

Term 1 Week 4 News Update

Kia ora e te whānau

Thank you to all our whānau who have already booked a time to meet with teachers next week. As well as discussing your child's learning, teachers will be sharing information on our new programmes this year and events coming up.

If you haven't already booked, please click on the link below or call Kelly in the office 04 5636 329.

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>

The code is **g55rb**



A few reminders:

- **Drop off and Pick Ups**
 - Please follow the road rules and **DO NOT STOP ON THE YELLOW LINES**. This is incredibly dangerous for our road patrollers as it restricts their visibility.
 - School starts at 8:45am (we welcome children from 8:30am) and finishes at 3pm. If you require care for your child outside of those hours, we have Kelly Club on site, or please make alternative

arrangements. Staff have meetings and other professional obligations prior to 8:30am and after 3pm.

- **School policies and procedures.**

All our school policies and procedures can be found on School Docs.

SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team. Our school board has the opportunity to view changes/additions and comment on them before they are implemented.

We invite you to visit the site at <https://tawhai.schooldocs.co.nz> (note that there's no "www."). Our username is "tawhai" and password "empowering".

Review Instructions

In term 1 we are reviewing topics in the **Governance and Management, Parents and Whānau**, and **Documentation and Self-Review Policy** sections. See the full [Review and Board Assurances Schedule](#)

Who reviews our policies and procedures?

- All reviews are open to board, staff, students, and the school community (parents/caregivers/whānau).
- Anyone can review any policy/procedure that has a review button.

The board is responsible for board-level [overarching policies](#). The table below shows which topics the board should review. Note that other reviewers can review these topics too; they're not exclusively for the board.

Get started

The reviews are now open: to start reviewing, click on a topic name below, then click the **Start your review** button. If a link is inactive, your school doesn't have the topic.

Note that if you'd like to provide feedback on a topic that's not listed below, you can still do so if it has a review button.

Term 1 review topics	
• Te Tiriti o Waitangi	Board review
• Board Responsibility	Board review
• Parent Involvement	
• Communicating with Parents	
• Community Conduct Expectations	
• Documentation and Self-Review Policy	Board review

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School Planning and Reporting	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reporting to Parents on Student Progress and Achievement	

School Chaplain

Tawhai Primary School School Chaplain Kathy David is working every Monday morning in Tawhai Primary School as the School Chaplain. A chaplain has a pastoral concern for the whole school community- the children, staff and parents. A chaplain is available to listen and be a friend to the school community. Children or adults who are dealing with difficult issues or who just need to talk with someone are able to meet with the School Chaplain. During this time the children may talk while playing games, drawing, or making things. A School Chaplain is trained to respect and show sensitivity towards each student or adult regardless of religious belief, ethnicity, or race. There is no religious input. Staff and parents are able to refer children to the School Chaplain using a referral form which is available through the office or the School Chaplain. Children may also request to see the Chaplain. Matters discussed will be kept confidential unless they are of a serious nature and need to be referred on for professional help.

If you do not wish your child to meet with the School Chaplain please let your child's teacher know.



What's coming up?

- Monday 26 February and Tuesday 27 February: Whānau Learning Conversations
- Tuesday 27 February: School Board Hui 6pm

- Thursday 29 February: UDAY (details to follow)
- MONDAY 4 March: MOVIN' MARCH begins (more details to follow)
- Monday 11 March: Whānau Hui 5:30pm
- Wednesday 13 March: WALKATHON
- Friday 29 March: Good Friday (public holiday)
- Monday 1 April: Easter Monday (public holiday)
- Tuesday 2 April: Easter Tuesday (school holiday)
- Wednesday 3 April: Rob Cope presentation for parents- Digital Safety 7pm
- Tuesday 9 April: School Board Hui
- Friday 12 April: End of Term 1

We look forward to connecting with you at the various activities and events.

Ngā mihi nui

Karen Poole