

Dear Parents,

ENROLMENT SCHEME AND ROLL GROWTH

Since the 1 January 2008, Taradale Primary School has had a revised Enrolment Scheme in place to help ensure that 'the school can continue to successfully manage the increasing roll'. Currently our roll is 409 compared with 407 at the same time last year. With our known in-zone enrolments for the rest of 2009, I can confirm that we will be finishing with a roll of at least 460 (459 in 2008) which is 15 pupils above our maximum roll as outlined in the Ministry of Education approved Revised Enrolment Scheme (2008). Currently a new classroom is being built in Room 3, but that will still not provide sufficient teaching space for all of our Year 1 enrolments this year.

Following a meeting with the Ministry of Education this week to review our current Enrolment Scheme and to discuss the impact that the increasing roll is having on our school re class numbers, number of classrooms and playground space, I can confirm that the decision made in 2008 to not consider any 'out-of-zone applications in the immediate future will continue in 2009. As you can see we really don't have enough classroom space for all of our 'in-zone students' let alone enrolling any extra out-of-zone students.

The matter of our increasing roll at Taradale Primary School is going to be further investigated by the Ministry of Education in consultation with the Board of Trustees in the next few weeks. I will keep our school community up-to-date with any key decisions made via our school Newsletter.

**Allen McMillan
PRINCIPAL**

COMMUNICATION CORNER

BOT

School Uniforms

The Uniform Committee have added the following to our school uniform range.

- Navy Drill Shorts
- Microfibre track pants
- Navy Bootleg Pants

These will be available at Postie+ later in April, (after their stocktake), ready for our winter term.

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform, ie navy pants, maroon polo shirt, navy polo fleece jackets. If you're unsure, please contact Jan Clark, BOT member.

Hockey FantaSTICKS

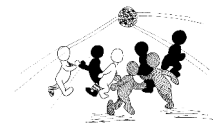
- 14th, 15th & 16th April 9am - 3pm
- Coaches: Caryn Paewai & Shea McAleese
- Cost: \$250 - includes coaching, admin. fees, turf fees, lunch and KCHA training shirt
- Registration form at office, or contact 8459336

PTA

School Disco

Our first disco for the year will be held on Wednesday 8th April - the last school day of Term 1 (Remember, Thursday 9th April is a Teacher Only Day). The theme for this disco is 'Our National Heroes' - so dig out your 'hero' costumes for the special event.

Junior (Years 1 - 3) 5.30 - 6.45pm
Seniors (Years 4 - 6) 7.15 - 8.30pm



END OF TERM DATES TO REMEMBER

- Wednesday 8 April Term 1 closes for all children at 3.00pm.
- Thursday 9 April Teacher Only Day (new curriculum workshops) - School Closed
- Friday 10 April Good Friday. April School Holidays
- Monday 27 April School re-opens at 8.50am for Term 2.

CRICKET



Draw:

Kiwi Cricket Yr3/4: Friday 3.30pm	
Taradale 1 v Greenmeadows Blue	Nelson Pk 1
Taradale 2 v Greenmeadows Green	Nelson Pk 6
Yr 5/6 Div. 1: 9am	
Taradale v Arthur Miller A	Park 1 s. 1
Year 5/6 Div. 2: 9am	
Taradale v Porritt School	Park 1 s 2

Taradale A v Arthur Miller

After winning the toss, Taradale opted to bat first scoring 101 off their 25 overs. This was impressive given Taradale were 2 wickets down after the first 2 balls of the game! A resilient 31 not out (retired) from Bradley, 17 by Aiden and support from other team members got them to their respectable total. A top bowling effort from all the team, in particular Mark (3 for 5 off 4 overs) and some great catches (one superb one hander by Aiden) saw Arthur Miller restricted to 79 runs from their 25 overs. A win by 22 runs. Players of the day, Mark, Aiden and Bradley.

Taradale Year 5/6 "B" Team

In a very hard fought game Taradale defeated Reignier B 96 - 87 runs.

Josh 25 runs Angus 15 runs

Alex 2 wickets - 3 runs.

Player of the day was Joseph for a great bowling effort, scoring 15 runs and taking a brilliant catch.



This is the last week for cricket for the first half of the season. All our teams have performed well. The Friday after school cricket appears to have been a successful innovation.

Thank you to all the parents who have supported our teams, and a big thank you to those parents who umpired and managed our teams during the season.

TARADALE PRIMARY SCHOOL BLOG

Currently we are developing some blogs at school. These blogs are currently active. Please check these out and post a comment. Links to these blogs will soon be added to our school website:

www.taraprim.school.nz

<http://taradalerom16.blogspot>
<http://icttaradale.blogspot.c>
<http://taradalerom1.blogspot>
<http://taradalerom13.blogspot.com>
<http://taradalerom8.blogspot.com>
<http://taradalerom9.blogspot.com>
<http://taradalerom7.blogspot.com>
<http://taradalerom18.blogspot.com>



More blogs will be created soon.

TERM 2: STAFF CHANGES

Miss Gray (Room 9) will be finishing at the end of Term 1 as she has been granted 12 months maternity leave. Miss Cameron who has been recently relieving at Napier Intermediate School, as well as teaching in London, will be joining our staff as from the beginning of Term 2 and will be teaching in Room 9 for the rest of the year.

On behalf of the children, staff and parents, I would like to welcome Leah to our teaching team at Taradale Primary School.

As Miss Gray will not be here for our Mid-Year Conferences in Term 2, she is going to be having them on Monday and Wednesday of next week for Room 9.

TEAM 3 SWIMMING results

1 Length Backstroke Finals – 1st place

9 yr old Girls Hannah

9 yr old Boys Xavier

10 yr old Girls Olivia

10 yr old Boys Bradley

2 Lengths Backstroke Finals – 1st Place

9 yr old Boys Bruin

10 yr old Girls Josie

10 yr old Boys Mason

1 Length Freestyle Finals – 1st Place

9 yr old Boys Angus

9 yr old Girls Hannah

10 yr old Boys Bradley

10 yr old Girls Hannah

2 Lengths Freestyle Finals – 1st Place

9 yr old Boys Bruin

9 yr old Girls Anna

10 yr old Boys Zayne

10 yr old Girls Josie

1 Length Breaststroke Finals – 1st Place

9 yr old Girls Molly

9 yr old Boys Jorge

10yr old Girls Hanna

10 yr old Boys Zayne

Medley Final – 1st place

9 yr old Girls Anna

9 yr old Boys Bruin

10 yr old Girls Josie

10 yr old Boys Zayne



WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY

Thursday 2nd April

Autism NZ has invited Taradale Primary School to participate in a fundraiser called *Multi-Coloured Mayhem Day*.

The children dress in multicolours. They wear as many bits of clothing as possible in different colours. A donation of a gold coin will be collected by the classroom teacher. All donations collected will be sent to Autism New Zealand.

