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HDW: In Play Store or App Store search "Parent Teacher Calendar" and choose our school once installed.

We experienced success with those families that have already installed the PTC App on their phone last week during the school closure notification. Download the app today to get instant notification of events – in particular, emergency notifications.

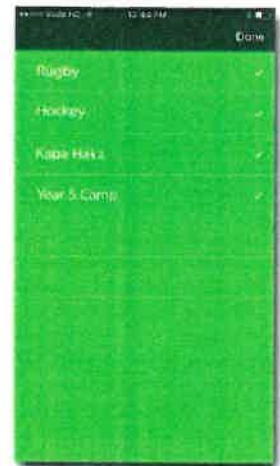


HOW TO Receive Instant Push Notifications from our School Through your School Calendar App

1. Open the "Notices" tab in our school app and tap here



2. Choose your groups



The Parent Teacher Calendar App

REFRESH YOUR CALENDAR APP!

MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THE MOST UP TO DATE SCHOOL EVENTS AND INFORMATION



To refresh the calendar.

tap on arrow to go back to the welcome screen,

then go back into calendar,

your calendar is now up to date!



The Parent and Teacher Calendar App



NON VIOLENT PARENTING

YOU ARE INVITED TO:

AN EVENING WITH RUTH BEAGLEHOLE
CENTRE OF NON VIOLENT PARENTING, LOS ANGELES
AN EMPATHY-BASED APPROACH TO RAISING CHILDREN

Community news



THURSDAY 16TH MARCH 6:45PM, GOLD COIN KOHA
GRAHAMSTOWN HALL, 768 POLLEN ST, THAMES



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Thames South School

Newsletter - Term 1 Week 7, 2017

From the Principal

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Well, with flooding, cancelling camp and school closure, that was a week to remember! We are very glad to be back on track, reviewing our learning goals and re-focusing on our Term 1 action plan. It is an eleven week term, so we still have a lot to get through before Easter and the next holiday break. The staff look forward to meeting with you and your child next week at our Ako Hui - Learning conferences. This will be an opportunity for your child to share their learning progress and next step goals as well as you being able to share your knowledge of their strengths and for you to ask about anything you may want explained.

Happy days to all,
Whaea Kim

Hot off the Press



It's Showtime

Mike the magician came and visited our school to show us some of his magic!!



Porritt Park, Kompan Miram unveiling

Ana, Chelsea, Ka-In & Marshall celebrating the opening of the new playground equipment at Porritt Park. These students embarked on the journey alongside other local schools, the council and playground companies to create a playground for all ages to enjoy. What a mammoth task - well done to you all!



Donation to our Library

Thank you to Yusei and Kota for their generous donation of the books for our library. It was great having you back in our school.

Supervision of students before school

Some students are arriving at school too early, before 8 a.m.

The school is open from 8.15 a.m., so that we can guarantee there will be supervision for students onsite. Only students who are providing services to the school (i.e. road patrol) can arrive at school by 8 a.m.

2017 School Netball competition

There have been some changes with regards to the Netball competition that our school competes in during the netball season. At the general AGM for the Thames Netball Association on the 13th March it was moved and accepted that the event be moved to a night during the week. The decision was made to accommodate parents and children playing other codes on Saturdays as well as children who cannot commit to playing sport on weekends. Thursday nights from 4.30 to 7.30 will be when games are played. If your child/ren is/are interested in being part of a team, a newsletter will be out shortly to tell you more. We are also looking for coaches and managers for our 3 teams.

Kiwi Can Update

Kia Ora

Since the discovery of our Kiwi Can theme, Positive Relationships, we have been talking about what positive communication looks like and sounds like. How we can speak or act positively with our classmates or friends. We have discussed why it is important to listen and speak clearly to others when having a conversation or following instructions.

In Kiwi Can we have been thinking about compliments, why it is important to give compliments and also to accept a compliment given to them. We have also had role plays about positive communication in different situations, thinking about our tone of voice and body language. It's important to think about how to be good listeners, why it is important to listen carefully so we can follow the instructions given, why we need to listen to our friends... also speaking clearly so others can understand us

We have been discussing friendship, what qualities our friends have and how we ourselves can be a good friend to others. (This was a hard question to answer for all ages). We made friendship hands for a friend, writing words about how this friend is a good person to us. This can help those who find it hard to make friends and also help some realise who their good friends are. Kate kite ano

TSST - Thames South School Support Team

Thursday 23rd March - 6.30 p.m. School staff room - All welcome.

Please come along to the first meeting of our TSST team. This is an opportunity to talk about fundraising ideas for the school community.

PERMISSION TO PUBLISH NAMES, PHOTOS OR WORK

Please notify the office if your child/ren are **NOT** allowed to have their photo, name or work on our school website or facebook.

2017 Great Kiwi Science, English and Mathematics Competitions

We are inviting students to register their interest in participating in the great KIWI English, Mathematics or Science Competition in term 2 this year (*this is an alternative to the Australian Testing we usually take part in*). This competition is for year 5 - 8 students. More information is available on their website www.cem.canterbury.ac.nz or you can pick up a pamphlet from the school office. Please register your child's name at the office and the chosen subject for testing.

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Community News

Heritage Week Opening - Saturday March 18th

Performance by Ngaa Kaahui Whetuu from 10.00am Victoria Park Thames

Thames Small Gauge Railway Open Day March 18th & 19th, Brown Street, Thames . Come and join us for the day or weekend. Rides on steam, electric or diesel locomotive at \$2 per ride or 7 rides for \$10

Thames Netball Centre Fundraiser - Help raise money for our Centre when you purchase Magic tickets from ticketek.

From the 20th February, each time a member of our Centre purchases a Magic game ticket via the Ticketek website, www.ticketek.co.nz , our Centre will receive \$1.00 commission.

All you have to do is record our Centre code in the box illustrated below during the ticket purchase process and our centre will receive \$1 commission. The code for our Centre members to quote when they purchase a Magic game ticket is: **Thames-Tham**

The commission due will be processed by the Zone and a single payment will be made to our Centre at the end of the 2017 season.

Charity Fun Cycle Ride, in support of the Cancer Society's "Lions Lodge" Hamilton, Sunday 2nd April. More details are on the poster outside the school office.

Afterschool basketball, Wednesdays until the end of term.4-5pm Thames South School \$2. Bring hat, shoes, water bottle.Canceled if wet. Contact Lawrence 0210589533

RENTAL NEEDED URGENTLY - for 2 kids and 2 adults, 2 - 3 bedroom, anything considered. Please phone Lynda Short 027 701 0528

It's Showtime! 90 minutes magic and illusion spectacular! Friday 24th March from 7 p.m. at the Thames Civic Centre. \$12 per child & \$18 per adult. Buy tickets at: www.ITSSHOWTIME.CO.NZ - alternatively you can purchase tickets at the door on the night (cash only).

Always wanted to study agriculture or horticulture? Now you can. Valley Education and Training Enterprises is launching level 2 Introduction to Agriculture, level 3 Horticulture – Get Growing and Level 4 Horticulture (Fruit Production) courses in the Thames/Hauraki Region.

To secure your place or for more information on these courses, please call 07-868-7892, email admin@valleyeducation.co.nz or visit www.valleyeducation.co.nz

THE NUGGET MULTISPORT FESTIVAL - Set aside May 13 to join in and experience this amazing multi-sport adventure.

Waihi and Waihi Beach in the southern Coromandel are the impressive setting for the spectacular and very popular Nugget Multisport Festival. You'll take an unforgettable adventure from Waihi's charming town centre out to the spectacular harbour and coast at Waihi Beach, before returning via breath-taking trails to the rim of the mighty Martha Mine and the iconic finish line under the shadow of the Cornish Pumphouse in central Waihi. There is something for everyone and entries for 2017 are booming already! Come and discover gold at The Nugget Multisport Festival, Waihi and Waihi Beach

For parents choose from the:

FULL NUGGET - Enter as an individual or as a team with kayaking, road and mountain biking and a trail run

HALF NUGGET is a Duathlon that takes in the same trail run, mountain bike and final run as the Full Nugget

NUGGET 21km Adventure Trail Run/Walk

NUGGET 10km Trail Run/Walk

NUGGET 5km Trail Run/Walk

...and For Kids

NUGGET 5km Trail Run/Walk

For full event information or to register, go to: www.thenugget.co.nz and join us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/TheNuggetWaihi/>