

22nd February 2012

A massive effort with mighty machines has seen the felling of the trees on the School's Western Boundary. Thanks to Steven and Arky Edward, Robert Watson, Bevin and Julene McQuoid, Brent O'Regan, Greg Balme and Owen Hannah for taking on this big project. The area gained will help extend the field space and provide an area for a native plant zone in the school. The children are buzzing with ideas about this future project.

Information updates still continue to be returned to school. Thanks for these. The support from parents for our school certainly encapsulates the vision we are striving for. When you get... "We are only too happy to help where we can ☺" at the bottom of the assistance update form it really says it all in terms of support.

The **school swimming sports** are coming up fast. Friday the 2nd of March at the school pool. The start time is 10.45 with the break for lunch at 12.00 to 12.45. Families may wish to pack a picnic lunch for this day ☺. In the afternoon we will once again hold a tryathlon for children to have a go at biking the back field, swimming in the pool and finishing with a run around a course. Children with bikes must wear a helmet and appropriate covered footwear. If children do not have their bikes they will be able to participate in a duathlon (run, swim, run).

There is also an opportunity to extend more able 'Tryathletes' on Friday 9th of March. A **District Schools Tryathlon** is to be held at the Morrinsville Olympic Pool / Recreation Grounds. Those interested in this may take home a permission / information form. (7 yr olds upwards).

Next Wednesday the whole school travels by bus to Tatanui School for the show "Hiwi the Kiwi goes Fishing". The bus leaves at 9am and returns around midday. This show ties in beautifully with our up-and-coming school fishing competition. The cost of the show and travel (approx. \$6 per child) has been covered by the Board of Trustees budget for school trips. Please complete the permission form for your child/ren and return to the school office. Thanks.

PRIDE Home Learning

Into its 3rd year of existence at Tahuna School the PRIDE Home Learning Challenges will get underway in March and conclude in November. The Programme is for students from Years 3 to 6. The programme is totally voluntary and is about developing lifelong learners in a partnership between home and school. An information afternoon for parents is to be held on Wednesday 29th of February from 1.30 to 2.30 to communicate what the PRIDE programme will entail in 2012. Information about junior PRIDE will be sent home soon.

Enjoy your week
Rob Haddock



Tree felling on the back field



Discovery Room helps with the offcuts.



Wanted

Preserving jars
Ph Debra-Lee
887 5506

UP COMING EVENTS

February

- 24 Sausage Sizzle
- 29 Whole School Trip
"Hiwi the Kiwi"
PRIDE Parent info meeting



March

- 2 School Swimming Sports
- 10-11 Tahuna School Wright Bait
& Tackle Family Fishing
Competition

Raffle Tickets

Today we have sent home 1 raffle ticket book per family for the Fishing Competition raffle, Tickets \$3 each. Great prizes- Kayak, Rod & Reel and Lip Grip Scales. Please if you are not able to sell the tickets please return them to school asap.

Summer Sizzler

There is an opportunity for children to purchase sausages and burgers, on a Friday. Please complete and return with payment.

Name: _____

Sausage ____ @ \$1.00 \$ ____

Hamburger ____ @ \$2.00 \$ ____

Hamburger/coleslaw ____ @ \$2.50

\$ ____

TOTAL \$ ____

Newletters

If you would like to have the newsletter emailed to you please visit the school website, go to the contact tab/ newsletter signup and fill in the required information.
www.tahunaschool.school.nz

Scholastic Book Orders are due in by Wednesday 29th February.

Big Bike Fix Up

6pm, 22 February 2012

Get your bikes out of the shed and get along to the Big Bike Fix Up for a warrant of fitness so you can ride safely this summer!



Morrinsville Recreation Grounds
Cureton Street, Morrinsville

- Free bike warrant of fitness
- Kids duathlon
- Energize bike skills course
- BNZ BBQ
- Spot prizes

For more information, contact Ruth Stanley on 07 880 9088 or 027 478 3077



www.bikewise.co.nz

Kaimai Cycles



WANTED

Plastic supermarket bags for the fishing competition. Please send along to school from now on. Thank you.
If you are able to assist on the BBQ or with the fish auction please give Rebecca a call 887 5606

FISHING COMPETITION COMMITTEE MEETING

Note New Date

Tuesday 28th February
7.30pm

School Staffroom.

Dental Clinic Morrinsville

New contact number
889 0493 or
0800 TALKTEETH

Tahuna School Wright Bait & Tackle Family Fishing Competition

10-11th March 2012

Fish any legal waters. Enter before 24th February and go into the draw to win a Fishing Charter trip for 6 people.

Entry forms available on the school website or from the school office.

ANZ Roadshow-Meet the Waikato Bay of Plenty Netball Stars. Join in the fun.

Where: Hamilton City Netball Centre
When: Thursday 15 March
Time: 3.45pm Registration
Clinic: 4:00pm – 5:30pm

Contact the school office for a registration form.

Missing Library Books

We have had a couple of books found, thank you for those, please keep your eyes out for the missing books.

Dinosaurs by Daniel Cohen
Honeybee by Steven Guth
Ruben's Birthday Surprise by Jason Robertson
Building and Making Things by Nigel Bennett
Adventures in Cooking by Gillian Berwick
Snips & Snails & Walnut Whales Nature Crafts for Children
by Phyllis Fiarotta

Inside the Crystal by John Pinkney
Freeze a Crowd by Paul Jennings
Questions Kids Ask by Joy Cowley
Questions Kids Ask Margaret Mahy by Tracey Moroney
Spain by David & Jill Wright
Oceans by Kate Graham
Kereone Rugby Football Club 75th Jubilee 1919-1994
by Dennis Scott

Tigers by Barbara Taylor Cork
Buddy by V M Jones
Special Effects by Deri Robins
Water is for Fun Science Activities for Children
by Ormiston H Walker
Sunshine Around Us by Jean-Pierre Verdet

Please have a really good look at home for these and if any are found drop them into the school office, NO QUESTIONS ASKED. Many thanks for your support.

Waikato University Parenting Courses

Raising Girls: a workshop for parents
13th March 7-9pm Cost \$20.00

BOY, OH, BOY: Educating my son
7th May 7-9pm Cost \$20.00

Positive Parenting
28th August 7-9.30pm Cost \$20.00

If you require further information regarding these courses please contact the school office.



6 x Kittens Free to Good Homes

12 weeks old, very cute and friendly, house trained.
2 ginger, 1 black, ginger & white, 1 tabby, 1 black, 1 black & white.
Ph Kerry (07) 280 5595
Tahuna area.