

# Tirimoana School Newsletter

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## This week's PB4L Focus: Compassion supporting 'Bully Free NZ Week'

In PB4L this week learners have been discussing inclusive behaviour, listening to others and helping people feel like they belong. The children enjoyed wearing pink for our Wellness Wednesday, thank you to the many families who supported this initiative. At Tirimoana we also talk to learners about the difference between when something is an accident, someone is unkind or someone is repeatedly bullied. You could have these conversations with your child at home and strategies to support them.



## He aha te aha? What's on top? - with Mr Kaiser.

### Parents and whānau supporting our school

Tirimoana School has long enjoyed great support from our parents and whanau, with parents willing to help out with school events and special activities, and supporting local fundraising to better improve our facilities for children.

Over the last 2 years COVID has placed some restrictions and barriers for parents to be involved in supporting school activities. However, this year, we are encouraging parents to reconnect with school and to support school events. Last term we welcomed many parents to our athletics day and this term parents have already helped out with school trips to Auckland Museum.



One of main ways for parents to connect and support the school has been through our **Parent Teacher Association (PTA)**. It is now time to restart the PTA so next Wednesday evening we will hold our first PTA gathering for some time. We will also have a brief PTA AGM at the same time.

**The PTA meeting will be in the school staffroom at 7.30pm on Wednesday 25th May.**

We welcome all parents to come along, connect with other parents and to form a new PTA. We are looking for a new Chairperson and a team of regular supporters that we can call upon to help out with school events. The PTA is also a great place to raise issues, share ideas and ask questions about school.

I look forward to seeing you at the PTA!

### Disruptions to Teaching

Local schools, including Tirimoana, are currently experiencing another wave of COVID infections among our teachers. This means that some classes have had disruption to the normal teaching with other staff and relief teachers covering classes. At this stage, we are hopeful that most of these teachers will have returned to school by the end of this week or on Monday of next week. Despite this, children have been well taught and supported.

It is timely to remind parents to keep your children home when they are unwell, and if you have a positive case of COVID in your household to let school know. We do not pass this information on to others but it helps us to manage cases in our school. The same message applies with Winter colds and flu.

Peter Kaiser

## TEACHER ONLY DAY

### Teacher Only Day - Important date to know.

Primary and intermediate schools in our area have a planned Teacher Only Day on **Tuesday 7 June** (day after Queen's Birthday weekend). On this day our staff will be involved in professional learning so school will not be open for instruction. Please make arrangements for your children on this day.



### New school play space - a giant sand pit!

This week we finished construction of a new play space, a giant sand pit. Although it is primarily for our youngest children, we will create a roster for all children to explore it and have a play over the next few weeks.

Soon, we plan to construct a sail cover for sun protection over the sandpit, and to install child-friendly art works on the walls around it.



Kia ora and Welcome to  
Tirimoana School



| Year 1:       |             |                   |              |            |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|------------|
| Mariya Gandhi | Lydia Holt  | Ronaldo Patelesio | Isabel Wyatt | Carlos Zhu |
| Year 2        | Viggo Huang | Year 4            | Viola Huang  |            |



### Head Lice

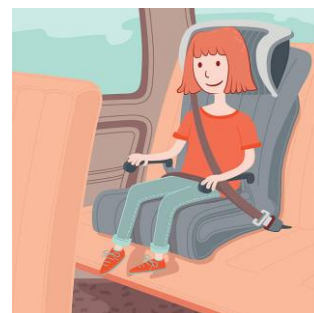
Head lice are going around currently. Please be vigilant and check your children's hair. Long hair is best tied up and away from the face.

The school office has nit treatment shampoo available for purchase. If you need extra support, the Public Health Nurse is able to assist in treatment. Please see Mrs Matthews.

## Road Safety Concerns

A reminder that under New Zealand law:

- All children under seven years of age must use an approved child restraint appropriate for their age and size.
- Children aged seven must be secured in a restraint if one is available in the vehicle.
- Best practice is to keep a child in a booster seat until they reach 148cm tall.
- Seatbelts must be worn by all other passengers in a vehicle if they are available.



We are seeing too many children and adults not appropriately restrained in cars and vehicles when coming to and from school. Drivers have a responsibility to ensure this law is upheld.

For more information on how to safely use child restraints and to find your local Child Restraint Technician, visit the following websites:

[www.nzta.govt.nz/childrestraints](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/childrestraints)

[www.plunket.org.nz](http://www.plunket.org.nz)

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With the change in weather, we typically experience our school entrances becoming more congested with cars. To ensure the safety of all of the children and adults, please do not stop on yellow lines, over driveways or on footpaths. Please do not drive into the school. Please park away from the school and walk to meet your child.

We regularly have visits from Auckland Transport and The New Zealand Police to monitor safe driver behaviour at our school gates.

## Lunch Orders: Thursday and Fridays



### Lunchonline Lunches at Tirimoana

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Contact Tracey Simonsen on 027 249 2428 or email [funafter3@gmail.com](mailto:funafter3@gmail.com)

### **Fun After Three- Staff required -Position available**



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She says, "I offer a non-judgemental and affirming space where clients and families are encouraged to discover their own hidden strengths, a pathway to wellbeing and hope for the future. Client choice, empowerment, and valuing culture and uniqueness, are important aspects of my work. I use a range of approaches including Person-Centred, Strengths Based, Cognitive Behaviour Therapy, Narrative and Systemic Family Practices."

If you/someone you know is in need of a counsellor, please contact her to find out more.

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