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Greetings to all of our families

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In My Opinion:

We have come to the end of another busy and successful term, and I know our staff are looking forward to a well earned break. I realise it might be a bit traumatic for our parents having the kids home for a couple of weeks, but I know that some of you will all appreciate the time and enjoy the company. Let's hope the weather will be kind to us all and give us some settled days, and as per usual it would be good to get out and do a bit of fishing.

We can well be proud of our efforts during the term in so many spheres, and the time and effort from pupils and teachers is appreciated.

It was heartening to have so many parents attend the parent Interviews – 89% of our school took the opportunity, which shows us that our community is interested in the performances and achievements of their children, our pupils.

We are very proud of the work and effort of our pupils, and none more so than when we receive an email today with the following comments:

“Yesterday afternoon (Tuesday 12 July 2011) we had the pleasure of hosting a class from your school, who were over here for a few days looking at life in Taranaki. The class were being hosted by Icon Sports and were an absolute credit to their teacher, their school and themselves. I have been in this position for nearly seven years and in that time we have hosted a large number of school groups. They were right up to the very best we have ever had. As a former teacher of 33 years, I am well aware of the pressure teachers and schools face every day with student behaviour often an issue. Not so it seems at your school if these boys are an indication.

I can assure you, should another visit be planned in our area, any class from your school would be welcome with open arms”. - Kevin Archer Education Officer Taranaki Regional Council

A large group of pupils went to Mount Maunganui on Friday to represent the school in a number of winter sports – Football, Hockey, Netball and 7's Rugby.

Outstanding result for our Year 8 netball team who were 1st overall, Bay of Plenty Champions, and will go to the NZAIMS Games – New Zealand Association Intermediate and Middle Schools - at the end of August. There are 56 teams from throughout the country entered in the Netball Championships.

The 7's Rugby played in the finals and finished 2nd while the best Hockey result were the Boys team who came 3rd.

As a passing comment, I don't know where a local radio station got the information from, that those pupils from here, not involved in the competition, had the day off from school??

That doesn't happen, has never happened, and never will.

I have gone off national sport though, for a while, after our poor performances over the weekend, but no doubt that feeling will come back. I believe that the Crusaders had exhausted themselves this season, and do deserve to be congratulated for their efforts, but also well done to the Reds as they did finish the round robin on top of the table. Let's hope that's their lot for the year.

Speaking of Rugby, next week on Monday morning at 6.30am, the Television Breakfast programme, along with the Webb Ellis World Cup, will be at the Tongariro Domain. All are invited, dressed in your adopted team's outfit. Great start to the holidays.

Have a great weekend and I will be finding a quiet few activities to do over the break, probably slaving in the garden, chopping wood, or painting? Just working off the job sheet. Maybe a spot of fishing.

Congratulations to:

- **the boys in the Under 55kg King Country Rugby team who played against an Australian visiting side on Tuesday afternoon. We have a number who have made the Roller Mills representative team: Charlie Rouse, Corey Price, Riley Inglis, Daniel Cumming, Jessie Guillemot, Brock Lyons, Manawa Pereka-Owens, Liam Williams, Jamie Harrison, Kynan Harrison, Cameron Dick, Sam Insley, Shaun Warnock, Joey Waterworth, Hopa Haika, Tristan Gibson, Zac Walker.**

- **Karney Dunster King Country Under14s Rep Rugby Team.**

- **the Boys in the Under 15s Taupo Representative basketball team – Terrell Wichman, Tohu Woods, Bradley McKnight, Keith Mudawarima, Ricki Wigzell, Ben Cudby, Jordan Milne, Keegan Edwards.**

As for the Silver Fernsmmmmm!

Bill Clarke - Principal

If your child or teenager (age 2 to 18 years) needs to see a dental therapist over the coming school holidays, please ring for an appointment at the following clinics:

Taupo Hospital Campus, ph 378 9470
Mon 18th Tues 19th Wed 20th & Wed 27th
July

Taupo Primary Dental Clinic, ph 378 7473
Mon 18th Tues 19th Wed 20th July

Waipahihi Dental Clinic, ph 378 8721
Mon 18th July

Hilltop Dental Clinic, ph 378 8722
Mon 18th July

Tongariro Area Dental Clinic, ph 386 8690
Mon 18th Tues 19th Wed 20th July

Taupo Gymsports Festival:
This event was held at Mt Tauhara Gymnastics Club last Thursday; several schools from Taupo and Rotorua were at the event. Two of our students, Ryan Moffitt and Chloe Travers competed in the Open Junior Division on the floor and optional apparatus. Both displaying great balance and skill, winning their events.

BOP/Poverty Bay Winter Tournament:
Last Friday in cold wet conditions over 80 of our students travelled to Tauranga and Mount Maunganui, competing in a range of winter codes: rugby, soccer, netball and hockey. The **girls' hockey team** competed well, playing Tauranga, Whakatane and Te Puke in their pool, on both water and sand turfs (though at times you couldn't tell the difference). After placing 3rd in their pool, they then went on to play off for 5th and 6th against Rotorua, winning 3 - nil.

Class Ski Trips: These are booked for weeks 3 and 4 of next term. Information and consent forms will go out early in week 1, with the costs ranging from \$25 to \$45.

BOP Year 8 Netball Tournament
The TIS Blues team took out the annual BOP Year tournament on Friday the 8th July in Mount Maunganui. They played 5 pool games winning all: Te Puke 13-4; Rotorua 17-10; Gisborne 23-7; Tauranga 23-7; Mokoia 21-4. The girls then went into the semis to play Illminster and won 21-10. The final was against Whakatane and the girls won 24-9. A great achievement as these girls also won this tournament as Year 7s. Well done Ladies!!!
The Team consists of the following players; Shanaya Dempsey (Captain); Darnell Shaw-Puha (Vice captain); Tash Donald; Delany Rihari; Fipe Foa; Summer Tai-Rakena; Aisha Short; Paige Gordine-Akuhata; Phoebe Slee and Ora Williams.

LOOKING AHEAD TO TERM 3

Within the first week of next term we have some major events taking place:

- **Monday 1st - 11th August 2011**- A group of 18 students accompanied by Mrs Westerman. Miss Livingston and Mr Clarke will be leaving from Auckland to New Caledonia - Noumea.
- **Monday 1st August 2011** - Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm
- **Monday 1st August 2011** - ICAS testing English
- **Tuesday 2nd August 2011** - Start of the Jump Jam leadership courses.
- **Wednesday 3rd August 2011** - Tauranga High School Band to perform at TIS
- **Thursday 4th August 2011** - Australian Mathematics Competition
- **Friday 5th August 2011** - Taupo Nui a Tia - Road Show to perform at TIS hall
- **Sunday 7th August 2011** - Mizuno Half Marathon.

Taupo Intermediate Science Fair 2011

Thanks for all those who completed Science Fair and Technology investigations. It was great to see a high standard, especially you Year 7s, awesome effort! The prize winners are as follows and many of them will be representing the TIS at the BOP Science Fair, which is held in Rotorua on the Thursday 16th September.

	Name	Room	Topic	Placing
Fair Testing Yr 8	Nicola Gebauer & Abby Draper	3	'Secchi Dippin'	1 st
	Phoebe Slee	3	'Caught in a Bad Way'	2 nd
	Sian Vondervoort	20	'The best way to prevent ice melting'	3 rd
Fair Testing Yr 7	Ryan Moffitt	14/ 7	'Is that really my B.G?'	1 st
	Bethany Hoyles	23	'Does green really clean?'	2 nd
	Christina Bellm	23	'Fast runner - big lung capacity?'	3 rd
	Jessica Taylor & Briar Collins	14/ 7	'Yeast'	Highly Commended
Technology Yr 8	Mathew Forsyth	22	'Cumbboot Gaiter'	1 st
	Jemma Isaacs & Taylor des Barres-William	16	'I wool survive'	2 nd
Technology Yr 7	Aimee Calkin	5	'The Vizalloon'	1 st
	Jack Taylor & Jonathon Kidson	8	'Gameotron 3000'	2 nd
	Harrison Painter	21	'High Jacked performances'	3 rd

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Recently the Board met to decide who was to fill the vacancy on the Board left vacant by Bronee Stanfield. As there was no election, we had two parents put their names forward for appointment. After the presentation of material submitted by both parents, it was decided to appoint Mr Paul Wilson as a member of the parent elect, and Mr Jennings to be co-opted onto the Board for a designated period of time. We thank them both for taking the opportunity to be on our Board and welcome their input over the next few months remaining this year.

