

# Tawhero School Community Pānui



Kia ora e te whānau o Tawhero



Blood test

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Tēnā tātou e te whānau whānui o Tawhero

Ka nui rā te mihi ki kautau i runga i ngā āhuatanga o te wā, i tēnei wā o te hōtoke. He wā hoki tēnei mo te aranga o Puanga/Matariki – Puanga ahunga nui.

Greetings to all our families at Tawhero

I hope you have all been keeping well during these wintery days as Puanga/Matariki season is upon us. Wow! What a whirlwind of events that have taken place since I last wrote in our school pānui! We have definitely learnt to manage Covid-19 at our school and also stepped into the world of learning online. It is fair to say, that despite these uncertain times our tamariki are very settled in their return and I want to thank you all for making the transition back to school so smooth by having them all prepared for their learning. I want to thank you for waiting at the gate patiently, signing in, sanitising and consciously doing the right thing by our tamariki and school community. Ngā mihi nunui.

We have many activities coming up. Tamariki have been split into school Houses – Rimu, Totara, Kowhai, Kauri – and we have a series of fun competitions ahead – Dodgeball and Tik-Tok - if we move into Level 1 this week we would love you to come along and support tamariki.

We also will be celebrating Puanga/Matariki with a Hangi on Wednesday 24 June 2020. Tamariki and whānau are encouraged to support this by bringing vegetables to school leading up to this event – the student that brings the most will receive a prize! (Please see over for what is needed)

**Local Curriculum** – we are in the process of designing and writing our local school curriculum which is very exciting as it will include everything that we want for our tamariki at Tawhero School. I will be calling on you all to fill out a survey that I will send out soon – for now it would be great for you to really think about all those wonderful skills, experiences and learning opportunities you would like for your child during their time with us. You will then all be invited to come along and share ideas at a school hui and hear about our progress which formulated our local school curriculum.

**Winter Sports** – we will be in touch shortly about all the upcoming sports – please keep an eye out on notices that come up on our school Facebook page.

Keep safe, keep healthy and please do not hesitate to ask any questions/queries if you are unsure about anything.

Ngā manaakitanga i runga i a koutou

Karleen

### VISITING CLASSROOMS AND PICKING UP CHILDREN EARLY

You will need to come to the school office to sign in - this is in case of an emergency i.e. Earthquake, Fire or Lockdown.

If you are picking your child up early you will have to come to the school office to sign them out - you cannot pick them straight up from the classroom now.

### HANGI

On **Wednesday 24 June** we will be preparing and cooking a Hangi to celebrate Puanga/Matariki for students and staff.

We would like the children to contribute by bringing the following vegetables:

Monday 15 June          Potato

Tuesday 16 June        Pumpkin

Wednesday 17 June    Kumara

Otherwise bring in any vegetables any day asap.

Other items that you maybe able to help with are silverbeet/spinach, bread, mixed herbs, onions and meat.

This will be a shared lunch on Wednesday 24 June.

**This is not a fundraiser so we will not be selling it to the community.**

### Up and Coming Events

11 June          House Dodge ball competition 12pm-12.30pm

18 June          House meeting

23 June          Newsletter

24 June          Hangi students and Staff

25 June          House meeting

30 June          Newsletter

2 July            House meeting

### Term 3

21 July          Pie order forms out

20 Aug          Pie delivery day

4 Aug            NZ Playhouse

Antarctica Show

31 Aug          School photos

### Message from NZ Blood Service

Parents/Caregivers/Teachers

We need Blood donors now more than ever.

The demand never goes away.

We are in Whanganui holding a blood drive at

**St Marys Church, 1 Campbell Street.**

**Tuesday 16 June 12.30pm-6.00pm**

**Wednesday 17 June 8.30am-2.00pm**

Call 06 3500963 to make an appointment.

Staff engaged in Mahi Rānanga at their staff meeting



keep donating blood.  
it's essential.

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Room 4 getting ready for the Dodge ball house competition

