

# TOKOROA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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Term 3 - No.2



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Kia Ora    Kia Orana    Talofa Lava    Greetings

Dear Parents / Guardians,

As you are aware the school canteen is now required to provide healthy options for lunches etc. We are starting to notice a few students arriving with large quantities of sweets etc. purchased on the way to school.

Please help us by limiting the amount of money students leave home with. If they are buying sweets before school it is difficult for them to effectively learn at school that day. If they are bringing money to school for the trip home it creates a temptation for others and leads to another set of problems. Thank you for your support with this.

Also a reminder that we cannot take responsibility for money / valuables not handed into the correct places when they are brought to school. Cell phones etc. must be handed into the school office; any money should be put into a named envelope and handed to your child's teacher.

Phil Straw, Principal

## OPERETTA

This term many of our students and members of the staff are spending hours preparing for the Operetta. This show is entitled 'Dazzle' and is a space odyssey. You can help us in a variety of ways:

1. If your child has a speaking part, hear their lines, encourage them to spend time learning these. It will be a great help to our directors Mr Creigh-Smith and Mrs Long.
2. Keep an eye on newsletters – staff preparing props may from time to time put in a request for items needed.
3. Keep an evening free between 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> September to attend and support the children.

## ELECTIVES

This Friday marks the end of the first round of Electives. Next Friday students will have the chance to choose another Elective for the remainder of Term 3.

Electives offer students the opportunity to have a go at something that may be a little different or new compared to their usual interests.

Many of the children are involved in preparation for our school Operetta as dancers, choir or cast members. The Electives children can join are Kapa Haka, Polynesian Club, French, making place mats, play reading, educational games, fitness, chess, card games, cartoon drawing, padder tennis, rugby skills, technology challenges and recycle art.

## WAIKATO BOYS RUGBY

This year's tournament to be held this week at Bedford Park Matamata has been cancelled due to ground conditions. Students who have paid bus money for this activity will have their money refunded.

## SEXUALITY EDUCATION

Last week's newsletter contained important information on the Sexual Development Programme for our students, to be held in weeks 5, 6 & 7 of this term.

It is important that parents return the slip for the choice of provider by 1<sup>st</sup> August 2008.

### SEXUAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION – CHOICE OF HEALTH PROVIDER

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Room: \_\_\_\_\_

I / We wish to have our child attend Sexuality Development Education lessons delivered by (please tick):

Raukawa Trust Board

Pacific Island Health

Family Planning

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**If this slip is not filled in and returned to school, your child may be placed in a group to ensure a balance of numbers.**

Those parents who do not want their child/ren to take part in the programme need to fill in the Withdrawal slip and also return to school by 1<sup>st</sup> August 2008:

### SEXUAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION – WITHDRAWAL FROM PROGRAMME

I / We wish to have our child \_\_\_\_\_

(full name), Room \_\_\_\_\_ withdrawn from the school's Sexual Development Education Programme.

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## **SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY**

Our annual School Cross Country will be held at the school on Thursday 7 August beginning at 12.50 pm. Students will race in Junior Boys or Girls (Year 7) or in Senior Boys or Girls (Year 8). Parents are invited to view the race and encourage students.

## **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.**

**Please note that there are no short lunch hours on Fridays because of Electives.**

## **FREE MOBILE EAR CLINIC**

Service for children:

- Glue Ear assessment and management
- Treatment of discharging ears
- Grommet checks
- Wax/foreign body removal

at St Marks Community House, Bridge Street (back carpark), 9.30 am – 2.30 pm (closed for lunch between 12.30pm and 1.30 pm) on the following days:

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August