



Taihape Area School

Nurturing the Growth of our Potential

26 Huia Street, Taihape 06-388-0130

Monday 10th May 2021 Term 2 – Week 2

Principal's Corner

Kia ora koutou katoa



We have had a very positive start to term 2 and it is wonderful to see everyone back with a passion for learning. A big welcome to Miss Charlotte (Teacher room 6) and all of our new families as well – we know you will enjoy this community and look forward to getting to know you more.

At the end of last term – we finished with some very good news in regards to our sporting success. We sent 10 students (Year 11 – 13) to CNI – Central North Island coaching clinic – to be put through their paces in order to earn a place in a team to compete at the National Area School's competition. I am pleased to announce that 8 out of the 10 made it through – which is an outstanding. The entire team of 10 represented us well and behavior exceeded expectations. A special thanks to Poppy Dekker and Ben Whale – who accompanied the team and obviously kept them fully motivated. We are currently preparing a plan to get the Team to Dunedin – which will include fundraising and training along the way.

As you will be aware, we launched our 'Free Healthy Lunch' in schools programme last term – which is definitely making a difference. The company, Libelle Group, and TAS have partnered together – and we are now utilising our facilities to provide lunches for both us and other schools in our region who are in the programme. The first week has been a winner – with even 'hot' foods making it on the menu and I congratulate our fresh lunch crew on a job well done. We hope that whanau are also experiencing the benefit of this programme, with both the savings of not having to provide lunch and the promotion of healthy eating amongst the students. Please continue to support by not sending 'unhealthy' food options and also by encouraging your tamariki to try everything or to deconstruct, so they get the nutritional value provided by the lunches. We will continue to educate both whanau and our students as we progress.

Over the holidays, a number of our student leaders represented us at various events around the town. I am especially grateful to our Student Leaders who represented us at the Anzac dawn service and parade – with a special thanks to our Senior Head Girl Paparangi, who organised our part. Both Paparangi and Grace (Jnr Head Girl) had speaking parts and did so

exceptionally well – and also good to see our Junior Head Boy assist by being there and placing a wreath on our behalf. Thank you to other Student leaders, our staff, and our TAS community who also attended. We also had our own small service of remembrance at the end of term and I appreciate how all of our students were so respectful in their conduct. The students who led this event did so in a reverent manner and made the event special.

Repeated message - We need support from our whanau in keeping the cellphones completely out of school. While they can be utilised at times as a tool for learning, in which you will be informed if this is the case, there is no need to have them at school – as TAS does not allow cellphones at any time during the day. As with most workplaces, unless there is ‘work purpose’ for phones – they are not to be used during the working day. Should a student be caught using their cellphone, they will have it confiscated and taken to the office for parent collection (phones will be placed in the safe if overnight). If this occurs, students will need to hand in the phone each day before they start their academic program. If during the day a student needs to be contacted by whanau/work, or need to contact home themselves, access is available via the school office.

Feel free to pop in and say Kia ora – my door is always open!

Nga mihi nui
Craig Dredge
Principal

“Success is stumbling from failure to failure with no loss of enthusiasm.”— Winston S. Churchill

Coming Up

This Week: 10th – 14th

- **Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th–**
Learning Conferences

Next Week: 17th – 21st

- **Thursday 20th May - Reminder,**
Teacher only day!
- **Friday 21st - Pink Shirt Day**

Tall Poppies – Week

Last week the following Taihape Area School Students rose above the Crowd as outstanding achievers, and positive members of our Learning Community: -

Junior School:

Room 1 - Sophia Waara - Has displayed all our TAS values during the first week of term. **Izabella Ashby** - Has displayed her TAS values constantly.



Room 2 - Jay James and Joseph Bennett - for having a fantastic start in their Room 2 Learning Journey

Room 3 – Alayna Nelson and Ideun Park – for Rangatiratanga

Room 4 - Everson Haitana - for displaying perseverance in maths. **Elisha Pedersen** - for continually displaying all of our TAS values

Room 5 - Darlene Tawa-Kamura - for her outstanding effort in Mathematics. I really like how you always give everything a go. **Riley Hart** - for always sharing his learning and his fabulous learning conversations

Room 6 – Matene Thompson – for being a good role model. **Jaxon Tiseli**- for Manaakitanga.

Room 7 – Alex Tiseli and Aaron-Lee Simes – for working together on comprehension and their 3D printing.

Room 8 - Katie Williams and Grace Fannin – For Rangatiratanga and Wairuatanga



Junior School



Our Vision: Nurturing the Growth of our Potential

What a great first week back we had, it was fantastic to see the students keen and eager to get back to their learning. It was also lovely to welcome Miss Charlotte to our team, who is now teaching in Room 6.

As always there is lots of learning happening. As well as our core curriculum being covered, our Inquiry in the Junior classes this Term is Science based, looking at Force and Motion, with our Big Idea being 'How does that work?' We are also fortunate to have a visit from the Life Education Trust coming up, where students will look at different strands of the Health curriculum.

Writing is a key area of focus this year, and to support this our Year 2-8 students headed off to St Joseph's on Friday to attend Writing Workshops presented by Stu Duval. These were thoroughly enjoyed, by both students and staff, and we are grateful to have had the opportunity to attend and thank Susannah Revell, who organised this on behalf of the Taihape Principal's Cluster, for making this a possibility.

Lastly, we are very fortunate to be part of the healthy school lunches programme, which are now prepared here on site. These are popular among the students, although we are still encouraging some to try the lunches before they decide they don't like them. Please can we ask that whanau encourage your tamariki to do the same thing, we are fortunate to be part of this initiative and need to give it the best effort on our behalf to make the most of it. Also, a reminder that the kai provided is just at lunchtime. Students still need to be bringing their own nutritious kai for morning tea time.

Our Mission:

Whakatauki: 'Whāia te iti kahurangi, ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei'

Seek the treasure you value most dearly: if you bow your head, let it be to a lofty mountain

Have a fabulous week,

Nga mihi nui,
Leah Collings
Deputy Principal

This Weeks Lunch Menu

**LUNCH
BY
LIBELLE**

Term 2, 2021

NIKAU WEEK

10/05-14/05

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Macaroni Cheese</p> <p><i>Dietary Alternatives:</i> GF pasta (GF), tomato sauce (pasta) (DF, VE)</p> <p>Snack: Yoghurt</p> <p><i>Snack Dietary Alternatives:</i> Fruit salad cup (DF, VE)</p>	<p>Beef Wrap</p> <p><i>Dietary Alternatives:</i> Refried black beans (V, H, NB, VE), GF tortilla (GF)</p> <p>Snack: Pretzels, carrot & celery sticks</p> <p><i>Snack Dietary Alternatives:</i> Corn chips (GF)</p>	<p>Pasta Power Bowl</p> <p><i>Dietary Alternatives:</i> GF pasta spirals (GF), vegan mayo (EF, VE)</p> <p>Snack: Coconut bliss bites</p> <p><i>Snack Dietary Alternatives:</i> None</p>	<p>Chicken & Slaw Filled Roll</p> <p><i>Dietary Alternatives:</i> GF roll (GF), vegan cheese (DF, VE), cheese (V)</p> <p>Snack: Fruit salad cup or vanilla cake^{*kumara rosti}</p> <p><i>Snack Dietary Alternatives:</i> Alternative for cake - GF coconut cookie</p>	<p>Butter Chicken and Rice</p> <p><i>Dietary Alternatives:</i> Chickpeas (V, VE), DF butter chicken sauce (DF, VE)</p> <p>Snack: Fruit salad cup or vanilla cake</p> <p><i>Snack Dietary Alternatives:</i> Alternative for cake - GF coconut cookie</p>

*Key: (V) Vegetarian, (GF) Gluten Free, (DF) Dairy Free, (EF) Egg Free, (H) Halal, (NB) No Beef, (NP) No Pork. *Senior students additional item.*

Meals will be prepared to cater for children with specific allergies or cultural requirements. If you need these options please make the school aware two weeks in advance. Meals are prepared in a non-allergen controlled environment. If you have low tolerance towards certain allergens please notify the school immediately. Items may vary subject to supply.

Poppy day

TAS students selling poppy's for ANZAC day.



Senior School

NURTURING the GROWTH of our POTENTIAL

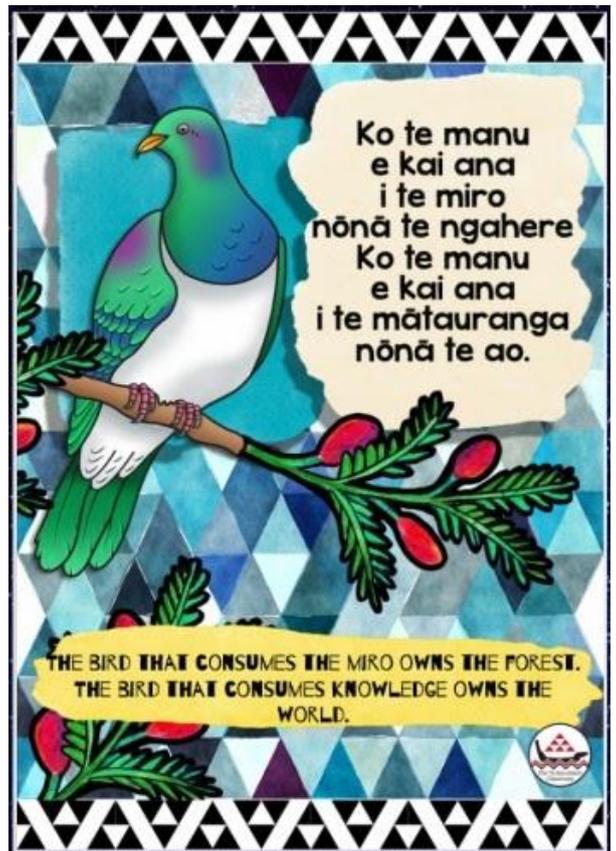


As we kick off Term 2 we acknowledge the mahi done in Term 1 by our tamariki and kaiako. With the many changes that have taken place it is now time to settle in and put our shoulder to the wheel and push together, our growth is just starting to develop. At the same time we express our appreciation to our Te Whare Hapai leaders who have put a considerable amount of time into nurturing our students. At the very foundation we stand tall for the values we represent, whether it is in our classrooms, field trips or sports events, we hold the mana of TAS.

We praise the work that our student leadership team and the work that they have already been involved in, and soon the sports captains will be in full flight organising and leading events in the school. Exciting plans have been put in place by our students, and we as a staff will support them in fulfilling their roles.

Some of the highlights from last Term is seeing our students interacting with community members both in and out of school.

Lastly, we look forward to meeting all our whanau during whanau conferences to help us nurture the growth of our tamariki's potential.



Jason Fellingham
Deputy Principal
Taihape Area School

TAS Library

Staff newsletter: No 2: Week 1 Term 2

Promotions:

1. NZ Sign language week
2. Music Month



NOTE;

Due to the pandemic books have been slow to arrive (up to 12 weeks) Many books have arrived after the library promotion has finished. That is why these are not in sync with the promotion.

Newly received at the library

Picture Books

Clump the lump of coal: has feelings, and he's tired of not being wanted!

FOR CHRISTMAS

This is where I stand: - a glimpse into the life of a soldier immortalised as a statue based on the 'Untidy Soldier' statue in Devonport.

FOR ANZAC DAY

How to catch a Leprechaun: Is this the year you'll finally catch the leprechaun?

FOR IRISH MONTH

The Plastic Throne: Denver flushes all kinds of things down the toilet but never stops to think about what happens to them once they are gone.

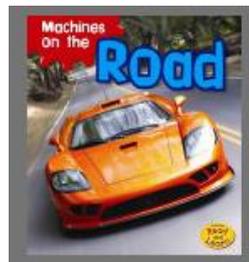
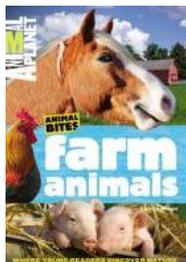
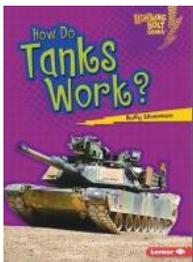
FOR EARTH DAY

Newly received at the library

Beginner Non-fiction

Machines on the Road
Backhoes
Cranes
Manners at the table
Manners at home
Farm animals
Concrete mixers
Velociraptor
All about animals in Winter
Real size animals
How do Tanks work

I'm still looking for Hunting & Fishing books suitable for beginner readers



RESOUCÉ Introduction



Music Month

Māori Music and [Performance](#): Link to National library resources.

[NZ Music](#): Link to National library resources.



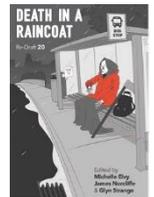
Sign Language week

[New Zealand Sign Language Week](#) Link: Learn how to sign over 4 weeks

Resource Recommendations

Recently received:

Death in a Raincoat – re-draft #20
The Re-Draft Creative Writing Competition is an annual writing competition for teenagers.



Free to enter.

Deadline: September 1st

Work should be previously unpublished.
Submit any creative writing genre, send up to three entries. No word limit but entries must be suitable for publication in an anthology.

Judges: Tessa Duder and James Norcliffe

Prize: publication. You will also receive a free copy of the book.

A Picture Book I have found interesting is called *Move that Mountain* found under No 14. Read it from the front to back the task is too hard BUT read it in reverse (back to the front) the task becomes fixable)

If you have any suggestions for purchase please sent a request

Skool Loop

This is free to download and a great way to keep up to date with what is happening at school.

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