

## Week 5!

14/08/2023 by Karen Poole

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Kia ora e te whānau

I hope you are surviving these wintry cold days and making the most of the sunshine when it appears.

Just a few reminders as we head into week 5 of the term.

### Attendance

Every day counts!

School boards, principals, individual teachers together with parents and whānau are responsible for ensuring children regularly attend school.



The school monitors absences on a daily basis.

Parents/Caregivers are asked to ensure that children attend regularly. It is essential that you telephone the school office (5636329) or leave a message on the website prior to 8.30am to advise us if your child is going to be absent on that day. **Please provide a reason for your child's absence.**

The school is required to take all reasonable steps to contact parents/caregivers of any child who is absent without notification. At Tawhai School, if a student is absent without parent notification, the school will ring the main caregiver to ensure the child's safety and reason for absence. It is therefore essential all contact details are correct– please ensure you notify the office of any changes to your enrolment details.

Students are required to be at school by 8.30am for an 8.45am start.

If your child has an appointment or is leaving school during the day, a Parent/Caregiver must firstly advise the school office or provide a written note to the classroom teacher.

Students must be collected from the school office and signed out by their Parents/Caregivers.

If your child is late for school they must come to the office prior to going to class.

Repeated absence or lateness will be followed up by school staff, and may be referred to the Attendance Service.

## Traffic Challenges



Just a wee reminder, Renee Saul is supervising a walking school bus from the corner of Chittick Street and Stokes Valley Road. Please have your children there by 8:15am prepared with sensible walking shoes, a good coat/jacket and a change of clothes.

## CARPOOL

We also have several whānau that come to Tawhai School who live north of Silverstream that are also being affected by the traffic. If you wanted to consider being part of a carpool, could you please email me [karen@tawhai.school.nz](mailto:karen@tawhai.school.nz)



# IMPORTANT DATES

- Arts week/day - TBC
- Artsplash Choir Concert - Monday 11 September
- School Photos - Week 10
- Last day of term 3 - Friday 22 September
- Term 4 starts - Monday 9 October
- Year 5/6 school camp - Week 1
- Teacher Only Day - Friday 20 October
- Labour Day - Monday 23 October
- Teacher Only Day - Friday 17 November

Ngā mihi nui

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