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Kia ora koutou te whanau o tenei kura,
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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”

In my opinion

“Learn to enjoy every minute of your life. Be happy now. Don't wait for something outside of yourself to make you happy in the future. Think how really precious is the time you have to spend, whether it's at work or with your family. Every minute should be enjoyed and savoured”, Earl Nightingale - (March 12, 1921 – March 25, 1989) was an [American](#) radio speaker and author, dealing mostly with the subjects of human character development, motivation, and meaningful existence.^[1] He was the voice during the early 1950s of [Sky King](#), the hero of a radio adventure series, and was a [WGN](#) radio program host from 1950 to 1956.^[2] Nightingale was the author of [The Strangest Secret](#), which economist Terry Savage has termed “...one of the great motivational books of all time”.^[3]

This week began with news of the passing of Peter Nankivell, on Sunday evening at his home in Taupo. Mr Peter Nankivell was an ex- Principal of Taupo Intermediate, and a memorial service was held for Peter on Thursday 17th May 2018 at the Taupo Yacht Club.

Peter was the Principal here from 1990 until his retirement in 2000. A number of staff members and some of our Student Leaders attended the service for Peter. They represented the many teachers and students that had passed through the school during Peter's Principalship.

“Moe moe ra, te Rangatira, haere, haere, haere ki to waka, i te Atua.

The term has begun in earnest with a number of our students involved in lots of activities:

- The **Kapa Haka** group has 160 students involved.
- The School **TIS Band** with 19 members.
- Two specialized **dance groups** practising for 2 x competitions – Dance NZ made and a Hip Hop performance.
- Our newly formed **Musical group** will entertain us today at our school assembly.
- Leads have been selected for the **major musical production – CREEPYTOWN** – (Maverick Musicals Ltd.) When a shy vegetarian vampire princess called Lucy, meets an adventurous, outgoing human girl called Jane. Lucy sees a chance to realise her dreams of escaping her vampire world and her “monstrous” controlling parents. With a chorus of vampires, werewolves, zombies and witches, CREEPYTOWN is a fun and action packed show, Which is sure to bring the house down.
- Time has been set aside in our class programmes for the Science Fair Investigations and aiming toward our own **Science Fair** at the end of this term. This Fair will coincide with our **Parent/Teacher / Student conferences to be held during the week of 25th – 29th June 2018.**
- **Winter Sports teams** are well underway with teams representing us at the Year 8 Netball team playing in a mid-week tournament on Tuesday evening, our Basketball and Hockey teams playing on a Wednesday evening and then our Netball teams playing on Saturday Morning.
Along with this, many of our students are involved in Rugby, Football, Mountain Biking and of course not forgetting our Equestrian Team which had their last event in Cambridge, cancelled last Sunday due to the weather conditions.
- **Mountain Bike** trials have been happening over the past week and weekends, and I will look forward to them competing in the upcoming Bay of Plenty Intermediate Schools competition hosted by us on **8th June 2018.**
- I travelled to Gisborne on Thursday 10th May 2018 with Jess Vincent and the **Under 48 kg Rugby team** to compete in a tournament on the Friday 11th May 2018. We were extremely proud of the efforts of the boys who lost one game during pool play, vs Gisborne Intermediate, but then made the final only to lose in Golden Point time to Gisborne Intermediate. We will be starting trials for the 1st XV team to compete in the Open Grade Competition, and also a Girls Rugby team to compete in a 7s Tournament
- On Thursday evening, 17th May 2018 – We hosted the **EPRO 8 Technology Challenge** for Year 7 and 8 students in this area and the Year 5 and 6 Challenges on Friday 18th May 2018.
- On Tuesday 22nd May 2018 we will be sending a team of Students to compete in the **Bay of Plenty Literacy Quiz** hosted in Tauranga.

- **AIMS Games:** This week a meeting was held for students who excel in one or more of the individual sports to be held at NZ AIMS Games Championships, which run from Sunday the 9th through to Friday the 14th of September 2018 in Tauranga. The championships include **golf** (Monday to Thursday), **tennis** (Monday to Friday), **yachting** (Saturday to Tuesday), **swimming** (Monday and Tuesday), **gymnastics** (Sunday to Wednesday), **squash** (Monday to Thursday), **rock climbing** (Sunday to Wednesday evenings) and **BMX** (Monday to Friday). A newsletter went home with interested students, so if your son or daughter is competitive and ranked in one of the above codes they should have collected the newsletter.
- We often select one or two teams to compete at these championships, along with students for multisport, cross-country and kayaking. With entry and referee fees, for one team alone being approximately \$1000, along with the need for staffing, accommodation etc, teams have got to be highly competitive for us to consider entering them.
- **Epro 8:** This technology challenge competition was held in our school hall last night, with several teams from local schools competing. Congratulations to our top placed 'Paper Planes' Team of Jessica Thomsen, Summer Maulder, Jack Painter and Ben Chapman. They now go on to a semi-final in Rotorua on Thursday night.
- **Cycling:** This afternoon at 4pm is the final trial for our mountain bike riders on the Tourist Trap Track at Craters of the Moon. Next Wednesday we have a team of road cyclists racing at the Waikato/BOP Schools Road Cycle Champs being held at Paterangi.
- **ICAS:** These academic competitions began earlier this term with the Digital Technologies test, also being held this term is Science in week 4, followed by spelling and writing in week 7.

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NEXT COMMUNITY PLANTING:
30 June 2018 from 11am

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Congratulations to Jade Hasse and Lillian Wade who were part of a team of four who won the Intermediate District Championships of St Johns on 5th May in Tauranga. They won against teams from Rotorua, Tuwharetoa, Tokoroa, Putaruru

1st Taupo Scouts

Are running a Preloved Sports and Outdoor Gear Sale at the 1st Taupo Scout Den, Wheretia Street, on Saturday 9th June 1-4pm. Sellers can bring good quality gear along to sell from 12:30pm for \$10 per site. All proceeds are towards sending the Scouts to the Jamboree in Hamilton. For more information please phone Sally Aitken 0277556524.

'Care Matters Workshop designed for families/whanau who are carers for their children/adult with special needs. This Taupo workshop is free on Wednesday 23 May 5:30 – 9:30pm For more information contact Maureen on 0508 726 769 or E-mail samsno@actrix.co.nz www.carematters.org.nz



ICE SKATE TOUR

Ice Skate Tour
Waipahihi School
Fundraiser

Friday 25 May 3pm - 8pm
Saturday 26 May 10am - 5pm
Sunday 27 May 10am - 5pm

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Friday 6th to 11th July 2018
Offer valid until 31 July 2018
NO EXTENSIONS



Hockey team in action during their competition games.
Right: Netball
Centre: Basketball



Epro 8 Challenge



The runner-up Rugby team competing in Gisborne, a well fought battle.

