

TAUPO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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Kia ora koutou te whanau o tenei kura,
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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:

“What I think we need to do is infuse every day and every action with the kind of values we hope will be in the future, with kindness, with nurturing, with dreams, ambition, using your talents, not resorting to violence, other forms of conflict resolution, with humour, with poetry, with music”. Gloria Steinem is an American feminist journalist and social political activist who became nationally recognized as a leader and a spokeswoman for the American feminist movement in the late 1960s and early 1970s. Steinem was a columnist for New York magazine, and a co-founder of Ms. magazine. In 1969,

A sigh of relief can be heard throughout the school as the 3rd Term comes to a grinding halt and we all head off into the distance in search of that place that provides nourishment and peace and quiet, where we can replenish our bodies and souls in preparation for the 4th Term.

I certainly hope we can all find that special place because after the term we have had we do need it.

- **Last week we held our *Mathmatters – a celebration of Mathematics in our school.*** Throughout the term several students have been working on their maths posters and constructing maths mobiles culminating in their display in the hall during the week of the Mathmatters competitions. The mobiles are proudly hung in the hall, along with the posters and on the Wednesday, we invited all the TIS Year 8 class teams to come into the hall for a competition answering a series of problems. During the evening we invited the Year 5 and 6 representatives from the Primary Schools to send their teams in to compete.

On the Thursday we had the TIS Year 7 teams come into the hall to find out who had the smartest Mathematicians. In the evening it was the Year 7 and 8s from the visiting Intermediates and local schools turn to battle it out.

A huge thank you to Rana Keeley and Cassie Nicholson for their work in putting the questions together and planning all the competitions and the big team of staff members who gave of their time – Highly successful event well supported and appreciated.

- **Held auditions and trained up a group of Dancers to qualify for the Dance NZ Made regional** and then they attended the National competition held in Palmerston North last weekend – 23rd – 26th September 2022. The group are to be congratulated after they managed to secure 3rd placing at this event, with congratulations going to Hilltop School coming first and Tauranga Intermediate gaining second place. A huge thank you, Karen Turdeich and our choreographer, student from Taupo nui a Tia - Ruby for all the work, hours, and effort.

Most of these dancers also performed in the Production “the Stars of Matariki” so again, a huge thank you for your efforts.

What a fantastic joy to finish with the three nights of our musical production “The Stars of Matariki” script, lyrics and music by Dr Dave McMillan.

It was a great to see David and his wife and child at the last performance and we also gave him an opportunity to speak at the end of the night. His thanks and congratulatory comments were well received and appreciated by all of us.

Huge thank you to all our students who were involved in the production in so many ways:

- Narrators, Kaumatua, School Group, Matariki whanau, Dancers, Band, Bucket Drummers, Chorus, Backstage crew.
- To our Director - Emma Voysey, Producers - Jon Wood & Rana Keeley, Stage Manager - Stephanie Jones, Costumes – Nikki Morris, Band Rana Keeley a very special thanks for giving of your time to put this Production together.
- There are many other staff members who have contributed in their own way and to them I also acknowledge.
- We have included a copy of our programme where all the names have been printed on our programme, but it has been important to include them in our newsletter.

Of course, through all these events we must have committed and focussed students and for their time and effort they are to be praised as well.

I know we sometimes stress when we are putting these things together, but I am also confident that our students will always rise to the occasion.

These things make me as the principal very proud to work with all this talent and commitment.

These are examples of the many experiences we have been involved in this term, so we are to be thanked for the immeasurable effort that we have made.

I also acknowledge all our other students who have had to endure the many changes and restrictions this term and yet have tried to remain positive and focussed.

Not everyone can be on stage but your cooperation when your teacher has been out of your class working in another area of the school is very much appreciated – So well done!

To all our parents and caregivers, your continued support has been immense and appreciated by us all and may it continue.

To that end I want to welcome our new Board of Trustee members who held their first meeting on Wednesday 28th September 2022.

John McIntyre who is the newly elected Presiding Member (previously known as the Chairperson) Chris Berriman, Bridget Hayes, Jackie Later, Jason Clarke and Teacher Staff rep. Deb Woodward.

We look forward to Term as we head toward the end of the year

Nga mihi nui

Wiremu Clarke



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BIG MUSIC DAY OUT

After 3 long awaited years, Taupo School of Music was finally able to hold the Big Music Day Out. Taupo Intermediate, as usual, was able to support this event.

After a day of rehearsing, we presented 5 pieces of music to the public, along with other pieces presented by the Taupo Youth Wind band, the Taupo Pipers Band (Bagpipes), and the Keynotes Choir.

It was an exciting event with lots of good memories made and we hope that it goes ahead again next year.

Jessica Riley



Tauhara College Enrolments are now done online at www.tauhara.school.nz.

Thank you so much to whanau that have already enrolled. You will be notified shortly of the next step, which will involve a one-on-one interview with you and your child. We will be conducting these interviews in week 2, Term 4 so we can learn about your child and help with their future learning.

You will be sent an email with a login and code, so you can make an appointment to meet with a member of the team, at a time that suits you.

In the meantime, should you have any questions please do not hesitate to have a look at our website or phone **Tauhara College Office on 07 378 9304 ext 01**



SPEECHES

Throughout this term the whole school has been working hard preparing and writing a speech to present in front of their class. From here one was picked from each class to go forward to the speech finals. 1st place from Year 7 and Year 8 will be published in the school magazine that comes out next term. A huge congratulations to the following students and everyone who was involved in the competition.

Year 7: 1st place Layla Penhearow (Room 24), 2nd place Caitlyn Diack (Room 23), 3rd place Ava Mortimer (Room 2)

Year 8: 1st place Frankie Bishop (Room 22), 2nd place Carly Arnold (Room 22), 3rd place Isabella Duffy (Room 15)

Dance NZMade Nationals



Being a part of the Dance team was a memorable experience. Ruby Watts choreographed an amazing dance for our team, and we all enjoyed performing it on stage. Working hard every week paid off, and by the time nationals came around, we were all ready to dance our best. We put 110% into our dance and, coming off stage, we were happy with our performance. The competition was tough and there were many great dances from over New Zealand. Our group was proud of our 3rd place result at Nationals.

By Lucy and Aliya

MATHS MATTERS 2022



Mathsmatters was a challenge to every student there. Mathsmatters is a team building and maths challenge. It is used to test the mettle of the region's brightest students. The students were split into teams of three, made to be coherent math groups that could solve any problem. Luckily for us, Taupo Intermediate School had more teams than the other schools. The teams had to do twenty math problems in under forty minutes. But that wasn't the end. The teams were then sent to do twenty more questions in the individual challenges without the help of their teammates. The teams had to get a joint score out of one hundred and sixty from the team challenge and the individual challenge. At the same time the year sevens were doing their team challenge, the year eights were doing their individual challenge. The night before, Taupo Intermediate was hosting the challenge for the year five and sixes. It was fierce competition by schools right across our community. Well done to all participants.

Written by Ali Sutherland and Samuel Sapsford Rm 2



The Stars of Matariki



Script, lyrics, and music by Dr Dave McMillan

This week the cast and crew of "The Stars of Matariki" performed the show they have been working very hard on for the past term. 70 students were part of the show as actors, singers, dancers, backstage, in the band, or helping with lighting and sound. They displayed hard work and dedication throughout rehearsals (even turning up on Sundays!) and were rewarded with some fantastic performances to show off their many talents. We were humbled and grateful to have had some special guests from the local retirement homes for a matinee show on Tuesday with one of the audience members giving our students a wonderful review and even performing a waiata for them to show his appreciation. We are extremely proud of every child involved and would like to acknowledge their outstanding efforts! Thank you to all the staff and parent helpers that also made this show possible. Well done everyone!



Matariki whānau continued

Rehua (Father of the Matariki whānau)
Haunui: Eli Kearins
Hauiti: Caitlyn Diack

Professor Smarty Pants: Tai Karipa
Bogans: Charlie Simpson, Nina Walker, Michaela Mundy

Dancers

Alice Workman, Jordis Elmiger, Chanel Du Plessis, Scarlet Peterson, Nicole Mawson, Summer Olsen, Lydia Curtis, Lucy Samuel, Clare Mounsey, Molly Strik, Nina Jagger-Bell, Loretta Esson, Aliya Stratford, Imogen Hayter, Zoe Chadwick, Lily Mawson, Lulu Halligan

Band

Rana Keeley
Taika Rose-Dunn
Frankie Bishop
Matthew Elsley
Samuel Sapsford

Bucket Drummers

Aaron Foster
Jessica Bailey
Elliot Turquier
Tai Karipa
Eli Kearins
Nicole Wang
Amy Smith

Chorus

Georgia Brown, Teegan Price, Olivia Spriggs, Charlotte Stewart, Hannah Jones, Thomas Jollands, Cole Alden, Anna McLuckie, Nina Walker, Tayla Cottingham, Tara Morrissey, Carly Arnold, Bailee Sweetman, Jessica Riley, Loretta Esson

Backstage Crew

Jaden Te Mete, Manaia Te Heuheu, Blake Kalan, Logan Maclachlan, Annabel Eyre, Ella Davis, Rhea Bradley, Eva Neeley, Ava Cosh-Tamaira



Special Thanks To...

- ★ Director: Emma Voysey
- Producers: Jon Wood & Rana Keeley
- Stage Manager: Stephanie Jones
- Costumes: Nikki Morris
- Band: Rana Keeley
- Lighting & Sound: Jon Wood, along with Cooper Prater, Layla Penhearow, Liam Watkins-Purvis, Quinn Stevenson
- ★ Scenery & Stage Construction: Nikki Morris, Jack Dawson, Pam Wood, Mark Hadfield
- Prompt(s): Haidee Milne
- ★ Tickets/Programming/Advertising: Rachel Wakelin, Emma Voysey, Abby Garland
- Choreography: Dance NZ Made Group
- Hair/ Makeup: Kyllie Williams, Tash Jones & Abby Garland
- Foyer Decoration: Abby Garland

★ Thank you to AVP (audio visual people), Mitre 10 and Tioho mai for use of your equipment, donations for props and time.

★ Lastly, a huge thank you to all Taupo Intermediate Staff and community for your support.





Roles

Narrators

Ranginui: Aaron Foster
 Papatūānuku: Demi Arnold
 Tāwhirimātea: Ava Mortimer

Kaumātua

Nanny Aniwhaniwa: Aimee Gibbs
 Koro Ken: Amelia Zander
 Auntie Awahi: Lucy Samuel

School Group

Principal Pat: Bailee Sweetman
 Aroha: Tara Walker
 Pradeep: Tai Karipa
 Marsha: Holly Officer
 Leo: Max Hendra

Imogen Fernsby (parent helper): Jessica Riley

Classmates: Brooke Lee, Michaela Mundy, Elliot Turquier

Tohunga kōkōrangi: Charlie Simpson and Michaela Mundy
 Tohunga kōkōrangi trainees: Carly Arnold and Holly Officer

Matariki whānau

Matariki: Devon Meharry
 Tupuānuku: Sofia Baker
 Tupuārangi: Tayla Cottington
 Waipunarangi: Nicole Wang
 Waiti: Clare Mounsey
 Waitā: Lydia Curtis
 Ururangi: Enya Palmer
 Pōhutukawa: Jessica Bailey
 Hiwa i te rangi: Hayley Simpson



GREENING TAUPO & TAUPO INTERMEDIATE

Last Friday Room 2 & 4 students generously helped Greening Lead teacher, Matua Mason, and KGT Coordinator, Rachel Thompson, KGT student leaders, and volunteers, transplanting harakere in the gully as the area is being developed to become an outside classroom. KGT Coordinator kairuruku reo Māori, Hinemoa Karaitiana taught the students about tikanga of cutting harakeke. Students worked hard all morning digging, splitting, trimming, and replanting the harakeke. Andrea from [Blue Light Taupo](#) joined us again to help out. Andrea worked tirelessly with year 7 classes, KGT coordinators, and Greening student leaders last year in the removal of the thick jasmine that was smothering the native trees. Another surprise visitor was landscape architect, Herwi Scheltus, who spoke to the tamariki about the plans he has drawn up from student ideas. The next step is to have paths dug and to replant the understory with native species. TIS Greening students are designing informative signage to go by the mature native trees. A big Thanks to [Contact Energy](#) for the \$1000 prize from Greening Taupō Day last year, which is contributing to plants and resources for this school project.



Koromiko

Native

By Lenni Te Wano



Koromiko is a wonderful plant. It was used by the early Maori inhabitants as medicine and was used by Maori soldiers fighting in trenches.

