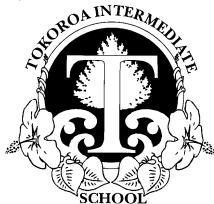


TOKOROA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

12 May 2010

Term 2 - No.4



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Kia Ora Kia Orana Talofa Lava Greetings

SCHOOL CLOSING EARLY

Because of an NZEI Paid Union Meeting

**TOMORROW, THURSDAY, 13TH MAY 2010
SCHOOL WILL CLOSE EARLY AT 2 PM**

to allow teachers that are members of this union, to attend this meeting.

Bus children will be supervised until the usual bus time.

PARENT INTERVIEWS – CORRECTION OF DATES

Last week the newsletter stated dates for report interviews in late July. These dates were incorrect. The correct dates for interviews will be Wednesday 28th July and Thursday 29th July (week 2 of Term 3).

CLASSIC HITS RADIO FORESTLAND

Students from Tokoroa Intermediate will be interviewed each week about news and events happening at the school. These interviews will take place between 7.30 and 8.00 am every Friday during school terms.

NETBALL

On Saturday 1st May, the Tok Int 8A and Tok Int Rebels netball teams played in the Senior & Secondary Schools Netball Opening Day.

Both teams did very well against their much older opposition. Tok Intermediate 8A won their Section, with the Rebels coming 3rd. This is a great result and great start for the season for both teams.

At Easter this year Danni-Jane Umaki competed at the Aotearoa Maori Netball Nationals in New Plymouth as part of the Tainui Under 13 side.

This is a fiercely competitive tournament, and has teams from all over the nation compete in Under 13's, Un 15's, Un 19's, and Seniors.

Danni-Jane was selected as part of the Aotearoa Maori Under 13 squad at the end of this tournament. This is a huge achievement to be part of the 10 members named out of approx 130 players. Congratulations to Danni-Jane and her family.

SHORT LUNCH HOURS



Parents who need to find out if the lunchtime is shortened because of wet weather can phone the school on **886 0804** from 12.15 pm on and listen to the recorded message.

ATTENDANCE

As you are aware attendance at school is a very high priority. In simple terms - you have to be at school to engage in the learning.

We regularly remind parents of this responsibility via our newsletter and would like to highlight the issue again today.

We find that many parents are making decisions about attendance for what the Ministry of Education terms 'unjustified' reasons. Some of these are: going shopping, family members visiting, lack of a part of the uniform, getting up late.

Lateness is also an issue. School starts at 8.50 am and most students arrive at approx. 8.30 am. A significant group of students are regularly late, the most common excuses being 'slept in' or 'had to go to town to get lunch'.

Please help us help your child with their learning by getting children to school **every day on time** unless they are sick.

CELL PHONES

For safety reasons we do not allow cell phones in school during the school day. We require all cell phones to be handed into the school office on arrival at school and collected at the end of the school day.

Students who are caught with cell phones in class/on the playground etc. will have them confiscated, they will be returned to parents/caregivers on first offence and there will be a one month ban on having a cell phone at school for the child. Students who need to ring home are able to get a phone slip from their teacher and use the library phone. I would ask for parental support with this issue as it is an important safety rule.

Healthy Active Ideas

Energize Tip Sheets

Over the next few weeks, you will receive some Energize Tip Sheets that you can put on your fridge and will provide you with some great tips and messages.

**So stick them on the fridge and remember...
EAT HEALTHY, BE ACTIVE, HAVE FUN!**

DRINK & PLAY