

TERM CALENDAR

February

- 8 HPV Education Talk
- 12 VANUATU Trip Initial Meeting
- 13 TPI School Photos
- 15 Meet the Teacher Fun Night
- 20 TPI Swimming Sports
- 22 'Elgregore' performance
- 23 BOP Surfing Champs
- 26 Energise Waimarino Trip

March

- 2 Eco Trip
- 3 BOP/POV Bay Surfing Champs
- 5 VANUATU Deposits Due
- 12-16 Centre Noho to Hei Marae
- 16 BOP/POV Bay Swimming Champs
- 21 KIA KAHA Fun Run
- 23 BOP/POV Bay Touch tournament
- 27 Learning Conference Week
- 30 Easter-Good Friday

WELCOME

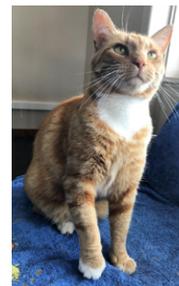
A very warm welcome to all pupils and parents to Te Puke Intermediate School, we hope your time with us will be successful, challenging and very enjoyable. Newsletters are sent out regularly (approx every two weeks) to keep parents up to date and are numbered for your convenience. If you believe you have missed one please give us a ring. Newsletters are emailed to all families we have email addresses for, will be sent home in hard copy and are also posted on our website so you can go back and see previous information.

Our website address is - www.tepukeint.school.nz

THANKS TO PAWPRINTS KENNELS

@ PAENGAROA

Special thanks to **Dean** and **Kelly** out at '**Pawprints**' at Paengaroa for looking after '**Biscuit**' over the holidays. He had a wonderful time over the summer but as you can see he is pleased to be back home at TPI, looking nice and slim. He is looking forward to meeting all the new students.



LEARNING CENTRE AND CLASS PLACEMENTS

Students have all selected their Learning Centre and we have arranged and staffed the school accordingly. While there is a process for changing Learning Centre, this will not be considered lightly, nor changed flippantly. Students have made their choice with good reason and this should be fully explored for a period of a couple of weeks before changing would be considered. Not having your best friend in your class is not a good reason to shift.

This process reflects 'life' and is a situation they will come across again in the future. Part of our role and yours as parents is to help them develop the resilience to cope with this for the future.

PROPERTY

Over the holidays a building project was started with our admin building and gymnasium being re-roofed which will take approximately eight weeks. This will mean the gymnasium and staffroom cannot be used for Term 1.

We take pride in our school, school property and resources. We provide our students with the very best learning environment we can and have high expectations of student behaviour and respect for property. Absolutely no graffiti or vandalism will be tolerated – all costs arising from wilful damage at school are passed on to parents for payment.



*I would like to welcome all our staff back to school this year with a special welcome to new staff members – **Chad Jacobs, Gillian Dean, Hayley Mack, Centrie Newdick and Edward Williams.** Very warm welcome back to staff who were on leave last year – **Anna Bryant, Cam Black and Whaea Amber Tapsell.***

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

*J Weldon Principal
J Gourlay Deputy Principal
S Knightly Deputy Principal*

ENRICH LEARNING CENTRE

*M Roberts Rm 1 (Leader)
S Bristowe Rm 2
C Newdick Student Support*

EXPLORE LEARNING CENTRE

*C Jacob Rm 3
G Dean Rm 4
Y Brown Rm 5 (Leader)
M Morris Student Support*

ENERGISE LEARNING CENTRE

*L Pelesala Rm 7
J Crone Rm 8 (Leader)
A Sutherland Rm 10*

EXCEL LEARNING CENTRE

L Belk Room 9 (Leader)

EXPRESSIVE LEARNING CENTRE

*K Webby Rm 11
K Cooper Rm 12 (Leader)*

TE KOROWAI MATAURANGA LEARNING CENTRE

*A Tapsell Rm 13 (Leader)
I Smith Kaitautoko
D Heyblom Student Support
E Williams Student Support*

ECO LEARNING CENTRE

*A Holloway Rm 15
T Mouat Student Support*

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS

*P Appelman Workshop/Science (Snr Tchr)
D Harvey Infotech/Graphics (Snr Tchr)
A Bryant Food Technology/Drama
C Black Director of Sport
R Powdrell Fabrics
A Arthur SENCO*

STUDENT ASSISTANCE

K Mohi Social Worker

SUPPORT STAFF

*N Koers Executive Officer
J Wood Office Manager
N Brown Librarian and Pupil Resources
C Neketai Teacher Resources
R Powdrell Uniform Custodian
K Fox Canteen Manager
T Collins Caretaker*



MEET THE TEACHER FUN NIGHT

Please put **Thursday 15 February** in your diary now and try to come along to the Meet the Teacher Fun Night. A separate notice will come home with the details of this evening but essentially it is an opportunity to meet all the teachers in your child's Centre informally and have some fun, share a bbq and get to know one another. See you here!

STATIONERY AND SCHOOL FEES

Students who have not already purchased their stationery packs have a form with prices for uniform, stationery and school fees. School fees are not donations - they cover extra items for your child in technology, cultural performances and printing. These can be paid off during the year as per below.

FINANCES

Throughout the year there are numerous activities that your child will be involved in that requires payment of money. This can be quite stressful on families to find the extra money. Many of our school families have set up a regular direct credit of \$5 per week which is credited to your child's school account and it remains in credit ready for such expenses. I strongly recommend this option for anyone who has a child who likes to be fully involved in activities or as a way to pay off the school fees. Our bank account details are: **12-3217-0017704-00**. Please use students name as reference

BUSES

All bus pupils have had a meeting to sort students into their bus groups. The person in charge of buses at TPI is **Deputy Principal – Mrs Gourlay** and all enquiries about buses should be directed to her or **GO BUS TE PUKE** on **573 6949**.

Bus transport is a privilege and not as of right – this has been explained to students and in the interest of safety, misbehaviour on the buses is not tolerated. Any student misbehaving on the bus or showing disregard for the bus rules will be put off the bus.

Students who need to travel on a different bus to their own must do the following – bring a note to Mrs Gourlay explaining the details and receive a bus pass to travel on an alternate bus. This allows us to record exactly who is on what bus should there be an emergency or accident.

Students living in Papamoa are aware that they now have a pay bus and must purchase their term bus pass through Te Puke High School.

VANUATU TRIP 2018

Our overseas trip is returning to VANUATU this year. Anyone who is interested in finding out more about the trip, cost, timeframes, itinerary etc should come along to the Samoa meeting on **Monday 12 February** in the PAC at **6pm**.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Tuesday 13 February is photos day at TPI. Every student will have an individual photo taken for our data system as well as the class photo.

Put this in your calendar so you have had your haircut, have teeth brushed and no 'bed hair' that morning!



SUNSMART

The BOT and Staff at Te Puke Intermediate are committed to ensuring your child's health and safety through the SunSmart policy. All staff and students are required to wear a school hat while outside during Terms 1 and 4. This includes Interval, lunchtime sport, class PE and team practises during the first term. I have no doubt that you will support this and ensure that your child is equipped with a school hat so they can participate in all the activities that we offer. Please name their hat clearly.

Students without hats will be expected to remain in the shade during the breaks until they have a hat.

The wearing of sunblock will not be sufficient by itself but is recommended to be worn as well.

During Term One we alter our timetable to accommodate the extreme heat conditions – House Comp and PE lessons will not be taken after lunch in the hottest part of the day.

UNIFORM 2018

We are the sole supplier of our school uniform. Your child is expected to have all uniform requirements at school every day – this includes the hat, PE gear and uniform shoes.

We have a new uniform PE short in 2018. These were phased in last year and are compulsory from this year for all students. There will be no black or rugby league shorts allowed anymore.

Sport, PE, House Meetings or House Comp occur every day so PE gear is required every day and should remain in your child's school bag.

Uniform shoes at this time of the year are Roman Sandals – blue, black or brown.

Our expectation is that all students are equipped in correct uniform when they start here. If you need clarification of the accepted uniform or piercings please refer to your School Information booklet or our website.

If for some reason your child cannot be in correct uniform then a note signed by a parent must be sent valid for the one day to the classroom teacher. Your child is responsible for giving this to the teacher at roll call at 8.40am. If the non-uniform item is unacceptable to us we will loan correct uniform to your child for the day.

CENTRE NOHO

Please note that all classes will be visiting Hei Marae for an overnight stay with their Centre. Separate notices will come home regarding these camps once the venue is confirmed and the camps take place in the week of March 12-16. Anyone who would like to assist with the Noho should make contact with their class teacher..

CONTACTING STAFF

All staff can be contacted by email. Their address can be found on our website. **www.tepukeint.school.nz**

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Regards Jill Weldon *Principal*