

Term 2 Courier: 6th July 2017 Our school roll 147



**Jones Cup Winners
Toko Swifts**



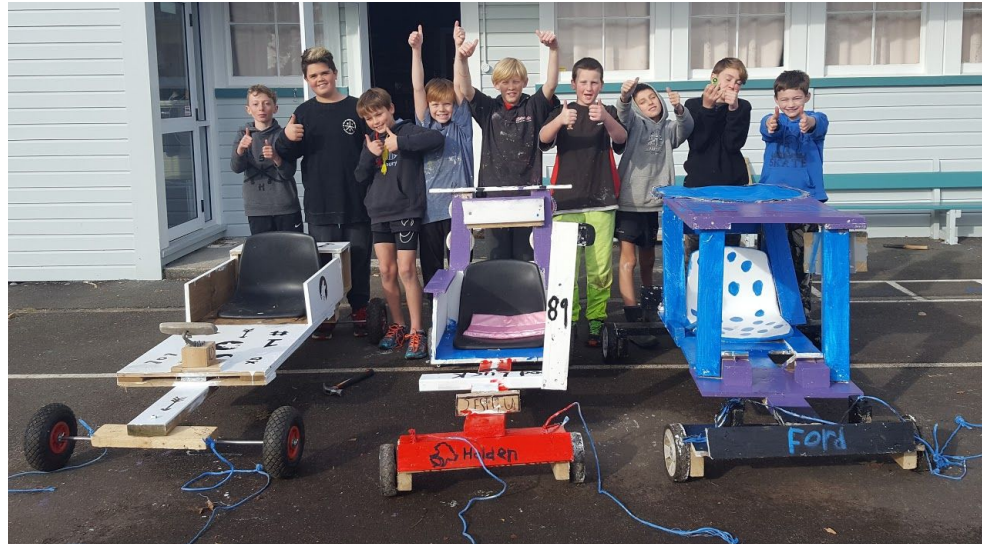
**Dick Childs Challenge Cup
Toko Warriors**



**Toko Football Cup
Toko Seahawks 1st =**

JONES CUP 2017

This was another great success. Congratulations to all our teams that participated on the day. Special thanks to Stratford High School for the ref and umpires and to our amazing parent coaches!!!!



Dear parents and friends of our school Hello/Kia Ora/Hola

The end of another term! It is hard to believe that we are halfway through the school year. As always it has been a busy term for our staff and students. Our Year 5 and 6 students have been involved in the Crowley Cup netball and rugby competition. They also participated in the Central Rippa Rugby tournament in New Plymouth.

The Taranaki Rugby Union provided our Year 5—8 students with Rippa Rugby coaching. Our Year 7 & 8 students have been involved in our Rural Cluster Debating Competition. Both our teams won their debates! This year we had three Year 7 & 8 teams entered into the local basketball competition and we had three teams entered into the Taranaki Rippa Rugby Tournament. This was a lot of fun. This year all primary schools in Stratford are running their own Year 7 & 8 Technology programme due to the Eltham Tech Centre closing down. This year we are running 3 - 1 week blocks of Technology. Block 1 was in Week 4 of this term. Children were able to be put into one of four activities. These included: Food Technology, Wearable Arts, 3D Printing & Coding, Go-Carts.

Rooms 1 and 2 performed in our Rural Cluster Play Day at Midhirst School. On Tuesday 4th of July our school held it's annual community meeting. At this meeting the BOT, PTA and Fundraising Committee shared their 2016 reports. The Board of Trustees also shared the second draft of the proposed enrolment zone for Toko School. This was an opportunity for the community to provide feedback and for the BOT to share the consultation process they have been involved in thus far. If you would like to view this please go to our website.

Chess: We are on the lookout for someone to come and assist with our Chess Club. If you are able to help out please contact the school office.

UPCOMING DATES . . .

Jul 24: Term 3 Starts

Jul 31: School Photos

Jul 31: Fundraising Com Mtge

Aug 3: Tar Trophy Oakura at home

Aug 3: Mums/Girls Positive Pub

Aug 11: Chess Competition

Aug 14-18 Tec Week

Aug 28: Toko School Cross Country - 29th PP

Sep 4: Rural Cluster Cross Country pp Sep 5

Sep 13: Central Cross Country

Sep 18-22: Speech Board

Sep 29: Last Day Term 3

Term dates for 2018 are on our website.

Check out our google calendar on our website as well.

From the Sports Desk

Crowley Cup: On Tuesday this week our Year 5-6 Rugby team played in the Crowley Cup finals at Stratford Primary School. Our team performed very well in their games against strong opposition, winning 1 and losing 2 games. The competition was very close, with our team finishing fourth overall. The team would like to thank their coaches and supporters.

Year 7 & 8 Rippa Rugby Tournament: Last Wednesday the seniors travelled to Yarrows Stadium in New Plymouth to take part in a Rippa Rugby tournament which had over 80 teams competing from all around Taranaki. We were treated to some beautiful weather which made for a really great day. We entered two mixed teams and a boys team, with a little help from 3 eastern district boys to help us make up numbers. All teams played hard and improved as the day progressed with a mixed bag of wins, loses and draws for all teams. One of our mixed teams managed to make it to the semi finals before going down to a strong Hawera Intermediate side. The kids all did themselves and Toko School proud and really enjoyed the event. Thanks to our coaches for your efforts, it is hugely appreciated.

Junior Basketball Programme: The Stratford Basketball Association are running a Junior Basketball Programme for Years 1-6 throughout Term 3. It will be a nine week programme consisting of skills and games. After the first 4 weeks, Year 5 & 6 athletes will be sorted into teams (representing schools if possible) for a 5-week competition of games. The cost is \$30 per athlete. A muster and registration afternoon will be held on Thursday 27th July. Please see the school website for a link to the registration form which needs to be filled out and taken to the muster.

School Council Update:

We had lots of fun supporting the Westpac Rescue Helicopter.

We managed to raise \$190.00.



Chickens

Please get in touch with Mr Dillon if you are able to support with feeding and egg collecting over the holidays. The roster will be posted on the Toko School Facebook page as well as the Room 5 class blog at the start of the holidays.



Community Notices:

Flyers Swim School

Term 3 Swimming Lessons -all levels offered throughout the week

Book for once a week learn to swim, or once or twice a week squad lessons.

Monday 24th July - Saturday 30th

September Call Raeleen 06 765 6654

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Holiday Lessons - \$45 pool entry included Monday 9th October - Friday 13th October.

FOR SALE Ensol diesel/petrol tank, near new, double skinned tank on legs, Diesel 540 L and Petrol 360 L, McIntosh Bale Feeder also near new only fed out 200 bales. Phone Owen, 06 7658323

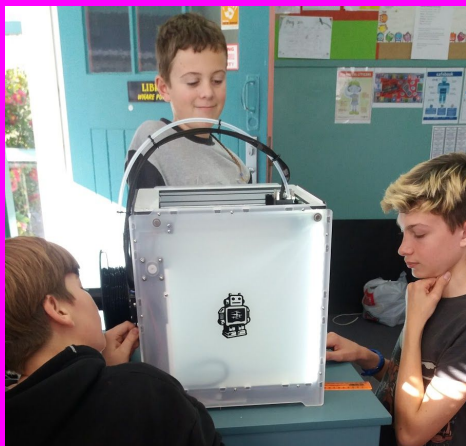
Congratulations to Millie, Libby & Izzy for being selected to represent Taranaki in their age group for netball. Good luck for their final tournament over the holidays.



Year 7 Debate Team



Year 8 Debate Team



3D Printing



Food Technology

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Debating Year 7 & 8: We have been busy in the senior classes learning all about debating. Some of the students suggested they had no debating experience but when we discussed that debating involves arguing your point and creating a convincing argument, many admitted to having had numerous debates with their parents and some of their teachers!

We held our class debates last Friday and from these we selected two teams to represent Toko School, one Year 7 and one Year 8 team, at the Rural Cluster Debating Competition. The Year 7 team: Matthew , Heidi , Kobi , Reserve: Brock. Year 8 team: Arlo B, Jessica , Leah , Reserve: Sam C. The moot for our class debates was 'Should climbing trees at school be allowed?' which was also the moot for the rural cluster competition which was held on Wednesday 5th July. Our Year 7 team were representing the affirmative side and our Year 8 team argued the negative side of tree climbing at school. Both teams won their debates at the rural school competition! Well done to both teams! A fantastic effort!

Fundraising - The 2017 Slinks roster is available on the Toko School Website - Our Community - Fundraising Committee



Enviro Update

Toko School have been extremely lucky to have been awarded funding, from Curious Minds to purchase a distillery and the related science equipment. Curious Minds, is part of Venture Taranaki and seeks to encourage and enable better engagement with science and technology across all sectors of New Zealand - to bring about a nation of Curious Minds, where science is inspiring, recognisable, highly valued and personally relevant to all New Zealanders. Room 7 put together an application to purchase a still to make essential oils and hydrosols, and have been awarded \$15000.00. We aim to distill a variety of plants from our area and to find out their properties and what we can use the essential oil and hydrosols for. We have been guided by Jim Bennett (who distills a range of plant material) and Sue Rines who will assist us in our task.



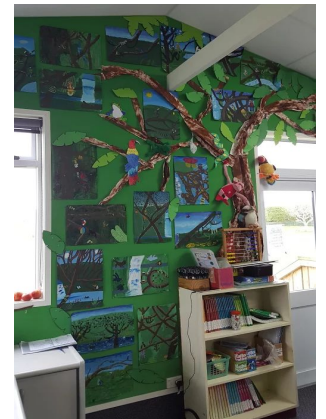
We know that there are many harsh chemicals out there in the environment, and if we can make more natural products, using plant material around us, then it can only be beneficial to us all. Our lavender bags have proved popular in the past, so we want to see what else we can make

Sink bench and cupboards

We are looking for a sink bench with cupboards underneath for our distilling room. Any length - but no longer than 2.8m. Is there anyone out there who might have something? Your help would be appreciated. Please email or phone the school if you can help.

Enviro Stall

Each day we have lots of items on our enviro stall outside our classroom. If you are passing make sure you stop and have a look at what we are selling.



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