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

It is hard to imagine that we are already halfway through term three. Five weeks down and five to go before we are into the September/October holidays.

This week has been a busy week for our school as we begin our professional learning journey related to Assessment for Learning (AfL) which will be further developed over the next 3-5 years. The Assessment for Learning programme started with a teachers' survey related to their teaching practices and then in-class observations. Based on the teachers' survey and teacher observations the AfL facilitator and the Leadership Team developed an initial implementation plan for the next year. This professional learning links directly to our strategic goal of 'Quality Teaching & Learning.'

Thank you for supporting our board, staff and support staff through our Teacher Only Day. Our TIS team received further support through our Ministry of Education Initiative - Positive Culture for All (PC4All) to develop their skills related to Restorative Practices. The purpose of upskilling in restorative practices is to ensure that we develop a robust, genuine and effective process for dealing with social discipline matters.

Congratulations to all the students who received the Bevan Docherty, Donovan Bixley and Principal's Awards this week at assembly. Special thanks to the parents, caregivers and whanau that attended this week's assembly to see their child receive their medals. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**Bevan Docherty Awards** – Paddy Parkes, Chloe Gregory, Jack Simpson, Eva Higgie, Stacy Young, Hector Martin, Heidi Robertson-Wylie, Amy Holdsworth, Isabella Veth, Millie Parkes, Sofie Peirce, Daniel More, Rory Patterson,

**Donovan Bixley Awards** – Chloe Marshall, Dali Cowie, Amelia Hooton, Ginny Gibson, Hana Thompson, Heidi Robertson-Wylie, Isabella Veth, Millie Parkes, Leon Hill,

**Principal's Awards** – Eva Higgie, Amy Holdsworth,

**CONGRATULATIONS TO -**

- all our students that regularly participated in our Monday night basketball competition, Wednesday night hockey leagues and Saturday morning netball competitions during terms 2 and 3. It is exciting to see so many of our students living the school value of INVOLVEMENT. Thank you to all the team organisers, coaches and managers that gave up their time to support our teams and TIS. We truly appreciate your ongoing support to make these events possible. Special thanks to our TIS Sports Co-ordinator Mrs Sam Bradley for all her efforts, communication and hard work behind the scenes too. An amazing job by all concerned!
- our two rock bands 'Take Notice' and 'Fair play' for their amazing performances at the Waikato Ban quest competition last Friday in Hamilton. Special congratulations to Leon Hill & Jade Hiltron for sharing the award as Top Vocalists. Special thanks to Ms Rana Keeley and Mr. Jon Wood for the tireless hours practising and preparing the bands for this performance. Great effort by all of you! Thank you to the parents, caregivers and whanau that ventured to Hamilton to give their vocal support to our bands too.
- all our troops that participated in the Dance NZ Made competition last Thursday night. Your performances were top-notch and you all looked fantastic on stage. Special congratulations to our Year 8 Girls who were the first runners up in their section and will progress to the National finals in Palmerston North in October. Thank you, all our fantastic dance instructors, for their wonderful work building up to the competition and supporting our troops on the day.

We are going to continue focusing on our '**S**' for '**SHOWING RESPECT**' for another two weeks as we did not manage to meet our targets over the previous two weeks. We will focus on ourselves, others and our environment.

**Nga mihi, Brent Woods  
Principal/Tumuaki**

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# WHAKATAUKI

## This Week's Whakatauki:

**Kaua e mate wheke mate ururoa.**

**Don't die like an octopus, die like a hammerhead shark.**

Octopus are renown for their lack of resistance when being captured, however a hammerhead shark will fight bitterly to the end. This whakatauki is used to encourage someone not to give up, no matter how hard the struggle is.

# T.I.S. EVENTS CALENDAR



## Term Three 2024



Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	22/7	23/7	24/7	25/7	26/7 Super 11 Basketball– Rotorua
2	29/7	30/7	31/7 School Cross Country– Spa Park Taupo	1/8	2/8 Super 11 Winter Tournament– Tauranga
3	5/8	6/8	7/8	8/8	9/8 Super 11 Cross Country– Mt Maunganui
4	12/8	13/8	14/8	15/8 Dance NZ Made BOP Science Fair	16/8 Super 11 7's Rugby– Te Puke
5	19/8	20/8	21/8	22/8 Aspire Camp	23/8 Aspire Camp Teacher Only Day
6	26/8	27/8	28/8 Interschools Cross Country– Spa Park Taupo	29/8 Tough Guy and Gal– Rotorua	30/8
7	2/9	3/9	4/9	5/9	6/9
8	9/9 Zespri NZAIMS Games	10/9 Zespri NZAIMS Games	11/9 Zespri NZAIMS Games	12/9 Zespri NZAIMS Games	13/9 Zespri NZAIMS Games
9	16/9 Kiwi Sport Taster - Cricket	17/9 Kiwi Sport Taster - Cricket	18/9 Mathsmatters	19/9 Mathsmatters Kiwi Sport Taster - Cricket	20/9 Kiwi Sport Taster - Cricket
10	23/9	24/9 Vaccination Clinic All year 8's final dose	25/9 Taupo Rippa Rugby Festival– OD Park	26/9 Big Music Day Out	27/9 End of Term

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# 2025 ~ YEAR 8 COLLEGE ENROLMENT INFORMATION

## ENROLMENTS FOR 2025 Taupō-nui-a-Tia College and Tauhara College

In term 3 both Taupo Colleges will be conducting enrolments for 2025.

The following opportunities are available for you to find out more about each College.

Visits to the Colleges from our contributing schools.			
Taupō-nui-a-Tia College		Tauhara College	
<u>Contributing School visits to the College.</u>			
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> August 10.00am -12.05pm	Taupō Intermediate A, Tirohanga, Marotiri and Whakamaru	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> August 10am -12.00pm	Taupō Intermediate B, Hilltop A
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> August 10.00am -12.05pm	Taupō Intermediate B	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> August 10am -12.00pm	Taupō Intermediate A
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> August 10.00am -12.05pm	Hilltop, St Patrick's, Mountview	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> August 10am -12.00pm	Hilltop B, St Patrick's, Mountview and all other contributing schools.

### Both Colleges will be presenting at our contributing schools for an information evening.

Taupo Intermediate & Hilltop students:  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August from 5:30pm. Venue: Taupo Intermediate Hall.

Mountview School & all other contributing schools  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August from 5.30pm. Venue: Mountview School Hall.

### Open Evenings at the two Colleges for Parents & Whanau to visit.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - At Taupō-nui-a-Tia College 6.00pm start

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September - At Tauhara College 5.30pm start

Enrolment information can be found on each School's website. Enrolment packs will be shared with students during their visits to the College. Your child's current school will have spare enrolment packs for both Colleges.

If you have any questions or would like further information about either school or your child's future education, please feel free to phone or email us at the contacts below.

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# SCIENCE FAIR 2024

## Bay of Plenty Science Fair

Nine students participated in the Bay of Plenty Science Fair in Rotorua on Thursday. The students were interviewed for up to 15 minutes about their projects by a range of different scientists. It was an intense morning, followed by a reinvigorating trip to McDonalds and some of the free activities in Rotorua while we waited for the prize giving.



From left to right – Amy Holdsworth, Taylor Stafford, Carys Mackintosh, Hana Thompson, Ginny Gibson, Evie Ross, Isla Morrell, Laila Te Whare, Levi Woods.

Congratulations to you all. You represented your school exceptionally well and we're very proud of you. Long may your love of science last.



Killing time at Lake Tarawera while we wait for the prize giving.

# SCIENCE FAIR 2024

## Top prizes at the Bay of Plenty Science Fair



Out of all the competitors from schools across the Bay of Plenty, two students were awarded Highly Commended prizes by the judges. Isla Morrell from Room 9 gained Highly Commended for her investigation into which light conditions were the best for growing plants. Amy Holdsworth from Room 3 gained Highly Commended for her investigation into how the acidity of different types of fruits helped muffins to rise. Amy was also awarded a special prize for the best baking related investigation. Congratulations girls for your great ideas and for the scientific rigour of your experiments.

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# **T.I.S. SPORTS**

## **CO-ORDINATOR NEWS**

### **Last Week of Winter Sports - What a Season!**

As we wrap up the winter sports season, it's always rewarding to reflect on how much our teams have improved and, more importantly, how much they've enjoyed the experience. These goals were certainly achieved, and on top of that, we've had some amazing results! A special mention to the TIS Stars, who were unfortunately missed in last week's newsletter, who made it to the Finals and finished as runners-up. Their performance this season makes them strong contenders for the Most Improved Team at the TIS Sports Awards. A huge thank you to their sponsors, Taupo Medical Centre, for all their support.

### **Netball Results:**

Last Saturday we saw the Final and Semi-finals at OD in the Taupo Netball League.

### **Highlights:**

- TIS PULSE 8A won their final on Saturday winning the Senior B Reserve Grade and maintaining the weekly Shield Challenge.
- TIS MAGIC 7A won their final on Saturday, to make them undefeated all season. They won the Intermediate Premier Grade and were voted as most promising team by the Taupo Netball Association.
- TIS Mystics 8B - 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Intermediate Premier Division
- TIS Yr 8 Stars - 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Intermediate Championship Division
- TIS Stellar Yr 7 Development - 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Intermediate Championship Division
- TIS Yr 7 Ferns - 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Intermediate Reserve Division

### **Hockey**

On Wednesday we had final nights at the Taupo Hockey Association Turf. It was a great evening with some very impressive hockey and lovely prizegiving, where TIS Students were well represented. Congratulations to all students who received those awards.

### **Highlights:**

- TIS Quick sticks team remained unbeaten, showcasing their skills and determination by defeating Kura in the final. This victory not only reflects their confidence but also their resilience as they consistently performed at their best, whether facing adult teams or other AIMS Games contenders. Their success is a promising sign as we head into the AIMS Games
- TIS Stars battled valiantly to take 2<sup>nd</sup> in Grade 2
- TIS Lightning won Grade 3 playing one of their best games all season. A full team effort
- TIS Firesticks played off for the bronze medal in an exciting game again FIS Swifts. It was 1-1 at full time so went to sudden death with first goal scored winning. Firesticks scored that winning goal.

### **A Heartfelt Thank You**

We want to extend our deepest gratitude to all the coaches and team managers who have given up their time to guide and support our teams. Your dedication is invaluable. We also want to acknowledge the umpires and referees—your commendable control and management of the games every week did not go unnoticed. Special mention to TIS Netball umpires Jayleigh Cork-Peters, Amelia Hooten, Nicky Elsey, Zoe Pearce, Elaina Teddy, Evie Bidwell, Aynsley Miller, Avery Way-Ferguson and Natasha Birchall

A big thank you to the Taupo Netball Association and Taupo Hockey Association. Your support is crucial in providing our students with these opportunities to shine.

### **Super 11 7's Rugby Tournament**

The Boys 7's rugby team showed immense heart and determination as they played above themselves, facing off against teams with bigger, more experienced players. Despite the odds, they displayed incredible skill and teamwork, ultimately securing an impressive 7th place finish. The girls' team also put on a remarkable performance, showcasing their strength and tenacity on the field, earning them a well-deserved 6th place finish.

**Volleyball Kicks Off** We're excited to announce that volleyball has started under the guidance of Mrs. Wood. At present the focus is on the Super 11 Tournament. Term 4 is the local league at AC baths which proved to be very popular last year. Looking forward to seeing our students develop their skills and passion for the game.

### **Looking Ahead**

- **Tough Guy/Gal Challenge:** Next Friday! Please ensure final payments are made.
- **Rippa Rugby Coaching:** Coaching sessions continue with the Kings Country Rugby Coaches. Team will be selected in Week 7. Every student must complete a registration form, these will be handed out on Monday.
- **Disc Golf:** Taster sessions have been taking place in school this week and will continue next week.

### **Basketball Recap:**

- Basketball results to follow next week

**Thank you once again for a fantastic winter sports season. Look forward to seeing you all at the TIS Winter Sports Prizegiving Evening at the end of the Term.**



# T.I.S. SPORTS CO-ORDINATOR PHOTOS







# EXTENSION FOOD TECHNOLOGY

This week, our challenge was to create our own recipe using the savoury ingredients that were provided to us. We were quite nervous about stepping away from a set recipe, but the results tell it all. We were very proud of our creations.

## The Rolling Doughs

Hugo and Reid

## Spicy Quesadilla Supreme

Korowai and Victoria

## Van Gogh's Starry Night

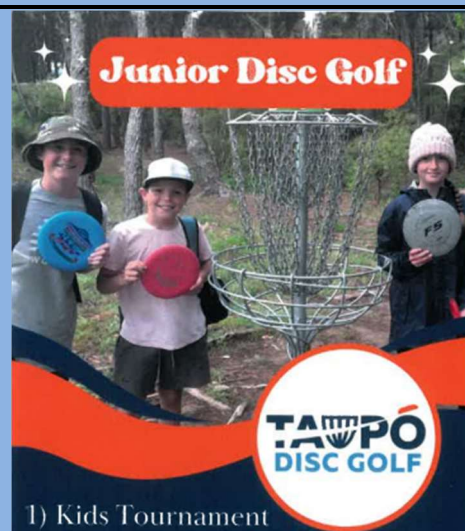
Eva, Cohen and Thomas

## Roly Poly Pizza's

Aaliyah, Ruby and Avi



## Junior Disc Golf



**TAUPO**  
DISC GOLF

1) Kids Tournament

## RISING STARS OPEN

A beginner-friendly, Juniors-only disc golf tournament held at one of the world's best disc golf courses: Spa Park!

Date: Sunday, 8th December

Check-in: 9am

Play begins: 10am

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