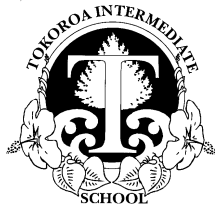


TOKOROA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

11 March 2009

Term 1 - No.6



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Kia Ora Kia Orana Talofa Lava Greetings

Dear Parents / Guardians,

As we had a Teacher Only Day last Friday the House Captains and Class councillors will be announced at assembly this Friday. These are important leadership positions in our school and there is an expectation that the children who are selected for these positions will carry out the duties diligently.

We will be providing training via 'Sport Waikato' and regular 'in house' meetings. It is important that it is understood that, although the appointment of House Captain or Class Councillor is for the year, we do review these positions if there is a need and make changes where necessary.

The successful students will be named in next week's newsletter.

Phil Straw, Principal

KAPA HAKA / EXTENSION CLASSES

Two weeks ago we welcomed Awhina Stewart to our school community. Awhina is tutoring our Kapa Haka group for 2009. These sessions are every Thursday immediately after assembly and Tuesdays after school. The group is currently a very large one and working well.

Students in Kapa Haka need to show a commitment to the group by being at all sessions. If there is any reason a child cannot attend they must let Mr O'Rourke or Awhina know.

Extension classes also start this week: English, Te Reo, Art & ICT groups will start working this Friday.

SETTLING IN REPORTS

These will be sent home with students to all parents on Friday, 13th March. The Settling In Reports are **not** academic reports. They indicate how well each child has settled into Intermediate this year. They do give each parent or the teacher the opportunity to communicate if necessary over the child. Please read them and talk with your child about the report and, if necessary, contact your child's teacher.

HAMILTON BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Information regarding 2010 secondary schooling opportunities at Hamilton Boys High School is being held at the school office. Please contact Silvia to get a copy of this. The boarding hostel is hosting an open day Thursday, 2nd April 2009.

HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS VACCINATION (HPV) FOR YR 8 GIRLS

Last Thursday all Year 8 girls attended an information session about the HPV Vaccination Programme and received a consent form to choose whether you want your daughter to be immunised or not. Please make sure you fill in the form, sign it and return it to school asap.

SEX EDUCATION INFORMATION EVENING

Monday, 16th March 7.30 pm for parents of Yr8 students:

"What teenagers need to know to keep sexually safe"

This evening will be conducted by Glenys Wood from Family Planning in Hamilton who is an excellent speaker and will provide parents with a wealth of information in an interesting manner.

WAIKATO INTERMEDIATE CRICKET COMPETITION

On Thursday 10th March the Boys' Cricket Team travelled to Hamilton to compete in the Intermediate Schools Cricket Competition.

They played three games of 15 overs, lost two and won one. The competition was very strong as those teams play every Saturday in the Hamilton competition.

Our boys improved with each game and showed excellent sportsmanship. They worked as a team but at times their hands let them down and catches were dropped.

Bryce McMullen, Connor Wood and Zak van den Berg played well to score runs with the bat.

Many thanks to Larry Sullivan, who has coached the boys each week, drove the van to Hamilton and then stood in the field and umpired for 6 hours! Your efforts are appreciated, Larry.

Also thanks to Donna Nicholas for transporting the boys and for her help and support during the day.

Thanks to the boys who were well behaved and a pleasure to take away for the day.

Cath MacPherson, Teacher in Charge of Cricket

SHORT DAYS



If the lunchtime is shortened by half an hour because of wet weather, school will finish at 2:40p.m. If parents want to know whether or not we are finishing early, please **phone 886 0804 after 12:15p.m.**