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Kia ora koutou te whanau o tenei kura,
te kura Waenga o Taupo
Greetings to all 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:

“We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget about progress and prosperity for our community... Our ambitions must be broad enough to include the aspirations and needs of others, for their sakes and for our own.” Cesar Chavez is a 2014 Mexican-American biographical film produced and directed by Diego Luna about the life of American labor leader Cesar Chavez, who cofounded the United Farm Workers.

We have finally strolled our way to the end of the term and can be well satisfied with what we have endured and what we have accomplished.

We are no longer Covid free but at least for now we have no community transmissions as the world around us wallows in the virus.

I have a son and daughter, living in Australia, one in Brisbane and one in Melbourne and so it was disappointing to see that Melbourne is now going through a second wave. Yes, as parents we all have concerns for our children and to see this happening again when they thought they were in the clear is a great concern for us.

Our other son lives in Dubai and they are yet to declare their borders open and they certainly are under restrictions during their every day lives.

But I can say that although it might be stressful for us we are confident that they will cope with their own lives and it encourages them to become more resilient.

We are fortunate that we do have a lot of flexibility and I for one am not supportive about the idea of re-opening borders and risking a second wave of this virus. Let's make sure we can cope with the influx we have now, before we start looking at opening.

I applaud the efforts of everyone in our school and community for the work that we all did this term and for that we all deserve a descent holiday break.

We have been heavily involved with **PARENT/ TEACHER / STUDENT Interviews** this week and I am sure that we/ you have all benefited from the discussions and are well prepared for the next steps for continued development.

Our school based winter sports teams have been trialled and selected this week, in preparation for the Winter Tournament to be held at **Mount Maunganui on Friday 31st July 2020** – this is at the end of the second week next term.

We re-open term 3 on Monday 20th July and close at the end of the term Friday 24th September 2020 and as you can see we are in for a very busy term 3 even though there are a number of cancellations of major events.

We are currently re-setting the Term 3 over view as a result of the many events that have been cancelled so we will publish a new calendar as soon as other events are confirmed.

Our Cultural exchange with Noumea, the AIMS Games, ski trips including some of the competitions to name a few.

Thank you

- **all again for you our school community for your endless support during this very difficult term**
- **To all our students for the way you have played your part in getting our school back to normal**

- To all my staff for your tireless work and effort from the On-line learning through to the re-establishment of our school life
- for your many comments supporting my 'Mighty Blues' super Rugby team – your gracious comments are well received. I am heading off for a couple of weeks and who knows what I will do??
Mmm.....? WIREMU

BOP/PB Intermediate Mountain Bike Champs

On Friday the 26th of June, Taupo Intermediate hosted the annual Bay of Plenty/Poverty Bay Intermediate Mountain Bike Championships at the Craters of the Moon Mt Bike Park. 112 students from 7 Intermediate Schools within the Rotorua, Tauranga, Whakatane and Gisborne area competed at the event. Taupo Intermediate students this year excelled with the following top results:

In the Teams Event our 'Number 2 Team' of Alex Arnold, Toby Bowler, Zander McEwen, Ollie Wigram and Antonia Shepherd came second, while our 'Number 1 Team' of Louie Cameron, George Simpson, Finn Wigram, Amber Nicol and Victoria Barrett won the overall trophy. The Individual Girls was won by Amber, followed by Victoria 2nd, Antonia 4th, and Amelia Beavon 7th.

The Individual Boys was won by Louie, followed by Toby 3rd, Finn 4th, George 5th, and Alex 6th. Special thanks to the parents who helped with time keeping, the results board, tail end Charlie duties and generally helping the event run smoothly.

Baz Haydon



Room 16 - Practising their first aid skills



Being soldiers at their Waiouru Army Museum visit -Room 16

TIS Tuckshop Kristie's Kai

First Friday Back

Term 3

Lunch Special

Friday only 24th July

Butter Chicken

\$5.00



Rachel Thompson, Greening Taupo Education Coordinator, helps Greening Taupo members Kairi Marino (R.12) and Maddie Macdonald (R.13) plant seedlings in the raised garden last Friday. The seedlings were purchased with money raised from selling worm tea.