

Te Waka Unua School

Week 3, Term 2, 2018



Important Dates

Friday - Pink Shirt Day

Week 4

May 23 - BoT Meeting

Week 5

May 28 - Samoan Language Week

May 28 & 29 - Swimming at Jellie Park for Team Toroa & Ruru Tuakana

May 29 - Zone Cross Country

May 31 - Swimming at Jellie Park for Team Toroa & Ruru Tuakana

May 31 - Pasifika Hui

Jun 01 - Samoan Language Week Assembly

Week 6

Jun 04 - Queen's Birthday holiday

Jun 05 - Swimming at Jellie Park for Team Toroa & Ruru Tuakana

Jun 05 - Team Pukeko visiting the Museum

Jun 07 & 08 Swimming at Jellie Park - Team Toroa and Ruru Tuakana

Week 7

Jun 14 - Ruru - Te Pihinga library visit

Week 8

Jun 18 - Whakaari / Court Theatre He Kura Kōrero

Week 9

Jun 26 - 3 Way Conferences Year 4-8

May 15 - Paid Union Meeting

Jun 27 - 3-Way Conferences Year 4-8

Jun 27 - BoT Meeting

Week 10

Jul 03 - Dancing With The Stars Performance

Jul 06 - Last Day of Term 2

From the Principal...

Kia ora Koutou,

A special welcome to all our new students and families this term. It is a very busy term with lots of activities happening. Please see the important dates listed on this page and also refer to the school website at www.tewakaschoolnz. Teams will also communicate with you through SeeSaw, email, the school app, facebook (Team Ruru) and notices sent home.

We encourage you to keep your contact details up to date so we can keep you updated.

A reminder that newsletters go home in Weeks 3, 6 & 9 of each term, and they are also linked to the school website.

Janeane Reid

Landscaping Update

There has been further progress with landscaping over the past few weeks, with the landscaping of the bike area being completed and the area outside the staffroom nearing completion.



There are plans to improve the garden next to the basketball court and to develop a scooter track.

We are also in the planning stages to add a cultural perspective to our Hall.

School Lunches

Wednesdays - Subway can be ordered at the school office or online.



Fridays - Pita Pit can be ordered through the Lunchonline website



New Staff

We would like to welcome Peter Mudunaivalu to the Toroa teaching team, and Nina Young to the Kea team.

Kea 'Game On' Challenge

Last term the students in Team Kea surveyed, planned and created a Game On Challenge. A number of parents helped build the structures for this challenge.

The big day was rained off at the end of last term and was instead held last week.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make this day such an amazing success.



See more photos on the back page of this newsletter.



VARIETY KIWI KID SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME

Kiwi Kid Sponsorship can help to provide a child aged 5-15 years with the basic essentials that their family/caregiver is unable to afford. Items include bedding, clothing, school, swimming, stationery, music lessons and healthcare costs.

To see if your family may be eligible check the Variety website or collect an information sheet from our school office.

www.variety.org.nz

Each application is considered on its merits and allocation of funding is at the decision of the Variety Grants Committee, with the approval of the Board.

If you have questions, please contact the Variety office on 09 520 4111 or email kiwikids@variety.org.nz

PINK SHIRT DAY

We've joined the Pink Shirt Day movement!

Te Waka Unua School has joined the Pink Shirt Day movement to Speak Up, Stand Together and Stop Bullying! Tomorrow we're going pink to show our commitment to creating a school environment that is safe, welcoming and inclusive of all students.

We'll be celebrating Pink Shirt Day by adding pink to our uniform TOMORROW

Students are encouraged to wear as much pink as they want to support our bully-free stance.



For more information on what our school is doing to prevent bullying and celebrate diversity **Parents and Caregivers are invited to an information session on Thursday 24th May from 2.15 - 2.50 pm in the school staffroom.**

More from the Kea 'Game On Challenge'



