

Newsletter



From the Principal

Kia ora Whānau

How time flies! How can it be Term 3 and August already!

Welcome back to our outstanding students, whānau, new whānau and staff. It is always lovely to see the smiles on our Tamariki when they come into our gates ready to learn.

Last term, we had stars in basketball, netball, Kapa Haka, and Showquest. Thank you to all our students, teachers, and whānau who support our extracurricular activities. Our students shone in every way and should be very proud of themselves. Both Kapa Haka and Showquest performances were incredible. We certainly have talent within our school.

We had an unfortunate event around our school van. One of our school vans is no longer road worthy. We are looking at replacing the van, but we are down to one van run in the meantime. This isn't ideal, and we are very sorry for the inconvenience it has caused. This was an unexpected turn of events that could not be helped, and we want to thank our whānau for being respectful and supportive of the matter.

This term, our RC Truckers event is on Sunday, the 1st of September. We will send out more information about this event. We ran this two years ago, and it was a fun, successful day.

Remember our free school loop app. It's a great way to stay in touch with the school and access newsletters.

Ngā Mihi
Renee Taipari

2024 Term Dates:

Term 1: Wednesday 31 Jan - Friday 12 April

Term 2: Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July

Term 3: Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September

Term 4: Monday 14 October - Monday 16 December (tbc)

Please remember to notify the school if your child is going to be absent.

You can do this by phoning the school office on 368 7658, or by clicking on the 'Report Absence' tab on the Taitoko School Website or Skool App..

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From the Junior Class Rooms

Term 2 Junior Awards



What's Happening in Term 3

- 6 August - Tackle Rugby Tournament
- 13 August - BOT Meeting 3.45pm
- 30 August - Daffodil Day
- 1 September - RC Trucks - Father's Day
- 10 September - BOT Meeting 3.45pm
- 17/18 September - Footsteps

Whaea Jody from Taitoko Kindergarten gifted the junior school some clay to make Kōauau. We could see the mana shine so brightly with our little people teaching us how to make them.

The kaiako sure learnt a new skill today.

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Kapa Haka

We are incredibly proud of our Kapa Haka rōpū who represented our school at the Te Ahurei o Horowhenua Kapahaka Festival. Your dedication, hard work, and passion truly shone on stage, showcasing the mana and spirit of Taitoko. Thank you for embodying the strength and pride of Taitoko School through your outstanding performance.



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SHOWQUEST 2024

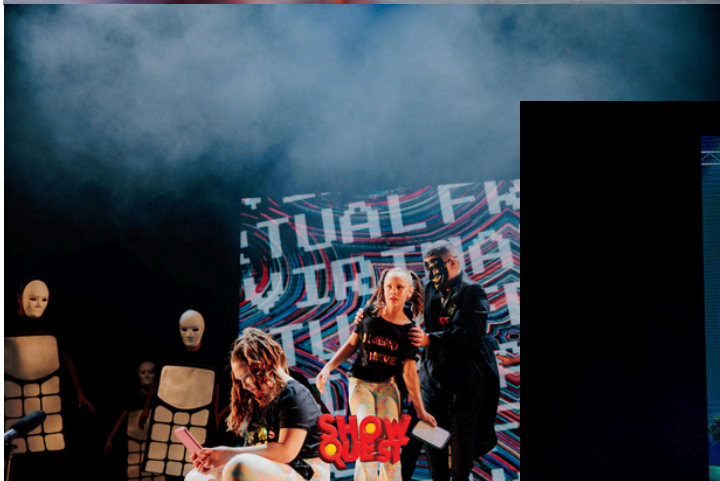
Over Term 1 and 2 our students practised weekly to get ready for Showquest.

Showquest is dancing to a variety of songs to tell a story. Our theme was how phones have created a communication breakdown between friends.

Our students performed their hearts out at the Regent of Broadway, walking away with awards for: School Spirit award, Highly Commended Lighting, Best Choreography and Best Styling.

We want to thank all the fantastic support from our Whanau and staff for making this event happen.

Our students were stars!



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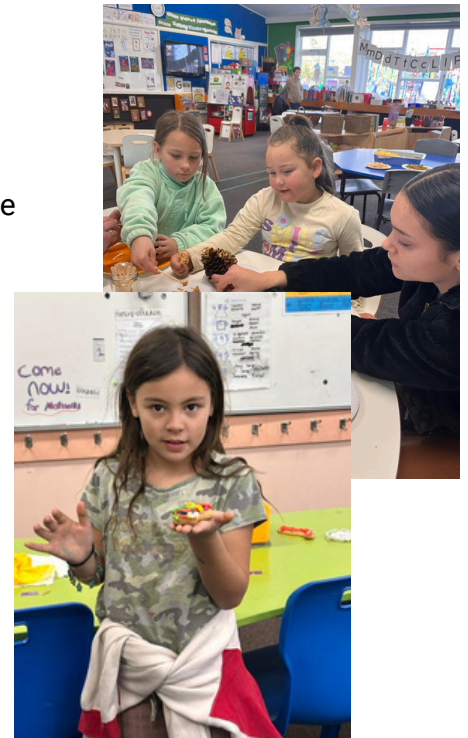


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MATARIKI

Mānawatia a Matariki!

To celebrate Matariki, each class had their own star. The school was open in the afternoon for Whānau to come and see what the students did with their class rooms.



COLOUR FUN RUN

We were very lucky and had a fabulous day for our Colour Run.



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Term 2 Sports

Basketball

Our Year 3/4 Basketball team came 1st in their grade, winning all of their games.

Year 5/6 came 5th in their grade.

Year 7/8 came 6th in their grade.



SPORTS

TERM 3

NETBALL

Continues until the end of August.

BASKETBALL SESSIONS

Middle/Senior school

SENSE RUGBY

Every Thursday TBC

RUGBY TACKLE TENS

6 August



Interschool Cross Country

Well done to our Interschool Cross Country team who competed at Poroutawhao School.

Breakfast Club

Monday - Friday 8.15am - 8.45am



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HEAD LICE

Five tips to prevent head lice:

1. Comb and brush your hair everyday with your own comb or brush
2. Avoid sharing hats
3. Wear swimming caps at the pool and avoid sharing towels
4. Wear your long hair tied up
5. Let an adult check your hair and check the whole family weekly



If you notice your child has head lice:

- Treat with wet combing or Dimethicone 4% lotion
- Notify school so that they can tell parents to check their children

See your Public Health Nurse or school office for resources and advice.

For more information:

www.rph.org.nz/public-health-topics/early-childhood-centres/fact-sheets/head-lice.pdf

Health New Zealand
Te Whatu Ora

Please note that we have treatment and combs available at the office.

Safety Around the School

STAFF CAR PARK

This is just a friendly reminder that the staff car park is only to be used for staff or anyone who needs to use the Disability Car Park.

Please do not park in the drive way as this is dangerous for our tamariki and anyone trying to access or leave the staff car park.

Thank you.

TAITOKO SCHOOL PRESENTS

RADIO CONTROLLED SPECTACULAR

Featuring RC Construction
Vehicles and Stockcars from
Across the North Island

WHERE:

HOROWHENUA EVENTS CENTRE LEVIN

WHEN:

SUNDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 10AM – 4PM

ENTRY:

\$5.00 PER PERSON OR

\$15.00 A FAMILY

(2 Adults & up to 4 Children)

BRING DAD ALONG TO GO INTO OUR
FATHER'S DAY DRAW

**BBQ AVAILABLE - STEAK SANDWICHES,
SAUSAGES**

HOT or COLD DRINKS AND

REAL FRUIT ICE CREAMS

MINI KENWORTH TRUCK RIDES FOR THE KIDS

CASH ONLY FOR THE DAY NO EFTPOS,

COME AND JOIN A FUN DAY OUT

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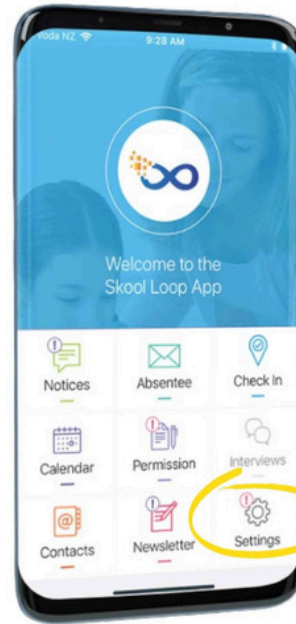
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- 2** If you have multiple schools selected tap on the Switch School icon to select the correct school
- 3** Choose Absentee Form to fill out your details on the app
- 4** or Direct Contact to Call, Email or Text the school directly
- 5** Complete form
- 6** You receive a **Success** message and the school will be notified

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