2024</small>	Taitā Central School Matai Block Demolition and Removal Parent, Whānau, Aiga Communication.	+
Thu 13	Pohutukawa Block Walter Nash Visit 9.20am - 10.40am - Ako 7, 8 & 9 <small>13 Jun 2024</small>	Term 2 Events Calendar	+
Thu 13	Pasifika Family Fono 3:00-4:00pm <small>13 Jun 2024</small>		
Wed 19	Badminton Week 3 <small>19 Jun 2024</small>		
Thu 20	Pohutukawa Block Walter Nash Visit 9.20am - 10.40am - Ako 7, 8 & 9 <small>20 Jun 2024</small>		
Fri 21	Study Centre Children's University Trip <small>21 Jun 2024</small>		
Mon 24	Matariki Celebration Day <small>24 Jun 2024</small>		

The Demolition of our Matai Block.

On Saturday 8th June Quality Demolition came to school to knocked down and remove Matai Block. Matai Block was condemned because it was an unsafe environment for our ākonga/students and staff to work in. Now that the building has been removed, we have a clear view from our Basketball courts out across our school playground, flying fox and field. During the next school holidays the contractors will return to school to repair and relay tar seal and re-grass the area that was under Matai Block





SCHOOL NEWS

New Enrolments – A warm welcome to our Taita Central School community: Mehi Ako 3 & Kina Ako 1.

	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 silisili 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 1 & 2 across the school was Perseverance / Whakapau Kaha / Onosa'i. Week 3 and 4 across the school was Outstanding / Kei runga noa atu! / Matua Silisili ona lelei. The New Zealand Falcon (Karearea) is our mascot for our values.

Assembly – Week 5

Friday Assembly. Thank you to Kowhai Block and our hosts Joshua and Jacob and visuals Miss Powell.

Congratulations to our Ako Award Winners:

Ako 1: Malia-Rosa & Sia
Ako 3: Sujith & Brynn
Ako 4: Caleb & Zavier
Ako 7: Esha & Nia-Grace
Ako 8: Eliana & Xavier
Ako Iwa: Aiden & Kristina
Ngā Hau e Whā: Nesta

Congratulations to our Principal Award Winners:

Ako 1: Amara for working hard in your learning and making great choices.
Ako 3: Nyla for leadership in both your ako/learning during our Samoan Language Celebration Day and your Siva Samoa performance.
Ako 7: Jared for always showing your power values and making the right choices. You are a role-model for the class. Keep up your good work.
Ako 9: Tuterangi for your focus and perseverance in completing your beautiful mahi Toi/Artwork during our Samoan Celebration Day.

Congratulations to our POWER in the Playground Winners:

Joshua (A3) Izzy (A9) Niko (A1) Amira (A8) Ellie (A1) Avin (A7) Navilan (A7) Emine (A3) Naayagi (A3) Aaru (A7)

Congratulations to our Special Prize Winner: Aiden (A9)

Congratulations to our Pathway to Leadership Award Winners:

Ako 3: Molly
Ako 7: Satalaka, Nia-Grace & Esha
Ako 8: Finn, Jonathan, Ryan, Mere, Tuiariki & Ahnaira-Ann
Ako Iwa: Aiden, Kristina & Ngawairangi

Congratulations to our Samoan Celebration Day Superstars:

Cren (A3) Skyy (A7) Faaeteete (A7) Nia-Grace (A7) Joshua (A7) Londoni (A8) Xavier (A8) Finn (A3) Glynis (A9) Maddie (A7) Manai (A9) Jahriyah (A7) Janelisa (A9) Emily (A9) Mani (A3)



Akomanga Ngā Hau e Whā Haerenga

On **Tuesday 4th June** Whaea Michelle, Merehana, Matua Dylan and Miss Kelly took our Māori class, Ngā Hau e Whā, on a Haerenga/trip to learn a little about the history of our local area. They had an oral history lesson at the top of Pukeatua/Wainuiomata Hill, a drive around some early Hutt Valley landmarks, and of course an essential stop at a playground! Thank you to Janeice and Emily for being our parent volunteers on this trip.



Badminton Lessons

This week we started our badminton lessons and our ākonga/students and instructor made the most of the beautiful weather to hold their first coaching session outside on the Courts. The focus for this lesson was coordination and control of the racquet and the shuttlecock, keeping your eye on the shuttlecock and watching out for other people. All classes will have 4 more coaching sessions over the next few weeks.



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 7 - "Hokia ki te mahi" (Get back to work.)

Week 6 - "Kua mārama koutou?" (Have you all understood?)

Board News

Our school/kura has opted into a new Wellbeing focused initiative lead by the Ministry of Education and Police across the Lower Hutt area.

The purpose of the Programme is to notify schools in a timely manner when one of its students has been affected by a family harm episode. The Ministry of Education will manage and monitor alerts from Police and send a notification to the enrolling school or kura with no other detail other than the student's name.

As a result of these notifications the school or kura is then aware that a child has experienced an event within the last 24 hours and is then better able to assist these students through more appropriate and sensitive behaviour management, and the provision of additional supports when required. This programme fits within our Child Protection policy requirements and supports a small number of selected staff to support Tamariki who may require a little extra care. The school has created a process to ensure information is kept private and safely stored. Please speak to Whaea Shell (Michelle Picard) if you have any questions about the process.

Community News

Hutt Health event at Walter Nash Saturday 15th June.



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>

Whakatauki

He aroha whakatō, he aroha puta mai
If kindness is sown, then kindness is received.

Ngā mihi maioha / warm greetings

Whaea Shell / Michelle Picard and Taitā Central School Staff

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