



**FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

Wendy Sandifer  
wsandifer@torbay.school.nz

*Te Kura Tuatahi O Whangatoa*

**KA PAI** to the following students who have shared their fantastic learning with me this week – Aidan, Connor, Rm14, Isaac, Rm1, Hope, Tayo, Thomas, Rm16, Liam, Rm19. **KA PAI** also to Peter C, Adam C, Rm3, Jordan H, Joanne C, Fleur H, Dante L S-K, Emma J, Rm4, Lilly A, Holly G, Tamati H, Bailey H, Rm5, Janelle, Isobel, Rm6, Eden, Braeden C, Rm7, Brianna Mc C, Arwyn H, Rm10, Kylia-Rose S, Ammon H, Kaea H, Rm13, Fletcher D, Max M, Rm16, who receive certificates from their teachers for excellent learning this week.

**Congratulations** also to this week's **Players of the Day: Miniball:** Josh H, Jacob D, Matt J, Kian M **Basketball:** Harry D, Nathan H **Flippaball:** Azaria C, Kura L, Brianna, Rebecca G **Hockey:** Peter C, Candace D

**LEARNING CONVERSATIONS:** Thank you to all of the students and parents who have attended learning conversations this week. The feedback from the students and parents has been fantastic. It was great for children to have an opportunity to celebrate their learning and set their next learning goals. Please make contact with your child's teacher if you have not had a learning conversation this term. We look forward to continuing to work as a team to support our student's learning.

**KIWISPIRIT AWARD SPONSORED BY MRE**

This month our Kiwispirit Award goes to Briana from Rm2. Briana models the schools values in many ways. She is a mediator, road patrol monitor and supports our PMP programme by setting up the equipment in her own time. She supports children who need care and acts as a buddy to remind them when they need to do things. She is always responsible and very committed to what ever she is doing. Ka pai Briana.

**THANKS TO OUR FABULOUS SUPPORT STAFF**

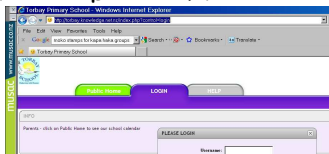
This week we have recognised all of our support staff for the fantastic and extremely positive way that they encourage and support students, staff and our parent community. On behalf of us all **THANK YOU!!**

**Team Torbay  
Values**

**C**ommitment  
**A**roha  
**R**espect and  
**R**esponsibility  
**E**xcellence  
★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
**T**ogether  
**E**veryone  
**A**chieves  
**M**ore

## Homework Grid for Parents...

This week your task is to investigate the learning provided on the Torbay School Knowledgenet page. <http://torbay.knowledge.net.nz>




No need to log in.. simply click on "Public Home."

On the Navigator bar click on the + sign to open all the areas. Click on the page you wish to open.

You will need to scroll up and down all of the pages to view the whole content.

As you hover over the pages look for the cursor turning into a hand.

 Click when the hand appears, to open a page behind. Have a go!

Discover how to navigate your way around the Public Pages of Knowledgenet.  
What is the potential of Knowledgenet?  
Write your argument.

Triple TV (TTT = Torbay Talk Television.) has launched.  
What were some of the issues covered in its first screening?  
Draw a sketch of one of the subjects.

Manage a night off from managing school homework. Design a self managing programme for your children for 1 night.  
Report on the way it went.

The Torbay Learning Model has three components and within these components are some important learning skills.  
What are some of these skills?  
And why are these important?

Sit back with the family and view the "Torbay is Flying High" video.  
Have a conversation about the video.

The home page provides information about learning... there are 9 blocks.  
List some information you found inside these blocks.  
Name some websites you found.

**Please get this signed off by your child/ren and drop it to the office by Thursday next week for your family to be in the draw for a lucky prize!**

for donating umbrellas for our use at the school crossing and for our teachers on duty.

### DID YOU KNOW?

We have an Information Line on our school phone system. This details events in the coming week at school. Just call 473 8603 ext 2 and listen for the recorded message.

**WANTED:** Your old towels/blankets for the SPCA to dry off cold and sick unwanted animals brought in for care and TLC. Please spare some time to go through your linen cupboard - all appreciated. Just drop them into the school office.

### COMMUNITY NEWS:

We have received information from various school holiday programmes so please contact the office for more information.



WEBSITE OF THE WEEK:

[www.torbay.knowledge.net.nz](http://www.torbay.knowledge.net.nz)

**MIDDLE SCHOOL DRAMA PRESENTATION**  
Next week assembly will be at the earlier time of 2pm.

Our drama children will be presenting a short story with a serious message for the future.

The Wednesday Afterschool HipHop children will also be presenting a short item.

## This weeks value is Respect and Responsibility

### Are you a responsible role model to our students and community?

Do you model and use the Torbay School values of Commitment, Aroha, Respect and Responsibility and Excellence?

Do you speak positively and respectfully around the children?

Do you get your child to school on time and ready for the day?

Are you aware of the guidelines for parent/spectator conduct at sports games?

Are you using the correct drop off and pick up rules for vehicles around school?

Do you cross the road only on the school crossings?

Do you use the correct paths to enter and exit the school?

Do you show children how to respect and look after property?

### PTA CORNER

**Chocolate Fundraising:** Chocolates are coming home in the first week of next term. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year so please support it - we raise over \$6,000. Warning: the size of the box has increased from 20 to 24 bars, and is now \$60 for a full box. If you don't want a box for your family, please contact the office as soon as possible as this will be last opportunity to do so.

**Disco:** Huge thanks to those parents who helped. It was great to see so many new faces and thank you to the PTA for their support. Special thanks to Janine and Ingrid who oversaw the whole event and made sure the jobs were covered.

**Quiz Night:** Please support this exciting Parent Night - Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at 7.30pm. Flyers coming home next week!

**Entertainment books on sale at the office - only 8 left! \$65.00 each.**