



TO ENABLE OUR LEARNERS TO BE LIFELONG ACHIEVERS WHO CAN THINK CREATIVELY  
AND CRITICALLY AS PART OF A CARING GLOBAL COMMUNITY.

## PRINCIPAL'S PRATTLE

Kia ora koutou,

One of the things we try to do for the staff at TPS is to acknowledge the importance of their own families. Not always an easy thing to follow through with but the theory is that often our tamariki are involved in events that we'd like to watch or be at. Just as in the same way that many of you gain so much by being at your child's cross country (and so on!) we endeavour to do the same for our staff too.

Last week I took Friday off to watch my son Dominic play hockey at the National Rankin Cup tourney in Tauranga. Not only was it fantastic for us, as a family, to share that time together but I felt incredibly proud seeing my Year 10 son footing it with some of the most skilled Year 12 and 13 hockey stars from around New Zealand. It was also a grand opportunity to create bonds with the parents of Dom's team-mates. And isn't that what life is also all about? Sure is!

But that was not the only 'feel-good factor' that hit me over that short period of time. We hadn't told the wee fella that we were coming to watch. His excitement and emotion at seeing us, after five days away, was unbelievable and that alone made it all so worthwhile. The sheer joy on his face and the pride he showed was ever so obvious. What will he remember about his tournament? Plenty! The games, the goals, the mates, the rain, cold swims and with each passing year those stories will be embellished! What will I remember? I'll remember the look on his face when he first saw us and I'll remember his nod at us with each goal scored. I'll remember his pride that he could share that with us. And, also, I'll remember how important that is next time a staff member wants to share an experience like that with their own child. Maybe we should do that more often!

**Marty Hantz**

*"Love and compassion are necessities, not luxuries.  
Without them humanity cannot survive"*

Dalai Lama

### PARKING ON CHURCH ROAD

PLEASE NOTE: The Church Road parking directly in front of the school is a drop-off zone only. For those that abide by these rules, there is a great deal of frustration towards those that don't. Please do not park there and walk your children in to school. If you wish to do that then please park further away or use the Ngarimu Crescent parking spaces to do so. If we have continued disregard for this then please do not be surprised to see the Napier City Council parking wardens being asked to attend to this.

## TPS VALUES – Compassion

For us at TPS, compassion means showing everyone that they are valued. We are understanding of all other people and the challenges that they face. We want to be sensitive, supportive and inclusive of all. We often use words (listed below) that describe this ever so well....

- aroha
- kindness
- empathy
- care
- sensitivity
- patience

At TPS we exhibit that compassion by having and expecting inclusive classrooms, having mixed-ability groupings and by asking our learners to focus on their own growth as learners rather than trying to compare themselves to others. We use our Learning Matrix and our WALT's (We Are Learning To) Learning criteria to help ourselves move forward and, just as importantly, we remind our learner that each person learns at their own rate of speed and that is part of being compassionate.



## FIRE DRILL

On Monday we had a Fire Drill – always well known to be a pretty smooth sort of operation, and this was no different at all. Out of those classrooms and off the field in a flash! Just the way that we like it. Just as it should be. Great work by all of the staff who do this so so calmly and fabulous work by our tamariki who knew exactly what to do!

## LOOKING GOOD!

Over the next school holidays you'll see a change or two to the school. Not amazing changes but just those little changes that are sometimes needed ... such as...

- having the back of Rooms 1-5 painted
- having the fence line down the back of the hall replaced
- having a new concrete path laid past the Year 6 Learning Whare. This will also mean the removal of two trees ... however, rest assured, these will be replaced!

## MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK

What a great week (although for us, every week is Māori Language Week) and it is really neat hearing the TV and radio presenters all working that much harder on their pronunciation skills. As Te Reo Māori is a language that is unique to Aotearoa, we should feel honour bound to protect and resurrect it. It is a taonga that should not be lost. We've discovered a new app from Googleplay or Playstore that is called kupu. This is an app that will appeal to everybody – take a photo on this app with your phone and it gives you the Māori word for it! Kapai!

## SUMMER HOCKEY FAMILY 6'S COMPETITIONS

Hawkes Bay Hockey are offering Friday afternoon/evening 6 a-side hockey competitions. This is open to all ages and is based at Park Island. This is played on a half field with 20 minute halves and is ideal for combining two or three families. There has to be two females and only three adults on the field at any one time!

This is a great competition for families who like to have fun and who aren't too focused on winning at all costs! Go to <https://eventdesq.sportstg.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=main&EventDesqID=29690&OrgID=13333> to register!



## Support the re-opening of our Community Pool

Donations can be made at our Give-a-little page:  
<https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/taradale-community-pool-reopening-fundraiser>

## THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

An enormous thank you to Stacey Lyford, Nikki Fenwick and their helpers in our hugely successful Book Fair this week. We sold over \$6000 worth of books and earned \$2000 to buy books for our Library. With this amazing support from our community, we have earned a BOGO Book Fair next term. This means buy one book, get one free! An awesome fair to have just before Christmas.

Thank you to Source Cafe for donating some of their used coffee grounds for our school compost and worm farm. Coffee grounds are really good for our garden as it puts nitrogen into our soil and gives our plants some of the essential nutrients it needs.

## REMINDER...

Order your school photographs  
on-line through L C Scott  
Photographers by Friday 21<sup>st</sup>  
September to receive your order  
freight free!

## ORCHESTRA PLAY-IN DAY

Last Thursday 22 of our top musicians went to Havelock North Intermediate to join 150 other children from HB Primary and Intermediate schools. The day was the culmination of weeks and weeks of practice resulting in the wonderful experience of being part of a full classical orchestra. Congratulations to

- Violinists – Emily L, Ava F, Sophie F, Cian J and Julia N
- Flautists – Georgia R, Lisa D and Maddy D
- Recorders – Mischa L, Meg R, Holly S, Lincoln G, Nicole X, Ariana C, Kiara P, Mia N, Grace K, Ethan F, Sistina B, Charli D, Brooke G and Millie A



## WATCHMAN ROAD INTERSECTION PROJECT CELEBRATION

The new roundabout at the intersection of State Highway 2 and 2B has recently been completed and the Watchman Road causeway will soon be open to traffic heading to and from the Hawke's Bay Airport.

Working closely with local iwi, environmental groups and neighbouring residents has enabled the project team to shape a design that not only improves road safety at a high-risk intersection, but also protects the natural environment and celebrates the area's culture and lifestyle with a unique gateway to the airport and region.

We hope you can join us as we celebrate the completion of this project. Feel free to bring your bike or scooter and the family along for some fun activities or join us on a short walking tour to find out more about this unique area.

### WHEN

Sunday 16 September 2018  
(in case of wet weather check  
Facebook @nztacni for updates;  
postponement date 22 September)

### TIME

**1:30pm** Official welcome  
**2-4pm** Entertainment and fun  
activities with bike obstacle course,  
face painting, vintage cars and  
diggers, plus short walking tours of  
the area.

### WHERE

Airport Link Road and Watchman  
Road causeway.

### HOW TO GET THERE

**By bike:** Existing cycle trails in the  
area connect with new trails on the  
site.

**By car:** Access to event parking  
through the Hawke's Bay Airport  
existing main entrance.



New Zealand Government

Taradale Intermediate is proud to present our school production of *The Little Mermaid Jr.* The show opens on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September and runs through until Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>. The running time will be shortly over an hour, so it's a great show to bring the whole family to! For those with younger children, we have two matinee performances available.

Tickets are now for sale at [www.trybooking.co.nz/269](http://www.trybooking.co.nz/269). Tickets cost \$15 per adult and \$10 per child. We look forward to sharing our amazing show with you!





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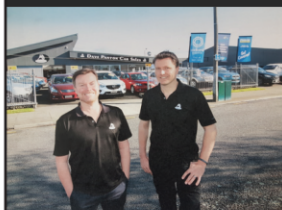
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