

# TOKIRIMA SCHOOL



**“Honour Lies in Honest Toil”**

# MISSION

Encouraging our children to be courageous and proud, enabling them to become lifelong caring individuals who want to make a difference.

## OUR VALUES

**Be Proud** - Showing gratitude and feeling happy with who you are and where you come from.

**Be Kind** - Acting with integrity, being truthful with yourself and others in a realistic and caring way.

**Be Responsible** - Seeing through tasks and expectations in a responsible manner.

**Have courage** - Dare to take risks and embrace failure from which to learn and develop resilience.

## School Profile

Tokirima School is a state funded full primary

The current roll is 17

Ranging from Year 0–Year 8

## SCHOOL STAFF

Principal

Release Teacher

Executive Officer

Teacher Aide

Cleaner

Grounds Keeper

Bus Driver

The school is the focal point of the district. It draws from a large catchment area with a small population base. It is part of the Ruapehu District with a population of 16,500.

In 1999, the school was completely rebuilt from the ground up. It is now a modern facility that is extremely well resourced with Ultrafast broadband and Wi-Fi.

It consists of one large classroom, a library, staffroom/kitchen, Principal's office, large resource rooms, a large P.E. storage shed, swimming pool, tennis/netball courts and a large playing field.

The school has both well and tank water and is heated with night store heating and heat pump. There is also a large adventure playground that was donated by the Tokirima Community Association in 1998.

**The school is serviced by**

- Hamilton Ministry and ERO team
- Education Finance – New Plymouth
- Junior Technology – Taumarunui High School
- Public Health Nurse - Taumarunui
- Central King Country REAP – Taumarunui
- Hearing and Vision Testing – Hau Ora Waikato
- RTLB (Resource Teacher of Learning Behaviour)
- Mobile Dental Unit
- Special Education Service – Taumarunui – Hamilton
- School Support Services; University of Waikato Hamilton
- Local School Cluster Group
- Sport Waikato - Energize

**Professional Groups include:**

- Central King Country Principals' Association
- NZEI – Jackie Nichol – Principal Support
- New Zealand School Trustees Association (NZSTA)

**Regular Annual School Events**

- Pet Day
- End of Year Concert
- School Camp Every Year
- Cross Country
- Inter-School Cross Country
- Athletics
- Inter-School Athletics
- Swimming Sports
- Inter-School Swimming Sports
- Inter-School Touch
- Speech Competition
- Technology Challenge
- Duffy Books
- Life Education Trust

The children are encouraged to enter competitions and to travel to sports events and other happenings within the Taumarunui District. Our children play Rugby, Netball and Hockey in Taumarunui during the winter and are supported by their families.

## **Community Profile**

Tokirima is a mixed hill country farming community, including sheep, beef, deer and dairy. There are six station sized properties, employing farm managers and workers. Other smaller farms are owner operated. There are several 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> generation farms in the area. Ten families attend the school. The community is very supportive and gets involved with the school by attending meetings, events and working bees.

### **Community Annual Events Include**

- Tokirima dog trials
- School pet days
- Annual ram sale
- Ohura Show

### **Community Facilities**

- Tokirima community memorial hall
- Federated farmers
- Tokirima school swimming pool
- Tokirima dog trial club
- Tokirima domain

## **TAUMARUNUI Heart of the King Country**

Taumarunui, 33 km North West of Tokirima, is a servicing centre for the surrounding district, in which the main agricultural activities are sheep, beef and deer farming and increasing forestry plantations.

Known as the Heart of the King Country, Taumarunui offers a fascinating balance of things to see and do. Noted for a unique lack of wind and a high average mean temperature, it is also known for the many scenic and sporting attractions which surround it.

Offering a stern test to the best of golfers, the Tarrangower Golf Course is only 1.6km from the centre of the town. Water sports enthusiasts will find both pleasure and challenge in fishing, swimming, canoeing or jet boating the many rivers, (including the Whanganui) and Lake Taupo. A heated pool is also available at the High School.

Within easy motoring distance are: deer stalking in the Hauhungaroa Ranges, skiing at Whakapapa and Turoa, flightseeing, tramping or canoeing throughout the Whanganui National Park, and the Tongariro National Park with its majestic mountains and numerous tramping tracks.

Forgotten World Adventures takes you to the inner areas of the King Country by rail on converted golf carts and you can also take advantage of their bicycle hire to explore our many cycle tracks. One of the main stops after the 10 Tunnel adventure is right across the road from Tokirima School.

### **Facilities Include**

Hospital  
Little Theatre and Choral Society  
Outdoor swimming pool  
Indoor heated swimming pool  
Community Arts Centre  
Golf Course  
Picture Theatre  
Information Centre and Library

### **Education Facilities Available**

Taumarunui High School  
Central King Country Reap  
Te Waka Pu Whenua (Maori Adult Education Centre)  
Kindergartens, Play centres, Childcare facilities, Te Kohanga Reo  
Te Puni Kokiri Trust

### **Nearest Cities and Towns**

NEW PLYMOUTH - approximately 2 hours  
TAUPO - approximately 2 hours  
HAMILTON - approximately 2.5 hours north  
WANGANUI - approximately 2.5 hours south  
TE KUITI - approximately 1.5 hours north  
TURANGI - approximately 1 hour  
MOKAU - 1.5 hours  
WHANGAMOMONA - 50 min  
OHURA - 20 min

### **Tokirima School House**

The Principal's residence is a three bedroom, 1950's bungalow adjacent to the school. New carpet, drapes and paint in 2017 with a functional bathroom with shower over bath. It has a Kent style wood burner, heat pump and the addition of a HRV system at the beginning of 2020. The house is sunny warm and comfortable. It also has a large wood shed and a single lock up garage.