

Te Pānui o Te Kura o Te Uku 13/19

24 Haratua 2019

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Te Uku

The school was a busy and exciting place to be last Thursday night, as students at all levels shared their learning with parents/caregivers at our Student Led Conferences. Our teachers also enjoyed touching base with everyone. We received a great deal of positive feedback about our Educa online student portfolios - this is proving to be a highly beneficial learning link between school and home. We are hopeful to have all parents engaging with this communication platform, so if you ever need further assistance with this please just ask.

Last night we had the final BOT meeting with our current Board. I wish to publicly thank the existing Board members for their time and dedication to Te Uku School over many years. Brenda Carter, Angela Thompson, Kath Parrott (previous Chairperson), and Bernard Butler have all served two terms (6 years), and Kristi Daniel (current Chairperson) and Megan Wood have joined more recently. In their time on the Board they have achieved a realm of things that make Te Uku the great school that it is today; some things that are visible such as the classroom rebuilds and new carpark, and many things that aren't but that are essential to the smooth running of an effectively governed school. I thank you all for your many contributions. With Board elections fast approaching it will soon be time for a new group of community members to take over the reins and continue the positive and progressive journey Te Uku School is on. If you think this is something you would like to be involved in, we would love to have you onboard – nominations close today at noon.

Ngā mihi ki a koutou,

Pip Mears - Principal

Treemendous Working Bee – Sunday 26th May

We have had a great start to preparing the site for our Treemendous project. Many thanks to Matt Henderson and Raglan Excavations for their work in clearing the site, trimming back and clearing out foliage and laying a root barrier to keep the bamboo at bay. Now, WE NEED YOUR HELP! Our first working bee is going to be THIS SUNDAY May 26th from 9.30-12.30am and 12:30pm- 3pm. We would love to have your help to make way for the path construction.

Bring your kids and get involved, we want to generate enthusiasm for the project ahead!

Please let us know if you are able to make it. RSVP Kristi at nursedaniel@gmail.com or txt 0220959139.

Remember to bring your gloves, shovels, rakes and gumboots and anything else handy for gardening.

We are also looking for old carpet, cardboard, wool from bargain box, or similar items to place around fruit trees.

NZEI Industrial Action – Wednesday 29th May

The NZEI Te Riu Roa has advised the Te Uku Board of Trustees that the principal and teachers at our school will be taking strike action on Wednesday, 29 May 2019, for the entire school day. Therefore, the school will be closed for instruction due to strike action. The Board has carefully considered the availability of teaching staff and have decided that we cannot provide the normal teaching and supervision services during the strike. It is important that you make alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children on the day of the strike. The decision to take further strike action was not taken lightly by any of us. For the first time, both primary and secondary teachers are striking together because the crisis in education affects us all. We need the Government to understand this and make appropriate decisions to improve the situation.

Please contact, Kristi Daniel nursedaniel@gmail.com, if you have any queries relating to this decision.

**Upcoming Events:
Term 2 2019**

May

- 24 Cross Country – Waitetuna
- 27 Waingaro Marae Planning Meeting @ 2.45pm - Hall
- 31 Y7/8 Caving at Te Paha

June

- 6 Assembly Y2-4
- 13-14 Waingaro Marae Visit
- 17-1 Wheels Week

- 20 Assembly Y7/8

- 24-28 Zero Waste Ed Week

- 28 Ki o Rahi Tournament Y7/8 Horotiu

July

- 4 Assembly Y5/6
- 5 Last Day Term 2

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

HAMILTON BRICK SHOW

\$5 per Person under 3yrs free

22.-23.06 9am-5pm

WINTEC Atrium - Tristram Street



MAAORI VS MĀORI

In te reo Maaori, either a macron (Māori) or a double vowel (Maaori) is used to indicate pronunciation of a long vowel. Sport Waikato follow the Waikato-Tainui preference and use a double vowel in our communications.

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MATARIKI

TUPU-AA-NUKU

The star of Tupu-aa-nuku represents food from the ground which are our huawhenua (vegetables) that give us vitamins and minerals which help us to GLOW.

TIP: Eat an uenuku (rainbow) of different colours for a variety of different vitamins and minerals.

Labels: PUUHAA, PAUKENA/PUMPKIN, BROCCOLI, KUUMARA, WATAKIRIRI/WATERCRESS

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