

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### **Tuesday 17 February**

Moutere Hills Swimming Sports

### **Wednesday 28 February - 1 March**

Bridge Valley Camp - Year 4/5

### **Thursday 29 February**

Year 3 Day Trip to Bridge Valley

### **Sunday 10 March**

Weetbix Tryathlon

### **Wednesday 13 March**

Motueka Interschools Swimming  
(qualifying Students)

### **Sunday 17 March**

Muddy Buddy

### **Wednesday 20 - Friday 22 March**

Life Education Bus

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou,

Eight days of school have passed very quickly. Again, our students have not disappointed and shown their readiness to learn. This has helped to create a settled and calm environment for our learners.

Due to our rural location, we understand that some parents may need to drop their children at school before 8:30am (legal drop off). For health and safety reasons we ask that you send me an email if you do need to drop your child off early. Please give an indication of the days of the week that this will occur and a brief outline of the valid reason behind this. I will then create a register with these names for staff to use in the event of an emergency before school.

The Government has announced a cell phone ban in schools. Our existing school policy around cell-phones requires that cell-phones are handed into the school office in the morning and collected when school finishes. This means that we were already operating within this expectation. Students will receive one warning if caught using a cell-phone during 8:55am through to 2:55pm. Any further incidents beyond this will require parents or caregivers to collect the phone in person from school. Last year we did not find ourselves in this situation and I anticipate a similar experience this year. Thank you for your support.

Next week we will be holding our school triathlon. More details will be provided, with a range of options available to less confident swimmers and those unable to get a bike to school. We encourage parental support and spectators for this event.

We have added a few more dates to the calendar. Please take the time to check these.

Have a relaxing weekend.

Ngā mihi nui,

Rob

# Principal's Weekly Comment

Weekly Community Comment - Term 1 Week 4 2024 - Monday 19th - Friday 23rd February / Huitanguru

*"Aroha ki te tangata ahakoa ko wai te tangata"*

- Show compassion to people regardless of who they are.

**Weekly School Goal:** *Going out of our way to work with different people in our class as this helps us to better understand differences in people.*

## Key points for this week:

*Monday / Rahina 19th*

- Cindy is in Kea Class
- Hui at 10:00am
- Staff meeting at 3:15pm

*Tuesday / Rātu 20th*

- Cindy is in Kea Class
- Cindy is out for CRT - 9am - 11:45am - Melanie is in Kea Class
- Ally is out for CRT - 11:45am - 3pm - Melanie is in Tūi Class

*Wednesday / Rāapa 21st*

- Lisa is out for day off
- Cindy is in Kea Class
- Melanie is in Kererū Class

*Thursday / Rāpare 22nd*

- Rob is out for Motueka Kāhui Ako Principals' meeting - 8am - 10am
- Cate is in Kea Class
- School triathlon

*Friday / Rāmāre 23rd*

- Cate is in Kea Class
- Rob is away for booked leave

## Upcoming dates

### Term 1

- Motueka Hills Swimming Sports - Tuesday 27th February - 1st March (Term 1, Week 5)
- Year 4/5 Camp at Bridge Valley - Wednesday 28th February - Friday 1st March (Term 1, Week 5)
- Year 3 Day Trip to Bridge Valley - Thursday 29th February (Term 1, Week 5)
- Motueka Hills Junior Fun Day at Mahana School - Years 0 - 3 Wednesday 6th March (Term 1, Week 6)
- Weet-bix Tryathlon - Sunday 10th March (Term 1, Week 6)
- Motueka Interschools swimming sports - qualifying students - Wednesday 13th March (Term 1, Week 7)
- Muddy Buddy - Sunday 17th March (Term 1, Week 7)
- Life Education Trust visit - Wednesday 20th - Friday 22nd March (Term 1, Week 8)
- Good Friday public holiday - school closed - Friday 29th March (Term 1, Week 9)
- Easter Monday public holiday - school closed - Monday 1st April (Term 1, Week 10)
- Easter Tuesday school holiday - school closed - Tuesday 2nd April (Term 1, Week 10)
- Parent/Teacher/Student goal setting conferences - Thursday 4th April (Term 1, Week 10)
- Last day of Term 1 - Friday 12th April (Term 1, Week 11)

### Term 2

- First day of Term 2 - Monday 29th April (Term 2, Week 1)
- King's Birthday public holiday - school closed - Monday 3rd June (Term 2, Week 6)
- Motueka Kāhui Ako Teacher only day - school closed - Tuesday 4th June (Term 2, Week 6)
- Year 8 Leadership Camp - Hanmer Springs - 3rd - 7th June (Term 2, Week 6) - survey sent last year, more information to follow soon)
- Matariki public holiday - school closed - Friday 28th June (Term 2, Week 9)

# Class Awards

## **Tui Class:**

Mei Singye

Rumi Illingworth

## **Kea Class:**

Riley Talijancich

Ziya Scott

## **Kereru Class:**

Tom Cable

Jimmy Bensemam

## **Bus Information**

Our school bus is very empty at present. The risk is that if this service is not being utilised we may run the risk of losing it. If you live near Harley Rd, Aporo Rd towards Māpua, Marriages Rd and Awa Awa Rd and are interested in finding out more about the bus please make contact. We have made numerous requests for bus route alterations, however we are limited to the Ministry of Education guidelines and the Transport Entitlement Zone (TEZ) that they set.

# **Muddy Buddy Online**

## **Registration is now open!!**

**Online registration is cheaper than on the day - so take advantage now!**

**\$15 per person or \$40 per family.**

**Go to our website to register:**

**[www.tasman.school.nz](http://www.tasman.school.nz)**

# Muddy Buddy

## PRIZES PLEASE!

If your family or business are willing and able to donate an item or voucher for our upcoming Muddy Buddy event, we are keen to hear from you! We're looking for items & vouchers to be given as **category prizes & spot prizes** during the event and to be auctioned off in our **Silent Auction**.

If so, please contact Julia Dunn (Olive & Quinn's mum) by email [julia.nolan@gmail.com](mailto:julia.nolan@gmail.com) or txt 021 128 0074

Julia will be contacting local businesses over the coming weeks requesting support. To avoid embarrassing double ups, please communicate your pledge early on (before 29 Feb).

### THANK YOU!

P.S. there are many ways you can support this school event so please don't feel you must contribute to the prize pool.



\* Registrations Open today - 16th Feb

<https://www.tasman.school.nz/muddy-buddy>



# Muddy Buddy

## NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!

Muddy Buddy is Tasman Schools major annual fundraiser.

This event has been running for 15 years and generates around \$20,000 annually for our school. On the day we host approximately 2,000 people. **It is a HUGE event!**

In the coming weeks it's essential that all school families engage with this event and find ways to help out and support the core team who have been working on this for months.

### **Kids Care Zone**

This year we're introducing a special zone for Tasman school families, where you can safely leave your children and gear to be supervised while you're busy volunteering. The race itself is not recommended for children under 8yrs. We ask that parents with younger children make use of the Kids Zone so that we can reach our required numbers to run this event safely.

### **Our Volunteer Army**

The key contribution you will make to this event is volunteering a few hours on the day of the event - Sunday 17th of March. There are a huge variety of jobs available, so get in quick and find something that suits you. Plenty of roles still allow you to race - but get in quick! Volunteer rosters will be available at the school office from the 19th March or you can contact Cindy Perry - [cindy@tasman.school.nz](mailto:cindy@tasman.school.nz) or Karyn Ash - [karyn.ash241@gmail.com](mailto:karyn.ash241@gmail.com).

Parents of Year 7 & 8 students please expect your kids to be rostered on to help for a short stint throughout the day. At the end of the event, around 2pm all school families are needed to pack down, so please stick around - many hands make it fast!

Soon we'll be asking for donations of **quality** used goods for White Elephant, grocery raffles and baking. Please keep these in mind.

Lastly, help us promote! Share the link on your socials, put a poster in your car and make sure you're encouraging all your friends and family to come along to enjoy this awesome day.

Thanks in advance for supporting the core Muddy Buddy team. Let's host another amazing event this year!



# MUDDY BUDDY

Adventure Fun Run

**SUNDAY 17 MARCH 2024**

**TASMAN SCHOOL**



FOOD | COFFEE | SILENT AUCTION | WHITE ELEPHANT STALL & MORE!

**GREAT SPOT PRIZES!** Incl. 2 BIKES from MY RIDE RICHMOND

**PRIZES FOR THE BEST ECO DRESS-UP!**

ENTER ONLINE | \$15 per person | \$40 family  
ENTER ON THE DAY | \$20 per person | \$50 family  
SIGN IN 9.30-11am | RACE STARTS 11.30am

EACH LAP APPROX 1KM | 1 LAP - Kids, Family Fun, Open | 2 LAPS - Open | 3 LAPS - Open

[www.tasman.school.nz](http://www.tasman.school.nz)



# Tasman School Triathlon / Aquathlon

**When:** Thursday 22nd February 2024, from 1:30pm

Students are released in age group waves of six, starting with juniors, e.g. 5 year olds, 6 year olds, etc.

## ***Aquathlon***

5-7 year olds complete 1 angled width of the pool (supported with a kickboard if required)

1 lap of the run

8-9 year olds complete 1 length of the pool (supported with a kickboard if required)

1 lap of the run

10+ year olds complete 1, 2 or 3 lengths of pool (supported with kickboard if required)

2 laps of the run

## ***Triathlon***

5-7 year olds complete 1 angled width of the pool

1 lap of the bike

1 lap of the run

8-9 year olds complete 1 length of the pool (supported with a kickboard if required)

2 laps of the bike

1 lap of the run

10+ year olds complete 1, 2 or 3 lengths of pool (supported with kickboard if required)

3 laps of the bike

2 laps of the run

Note: Students will park their bikes in a designated zone near the pool as they arrive at school in the morning. This will later become the transition zone for the triathlon.

The event is designed to be fun and participation based where children should feel comfortable completing the distance. It is also a great chance for children to be inspired before the Weetbix Tryathlon in Nelson on March 10th.

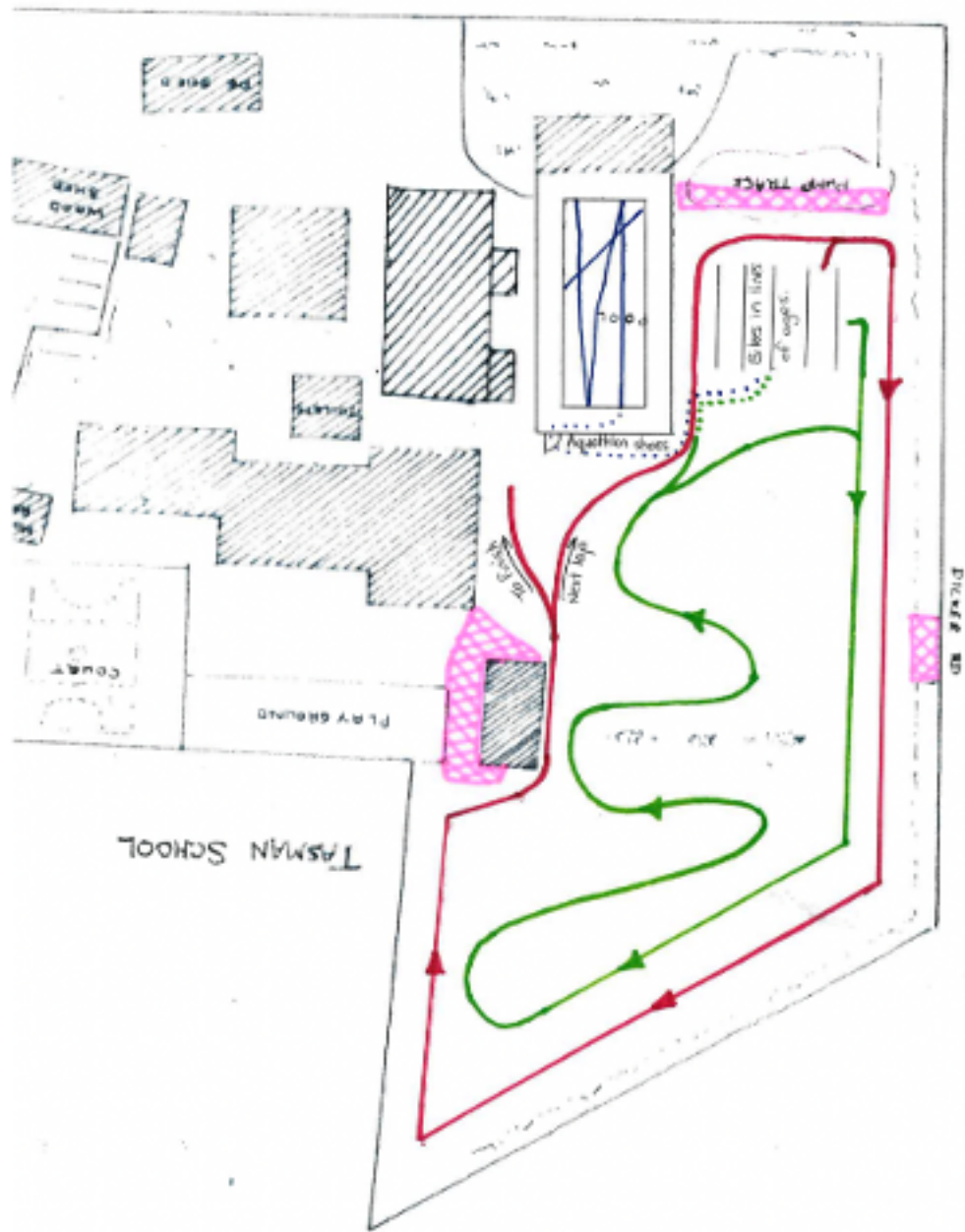
Cyclists **must wear their shoes and a helmet** when riding (sometimes it is worth students putting their equipment in a named bucket in transition). Shoes are also a good idea to run in.

Parents are welcome to come along to cheer and support from the sidelines. Please refer to the map below for the course and places to spectate. If you have any questions please feel free to see Hayden or email: [hayden@tasman.school.nz](mailto:hayden@tasman.school.nz)

Ngā mihi nui,

Tasman School Staff





Swim

Spectators

Swim to bike transition

Bike course

Bike to run transition

Run course





**FIRE**  
**EMERGENCY**

NEW ZEALAND

# UPPER MOUTERE FIRE BRIGADE

## COMMUNITY AWARENESS NIGHT

Monday 19th February  
Moutere Hills Community Centre  
6 - 8pm



### COME JOIN US FOR:

- sausage sizzle
- kids fire engine rides
- try your hand at putting water on our 'fire' images
- fire safety education
- find out how to become a volunteer

**Call Fiona if you want to know more - 021 147 4639**



# **FUNctional Fitness Inclusion Gymnastics**



**AGES  
5-18**

**4-week Pilot  
Programme!  
FREE**




**4-WEEK PILOT**  
Sunday 3:30-4:30pm

3rd March  
10th March  
17th March  
24th March



**An opportunity for children and youth with diverse abilities to experience and explore joyful movement in an environment that is catered to them.**

We focus on celebrating milestones and successes. This class focuses on fundamental and functional movement patterns, while building self-confidence and providing a space for social interaction. Specifically designed for children and youth with physical and intellectual disabilities.

 [www.gymnast.co.nz/our-classes](http://www.gymnast.co.nz/our-classes)  
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