

Through a stimulating educational programme, our school seeks to develop individual children to their full potential so they may become happy and well adjusted adults.



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Kia ora katou

Important Dates

Please put these dates in your diary or calendar now

Today 6 and Friday 7 August

Parent/Teacher interviews.
Board of Trustees in Boardroom
Scholastic Book Fair in Library.

Thursday 13 August

Artsplash Concert – Michael Fowler Centre – 8.00pm.

Wednesday 26 August

Board of Trustees' meeting – 6.30pm

Tuesday 8 September

School photos.

Thursday 24 September

End of term 3.

Friday 25 September

School closed for instruction – New Zealand Curriculum Professional Development.

Monday 12 October

School opens for instruction at 8.55am.

Reporting to Parents

A reminder that reporting to parents takes place today and tomorrow. **It is very important that all parents take the opportunity to meet with their child's teacher. Our "reporting package" comprises two parts that go hand in hand – the written report and the**

subsequent interview. To get a comprehensive picture of your child's progress, it is necessary to attend the parent teacher interview. You are not restricted to the interview times of today and Friday. Should you have failed to make an appointment then contact your child's teacher to make a suitable interview time.

A reminder that Board of Trustee members will be on hand today and tomorrow, (in the boardroom located in the administration block) should you wish to discuss any matters with them.

Book Fair in School Library

Please take the time to visit our school library Thursday 7 and Friday 6 August for there is a variety of books to view and purchase.

Crime Free School Project

The attachment to this newsletter comes to you from Adrian Peoples, Safe City Officer from Hutt City Council.

Tawhai School will be closed for instruction on Friday 25 September. Tawhai staff will be engaged in a Professional Development programme relating to the implementation of the new New Zealand Curriculum. This day has been granted by the Minister of Education.

A warm welcome to Shweta and Kapish Sharma.

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Congratulations to Jack Walker. He has been chosen for the Under 11 Hutt Valley Representatives for rugby.

Before and After School Care is required for a 5 year child in term 4. If anyone is able to help please call Sally on 977-3779.

Tawhai Students Awarded for Academic Achievement in International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

Students from Tawhai School won University of New South Wales awards for their academic achievement when they participated in the recent International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). Students whose achievements was outstanding in Computer Skills were awarded Certificates of Credit, Distinction and High Distinction. Congratulations to:

Computer Skills Competition

Year 5

Aengus McMillan - Credit

Year 6

Hannah Boese-Hebbend – Credit

Devon McMillan - Distinction

Rhianna Morgan – Credit

Kaelyn Sirota - Credit

Mitchell Tan – High Distinction

FROM THE PTSG

Sausage Sizzle – tomorrow, 7 August.
\$1.00 per sausage

Garage Sale – This event is planned for 29 August, again, we will advise you closer to the time when they can be dropped off to school.

Arrival at School

The school day begins at 8.55am. Students should aim to arrive at school between 8.30am and 8.45am, to allow for a little socialising before the day begins. It is important for student learning that they arrive at school on time and ready to start the day. Please **do not** allow them to be at school before 8.30am as we cannot

guarantee there will be staff available to supervise them.

Cookies sold at morning tea on Thursday's only – 70 cents each.

Meat Pack Raffle

There will be meat packs raffled fortnightly over the next 8 weeks. Tickets are \$2.00 with a limit of 30 tickets each time. If you're interested, catch Graham around the school sometime. This will be a quick and easy fundraiser for the Senior School Camp Fund. This weeks winner is number. 28.

We are desperately needing boys trousers for when children get wet etc. Trackpants are ideal however we will take anything offered.

Yummy Apple Promotion – New Sports Gear for Our School

Again this year, the yummy Fruit Company is running the Yummy Apple Promotion which allows schools to earn new sports gear through Rebel Sports. Just like last year, all we need to do is collect "Yummy" stickers from individual apples or "Yummy" cut-out labels from 2kg bags of apples.

The Yummy Fruit Company has a prize pool of \$200,000 of sports gear they wish to give away so the more stickers and labels we have the more sports gear we can earn.

If your family and friends could help us to collect the stickers and labels and send them along to school, we would be very grateful. The children can place these on special collection sheets that will be held in their own classrooms. All stickers need to be in by Friday 25 September.

If you want to know more about the promotion you can visit the website on www.yummyfruit.co.nz

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Skool Stars

This is a fundraiser for the school where each class learns a dance to a chosen piece of music. It is then professionally recorded by the Skool Stars team. The dvd's will then be available for purchase - prices to be confirmed. A percentage of this money will go to the school. Each class may have separate notices going home about costuming and props. Any queries please check with the class teacher.

Thursday 13 August is recording day and 2 September is the Premiere Showing Day.

WRITING PIECES FROM ROOM 9

My dog likes to play with me. He is white and black and brown.

By Sophie Brown

I am wearing a purple dress and some stockings and some sparkly shoes.

By Killarney Howsan

Anneliese has long blonde hair and her eyes are green.

By Georgia Rundberg

My 2 year old brother likes Ben 10. He has brown eyes. He makes me happy.

By Mya Hunwick-Judd

Shayden is nine years old. He has blonde hair.

By Jordan Lowrey

The 2009/2010 Entertainment™ Book for Tawhai School is this year's best investment, but you must purchase your copy as soon as possible or you'll miss out...

Entertainment™ Books features many of the area's best restaurants, cafés, hotel accommodation, attractions and activities,

all with valuable 25% to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers. Purchase an Entertainment™ Book for only \$55 and you'll receive over \$15,000 in valuable offers that you and your family can use all year through to June, 2010! Now that is a good return on your investment!

The best part is that you'll be helping our fund-raising, with \$11 from every Book sold contributing to our cause. But you'll need to hurry.

We have only 10 copies left so contact us now to ensure you don't miss our on your Book.

To purchase your copy of the 2009-2010 Wellington Entertainment™ Book, contact: Sharon Gilmour on 563-6329 or email admin@tawhai.school.nz. Thank you for supporting our fundraising.

SPORT

Basketball

Thursday 2 July

Tawhai Sparks	20
Randwick Stars	10

Well done to the Tawhai Sparks who finished 6th in their competition. Thank you to Jack Walker for coaching. Another competition commences on 20 August.

Flippaball

Wednesday 22 July

Tawhai 2	4
Wainui	8

Player of the Day: Jerry Hanrahan

Tawhai 1	12
Kelson	8

Player of the Day: Cherie Lloyd

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Wednesday 29 July

Tawhai 1 7
Korokoro 1 3

Player of the Day: Becky Stewart

Tawhai 2 1
Epuni 4

Player of the Day: Ryan Thomson

Wednesday 5 August

Tawhai 1 5
Pomare 6

Player of the Day: Shaun Hanning

Tawhai 2 3
Korokoro 2 7

Player of the Day: Danielle Lunn

Netball

Saturday 25 July

Tawhai 1 3
Waterloo 2 6

Player of the Day: Nicole Hunter

Tawhai 2 6
Muritai 2 10

Tawhai Shakers 9
Eastern Hutt School 11 3

Player of the Day: Sophia Taylor

Saturday 1 August

Tawhai 1 20
Hutt Central 1

Player of the Day: Whole Team

Tawhai 2 3

Wilford 1 6
Player of the Day: Bryana Jensen
Tiaan Bonica-Kururangi, Anna Trethewey

Tawhai Shakers 14
Muritai Magic 2

Player of the Day: Kelly Mills

The Tawhai Tornados finished a creditable 4th in Primary 4 in Round 1. The Tawhai Shakers who are playing their competition at Silverpine have won all their games so far. Congratulations to the team, this is a wonderful achievement.

Congratulations to the Tawhai Hoopsters who came in 1st in Round 1 in Primary 7.

NHV would like to thank you for supporting Gold Coin Day, last Saturday \$3055.00 was raised and will go towards paying for the storage containers.

FROM THE COMMUNITY

HOLBORN KINDERGARTEN DISCO:

Holborn Kindy are holding their annual disco on Friday 7th August.

They would like to extend a warm welcome out to all past pupils to come along & join in with the fun of seeing old Kindy friends once again.

The disco will be held at Korauui School Hall & will run from 5.30pm – 7.30pm.

Tickets cost \$2.00 each.

Come along for a few hours of fun & dancing.

Great raffles, food & drinks are being sold throughout the evening.

For more information or to purchase tickets, please contact Tonia on 977-8926 or Holborn Kindergarten on 920-9818.

Regards

Ron Wainwright

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Principal

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