

**Wednesday 7 August 2019**

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Term Three

- 8 Aug GTT R5
- 14 Aug Swimming Sports
- 16 Aug Ngahere Assembly
- 21 Aug Tawa Swimming Sports
- 23 Aug Kākano Assembly
- 06 Sep Tōtara Assembly
- 10 Sep Y3-4 Rippa Rugby
- 12 Sep Production Full Dess Rehearsal
- 13 Sep Orange Day Parade
- 18 Sep School Production
- 19 Sep Y5-6 Rippa Rugby
- 20 Sep Te Rito Assembly
- 27 Sep Term 2 ends

**Dear Parents and Caregivers, kia ora, malo e lelei, talofa lava, kia orana, namaste, ni hao, sawasdee and welcome to Week 3 of Term 3 2019.**

Last Wednesday and Thursday there was a very positive attendance at learning conversations. We highly value this opportunity to connect with you about your child's learning! Please get in touch with your child's teacher if you have not yet made an appointment.

### Garden to Table Root to Tip Competition

Last Friday Charlotte and Natalie attended the Wellington finals of the Root to Tip cooking competition. They had a great day and were very impressed with all the creative menus of their fellow competitors. They were praised for their teamwork and using local produce. Well done girls and thanks Lindy for all the help you gave them preparing for the competition. The staff had the opportunity taste their dishes prior to the competition and they were delicious!

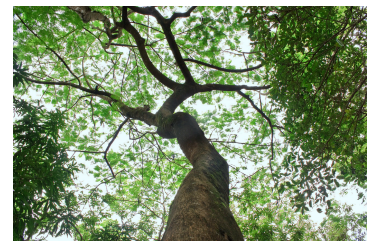


### Swimming Sports

Next Wednesday 14 August is the Greenacres School swimming sports at Tawa Pool. Year 4-6 students will take part in a range of races between 10am and 1pm. The race schedule will be posted on Seesaw by the end of the week. Family and whānau are warmly welcome to come along in support.

### Production 2019 - 'Up In The Tree'

Rehearsals are well underway for our whole school production, 'Up In The Tree'. Students are creating dances to perform, actors are busy learning and rehearsing lines, and everyone is working on a range of new songs. Your child's class teacher may be contacting you if they need help with costuming. For now, does anyone have large, lightweight pieces of pale green fabric or army camouflage we could borrow? More information on the production to follow.  
**Put Wednesday 18 September in your diaries!**



There were no new students to welcome this week.

## ICAS

Our school will again be offering parents the opportunity for their child/children to participate in the ICAS assessments in September. The assessments available are Science, Maths, English and Spelling Bee - all four are the same price, \$17. Please contact the office for a registration form.



## Community Consultation

At last night's Board of Trustees meeting we confirmed an online survey that we will be sending out to you all on Monday 12 August. This survey will be an opportunity to get feedback on various aspects of our school systems, as well as governance information to inform decision making in the future. Look out for the survey link in an email early next week.

Kind Regards

**Shirley Porteous**  
**Principal**

## Weekend Sport 3 August

### Netball

Greenferns 1 Player of the day - Layla Mersham and Natalie Wilkinson  
Greenferns 2 Player of the day - Jayda Sutton

### Hockey

Tōtara Year 3/4 Player of the Day - Olive Perris  
Ngahere Year 5/6 Player of the Day - Demelza Suisted

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Tawa Intermediate School** - limited spaces available for out of zone Year 7 and 8 students in 2020. Enrolments close 15 August 2019, prospectuses available at their school office, telephone 2325201, website [www.tawaint.school.nz](http://www.tawaint.school.nz)

**Te Māhuri - Whānau learning te reo Māori together** - Te Māhuri is an after school group for tamariki and their whānau to learn and practise te reo Māori in a relaxed and fun environment, learning through games, waiata and other activities. Everyone is welcome, from complete beginners to fluent speakers, and we'd love to see you there!

When: Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm at Newlands Community Centre; or Wednesdays 3.30-4.30pm at Linden Social Centre (during school term time only)

For more information or to join, please email [meganmvant@gmail.com](mailto:meganmvant@gmail.com)

**Fire and Emergency New Zealand** offer free home fire-safety visits and help install and test smoke alarms. For more information and to book a free visit contact your local fire station or email [FENZwellington@fireandemergency.nz](mailto:FENZwellington@fireandemergency.nz)

**The Pop Up Market in Tawa** - 31 August, 28 September, 19 October, 30 November, 14 December. For more info go to Facebook [thepopupmarketnz](https://www.facebook.com/thepopupmarketnz)

**Tawa Squash Club Friday Junior Club Night**, 67 Main Road, Tawa (next to St Francis Xavier School). Have fun, learn new skills, meet new friends. Small Nix 5-8 year olds 5pm-5:30pm free. Others 5pm - 7pm \$5 (first week free, members free) [info@tawasquash.co.nz](mailto:info@tawasquash.co.nz) Tel 04 2328200

**Midweek Ladies Squash**, Thursdays 9:30am – 11:00am, rackets and balls provided, safe area for kiddies, warm and friendly environment, \$5/session (first week free). Weekly Draw for Coffee for Two at The Borough. Contact Peter: [info@tawasquash.co.nz](mailto:info@tawasquash.co.nz) Tel 232 8200 or 027 677 8274 [www.tawasquash.co.nz](http://www.tawasquash.co.nz)

**Treasures & Treats 10am-3pm, 17 August, Redwood School hall** - fundraising event to help raise money for Bronwyn Hutchison, a local Tawa mum with Multiple Sclerosis, to travel to Mexico for treatment. Pre-loved clothing, toys, bric-a-brac, baking, raffles, plants, face painting and much more.

**Blended Family Success** - Discover how to help children in your step family adjust and create a united, supportive home life. Overcome common challenges and learn practical strategies that really work. Live happily ever after in your stepfamily! ONE NIGHT ONLY. You must register to secure your place.

When: Tuesday 17 September, 7pm – 9pm. Venue: 21 Hania Street, Wellington Central

For more information go to: [www.blendedfamilysuccess.nz/events](http://www.blendedfamilysuccess.nz/events) email: [adele@stepfamilyhelp.info](mailto:adele@stepfamilyhelp.info)

**Elements Rhythmic Gymnastics** - Free trial classes available. Classes available in Thorndon from Mon to Sat. Rhythmic Gymnastics is a mix of dance and gymnastics. It develops hand-eye co-ordination through the use of apparatus – rope, hoop, ball, clubs and ribbon. Email [info@rhythmicgym.nz](mailto:info@rhythmicgym.nz) to arrange a FREE trial.