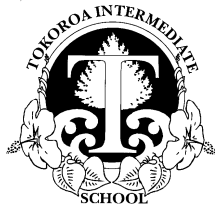


# TOKOROA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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Term 4 - No.1



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**Kia Ora    Kia Orana    Talofa Lava    Greetings**

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Welcome back to the last term of 2010. Attached to this newsletter is the Term 4 calendar, outlining major events planned for the term. More detail will be provided in weekly newsletters for each event closer to the time.

Phil Straw, Principal

## **SUMMER UNIFORM**

A reminder, that the changeover into summer uniform is happening now. Students have until Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October to make the change. Our uniform policy states that students must wear plain black Roman sandals (without socks) or plain black leather lace up shoes (not track shoes) and plain white socks for girls (above ankle, below the knee and grey socks with two red bands for boys). The shoes are an important aspect of the uniform and we would ask that all families adhere to this. Year 8 pupils will generally find that the footwear required at Intermediate is the same as that required at most High Schools.

## **OPEN DAY**

Next week we will have the school's Open Day. This is aimed at giving parents, community members and prospective students of Tokoroa Intermediate School an opportunity to view the school in action. The main times are on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 1.15 pm – 3.00 pm and 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm. Naturally, to see classes in progress, visitors will need to attend the afternoon session. On the Wednesday we will be giving Year 6 pupils from our main contributing schools the opportunity to view the displays and to visit classes.

## **HOCKEY**

Congratulations to Andre Ashton-Duyvestyn, Thomas Ria and Keegan Willis who, as members of the Bay of Plenty Under 13 Hockey Team were runners up in the NZ Hatch Cup Hockey Tournament, played at North Harbour last week.

They faced tough opposition to secure their place in the finals against South Canterbury. Despite a 1-0 lead at half time they were sadly beaten 3-1, leaving them runners up in the tournament, but were top North Island under 13 Team.

At the same time Jessica Nicholson was playing in the Bay of Plenty Under 13 Girls' Team in the Collier Cup Tournament in Timaru. Although the team didn't make the finals Jessica was chosen by an ex Black Stick to be awarded the Most Valued Player of the Tournament Trophy.

This tournament brings to a conclusion their Intermediate Hockey days and we look forward to hearing of their achievements in the future.

*Kitty Moon, Teacher in Charge of Hockey*

## **BOT MEETING**

The next BOT meeting will be on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> October at 7 pm in the staff room.

## **ATHLETICS**

The Athletics programme for our sports day starts this week. The school phys-ed programme and lunch time activities are all based around the Athletics sports programme with the culmination on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November at our official sports day.

Tokoroa Intermediate has a strong tradition of participation; we expect all students to be available to compete in these events. We would ask that parents support us by ensuring students are prepared for any events that are planned. Part of that preparation is having PE gear at school every day this term. The nature of Tokoroa weather determines that we will put events on during most fine lunchtimes from now until sports day. Students need to be prepared for this. A reminder that school PE gear is plain black shorts and red t-shirt.

## **SOUTH WAIKATO LIFE EDUCATION TRUST**



At present we are very fortunate to have the Life Education mobile classroom visiting our school and pupils. The programme that Shelley and her most popular helper, 'Harold', present is designed to teach children about caring

for themselves.

Our staff fully support this very worthwhile addition to the health syllabus in schools and this is reiterated by the children's response to having the amazing learning and fun time with Shelley and Harold.

The Life Education Trust committee is made up of volunteers from the community who support Shelley by helping raise funds to keep the mobile classroom operational and Shelley in paid employment. The Trust is on the lookout for like-minded members of the community/ parents/grandparents of children etc, who would be prepared to be involved in this organisation. It is not an onerous job and only requires meeting once a month.

Please think about how you may contribute to this very worthwhile education resource and contact one of our local trustees:

Wendy Nicholas, Ph 886 4563 or Ken McOnie, Ph 886 1088.

**ProJoe's Myth Busters!**

**"Carrots make you see in the dark"**



**True!**

Carrots are an excellent source of vitamin A. The main function of vitamin A (in the form of retinol) is related in the eyes. Therefore eating carrots can keep your eyes nice and healthy.

