

TOKOROA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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Kia Ora Kia Orana Talofa Lava Greetings

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 3 / 2010.

This week you will have received a letter giving you an opportunity for the next parent interview. These will take place on Wednesday and Thursday next week. Thank you to those who have already returned their forms. Interviews will be allocated on a first in first served basis.

As interviews start at 2.00 pm, school will finish at 1.30 pm to enable teachers to make the necessary preparations.

This interview is an opportunity to continue the learning conversation started in March. We do ask that this conversation is between you as a parent, the teacher and your child. The child is an important part of the process and we do ask that they attend with you.

Please arrive at least 15 minutes before the scheduled interview time. This will give you time to read all the reports. The class report at this time of year only covers Reading, Writing and Mathematics with a general comment covering other aspects including attitude and effort. There are also reports from our Technology / Arts and Language Support teachers. These teachers are available for interviews should you wish to see them.

If you wish to see your child's Mathematics teacher, please be patient – they will either need to fit you into a gap in their programme or make an alternative time.

Phil Straw, Principal

TERM 3 CALENDAR

Attached to this newsletter is the Term 3 calendar, outlining major events planned for the term. This will give parents an overview of the term. More detail will be provided in weekly newsletters for each event closer to the time.

YEAR 7 VISION SCREENING

On Friday 23 July vision hearing technicians will be at Tokoroa Intermediate to carry out routine screening to identify previously undetected vision defects.

All year 7 students (boys and girls) will get their long distance vision tested and **all year 7 boys** also their colour vision.

If any parents/caregivers do not want their child to be checked, or if their child is currently under specialist care for a vision defect, they should let the school know.

This will not be a complete vision examination, but a simple screening test. When an unsatisfactory result is obtained, parents/caregivers will be advised to seek further advice. Community Services may share health information gathered in this way with other health professionals involved in children's care.

BOT MEETING

The next meeting will be held tonight at 7 pm in the staffroom. Parents/caregivers are welcome to attend these meetings.

CANTEEN AND TUCKSHOP ADDITIONS

As from Monday of week 2 we will have a few changes in the tuck shop. 'Primo Extremo' milk drinks will be available for \$1.60 each. Zing fruit drinks will now be \$1.60.

We will also have a range of ETA 'SKOF Corn Chips' and 'SKOF Munchos' available. These have been selected as they contain low levels of fat but provide acceptable levels of carbohydrates for growing children. These will probably retail at about \$1.60 – this will be confirmed as soon as we know.

RUGBY

In the first week of the school holidays we had the Gwynne Shield Tournament in Cambridge. We started the week well without any of our players weighing over the 55 kg limit. Our first game we won 28-0 against Hamilton Tigers. The next day we played North Waikato. We won 47-0. That made us the leader of our pool. We won our next three games with good scores and bonus points. At the end of the fifth round we were winning our pool with maximum points of 25. Then we played Te Awamutu in the semis but sadly we lost 12-10. That saw us playing for 3rd and 4th at Waikato Stadium. We lost again 12-13 against Morrinsville. At the prize giving we had five players picked to trial for the Waikato Roller Mills Team. So I'd like to congratulate Orlando Taihako, O'Neil Zammit, Tipene Hansen, Ezekiel Cooper and Matthew Bullock.

Written by Matthew Bullock

WINTER WARMERS

Brr... it's cold out there!

Now that winter is upon us it's really important that we keep eating healthy and stay active.

Winter tends to be a time when we eat more and hibernate inside.

This term you will get ideas about how to beat the winter blues and stay healthy.

Tip: Feeling cold? Do some star jumps to warm up!

