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Kia ora parents, caregivers, students, families, and the wider community.

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

It was exciting to celebrate all our winter sports teams at our first 'Winter Sports Teams Prizegiving'. The evening involved celebrating our Monday night basketball teams, Wednesday night hockey teams and Saturday morning netball teams, as well as the NZAIMS teams that participated at the recent Zespri NZAIMS Games held in Tauranga. Special thanks to Mrs Bradley and the Student Leaders that organised the events. Thank you to the other student leaders that stepped up and presented the certificates to the players and the medals to our coaches and managers. Thank you to all the parents, caregivers and families that attended the evening also.

Today we farewell Ms. Vanessa Donald and Ms. Sharon Tauro who are both leaving Taupo Intermediate School after teaching for a term in Rooms 6 and 25 respectively. I would like to acknowledge their effort and commitment they have made to their learners and wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

Yesterday we had several of our talented musicians involved in the 'Big Day Out' at the Taupo Events Centre. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to engage with other musicians in the area and enhance their skills. Thank you to Mr. Jon Wood for organising the students and spending the day with them.

Thank you to all the parents, caregivers that attended our first end of term Celebration of Learning Day. It was a wonderful opportunity for our teachers and students to showcase their learning throughout the term. Thank you for investing time and showing your child that their education is important. Thank you to everyone who has helped and supported the wide range of activities that have been on this term. Without your involvement, support, encourage and investment of time many of these events would not be possible. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Secondary School Enrolments – Since our secondary school visits we have asked our Year 8 students about their secondary school choice for 2025. Most students have identified their preference. However, some have identified both. We are working alongside our Taupō Nui-a-Tia College and Tauhara College to get all our students enrolled by the end of term 3. By having all our students enrolled, then we can organise a smooth transition for our Year 8 students and provide the necessary information to our secondary schools. **If you haven't already, I encourage you to enrol your child in a secondary school as soon as possible.**

I hope you all have a restful and relaxing holiday and spend quality time with your child.

Stay safe and have fun!

Nga mihi nui

Brent Woods

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"Make a positive difference through the T.I.S way"

MATHSMATTERS

2024

On Wednesday 18 September, we took on the challenge of judging the Year Five and Six Maths matters. Concluding the briefing, each student/judge was directed to their assigned team; the competition ran for 40 minutes.

The teams worked together to try to complete the questions. Passing their answers to the judges, they were marked and then passed back to try again; if they were right, they were given the next question.

After the tension cleared and the scores were in, prize-giving commenced. The top three teams from both Year Five and Year Six were announced and asked to collect their medals and certificates. Finally, all the students went home, and the hall was getting prepared for the next night of problem solving.

The following night, a new group of students - 16 teams total - participated in the Year Seven and Eight Maths matters. Kids came from as far away as Tauranga and Morrinsville. Firstly, the year eights split from the hall and did an individual challenge in different classrooms. The Individual test was challenging, and all the questions differed. Each question was 45 seconds long. After the individual test finished, we all walked back to the hall. Once we got back to the hall, the year sevens and eights made a switch; the year sevens would now be doing the individual test while the year eights attempted the team event.

The team event was exciting and fun. After completing the individual test and the team challenge, the year sevens and eights met together for the prize giving. During the prize giving the awards for first, second, and third were given out for the individual and team prizes.

Mathsmatters was a huge success and a great way to enjoy maths. Thanks Mrs Nicholson, Mrs Hack, Ms Adams and all the teachers for organising this for us!

By Finn Dunbar and Levi Woods

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TE ROOPU KAPA **HAKA O TE KURA** **WAENGA O TAUPO**

On Friday, September 20th 2024, 41 talented students from Taupo Intermediate School took to the stage at the Ngati Tuwharetoa Taiopenga Nga Kura Kapa Haka Festival. Under the leadership of Charles Holden-Howden (Room 23) and Daetyn Te Rau Te Haumihiata Hurae-Koko (Room 21), our students showcased remarkable dedication and enthusiasm.

I couldn't be prouder of their efforts! Although there were a few noticeable mistakes, they demonstrated resilience and continued to give their all, finishing strong. With just three weeks to prepare, they committed countless hours, often sacrificing their own time after school and on weekends. Many even juggled other sporting commitments to ensure they could perform.

Their hard work and determination truly shone through, making their performance a memorable experience!

*He iti hau marangai e tū te pāhokahoka.
Just like a rainbow after a storm, success follows failure.
Ki ōku rangatahi, my lovely students.*

*I had an absolute blast tutoring all of you!
Keep following your passions—your hard work will pay
off in ways you can't even imagine.
Stay focused and keep pushing forward; I believe in each
and every one of you! You've got this!*

*Kia Kaha, Kia Maia, Kia Manawanui.
Be strong, Be brave, Be steadfast.
Nāku iti noa,*

Waimaria Matete

KAPA HAKA PHOTOS



CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

CELEBRATION OF LEARNING DAY!

On Thursday, September 26th, we welcomed our parents and whanau into our classroom to celebrate our learning. After we said our Karakia, we then played Draw It, Make It or Mime It; Ms Adams would give one person from each group a clue and then their group had to guess the answer. It was funny to see our parents trying to act The Little Mermaid or make Queen Elizabeth II out of playdough!



Since we have been investigating change in lots of contexts, we then interviewed our parents about change in their lives. I learnt that my parents could buy 8 litres of milk or fifty Chupa-Chups for \$10 thirty years ago! Additionally, we learnt that you had to do all your research from a book or encyclopaedia. Another big change has been that everything has to have Health and Safety. Incredibly, adults could send their kids to the shops with a note to buy cigarettes!



Following this, we played a Kahoot on Science and then taught our parents how to play quoits. They were really good, especially Finn's dad and Jacob's mum. Once we were



finished, we then showed our parents the piece of work we were most proud of whether it was their speech, algebra work or Inquiry investigation.

Overall, it was a great day and a huge success. The parents, students and teacher all had a great time.

By Finn D, Declan, Vito and Logan - Room 24



CELEBRATION OF LEARNING





T.I.S. SPORTS

CO-ORDINATOR NEWS

TIS Sports Bulletin – Final Week of Term

Even in the last week of term, TIS students demonstrated one of our core values: **Getting Involved**.

We kicked off the week with the **TIS Winter Sports Prizegiving**, a wonderful evening celebrating the students' achievements and recognizing the fantastic support from our coaches throughout the winter season. "We wouldn't be the team we are without you!" This was the first time we have done this. The evening was led by the students, and it was a fun and memorable event for all involved.

On Wednesday, we had the **Taupo Rippa Rugby Tournament**, where TIS entered 10 teams (5 boys' teams and 5 girls' teams). It was a day full of exciting rugby, with all the students giving it their best effort. Out of more than 20 teams in the Intermediate division, 5 TIS teams made it to the Semi-Finals.

- The Year 7 Boys Team **TIS Rebels** played hard but were narrowly beaten by Hilltop in the Semis.
- In the other Semi-Final, it was an all-TIS showdown with **TIS Raiders** facing **TIS Titans**, with the Raiders advancing to the Final.
- The Final was a nail-biter, with Hilltop matching the Raiders try for try, but the **TIS Raiders** held their nerve and won 8-6. Well done to Harlan Vadjal, Grayson Philphott, Jax Poultney, Taylor Keremete, Rome Holdaway, Jordan Koopu, Reid Higgie, Jaksyn Erutoe, Bradley Smith and Finn Dunbar!

In the girls' section, **TIS Thunderbells** were unstoppable! After a strong Semi-Final match against the Year 7 team **Charging Cheetahs**, they met Hilltop in the Final and secured an 8-0 victory.

Well done to Tyra Penni, Elaina Teddy, Chevy Tito-Wilson, Bryiah Pitama, Heidi Robertosn-Wylie, Dana Swann, Ella Rose Singh, Bella Fletcher, Abby Bell, and Caitlyn Norris.

Both teams now go on to represent Taupo in the **Regional Rippa Rugby Finals** next term!

Meanwhile, our cyclists travelled to Hawkes Bay for Day 2 of the **Battle of the Schools**. The pairing of Ginny Gibson/Lola Bradley and Rory Patterson/Pablo Stewart won the **2-Up Time Trial**.

In the afternoon, Daniel Moore won the **Road Race**, and Lola Bradley won the girls' division. TIS finished **2nd overall** in the competition.

Thank you to all the parents who made these events possible.

Upcoming Events:

- **Volleyball:** A 5-week tournament starts Friday, 18th October. Permission slips have been sent out—please get them signed and returned. Tonight, Taupo Volleyball are hosting a fun session (4-7pm at AC Baths) where students can turn up and just play.
- **Touch:** Starts on Wednesday, 16th October. Please return permission forms as soon as possible so teams can be finalised. We also need a **Coach/Team Manager** for each team—no team can play without parent supervision, so please let us know if you can help!

Thank you for all your continued support throughout Term 3—have a great holiday!

🎉 CONGRATULATIONS to our Rippa Rugby Players! 🎉

What a fantastic performance at the Taupo Area Rippa Rugby Festival! 🏆

In the Year 7/8 section, with 20 teams competing, TIS had 5 teams make it to the Semi-Finals:

The Year 7 Boys **TIS Rebels** came 4th after a close game in the Semi Finals against Hilltop.

The Year 8 B team **TIS Titans** gave it their all but were edged out by the TIS A team **TIS Raiders**, who advanced to the Final.

The **TIS Raiders** played an incredible match, going try for try but held their nerve to beat Hilltop 8-

6! 🙌 Huge congrats to Harlan Vadjal, Jaksyn Eutroe, Bradley Smith, Jax Poultney, Grayson Philpott, Taylor Ketermete, Jordan Koopu, Rome Holdaway, Reid Higgie and Finn Dunbar!

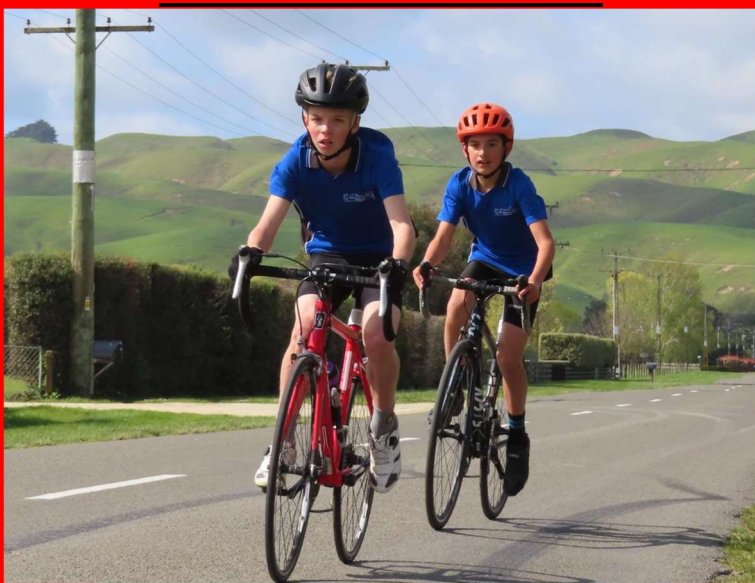
In the Girls' Division:

The Year 7 **Charging Cheetahs** battled hard in the Semi-Finals but couldn't stop the unstoppable **TIS Thunderbells**, who went on to win the Final 8-0 against Hilltop! 🙌 Well done to Tyra Peni, Elaina Teddy Chevy Tito-Wilson, Bryiah Pitama, Heidi Robertson-Wylie, Dana Swann, Abby Bell, Caitlyn Norris and Bella Fletcher!

Both the TIS Raiders and TIS Thunderbells will now represent Taupo in the Regional Rippa Rugby

Tournament in Term 4. 🏆🏆







Netball Umpires

- Jayeigh Cork-Peters
- Avery Way-Ferguson
- Amelia Hooton
- Nickey Elsley
- Elaina Teddy
- Zoe Pearce
- Evie Bidwell
- Aynsley Miller
- Natasha Birchall
- Dana Swann



Hockey Awards

Most Valuable Player

Most Improved Player

Best Overall Player

T.I.S Values



BRAZILIAN JIU-JITSU



**We have finished the term of
Brazilian jiu-jitsu with Tau from
REAL.**

**The students learnt a lot and
had a fantastic time.**

**Ngā mihi
Andrea MacLennan
Teacher Aide
Support Hub**

Volunteers Needed – The Gambler Mountain Biking Event

The Taupo Mountain Biking club are looking for volunteers to help with **The Gambler Mountain Biking Event** on Sunday, October 20th. This is a great opportunity to get another Bevan Doherty Challenge signed off! If you're able to assist, please email sport@taupointermediate.co.nz.

Thank you for your support!

BIG MUSIC DAY OUT

Yesterday, a group of musical students met up at the great lake center at 9:00am for big music day.

Big music day is when talented students gather at the great lake center and prepare with seven hours of practice before performing at 4:30pm to an audience of all ages.

Some students from T.I.S played in the orchestra with their instruments. Some played the Violin the Guitar, the electric guitar, the bass guitar, the clarinet, the drums, the piano, the flute and some even sang in the choir.

A truly magnificent day congratulations to all the participants you played fantastically.

-Kaiah Bosshart



TIS TUCK SHOP

KRISTIE'S KAI

MORNING TEA BREAK – BUY ITEMS AT TUCKSHOP WINDOW

LUNCH TIME BREAK – Lunch orders in by 9am in the morning on the day.

FRIDAY SPECIALS – Students to listen out to the morning news.



TAUPO YOUTH

TERM 4

MOUNTAIN BIKE PROGRAMME

Bike Craft run a 6week progressive programme that helps your child develop key fundamental bike skills and build confidence while making new friends and have loads of fun exploring Craters MTB Park.

6-7yrs - Mondays starting 21st October
4:15pm-6pm

8-9yrs - Tuesdays starting 22nd October
4:15pm-6pm

Spaces are limited to just 12 kids max.
For more information and to register

visit: bikecraft.co.nz or
email: paula@bikecraft.co.nz