

TAUPO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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Kia ora koutou te whanau o tenei kura
te kura Waenga o Taupo

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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:

“People overcoming the odds is actually a really important part of humanity, and I don't think we kind of get to celebrate that as much as we should”. Taika Waititi - **Taika David Cohen** [ONZM](#) (born 16 August 1975), known professionally as **Taika Waititi** (*[/ˈtaɪkə ˈwaɪtiti/ TY-kə WY-tee-tee](#)*),^[1] is a New Zealand filmmaker, actor and comedian. He is a recipient of an [Academy Award](#), a [BAFTA Award](#), and a [Grammy Award](#), and has received two nominations at the [Primetime Emmy Awards](#). His feature films [Boy](#) (2010) and [Hunt for the Wilderpeople](#) (2016) have each been the top-grossing New Zealand film.^{[2][3]}

Recently we in New Zealand have had to work to overcome many odds if we think back on the past three years and yet realize we are only in the third month of this year.

So as our “whakataui” from Taika Waititi, says for this week that we need to celebrate more our people overcoming the odds.

We have several things that we want to acknowledge this week.

- A lot of our students and parents along with our staff at Taupo Intermediate School went along and supported all those “Ironmen” and helped them overcome the odds. The support that these athletes receive from our community is huge and we know is appreciated.

All our students wrote letters to the athletes, and these were placed in their race packs and some of our students were fortunate to get a personal response from these athletes.

- Thank you to all those students who took part in the swimming sports last Friday, your participation was very much appreciated.

Disappointed about the large number that didn't participate, especially when we are the only school in this area that has a geothermally heated pool and heaters in the changing rooms, and we have a well-qualified swim coach, Peter McCullum, who is helping us with our swim coach. Please support this by ensuring your child brings their swimwear to school and participates in our swim programme.

- **OUTSTANDING EFFORT** by all our students who raised \$3000.00 for the flood relief fund with a special mufti day, which we will be donating to the Intermediate Schools in Gisborne and Hawkes Bay. I want to give a special mention to **Room 22 our CWAA class who alone raised \$1189.00** - through their own extra initiatives.

STOP PRESS

We have been notified by our Principal and Teachers unions that there will be a National wide strike for Principals and Teachers on Thursday 16th March 2023.

You will expect to get further notifications as they come to hand to keep you all fully informed.

*William D Clarke
Principal*

T.I.S OFFICE – Parents & Caregivers if any of your contact details change, please call on 07-378-8097
or email us: admin@taupointermediate.co.nz

Fundraising for Flood Relief!

Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi.

With your food basket and my food basket, the people will thrive.



Inspired by this week's whakatauki, Room 22 decided

that they could give out of what they had to help our fellow Kiwis who are enduring the heart-breaking devastation left behind after Cyclone Gabrielle. From all the ideas we brainstormed, we decided on a Sausage Sizzle and Bake Sale. It was brilliant to see the excitement, aroha and initiative of our students!



From creating posters to designing the table set-up for students to collect their food to checking orders and counting money, everyone participated. Even more amazing was the fact that our whanau wanted to be involved too! Thank you so much for the generous donations of delicious baking, loaves of bread, sausages and bottles of tomato sauce. We want to especially thank the Karipa family who gave over a



hundred venison sausages, the Robertson family for their significant donation, and the Mounseys for a mountain of bread!

As you can see from the photos, it was a day enjoyed by all. Altogether, Room 22 was able to raise \$1189 which will be given to the schools in Hawke's Bay.



TIS - SWIMMING SPORTS 2023

Swimming Sports 2023 Elite events

Year 7 Boys

- 1st Rory Patterson
- 2nd Daniel More
- 3rd Jayden Arderne
- 4th Axel Crocker

Year 7 Girls

- 1st equal Sofie Peirce//Lizzy Hart
- 3rd Tessa McIntyre

Year 8 Boys

- 1st Te Whetu Dewes
- 2nd Ashton Spurr
- 3rd Travis Welch
- 4th James Hawkins

Year 8 Girls

- 1st Rhea Bradley
- 2nd Amy Smith
- 3rd Summer Olsen
- 4th Ryleigh Mariu

Swimming Sports 2023 Results

Year 7 relay

- 1st Rm 24
- 2nd Rm 2
- 3rd Rm 13
- 4th Rm 11

Year 8 relay

- 1st Rm 22
- 2nd Rm 1
- 3rd Rm 14
- 4th Rm 3

Overall, Class results

Year 8s

- 1st Rm 1 with 150points
- 2nd Rm 22 with 137points
- 3rd Rm 14 with 105 points
- 4th Rm 5 with 90 points

Year 7s

- 1st Rm 20 with 158
- 2nd Rm 2 with 150
- 3rd Rm 24 with 137
- 4th equal Rm 12 and 13 with 82



IRONMAN 2023

SUPPORT LETTERS FROM TIS TAUPO

Micayla in Room 17 was visited by Marty, a 16-time Ironman competitor. He was also with his wife Susan who has also completed the Ironman 5 times. Marty received Micayla's Ironman letter and was encouraged to come into school to meet her and thank her.

They were lovely enough to come to our classroom and share their Ironman stories and gave all the students a chance to hold his medal. As well as hosting a rather lengthy Q+A. He also gave Micayla his bag that he received from this year's Ironman for her to keep.

This was an amazing opportunity and solidified for my students that someone real receives their letters and if they write a thoughtful letter, it will have an impact on its reader.



Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand

Fluoride Varnish in Schools Program

Fluoride varnish is a temporary protective coating that is painted on your child's teeth. It is quick and easy to apply. Currently, fluoride varnish is usually applied each year at your child's routine dental examination to prevent decay.

Your pre-school is part of a program in which the Lakes District Health Board Oral Health Service is applying fluoride varnish to eligible children twice a year at their school. This is an additional service that does not replace your child's routine dental appointment.

The dental team will be visiting Taupo Intermediate School on **Tuesday 28th and Thursday 30th March 2023** to provide this service.

If you have any questions regarding this service, or you **do not** want your child to receive fluoride, please phone the **Lakes Oral Health team on 0800 525 378 (0800 Lakes Teeth)**





CENTRAL PLATEAU SCHOOL'S GYMKHANA

The sun and smiles were evident at the Central Plateau schools Gymkhana on Tuesday.

Our single representative Evie Ross had a blast on her pony Iced Cappuccino. She rode well and had some great results, despite being in the biggest class on the day and a new combination.

Thanks to the organisers at Reporoa Pony Club for running a fabulous event and the volunteers on the day.

Watch this space for another Central Plateau schools Show jumping day held at Tauhara Pony club run by Taupo Intermediate and Tauhara College.



Private after school Tutoring.

Alpha to omega literacy program will be running from

Term 1 Week 3.

MON, TUE, and Thursdays 3.15 to 4.15.

This program gives practical help in reading, writing, and spelling for children with learning difficulties including dyslexia.

The cost is \$20.00 per student per session. The student may attend one or all 3 lessons.

Enrolments forms are at the office or message me so I can drop the forms off to your student in class. Limited spaces available. Any queries phone.

Donna Shaw 0277113082

BROOKE ATKINSON – ROOM 7 NZ JUNIOR BARREL RACER OF THE YEAR

We are very proud of this new student at our school.

She moved up from the South Island and has been away the past two weeks chasing a NZ title.

Brooke had a very successful campaign, winning both events and the New Zealand Junior Barrel Racing Title.

She had to prepare a speech and do this in front of 200 people, which she did very well.

GREEN TEAM TRIP TO WAIRAKEI KIWI SANCTUARY



Ten students were lucky enough to meet Jackson, the 3-month-old kiwi at the Wairakei kiwi sanctuary last Friday.

Heidi from Kids Greening Taupo gave us a tour of the kiwi egg incubation facility and hatchery.

The students were able to hold kiwi feathers and eggs and be up close with one cute little baby kiwi. The look of excitement on the student's faces when they came close enough to touch the baby kiwi was priceless.

We'd like to thank Kids Greening Taupo, Contact Energy, and the staff at the Crombie Lockwood Burrow for making experiences like this happen.



TONGARIRO CROSSING CHALLENGE

Well done to the Room 1 boys that did an outstanding effort completing the Tongariro Crossing Challenge this week.

The boys performed exceptionally well with a consistent pace and a positive attitude as they overcome the 19km alpine tramp.

Thank you to our parents that assisted. The boys should be very proud of their achievement.



IRONMAN SUPPORT – QUADE ROOM 1



2023 THIS IS YOUR YEAR TO...



YEAR 7 – "STARS OF THE WEEK"

Every Friday we have our School Assembly. Each week we have the teachers choose their star of the week for their own individual achievement. The student is then presented with their "Star of the week" certificate in Assembly.

YEAR 8 – "STARS OF THE WEEK"



TAUPO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL SUPPORTING IRONMAN

TIS Staff have manned the special needs station for 20 plus years for the Ironman on behalf of Taupo Intermediate School and know the organizers and athletes really appreciate the support.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

TERM ONE

Thursday 16th March	PPTA members strike day
Friday 17th March	Room 3 Mount Tauhara Trip Room 7 Mount Tauhara Trip
Wednesday 22nd March	Room 14 Mount Tauhara Trip
Friday 24th March	BOP Touch Tournament Room 5 Mount Tauhara Trip
Friday 31st March	BOP Golf
Monday 3rd April	Leadership Camp
Tuesday 4th April	Leadership Camp
Thursday 6th April	April Last day of Term 1
Friday 7th April	Good Friday