



Patoka School

through our school we are one

Our values are T.R.U.E.E – Trustworthiness, Respect, Unity, Excellence and Enthusiasm

Date of Issue: 1 March 2017

Dates to remember:

7 Feb – 17 March	Swimming lessons each Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs
3 March	Y7/8 Technology
14 and 15 March	Learning Conferences, starting at 3.15pm
15 March	Year 5-8 RSA Spirit of ANZAC Speech finals, Taradale RSA for our school finalists
16 March	Tough Kids, Hawke's Bay Sports Park, 9.30am – 2.15pm all students in Room 2 & 3
17 March	School Swimming Sports 10.00am
24 March	PALs (Physical Activity Leaders), Pettigrew Green Arena 9.45am-12.45pm, selected Y 5-8 students
30 March	Beach Fives Year 4, 5,6 selected students, Ocean Beach

Save the Date:

7 April	Digital Photo exhibition 1.30pm
11 and 12 April	Super Sixes, Hawkes Bay Regional Sports Park for selected Y 5-6 students, 9.30-3.30pm
13 April	ANZAC Commemoration Service, Taradale Clock Tower 11am followed by school picnic at Anderson Park (No buses will run in the afternoon)

From the Principal, Rachel Huggins

In the dates above you will see a number of new opportunities listed, and we wanted to raise your attention. It is just amazing to see how well the Hawkes Bay supports schools to provide rich experiences for our students. Notices with specific details and requests for help in transport will follow soon. Please consider helping us to transport the children to the events they are invited to join, we can't offer these events without your help. There are so many amazing offers for our students to be involved in this term and our staff have selected a range of sporting and cultural opportunities.

We are pleased to attend the **RSA ANZAC Commemoration service on April 13**, as a whole school. This is an important part of our history and the actual day of observance is in the school holidays. The RSA has organised a service for schools on April 13. We will be bringing a wreath made by our students to lay at the clock tower base. We have decided to follow up this service with a school picnic at Anderson Park, Gloucester Street. We will have buses as usual running in the morning, however we need you to transport your own children, from school at 10.00am to Taradale and take your children home after the picnic. There will be no buses running in the afternoon.

We are finishing our Cybersafety unit this week and each class are working on creating and signing a Cybersafety agreement to show their understanding and act upon their learning. I had a chance this week to reflect with some students on the important messages they learned through this unit. I hope that the children have shared their learning with you and that you have had some interesting conversations. It has been a rich and interesting unit and the characters in the Hector's world episodes have helped to illustrate the importance of being safe.

From our students:

What is the most surprising thing that you have learned during the Cyber Safety unit?

- That lots of people can hack into your computer and can get lots of information
- Dad told me that someone can steal your bank money
- Other people can pretend to be someone you can trust
- On goggle people put information on that is not true
- I was surprised by how many people go to the parade in Hector's world episode and they enter their private details to try and make money
- The info - gang were trying to get other people's information to get money
- That people change their name, like a nickname, to protect yourself
- Some people can trick you and pretend they are as old as you
- Hector was feeling bad because he typed in Tama's information

Why do you think that all children should learn this at school?

- To be safe on the internet
- People can learn to be safe with their devices
- So people can't hack into your devices
- You have to be safe on google and things aren't always true
- Kids might get tricked and think they would win a prize
- So you know not to give your personal details out on the internet

Digital Photography

Next week we are beginning our Visual Arts unit on Digital Photography. We are so grateful to have the professional support and planning guidance of Larissa Drysdale. Each class have connected but different outcomes, planned to give them rich and realistic learning opportunities. The students will review their own work and decide which photos they want to enter into our Patoka School Photography Competition. Larissa will be working with each class once a week and I will also be team teaching in each class each week. This will enable the students to have more individual focus and record photos they are proud of. This will be a special exhibition that we invite you to share with us on Friday 7 April at 1.30pm. Larissa

will be our guest judge and the finalists from our school competition will be entered into the Digiawards, a digital technology competition for schools in the Taradale Cluster.

If you have a digital camera that you would be happy for your child to use at school, please contact your class teacher.

Learning outcomes:

Room 1	Room 2	Room 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction into light (natural) • Introduction into post production of photos • Composition of photos – rule of thirds • Using the Auto setting on cameras • Devices: iPads and school camera 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with and understanding light (natural) • Introduction into post production software (exposure, white balance, cropping, shadows and highlights) • Composition – foreground, background and mid ground • Using the Auto setting on cameras and learning about Aperture, shutter speed • Devices: iPads and school cameras • An introduction into professional cameras (RAW) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding and manipulating light – natural • Post production software to adjust images • Introduction into the elements of exposure: Aperture, ISO and shutter speed • Devices: Learning to use a RAW camera

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS ANNOUNCEMENT

Each year our Room 3 students are selected to take on leadership roles within the school. It is usually our Year 7 & 8 students. This year we have included our Year 6 students into the leadership roles. The students will receive specific training and we encourage them to step out and be the best role models they can be.

House Leaders:

Rimu – Taburimai Talia and Ioane Talia

Totara – Nic Brady and Sofia Holt

Kowhai – Lochie Dinneen and Khan Cracknell

Ngaio – Casey Thomson and Alyse Lynham

Bus Monitors:

Puketitiri Bus – Lochie Dinneen and Lexie Carswell

Big Bus – Nic Brady, Ari Milne and Brooklyn Norman

Huirangi Road Bus – Sofia Holt and Kaleb Withey

Rissington Bus – Alyse Lynham and Casey Thomson

Fonterra Milk Monitors:

Taburimai Talia and Clod More

Technology Monitors:

Kane MacDonald, Sophie Willems and Paige Willems

Sports Equipment Monitors:

Nic Brady, Alyse Lynham and Lexie Carswell



Winter Sport

A reminder about Winter Sport!

- Soccer and Hockey played on Saturday mornings so students cannot play both
- Netball Year 3 & 4 team play Tuesday afternoons after school

Krystal Norman is willing to coach the Netball team, should we get enough interest to enter a school team.

Please register your interest as soon as possible with Nicky Dawson nicky@patoka.school.nz

Clean up:

We have a few items that we don't require and would like to offer to our community. There are no prices, please make us a donation. Please let Theresa know if you would like any of the items below.

Coffee table		Stereo (needing a repair of the CD player)	
Small amp x 2		Picnic Bench x 4	

Employment:

We are pleased to announce that Kate Cracknell has been appointed as our new gardener. We are looking forward to working together to keep our school grounds looking so beautiful.

We are looking for a person who would be prepared to undertake small repairs in the school as the need arises e.g. cupboard doors, castor wheel replacements etc. We would be very interested in talking with anyone who is handy and would like to work with us. Please contact Rachel Huggins principal@patoka.school.nz

Spare Clothes Required

If you have any small shorts (especially little sizes for Room 1 students) and small underwear, we would appreciate your help in donating these items. We do need extra clothing from time to time. If your child comes home in spare clothes, we would appreciate you washing and returning the items. Many thanks!

Community Notices:

PUKETITIRI SPORTS DAY

Saturday 18th March
Hutchinson Domain

Family Fun Day Out.

Events for everyone and lots of great Prizes.

Free BBQ lunch with Dinner available at end of the day for \$5 per person adult/child

Ponies start at 9am followed by Horse Events.
Motorbikes events to commence after lunch.

No EFTPOS available cash Only!

See you there!!!

Grazing Available

Grazing available and we would prefer young stock on a long term basis, approx 100- 120 head but would have to be assessed on class of stock.

We have grazed hoggets in the past but is more suited to cattle at this stage as has had limited stock on since early January this year.

Open to discuss any proposals.

If you have any further questions or enquiry
please contact me on 06 845 0429 or 0274 879 755.

Chris and Jo Haynes