



NEWSLETTER / PANUI

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A MESSAGE FROM MR EVANS - TUMUAKI / PRINCIPAL



Tena koutou katoa. Normally I will send a newsletter out fortnightly, however, there is quite a bit of information around the start of the year that I would like to get out to parents this week. From now on, newsletters will be sent out fortnightly. Please make sure that you read the letters included at the very bottom of this newsletter - these are information letters around our **Lockdown Drill and Family Zone IT.**

Linewize information / Music information evening

As a school, we have signed up for Linewize, which specialise in content and filtering, cyber safety support. As part of our sign up, there is also a Parent Zone, in which parents can also monitor devices used by their children. Next **Thursday 18 February at 6pm in the school hall**, we will be having an information evening around this important area of safety online. Information about Family Zone is at the end of this newsletter.

Dovetailing on to the end of this meeting, from around 7.15pm, we will also have the **Music information/Have a Go** instrument evening. Students are invited to try different instruments to participate in the Beginner Concert Band or the Violin group. They will also have the opportunity to get in touch with the tutor in charge of the Rock Bands. Senor Francisco Barros francisco.b@teatatu.school.nz is the contact person for all things regarding music.

Lockdown Drill held by Harrison Tew

Every year we hold a Lockdown Drill, run by the company Harrison Tew, to assess our preparedness for a lockdown event. This will be held on the morning of **Monday February 15** and is a full drill. As part of the drill, communication notices get emailed/text to parents that we are having a drill to check our systems, as well as these contacts, information will also be posted on the website updating in live time. Please see the information letter at the end of this newsletter for specific information. As part of the drill all staff and students will be prepared beforehand that this will be occurring.

Kapa Haka

Kapa haka will be starting up from this coming **Monday 15 February**, every Monday during period 6

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(2.05 -2.50pm) in the school hall. Whaea Tere is the contact person for more information.
tere.t@teatatu.school.nz



tread lightly drain game

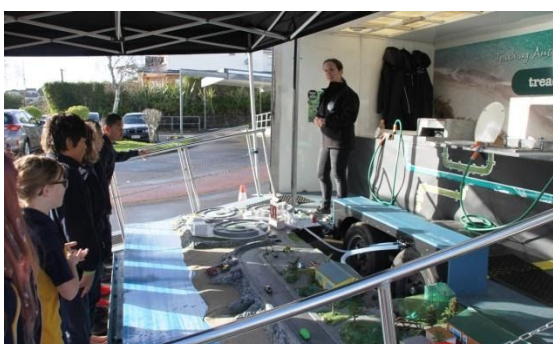
Teaching Aucklanders to care for our waterways

The Tread Lightly Drain Game is coming to visit our School

The Tread Lightly Drain Game (TLDG) is a mobile environmental classroom which visits primary and intermediate school, and community events in the Auckland region.

Through the use of fun interactive exhibits and activities, the Tread Lightly Drain Game has a focus on healthy waterways – teaching students the difference between the stormwater and wastewater systems and what not to put down the different drains.

[We are looking for parent / caregiver helpers to assist, where you will help students with the interactive activities](#) – Good instructions are provided. It is a 90 minute session for year 3 – 8. Please contact your class teacher to find out when your child's session is.



Visit www.tread-lightly.org or www.facebook.com/tread-lightly-caravan, or email akendall@tread-lightly.org if you would like further information.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Session One</u> <u>9.00am-10.30am</u>	<u>Session Two</u> <u>10.50am-12.20pm</u>	<u>Session Three</u> <u>1.00pm to 2.30pm</u>
<u>Monday 22nd of Feb</u>	<u>Room 11</u>	<u>Room 5</u>	<u>Room 8</u>
<u>Tuesday 23rd of Feb</u>	<u>Room 1</u>	<u>Room 12</u>	<u>Room 7</u>
<u>Wednesday 24th of Feb</u>	<u>Room 10</u>	<u>Room 9</u>	<u>Room 16</u>
<u>Thursday 25th of Feb</u>	<u>Room 13</u>	<u>Room 14</u>	<u>Room 4</u>

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<u>Tuesday 2nd of March</u>	<u>Room 6</u>	<u>Room 2</u>	<u>Room 3</u>
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Community Notices

Sustainable Coastlines

Sustainable Coastlines and Auckland Ltd would like to invite your students, teachers and families to our all-age Waitemata community coastal clean-up day on the 13th of March. Fun games, kai and equipment provided!

For more information on the day and to register please head to this link [Summernova Waitematā Harbour Clean-Up](#)

Dental Clinic

We often get queries around whether the Mobile Dental Clinic is at Te Atatu Intermediate. Currently the dental unit is based at [Edmonton Primary School](#). **Should you have any queries around your child's teeth, please phone 838 2402.**

What's coming up in the next fortnight

Monday February 15 - Lock Down drill practice

**Thursday February 18 - Family Zone / IT information presentation @ 6.30pm in school hall
Music information / Have a Go evening from 7.15pm also in the hall.**

Wednesday 24 February - Tread Lightly / Drain game programme starts @ TAI

We will move to fortnightly newsletters from here on.

Kia pai te wiki, Have a fantastic rest of the week!

Nga mihi nui

Lloyd Evans

Principal/Tumuaki Te Atatu Intermediate

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Dear Parents

Recently, Te Atatu Intermediate engaged the services of an independent company,

Harrison Tew®, who specialise in emergency

management planning for schools. The procedures developed by Harrison Tew allow us to respond safely and quickly to a range of circumstances.



As a component of the implementation of the emergency procedures into our school, specialised training is being conducted with senior leadership and our staff. The students will also receive training directed at their respective age groups from Harrison Tew®.

The training consists of a low key but detailed approach to potential threats and has been successfully implemented in hundreds of schools throughout New Zealand.

After the training, we will be conducting a lock down exercise under the guidance and support of Harrison Tew®.

The exercise will be as real-life as possible, which will mean that parents/families will receive notification by way of text and/or email. The information passed on will emphasise that this is an exercise/practice and will explain that all updated information will then be posted on the school website.

Prior to this occurring, can I please remind all parents and caregivers to ensure your contact details (mobile phone numbers and email addresses) are current as this will be our communication with you, should an emergency occur at the school.

In a genuine incident, should you hear of a lock down or evacuation at the school, can I please ask that you do not attend the school or phone, as we will not be able to respond. Your

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presence at, or contact with, the school may make it more difficult for us to manage the situation and could potentially place your children and, in fact, yourselves at risk.

We thank you for your support.

Create a cyber-safe community with Family Zone Premium

Online safety for our school and your family

As a school, we are committed to providing safe online learning environments for children and young people. To support this we have partnered with leading online safety provider, Linewize by Family Zone. As part of this partnership, all families and whānau will receive access to a Family Zone Premium account to use at home.

What is Family Zone Premium?

Family Zone Premium provides families and whānau with increased visibility of how children and young people are using devices and online spaces. It provides information to help guide conversations and support online safety at home, and also the tools to manage time and activity online including:

- Prevent accidental exposure to inappropriate content
- Social media, game and app reviews
- Weekly online summary activity snapshot
- Manage screen time
- Alerts for access to inappropriate content

Once your Premium account has been activated, you will also receive unlimited access to the Cyber Safety Hub where you will find all the latest, up to date information from online safety experts.

What does this mean for your family?

During school hours, the school will have rules and expectations in place around device use and online activity. Outside of school hours, families and whānau can choose to activate the Family Zone Premium account which provides the same level of online management that we have at school.

Is Family Zone Premium mandatory?

No. Activation outside of school hours is optional and at each family's discretion. We do however recognise that online risks and challenges don't stop at the school gate, and so we hope you will support the school in this online safety initiative.

Does Family Zone Premium provide content filtering?

Yes. A Premium account provides flexible filtering which can be easily tailored to suit your family's needs or turned off altogether. By default, filtering rules set by online safety experts are in place, however, we strongly encourage all families to review and set

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filtering expectations together.

What information will the school see? The school has no visibility or any activity outside of school hours other than what happens within the school Google account (if applicable). Premium helps families understand how devices are used at home and provides the tools to manage online activity.