

# TAUPO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

**Striving for Excellence**

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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:

*Ka Whaka-Māui Koe i a koe! Be like Māui the demigod, the accomplisher of great deeds.*

We have had a great few weeks, especially last week focusing on Mathsmatters and Te Wiki O Te Reo. Students spent time learning more about Maori culture, traditional games, and the language.

Next term is going to be another busy one with lots of awesome opportunities for our students; year 8 camps, Abel Tasman tramp, production, TIS has talent, flag competitions, orientation weeks, year 7 activity days, athletics, sports days and many more opportunities and learning in classes. The first week back is anti-bullying week and **Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> is Pink Shirt Day, Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!"**

I have worked with Tash our community police officer and the student leaders to create lessons and have come up with some exciting activities for the week and Pink shirt day. On **Friday, the 16<sup>th</sup>** the students are encouraged to wear pink, there will be prizes for the best outfits. If students wish to donate to the Mental Health foundation that would be awesome, but it is not compulsory as we realise there are families struggling this year with the impact of Covid-19. Have a great and safe holiday, we look forward to welcoming you back Monday 12<sup>th</sup> of October. Term 4 is a time where students need to think about what they want their legacy to be. What do they want to be remembered for as Year 8 students going on to high school or as year 7s moving into year 8. I look forward to seeing all their successes next term and celebrating them at the end of year assembly.

Ngā mihi nui,

Megan Simpson  
Deputy Principal

## **THE FLAG COMPETITION RETURNS – WEEK 1 – TERM 4**

If you want to win some amazing prizes donated by Taupo Businesses, then you better swat up on your vexillology (the study of flags)! Each day during the first week of Term 4, a different country's flag will fly aloft on the flagpole. You need to name each flag and research an interesting fact about that country. The Competition is open to students and staff! There is over \$800 worth of prizes up for grabs! Entry details will be emailed to staff and students.

## **Netball Season 2020**

Final rankings + results  
**B Prem – senior grade**  
4<sup>th</sup> TIS Blues  
Weekly Shield Winners

**Intermediate Champ Grade**  
1<sup>st</sup> TIS Steel  
3<sup>rd</sup> TIS Pulse  
4<sup>th</sup> TIS Vixens  
6<sup>th</sup> TIS Stars

**Intermediate Flight Grade**  
3<sup>rd</sup> TIS Firebirds  
7<sup>th</sup> TIS Mystics  
8<sup>th</sup> TIS Magic  
9<sup>th</sup> TIS Tactix

**Junior Umpire of the Year – Kiwen Gabayan**

**\*A huge thank you to all the coaches and managers  
We really appreciate you volunteering your time to  
help with our girls.**

Taupo Intermediate School  
proudly presents our annual talent show...

# **TIS HAS TALENT**

Come along for a night of entertainment

## **WEDNESDAY 14TH OCTOBER**

Doors open 6pm  
Show starts 6.30pm  
Show ends 8 - 8.30pm  
Taupo Intermediate School Hall

Ticket sales begin Wednesday 23rd September  
from the school office

\$4 per ticket  
**NO** door sales

**Congratulations** to all players who participated in Wednesday nights mixed 6 a-side hockey competition. Players demonstrated great sportsmanship and skill through-out the season and represented Taupo Intermediate with pride. **A special mention to Samara Thatcher, Caitlyn Bennett, Lily Nairne, Abby Rohloff, Madison Prisk, and Abbie Hart** for offering their own time to umpire the Mini, Maxi, and Year 7 and 8 leagues. **Well done to those students that also committed themselves to the 6 week Under 13 Development squad; Caitlyn Bennett, Samuel Murtagh, Mitchell Donald, Molly Dykzeul, Matthew Ford, Ashton Giles, Abbie Hart, Lilie Ishikawa, Thomas Kalan, Sienna-Marie Lough, Madison McCluskey, Lily Nairne, Lilly Negus, Amy Officer, Madison Prisk, Abby Rohloff.** Thank you to all coaches & managers for your amazing efforts time and commitment this Season. We are extremely grateful. Without your support we would not be able to provide such a fantastic season for the players, especially with such unprecedented circumstances around Covid-19.

#### Final Overall placings:

**Tis Sticks- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tis Quick Shots- 3<sup>rd</sup> Tis Fire Strikes-4<sup>th</sup>**

**Tis Tic Tacks-6<sup>th</sup> Tis Riots-7<sup>th</sup> Tis Lightning-10<sup>th</sup>**

#### Most Valuable Players:

Abbie Hart, Oscar Strik, Antonia Shepherd, Louie Cameron, Thomas Kalan, Dannika Grant, Matthew Ford

#### Most Improved Players:

Riley Hayes, Jayden Parker, Ava Twentyman, Reid Gordon, Chelsey Harris

#### Unison Award:

Jayda Nixon, Abby Cameron, Mitchell Donald, Kodi Hansard, Molly Dykzeul, Ben Parker,

**Taupo Intermediate School** took out the title of New Zealand Year 7/8 Champions **DanceNZ made Interschool** competition on Saturday in Palmerston North. The group consisting of 11 girls performed a Jazz routine to Mamma Mia – Doesn't your Mother Know. The group had practiced and perfected this routine for 5 months. It was certainly a team effort with Choreography created by Grace Bilbie, Coach/Manager – Joss Harris and Assistant Coach – Ruth Burns.

**Team:** Kayley McAdie, Cara Collins, Zara Stewart, Riya Patel, Shayley Drysdale, Olivia Walker, Ruby Walker, Mia Way-Ferguson, Aja Topliss, Peyton Leach and McKenzie Miers.



#### Have you thought about becoming a board member for your school?

Come along to NZSTA's **Kōrari Programme** to find out about becoming a board member!

We are holding a community hui at Chantilly's Motor Lodge, Tamamutu Street, Taupo on Wednesday, 28 October at 7 pm in the lead up to this year's mid-term elections. Even if your school isn't holding this election, come along if you'd like to know more about school boards and what they do.

At the hui you'll hear about:

- What is a school board of **trustees**
- What do trustees do
- What skills do trustees need
- Who can become a **trustee**
- How do I become a **trustee**
- Who is on a board of **trustees**
- How is a board **elected**
- What help do school trustees get
- How does the board of trustees **work**

We look forward to seeing you and helping your school's succession planning!

To register, click on this link:  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/116955052711>



**Kōrari** – a programme that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees

#### 2020 SCHOOL PRODUCTION 'AOTEAROA'

Set on NZ's West Coast, the story is of a group of West Coast people trying to stop a developer destroying forest to replace it with a flash hotel and threatening the survival of the Rowi kiwi.

All of the music is written by NZ artists eg: Split Enz, Blurta and Bence to name a few. The quintessential NZ Musical.

T.I.S will be presenting our biannual school production on the evenings of **Tuesday October 20<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday October 21<sup>st</sup> and Thursday October 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Tickets will be available at the start of term 4.**  
**Adults \$10**  
**School age students \$5**

(Tickets can be purchased from the school office)  
Tickets will be numbered so please purchase early to avoid disappointment.

**We will have a lot of construction going on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September and in the holidays, please ensure you and your children stay off of school grounds especially near the field as it is a **health and safety risk** with the amount of trucks there will be.**

Megan Simpson  
Deputy Principal

#### Kristie's Kai – Tuckshop news

We are having a **HEALTHY WEEK** at the tuck-shop. November 2<sup>nd</sup> – November 6<sup>th</sup>. The tuck-shop will be offering 'healthy' foods for the week. Some of the normal foods will be replaced for the week by 'Healthy Options' **We are also extending our normal menu to include Sushi which will be available on Tuesdays and Friday.** (Prices have increased from 50cents-\$1 on certain items) (Copies of new menu are available at the Tuckshop)