

Te Pānui o Te Kura o Te Uku 34/18**22 Whiringa-ā-rangi 2018**

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Te Uku

Wow! What a fabulous turnout to our two community events on Tuesday night. We were absolutely delighted to see so many parent/caregivers at our whanau hui meeting, where we were able to share with you our professional learning direction for next year, as well as share a little bit about our facilitator - Lisa Rapana. As you heard, we are also looking for assistance with improving our kapa haka uniform, as well as ideas to enhance local community links with both people and the environment.

As usual, our kapa haka students put on an outstanding performance, their skill and confidence clearly evident. We are looking to growing this group further next year, as it has been a positive and rewarding experience for many.

It was encouraging to see the numbers that stayed on for the next meeting, where it was a privilege to also share ideas about our future focus for Y7/8 at Te Uku School. We shared Semonne Hogg's introduction letter also, further illustrating what a fabulous addition to our staff she will be as a highly skilled teacher of these senior students in 2019. As indicated, knowing exact numbers for 2019 is crucial to our forward planning, so to support this, a notice of intention will be coming home to all our current Y6 and 7 students shortly.

We thank you for your time, support and positivity, and we encourage you to continue to assist us to build strong links between home and school.

Ngā mihi ki a koutou,

Pip Mears

TREEmendous – Great news, we won!

We are set to become a TREEmendous school in 2019! For those of you who have been following along with our TREEmendous competition, I am delighted to share with you that we have been selected as one of the 5 final schools across New Zealand, who will be awarded \$10,000 to develop the school section in to a fabulous outdoor learning space for our students. (See the press release included with this newsletter for more details)

This has been a work in progress involving many students, teachers and a small group of parents, over a long period of time. In particular, I would like to acknowledge the Y7/8 students, who along with Mrs Clarkson completed the first stage of the competition (you may recall the fabulous 'Wouldn't It Be Nice' video the students completed, that we shared via Facebook). A smaller group of parents and teachers completed the second stage of the competition which involved project design and financial planning work – I would like to thank Kate Ross for project managing this part of the process.

There is plenty of work to be done before the actual TREEmendous event, when the final planting will take place – so we are looking forward to this becoming a true Te Uku School community project. The big day is at this moment scheduled for Saturday 27th July 2019. As part of the winning package we will have visits to school from both Ruud Kleinpaste (the Bugman) and Riley Elliot (the Sharkman), as well as the main sponsors – Mazda, who provide and cook a BBQ for the hard workers on the day.

This is a very exciting time for us as a school, as we are now going to be able to begin to enact some of the visions we have for learning outdoors and learning about our environment. We will share more information over time and look forward to many of you being involved alongside us on this fantastic journey.

Working bee in Term 1 Saturday morning to start the preparation work.

Scholastic

We are not sending home Lucky Book Club Issue 8, but if any parents would like to have a look and maybe order books online, please see Cheryl in the office or contact Catherine at catherinel@teuku.school.nz.

Athletics Notice

School Athletics Day is starting at 9.15am tomorrow. All parents/caregivers are welcome to attend and support the event. We plan to have the activities finished by 10.30am. If raining the postponement date is Monday 26th November.

Accounts

Student invoices will be sent home this week and as we are nearing the end of the year it is important that these accounts be settled.

Please email the office if you have any queries; office@teuku.school.nz

Term Dates 2019

Term 1:

Thursday 7 Feb - Friday 12 April

Term 2:

Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July

Term 3:

Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September

Term 4:

Monday 14 October - Thursday 20 December

Upcoming Events: Term 4 2018

Friday 23 November: School Athletics

Monday 3 December: Inter School Athletics

Thursday 6 December: Assembly – Y7/8

Wednesday 12 December: School Trip
Wainui Rd Beach Reserve

Thursday 13 December: Final Assemblies
Jnr 9:30am
Snr 6:30pm

Friday 14th December: Wet 'n Wild Day!

Monday 17th December: Last day for 2018

SPORTS NUTRITION

AFTER SPORT RECOVERY

30-60mins after sport – refuel with a snack that includes GO foods to replace energy and GROW foods with protein to help muscles recover.



Banana Smoothie



Chicken Wrap or Sandwich

Low-fat
Yoghurt &
Banana



Developed by Sport Waikato 2018

Junior Golf Coaching

3.30 pm; Junior 3: Golf Coaching
Thursdays 3:30 - 4:30. All gear is provided but non members will need a gold coin fee to participate. Restarts this Thursday
25 October until December 13th
from 3.30-4.30pm at the Raglan Golf Club.