



Coastal Taranaki School

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8.30am-3.30pm

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# NEWSLETTER



Tēnā koutou katoa te whānau o Coastal Taranaki School.

What a week we have had as a school community! It has been back to basics with no power and/or no water for many. We did our best to avoid closing our school on Wednesday but this was unavoidable in the end. We do apologise for any inconvenience this caused our families and especially to those who did not receive the communication.

We have been experiencing a steady stream of enrolments with two new students this week and more to start next week. A warm welcome to their families from Coastal Taranaki School.

There has been lots of positive feedback about how wonderful our students are looking in their uniforms. Your support is appreciated with this. Uniform passes are available at our office for those occasions that are unavoidable but please send a note of explanation.

I have asked that our students stop play fighting and wrestling without any adult supervision. In place of this, we have senior students who have offered to run lunchtime games. I have also been informed we have some of our parents and caregivers interested in participating with lunchtime activities. This is great! Please send me your name and contact number so we can arrange a catch up about this.

Last night we held our first FOCTS meeting for 2018. This was well supported and I really enjoyed the company of the enthusiastic and supportive members of this group. They do great things to raise funds for our students so if you are interested in taking part, contact the school office for details.

While not in our school or community, during the week a Transit Bus was involved in hitting a child on a pedestrian crossing. The child is recovering however this serves as a reminder that we must be careful as both drivers and users of pedestrian crossings, especially before and after school times. We will teach our students about road safety and you can support us with this at home too.

Last week I buried my nan who was like a mother to me. While this was a huge loss for my family and I, the support and kindness from the staff, students, Board of Trustees and school community was immediate and much appreciated. This is a wonderful school and community we have here in Okato and on the Coast!

Scott Walden  
**PRINCIPAL**



### **SCIENCE DEPARTMENT**

We welcome Sangeeta Chaudhari to Coastal Taranaki School. Sangeeta is our lovely Science teacher who has been teaching at Sacred Heart Girls' College, New Plymouth, since 2001. Her specialist subject areas are Chemistry and Biology. Sangeeta has taught Science across Years 7 to 13.

Sangeeta was awarded a Ministry of Education scholarship for ESOL training in 2012 and has also been an ESOL teacher. She has been dean of international students. Sangeeta enjoys learning and teaching Indian cooking and has held community cooking classes in Taranaki since 2003. She is also a certified Adult Tutor. Sangeeta and her husband Arun, have been

married for 29 years and have two grown-up daughters.

### **READING RECOVERY, SENCO AND RELEASE TEACHER**

Kia Ora Whānau

My name is Shelley Cook. I am very happy and excited to have joined the fantastic team here at Coastal Taranaki School and feel very lucky to have been appointed as the Reading Recovery teacher, SENCO co-ordinator (for support programmes) and also release teacher for Mrs Normanton. I was raised in Opunake, where my Dad, John owned and operated one of the butcher shops in town and my Mum Joan, was a midwife at the Cottage Hospital. I lived and went to school there, until going to Teachers

College in Palmerston North. Despite having moved to New Plymouth at the beginning of my teaching career, Mum and Dad lived in Opunake until relatively recently and I still have whānau around the Coast. So being here very much feels like coming home.

I have spent the last 16 years teaching at Waitara East School, which I really loved. I had various roles there such as Reading Recovery, Maths support teacher and most recently, Syndicate leader and teacher in a Year 5 & 6 class. In any spare time, I enjoy spending time with whānau and friends, walking, going to the gym, reading and am a volunteer at Te Rangmarie hospice. I have a passion for cooking and eating fresh and yummy food, (especially the eating part!), which happily, Okato has an abundance of.

I really appreciate the very warm welcome from staff, students and whānau and am really looking forward to getting to know everyone over the coming weeks. Coastal Taranaki School is a very special place and it is a true privilege to be here.

Ngā mihi.

### **ROOM 24 TEACHER AND BUS CO-ORDINATOR**

My name is Mrs Sarah Oke and I am excited to be part of the Coastal Taranaki School team! I am Taranaki born and bred. I grew up in Waitara with my parents and two brothers, so I have learnt to be the bossy organised sibling.

I returned to Taranaki after studying in Palmerston North and have been teaching for 9 years. Four years at New Plymouth Central school teaching Year 3 and Year 0/1, three years at Welbourn School teaching Year 0/1 and two years as a Resource Teacher of the Deaf for van Asch Deaf Education Centre where I supported a student here at Coastal Taranaki School.



This year I am in Room 24 with a stunning bunch of Year 1 and 2 students. I have also taken on the role of staff bus co-ordinator so if you have anything you would like to discuss regarding the bus I am your contact person.

Ngā mihi

## **WHANAU BUS HUI**

On Tuesday 27th of February we are holding a bus meeting in the school hall at 5.30pm. We would like to invite all families that use the buses to come so together we can make a safer commute for all our Coastal Taranaki School students. The students have worked hard to develop some expectations on the bus and we have also developed some consequences for not being respectful, responsible and ready on the bus. We would like to share these with you so you can support and encourage our bus students to make good choices.

## **SCHOOL-GEN'S 'ENERGISING YOUNG MINDS'**

Our school has been nominated for School gen's 'Energising Young Minds' competition by a member of our community.

This competition gives us a chance to win a share of \$25K to spend on Science or Technology equipment.

Please encourage our school community to vote on the school-gen voting page <http://www.schoolgen.co.nz/voteforyourschool/>. You can vote once a day up until the 2nd April 2018.

To view the full Terms and conditions of the competition go to <http://www.schoolgen.co.nz/enter-your-school/>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email the school-gen team at [info@schoolgen.co.nz](mailto:info@schoolgen.co.nz)

## **EOTC BLANKET CONSENT FORMS**

Education Outside the Classroom Blanket Consent forms for 2018 have been given out to all students. Please make sure these are signed, completed and returned to the classroom teacher or the school office.

## **HEAD LICE**

It's back and rampantly going around again!! Please check your children's hair regularly and treat accordingly. Please seek advice from a health professional or the school PHN is available please email [donna.mehring@tdhb.org.nz](mailto:donna.mehring@tdhb.org.nz) or contact her co-ordinator Rachel Court at CACC on 027 406 4836 .

## **PB4L STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

### WEEK 1 AND 2

**Ethan Hooker** for a great start to 2018! Making great choices and being responsible!

**Joshua Staite** for a great start to 2018 and being confident and helpful in class.

**Phoenix Adams** for settling in nicely in class.

**Levi Chapman** Wow! What an amazing start to school Levi! You're such a great role model.

**Sidney Harvey** for a great start to 2018 and practicing the 3 B's.

**Regan Walshaw, Khan Adams and Cairah Forrest** for settling in nicely to their new class.

**Te Ihurangi Walden** for being a super member of Room 24. You are always helpful and ready to learn.

**Kyan Cox** for a settled start to 2018 and always following our school expectations.

**Millah Ripia** for contributing and sharing ideas during statistics. Thank you for sharing your knowledge.

**Natalie Barry** for always being on task and making excellent choices.

**Emma Goodin** for being a wonderful teacher helper and being an excellent role model.

**Grady O'Sullivan** for always being ready to learn and making good choices.

**Francie O'Sullivan** for amazing motivation and focus on her learning.

**Torrean Buchanan** for an amazing start to your writing book - 4 whole sentences. Ka rawe!

**Soren Grevers-White** for excellent thinking in maths.

## **PB4L STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

### WEEK 3 AND 4

**Coco Lamb** for being a focused, helpful class member who has tried hard across all curriculum areas.

**Jessica Sulzberger** for having a happy and positive attitude towards school.

**Eloise Moorby** for always showing the three Bee's and trying her best always.

**Beaudine Inia** for always being prepared to help others.

**Shiloh Baylis** for leading her learning 100% Focus and Self Management.

**Stevie Barry** for making great choices to make sure she is in the best place to learn. Tino pai.

**Austin Szekely** for a great effort with reading. Keep up the good work.

**Jasmine Kirk** for consistently following our three Bees and participating positively in all areas of class.

**Ryan Burmeister** Wow! Ryan what a positive start you have made to school. Well done for sharing your news the other day - very brave!

**Seppy Binsbergen** for putting a great effort into his quick write this week.

**Connor Candy** for an amazing pice of writing.

**Connor Snowden** for such a great focus on his learning.

**Ivy Loveridge** is a very polite, positive member of Room 21 who always enthusiastically participates in class activities.

**Isabelle Koch**, what an excellent start to the year. I can tell that you will fly along the reading road. Keep up the great work. Tino pai.

**Josh Houghton** for working hard on his maths specially multiplication.

## **PB4L COASTAL VALUES**

### WEEK 1 AND 2

Robin West, Darcy Julian, Mia Wade, Louis Edwards-Carter, Thomas Moffitt, Lexi Barker, Isabelle McCready-Scouller, Austin Szekely, Noah Hill, Sam Shearer, Sam Noakes, Rebecca Goodin, Billie Thomson, Kauri Barber-Wahanga and Pirihiro Chapman.

### WEEK 3 AND 4

Isla Gilchrist, Alyssa Rowe, Natalie Barry, Alyssa Rayner, Luccas Ripia, Lily Williams, Amron Ripo, Joel Becroft, Kenzie Southorn, Shia Brisco, Blake Koch, Shiloh Baylis, Mika Hardaker and Sebastian Loveridge.

## **LIFE EDUCATION TARANAKI AND HAROLD THE GIRAFFE**

We would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. To reduce programme costs we would like to thank the BDO East to West Charity Cycle Riders 2018 for raising funds for us. They are riding from the East Cape of the North Island to New Plymouth from 23 Feb till 3 March... a total of almost 900km!

Families might like to show their support and follow the cyclists' progress on [www.facebook.com/bdocycleride/](http://www.facebook.com/bdocycleride/) or donate at [givealittle.co.nz/donate/cause/taranakicharitycycl riders](http://givealittle.co.nz/donate/cause/taranakicharitycycl riders).

Children are invited to ride from Van Beer Autos to Joes Garage on Sat 3 March (meet at 12pm). For more details please contact [kelly.fryer@lifeed.org](mailto:kelly.fryer@lifeed.org).

## **VOCATIONAL PATHWAYS**

On March 7th 2018, the New Zealand Defence Force are holding an Information Evening at 5.00pm - 7.00pm at the New Plymouth Army Office in New Plymouth.

**LUNCHTIME - Y11-13**

Our Year 11 to Year 13 students may sign out to go down to the shop during our lunch break and sign back in on their return to school.

All Year 0-10 students must order their lunches via our school office and the school office runner will collect these from the Four Square and deliver to the classrooms at 12.40pm.

**ATTENDANCE, LATENESS AND ABSENCES**

If your child is late to school for any reason, please ensure they have signed in at the school office or absent form school please inform the school office before 9am by leaving a message in the absentee line ext 707 or text us on

**027 320 1267**

**PARENTS, CAREGIVERS & WHANAU CONTACT UPDATES**

Please let the school office know if your contact details have changed and need to be updated.

- Home addresses
- Email addresses
- Home and Mobile contact numbers
- Emergency contacts
- Medical Details

This way we can ensure our records are kept up to date.

**PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE - DONNA MEHRING**

If you need to speak with Donna outside of school hours please contact her on (06) 753 7790 ext: 8372 or text her on 027 449 8195 and email address: [donna.mehring@tdhb.org.nz](mailto:donna.mehring@tdhb.org.nz)

**LIFE CHAPLAINCY - TREISHKA MORGAN**

If your child is going through a rough time and you would like them to receive a little extra care, Treishka Morgan is available Wednesday mornings or you can leave a message in the Life Walk Chaplain box on the counter at the school office.

**TERM 1 CALENDAR**

**FEBRUARY**

- 23 School Newsletter**
- 27 Hearing & Vision
- 27 Bus Hui, 5.30pm in the school hall

**MARCH**

- 5th First Aid Y11
- 6th Y7/8 Immunisations
- 7 Swimming Sports Y1-13
- 7 NZ Defence Force Info Evening
- 9th First Aid Y11
- 13th Athletics Year 5-13
- 30th Good Friday

**APRIL**

- 2nd Easter Monday
- 3rd Easter Tuesday
- 13th END OF TERM 1
- 30th TERM 2 BEGINS

**COASTAL TARANAKI SCHOOL**

**Scott Walden - Principal**

**Margaret Normanton** Deputy Principal  
Enrolments Y1-6  
Year 5/6 Teacher

**Tanya Harris** HOF Maths

**Lisa Tahuaroa** Year 9/10 Teacher and English

**Craig Taylor** Year 7/8 Teacher, Dean Y7-10

**Sangeeta Chaudhari** Science

**Sandi Hickey** Art

**Justine Francis** Music

**Marian Richardson** HOF Technology

**Karla Jorgensen** Year 5/6 Teacher, Dean Y0-6

**Sarah Warren** Year 3/4 Teacher, PB4L Primary

**Sarah Oke** Year 1/2 teacher

**Lesley Dowding** Literacy Leader

**Delwyn Pearce** School Librarian

**Shelley Cook** Reading Recovery and DP  
Release Teacher

**Ray Hayward** Sports Co-ordinator

**Glenda Palmer** Careers/Vocational  
Pathways & Gateway, Health & PE

**Renee Leathley** Year 2/3 Teacher, Numeracy  
Leader

**Ulla Page** NE Transition Teacher