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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:

“The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not winning but taking part; the essential thing in life is not conquering but fighting well.” —Pierre de Coubertin, father of the modern Olympic Games was a French educator and historian, founder of the International Olympic Committee, and its second president. He is known as the father of the modern Olympic Games. Born into a French aristocratic family, he became an academic and studied a broad range of topics, most notably education and history.

It is interesting that a lot of people including myself had mixed feeling about the staging of the Olympic Games with Covid and the stipulation that there would be NO spectators at any of the venues.

So, what were the chances that the athletes would truly embrace these games and turn up with outstanding levels of achievements – many records broken and huge success from our own New Zealand athletes. Makes you feel proud of our little nation which always rises to the occasion.

Intermediate schools like us can stand up and be counted as being contributors to the many athletes that have gone on to achieve great things and we have contributed for example in the latest games with Patrick Bevan and Nicole Van de Kaay.

On Saturday I am heading to watch the Bledisloe Cup match in Auckland and will celebrate with the rest of the country the 100th Test Match for Aaron Smith – half back and ex-pupil of Feilding Intermediate School during my tenure as Principal.

We can all be proud of our achievements here at Taupo Intermediate in the last week as we continue to rise to the occasions. All the work and hours that our teachers have put into providing these opportunities can take a bow and be proud of all our efforts.

Friday 30th July 2021 – we took two Basketball teams, Boys and Girls teams to compete in the Bay of Plenty Intermediate Schools Tournament.

Boys team – Shakur Cook, Nehemiah Baker, Lance Wharehinga, Tai Waiariki, Liam Callaghan, Dante Minhinnick, Kashus Kahia, Jade Wylie, Roman Elers, Jett Stanley.

Girls Basketball Team - Tessa Crawford, Asha Owens, Te Piringa Hemopo, Danielle Raikes, Alivia Morley, Meadow Peacocke, Armani Lowdnes, Marion Herbert, Halo Habib

The results Taupo Int – vs Otumoetai – 24-8 win / vs Tauranga 27-31 loss / vs Whakatane 30-4 win / vs Ilminster 25-7 win / vs Kaitao 24-5 win / vs Gisborne 24-18 win. Congratulations on an outstanding performance both on and off the Courts. Girls team results Taupo Int. 13- 19 loss / vs Gisborne 7-18 loss / vs Otumoetai 11-15 loss.



Saturday 1st August 2021 Taupo 1/2 Marathon a large contingent of students, teachers, and parents who participated in this event in several different categories, the half, 10k and 5k both running and walking. I believe it was the biggest number of competitors for this event. Congratulations to all those who participated especially those who can now sign off one more Bevin Docherty Challenge.

“He who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life.” —Muhammad Ali, gold-medal boxer was an American professional boxer, activist, entertainer, poet, and philanthropist. Nicknamed The Greatest, he is widely regarded as one of the most significant and celebrated sporting figures of the 20th century and is frequently ranked as the best heavyweight boxer and greatest athlete of the century.

We have had Constable Tash and John Parsons in this week talking about Digital Citizenship and how to keep safe online. The key message for whanau is to ensure children have other people in their profile pictures with them and that you check in on what they are doing online regularly and that they use devices in open spaces - not in bathrooms or bedrooms.

“We have the can-do factor, and us doing what we do I think inspires people to just try that little bit harder, whether they are able-bodied or disabled.” —Lee Pearson, gold-medal para-equestrian Sir David Lee Pearson CBE is an 11-times Paralympic Games gold medallist having represented British para-equestrianism in Sydney, Athens, Beijing London, and Rio. Over the course of his career, he has won 30 gold medals at European, World and Paralympic level.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Friday 6th August 2021 – Bay of Plenty Intermediate Winter Tournament Rugby**
 - Hockey @ Blake Park Mount Maunganui
 - Football @ Gordon Spratt Park – Papamoa – (behind Papamoa College)
 - Netball @ Tauranga Netball Centre – Mount Maunganui (Cnr. Maunganui & Hull Road)
- **Friday 13th August 2021**
 - **TEACHER ONLY DAY** – where the school will be closed for Teacher Professional Development

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Taupo Intermediate pupils,

Olivia and Antonia Shepherd recently represented the school at the 2021 Skoda North Island School Cyclo-cross Championships held at Ngati Tama Park, Upper Hutt on 24 July.

They both had great results and finished on the podium.

Antonia got first overall for female intermediate school age group and for her age group and Olivia got third overall for female intermediate school age group and second for her age group. Awesome results girls!

We have started our Whanau groups this week which are a mix of year 7 and year 8 classes and a way to encourage involvement, Tuakana –Teina as we are hoping for our year 8s will be role models, competition, and a sense of belonging. The students did an amazing job organising a play for the launch. The first competition is Cross Country on Thursday next week. Students are asked to wear their PE gear and add their colours through ribbons, tutus, hats etc. Each term the winning Whanau groups will receive a free mufti day.



Anime Art Competition

1. Create your own anime character. It must be drawn by hand, no tracing.
2. Art entries must be on A4 plain paper. You can get some paper from the Art Room.
3. You can have one or more anime characters in your composition (picture).
4. Your character can be drawn as a full person or just the head.
5. You must have a background. It doesn't have to be a detailed background.
6. It needs to be in colour, you can use colour pencils, felt, or paints.
7. You can enter up to 3 pieces of art.
8. Write your full name and class room number on the back.
9. Entries close the end of Week 5.

If you would like to borrow art materials, the art room is open at lunchtimes. Remember colouring in neatly makes a huge difference with the possibility of winning.

Have fun come and see Miss Davies in the Art Room if you are not sure about anything.



Taupo Marathon - 5km

Kian had a goal to get a Personal Best on the 5km and he totally smashed it by finishing in 21 mins, and coming 2nd male across the line (third overall).

Congratulations!!!



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THE BLOCK

MINECRAFT TIS

MEGA BUILDS

Enter by yourself or in a team.

You can construct in any style/exterior and anywhere you wish - in a cave, underwater, in the sky—you chose. You have free reign to the landscaping around the house, which includes decks.

The house floor plan, not including the exterior walls has to be 500 blocks and divided into 9 rooms (you chose the size of the rooms).

You need to save a screenshot of your floorplan, divided into rooms. This you will show to Robotics Judges at the end.

Each week, in the 9 o'clock News you will be told what room you need to build. Email a picture of this build to Mr. Elliott (optional) by the end of that week - Friday- to win spot prizes.

You have until Week 8 – 10th September - to finish it. In weeks 9 & 10, you will be invited to have an Open Home (HOST) during a lunchtime (Monday, Wednesday or Friday) for PRIZES!