



NEWSLETTER / PANUI

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A MESSAGE FROM MR EVANS - TUMUAKI / PRINCIPAL

Tena koutou katoa to you all. As this is the last newsletter for this term, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you all for your support of us as a school in what has been a very different, and at times, challenging term. As a community of parents, I have very much appreciated how you have adapted to changes that have been happening, all the while you have been juggling many other responsibilities. Let's hope term 3 is an uninterrupted term!

Curriculum - Reports/ Learning Conferences

Next Friday, a progress report will be sent home outlining curriculum levels and effort across all curriculum areas. We will follow this report up in early term 3 with our Learning Conferences, in which parents /teacher and student will all discuss the learning journey and where to for the rest of the year, based around the mid-year report. The Learning Conferences will be Monday 3 August and Tuesday 4 August (week 3 of next term). More information, including times and booking information will be given the first week back next term.

EOTC week

Thank you for returning the forms in regards to our EOTC programme in term 4. Could all forms please be returned by Monday 29 June. This will enable Mr Collins to organise the numbers for the camps. Should numbers for the camps exceed the weekly numbers allowed, we will split the camp across the week so two groups will attend and no child will miss out. A reminder that the three options available are; At school option, Lakewood Lodge and Motutapu camps. I will also include the information letter again and it is also under the newsletter section on our website www.teatatu.school.nz

Ministry of Education Donations Scheme

Every year, the school Board of Trustees must decide whether as a school we opt in or opt out of the school donations scheme. Our Board will need to make the decision that works best for our community. Could you please complete the very short survey monkey link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JQYBPYT> to let us know your thoughts on the scheme. The following link outlines to parents in an infographic about the donations scheme, <https://bit.ly/2CDzI9k>

Teacher Only Day advance notification

As part of the Teachers Collective Agreement settlement negotiated last year, Primary and Intermediate schools have been allocated eight teacher-only days to be included across the next three-year period. In discussion with the other schools in the Te Atatu cluster, and to allow plenty of time for informing parents, it has been decided that **Monday 17 August** will be used across all the primary/intermediate schools in Te Atatu as a **Teacher-Only Day next term**. On this day, we will be looking at reviewing our reporting/assessment systems and appraisal systems.

Tuck Shop

Great news on the Tuck shop front. We have new vendors who are ready to go. The tuck shop will reopen on **Monday 20 July (1st day of Term 3)** with a new menu (see below), and will be available all five week days at morning tea and lunch.

Contact details

If you have moved house over the course of the year, or changed phone numbers or email since you first enrolled with us, could you please let the office know of your new address/contact details so we can make sure we have the most up to date information on our system to contact you in the case of an emergency.

Food Drive

A HUGE thank you to everyone who donated to our local food bank. Your response has been amazing and we will be delivering it all to the Te Atatu food bank this week. It's so lovely to see such compassion and atawhai from you all.

From the Students of Room 8

Ruma Waru has been talking about what we can do to express the value of Kaitiakitanga around our school. We've decided to begin some projects to give a brighter and happier aspect to the school. We are planning on giving a makeover to our garden out the front of our class, and we want to replace it with a vegetable garden. We would love it if anyone could please donate any spare garden tools, soil, or seedlings to our class. We would also like to re-paint the red benches outside the classrooms. If you have any paint, brushes or sandpaper you would like to donate, it would be a huge help. The last project we're taking on, (for now!) is to decorate the fence surrounding Arohanui. We're planning to do this with wool, so we could also use some of that if you have any lying around. We hope you can help us make our school stand out! Nga Mihi, Ruma Waru.

Keep it Real

The Department of Internal Affairs with Netsafe and the Office of Film and Literature Classification have launched a **'Keep it real online'** campaign. This is a New Zealand Government campaign to support parents and caregivers to keep their children safe online, providing information and tips on how to reduce the risks of online harm such as cyber-bullying and inappropriate content.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

INITIATE DANCE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME JULY 2020

Glen Eden Intermediate School Hall,

13th - 17th July 2020

9am-4pm, Monday-Friday

\$75 for the FULL week

Open to students 8-12 years - no dance experience needed.

Bookings are open now online at <https://initiatedance.wixsite.com/holiday>

Places are limited so be quick!

FURTHER INFORMATION:

Dance away the holidays and join in the fun! Over one week learn a variety of dance techniques and routines with fun games and team building activities. The Initiate Dance Holiday Programme, supported by the Auckland Council, is all about engaging young people in a positive way during the school holidays. Students finish the week with a fun performance for family and friends. The programme is open for any students aged 8 to 12 years old.

2021 Enrolments

We are now taking enrolments of year 6 students for 2021. Please could all enrolments of in zone students be in by August 31 to help in our planning for 2021. Thank you.

Term 2 finishes next Friday 3rd July at 3pm. Have a fantastic rest of the week!

Nga mihi nui.

LLOYD EVANS

Tumuaki / Principal

EOTC WEEK REMINDER

Wednesday 17th June 2020



Dear Parents / Caregivers

Re: EOTC Week at Te Atatu Intermediate

As you may be aware, Te Atatu Intermediate opted into the government donations scheme for 2020. The scheme provides our school \$150 per student. This amount is used to cover curriculum costs including curriculum materials, tech materials, IT, Hapara, MathsBuddy, class trips, visits from theatre/educational groups and so on. Our hope was that through opting into the scheme, we can provide equitable access and opportunities for all students and their families. As this is the first year of the scheme, I misinterpreted one of the criteria around students attending camp, for which I apologise.

Following discussions with our MoE advisers, we have been advised that our initial camp letter was incorrectly worded. As part of the scheme, when offering camps, we need to provide an opportunity for all students to have the option of attending a school camp.

We can only request a donation to be paid to cover camp expenses. (Camps are exempt from the donation scheme restrictions, please see following link: <https://bit.ly/380tKoV>)

Our hope is that by opting into the scheme and not having other fees, camps will become less of a financial burden for families.

The reality for our school however, is that your support with this camp through voluntary donation is important, so that we can continue to take our tamariki to camp.

Unfortunately, if we don't meet a certain threshold of donation, we will not be able to go ahead with camp. This is because the MoE donation does not cover the cost of camps, which for the week are \$400 per student. As the camp payment is a voluntary donation, families can claim a rebate (33%) at the end of the tax year.

Information can be found at

<https://www.ird.govt.nz/income-tax/income-tax-for-individuals/individual-tax-credits/tax-credits-for-donations>

As a result of this, we would like to offer students the opportunity to attend the camp of their choice. **The three options remain: The school-based programme, Lakewood Lodge Camp and the Motutapu Camp.** Please consider which option you would prefer and indicate on the form below. Please note that students who were previously on one camp list may choose to switch camps or stay in the same camp if they wish. We will do our best to accommodate.

In order for us to achieve this, there is a possibility that both camps could be split across the week (ie one group Motutapu Monday-Wednesday and 2nd group Wednesday-Friday) depending on numbers that wish to attend that camp. It would be most helpful if this form could be returned by **Monday 29th June** to aid us in our planning.

Could all students please return your completed form to your class teacher by the 29th June.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself at lloyd.e@teatatu.school.nz or Mr Collins at steve.c@teatatu.school.nz

Once again, I apologise for any misunderstanding I have caused and thank you for your continued support.

Nga mihi nui.

Lloyd Evans

Principal

[A Reminder About Each Option](#)

Lakewood Lodge 2020 Camp

The dates for Lakewood Lodge Camp have been confirmed as Monday 2 November to Friday 6 November.

The camp has facilities for horse riding, kayaking, climbing, low ropes, archery, flying fox, animal experiences and night activities. Students and adults will be housed in dormitories and cabins.

Lakewood Lodge activities are run by the fully trained staff there. We will have 3 teachers and 6 parents on camp to assist with the activities and running of the camp.

Motutapu 2020 Camp

The dates for Motutapu Camp have been confirmed as Monday 16 November to Friday 20 November.

The camp has facilities for sailing, kayaking, swimming, climbing, high ropes, archery, stand up paddle boarding, orienteering, confidence course, survivor challenge and team sports. Students and adults will be housed in dormitories and a lodge.

Although there will be six fully trained instructors and 6 teaching staff available during our time at camp will also have 16 parents to assist with the activities and the running of the camp.

School-Based Option

The dates for the school based option will be Monday 2 November to Friday 6 November. During the school week, students will take part in team building activities at school. There is also a day trip to MOTAT, where students will be involved in Game Maker. This is where students look at old games and create a computer-based game linked to STEAM activities. A final day will be spent at Lake Pupuke, on the North Shore, where students will take part in kayaking, raft building and orienteering.

NAME: _____

ROOM NUMBER: _____



Please select the option you wish for your child to participate in during EOTC week in Term 4

OPTION 1

SCHOOL-BASED PROGRAMME

(includes team building activities, Mindlab STEAM activity, kayaking, raft building and orienteering)

OPTION 2

LAKWOOD LODGE

Already on Lakewood Lodge

Move from Motutapu Camp to Lakewood Lodge

Go to Lakewood Lodge

OPTION 3

MOTUTAPU CAMP

Already on Motutapu Camp

Move from Lakewood Lodge to Motutapu Camp

Go to Motutapu Camp

Parent Signature: _____

TAI Tuckshop Menu

Every day Menu	Menu
<i>Halal Option</i>	
Beef Burger	\$3.50
Noodles in a cup	\$2.50
BBQ rib sub roll	\$3.50
Wraps - Chicken	\$2.00
Lasagne	\$2.50
SNACKS	SNACKS
Garlic Bread	\$1.00
Samosas or Spring Rolls (4pack)	\$1.00
Savory Pies	\$1.00
Popcorn chicken (12 in pack)	\$2.00
Homemade cookies	\$1.20
Chips / popcorn	\$1.50
DRINKS	DRINKS
Water	\$1.00
Calci Yum	\$1.50
Coolsip	\$2
Moosies	\$2
Juices	\$1
Hot chocolate	\$1
SPECIALS once a week	SPECIALS
Homemade Pumpkin Soup - cup	\$3.00
Mini Pizzas	\$3.50
Homemade Chicken Pasta (m)	\$4.00
Homemade Sushi 6 pieces	\$4.00
Homemade Toasties	\$4.00

Monday to Friday

Open every morning tea & lunchtime

Pay and collect
 Pre-orders can be done during morning tea and posted into the lock-box
 Collect your food from the "pay & collect" window at Lunchtime
Fast & Efficient

Pre-order BAGS will be in your classroom so you can get it ready and just drop it off

SPECIALS EVERY THURSDAY
 Each week there will be 1 special available for order
 Pre-order so you don't miss out