

Term 4 is going to be another busy one with our school production, testing and assessments in preparation for reports, school camps, interschool athletics and a football tournament for our Year 3-6 children, Wainui sandspit planting as well as an induction programme for our Year 6 children moving onto GBHS and a visit from the Life Education caravan.

Project Janszoon - Planting at Wainui

Next Thursday 26 October we will be heading back to Wainui for the next stage in our tree planting with Rob Lewis as part of our link with Project Janszoon and the Dept of Conservation.

The classes will do a half day visit with tree planting plus a beach activity.

Morning: Rooms 1, 2 & 3.

Leave school @ 9:15am – return 12:00 noon.

Afternoon: Rooms 4 & 5.

Leave school @ 11:30am – return 2:15pm.

Children will need:

Food & Drink (Rooms 4 & 5 will take their lunch)

Jacket – light and wind-proof.

Sun Hat – sun screen.

Shovel / spade



Parent helpers are most welcome – so if you wish to help for a half or full day, please ring Jane at the school office or let the class teacher know.

Bus Bay Chaos

Like a lot of schools the pick up after school at the school gate can cause headaches. It isn't as bad in the morning as the drop offs are more spread out, whereas most pick ups after school are at the same time as the buses.

Please do not stop or park on the yellow no parking lines as cars leaving the bus bay cannot see down the road for traffic.

If parking in the bus bay to pick up children please keep close to the fence so cars can get past. It does cause a bit of tension when cars are left unattended and in the middle of the bus bay where no one can get past. Please be mindful of others.

Pick ups at the front of the school would be less hassle if they were done after buses had left at 3.15pm

SCHOOL LUNCH

Pinwheels \$3

Ice-cream \$2

Thanks Janet and Kim for making school lunch this week.

Miniball T-shirts

Could miniball / rugby t-shirts please be washed and returned to school.

Police Vetting

Those parents who wish to come on camp at the end of the year will need to get their police vetting forms into Mark ASAP as the vetting process is takes at least 3-4 weeks to be completed. Forms are available from the office.

School Calendar

23rd Oct	Labour Day
25th Oct	Assembly 2.25pm
26th Oct	Planting Day Wainui
1st Nov	BOT Meeting 7pm
8th Nov	Assembly 2.25pm
8-10th Nov	Life Education Caravan
24th Nov	GB Interschools Athletics
27th-30th	School Production
4 Dec	Yr 6 Powiri at GBHS
4-6th Dec	Room 5 Camp Totaranui
6-8th Dec	Room 1 Camp Totaranui
6-8th Dec	Room 4 Camp Motueka
12th Dec	Year 6 Leavers Dinner
13th Dec	Assembly 2.25pm

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Website: motupipischool.co.nz

App: parentteachercalendar.co.nz

School Accounts

Our school bank account for payments is

**NBS Bank Account No:
03 1354 0401412 000**

Please put your child's name on as the reference

Term 1 starts 30th January 2018

Wainui /Taupo Pt Trip

Once again the weather gods smiled on us for our trip to Wainui at the end of term 3.

It was a great day of learning in the outdoors and it was good to notice the amount of learning that had come from previous trips to the area.

Things covered were tree and bird identification, footprint and tracks identification in the sand, children checked out their plantings from 2016, Rm 1 & 5 were given a recount of Abel Tasman's altercation with Ngati Tumata Kokiri tribe in 1642, Rm 2, 3 & 4 heard the Legend of Ngararahuarau the Wainui taniwha, and the fire of 1978. By the time the children get through to Yr 6 they should have an extensive knowledge of the area.

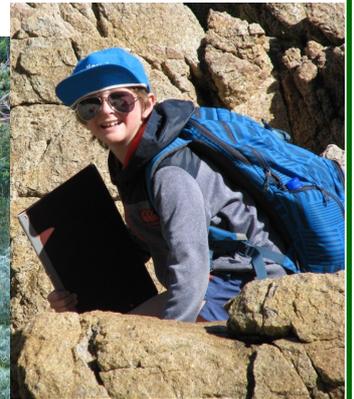
Thanks to Helen Young, who is part of the Project Janszoon Team this year and to Deb Price from DOC who showed us tracking tunnels and the types of traps they use for stoats and rats and also thank you to those parents who came along with us.

*I loved the legend of Ngararahuarau that Mrs Cullen told us. It was fun learning what people believe like the rocks on Takaka Hill are the scales of Ngararahuarau. **Vivena***

*I liked sitting quietly and listening and watching for birds. Two welcome swallows came quite close to me. I also checked for signs the pigs dug up the ground with their tusks and nose. Aliana saw signs of pig rooting in her area but there was none in my area. I also saw some old possum scratchings on the trees. **Brodie***

*Jodie told us the story of Abel Tasmans visit to Golden Bay. It was good being in the place where it really happened. It made it more real. Malcolm showed us where the Taupo Pt pa would have been. It was really interesting. **Bella B***

*We made plaster of paris footprints. The footprints we found were penguin, pukeko and a dog. The dog shouldn't have been there because it may kill some of our native birds. **Ryder***





Touch Rugby

We entered two teams in the touch rugby competition on Wednesday evenings. The kids were really excited about their first games and have been practicing well at school. Thanks to Amy for organizing it all. Both teams picked up wins.

Joe flicked the ball to me and it put me in a gap and I managed to dive over for a try without being touched. Emma scored in the corner in the last play of the game. Jack

It was an exhilarating, tough and fun game. The Takaka team were hard to beat. Having our practices at school helped us a lot. We won 2-0.

Joe



5TH NOVEMBER 2017 LEARN TO SAIL COURSE

6 Week Course

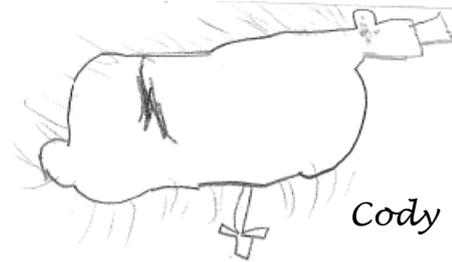
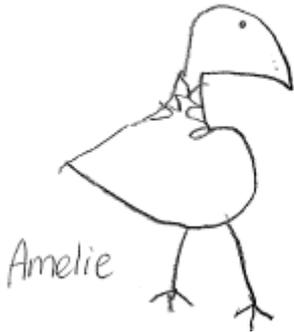
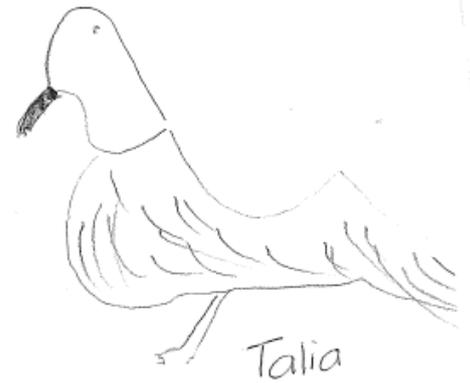
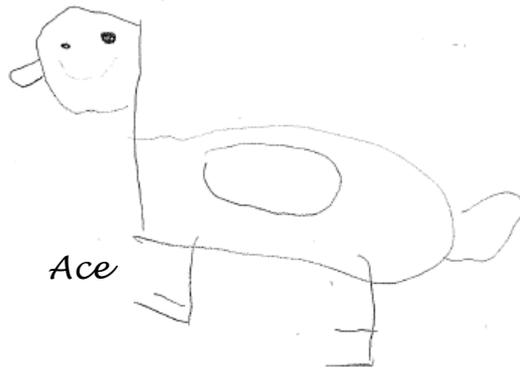
The learn to sail course will be back on from the 5th November & again in February.

Level 1 will run from 10am until 12.30pm, with Level 2 from 1.30 until 4pm every Sunday (weather permitting). The course is aimed at children aged 8-15 years and will teach kids to sail using an optimist dingy.

Participants must be able to swim 50 meters and be confident around the water.

Cost is \$100 per course. (Pohara Boat Club Membership is required)

Room Two has been sketching still life. Here are their still life duck drawings.



Golden Bay High School Community Hui Evening Thursday 26 October 7pm

All parents, caregivers, business owners, community members and other stakeholders are warmly invited to the Golden Bay High School Hall for an opportunity to meet with the Senior Leadership Team and Board Members to discuss the future direction for Golden Bay High School. The purpose for the evening is to seek *your* opinions and feedback so that management and governance will be better informed for strategic planning in the future. Golden Bay High School plays a pivotal role in our community. We believe that community consultation is important and we value your feedback regarding our role. We appreciate you taking the time and look forward to seeing you there.

Nibbles and refreshments will be provided.

Kind Regards
Andy Williams
Chair, Board of Trustees

Dear Mr Cullen,

I think we should have more holidays. Holidays are good because we can learn our reading and maths, and holidays are also good to play because we can jump on the tramp and we can swim in the pool. If we had more holidays we can also get fit.

Holidays we need!!!! more holidays. Also with more holidays we can learn new games and we can spend time with family. School is good because we learn a lot but holidays are better when you can spend time with your family, because we love our family.

So please give us more holidays!!!!

*Your sincerely
Matthew (Room 3)*

Motupipi School has a new website....

Jodie and Tom have been working on updating our website and it should be live on Tuesday.

Please check it out on

www.motupipi.school.nz

Room One's Writing Metaphor Poems

I Am Funny

I am bubbly candy bubbling fizzy bubbles
I am a smiling dog dancing at dawn
I am a Monkey Puzzle going all over the place
I am a Top Hat with a bouncing bunny inside

By Jules

