

# 20 Tapanui School Newsletter

Newsletter #23 - 9 August 2024

24

## maths week 12 - 16 AUG

It's "Maths Week" next week across all of New Zealand. Along with our normal, daily maths sessions, we are setting a fun maths challenge for the children each day. Keep an eye on facebook - we might just post some challenges for the grown ups to participate in too!

## Kapa Haka EXTRA PRACTICE Sunday 25 August In preparation for Polyfest...

Whaea Jaki would like all those who do Kapa Haka who can make it to meet at BMC Hall from 2-3pm to join BMC, Waikaka and Te Ahika Kapa Haka groups to practice together for Miharo Murihiku Polyfest.



# Tapanui School

Newsletter #23 - 9 August 2024

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3

### WEEK 4

12 Aug - Basketball at BMC

### WEEK 5

20 Aug - Football Festival  
- Board Meeting

23 Aug - Whole School Assembly

### WEEK 6

26 Aug - Mīharo Murihiku Polyfest

28 Aug - Sports Activator  
- Tony Tourell Golf Programme

### WEEK 8

11 - 12 Sept - School Production

### WEEK 10

25 Sept - Sports Activator  
- Board Meeting

26 Sept - School Photos

27 Sept - Whole School Assembly

## Year 6's

An invitation from Whaea Jaki to learn a new haka powhiri.

Wednesday 28 August

Meet at BMC office at 3pm.

Wait to be guided to the hall for Mihi Whakatau at 3:15pm followed by kai.

Learn a new Haka Powhiri from Whaea Courtney and Whaea Merania. 5:30pm pick up.

Full school uniform to be worn

Kia ora whānau!

It's been another busy week at Tapanui School.

Our senior students enjoyed some tackle rugby earlier in the week thanks to the watchful supervision of a teacher. It was wonderful to see the respect all the players showed to the mixed ability of the group playing and ensuring the right safety gear was being worn. I'm sure this will be an ongoing activity each week for as long as the same respect is shown - well done team.

The Government is making a lot of changes to the curriculum at the moment which places a lot of pressure on teachers. Education always seems to feel like a constant state of change and when there is a change in government this is exponential. With the recent announcement from the Prime Minister about maths and changes to come for 2025 you can rest assured that Tapanui School is keeping abreast of these changes and will be navigating this as we continue to provide quality education to our tamariki.

I'm noticing a small number of children not wearing their high vis vests to and from school. Please ensure your child wears this as it really does make a difference for vehicles travelling past to be more aware of what's around them. If you are picking your child up after school and park on the Karate Club side of Essex Street or Sussex Street, please remind your child to watch for cars as they cross Essex Street or come and wait for them outside the church. Sometimes in their excitement at seeing a parent across the road their focus at crossing the road safely is somewhat diminished. It can be a busy corner - another good reason to wear that high vis vest.

Have a great week - Jane

# Thank you

*to our wonderful supporters*

WE WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND A THANK YOU TO AMY AND LUKE AT TAPANUI DAIRY FOR GENEROUSLY DONATING HOT CHIPS TO OUR SCHOOL DISCO THEY WERE GREATLY APPRECIATED BY ALL!

ADDITIONALLY A HUGE THANK YOU TO JAMES AND TESS AT THE FOUR SQUARE FOR COOKING ALL THE PIZZAS FOR US!

WE ARE INCREDIBLY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

NGĀ MIHI NUI



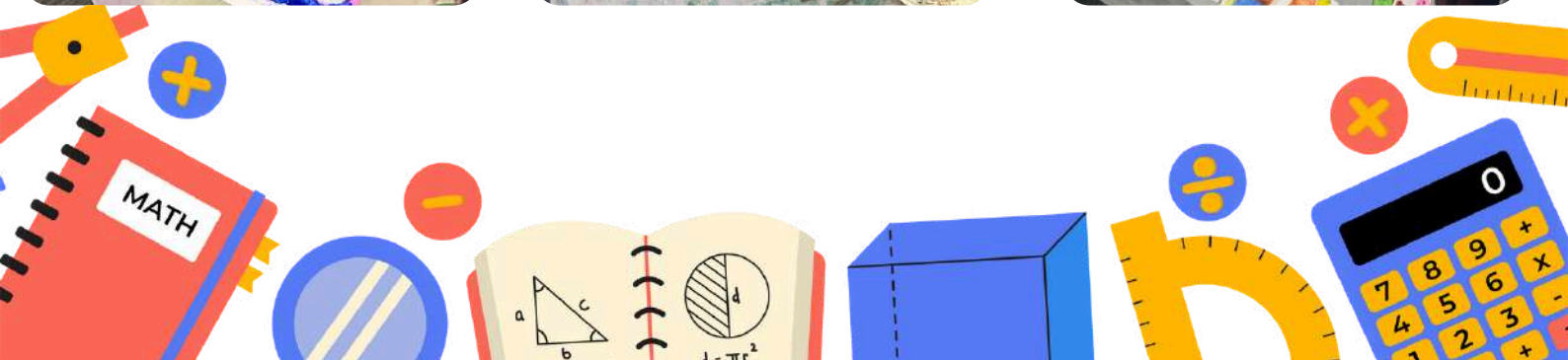
**Congratulations to our wonderful students who were awarded "Ready, Respectful, Safe" awards this week.**



# Math in Matal!



Kereru and Piwakawaka joined together to look at symmetry. We got some paper and then folded it in half. After we painted on one side we then folded it again, pressed it down to then open and reveal our symmetrical picture.



# Waka Time



Teamwork was the focus of our Waka time today.

We all attempted a human knot. It was great to hear communication and leadership from everyone. Here are some quotes from students:

“It was great having to learn to work with others!”

Some people took leadership which everyone listened too. That helped a lot.”

“Everyone was nice and not too rough.”

“There was great communication”





KEEP THIS  
DATE FREE!  
11 - 12  
SEPTEMBER

## UPDATES

We have now roughly set the whole show! The expectation now is for all children to have books down by the end of next week! I'm pleased to say that many children are already at this stage which is awesome. Thanks to those people who have offered to help and who have offered some of the props needed. The teachers and students have started building and developing some other props - it really is a picture of awesome team work. It's times like this that it reminds me how wide and varied the role of a teacher is!

Props you might have at home that we could borrow...

Crystals

Giant tennis ball

Lightsabers



An invitation to you all to go on to our School Docs site and participate in t

Log in to your SchoolDocs site using these details:

website: <https://tapanui.schooldocs.co.nz/>

username: tapanui

password: together

### **This terms review includes**

- Concerns and Complaints Policy
- Media
- Performance Management
- Professional Development
- Protected Disclosure
- Staff Conduct
- Staff Leave

