

Welcome back!

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Kiā ora e te whānau

Welcome back to school to all of our gorgeous tamariki and whānau, and a very warm welcome to our new whānau who have joined our Tawhai School community.

It was certainly lovely to see all the smiling faces in the playground this morning.



Staffing Changes

We welcome Fiona Burney who will be replacing Sarah Tucker in Room 9, Jessica Harris who will be replacing Jules Whitworth in Room 11 (Monday to Thursday) and Tania Singh who will be in Room 11 on Friday and also releasing team leaders.



Fiona Burney

TOD Maths Professional Development

On Monday the teachers and teacher aides had a very informative Maths professional development day. In the morning the teachers looked at effective teaching strategies, including ‘The Just in Time Maths resources’, and the afternoon was spent looking at Maths planning. Many thanks to Lynley Poole and Karen Johnston for all their hard work organising this day.

Mihi Whakatau

On Tuesday 2 May we will be welcoming our new whānau to Tawhai School with our Mihi Whakatau. Any of our new whānau who recently started, or who started after our previous Mihi Whakatau in Term 1, are welcome to attend.

This ceremony is our way of welcoming new students and staff, along with their



families, into the Tawhai School community.

Visitors are invited to gather in the hall at 8.45am when Dave Whiteman will give a brief overview of the process.

Visitors will be led out to the mihi whakatau - this welcome includes a few speeches, and singing, followed by a simple morning tea or kai for our visitors to share. This concludes the mihi whakatau and signifies the coming together of the visitors and the Tawhai School community.

General Reminders

- Our school day - please remember classrooms are open for children from 8:30am. The ideal time for children to be arriving at school is between 8:30am and 8:45am. The official school day starts at 8:55am.
- As the weather gets cooler, and possibly wetter, please ensure children have plenty of layers and a complete change of clothing in their bags. We gather a large amount of lost property which can easily be reduced if all clothing is named.
- Please ensure that your child(ren) have appropriate footwear for practising the School cross country over the next couple of weeks.
- Look out for the hub newsletters coming your way soon.



Wednesday 26 April - PTSG Hui (7.00pm)

Tuesday 2 May - Mihi Whakatau

Wednesday 10 May - School Cross Country

Monday 5 June - King's Birthday

Friday 30 June - End of Term 2

Ngā mihi nui
Sharon Boese