



# TURAKI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Panui: Term 1, Week 4

21 Hui-tanguru, 2012

21 February, 2012

# New Title Needed

**Erin's Expressions:** *Tena koutou katoa. Week 4 already! Classes are involved in our swimming programmes, completing initial year testing and looking really settled into learning. The initial testing is important to inform teachers of the children's current needs and is used to guide teacher planning. The data is also used to plan for school-wide target groups and shows learning areas that need to be focus areas. It is vital that children attend school, so they are not missing out on important learning (and testing). Often absent children find it difficult to catch up on missed lessons and some tests are taken on a particular day school-wide and are not able to be re-taken.*

*It is wonderful to hear our children talking about "positive attitudes". For the next two weeks we will be learning about "Respect", and what that looks like in different situations.*

*On a sad note we had an act of vandalism at school where someone burnt our slide. We are working hard to have the slide replaced as it was a very popular piece of playground equipment.*

*Thank you parents for your great support, thank you students for your positive attitudes and thank you staff for your dedication and team work.*

*Erin Simpson*

**TRAFFIC SAFETY:** It is important that all children and parents observe to "Road Crossing Rules" to ensure everyone's safety. We ask all parents to use the allocated school crossing areas, and **do not cross opposite the netball courts**. Children and adults are to stand behind the "yellow line" at the designated crossing areas and wait until the Teacher and the Monitors on duty tell them it is clear to cross. Some parents are also parking on the yellow dotted lines outside school. ***This is illegal (\$55 fine) and also restricts the teacher's and monitor's vision of the traffic flow.*** Police Officer Peter Marks has asked that we pass this on and let you know he will be monitoring the crossing and parking areas from time to time.

Also on the subject of traffic safety, where our children are concerned, in the mornings our crossings are not manned and one parent has made this observation:

*"I watched this morning where one parent had stopped to allow my two children to cross the road on the crossing and another parent coming the other way did not – so luckily my two made the better choice of not crossing. This is dangerous! Although I have taught my kids not to cross until all traffic has passed some other children may not be so lucky".*

So although you may think you are being kind by stopping to let children cross this may in fact put them in more danger. Please continue on and allow them a clear view in both directions so they can choose when it is safe to cross.

**PHOTOCOPY LEVY:** All students are to pay a photocopy/paper levy to the School Office. Even if you have purchased your stationery somewhere other than at school we still require this fee to be paid to the Office as soon as possible. The charge is \$5.00 per child.

**BOOK CLUB ORDER #1:** Offer closes at the School Office on Tuesday, 6 March at 9.00 a.m. Sorry no late orders. Please make cheques payable to Scholastic NZ.

### PRINCIPAL'S PHONE CALLS

Congratulations to those students, who were chosen by their teacher for special recognition for their behaviour or achievements from Mrs Simpson

Caleb Blackmore (S)	Mrs Burkett
Libby Street (H)	Mrs McGeachy
Tyler Lloyd (N)	Miss Jackson
Monica van Buel (S)	Miss Thomson
Erin Rees (H)	Mr Mills
Baden Cullis (S)	Mr Muirhead
Alys Hewison (R)	Mrs Jarvis
Sasha Burton (N)	Mrs Hape
Darien Robertson (N)	Mrs Edhouse
Harris Gemmell (H)	Miss Gilbert
Sheralee Hazard (R)	Miss Leatuafi
Shakyra Mark (N)	Miss Goodwin

### WHANAU HOUSE POINTS

The whanau house points for Week 3 were:

Hillary (3)	Ngata (2)
Rutherford (4)	Sheppard (1)

*Congratulations to Rutherford for being the leading Whanau House.*

### BIRTHDAY BUDDIES

We wish the following pupils all the very best for their special day between 21<sup>st</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> February

Dylan Burton: Room O (24 <sup>th</sup> February)
Nikita Goodwin: Room B (24 <sup>th</sup> February)
Donniece Goodwin: Room B (24 <sup>th</sup> February)
Erin Lacy: Room P (24 <sup>th</sup> February)
Becky Jurgens: Room H (26 <sup>th</sup> February)
Hamish Jacobs: Room H (26 <sup>th</sup> February)
Todd Jacobs: Room P (27 <sup>th</sup> February)



**New Enrolment: New Enrolment:**

**Kyla Ngarongo-Kahu**

**Jayda Ham**

**TURAKI SUPPORT GROUP:** This group is holding it's first meeting for 2012 this **Thursday, 23rd February at 3:00pm** in the School Staffroom. Free After School Care will be available for Turaki School children of parents attending the meeting. Please let the School Office now if you will be using this service during the meeting.

### KING COUNTRY OLYMPIC WRESTLING

**CLUB:** This club is running an Interschool Wrestling Tournament to be held at the Athletics Sport Centre on Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March and Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2012. For more information see Miss Gilbert. *Please note the change of dates.*

**SWIMMING SPORTS:** We will need helpers for our Turaki School Swimming Sports, at Taumarunui High School, on **next Thursday 1 March** from 9:30am till around 1:00pm. If you are able to help us with this please leave your name at the School Office for Miss Gilbert.

**NETBALL, MINIBALL AND HOCKEY:** Yes these seem a long way off, but we will also need coaches for netball, miniball and hockey. Please leave your name at the School Office if you are able to help, and let us know your preferred age for netball and miniball.

**DRUG INFORMATION EVENING:** The Taumarunui Police are running a Drug Information Evening and would like to invite all interested parents, teachers and students to attend.

Details are as follows:

Venue: Taumarunui High School  
When: 21st March 2012  
Time: 7:00pm

Detectives Donnithorne and White will present information regarding drug use, signs of use, things to watch out for in young people as signs of use, and paraphenalia associated with drugs.

A light supper will be offered at the completion of the presentation.

Expressions of interest to Constable Kierny WALTON at the Taumarunui Police Station, so we know expected numbers please.

### **PIANO/KEYBOARD LESSONS:**

Mrs Robyn Croy has vacancies at school for children wanting to take piano/keyboard lessons. Children need to be 7 years of age or older and must have the use of a piano or keyboard at home for practise purposes.

Cost: \$15 per lesson. Contact the School Office and leave your details for Mrs Croy if you are interested in your child having these lessons.

**BANK ACCOUNT:** For anyone wishing to make payments to school (e.g. school fees, netball fees, mini-ball fees, camp payments etc) our banking details are: Westpac Bank Taumarunui  
Account number: 03 0426 0149208 00

**ROLE MODELS:**

Congratulations to the following students for being the recipients of our very first AROHA Awards for following the Turaki Way and displaying excellence in Attitude.

Lance Te Ahuru (Sheppard): Room R  
Josephine Mulgrew (Rutherford): Room S

**Positive Person:**

James Prestage (Rutherford): Room D

**Yummy Stickers:**

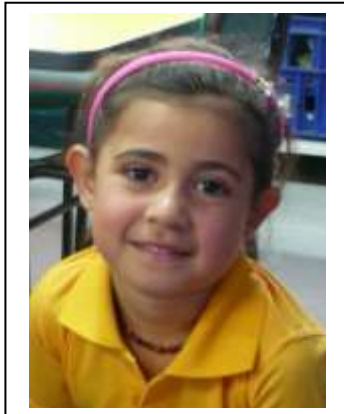
Shania Kaye Tadman (Rutherford): Room A  
Ryan Browne (Hillary): Room H

**Staff Aroha Award Recipient:**

Mrs Sharee Mills (Support Staff)



**AROHA Award: AROHA Award:  
Lance Te Ahuru Josephine Mulgrew**



**New Enrolment: New Enrolment:  
Nikah Perez Matthew Wiggins**



**Positive Person:  
James Prestage**

The One Day Leadership Challenge Proudly supported by CRC REAP

ADVENTURE & EXCITEMENT

FOR YEAR 8 STUDENTS

Applications close Thursday 5 April 2012

9am to 3pm Friday 4 May 2012 At Blue Mountain Adventure Centre, Raurimu

For further details contact: Jenny Gault 07-806-8880 ext 1 or email jenny@reap@tra.co.nz

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**NEW ENROLMENTS**

We welcome the following new student, who has joined us in the last week. We know she will have fun and enjoy learning at Turaki School.

Kyla Ngarongo-Kahu: Mrs Burkett (N)  
Jayda Ham: Mrs Burton (R)  
Matthew Wiggins: Mrs Burton (H)  
Nikah Perez: Mrs Burton (H)

## LOOKING FOR AFTER SCHOOL CARE?

Turaki School operates After School Care OSCAR Programmes.

- Monday to Friday
- 3:00pm to 5:30pm during school terms
- \$7.00 per child per session
- WINZ subsidies are available



There are vacancies available for students to join our fun sessions. We welcome enrolments for students from all primary schools in our area.

We are located in Room F at Turaki School. For more information contact Turaki School Office (07) 895 7651 or the After School Care Supervisors (027) 361 7260

## TERM 1, 2012 CALENDAR

23 <sup>rd</sup> February:	TSG meeting 3.00 p.m.
<b>01<sup>st</sup> March:</b>	<b>Turaki Swimming Sports</b>
02 <sup>nd</sup> March:	Soccer starts
<b>13<sup>th</sup> March:</b>	<b>Inter School Swimming Sports</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> March:	BOT Meeting 5:10pm
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> March:</b>	<b>Formal Assembly</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup> March:	<i>Student Reports issued</i>
<b>27<sup>th</sup> March:</b>	<b>Parent Interviews (First Night)</b>
28 <sup>th</sup> March:	First Hockey Fun Night
30 <sup>th</sup> March:	House Leaders' Fun Day
30 <sup>th</sup> March:	Soccer – Final Night
<b>03<sup>rd</sup> April:</b>	<b>Parent Interviews (Second Night)</b>
04 <sup>th</sup> April:	Second Hockey Fun Night
<b>05<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	<b>Term 1 ends</b>
06 <sup>th</sup> April:	Good Friday (Have a nice Easter!)
16 <sup>th</sup> April:	BOT Meeting 5:10pm
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> April:</b>	<b>Term 2 Begins</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup> April:	Dental Therapists and Caravan arrive
25 <sup>th</sup> April:	ANZAC Day (School closed)



MAKE THE 23<sup>rd</sup> OF FEBRUARY & THE 4<sup>th</sup> OF MARCH

DAY'S TO REMEMBER FOR KING COUNTRY RUGBY

A massive, nationwide rugby tour to say 'thank you, New Zealand', and featuring the coveted Webb Ellis Cup will be calling into Taupo @ the Tongariro Domain on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 3pm – 6pm & Rugby Park Te Kuiti on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March 12pm – 3pm.

The New Zealand Rugby Union, together with rugby's provincial unions – including King Country are holding the family-friendly events to say 'thank you, New Zealand' for supporting rugby.

You will be able to have your photo taken with prized rugby silverware including the Webb Ellis and Bledisloe cups. There will also be a range of fun activities to keep the whole family entertained.

The event, dubbed The Great Rugby Road Trip, will also showcase New Zealand rugby's other prized trophies, including the IRB Women's Rugby World Cup, the IRB Junior World Championship Trophy, the Sevens World Series Trophy, the Hillary Shield and the Galaher Cup.

Also, as this is the traditional registration time of year for most rugby clubs, the Great Rugby Road Trip is a perfect way to encourage people to play or support the game at all levels. We'll have people there with information on registration.

So, pull on the Maroon & Gold, bring your camera and let's make sure King Country is the best stop on the nationwide tour.

All the best

Josh Standen

Rugby Manager

King Country Rugby Football Union

## GREAT RUGBY ROAD TRIP TROPHIES

The trophies making an appearance on the Great Rugby Road Trip include

- **The Webb Ellis Cup** – won by the All Blacks in 1987 and 2011, the trophy was fashioned in 1906 but only selected for use as the Rugby World Cup trophy in February 1987
- **The Bledisloe Cup** – the traditional prize of trans-Tasman rivalry which the All Blacks retained for the ninth year in a row in 2011
- **The Hillary Shield** – named in honour of Sir Edmund Hillary and unveiled in 2008, it is contested between the All Blacks and England.
- **The IRB Women's Rugby World Cup** – the Black Ferns claimed their fourth consecutive World Cup win in September 2010
- **The IRB Junior World Championship Trophy** – won for a third straight year by the New Zealand Under 20 side in 2010.
- **The HSBC Sevens World Series Trophy** was introduced for the first time in the 1999-2000 season. New Zealand has held the accolade 9 times in the last 12 tournament.

Turaki School thank their

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**Rata St. Pre-School**

Warmly invites past, present & future pupils, families, whanau & wider community to celebrate our official blessing & opening of our renovations

*Successfully completed by Gary Jacobs Builders*

**When: Wednesday 29th February**  
**Time: 10am onwards**  
 Come and enjoy a cuppa & cake and join the children in their day

Please RSVP by Monday 27th February  
 Rata St Pre-School 10 Rata Street Manunui  
 Ph 07-8958719 Cell 0277517411  
 email ratastpreshool@xtra.co.nz

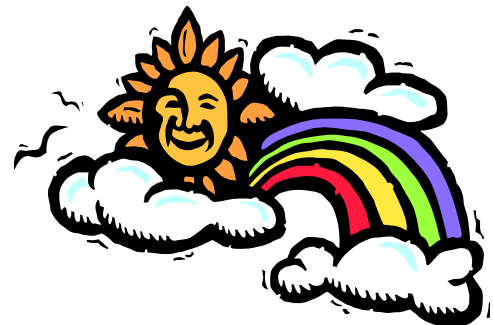
## SMART SWAP #3

### SAUCES

Try:

- Light evaporated milk instead of cream
- Coconut flavoured evaporated milk instead of coconut milk
- Swapping a creamy based sauce for tomato based sauce
- When making cheese sauce, use low fat milk and small amounts of Edam cheese which is lower in fat

Room B have been doing some “descriptive writing” about Rain during their Scribe Time.



Splish splash on the ground  
 Many puddles all around.  
 Pitter patter on the roof,  
 Oh so cold I get the flu.  
 The storm clouds cover the sky,  
 And it starts bucketing down on you and I.  
 Black clouds and a lightning flash  
 Thunder growls then boom, bam clash!  
 After awhile the clouds do clear.  
 The sun comes out drying everything everywhere.

Nephi Nepia

Water, water here and there.  
 Water, water everywhere!  
 Pouring down – thumping hard.  
 River flowing, sea rising,  
 Fish swimming, people driving.  
 Slowing down, turning around.  
 Sun shining through the clouds,  
 Water is all gone.

Olivia Shaw



Pitter patter on the roof.  
 Splish splash on the ground.  
 Stormy weather has come down  
 Soaking wet dripping water.  
 Puddles high, drizzle, drizzle.  
 Water bucketing down.  
 Slippery water on the ground  
 Slip splash – I fall down!

Ethan Walker

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It sounded like the clouds were playing drums. Boom! Boom! The blue sky transformed into dark clouds. Crash! A flash of electric lit up the sky and then the rain started to pour down. Boom! Boom! Flash!

The dogs were barking. The cat was scared and I was watching TV.

Joe Burkett.

*KABOOM! As I lie in bed I can hear the trees screaming, the ground shaking, as the light flickers on and off repeatedly. Over and over again and then suddenly flashes once then disappears – leaving a trail of darkness. Ba boom, ba boom, ba boom goes my heart as I huff and puff, gasping for air. I can hear the storm grumbling, looking for people to scare.*

*Hannah Mahu*



## The Thunder Storm!



Room P have been doing some descriptive writing about Thunder Storms!



I snuggled up with my blanket. Boom! A big streak of light hit the ground. The clouds looked fluffy and dark. A big streak of light made the night bright. Boom! Boom! Boom! I quickly ran to bed. It was pouring down with rain. It was so scary but I have to tell you one thing – it looked cool!

Isabella Reid



I was in my bed shivering with fear. My window was open and the rain shot down outside as sharp and clean as an arrow. I couldn't sleep for the distraction of the storm sent shivers down my spine and seemed to send vibrations all over my body. The wind whistled and shrieked. My puppy yipped and cried. I sighed with tiredness and saw that it would be a long night.

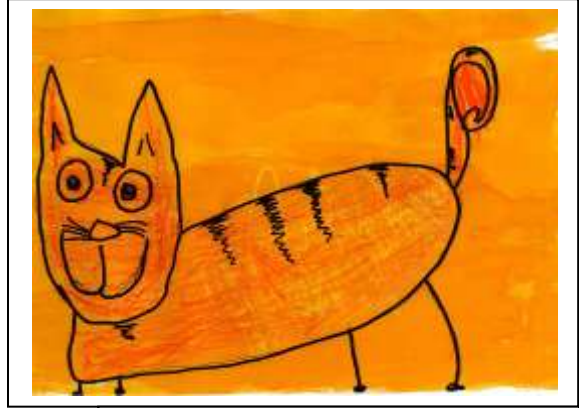
Morgan McLeod

*On a dark murky night, clouds bump and booming sounds come towards me. Boof! Bang! Boom! Thump! It is like clouds eating other clouds with their big, booming teeth. Slots of red are streaking down from the murky clouds above. Now it starts to hail and the storm gets smaller and the hail stops. Now the wind is calm and still, so the sun comes out.*

*Nikita Saunderson*



Greedy cat ate meat. He licked up the cake and the ice cream. He is cheeky!  
Caleb Blackmore (5 years)



Greedy cat eats the food. He eats the ice cream. He eats the fish. Mum said, "Oh you greedy cat!" Katie laughed.  
Makayla Houppapa (5 years)

**Room M did some Observational Drawings of Greedy cat and found out how he got his name!**



Greedy cat ate the ice cream. He ate the cake and he ate the bread.  
Alexander Reid (5 years)



Greedy cat ate the bread and he ate the fish and he ate the cake.  
James Gibbs (5 years)



Greedy cat was laughing because he knocked the flower bowl over. He licked the ice cream.  
Shadoe Allen (5 years)

Pitter patter on the roof.  
Splish splash on the ground.  
Angels crying from up above.  
Their white tissues fill the sky.  
Breezes filling up the air  
And water spreads out here and there.  
Gummies on, get coat out.  
Go, enjoy, have fun and play  
Even if it is a stormy cold day.

Pouring and soaring through the sky.  
Coming down from very high.  
When the water comes out to play  
It leaves the earth feeling happy!

Georgia Johnston



Black cloud above us drops like I've never  
seen before. It's just like clear golf balls  
falling from the sky. Puddles, puddles,  
puddles on the ground. Grass freshening  
up, rivers getting higher. Ponds filling up!

Tara Kingan

Room B have been doing some  
"descriptive writing" about Rain  
during their Scribe Time.



Wet, cold and a stormy day. I'm shivering  
as I hear the pitter patter on the roof;  
dripping off the windows on to the soggy  
ground.

Splish splash as the puddles flow, side to  
side. The river is overflowing with freezing  
water. Seeds grow into leaking roses,  
lavender, daisies and sunflowers.

Finally now the clear sky came out from  
those gloomy clouds. The sun is now back!

Aimee Graham



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