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Kia ora koutou te whanau o tenei kura,
te kura Waenga o Taupo
Greetings to all of our families

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Tena koutou te whanau o tenei Kura, nau mai haere mai ki te Kura Waenga o Taupo

Greetings to all our families and welcome to Taupo Intermediate School – “the best Intermediate in Taupo”

“Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results.” – Andrew Carnegie was a Scottish-American industrialist, business magnate, and philanthropist. Carnegie led the expansion of the American steel industry in the late 19th century and is often identified as, one of the richest people (and richest American). He became a leading philanthropist in the United States and in the British Empire. During the last 18 years of his life, he gave away about \$350 million to charities, foundations, and universities—almost 90 percent of his fortune. His 1889 article proclaiming “The Gospel of Wealth” called on the rich to use their wealth to improve society, and stimulated a wave of philanthropy.

On Sunday 8th April 2018, Baz Haydon and myself drove our school leaders to Gisborne for the annual Leadership Camp hosted by Ilminster Intermediate and joined up with 20 students from Taradale and 20 students from Northcross Intermediate.

We undertook a number of Team Building activities and of course, had to overcome individual fears or challenges.

Overall, we were extremely pleased with the outcomes and the positive way in which our students interacted with all the schools involved.

We know that Leadership is developed over a period, with some students having a head start in this development already. So it is our intention to continue to find further opportunities for this group of students as well as giving opportunities to others in our school who were not chosen for this camp.

I share this article, which appeared in the local Gisborne Herald newspaper.

“Ilminster Intermediate School hosted the Combined Intermediate Schools Leadership Camp this year, with students from Taradale, Taupo and Northcross Intermediate Schools involved in a variety of activities over two days.

Ilminster principal Peter Ferris said the feedback from staff and students was outstanding.

Twenty students were chosen from each school and the Ilminster students went through a series of interviews before being selected.

On Monday the participating schools were put into mixed teams and did a range of surf lifesaving drills, including beach flags, beach relays and tube rescue, plus a surfing lesson. The following day they performed army exercises on Kaiti Hill. The mixed teams had to work together to carry a heavy backpack, tyres and petrol cans over a circuit on the hill.

The leadership camp started 10 years ago with Taradale and Ilminster Intermediates and expanded to include Taupo Intermediate seven years ago, then Auckland’s Northcross Intermediate.

“The composition of the group is excellent,” said Mr Ferris.

“We have schools from decile 1 to 10 and they range from 400 students through to 1200.

“Each school selects their leaders differently and that is an added bonus to the mix.”

The programme is about putting students into situations where they work collectively.

“Each region always includes things specific to their area, for example this year Turanga Health included the Heritage Trails, which provide a historical background of our region.

“This was very well received by the other schools. They all participated in surf lessons, surf lifesaving and beach education, plus a trip to Rere rockslide.”

The Intermediates value the two days and the interaction between the staff and principals was another highlight, Mr Ferris said. – Report in newspaper, the Gisborne Herald – Wednesday 11th April 2018

Reminders before term 2

- School term one finishes today and school reopens on Monday 30th April 2018
- Winter uniform includes a school polar fleece, long track suit pants – navy blue non labelled, navy blue woollen jersey, Navy school jacket – No other variations thank you – Any non-uniform jackets can be worn to and from school but not during school hours. Uniform clothing can be purchased from Brandfuel - you can check with us concerning polar fleece tops before you buy if you wish. Black leather nuggetable lace up shoes with school knee high socks for boys, and white ankle socks or black tights for girls.

Equestrian Event: On Wednesday, a group of 11 girls travelled to Reporoa for the Interschool Gymkhana. There were a large amount of people who entered all the classes and we had some great results. Overall Chloe Triggell and Georgie Vennell won the intermediate section for overall points. Our team consisted of Brie Kersel, Neeve Buckingham and Chloe Triggell who won best presentation of their horses. Thanks to all parents that helped on the day, we all had a great time.

Written by Chloe Triggell.



2018 TIS Visual Language Competition WINNERS

Year 8: Digital Citizenship MOVIE winners 1st Sophie Fagan & Skye Barbour Room 10
2nd Dominic Merwyn & Jacob Beetsma Room 14

- **Highly commended:** Eloise Allerton, Emma Hampson-Tindale, Megan Harris, Cassidy Thaker Room 10

Year 8: Digital Citizenship ANIMATED POWERPOINT winners

1st Zoey Brasell Room 13
2nd Freya Moss & Teagan Blair Room 22

- **Highly commended:** Tom Wylie & Liam Trautvetter Room 22

Year 7: Cyber Safety POSTER winners 1st Angus Putt Room 8 2nd Charlotte Rosenberg Room 8 3rd Samantha Weir Room 16

- **Highly commended:** Zoe De Vorms Room 7 Tatiana Fransen Room 25

Basketball and Netball are underway with some awesome games on show on Saturday and Wednesday evening.



To my staff and students, have a well earned break and let's be safe out there. To our parents thank you for the continued support.

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Mountain Biking: On Wednesday 11 April, Alex Aitken, Lucah de Roo, Ethan Staddon, Justin Rainbow, Josh Wigam, Paige Cameron, Gabby Donald, Julia Leusink and Sophie Webber travelled to Te Miro, Cambridge where they competed in the Waikato/BOP Mt Bike Championships. Competing against students from Hamilton, Tauranga and Taupo over a three lap technical and muddy course, the students all put in a good solid effort. Best results were achieved by Ethan, Sophie and Justin who all came third in their year/gender groups. Next term we will host the BOP/Poverty Bay Intermediate Mountain Bike Champs on the 'Tourist Trap' track at Craters, with trials to be held early next term. Students wanting to be in this team should get some practice in over the holidays.

Congratulations

Zara Ranford from Room 6 also competed at the BMXNZ National Championships held in New Plymouth over Easter.

Zara Placed 8th in the final allowing her to race the NZ8 plate. She also won the National Series Champs making her the #1 - 11 year old girl Champion for all New Zealand.

We're here for our youth



Our team of passionate youth workers support young people (12 to 19 years old) to build confidence, resilience and wellbeing.

We support young people in your school to:

- deal with things that are causing distress
- learn ways to positively deal with intense emotions and things 'getting in the way' of day-to-day life
- build confidence, resilience and self-esteem
- strengthen relationships with family, whānau and friends

If you would like to know more about how we can help contact us directly or through your teacher.

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Photos of some of the leaders from the Leadership Camp held in Gisborne at the beginning of this week.