

- TOMARATA SCHOOL -



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Important reminders:

- School lunches are on Thursday (tomorrow) this week because of the Easter break
- Last chance for Easter raffle tickets – will be drawn this Thursday at 9am. There are 6 draws so make sure you are in to win! Send money in with your children if you want tickets.
\$2 a ticket or 3 for \$5
- Purple Day tomorrow!
- Athletics Day Wednesday 3rd April



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Week 1 of this term was a very short week so we are now completing Week 9 already! You may feel that's nearly the end of the term, but the Ministry of Education has organised term breaks differently this year - after the 5 day Easter break, we return to school for weeks 10, 11 and 12. This does mean a longer term than usual but there are 3 short weeks included.

Next week will begin with plenty of activity as it is the cluster athletics day straight away on Wednesday. This is always an enjoyable event with many parents turning up to support our children. Thank you all so much for the generous donation of Easter eggs and chocolate goodies for our raffle. The six prize draws look amazing!

Purple Heroes:

Tomorrow we hope to see lots of Purple being worn to school. This is an enjoyable way to raise funds for Epilepsy NZ. Children are asked to wear purple and bring a gold coin donation. We will be having a **Purple Day Hero Parade at 8:45** after the Student Voice reps have collected the donations. We will also be drawing the Easter raffle at 9am so make sure you have bought tickets!

Parent – Teacher Interviews:

These will be held on Monday 8th April and Wednesday 10th April. Interviews are a valuable way to share information around your child's learning:

- Progress
- Achievement
- Attitude/effort
- Goal setting and reflection
- Strengths/concerns
- Social skills

We like to involve students in this process as it is a powerful way to increase motivation and responsibility

towards their learning. We aim to see either one or both parents of ALL students, except new entrants (who have their own specialised interviews after about 8 weeks at school). Please help us to reach our goal of for 100% attendance! Remember that it is always a good idea to make a note of any queries or questions that you may wish to ask.

Please complete the attached slip to indicate your preferred interview times and day.

EWES Cluster Athletics Day:

Don't forget this is on Wednesday after Easter Break, at Centennial Park Wellsford; start time is 9.30am, finish 2pm. Please make sure that students have suitable clothing for all weather, sunscreen & hats. Please fill in and return the slip if you haven't already done so.

Ryan Road bus – Thursdays:

Due to netball practice on Thursday afternoons, the Ryan Road bus will be dropping your children off slightly earlier than normal as Tony doesn't need to do the Ocean View loop. This makes him about 15 minutes earlier than normal.

However please note there is NO netball practice this Thursday.

School Lunches:

These will be on Thursday this week.

Pies (mince & cheese)	\$3.00
Hot Dogs (with cheese, mustard & sauce)	\$3.00
Hamburgers	\$3.00
Sausage Rolls	\$1.50
Cream Donut/Sugar Donut	\$2.00
Ice blocks (Lemonade & chocolate)	\$1.50
Fruit pies - Berry or Apple (large)	\$3.00
Choc bars	\$2.50
Juicies / Moosies	\$1.20



Wastewise wisdom:

Remember to recycle your old mobile cellphones. Starship raises funds from recycling the parts so send them to school or post to Starship.

Scholastic Offer Two:

Offer two is due back at school by Monday 8th April. There is a special promotion this offer – for every five books ordered, school receives one free book.

Coming Dates:

March	29 th	Good Friday - holiday
April	1 st - 2 nd	Easter break
	3 rd	EWES Athletics Day
	5 th	Assembly 1.50pm
	8 th & 10 th	Parent-Teacher Interviews
	8 th	Scholastic Offer 2 due back
	19 th	Assembly 1.50pm
	19 th	End of Term One
May	6 th	Term Two begins

Lynne Duffin

Other notices:

Tomarata Junior Netball - There is NO practice this Thursday due to the Easter break.

Subs are set at \$75 per player. Please pay to the coaches or drop them into the school office before 6th April.

Automotive mechanic required for busy rural workshop, minimum 5 years' experience. Must be honest and reliable. We would prefer you to have WOF certification but all applicants considered. Phone Nathan or Tina 431 4016 evenings.

Have fun at Snowplanet this APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

Snowplanet offers unique winter wonderland experience and only 20 minutes north of the bridge, making for a wonderful school holiday destination. The very popular kid's school holiday programme comes with a 2 hour ski or snowboard group lesson (beginners to advanced) each day, rental equipment, a graduation meal on the last day, a Snowplanet certificate of achievement plus a huge amount of fun! For enquiries or bookings contact

Snowplanet on 09 427 0044 or email schools@snowplanet.co.nz

Visit Snowplanet's website www.snowplanet.co.nz

WINTER SPORTS

Wellsford Sports & Leisure has winter sports equipment for sale. This includes netball shoes, rugby and soccer boots, balls, shorts, socks, shin-guards, goal keeping gloves, mouthguards, hockey sticks, etc.

Mention this ad when you purchase your shoes and we will donate 5% of the price to your school.

Promotion ends 20th May 2013. Shop local and help your school at the same time.

Wellsford Sports and Leisure, 146 Rodney Street, Wellsford

423 8873 or email wfdsports@xtra.co.nz

Athletics Day - Wednesday 3rd April

Please fill in the slip below and return to school (with money for bus if applicable)

I give permission for _____ Room/s _____
to attend the Athletics Day, at Centennial Park, Wellsford on Wednesday 3rd April.

- I will be taking my child/ren direct to the Athletics Day and taking them home afterwards
- My child/ren will be traveling to the Athletics Day by bus & I have enclosed \$3 per child to cover the cost of the bus (The cost for the bus is \$3 regardless of whether your child travels to and from Athletics by bus, or just one way. There is no charge if your child does not travel on the bus)

Parent / Caregiver Name

Parent / Caregiver Signature

“Learning Smarter, Tomarata”