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Term 3 Week 2 Newsletter: Rāapa 23 o Hōngongoi | Wednesday 23 July 2025

Tēnā koutou, Mālō 'e tau lava, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kamusta, Ayubowan, Bula, Salam.

School Board Elections 2025

If you are on the voting roll and eligible to vote, you will have received nomination forms for the upcoming School Board elections through your email.



You can nominate yourself. The easiest way to do this is online at www.electionpilot.nz, then click the 'Find my election' button. You are able to upload your candidate statement and photo at the same time.

If you are nominating someone else, complete the nomination form and make sure it includes all the required contact details and remember to sign both parts of the form. You can email, hand deliver or post your nomination form/s to the returning officer. Nominations close at noon on 6 Aug 2025.

If you have not received nomination forms, please see Kathleen Horn at the school office between 8:00 am and 3:30 pm. Alternatively, contact the SCHOOLED election team on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or email election@electionpilot.nz.

The NED Show

This Friday at 2:00 pm, we are having a special whole school assembly. You are all welcome to join us for NED's Resiliency Ride, a character/values education program that centres around three important messages that have lifelong relevance: **Never give up, Encourage others and Do your best.** During the assembly, students will learn about the importance of these three life skills while also enjoying storytelling, magic, humor and yo-yo tricks.

While the assembly show is 100% free, the school has agreed to show their support by running a Pay-It-Forward sale. We will be selling yo-yos at the school office from now until Friday Week 3. A reminder that all payments at Tāmaki Primary School are eftpos or internet banking only. Please see the last page of the newsletter for the order form.



Attendance Update

Daily attendance continues to be a priority at Tāmaki Primary School. Thank you parents for your continued support in getting your children to school each day. Attendance has been dropping school-wide this term, though. A reminder that our daily attendance target is more than 94%.

Week Nine Term Two	Monday 23 June 81% attendance	Tuesday 24 June 87% attendance	Wednesday 25 June 89% attendance	Thursday 26 June 95.5% attendance	Friday 27 June 72% attendance
Week One Term Three	Monday 14 July 86% attendance	Tuesday 15 July 89% attendance	Wednesday 16 July 93% attendance	Thursday 17 July 83% attendance	Friday 18 July 88% attendance
Week Two Term Three	Monday 21 July 85% attendance	Tuesday 22 July 88% attendance	Wednesday 23 July 89% attendance		



Attendance Snapshot – Week Nine Term Two to Week Two Term Three

Attendance Update – Let's Keep Building Great Habits

We have been monitoring school attendance closely, and here is what the recent data shows:

Most days are sitting above 85 percent, which tells us that many of our tamariki are attending regularly and showing up ready to learn. This is encouraging progress and we thank you for your support. However, we are still seeing a drop in attendance on Mondays and Fridays. For example, on Friday 27 June, attendance dropped to just 72 percent. That means more than a quarter of our students were not at school that day.



What is regular attendance?

The Ministry of Education defines regular attendance as 94 percent or higher. This means being at school at least 9.5 days out of every 10. Anything less adds up quickly and can impact learning.

Why this matters:

Every school day is important. When students are absent, they miss valuable learning time, key routines, and opportunities to connect with peers and teachers.

How you can help:

- Prioritise attendance on all five days of the week, especially **Mondays and Fridays**
- Send your child to school every day unless they are unwell
- Contact us if you are experiencing any barriers to attendance. We are here to support you

Thank you for continuing to work with us to support strong attendance. Together, we can ensure that every child has the best chance to learn, grow and succeed.

Sports

The Tāmaki Cluster Sports for Term Three are: Basketball, Rippa Rugby, Rugby Union and Netball. One of the criteria for selection for sports teams is regular attendance, that is, attending school more than 94% of the time. Mouthguards are not compulsory, but they are encouraged. We are selling mouthguards for \$5 at the school office.

Upcoming events

Kelly Sports Netball: Every Monday until the end of Week Seven.
Fun skills and strategies training for all Year 4-8 students.

Auckland Basketball: Every Friday until the end of the term.
For all Year 4-8 students.

Language Weeks Term Three:

- **Cook Islands Language Week 2025:** 4-11 August
- **Filipino Language Week 2025:** 11-15 August
- **Tongan Language Week 2025:** 18-22 August
- **Te Wiki o Te reo Māori 2025:** 15-19 September

School Board hui: Wednesday 13 August, Wednesday 17 September, Wednesday 5 November and Wednesday 10 December 2025 @ 8 am in the boardroom. School board meetings are open to the public. If you would like to join us at any of these board meetings, please contact our Presiding Member Mr Kamaka Tarawa at k.tarawa@tamakiprimary.school.nz.

New Enrolments: Do you know anyone that is going to start school between now and the end of the year? Or anyone who is interested in Rumaki Reo, Tongan Bilingual or Samoan Bilingual education for their children? Please send them to the office to pre-enrol. All are welcome.



Thank you all for your continued support for our caring, confident and capable learners, it is appreciated.

Carol Leota
Tumuaki | Principal



Hi,
I'm NED!



Hey KIDS and families!

NED's Resiliency Ride is visiting our school! The assembly is filled with storytelling, humor, illusions and amazing yo-yo tricks where our kids learn the hidden message in NED's name:

Never give up
Encourage others
Do your best®

NED'S
**Resiliency
RIDE**

Parents...
See a short
PREVIEW
of the show!



Do you want to learn to yo? A yo-yo is both a learning tool and a tangible reminder of NED's message. While learning to yo, children will make mistakes, try again and improve.

Our school yo-yo sale

Our school received this assembly at no-cost because another school paid-it-forward to us. We want to help pay-it-forward too, and you can help by purchasing a NED-messaged yo-yo.

SALE DATES: 25/07/25 - 01/08/25 **TIME:** 8am-3:15pm

ADDITIONAL DETAILS: From the office, eftpos or internet banking only

STUDENT ORDER FORM:

REPLACEMENT STRING PACK

Ten assorted strings to
change color or
replace a
worn out
yo-yo string.

NZ\$6



NZ\$12

YO HOLSTER

Keep track of your yo
and have it ready to go.
Attach it to your belt loop or
backpack (yo-yo not included).

CLASSIC YOS

NZ\$16

Learn the basics of
yo-yoing with assorted
fixed axle yo-yos.



NED YO



GOYO

SUPER SPINNERS

NZ\$20

Great for basic and intermediate tricks. With a
strong throw, these auto-return yo-yos 'sleep' at the
end of the string & then come back automatically.



MAX



TRIXIE



YETI



SNAPBACK

SPECIALTY SURPRISE SELECTION Assorted professional yo-yos for next level tricks! For younger players, add 5 string wraps around the axle for easy play.

NZ\$25



SPARK



FLASH



UFO



XBOT



STARBURST



STORM



GALAXY



EXCELERATOR

Name: _____

Teacher: _____

For more yo-yo fun and
to learn tricks, check out:
NEDkids.com



Yo-yo designs, colors and
availability may vary.
Prices include tax (where applicable).

ITEM	PRICE	QTY.	SUBTOTAL
String Pack	NZ\$6		
Holster	NZ\$12		
Classic Yo	NZ\$16		
Super Spinner	NZ\$20		
Specialty Yo	NZ\$25		
TOTAL DUE			

