



# Tipu Newsletter



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## TIPU NEWS

Teena kōwhiri kōwhiri, and welcome to Term 2! And a special welcome to the new children and whānau who have joined Pihinga.

Our team has had a few changes. Emma Wells and Grace Millet have moved into Pihinga. Andrea Ng Waishing and Sally Davidson are in Room 2 and Carolyn Dixon is in Room 3. In the second half of the term a group of students will move into Room 4 with Emma Wells.

Good communication between home and school helps your child to have successful learning. Please let your child's teacher know of anything important going on in your child's life, and don't hesitate to ask questions about their learning. You can email teachers directly or organise a meeting, or they are available for brief questions in the classroom between 8.30am and 9.00am.

We look forward to having a fun and exciting term with our tamariki!

Naaku noa,  
Tipu Team

## EVENTS

### May 6<sup>th</sup>

Parent information evening on Positive Behaviour for Learning

### May 16<sup>th</sup>

Pink shirt day

### May 26<sup>th</sup>

Class and siblings photos (TBC)

### May 30<sup>th</sup>

Teacher Only Day

### June 2<sup>nd</sup>

King's Birthday

### June 20<sup>th</sup>

Matariki

### June 24<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

3 Way Learning Conferences



## CONTACTS

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## LITERACY

At Conifer Grove School we teach Literacy using a Structured Literacy approach. This approach teaches new sounds through different stages and uses these sounds to build words in Reading and Writing.

Our school library is also open from 3.15pm - 4.00pm each Wednesday for families to borrow books to support a love of reading at home.



## MATHEMATICS

In Tipu we will be developing early number knowledge and strategies to solve simple addition or subtraction problems.

We will also be exploring statistics by investigating the world around us.



## CONCEPTUAL CURRICULUM & P.E

We are continuing to look at our big idea **Change** and will be exploring the big understanding of 'change occurs in different ways that may initiate reactions, opportunities and or challenges.

This term we are looking at this through health. We will be focusing on relationships and our feelings.

### Physical Education:

We are developing our fine and gross motor skills through a range of activities.



## ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance at school is important for your child's well-being and learning. If your child is sick and cannot attend, please contact us before 9.00am to advise us of this absence. We are required to report unexplained absences as truancy.

Phone: 09 299-7490 | **Freephone: 0800 CGCALL** (242255) | Email: [admin@cgschool.ac.nz](mailto:admin@cgschool.ac.nz)

You can also report absences on the school website: [www.conifergrove.school.nz](http://www.conifergrove.school.nz) (click on 'Contact Us' and then 'Absences') or via the Skool Loop App.



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