



# 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".***

Welcome back!!! Term 4 is always an interesting time in middle schools. Our Year 8 students have 10 weeks left in the Intermediate school life and are preparing themselves to leave TIS and gearing up for their next five-year stint at secondary schools.

The Year 7's are beginning to realise they have a new role to play within the school regarding leadership and creating the right culture for the incoming Year 6 students. All terms are busy, but for some reason term 4 always feels the busiest.

### **Enrolments to Secondary Schools**

Just a friendly reminder to all our Year 8 parents/caregivers to ensure that your child has been enrolled into a secondary school by now. Next week we will be following up with our Year 8 students to find out where they have enrolled and been accepted.

***Remember - The earlier you enrol the more chance your child's needs are able to be considered and catered for.***

### **Second Written Reports**

Our teachers have been working hard over the holiday period to complete our second written school reports and have them ready to go out to parents/caregivers next week. There will be an opportunity for parents/caregivers to meet with classroom teachers and celebrate their child's learning achievements on **Tuesday 24th October and Thursday 26th October** between **3.30pm to 6.00pm**. Parents/Caregivers will be able to make their appointment bookings online.

### **Noumea Exchange – Jean Mariotti College**

Our Noumea Exchange with Jean Mariotti College students is happening in weeks 3 and 4. We are very excited that this exchange is happening again this year. Thank you to all the parents/caregivers that offered to take billets and completed the Police vetting process. Congratulations and thank you to those that were selected. It is always difficult to make these choices when you have more than what is required. A good place for TIS to be in. We look forward to welcoming them on **Tuesday 24th October in the afternoon**.

### **Abel Tasman Expedition**

At the end of week 4, Ms Jones and Ms Woodward will be taking a group of selected students to hike the Abel Tasman track throughout the following week. What a tremendous opportunity to experience a wonderful part of New Zealand.

As you can see term 4 is starting with a hiss and a roar. The afterschool touch tournament got underway on Wednesday night. Next Wednesday we have our mathematicians participating in the Bay Maths competition in Tauranga. The afterschool volleyball competition is expected to begin next week too. To name just a few of the other events happening.

Special thanks to all our parents, caregivers and whānau for your continuous support and ongoing involvement in your child's learning journey at Taupo Intermediate School. It is truly appreciated.

*Ngā mihi*

*Brent Woods*

*Principal/Tumuaki*

***T.I.S OFFICE - Parents & Caregivers if any of your contact details change, please call on the school office on: 07-378-8097 or email us: [admin@taupointermediate.co.nz](mailto:admin@taupointermediate.co.nz)***



# The Diamond Garden

*On Wednesday and Thursday this week, Room 8, along with Luca and Flynn in Room 6 and Rachel from Kids Greening Taupō, replanted the diamond garden outside Room 5/6/7 in the Inner area.*

*We are exploring Aotearoa New Zealand's biodiversity crisis and how we can help. Our first job was to add some extra topsoil to the diamond garden, which meant several wheelbarrows and bucket trips from the dirt pile behind Rooms 24 and 25!*

*After Rachel gave us a presentation on New Zealand's biodiversity crisis, we got our gardening gloves on and helped plant some native trees, which we were lucky to receive from Kids Greening Taupō. We have a variety of different plants that will hopefully encourage more native manu (birds) and makomako (lizards) to the inner area.*

*Whilst Room 8 was at Tech, Room 23 were super awesome and helped lay down the mulch around the new plants and gave them a good drink.*

*Next time you are on school grounds, please come and have a look at our hard work and let us know if you see any native birds visiting our garden! A massive thank you to Rachel from Kids Greening Taupō for supplying us with plants and helping us plant them out.*





# GREEN TEAM

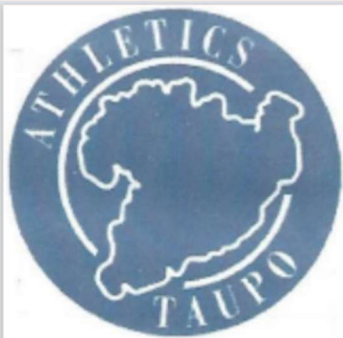
At the end of last term, we finished the planting season with a mammoth effort, planting 120 native plants in our gully. These plants were funded by the \$1000 restoration prize that Contact Energy awarded us for our Greening Taupō Day efforts. In total, we have put in over 300 plants this term, in the once very weedy gully space. A new native forest is beginning to emerge!

The students also planted two of each of the trees representing the school team names; Tānekaha, Rimu, Kahikatea, Miro, Matai and Tōtara.

A massive thank you to Rachel Thompson from Greening Taupō and Herwi Sheltus for ALL that they do to support our gully project and keep the momentum rolling.







# Athletics Taupō

[www.sporty.co.nz/taupoathletics](http://www.sporty.co.nz/taupoathletics)

Facebook : [Taupo Athletics Club](#)

**Thursdays from 5:30pm @ OD Park**

First timers can come have a go for one night, then registration required

3-6 years : Get Set Go Program (games based)

7years + : 1x track event & 2 field events (each week one event is recorded)

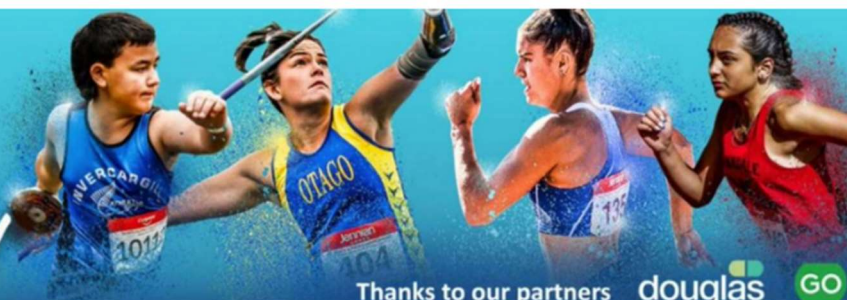
Season runs Term 4 and term 1  
19th Oct - 14th Dec & 8th Feb - 4th April

**New Dates**

Committee members needed for  
this season - get in touch if you  
can help Thursday nights and  
attend 1 meeting a month.

## RUN, JUMP OR THROW?

GIVE IT A GO!



Thanks to our partners

Want to see what the Tri  
Club has to offer?

**Come along and  
try for FREE\***

Various distances  
including a kids race

**Monday night Duathlons:**

- 16th Oct at Aratiatia
- 30th Oct at Taupo Motor Sport Park

**5.30 Registration / 6pm Start**

**More info on our website and facebook**

\*free nights include Oct 16 and 30 only



## Give it a TRI!



fb Tri Sport Taupo  
[www.trisporttaupo.co.nz](http://www.trisporttaupo.co.nz)



# TIS - Boy's class 2024

If you are interested in your student being in our Boys class for 2024, please fill out the application form available from our Front Office and submit this by Wednesday 25th October 2023.

## T.I.S Boys Class 2024

### Why?

At Taupō Intermediate, we recognised an opportunity to target specific learning styles and interests of boys.

We strive for an inclusive and respectful classroom culture, where boys not only appreciate but actively respect individual differences and diversity.

We are dedicated to fostering a collaborative learning environment that resonates with boys' experiences and aspirations, while empowering them to personally overcome challenges.

We know the partnership with whānau plays a pivotal role in encouraging the boys to reach their full potential and pave the way for their success.

### What?

The overarching vision for the Boys Class is to educate boys to become capable young men that embrace their learning and personal growth through:

NZC Key Competencies

A Strengths Based Approach

TIS Values

Growing Capability

Leadership

Cultural Experiences

Competition

EOTC

### How?

- ✓ A Year 7 boys' assembly held where an explanation of the class is shared.
- ✓ Year 7 boys' who are interested then apply with the support from their parents.
- ✓ Year 7 teachers will nominate boys for the class.
- ✓ Year 7 boys' are shortlisted and participate in an interactive assessment.
- ✓ Final interviews take place, when required.
- ✓ Invitations are presented to successful applicants.



Ehara taku toa I te toa takitahi,  
engari he toa takitini

My success is not my own,  
but from many others



**PRIVATE AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING**  
**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 O277113082**

## TIS - Board Corner

**Term 4 Board meetings are scheduled for:**

**Monday 30 October 5.30pm**  
**Monday 27 November 5.30pm**

The Board would like to **express their gratitude and thanks to Bridget Hayes.** Your service to the school and your efforts means the school is in a better place than when you stepped on. We have really enjoyed your involvement and support throughout your tender. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours.

**Congratulations and welcome** to Deanna Parkes, who was elected unopposed on the board at our recent 2023 Midterm School Board Elections this week. We thank you for putting yourself forward to join the TIS Board.

**We are all looking forward to meeting you at our upcoming meeting.**

## ADHD Support Group Taupō

**Connect Share Exchange Support**

Tuesday 17th October 2023  
7.30pm

St Andrews Church  
91 Titirapunga Street, Taupo

For more information or to RSVP please contact:

**Katie Mawson 021 901 593**  
**adhdtapu@gmail.com**

**Everyone Welcome**

# TIS – TERM 4

## UPCOMING DATES

### WEEK 2

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Printed School Reports sent home with students today

### WEEK 3

#### 2024 Transitioning Plan for Local Primary Schools

The 2024 Transitioning Plan includes a promotional visit to our main contributing schools for the Year 6 students followed by an evening presentation for parents & caregivers at each of the following schools.

##### TIS Promotional School Visits for Year 6 Students

📍 Taupo Primary School	Tuesday 24 October 2023	09.30am
📍 Wairakei Primary School	Wednesday 25 October 2023	11.30am
📍 Waipahihi Primary School	Thursday 26 October 2023	09.15am
📍 Tauhara Primary School	Tuesday 31 October 2023	09.30am

##### TIS Promotional School Hui for Parents/Caregivers

📍 Taupo Primary School	Tuesday 24 October 2023	06.00pm
📍 Wairakei Primary School	Wednesday 25 October 2023	06.00pm
📍 Waipahihi Primary School	Thursday 26 October 2023	05.30pm
📍 Tauhara Primary School	Tuesday 31 October 2023	05.30pm
📍 At Taupo Int. for Other Local Schools	Wednesday 1 November 2023	06.00pm

### WEEK 5

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November Abel Tasman Trip

### WEEK 6

Wed 15<sup>th</sup> November Interschool Athletics – OD Park

### WEEK 7

Room 1 & Room 7 Camp

### WEEK 8

#### TIS Orientation Days for Year 6 Students – Week 8

📍 Tauhara Primary School	Monday 27 November 2023	9.30am – 12.30pm
📍 Wairakei Primary School	Tuesday 28 November 2023	9.30am – 12.30pm
📍 Waipahihi Primary School	Thursday 30 November 2023	9.30am – 12.30pm
📍 Taupo Primary School	Friday 1 December 2023	9.30am – 12.30pm

Students from other schools who are enrolled for 2024 are allowed to visit on the above listed days.

**NOTE: Please notify the office, so we can cater for additional students being involved.**

# TIS – TERM 4

## UPCOMING DATES

### WEEK 8

Room 2, 3, 22, 25 Camps

### WEEK 9

Year 7 Activities

Room 5, 6, 8, 23, 24 Camps

### WEEK 10

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Year 7 Prizegiving

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Year 8 Farewell Assembly/Prizegiving

## TIS - SCHOOL UNIFORMS

We gladly accept uniform donations!

If you would like to donate any uniforms, please feel free to bring to the school office.

Also, if you could please label your child's clothing that would be super helpful, as we have an abundance of lost property handed in recently that we would love to return.

Nga mihi  
Libby White