



**Gate Pā School**  
Pukehinahini

## **PARENT EDUCATION LINK BETWEEN HOME AND SCHOOL**

**Wednesday 18th November, 2020**

**Newsletter No. 18**

**Week 6, Term 4**

Kia ora tatou whānau

What an awesome term we are having. A Disco, Athletics, the start of Lunches for Learners and welcoming our New Entrants are just a few recent highlights. A big shout-out to our Friends of the School group for organising the 2020 Disco! If you are keen to join this group please let the office know. Thank you also to whānau who support with school trips, these are a highlight for our tamariki.

### **HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF OUR KURA**

Reflecting on the year and planning for 2021 is a current focus. Your voice is crucial. Have your say on what we should **START** doing, **STOP** doing and **KEEP** doing by writing a note on the posters in the school foyer or by clicking the survey link on our facebook page. Thanks to those who have already contributed.

### **JOIN US FOR LUNCH**

Our *Lunches for Learners* is going really well with every child having access to a free and nutritious lunch everyday. Highlights include: whānau and ex-students supporting with serving, children trying new foods, and the crowd favourite - Butter Chicken!

If you are available anytime between 12:30 - 1:30pm please drop in to support and /or to have lunch with us.

Dietary requirements: if you haven't already, please inform the office of any dietary requirements your children have.

### **HATS**

To keep our children safe, hats are compulsory this term and in term 1. Please make sure your child has a bucket hat in their house colour. These can be purchased from the school office.

Cost: \$16.00.

### **MARK THE DATES**

Please see a list of important dates on the back of this newsletter.

As we countdown to the end of the year, we thank you for your continued support and ask that any school readers are returned.

Look after each other as we enter the silly season.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Rochelle  
Principal/Tumuaki





Welcome to Penelope Oswald, Jackson Kaye, Arlo Marshall, Miracle Ratu, Refanie Sebio, George Fakateli, Kaiser Te Pou, Isabella Scott, Billy Scott, Ziggy Lopez and Lydia Leitu who have joined us recently.

It is great to have you here!

### **Tauranga City Council**

#### **Long-term Plan (LTP) 2021-31**

The LTP is a 10-year plan which is refreshed every three years, to review progress towards our city's priorities and amend those priorities if we need to. It's also a chance to find a balance between what we need and what we can afford, allowing all residents to have their say on the future of their city. More information on the LTP can be found here - [www.tauranga.govt.nz/ltp](http://www.tauranga.govt.nz/ltp).

Currently Tauranga City Council is reaching out to the community to start determining the level of involvement you would like to have in the LTP process. Whether this means providing regular updates through school newsletters and/or hosting workshops for you to attend, they want to know the best ways to support you in getting the information you need.

This is your opportunity to help build a great city for yourselves and your children.

They will be in touch again in the New Year to discuss the ways you may like to receive information and how they can support you through the LTP process. In the meantime, please contact Jacquie Jardine of Tauranga City Council at [Jacqueline.Jardine@tauranga.govt.nz](mailto:Jacqueline.Jardine@tauranga.govt.nz) if you have any questions or comments.

#### **Tauranga Intermediate School Enrolments for 2021**

Parents and Caregivers for 2021 students

Please note that as advised earlier, there will not be a Parent meeting on the evening of Tuesday 24 November.

For parents and caregivers attending the student Orientation Day, there is an opportunity to meet with senior staff while the students are with their class. This will be held in the staffroom.

We will include an information brief and an opportunity for questions.

#### **COMING EVENTS-2020**

##### **November**

- Thurs 19th Go Girls Cricket.
- Fri 20th School Assembly in the hall 9.50 am
- Tues 24th Year 6s Orientation Day at Tauranga Intermediate 9.15 am to 12 pm.
- Wed 25th Tauranga Girls' College Production for Juniors & Rumaki 12 pm to 1.30 pm.
- Thurs 26th Rumaki Art Gallery & Library trip.
- Fri 27th Traffic Wardens Orange Day. Diwali Festival in the school hall 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm.
- Mon 30th Board of Trustees Meeting 5 pm in School staffroom.

##### **December**

- Thurs 3rd Parent Helpers Morning Tea 10.40 am in the School staffroom.
- Fri 4th Gate Pā Orientation Day (students find out their 2021 classes) School Reports go home.
- Mon 7th 150 Night readers trip to Baywave 12.30 pm to 2.50 pm.
- Tues 8th Board of Trustees Strategic Planning meeting 5.30 pm in the School staffroom.
- Fri 11th End of Year Assembly 10.30 am.
- Tue 15th End of Term 4, 2020 -12 noon.

#### **COMING EVENTS-2021**

##### **February**

- Tues 2nd School office opens 9 am to 12 pm.
- Wed 3rd School office opens 9am to 12 pm.
- Thurs 4th Term 1-School starts.
- Mon 8th Waitangi Day-school closed.
- Thurs 18th Meet the Teacher
- Thurs 25th Whānau BBQ 3.15 pm to 5.30 pm.

##### **Dental Van**

For any dental care for your child/ren please contact the Dental Nurses on 0277428588 or 02777065009 or Tauranga Intermediate Dental Clinic on 075783070.