

# TAUPO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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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, “te kura pai o Intermediate i Taupo”  
Greetings to all our families and welcome to Taupo Intermediate School – “the best Intermediate in Taupo”.

## In my opinion:

*“Today expect something good to happen to you no matter what occurred yesterday. Realize the past no longer holds you captive. It can only continue to hurt you if you hold on to it. Let the past go. A simply abundant world awaits. (January 11)” — Sarah Breathnach, (pronounced “Bon Brannock”), is a best-selling author, philanthropist and public speaker. She is the author of thirteen books, including *Simple Abundance: A Daybook of Comfort and Joy*.*

Welcome to Term three and we are expecting many good things to happen, and yes, we have moved on from last term’s efforts.

We have started in earnest with our staff all participating in a food challenge as part of our commitment to our own Health and Wellbeing – Hauora.

We have undertaken a programme with the support of our Board of Trustees using the KYND company as our facilitators and programmers. Doctor Tom Mulholland heads this organization and recently gave a presentation in Taupo just before the School holiday break. After 25+ years of working in the Emergency Department, Dr Tom Mulholland decided too many Kiwi’s were becoming ill from preventable diseases. He set out to become the ambulance at the top of the cliff, by turning a retro Chevy ambulance into a pop-up medical clinic, which he has travelled around New Zealand in, testing people for pre-diabetes, blood pressure, cholesterol and talking about smoking. Our staff have undertaken the testing and adopted the programme that will suit the individuals needs and help us with our Health and Well-being – Hauora.

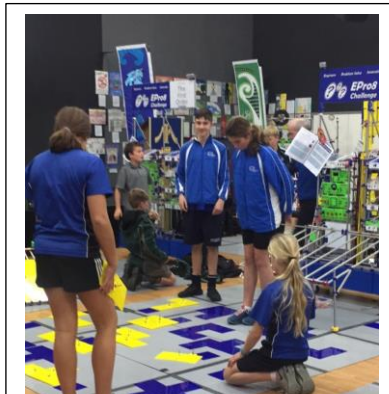
Our challenge for our staff was to work in designated teams and plan and prepare a “healthy, nutritious and tasty” pizza during our designated staff meeting time, to kick start our term. As we are all about “participation” kind of a group, we set about the challenge and came up with some exceptional, if I may say so, examples that fitted the brief, and two groups finished first equal. Privacy laws prevent me from revealing the names of the winners, but I personally want to thank Jo Davies – local nutritionist and Kerry Robinson our Food Tech Teacher for their perceptive and critical judging and our Prize Sponsor the “Mole and Chicken” Restaurant.

I share a photograph of the two winning entries:



On Wednesday we, along with Waipahihi Primary School, began a Cultural exchange with students from South Korea. It is with great pleasure that we welcome Yeongwol Office of Education Students from 24<sup>th</sup> July – 14<sup>th</sup> August 2019, to our school and to New Zealand. We have 15 x students in our school whose desire is to visit our country and our school and to learn about our education system and our culture. We thank the many Taupo families who are providing homestays for these students and without their help these experiences would not happen. We look forward to establishing future exchanges with these students with the possibility of them hosting us in the future, who knows, something good may happen?

On **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July Abby Garland and myself, took the EPRO Technology team** away to Matamata to compete in the Year 7 and 8 Finals for the Waikato/ Bay of Plenty regions. Congratulations to these outstanding students who won the finals and were awarded an impressive trophy and certificates.



Our Basketball teams are heading to the Bay of Plenty Championships today and we wish them all the very best at what is always a tough competition.

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July our new Board of Trustee members visited our school and spent some time on a tour of the school, orientating and familiarizing themselves on how we do things around here. We appreciated the time taken by these members and know they found the experience to be very beneficial. We look forward to a positive term of office.

Thank you all for the great start to the Term, and know that we have many events coming up and we will be extremely busy. We appreciate the continued support, only wish that on occasions we get recognized for our efforts and commitment in the Social publicity, but we accept that this is our job ??

Have a great weekend – best wishes to Taupo Sport Rugby for the King Country finals and to the All Blacks vs our worthy opponents the “Boks”.

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### EVENTS COMING UP THIS TERM:

#### SKI TRIPS PLANNED FOR THIS TERM WHICH ARE ALL DEPENDANT ON WEATHER

<b>SKI TRIPS</b>	<b>Rooms 13 &amp; 21</b> - 31st July	<b>Rooms 1 &amp; 11</b> - 1st August	<b>Rooms 12 &amp; 23</b> - 5th August
	<b>Rooms 3 &amp; 15</b> – 6 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>Rooms 7 &amp; 8</b> - 7th August	<b>Room 22</b> – 8 August
	<b>Rooms 16 &amp; 17</b> - 12th August	<b>Rooms 2 &amp; 14</b> - 13th August	<b>Rooms 4 &amp; 5</b> – 14 <sup>th</sup> August
	<b>Rooms 10 &amp; 20</b> - 19th August	<b>Rooms 9 &amp; 18</b> – 20 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>Rooms 6 &amp; 19</b>

**CENTRAL PLATEAU SKI CHAMPS** - 15th August (16th - postponement day)

**NORTH ISLAND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL SKI CHAMPS** week of the 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August

#### BAY OF PLENTY / POVERTY BAY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS TOURNAMENTS

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July - **Waikato Individual Duathlon**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August - **Winter Sports Tournament** - Mount Maunganui - **Hockey/Netball/ Rugby/ Football**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August - **X Country** – Mount Maunganui

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August - **Duathlon @ Bruce McClaren Motor Park – Tri-Sport Taupo**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August - **Rugby 7s** - Mount Maunganui

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August - **North Island Schools Cycling Championships @ Taupo Car Racing Circuit**

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September - Friday 13th September **AIMS GAMES** - Mount Maunganui

#### NOUMÉA CULTURAL EXCHANGE

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August – 1<sup>st</sup> September - Students along with Colleen Westerman / Baz Haydon depart for Nouméa

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August – 6<sup>th</sup> September - Bill Clarke departs for Nouméa to accompany the students return

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September – 26<sup>th</sup> September – **NOUMEA Jean Mariotti** return visit to Taupo

#### ACADEMIC / CULTURAL EVENTS

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> & Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August – **DanceNZ Made Regionals** – GLC

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August **Band Quest** / Hamilton

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August – **Chess Tournament** – TIS

Wednesday 28th August **Mathletics** in Havelock North

2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> September - **SECONDARY SCHOOLS ORIENTATION VISITS** -to Tauhara and Taupo Nui-a-tia Colleges Year 8's

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September **BIG MUSIC DAY OUT** – GLC

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September – **Aims Hip Hop Performance** – Mount Maunganui

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September – **Tuwharetoa Kapa Haka Festival** – TIS perform

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September – **TIS MATHSMATTERS** Yr 5/6s

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September – **TIS MATHSMATTERS** Yr 7/8's

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September – **DanceNZ Made Nationals** – Palmerston North.

#### Tuckshop Kristie's Kai Lunch Specials

<b>Tuesday</b> - 30 July	<b>Sweetcorn or</b>
	<b>Spaghetti Fritters</b> - \$3.50
<b>Friday</b> - 2 August	<b>Nachos</b> - \$3.00

**Art Club** starts next week, this term the theme is sculpture

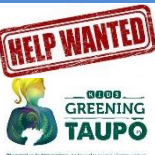
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Aug 3.15 – 4.30 @ \$20  
Permission slips from the Art Room.

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**ENVIROGROUP SPECIALISATION** - I would like to take this opportunity to thank those students who have been involved over the last 2 rotations. Students have worked tirelessly to clean up the raised garden behind Room 1 and plant seedlings – that are destined for use in the tuck shop. A student volunteer group 'The Green Team', will now maintain the gardens and work towards TIS being a more sustainable school. Please see Mr Elliott if you wish to be involved.

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The Taupo Intermediate Kids Greening Taupo group need help from a parent or member of the community that has a Hiab or similar. We need to move a large rock from the Department of Conservation offices in town, to our planting site at school. Please get in touch with the school office if you are able to help