



Tapu School
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In March 2007 the elections were held nation wide for school trustees.

The new Board for Tapu School and their responsibilities are;

Chairperson : Kathryn Reed
Deputy Chair : Sarah Oxford
Secretary : Robyn Mason
Treasurer : Kerri Russek
Property : Bob Carr
Health and Safety : Helen Wilkinson
Staff Representative : Kerri Russek
Principal : Spencer Baty

The Board meets monthly on the 4th Thursday of each month at 7pm in the school staffroom. Visitors are welcome to attend Board meetings. Meetings are advertised in the school newsletter as are any variation in date or time of meetings.

It is stated else where in the website that a strength of the school is the combined focus the Board, Support Group and Staff have facilitated by them all working from one strategic plan.

The vision and goals for 2007 are;

TERM ONE GOALS 2007

1. To set up the school in such a way that all new children are quickly assimilated in to the Tapu School way.
2. To implement a successful aquatics programme, incorporating the Marine Academy.
3. To establish the performance management system for all staff.
4. To ensure that relevant learning programmes are established in both rooms for all children.
5. To host visiting educators in a suitable way, especially those from overseas.
6. To set up pupil portfolios for the year.
7. To support the Reading Recovery programme being established for this year.
8. To support the Board in its projects and elections this term.
9. To communicate with parents about specific goals for their children for 2007
10. To have a community BBQ during Term 1 for staff and parents to meet informally.

TERM 2 GOALS 2007

1. To create a strong working relationship with the newly established Board of Trustees.
2. To complete the following property projects
 - i. Upgrade the staff toilet area
 - ii Complete the main entrance area
 - iii Improve the general playground facilities including playground markings, garden areas and court goals

3. To look closely at the future of the Support Group and how it might be modified to suit the current needs of the school.

4. To continue to make a focus of the teaching of Numeracy and Literacy and for 80% of the children in Years 3 to 8 to be achieving at or above the average level on STAR by the end of 2007. Also, 80% of Year 2 children to be working at or above Stage 3 in Numeracy. But at the same time to deliver a balanced curriculum suitable for all children.

5. To revise the current portfolios in order to make them more parent friendly.

6. To hold our school speech competition and participate in the Thames finals.

7. To maintain the current developments in ICT and look closely at the relevance of interactive whiteboards to assist children's learning

8. To participate in the EHSAS project which will focus on Literacy in Term 2.

9. To be involved as a whole school in the Keeping Ourselves Safe programme

10. To use the Sustainability in Schools model to enhance the environment of our school.

11. To be involved in the following Term 2 events

- ANZAC Day
- I.T. Roadshow
- Adventure Ropes at Matatoki School
- Film Making in TeAroha

THE VISION FOR 2007

2007 is seen as the year when we really build on the foundation that has been put in place since June 2005 when there was a total change of staff and change of direction for the school.

In 2007 Tapu School will continue to move towards being a high achieving unit with a total focus on the needs of the children. Quality and quality principles will be incorporated into all aspects of the school's operation. The ultimate goal is for Tapu school to become a model two teacher school.

To achieve this vision all stakeholders in the school and community need to be working together with clear goals in mind.

ACHIEVING THE VISION

Board of Trustees Goals

1. To carry out the biennial election process in a fair and accurate way
2. To support the principal and staff in their roles in the school
3. To comply with all Ministry of Education requirements, including financial, reporting and management.
4. To complete the following property projects
 - i. Upgrade the staff toilet area
 - ii. Recarpet Room 1 and principal's workroom
 - iii Lay new vinyl in the Room 1 cloakroom
 - iv. Complete the main entrance area
 - v. Improve the general playground facilities including playground markings, garden areas and court goals
 - vi. Investigate the development of the lower field area into a more functional space. This will involve re-negotiating the lease arrangement with the Camp
 - vii. Consider the options as to how the space created by the removal of the tree between Room 3 and the Multi purpose room might be best utilised.
 - viii. Look at creating extra shade areas
5. To continue to develop the use of ICT as an important aspect of school improvement.

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1. To provide support to the Board , staff and community to assist in the achievement of the goals for the school.
2. To assist with catering on special school occasions and events.
3. To raise funds for the school to support particular and identified projects. These activities should be kept at a realistic and achievable level.
4. To market the school with vigor in the local and wider community
- 5.To provide a sounding board for school policy and decision making.

Tapu School Staff Goals

- 1.To continue to make a focus of the teaching of Numeracy and Literacy and for 80% of the children in Years 3 to 8 to be achieving at ildren will be working at or above stage 3 in Numeracy. But at the same time deliver a balanced curriculum suitable for all children.
2. To continue to implement the Inquiry Learning Model developed in 2006 . Both rooms will use the model for at least four topics during 2007.
3. To provide special support for children making the transition to school especially in Numeracy, Literacy and Work, Study and Information Skills.
4. To improve the classroom libraries,and to purchase dictionaries, atlases and high interest low level books .
5. To maintain the current developments in ICT and look closely at the relevance of interactive whiteboards to assist children's learning
- 6.To revise the current portfolios in order to make them more parent friendly
7. To continue to develop the rich school culture through the understanding of the 5 Es. 90% of the children will be able to describe the 5 Es by the end of November.
8. To further develop the Marine Academy with a focus in particular on improving the sailing skills of all Year 5 to 8 children. By December 75% of the target group will be able to sail single handed around a sausage course.

Note:

These goals have been carefully incorporated in to action plans in the school's strategic plan.