

IMPORTANT DATES

Term One

- 10 Apr NZSTA Kāhui Ako
Kōrari Programme
- 12 Apr Sausage Sizzle
Last day of term

Term Two

- 29 Apr Term 2 begins
- 29 Apr Dances for
School starts
- 03 May GTT Room 10
- 10 May Ngahere Assembly
- 14 May Cross Country
- 21 May BoT Meeting
- 24 May Te Rito Assembly
- 31 May Teacher Only Day
- 03 Jun Queen's Birthday
- 18 Jun BoT meeting
- 21 Jun Kākano Assembly
- 5 July Last day of term

**WELCOME
HAERE MAI**

There were no new students
to welcome this week.

Wednesday 10 April 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers, kia ora, malo e lelei, talofa lava, kia orana, namaste, ni hao, sawasdee and welcome to Week 10 of Term 1 2019.

Student Council - Gumboot Day

Last Friday our student council planned an event to support the Kiwi Bank 'I am hope' Gumboot Day. Thanks to everyone who wore their gumboots or donated towards this worthy cause. A total of \$225.60 was raised!



Athletics Day

A great day of athletics was held yesterday. Thanks to everyone who helped with the organisation including student leaders from Tawa Intermediate. It was wonderful to see all our students getting stuck in and giving everything a go! A number of our Year 4-6 students have now qualified for the Tawa Zone athletics competition that will be held in Term 4. The final results are attached to the covering email.

Fire engine visit for Kākano

Kākano had a visit from local firefighters and their fire engine last Friday - next term they will be doing the Firewise programme. PS one of these firefighters also happens to be a Greenacres parent, thanks Chris!



Sausage Sizzle

We have some bags of sausages left over from the gala. We will be cooking these on Friday lunchtime, students can purchase a sausage in bread for \$2. On Thursday we will be asking students for an indication of who will be having a sausage.

Live auction

A reminder that, as per the email sent on Tuesday, the live auctions close at the end of today, so you still have a few hours to get your bids in!

Dances for Schools

Two years ago our students took part in a wonderful programme called Dances for Schools. Our energetic tutor, Dean Langham, will be back to work with us next term as we focus on developing dance skills for our production in Term 3. The performing arts are an important part of our curriculum and provides students with the opportunity to express themselves creatively and explore a range of dance genre. The programme is for two weeks and at the end, whanau are invited to come in and enjoy class performances. The cost is subsidised by our curriculum budget so that for families it is reduced to \$25 per student for the programme. Please make payment as soon as possible, this can be by cash, cheque, eftpos or credit card at the school office, or direct credit to the school bank account 123254 0004195 00 (please ensure you include child's name and 'dance' as the reference). You can also pay by instalments if you wish.

Thank you for a fantastic term everyone. It has had many highlights, including the hard work achieved by our students and staff, an amazing gala lead by our fabulous events team, and the growing connections developed through our involvement in the Tawa Kāhui Ako (a short summary of Kāhui Ako events is included below).

Have a restful break and Happy Easter!

Kind Regards

Shirley Porteous
Principal



The Events Committee is on to our next fundraiser, The Entertainment Book. Every membership we sell means \$13 for our school. To order your Book or Digital Membership online visit www.entbook.co.nz/10411b2. Thanks for your support.



Tawa Kāhui Ako

Tangata ako ana i te kāenga, te tūranga ki te marae, tau ana.

A person nurtured in the community contributes strongly to society.



The 8 schools in Tawa have been continuing to work together as Tawa Kāhui Ako. The focus is on providing teachers and students with more opportunities to learn from each other, and to strengthen transitions as students move through their schooling journey. In particular, we are looking at how to support student and staff wellbeing, and how to be responsive to the individual needs of students in our Tawa schools.

Some exciting things have been happening in our community recently:

- Wellbeing cluster group continues to have a special focus for this year in the area of Growth Mindset.
- Māori success cluster have gathered whānau and student voice and are focusing on Whanaungatanga.
- An Oral Language stream of work is also operating.
- Senior school leaders and Kāhui Ako leaders met to share exciting developments in their own schools.

The highlight of the end of the term for the Kāhui Ako was the Community Whānau Hui on Tuesday (2 April) evening. Approximately 300 whānau members, Kāhui Ako Principals, a number of teachers and many students shared kai, followed by speeches, and smaller workstations relating to student learning. Deputy Mayor, Jill Day, spoke about her journey as a Māori leader, and also spoke passionately about her role within the council's Māori language initiative. It was also great to see students sharing their own stories.



Appreciation is given to Tawa Intermediate for providing the venue, and special thanks to Whaea Renee who coordinated this fantastic event.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Invitation from our Muslim neighbours in Tawa: “Our community has been overwhelmed by the kindness that the whole of New Zealand has shown to us post March 15. We would love to show our appreciation by hosting an event in Tawa where we can formally thank the wider Tawa community. We would also like to take this opportunity to continue to build on these relationships so as a community we stay stronger together.” This is a chance to get to know more neighbours in our community. Venue: Tawa School, Oxford St. Date: Saturday 13 April 2-4pm.

WICKED WINTER SPORTS TERM 2 2019 - (Yrs 1-4) – Tuesday’s 3:05-4:05pm

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 2 with their fun and exciting classes. Come and try **Football, Netball, Handball and Rippa Rugby**. Try 2 weeks each of these sports. It’s a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Learn the fundamental skills for all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more – all while having a great time!

For full details and to enrol in programmes visit www.kellysports.co.nz
email adminwgn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201



Bookings are now open for Term 2 - Great for kids to get active and learn something new! To find out more, please call Bigair Gym Tawa on 04 232 3508 or email office@bigairgym.co.nz.



Tawa Pool Party Saturday 27 April 6-8pm, ages 5-12years (under 8 needs adult supervision) \$3.70. Free food, games, prizes, DJ and inflatables

The Pop Up Market in Tawa 27 April, 25 May, 29 June, 27 July, 31 August, 28 September, 19 October, 30 November, 14 December. For more info go to Facebook [thepopupmarketnz](https://www.facebook.com/thepopupmarketnz)

So you’re tough, but can you take on the 1-day Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge?!

Wellington Event Dates Wednesday 22 May – 10am start, Thursday 23 May – 10am start. For more information on the Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge and your chosen venue please [click here](#) to find out more or email aimee@eventpromotions.co.nz.

Mary Potter Hospice Annual Street Appeal - If anyone can volunteer to help with this year’s collection on 17 and 18 May, you can show your support by registering on the website <https://marypotter.org.nz/events/streetappealvolunteer/> and a representative will get back to you with more details.

Barnardos Early Learning has dedicated home-based educators who provide high quality education and care for children from 6 weeks - 5 years. They offer **free** Level 4 training and many other resources. If you would like to become part of their dynamic team, and work from home as an educator, please text or call Claire Pavitt, Early Learning Consultant, on 027 2014165 or email claire.pavitt@barnardos.org.nz for more information. Barnardos is looking for education now so please contact Claire.

Bellyful Porirua Scavenger Hunt April 2019 - complete 10 free activities around Porirua and Tawa and go into the draw to win one of three kids’ prize packs. For more information check their Facebook page ‘Bellyful Porirua Scavenger Hunt April 2019’. For more info on Bellyful, which provides meals for families with newborn babies and those who are struggling with illness, check the website www.bellyful.org.nz

Samuel Marsden Collegiate School Karori Open Day, Sunday 5 May, 2pm-4pm. There will be staff and students to talk to and show you around. For more information and to register visit marsden.school.nz/experience Year 7 Information Evening - Monday 10 June, 7pm, Marsden School. All students and families interested in a Marsden education in Year 7 in 2020 are invited to learn about Marsden’s strategy, Visible Wellbeing™ approach and the subjects on offer. Enrolments – Apply to [enrol](#) for entry in 2020 by the end of Term 2. For a personal tour or time in class for your daughter please call Sonia Stinson on 04 476 8707.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Kelly Club School Holiday Programme - April school holidays are approaching already!

Kelly Club is offering an exciting holiday programme, including numerous field trips and fun-themed days on offer including a theme in honour of ANZAC Day, wonderful Easter activities, creative science experiments and more! The kids can also look forward to sports sessions along with heaps of fun crafts, cooking and games galore to keep them busy all holidays. The link below will take you through to the Kelly Club website, where you can learn more or book your children into the programme-

<http://www.kellyclub.co.nz/greenacres>

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with Iriana (Izzy) Flavell, Kelly Club's programme coordinator on 0272414295 or email greenacres@kellyclub.co.nz



Children in Tawa are learning how to Cartwheel, Round-off, Handspring and Flip at BIGAIR Gymnastics classes! Children develop strength, flexibility, balance, proprioception, plus pride and self-confidence as they achieve new skills. BIGAIR's GYMNASTICS, TUMBLING, FREE RUNNING & TRAMPOLINE classes are great for fun and fitness! We focus on safety, technique, basic skills, through to more advanced skills such as summersaults and twisting. **Book now for our April School Holiday Programme!** Full day and half day sessions available. Great for kids to get active and learn something new! To find out more, please call Bigair Gym Tawa on 04 232 3508 or email office@bigairgym.co.nz.



Easter Holiday Hip Hop Day - Wednesday 17 April 9am-12 noon, ages 4-10 \$20 per child. Full supervision provided. For more info and to register email tomoderndance@gmail.com

First Aid for Kids ASB St John in Schools free holiday activity at Tawa Community Centre on Tuesday 23 April. Session 1 (age 5-8) 9.30-10.30am, session 2 (age 9+) 10.45am-12 noon. Bookings essential - for more info contact the centre on 2321682 or email tawacc@wcc.govt.nz Children must have an adult present with them.

NZ Police Museum have holiday workshops. All workshops have limited spaces and must be booked in advance. Contact (04) 238 3141 or museum@police.govt.nz Events are on the website www.police.govt.nz/museumevents

Drama Remedy holiday programme will be 3 days of activities on 15th, 16th & 17th of April. Learn the fundamentals of Drama & Speech – voice, body, movement and use of space through fun group activities. Experience a workshop on Rhythmic Gymnastics and Yoga for children. To enrol or for more details contact (04) 478 5962 or 022 027 3316 dramaremedy@gmail.com or visit our website www.dramaremedy.co.nz

Artrageous Kids Programme: 15 – 26 April 2019 BOOK ARTRAGEOUS APRIL Venue: Ponake Dojo, Prince of Wales Park, Salisbury Tce, Mt Cook, Wellington 8.30am–3:00pm \$69 and after care 3:00pm-5.15pm \$15. Aimed at children aged 5-12 years. Our classes provide a space for all children to explore at their own pace; chaotic or careful, gingerly or with gusto, tiptoeing or tromping. Our aim is to draw out their creativity, not stuff things in! Bookings essential.

» [View the programme.](#) [BOOK NOW!](#)

Tawa Recreation Centre April Holiday Programmes are open now - Looking for things to do over the school holidays? Check out the [programmes and activities](#) available. School holidays are just around the corner and spaces fill up quickly. [Book now](#) Call us 232 2260 or email tawa.rec@wcc.govt.nz for more information.

Kāpiti Island for Kids school holiday programme for ages 9-12 from 22 - 24 April 2019

3 days/2 nights - Includes: nighttime kiwi spotting, nature adventures, fishing, swimming, games, wildlife discovery, harakeke weaving, cabin accommodation (quad share), delicious food, ferry and DOC permits. \$395pp. Limited to 14 spaces. Email: bookings@kapitiisland.com