

Wednesday 20 February 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

Term One

- 20 Feb Meet the Teacher
- 22 Feb Ngahere Assembly
- 25 Feb EOTC Week
- 26 Feb Wainuiomata Pool
- 04 Mar New Entrant Parent Afternoon Tea
- 08 Mar Tōtara Assembly
- 15 Mar Kākano Assembly
- 19 Mar Prospective New Entrant Parent Mtg
- 21 Feb-18 Mar Dental Van visits
- 23 Mar GALA
- 26 Mar BoT Meeting
- 27 Mar Learning Conversations
- 28 Mar Learning Conversations
- 02 Apr School Athletics
- 05 Apr Te Rito Assembly

Gala Collection Week 2

Mystery Bottles please!

**WELCOME
HAERE MAI**

There were no new students to welcome this week.

Dear Parents and Caregivers, kia ora, malo e lelei, talofa lava, kia orana, namaste, ni hao and welcome to Week 3 of Term 1 2019.

Tonight we are having our annual Meet Our Teachers evening that begins in our school hall. This year we have a number of new things we would like to share with you including:

- The Challenge Tree - Our Greenacres 4 Cs (our revised curriculum)
- The 5 steps - Our student problem solving model (social skills)
- Challenge Home Learning - Our new homework model



We meet in the hall at 6pm and then move to classes for teacher presentations at 6:30 and 6:45. We look forward to seeing you this evening.

EOTC Week and Wainuiomata Pool School Trip

Thank you for the quick response we have had to returning EOTC forms. All permission forms are now in and today students will bring home a letter with final information. Year 3-6 students' letter will indicate any further payments that are required for their additional activities. We have our fingers crossed for fine weather next week. Daily updates will be put on our facebook page by 8am if any changes are required.

Greenacres Gala 2019

Each Saturday there is the opportunity to bring garage sale items between 10 and 12pm. Please note: we are not collecting clothes this year!

Volunteers for the Gala – we need you!

One of the secrets to a successful Gala is the wonderful team of volunteers before, during and after the event - on the day we need at least 150 helpers! Please complete [this form](#) if you (and any family or friends) are able to kindly help out – and even if you can't this time, we'd still like you to let us know. If you have any questions or have problems accessing the online form, please email greenacresgala@help@gmail.com Thanks!



This week we are collecting Mystery Bottles. The winning class last week was Room 1.



18–22 February: Mystery bottles

Please donate something a child would love to receive: choc sauce, bubble bath, coloured pencils, pens. Bring to school unwrapped.

Keyboard Lessons 🎵

Group Keyboard lessons will be held on Tuesday mornings, during school time. The cost is \$10 per lesson, charged at the beginning of each term. In addition to this is the cost of books, usually once a year. Students will need to have a keyboard or piano at home for practice. Lessons are available for students in Year 2 and above. For registration and enquiries, please contact Jean Hollier.

E-Mail: jholliermusic@gmail.com or Ph: 021 1187227

GTT (Garden To Table)

We have a small quantity of cucumbers and silverbeet that students will be selling at the gate on Thursday morning for a gold coin donation. All money goes back in to our GTT programmes.



Dog Policy

Just a reminder to parents/caregivers with dogs that the school has a dog policy which is attached to this newsletter's covering email. Not all students are comfortable around dogs and it would be appreciated if dogs, although still on leads, be kept well clear of classroom doorways and cloak bays.

Student Wellbeing and Growth Mindsets

This year our school and Tawa Kahui Ako (Tawa cluster of schools) are focusing on Wellbeing and in particular learning about the benefits for our students and staff of having a 'growth mindset'. Katherine O'Neil has been appointed as our Within School Leader for the Kahui Ako and will be leading this important work. Each week there will be a focus in the newsletter to provide whanau the opportunity to learn more about this too! Check out the visual below, we hope you find this useful!

Kind Regards

Shirley Porteous
Principal

PARENT'S GUIDE TO A GROWTH MINDSET

Big Life Journal

*Your brain is like a muscle. When you learn, your brain grows.
The feeling of it being hard is the feeling of your brain growing!*

PRAISE FOR:

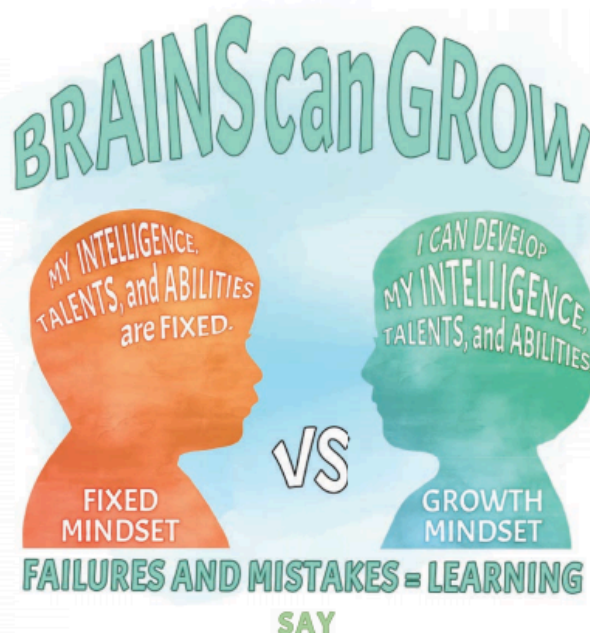
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- HARD WORK
- PERSISTENCE
- RIISING TO A CHALLENGE
- LEARNING FROM A MISTAKE

NOT FOR

- TALENT
- BEING SMART
- BORN GIFTED
- FIXED ABILITIES
- NOT MAKING MISTAKES

THE POWER OF "YET" SAY

"YOU CAN'T DO IT YET."
"YOU DON'T KNOW IT YET."
"IF YOU LEARN AND PRACTICE, YOU WILL!"



SAY

- "MISTAKES HELP YOU IMPROVE."
- "YOU CAN LEARN FROM YOUR MISTAKES."
- "LET'S SEE WHAT OTHER STRATEGIES YOU CAN TRY."

RECOGNIZE YOUR OWN MINDSET

BE MINDFUL OF YOUR OWN THINKING AND THE MESSAGES YOU SEND WITH YOUR WORDS AND ACTIONS.



ASK

"WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY THAT MADE YOU THINK HARD?"

"WHAT NEW STRATEGIES DID YOU TRY?"

"WHAT MISTAKE DID YOU MAKE THAT TAUGHT YOU SOMETHING?"

"WHAT DID YOU TRY THAT WAS HARD TODAY?"

COMMUNITY NOTICES

“Back to School Sports!” (Yrs 1-4) – Term 1 Tuesdays 3:05-4:05pm

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 1 with their fun and exciting classes.

Come and try **Circus Skills, Cricket, Football, Dodgeball**. 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 into our programmes

visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtm@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201



Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon: Thursday 14 March, Hutt Recreation Ground, Sunday 17 March, Kilbirnie Park
Online entries close 14 March - <https://tryathlon.co.nz/locations/wellington/>

Bigair Gymsports Tawa - If you have a child who loves doing handstands, cartwheels, walkovers, flips, or cheerleading, then they will love Bigair Gym! To book for Term 1 go to [ENROL FOR TERM 1 ONLINE](#) or please call Bigair Gym Tawa on 2323508 or email office@bigairgym.co.nz

Tawa Junior Rugby Club ‘Give it a Go’ Day and Registration 2019

Date: 10 th March 2019 – Rain, Hail or Shine

Time: 10:30am - 1:30pm

Where: Tawa Rugby Club, 23a Lyndhurst Road, Tawa

The Tawa Junior Rugby Club are hosting a fun filled day for kids and adults to showcase rugby in our community. There's no obligation to register but a chance to have a great family day out with giveaways, games, guest appearances and lots of food and fun.

For more information check out the Tawa Junior Rugby Football Club Facebook page.



Kids Go Free at Staglands on Children's Day - Staglands Wildlife Reserve will be celebrating Children's Day on Sunday 3 March by offering FREE ENTRY into The Reserve for all children. In addition to their usual attractions visitors can enjoy free off-road tractor-trailer rides. So if you are looking for a fun Children's day outing for the whole family; meet at Staglands and Connect with Nature on Sunday 3 March. Children (0-16 years) must be accompanied by paying adult.

For more information visit www.staglands.co.nz