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**Dear parents, caregivers, students, families, and the wider community.
E nga mātua, e nga kaitiaki, e nga taurira, e nga whānau, me te iwi whānui.**

It is already the end of term two and we are halfway through the year. Doesn't time fly when you are having fun at Taupō Intermediate School.

Today we farewell three of our permanent teaching staff (Ms Debi Woodward, Mr. Cameron Bramall and Mr. Karl Dodunski) and one of our fixed term teaching staff (Mrs Fallan Zander) who are leaving us to teach at some of our neighbouring schools. We are also farewelling another of our fixed term staff members (Ms Kelly Wisniewski) who is going to teach overseas. We wish them all the best on their new educational journeys.

This term the students were challenged to make the TIS Way come alive.

We set some goals around:

Thinking – encouraging students to move two or more sub-levels since the beginning of the year on the e-asTTle results from the beginning of the year. To be actively involved in the school Science Fair competition, which a large numbers of students completed and displayed in the school hall.

Involvement – increase their involvement in school events and work towards achieving their Donovan Bixley Award, Bevan Docherty Award and Principal Award. This challenge was accepted with a number of students receiving their bronze, silver and gold medals throughout this term, as well as a number of students well on their way to achieving their medals.

Showing Respect – to eliminate inappropriate behaviour and reduce the number of stand-downs and suspensions during term one. The number of stand-downs have been reduced majorly and with only one suspension meeting held this term would be an alltime low for some time. Congratulations to the board, staff and students for creating a more positive learning environment.

Thank you to all the parents, caregivers and whanau that have been involved their child's learning and supporting our school-wide activities this term. It has certainly been a busy one with lots of successes and involvement in community sports and events. It is exciting that we are able to provide a wide range of activities and programmes for our students to be engaged in. Hopefully in the future they will become a passion that they actively seek later in their lives.

Thank you for another very successful term at Taupō Intermediate School. I am certainly looking forward to finalising the appointment of new staff over the coming weeks and notifying our parents and caregivers of these new staff members.

Have a wonderful term 2 holiday with our your outstanding TIS child.

**Ngā mihi
Brent Woods
Principal/Tumuaki**

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WHAKATAUKI

This Week's Whakatauki:

Ka mahuta a Matariki i te pae, ka mahuta ō tātou tūmanako ki te tau.

When Matariki rises above the horizon, our aspirations rise to the year ahead.

Traditionally the rising of Matariki symbolised the start of a new year, this is a good time to set goals for the year ahead.

Taupo Intermediate AIMS Games Basketball Team

Fundraiser Raffle the Taupo Intermediate (Year 7 and 8) AIMS Games Basketball Team are selling tickets for an awesome raffle prize pack at Market Central on Sunday 7th of July.

We are raising funds to help pay for the AIMS Games entry fees, Referee charges, accommodation for the week in Tauranga (including food), team hoodies, travel and transport costs. Tickets will be \$5 each or 3 for \$10 We have had some wonderful local Taupo businesses donate towards this amazing Prize Pack to be raffled off.

This fantastic Taupo School Holiday Adventure Prize Pack includes: • \$235 AJ Hackett Bungy Taupo Voucher (@AJHackettBungyNZ, #LiveMoreFearLess) • \$50 Voucher for Incredible India • \$50 Voucher for Cafe Lacus • \$50 Voucher for Simple Bakes • \$100 MTA Fuel Card donated by Hirtzel Homes Ltd • Family Pass to Tenpin Bowling at Dropzone (2 adults and 3 kids) • Some delicious treats to nibble on after a few days of holiday adventures.

**Email: kirsty.chrustowski@gmail.com
to purchase tickets**

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MATARIKI PLANTING DAY

Room 24: Matariki Planting Day

On Wednesday 3rd of July, Room 24 -- along with Room 2 and 9 -- went up to Mt Tauhara to do a planting day organized by Contact Energy and Greening Taupo. We took part in this because the mountain didn't have many trees surrounding the bottom area near the farms.

Everyone also wrote a wish to plant in their first tree for Hiwa-i-te-rangi, the wishing star. My highlight for the trip was the sausage sizzle with soup; the day was cold and the air bitter on Mt Tauhara, so the food warmed us up. Altogether, our class planted 248 trees! Surprisingly, the biggest challenge was all the poo on the ground, making it quite hard to do much without getting dirty.



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EXTENSION FOOD TECHNOLOGY FOR TERM 2

And just like that, our inaugural first term of Extension Food Technology has come to an end. It has been quite the ride, with Emily Staniland's mum and Zoe Stafford's nana coming to share their whanau recipes with us.

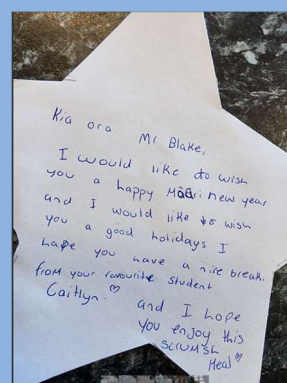
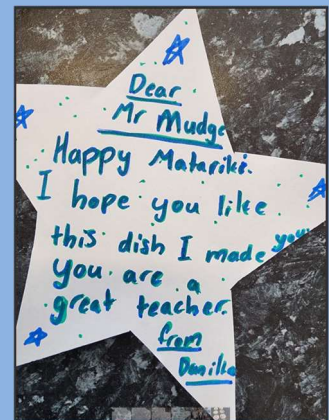
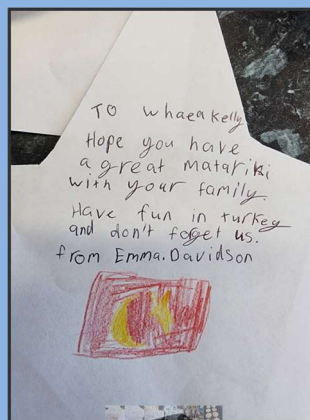
We loved having visitors and new teachers in our classroom.

We also loved having Mr Woods pop in so that we could show him the twist (literally) on 'Pizza' that we were doing.

To conclude our time in here, and to celebrate the rising of Matariki, we served up a self-saucing chocolate cake with raspberry coulis and a dollop of vanilla ice-cream as a way of saying thankyou, we appreciate you, to all of the wonderful staff that keep our school going; from our kind caretaker Mark, the amazing women in the front of house office and accounts area, our teacher assistants, our sports co-ordinator, our tuckshop superhero - Kristy, our awesome teachers and support teachers, our management staff and our wonderful principal, Mr Woods. It's been a blast.

Miss Brunton is sad to say goodbye to this fantastic group of students, but looking forward to working with a new group in Term 3.

Thank you again to the amazing staff that we have at TIS, to the super cool students that were in Extension Food Technology this term, and to all, Mānawatia a Matariki 😊





T.I.S. SPORTS CO-ORDINATOR NEWS

Busy Week of Sports Activities!

This week has been a whirlwind of exciting sports events and activities for our school community. One of the highlights was the visit from the Kings Country Rugby team, who delivered an incredible Rippa Rugby taster session for our students.

Kings Country Rugby Visit

The Kings Country Rugby team brought their expertise and enthusiasm to our school, engaging students in fun and energetic Rippa Rugby sessions. Their comment on our students' performance was highly encouraging: "Great skills and level of engagement." It's always wonderful to see our students demonstrate their abilities and enthusiasm in sports.

We are thrilled to announce that we will be participating in the Rippa Rugby festival in Term 3. This upcoming event will provide our students with an excellent opportunity to showcase their skills and enjoy the spirit of friendly competition.

The Big O Orienteering Day Out

We had a big contingent representing our school, joining 450 other students for "The Big O Orienteering Day Out." It was a stunning day at Spa Park with beautiful weather and lots of students running around. Well -done to Kjell Nieuhus and Pablo Stewart for finishing an amazing 3rd overall. Additionally, a special mention goes to Charlotte Filer and Jade Hilton, if there had been a female only division, they would have won that.

Super 11 Rock Climbing Competition

On Thursday, we had the Super 11 Rock Climbing competition. There was a great array of skills on display. A big thank you to Abby Garland and her class for organizing the event and ensuring its smooth running.

Upcoming Events

Just a heads up we have the **School Cross Country on Wednesday, 29th July at Spa Park**. There will be opportunities to train on the course on Monday lunchtimes, so don't forget your PE uniform on the first day back and meet me at the school minibus.

Finally, thank you to all the students, coaches, and parents for their dedication and support throughout the term. Have a great holiday and see you in Term 3 fit and strong!



TIS TUCK SHOP

KRISTIE'S KAI

MORNING TEA BREAK – BUY ITEMS AT TUCKSHOP WINDOW

LUNCH TIME BREAK – Lunch orders in by 9am in the morning on the day.

FRIDAY SPECIALS – Students to listen out to the morning news.



STAFF SNAPSHOT

Kia ora,

My name is Courtney Fitness, and I am a beginner teacher in Room 10!

It's been a real pleasure getting to know all the lovely Tamariki that make Taupo Intermediate, and the staff have been absolutely and supportive, helping me as a navigate this new role in my life.

In my spare time, I enjoy travelling, camping and cooking.








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NEW START TIMES

6th JULY - \$20/\$10
11am - Centennial 18/9 Holes

6th JULY - Free
12pm Parent /Child FUN 9 Holes
2 person Ambrose - Tauhara

7th JULY - Free
10am Taupo Schools Championship
9 Holes 4-Person Ambrose - Tauhara








HOW TO ENTER

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HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Girls 7 years+ Rip Rugby - have a go!

TE KUITI - RUGBY PARK - JULY 11 (THURSDAY)
TAUMARUNUI - EELS RFC - JULY 16 (TUESDAY)
TAUPO - OWEN DELANY PARK - JULY 18 (THURSDAY)



FUN | SKILLS | GAMES
Rippa & Tackle Rugby 9-12pm

Register with Abby:
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