



NEWSLETTER - TERM 3 - WEEK 2

Tahuna School



Learning For Life



Our School Pepeha

Pepeha is a way of introducing yourself in Māori. It tells people who you are by sharing your connections with the people and places that are local to our area.

Ko Tainui te waka
My canoe is Tainui

Ko Mangawara te awa
My river is Mangawara

Ko Hapukohe te maunga
My Mountain is Hapukohe

Ko Waiti te marae
My Marae is Waiti

Ko Ngati Paoa te iwi
My tribe is Ngati Paoa

Ko Tahuna te kura
My school is Tahuna School



Principals Message

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Our School Vision and Values

Vision - To develop dynamic learners who make a positive contribution to our community.

Values - Our Rural ICARES Values; Integrity, Challenge, Ambition, Respect and Encourage.

Welcome back to all our tamariki, staff, parents, and wider community. We hope you had a restful break and are ready for an exciting Term 3 ahead!

This term, we continue to live by our Rural ICARES Values that guide how we learn, grow, and support one another.

We're especially looking forward to a term full of rich learning opportunities and the excitement of our whole school production - a chance to showcase the talent, creativity, participation, inclusion and teamwork of our amazing tamariki, staff and parents.

Let's have another great term together and continue to strengthen our wonderful school culture we have at Tahuna School where our tamariki can thrive!

We welcome our new tamariki and their whanau to Tahuna School. They are Peyton, Reign, Roman and Manaia.

On the 1st August we have our school disco organised by our Friends of School. We look forward to an awesome evening!

Congratulations to Alana for the birth of her second child named Jordan. Mum and baby are doing well!

Congratulations to William and Olive for being named as our two new student councillors! Thank you to all our tamariki who prepared and got up to do a speech.

Tahuna Proud Learning for Life

Ngaa mihi

Phillip and Staff

INTEGRITY NGAKAU PONO	CHALLENGE EKE PANUKU	AMBITION PAI TAWHITI	RESPECT MANAAKITANGA	ENCOURAGE AWHINA
ENSURE <i>I will do what I say I will do</i> TAKE RESPONSIBILITY <i>For my decisions and actions</i> MAKE <i>Good decisions to achieve success</i> TAKE OWNERSHIP <i>Of my mistakes and learn from them</i> DO <i>The right thing even when it's hard.</i> ROLE MODEL <i>Integrity</i>	SHOW <i>I have respect for others' mana</i> MANAGE <i>Conflict & different points of view</i> BE COURAGEOUS <i>In learning & keep trying when it's hard</i> COMMUNICATE <i>Collaborate and be a problem solver</i> APPROACH <i>Things with a positive mindset</i> TRY <i>New things and give things a go</i>	WORK <i>With lots of different people</i> COLLABORATE <i>And share my ideas</i> STRONG <i>Desire to aim high and achieve success</i> IDENTIFY <i>My next steps and make a plan</i> BELIEVE <i>And back myself to be successful</i> DESIRE <i>To take on new challenges</i>	ACCEPT <i>Others ideas and differences</i> TAKE CARE <i>Of myself & others</i> TAKE PRIDE <i>In my work</i> I AM <i>A Tahuna proud student</i> ICAN <i>Model & respect our ICARE Values</i> RESPECT <i>Life long learning</i>	BUILD <i>And keep relationships by encouraging others</i> ENCOURAGE <i>Others to do their best</i> TAKE ACTIONS <i>That support the learning of others</i> TAKE ON/ACCEPT <i>Encouragement from others</i> ENSURE <i>Everyone is included</i> CELEBRATE <i>The success of others</i>
Being honest to myself and others Tahuna School	Try new things and not/never give up Tahuna School	Be the best I can be Tahuna School	Respect yourself, others and the environment Tahuna School	Support others and celebrate each other's successes Tahuna School



Celebrating our Tamariki success!

Class Awards - Week 2 Assembly

Wonderful work!

Endeavour: Lucy, Manaia

Endurance: Rowell, Theo, Ralph, Braxton

Maungaturoto: Reign, Lucas, Zoe D

Adventure: Peyton, Marty

Discovery: Isaiah, Leah M

Rural ICARE Awards - Week 2 Assembly

Tamariki displaying our Rural ICARE Values

Anika (Encourage) Being a great friend! You made Reign feel so welcome on her first day.

Charlie (Integrity) being honest from Toby.

Dixie (Encourage) Listening to Maiah when others are not.

Rowell (Encourage) Always cheering people up.

William (Ambition) For striving to be elected as a student councillor

Olive (Ambition) For striving to be elected as a student councillor



Tahuna Mahi Tahi Reading Awards - Week 2 Assembly

Fantastic reading and keep up the great work!

25 Nights: Jackson, Nevada, Cooper

50 Nights: Bruno, Jackson, Julia-Rose, Ralph, Dominic, Melvin

75 Nights: Emilia, Bruno, Ralph, Wade, Dominic

100 Nights: Chanumi, Bruno, Emilia, Ralph

125 Nights: Paige, Divine, Arnav, Indie

150 Nights: Ayla, Jurous, Aryan, Jane, Indie, Leah M, Kwyn, Jyrone, Brodie, Abbie, Anika, Paige J



Hockey - Hockey Season is Almost Here!

We're thrilled to announce that our hockey season kicks off on the 1st August, and we're even more excited to have three fantastic teams this year:

Year 3/4 Taniwha Turbo, Year 5 Tactical Tigers and the Year 6 Turf Titan.

A huge thank you to Brent Lowry, Leanne McGrath, and Sally Moore for generously volunteering their time and energy to coach our teams.

We can't wait for an awesome season of teamwork, skills, and fun on the turf. Let's go, team!

Hollie, Brodie, Toby, Jayleigh, Aaron, Cooper, Bruno, Marty, Arnav, Zoe S, Lewis, Jane, Nevada, Emilia, Olive, Leah M, Isiah, Megan, Paige S, Alex and Zane



Miniball

Miniball Season Starts 6th August!

We're excited to announce that Miniball is bouncing off on Tuesday, 6th August at the Morrinsville Events Centre!

This season, our school is proudly entering four awesome teams:

Yr 3/4 Slam Dunkers, Yr 3/4 Hoop Heroes, Yr 5/6 Shooting Stars and Yr 5/6 Space Jammers. A big thank you to all our tamariki for stepping up to represent our school.

We're proud of your enthusiasm and can't wait to see you enjoy the game, show great teamwork, and most important have lots of fun!

Elijah, Charlie, Toby, Brodie, Sabian, Jurous, Soul, Jackson, Aryan, Zane, Megan and Arnav

We would like to thank Tony Hart of Hart Ag who sponsored our new miniball shirts.



Friends of School Fundraiser

Livestock Fundraiser

Could you donate an animal, or perhaps some milk powder, to help with the Tahuna Friends of the School Livestock Fundraiser. Read the flyer about the various ways how you can get involved. Do you work on a farm? Talk to your manager or farm owner about supporting the school.

Funds raised will support projects improving the school environment through playground refurbishments, new swimming pool cover, and new technology devices for our classrooms.

Many thanks, Friends of the School

TAHUNA SCHOOL FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL (FOS) LIVESTOCK FUNDRAISER

Can you support our school by donating an animal?
You choose whether it's a bobby calf, weaner calf, finished cattle, cull cow, lamb or ewe, we can accept many livestock classes.

All animals must be cared for, tagged, and health status declared as per all animal and food safety regulations.

Do you have farming friends or family outside Tahuna?
We can arrange donated animals for processing across the country.

For any questions, to get bobby calf tags, or to let us know your intentions to donate, please contact Tony Fransen on 0273098867 or email fos@tahunaschool.school.nz



To book in an animal for processing for the Tahuna School account please contact Finn McColl on 027 287 9041 or finn.mccoll@silverfern farms.co.nz

Tahuna School is fundraising for various projects to improve the school environment for our children. Including playground refurbishments, new swimming pool cover, and new technology devices for our classrooms.
Thank you for supporting our school!

BOBBY CALVES

Donate 1 or 100 calves or any number you choose!!! Calves must be cared for and prepared appropriately for collection through the Silver Fern Farms collection. Calves must be tagged with specific Tahuna School tags. Please get in touch with Tony Fransen as soon as possible to express interest and receive your tags. If you don't supply to Silver Fern Farms perhaps you could rear or donate calves for others to rear.

WEANER CALVES

Rear and donate a weaner calf. Calves should be well grown, disbudded/poled, NAIT tagged and registered. Any calf can be reared, however, beef, beef-cross or Friesian calves will be easier to sell at weaning. Early Jersey bull calves are another good option. Please notify Tony of your intentions to rear and an appropriate collection time can be arranged.

FINISHED & CULL ANIMALS

These animals will be collected and processed through Silver Fern Farms. Animals can be sent at any time of the year. Animals will require a NAIT tag and standard animal status declaration form. If you don't normally supply animals to Silver Fern Farms, no problem, we can still collect and process it. Finn McColl is our local Silver Fern Farms Livestock Representative.

DON'T HAVE ANIMALS?

Perhaps you could help out rearing a donated calf or lamb through to weaning or donate a bag of milk powder to help someone else rear an animal. Get in touch with how you might be able to help.

THANK YOU



We need you! Do you have an interest in Livestock Day?

Or are you willing to learn?

Our annual Livestock Day is to be held in Week 2 of Term 4, Friday 17th October. Whilst this seems like a long way away, organisation begins now. There are a number of jobs that are involved in the organisation of this event and many hands make light work! Please read the following jobs and if you think you may be able to lend a hand for even just one of these jobs, your help would be greatly appreciated.



Timeline of Duties

Term 3:

- **Sponsorship** - Prizes, engraving costs, Ribbons etc. Collection of sponsorship when ready
- **Morrinsville Livestock Group Committee members** - Are you interested in attending the occasional committee meeting to help with decision-making and be a representative of Tahuna School?
- **Volunteer Judges** - Are you interested in training to be an animal judge at local livestock days? We need more judges, why not learn alongside our experienced judges as an associate and decide if

you would enjoy this.

Week of the event:

- Mowing the rings
- Marking of rings
- Collection of gear trailer

On the Day:

- Setup of rings, BBQ, Marquee
- Stewards for each ring
- Administrators - recording points as they come in
- Catering lunch for judges and stewards



Let's keep this Rural School tradition going for many years to come!

Ngaa mihi,
Whaea Leasa



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LIVESTOCK DAY 2025
Friday October 17th

Birth Dates for Animals (Please note calf dates have changed)

Calves: Early 20th June - 20th July
Late 21st July - 1st September

Lambs & Kids: Early 1st July - 31st July
Late 1st August - 1st September

Additional Information: There is to be NO sharing of animals by students, including preschoolers. All calves **must** have a NAIT tag. Lambs/Goats - rams/bucks are allowed, no choker/chain collars to be used.

Other Important Dates:

Group Day Meeting - 7th August 7pm - location TBC

Morrinsville Children's Group Day Event (Interschool Livestock Day for our area) - 23rd October: Entry fee \$5

Milo's Mews

Well, what a quiet holiday that was! I had plenty of time to reflect on life, nap in strange places, and sneak in a few extra meals. I spotted a few teachers pottering about the school, so naturally I followed them around like a bad smell; can't let them forget who really runs this place. People seem to think I'm starving (I've got the pleading eyes down to an art form), so I scored a few extra snacks over the break. Truth is, my kind volunteers keep me well fed – but a second breakfast never hurt anyone, right?

I'm absolutely loving my new bedroom in the lost property cupboard. It's cosy, quiet (most of the time), and the perfect spot for stashing those new cat treats I've developed a taste for Temptations, if anyone's asking. The juniors were here for the past fortnight and while they were a bit on the noisy side (I do prefer the older kids), I made the most of the attention and very generous food offerings. I wasn't so keen when Mrs H.P tried to introduce me to my new space; I had both paws braced against the door and went full sideways cat!

Today is Red Nose Day, and apparently that means children chasing me around with red lipstick. Charming.

I also had a lovely visit from Mrs Connie on Tuesday and attended my first Bible class. Next week, I'm off to visit the Endeavour Room, they'd better have snacks!

Paws & Whiskers

Milo



Firewood

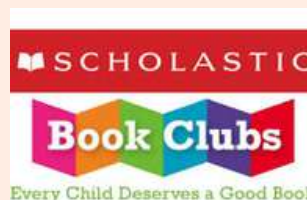
- Untreated dry timber offcuts
- \$400 / full load
- \$250 / half load
- approx 5 ½ m3 thrown
- Price includes delivery within 30min of Tahuna
- Text Dave 021 875-525 or Bronwyn 027 556-6771



School Policies – SchoolDocs

Our school policies are on a website called School Docs. School Docs provides us with policies, which have been researched and follow the Ministry of Education guidelines.

The website is: <https://tahuna.schooldocs.co.nz>. The username is: tahuna and the password is: cares



New Enrolments

As our school roll is growing fast and we are welcoming in our new families, if you are aware of a family who is considering a vibrant and inclusive school we invite them to come in and have a look at our school. Please contact the school office for enquiries.

Ngaa mihi nui
Phillip and Staff

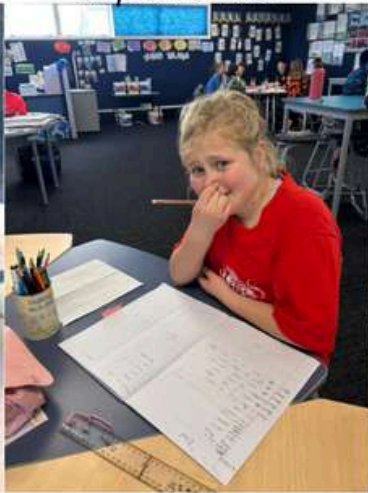
BLUE CHEESE!



White plate to table
Mouldy, crumbly look to eyes
Strong, rotting smell to nose
Waxy, rough feel to hands
Strong, yummy taste to tongue
Pale, creamy veins down throat
Satisfactory to stomach
Delighted smile to face
Best thing ever!
Blue cheese!

By Leah

In Discovery Classroom, the students embarked on a bold culinary adventure: trying blue cheese as part of a sensory writing lesson. With noses wrinkled and eyebrows raised, the class explored the cheese's sharp aroma and crumbly texture, using vivid adjectives and similes to describe or recount experience.



The Most Mouldiest Cheese on the Planet

Eww! There it was, sitting in front of me. The most mouldy cheese on the planet. It smelt like rusty, crusty, dusty old socks as if noone has taken them off since college. Yeah you may be thinking 'Eww Alex that's horrible', but that's how I felt when I saw that crusty plate full of blue cheese. It looked like cheese that had just been smooched and then blown up again.

The Laugh of the Day!

"What is that?" Someone yelled behind me. Sitting at my desk staring at this piece of food. It looked like someone had put bits of mold in it. Little blue dots filled this pale creature. "Looks a lot like cream." It instantly reminded me of the paua shells at my grandparents house by their pond.

I gave it a half hearted sniff: the smell of mouldy old sock washed over me. Sour milk and old vomit rushed to my nose making me want to faint.

Waxy, smooth cheese crumbled in my hands. It reminded me of cooking with Mum putting dry coconut into a cup.

My hand went slowly to my mouth... smooth creamy cheese stuck to the roof of my mouth, strong lumps of cheese disintegrated by all the saliva. The beautiful blue vein cheese was definitely my favourite cheese.

By Jane

Everyone was excited to eat it at first, but I wasn't. It was like it was telling me "Don't eat me! I'm disgusting!" No one would even consider eating this revolting piece of cheese.

But then it only got worse. Miss Craw told the class "You can taste it now". So I did and I regretted it straight away! I ran outside and chugged my drink bottle. I said to myself that I was never eating blue cheese ever again.

By Alex Rasmussen



EAR CLINICS

The children's ear clinic is nurse-led service.

Services ear nurses provide include:

- glue ear assessment and management
- wax/foreign body removal
- grommet checks
- treatment of discharging ears.



All children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, otherwise a consent form must be completed. For inquiries regarding this service please contact the phone numbers listed below for each location or call our Hamilton clinic 07 838 3565. Clinics and mobile clinics may be cancelled without notice due to unforeseen circumstances. The clinic will be closed for staff breaks. These will be noted on the clinic door.

Morrinsville Plunket Rooms	Paeroa Plunket Clinic
125 Anderson Street Morrinsville 3300 Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Tuesday 29 July● Tuesday 9 September Hours: 8:30am to 11:30am, drop-in.	3 Wharf Street Paeroa 3600 Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Monday 25 August● Monday 23 September Hours: 8:30am to 11:30am, drop-in. Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Monday 4 August● Monday 15 September Hours: 8:30am to 10:30am, drop-in.



MORRINSVILLE DENTAL
CLINIC PHONE: 07 889
0493
OR 0800TALK TEETH
(0800825 583)

VISION CHECKS: If concerned about your child's vision.
Please book an appointment for a vision check.
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