

# Enviroschools

## TARANAKI

Term 3 JULY 2018



Kia ora koutou

Nau mai haere mai ki te Makariri. It's been a quick change into the thermals and jackets with frosts, rain and slightly chillier nights. Those lovely sunny days really do give us a beautiful view of our majestic mounga. I know I enjoy the nights in front of the fire knowing that our gardens are bedding down ready to spring up and surprise us all in a couple of months. Also loving seeing those early lambs. It'll be Pet Day before we know it.



I've loved seeing all those celebrations of Matariki / Puanga.

I know many of you have been experiencing the bugs going through your kindergartens and schools. Let's hope the holidays have cleared the air.

Lots happening within the world of Taranaki Enviroschools...



## Plastic Free July

We've also just enjoyed another brilliant Plastic Free July Taranaki with many sewing bees, beach clean-ups, a movie screening of **A Plastic Ocean** and a big event at Puke Ariki in the holidays. Our needs specific workshops are gaining more attendees and we're enjoying seeing a few more Enviroschools around the rohe going through their Holistic Reflection process.

We had a fabulous response from our Enviroschools for plastic sculptures and artwork made out of waste plastic.



The top 10 of these will be held to be put on display at the new Resource Recovery Centre in New Plymouth. Another yahoo moment here!

**Plastic Free July**  
**Aotearoa 2017**  
 Kirihou Kore - Plastic Free  
**PLASTIC FREE JULY**



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## New partner for Enviroschools Taranaki

One of the biggest pieces of news is that through its Long-Term Plan process, the Taranaki Regional Council has increased its commitment to environmental education by delivering the regional coordination of Enviroschools. We also have confirmed continued support from our awesome partners around Taranaki. This all means that as we move forward we are looking to grow our team, widen our reach, increase the opportunities for you, plus up the support levels. Exciting days! Watch this space as we formalise our plans.



## Sustainable Communities

As part of our Sustainable Communities, our appreciation of **Arbor Day & World Environment Day** on 5 June saw us work collaboratively with Councils, local groups and Enviroschools to enjoy a celebration within the communities. This year, we planted more than 100 fruit trees in the Waitara Community Garden. Many thanks to the New Plymouth District Council, Trevor Dodunski, and the awesome team at Asplundh helping make this day Awesome with a capital A!

Above photo: *Waitara Alive – planting the seeds of tomorrow*

## Boomerang Bags

**The number of Boomerang Bags made in Taranaki has reached 2000.** Woohoo!

That's a massive 320,000 single-use plastic bags NOT being used in this region PER YEAR!

If ever you think you'd like to help more or you get people wanting to support the Boomerang Bags in this region, please direct them to our **Givealittle Page**. All funds raised goes to supporting us to create more reusable bags for you. [www.givealittle.co.nz/cause/taranaki-enviroschools](http://www.givealittle.co.nz/cause/taranaki-enviroschools)



## Towards a Predator-Free Taranaki

[www.trc.govt.nz](http://www.trc.govt.nz)



## What's coming up:

- **Plastic Free July winner pack deliveries**  
Early term 3
- **Fruity Gardener deliveries 26 July**  
(For those who missed out on the IVHQ working bee.)
- **IVHQ working bee at Uruti**  
27 July 9.30 – 2.30
- **Restore Taranaki Hui**  
6 August 5.30 – 7.30
- **Mountain to Sea Hui with TRC and DOC**  
14 August 4.30 – 6.30
- **Prep to Reflect Hui in Stratford**  
16 August 4 – 5.30pm  
For those looking to Reflect this year or early 2019
- **WaiRestoration Hui in Stratford**  
4 September 1 – 4pm. More information to come.  
Teacher release available to attend this.
- **Teacher PD – World Kai Day**  
Stratford Primary School 16 October 4 – 5.30pm.  
Come along to enjoy food from around the world.  
Something easy to introduce to your school mahi around cultural awareness/connection.

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