

Kia ora koutou te whanau

Hopefully you were able to find some special times with your whanau during the holiday break and take advantage of the warmer weather on some of those days.

Term 4 seems to have crept up on us very quickly this year after our challenging times. The timetable is already full of events and activities that your children will be involved in. We look forward to continuing to now have you all involved in these. Please take note of these dates and be aware of notices to keep you informed of these upcoming events and trips. These are also available through our website: [www.tokoroanorth.school.nz](http://www.tokoroanorth.school.nz)

Rooms 15 and 16 have relocated into Rooms 12 and 14 while building works proceed for planned upgrades of pathways and entrance ways. Changes are also being made to the back gate entrance to make this entry more accessible and safer for all. Thank you for your support in adapting to these changes.

*"Ki te puku mahi, kau u te angitu"*  
*Work hard to succeed.*

  
Judith McLean (Principal)

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## OCTOBER

- 22 Tokoroa Intermediate Open Day
- 26 Labour Day
- 27 Teacher Only Day
- 28 Rooms 6,7,15 & 16 Trip
- 29 Rooms 10,11 & 13 Trip
- 30 Team 1 Fundraising Day

## NOVEMBER

- 5 Team 1 Mt Maunganui Trip
- 10 Team 2 Athletics
- 16&18 North School's Got Talent Auditions
- 17 Team 1 Athletics
- 19 Road Patrol Student Trip
- 23 Team 3 Wheels Day
- 27 Tokoroa Intermediate Orientation Day
- 28 Interschool Athletics

## DECEMBER

- 1 Folk Dancing
- 7 Students visit their classes for 2021
- 11 North School's Got Talent
- 12 Colour Run
- 15 Final Assembly

**TEAM ONE (Rooms 2, 3, 4, 5, 20) Stephani Preston**  
Welcome back everyone to the final term! The calendar has filled up as the craziness of Term 4 is upon us! We have at least one thing happening each week so it will be a great opportunity for our tamariki to practise responsibility as there will be so much for them to have to remember.

### INTERCLASS SOCCER

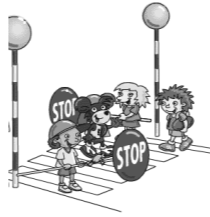
The rain meant the first games were postponed on Monday! Disappointment was all around! Huge thanks to Evan Dickinson and Rylee for helping out with the refereeing too. It wouldn't happen without you guys!

### INTERCLASS RIPPA RUGBY

The interclass rippa rugby tournament will start on Wednesday. Big thanks to Whaea Lisa for organising this. Another huge thanks to Iwi Bennion (FVHS) for providing students to help with the refereeing again this year. Fingers crossed for sunshine!

### ROAD PATROL TRAINING

Road Patrol theory will take place in Week 4. If your Year 5 child has signed up for this, they should have brought home a notice about permission. Once students pass the theory, the practical training will begin in Week 5. Thank you to those who have offered their services! We congratulate Constable Doug Tausinga for his new role! We look forward to working with you.



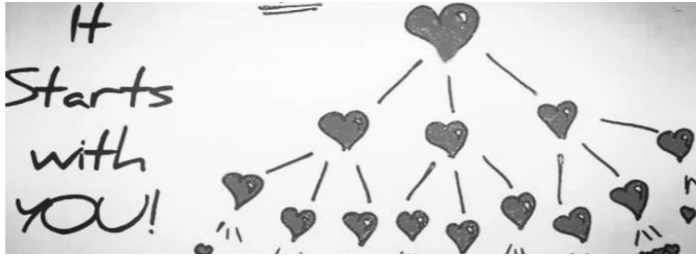
### YEAR 6 INTERMEDIATE VISIT

Year 6 children will be visiting Tokoroa Intermediate School to see what their school has to offer on Thursday. It's a great chance for them to meet staff and get a taste of the opportunities there for them. A reminder that the Parent Open Day will be Wednesday 1.30pm and 5.30pm.

### FUNDRAISING DAY

Our team is excitedly organising items to sell to fundraise in our bid to "Pay It Forward", as this is our topic this term. Our big day is scheduled for Friday 30 October, more details to follow.

### TEAM TWO (Rooms 8, 9, 17, 18, 19) Karen Tyrrell



Welcome back to Term 4, our final term of the year. Let's hope we have an uninterrupted term and can enjoy all that we have planned for this term. Our tamariki had many exciting tales to share with us about what they got up to over the holidays. Everyone had a highlight to share. We are straight into athletics training on the one fine day we had last week. Our Athletics are on 10th November and students will participate in Sprints, High Jump, Long Jump, Shotput and Vortex. We're really hoping for a fine day so we can show off the skills we have been learning and practising. Classes are all doing STEM activities to start the term (Room 19 all created Marble Runs last week) and will soon be designing and making a basket that needs to be able to transport a cookie to the creek. Some teachers may add more to their criteria eg the cookie may get dropped from a height. Let's hope the cookies all make it. Remember to keep encouraging your child to do as much homework as they can, read to them as often as you can and listen to them read each night.



**TEAM THREE (Rooms 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16) Kim Lannon**  
The children and teachers of Team 3 are pleased to be back at school, catching up with their friends and sharing stories about their holiday. Room 15 and 16 are settled and having fun in their new learning environments. Hopefully it won't be long and they will be back in their original classrooms.

Week 3 this term we are visiting Marshall Farm in the Kamais. A consent notice was sent home last week. Today you will receive a follow up notice with reminders about the trip. The year 1 and 2 children will be going the day after our extra long weekend. Don't forget!!!!

It is vitally important for your child's success in reading, writing and maths that you regularly follow up with reading to and with your child at home, play card games or board games that involve counting and practise spelling sight words.

You are very welcome to talk to your child's teacher. Pop in or send a note with your child so the teacher can organise a suitable time for both yourself and them.

Congratulations to room 6 who won the "Golden Rubbish Bin" last Friday.

*Whakaiti iho, Whakamahi ano, Whakahou*  
*Reduce, Reuse, Recycle*



### ACHIEVEMENT BY PROMOTING SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING (APSEL) Raewyn Whiteman-Thorne

I am sitting in my office. It's after 3 and again cold and I have just put the heater on. This weather pattern is bizarre. One thing for sure, change is happening in so many areas of our lives; politics, health, education, criminal activity and then the virus. It's all very up and down.

But as I sit here I am so appreciative of what I have in my life. As some of you know the last years have presented their challenges and when I met a young Mum whose children used to go here and heard her health story my heart crumbled and I was reminded of how fortunate I am.

I had a call this morning from a family who have had to leave their rental as it's been sold and they are facing life in the caravan park. These situations in our community sadden me. Is this a sign of what is ahead for our town, for our parents and for our children? I was immediately appreciative of those who help with lunches and ensure we have extra food to feed our children. You make such a difference.

Please if you are in a situation where you need food, for a day or a week, let us know. We can't find houses for our families but we can do food.

Or can we find a house? Does anyone have one coming available? Do take care of yourselves and each other. We talk caring, respect and manaakitanga.

Do we walk it? All we can do is try our best.

*The word in Maori for Hospitality, kindness, caring & sharing is MANAAKITANGA*

### LEARNING SUPPORT CENTRE Megan Lamb

Welcome back to Term 4, everyone has settled back into routine really quickly. It was so good to be able to get outside and enjoy the sunshine last week. To start the term off we have been learning about Fairytales, ask your child which one is their favourite. Please keep an eye out for notices in bags. There is a lot going on this term.



### TEAM ONE

Last Friday we participated in Pink Shirt day and we learnt that we need to speak up, stand together and stop bullying. Year 6 students are feeling nervous and excited about our visit to Tokoroa Intermediate this Thursday. Team One are looking forward to our up coming trip to Mount Maunganui and our school athletics. We sure hope the rain stops so we can get in some practice before interschools.

By Room 5

### TEAM TWO

Last week it was my first day at North School where I have 3 cousins Akaysha, Dallas and Tairi. At the beginning of the day I was confused and nervous but at the end I was happy and excited to come back again. On my first day, I made 6 friends. They are fun and very friendly. My favourite things so far are reading, art, practising basic facts and dancing. I love my new school.

By Swavay Gage

### TEAM THREE

In Room 7 we have been learning to make tally charts and bar graphs. We like asking each other questions and discussing our findings. We are very excited to be going on our trip next week. We are looking forward to seeing lots of animals.

By Room 7

### READING

When you have a special experience with your children discuss what you did and how you felt as a family. Write the story your child tells you in a notebook and encourage them to illustrate it. You have now created a lasting record of that memory.

### TEACHER ONLY DAY

Teacher Only Day is approaching fast on Tuesday 26 October. A reminder to mark this in your calendars so we have no children come to school that day.

LABEL READING



## TRY SPOKE'S SUPER SLICE

**INGREDIENTS**

- 5 Weetbix
- 1½ C Self-Raising Flour
- 1½ C Coconut
- ½ T Reduced Fat Spread
- ⅓ C Sugar
- 1 Egg
- 1 C Dried Fruit (chopped)
- Zest of a Lemon
- ⅓ C Boiling Water

**METHOD**

1. Melt the reduced fat spread in a pan or microwave. Add the sugar and stir until combined. Crumble in the weetbix, add the flour and mix. Add the remaining dry ingredients and mix it all together. Add the hot water and mix.
2. Press into a pan, greased or lined with baking paper.
3. Bake at 180°C for 30 minutes.

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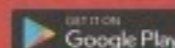
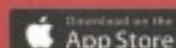
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