



**Newsletter Number: 11**

**Date: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**Dear parents, caregivers, students, families, and the wider community.**  
**E nga mātua, e nga kaitiaki, e nga tauira, e nga whānau, me te iwi whānui.**

Welcome back to an exciting Term two at Taupo Intermediate School! The first two weeks have been full of positive energy, new beginnings, and great experiences for our students.

Here are some highlights from Weeks 1 and 2.

#### **Welcome to Mrs Ida Ngatai – Room 6**

We are delighted to introduce Mrs Ida Ngatai, who has joined our teaching team as the new classroom teacher for Room 6. Mrs Ngatai brings a wealth of experience, a passion for student learning, and a warm, inclusive approach to teaching. She has already made a wonderful connection with her class and the wider school community. Nau mai, haere mai!

#### **Student Leaders Camp – Napier**

Our student leaders had an incredible opportunity to attend a leadership development camp in Napier, where they collaborated with students from Taradale Intermediate (Napier), Northcross Intermediate (Auckland), and Ilminster Intermediate (Gisborne). Through a range of workshops and team-building activities, they strengthened their leadership, communication, and problem-solving skills. We are proud of their efforts and look forward to the positive influence they'll have across our school this term.

#### **Winter Sports Underway**

- **Saturday Netball:** Our netball season is off to a great start! Players have shown enthusiasm, teamwork, and a fantastic attitude both on and off the court. Thank you to all our coaches, managers, and families for their support.
- **Wednesday Night Hockey:** Our hockey teams have also launched into their competitions with skill and determination. It's great to see students playing with pride and enjoying the challenge.

#### **Upcoming Events**

We've got some exciting activities planned over the next two weeks!

#### **Pink Day – Friday 16 May**

Taupo Intermediate is proudly supporting Pink Shirt Day, which promotes kindness, inclusion, and anti-bullying.

- **Wednesday 14 May** – Bake Sale: Bring a few coins and enjoy some sweet treats at lunch break.
- **Thursday 15 May** – Sausage Sizzle & Gumboot Throwing Competition: Fun and food—what more could you want? Bring \$2.00 for your sausage, sauce and bread.
- **Friday 16 May** – Dress in Pink Mufti Day: Students are encouraged to wear pink and bring a gold coin donation to support mental health initiatives. Let's all stand together against bullying and spread a little extra kindness.

#### **Māori Whānau Hui – Thursday 22 May | 5.30pm – 7.00pm | School Hall**

We warmly invite all Māori whānau to our Term 2 hui. Come along to connect with staff, share kai, and hear about current and upcoming initiatives for our ākonga Māori. We value your voice and look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to the weeks ahead and all the opportunities they bring.

Nga mihi  
Brent Woods  
Principal/Tumuaki







# T.I.S. SPORTS CO-ORDINATOR NEWS


## TIS Sports Bulletin – Week 2 Term 2


It's been a fantastic start to our winter sports season with **TIS teams making a strong impression**, particularly in **Netball and Hockey**, with some dominating early wins. As I reminded the students—**great start**, but it's about consistent growth throughout the season. The real challenge is: **Who will improve the most or maintain their performance?**


At this stage, we're still in **grading rounds**, so things can shift quickly as teams settle into their levels. A huge **thank you to all parents, coaches, and team managers** for your incredible support in getting our season underway.

 **Team Communication** Just a reminder that **all sports communications** will now go through the **Team Reach App**. All parents should be connected—please reach out if you're not.


 **Basketball** The **second Basketball trial is tomorrow (Friday) after school from 4–5 PM** on the school courts. Lake Taupō Basketball has **reopened registrations for late entries**, so if your child is still keen to play, they can still sign up to be part of the **Monday night league**.

 **Super 11 Events** Super 11 tournaments are beginning to roll out. Please note that these events are for students who are **confident and competent** and would be competitive in the respective sport.

 **TIS Swimming Championships** With the school pool currently out of action, this year's **Swimming Champs** will be held at the **AC Baths on Wednesday 4th June** and will feature **competitive events only**. Entry forms will be sent out via HERO early next week.

 **Rod Dixon Kids' Marathon Programme** The **Rod Dixon Run Programme** kicks off on **May 19th**. Training diaries will be available for pick-up next week. I have asked all students involved to let me know their shirt size.

**AIMS Games Applications** A reminder to all parents and caregivers: **AIMS Games online applications for Individual sports** must be completed **by Monday 12th May**.

 **Sport Leaders & Lunchtime Sport** We'll be announcing our **2025 Sport Leaders** next week and kicking off our **lunchtime sports programme!** Year 8s—you'll be happy to hear your requests have been answered. Keep an eye on the **morning notices** for event details so classes have time to get their teams sorted.

**Thanks again** for your ongoing support—we really appreciate it. See you out on the sidelines, cheering on our awesome TIS athletes!

**TIS Sports**



# T.I.S STAFF NEWS



On Thursday this week the staff held a surprise Baby Shower for both Emma Voysey and Veronia King to celebrate their upcoming Baby Boys due later this year. There was a variety of yummy food and a basket of goodies for them both.



On Tuesday this week we had a very cool day at school - literally!! Because mental health matters. Every chilly splash raises awareness and support for those facing mental health challenges. Let's break the stigma together — one freezing moment at a time! The highlight of the day was our Principal Mr Brent Woods stepping up (and chilling out!) The students loved every moment of it, cheering loudly as the icy water came pouring down. Thanks to Mr Woods for being such a great sport and making it a day to remember!



# THE SUPPORT HUB

Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu has finished up for the term. The boys have had a fantastic term working with Tau from REAL. Celebration was at the REAL offices with Pizza, pool, table tennis and air hockey.



In Holly's support group, they are currently working on strategies to help solve multiplication problems. The students work together using the whiteboard and other resources.







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**GREENING TAUPŌ DAY**

**5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**We are attending Greening Taupō Day 2025!**

**This Arbor Day planting event and festival of environmental education is on Tauhara Road, from 10am. We'll be needing parent helpers on the day, so please... SAVE THE DATE NOW!**

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# T.I.S TUCK SHOP

## KRISTIE'S KAI

MORNING TEA BREAK 11-11.30am– Buy Items at the Tuckshop directly

LUNCH TIME BREAK –1.30pm-2pm – Buy Items at the Tuckshop directly

SUSHI SPECIALS – Order between 8.45am-9am  
at the Tuckshop directly



**NB: Please note there is no longer any pre ordering of any lunch orders in classrooms**  
**(Please download our School HERO app to view the Tuckshop Menu)**



**Taupo Intermediate**

**School Lunches**

**Yuki Sushi every Tuesday**

**Suncourt Indian every Thursday**

**Order Now !!**

It's simple; all you need to do is register at

[www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz)

and follow 4 easy steps to get started

1. Register an account
2. Add member/s including your name and delivery location
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4. Select your lunch and place an order



Term Two - Introducing the opportunity to order Indian for lunch  
with Lunch online.

Please order directly at : <http://orders.lunchonline.co.nz>

Orders are delivered on a Thursday and can be collected from School Tuckshop



# **T.I.S IMPORTANT** **UPCOMING DATES**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Super 11 Golf - Te Puke**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Golf - Final of WBOP - Springfield**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**  
**Futzbol – Tauranga**

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Year 7 & 8 Epro8 Challenge**  
**5pm-8pm**  
**In our School Hall**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**  
**Kings Birthday – School Closed**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**  
**School Swimming Sports AC Baths**

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Mountain Biking -Rotorua**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Inter schools swimming - AC Baths**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Napier Sports Exchange**

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Rock Climbing -AC Baths**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Orienteering**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Matariki – School Closed**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Last day of school for Term Two**