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

**This week we have been celebrating Māori Language Week 2024 which runs 14 – 21 September. This year's theme is 'Ake ake ake – A Forever Language.' The 2024 theme represents the resilience, adaptability and endurance of te reo Māori, and reflects the commitment to embracing and learning the language long into the future.**

**Congratulations to our TIS Kapa Haka performance group who performed at the Ngāti Tūwharetoa Taiopenga Kapa Haka Festival today.** It has been exciting to watch all our local Earley Childhood, Primary and Secondary schools performing this week. What a wonderful way to connect with Māori Language Week. Thank you to all the parents, caregivers and whanau for supporting the group with their after school and weekend trainings, as well as supporting them today at their performance. Special thanks to Waimaria Matete for tutoring the group extensively over the last three weeks to get them performance ready. Thanks to Steve Adam and Nikki Morris for their ongoing support with the kapa haka group too.

**Congratulations to the Year 7 & 8 students who have participated in the Bay of Plenty/Waikato MathsMatters Year 7 & 8 competition last night.** It was tremendous to see our students challenging themselves against Morrinsville Intermediate, Matamata Intermediate, Tauranga Intermediate, Hilltop School and St. Patrick's School students. While we didn't take out any of the major placings this year, we are extremely proud of our mathematicians. Thank you to all the staff, parents, caregivers and whanau that supported the MathsMatters event.

**Secondary School Enrolments** – Since our secondary school visits we have asked our Year 8 students about their secondary school choice for 2025. Most students have identified their preference. However, some have identified both. We are working alongside our Taupō Nui-a-Tia College and Tauhara College to get all our students enrolled by the end of term 3. By having all our students enrolled, then we can organise a smooth transition for our Year 8 students and provide the necessary information to our secondary schools. **If you haven't already, I encourage you to enrol your child in a secondary school as soon as possible.**

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*"Make a positive difference through the T.I.S way"*

# WHAKATAUKI

## Whakataukī

**Waiho ma te tangata e  
mihi.**

**Leave your praises for  
someone else.**

**This whakatauki is talking about the  
importance of humility.**

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

## **CO-ORDINATOR NEWS**

### **Back to Reality After the AIMS Games**

A huge congratulations to all students who participated in the AIMS Games last week. You performed brilliantly and made us all proud, representing TIS with great skill and spirit. Thank you to all Coaches, Team Managers and Parents for making this such a memorable experience.

### **Winter Sports Prize Giving**

A reminder that the TIS Winter Sports Prizegiving will take place on **Monday, 23rd September, at 6pm in the School Hall**. This evening will celebrate our students' achievements within their teams and acknowledge all the coaches for their time and dedication throughout the season. Please RSVP at [sport@taupointermediate.co.nz](mailto:sport@taupointermediate.co.nz).

### **Rippa Rugby Teams Finalized**

We're thrilled to announce that we have 10 Rippa Rugby teams this year for the Taupo and Turangi Rippa Rugby Festival – an outstanding effort! However, some teams still need a team manager to participate in the upcoming event. If you can volunteer, please reach out.

The Rippa Rugby Festival will be held on **Wednesday, 25th September, from 9am to 2pm at Owen Delaney Park**.

### **Cycling Success at the HB Battle of the Schools**

Day 1 of the **HB Battle of the Schools Cycling Festival** took place on Wednesday, with some fantastic results for TIS. Congratulations to **Ginny Gibson** who took the win in the girls' category, while **Rory Patterson** claimed the silver. In the Cycle cross **Lola Bradley** and **Pablo Stewart** won their divisions, with **George Newman** securing a strong second place.

### **Summer Sports Sign-Ups**

Sign-ups for Summer Sports – including Touch and Volleyball – have been open all week. Permission slips and fees will be distributed next week. **Volleyball** starts on **Friday, 27th September**, and **Touch** kicks off on **Wednesday, 16th October**.

**Good Luck to all our students playing in the Global Rugby Tournament this weekend at Owen Delaney Park.**

### **Kiwi Sport Cricket Success**

Jono from ND Cricket has been delivering Kiwi Sport Cricket Sessions throughout the week, and they have been a great success! For students interested in pursuing cricket further, there will be a Junior Cricket Muster on Friday, 18th October, at Owen Delaney Park. We encourage all budding cricketers to attend, Jono said there should be a few TIS students after what he saw in the sessions.

**Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing everyone at the Prizegiving on Monday!**



🚲 🚲 TIS Cyclists already for Round 1 in the Battle of the Schools at Hawkes Bay 🚲 🚲



# TIS Speech Competition

Throughout this term the whole school has been working hard preparing and writing a persuasive speech to present in front of their class. This is no easy task. From here, the top from classes went forward to the speech finals.

The caliber of the speeches this year was particularly high. All speeches were judged using the same criteria. A huge congratulations to the following students and everyone who was involved in the competition.



## Year 7:

**1st place** - Thomas Drake (Room 23) - The power of a school marketplace.

**2nd place** - Dani Forrest (Room 20) - Why school should only be 4 hours long.

**3rd place** - Gracie Penhearow (Room 5) - Why teachers need to be assessed.

## Year 8

**1st place** - Alexandra Borja (Room 24) - Graphic novels should be considered literature.

**2nd place** - Raka Wicaksono (Room 3) - Why you need to have dreams and achieve them.

**3rd place** - Avery Way-Ferguson (Room 24) - Public schools are just as good as private schools.

**Highly commended** - Hobie Peacocke (Room 2) - Why Tesla's are rubbish.

# AIMS GAMES

Sunday the 7th of September marked the start of our exciting and busy week away at the ZESPRI AIMS GAMES. We set off at the crack of dawn and soon after we took the court for the first of our eleven games. Our first day of grading was a success with two great wins, which gave us a confidence boost heading into the rest of the week. We then made our way to our amazing accommodation which would be home for the next six days.

Throughout the first couple of days, we won two of our four round robin games, before launching into the competition round on Wednesday morning. After taking only one loss in the competition round, during finals we earned a well-deserved 3rd place in our grade which exceeded our goal of making top 10.

In between our time at the courts, we enjoyed some downtime at the Mount including mall trips, ice-creams and bonding as a team at the house.

I believe our team played with lots of passion and showed great sportsmanship throughout our week away (especially our co-captain who was our No 1 sideline supporter while she recovered from injury prior to the tournament). Likewise, the teams we played displayed great resilience and contributed to a challenging yet fun atmosphere.

Overall our time at the ZESPRI AIMS GAMES was one to remember and we are so proud of our effort and results.

Avery Way-Ferguson  
Captain TIS YR 8A PULSE

# 2024 FUNSTICKS HOCKEY

7 weeks starting Tuesday 29th October to Tuesday 10th December

Years 1 and 2      3:30-4:30pm      \$45

Register online at [www.taupohockey.co.nz](http://www.taupohockey.co.nz)



# 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.





### Athletics Taupō

[www.sporty.co.nz/taupoathletics](http://www.sporty.co.nz/taupoathletics)  
 Facebook : Taupo Athletics Club

**Open day Sunday 13th October 11am - 1pm**  
**OD park - come and have a go**

Club nights - Thursdays from 5:30pm @ OD Park

3-6 years : Get Set Go Program (games based)  
 7years + : stations focused on skill development and technique across all disciplines.

Season runs Term 4 and term 1  
 17th Oct - 12th Dec & 13th Feb - 3rd April

New for 2024 - Development squad ages 10-14 Monday nights  
 5:30-6:30 starting 22nd Oct

Thanks to our partners douglas GO

# Production

*Please be aware we have had to change the Sunday rehearsal dates so there will be no practice this Sunday. These will all next term as per the letter sent out this week.*

*These dates are also below for your knowledge.*

School Holidays	
Sunday 20th October	10 – 2.30pm
Labour weekend	No rehearsal
Sunday 3rd November	10 – 2.30pm
Sunday 10th November	10 – 2.30pm

*Thanks so much for supporting your amazing children to be part of our production 😊*

## EXTENSION COOKING TECHNOLOGY



Extension cooking class sharing the love with staff by delivering a delicious apple rose and personalized note. Brings a smile at the end of the day. Showing all our T.I.S values. Thank you Dom.

# Free Uniform Competition 2024!

If you are going local this year to either Taupo nui-a-Tia College or Tauhara College and you enrol by September 27th you will automatically go in the draw to win a free uniform!

Already enrolled? You are also automatically in the draw to win. These prizes are worth over \$400.00! Take advantage of this great competition by enrolling your child early.

## T.I.S

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## T I S H U B

"Social media is full of reels and videos of 'perfect parents.' We can get really down on ourselves trying to measure up to the lofty standards of what we scroll through on our phones. These videos are mostly manufactured for social media and don't depict 'real life'.

There is no parenting manual. We largely parent the way we were parented. The things we remember that were positive about our childhood we choose to add to our own parenting toolkit. The bits we didn't like, we will probably still do subconsciously anyway. Until we're aware, and then we can choose to break those cycles.

**But, what do our children really need from us?**

**Presence, connection, and unconditional love.**

In a society that means we spend most of our time at work and disconnected from the people we love the most, we need to find ways to be as present as possible when we are together. And it's the little things that matter most. Putting the phones away and connecting face to face. Phones can come back out when the kids go to bed. Eating together, reading bed time stories together, playing board games, etc.

The real privilege in society now is: having parents that are present, connected, attuned, predictable, and who love their children unconditionally.

**"Jase Williams"**