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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday 23 October

Labour Day - Holiday

Monday 30 October -

Friday 3 November

Senior Camp at Marahau

Friday 10 November

Hira Football Tournament -
Interested Yr 5/6 students

Thursday 16 November

Moutere Hills Athletics Day

Friday 17 November

Secondary School's Year 8
Orientation Day

Monday 20 November

Teacher Only Day

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou,

Today we farewell Toby Macgregor from Kea Class. Alison and Brodie, thank you for your contributions to Tasman School. We wish you all the best with your move back to the Kāpiti Coast.

There was a lot of excitement on Wednesday morning for the students when we found the nesting spot for a pair of paradise ducks. A delightful collection of ducklings emerged from beneath the blue deck. The family are still on the school grounds - more to follow in the newsletter.

An email has been sent home regarding an online survey that can be completed by whānau. The information is collected, collated and analysed by staff at Poutama Pounamu. A summary of findings will be presented to staff as a collective piece of data. Please take the time to complete this survey as it helps us to consider steps of action to continue with school improvement. Poutama Pounamu has been working with staff for professional development in the area of cultural competency. Their input has been invaluable and we look forward to their guidance from the whānau voice collection information.

Please take the time to check that you are up to date with the payments of Term 4. There are a number of payments due including sports fees, Suter Gallery trip and school camp fees.

Ngā mihi nui,

Rob

Principal's Weekly Comment

Weekly Community Comment - Term 4 Week 3 2023 - Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October / Whiringa-ā-nuku

"Mauri tū, mauri ora"

- *An active spirit is healthy spirit*

Weekly School Goal: *Being inquisitive learners who are curious about the world, especially the school paradise ducks! (pūtakitaki / pūtangitangi)*

Key points for this week:

Monday / Rahina 23rd

- Labour Day - public holiday - school is closed

Tuesday / Rātu 24th

- Management team meeting at 8am
- Lisa is working extra hours
- Cate is out for CRT 9am - 11:45am - Cindy is in Weka Class
- Maia is out for CRT 11:45am - 3pm - Cindy is in Kererū Class
- Staff meeting at 3:15pm

Wednesday / Rāapa 25th

- Maia is out for day off - Melanie is in Kererū Class
- Cate is out for day off - Rob is in Weka Class

Thursday / Rāpare 26th

- Rob is out at Hieke Principals' Conference - Alex is in charge
- Alex is out for CRT 9am - 11:45am - Cindy is in Ruru Class
- Ally is out for CRT 11:45am - 3pm - Cindy is in Tūi Class

Friday / Rāmāre 27th

- Rob is out at Hieke Principals' Conference - Alex is in charge

Upcoming dates

Term 4

- Year 6 - 8 Camp at Marahau - Monday 30th October Friday 3rd November (Term 4, Week 4)
- Hira Football Tournament (interested Year 5 students) - Friday 10th November (Term 4 Week 5)
- Moutere Hills Athletics - Thursday 16th November (Term 4, Week 6)
- Secondary Schools' Orientation Day for Year 8 students - Friday 17th November (Term 4, Week 6)
- Teacher only day - school closed - Monday 20th November (Term 4, Week 7)
- Year 7/8 Summer Sports Tournament - Friday 24th November (Term 4, Week 7)
- Last day of school - finishing at 12:30pm - Wednesday 20th December (Term 4, Week 11)

More families choosing to holiday locally.

By Weka, Year 6

While many people have chosen to visit the islands this Winter, the Duck family has decided to stay local.

Donald and Jemima Duck, along with their children, Pudding, Dumpling, Muffin, Fudge, Lamington, Biscuit and Roast, have been enjoying the cooler temperatures of the Tasman Pool. When asked why he chose this holiday destination, Donald replied "Due to the cost of living crisis, we found it too expensive to go on our usual holiday to Guangzhou, China. Kids are expensive, you know, and now with our wee gang of seven, we thought it's better to stay closer to home."

Roast Duck, 1 week old, was asked what his favourite thing about the pool was. He said lying in the sun. Pudding said she found it hard to nap during school bells however.

Jemima added "It's great here, although we may not be allowed back next year as the kids are still potty training. But they are definitely improving their diving, Dumpling has been working hard on his duck bomb."

Donald and Jemima do have one tip for travelling with children, "Eat local pond weed to keep costs down."

Rest assured the Duck family have signed their pool agreement!



Class Awards

Class:	Students of the week:
Tūī	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amelia P• Kitianu R• Lorcan W
Kea	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Toby M• Carl O• Te Rawhiti K
Kākāpō	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minnie S• Fleur-Ange
Kererū	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• William H• Olive D• Hope S
Weka	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aurora C• Coby T
Ruru	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ashley L• Florence F

Calendar Art

Order forms have been sent home with your child. Please go to the Tasman School website: www.tasman.school.nz/calendar-art to view your child's artwork from last Term. If you need another order form, these can be collected from the office.

Please note the **New** Fundraising account number - 03-1354-0635665-16 for payments. Deadline for orders is Friday 3 November.



Support your young person to manage anxious feelings



Join us for an evening with psychologist and author of *Stuff That Sucks*, Ben Sedley. A not-to-be-missed event for young people and everyone in their orbit!



**7pm, Tuesday,
7 November
2023**

Motueka South
School Hall,
450 High Street,
Motueka 7120
Free entry

Hosted by: **real**
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