



# 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".***

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Families, Students and the wider community.

E nga mātua, e nga kaitiaki, e nga whānau, e nga taura me te iwi whānui ake.

The term is flying by and before we know it we will all be on our Christmas holiday break. Seven weeks down and three to go. As we head towards the end of the term, we are focused on maintaining our standards and encouraging all our students to be engaged in their learning.

This week we saw the first of our Year 8 class (Room 1 & 7) off on their camps. Next week Room 2 are at Whangamata, Room 3 are at Waimarama, Room 22 are at Tucks Bay and Room 25 are at Tukituki. We wish all the staff, students, and volunteers all the best on their camps and hope the weather is great for all their planned activities.

At assembly this week, we were blessed with Rachel Thomson from Greening Taupō. Rachel spoke of the wonderful contribution that TIS has made to Greening Taupō events in 2023. She also acknowledged several students that have been involved in a number of Greening Taupō community events in the weekends. It's fantastic to see our student's enthusiasm and passion to make a difference to our environment and their community. Congratulations to all of you!

Next week we are looking forward to hosting our Year 6 students from our local contributing primary schools and a number of Year 6 students from other primary schools within our local area. Our Year 6 students will be greeted by one of our Year 7 teams and then they will participate in several activities organised by the teams. Our Year 7 students are looking forward to sharing their experiences with our visitors and hosting each of the schools.

Over the next few weeks, we will be awarding students their bronze and silver awards related to the Donovan Bixley, Bevan Docherty and Principal Awards at our Wednesday assemblies. We will be contacting and inviting parents/caregivers to come and celebrate this success with their child. Please keep an eye on your emails over the next few days regarding this.

Over the last few weeks, we have been working with a group of identified leaders for 2024. Our leaders have been involved in several activities and challenges to show off their individual skills, leadership skills and ability to work in a team. On Wednesday we were very fortunate to have our local Police team come and run a number of drills with this group. It was fantastic to see them mentally and physically challenged during this session. With a couple more weeks of challenges to go, the Leadership Team is looking forward to finalising the first twenty students as 2024 leaders at the Year 7 Prizegiving. In 2024 we will be adding to the leadership group in terms 1 and 2. Thanks to all our leaders for their energy and enthusiasm. Mr. Woods, Mrs Chapman and Mr. Blake are really enjoying working with you and building stronger relationships with you all.

Good luck for the next two weeks.

**Nga mihi  
Brent Woods  
PRINCIPAL/TUMUAKI**

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# TOP STUDENTS IN TECHNOLOGY FOR TERM 4



Congratulations to the students who received the  
top technology awards for Term 4.

They have all stood out to their teachers as students who enthusiastically embrace the challenges that they are presented with in the 4 different technology classes.

These students have received awards for overall excellence or for outstanding effort and participation.

Well done students, we've thoroughly enjoyed teaching you and we are very proud of your efforts.



## FOOD TECHNOLOGY

*We have been growing our herbs all term and finally got to enjoy them today with our Crispy Rice Rolls. The herbs were quite a hit! We had chives, parsley, fennel, basil, and coriander to choose from.*

*Poppy and Shontae were the Room 3 teachers for the final lesson. They were well-versed in making Apple Roses, so they led the session and did a fantastic job.*

*Pungapunga Kirihimete*

**TAUPŌ MUSEUM**  
Taupō District Council

### CHRISTMAS PUMICE CREATIONS

Carve your own Christmas decorations out of pumice with Jeffrey (Programmes and Engagement Coordinator)

**SESSION TIMES:**

- Saturday 2 December  
1-2pm
- Saturday 16 December  
10:30-11:30am &  
1-2pm

Cost \$5 per person  
Ages 5+ (children aged 5-7 must be accompanied by an adult)

**How to book**

Bookings can only be made in person by visiting us at:

📍 Taupō Museum 8 Story Place, Taupō




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# **T.I.S. - TERM 4 - UPCOMING DATES**

## **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.*

## **WEEK 8**

**Year 7 Activities - Tuesday and Thursday  
Room 2, 3, 22, 25 Camps**

## **WEEK 9**

**Year 7 Activities - Tuesday and Thursday  
Room 5, 6, 8, 23, 24 Camps**

## **WEEK 10**

**Tuesday 12th December - Year 7 Prizegiving**

**Thursday 14th December - Year 8 Farewell Assembly/Prizegiving**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Year 8 Graduation Dance**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Last day of school - Year 7 Only - Half day Finish at 12pm**