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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.

Week 3 has been a vibrant and exciting time at Taupō Intermediate, filled with music, student leadership, and great progress in learning and wellbeing initiatives.

School Band Workshop and Performance

On Saturday, our talented school band had the opportunity to work alongside experienced tutors in a morning workshop session. In the afternoon, they came together for a full-band rehearsal, refining their sound and teamwork. The day concluded with a fantastic performance at 2:45pm for their whānau. A huge thank you to all the tutors, staff, and parents who supported this special experience — the students were proud to showcase their hard work and musical talent!

Chromebooks in Classes – A Big Thank You!

We are thrilled to announce that our Chromebooks are now in classrooms and being used by students to support their learning. This exciting development wouldn't have been possible without the generous support of our Board, who funded this \$150,000 investment for 2025. We're incredibly grateful for this commitment to enhancing digital learning at our kura.

PINK SHIRT DAY – Student Leadership in Action

It was inspiring to see our Student Leaders leading the way for Pink Shirt Day this week with a fun and meaningful events including a pink bake sale, gumboot throw, and non-uniform day. Their message focused on being an 'Upstander' rather than a bystander and reinforcing that "It's okay to tell" when someone's safety is at risk. A big thank you to everyone who supported this important Kaupapa.

Breakfast Club – Volunteers Needed

Our Breakfast Club runs from 8:00am to 8:30am and plays an important role in supporting student wellbeing. We are currently looking for volunteers to help us run this valuable initiative. If you're available and able to assist, please contact evoysey@taupointermediate.co.nz – we would love to have you on board!

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.

A Reminder About Start Times

A gentle reminder to our students and families: school starts promptly at 8:50am. We encourage all students to arrive by 8:30am so they can be prepared and ready to learn. Respect your learning by being on time, organised, and ready to be the best version of yourself each day.

Saturday Sports – Good Luck!

Best of luck to all our Saturday morning netballers and the many students participating in club sports this weekend. We're proud of your commitment and team spirit. To our parents, caregivers and whānau – thank you for your ongoing support on the sidelines and behind the scenes. Your dedication truly makes a difference for our Tamariki.

Thank you for your continued support.

We look forward to the weeks ahead and all the opportunities they bring.

Nga mihi nui
Brent Woods
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"Make a positive difference through the T.I.S way"

T.I.S PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS

CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE AT TAUPO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

AT TAUPO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL, WE ARE PROUD TO OFFER A COMPREHENSIVE AWARDS PROGRAMME THAT RECOGNISES AND CELEBRATES STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT ACROSS A WIDE RANGE OF AREAS. OUR THREE PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS – THE **BEVAN DOCHERTY AWARD**, THE **DONOVAN BIXLEY AWARD**, AND THE **PRINCIPAL'S ACADEMIC AWARD** – ARE DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO FULLY ENGAGE IN SCHOOL LIFE AND EMBODY OUR CORE VALUES OF THINKING, INVOLVEMENT, AND SHOWING RESPECT.

EACH AWARD CHALLENGES STUDENTS TO PUSH BEYOND THEIR COMFORT ZONES, SET MEANINGFUL GOALS, AND STRIVE FOR PERSONAL EXCELLENCE. WITHIN EACH CATEGORY, STUDENTS CAN EARN BRONZE, SILVER, AND GOLD MEDALS AS THEY PROGRESS IN THEIR JOURNEY. THESE AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS AT SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES AS THEY ARE ACHIEVED. PARENTS AND WHANAU WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND THESE ASSEMBLIES TO SHARE IN THE SUCCESS OF THEIR CHILD.

THIS YEAR, WE HAVE GONE THROUGH A REVIEW PROCESS OF THE AWARDS AND MADE IT EVEN BETTER! WE ARE THRILLED TO INTRODUCE A FOURTH **AMBITION AWARD**, WHICH CAN ONLY BE ATTAINED BY STUDENTS WHO ACHIEVE GOLD MEDALS IN ALL THREE EXISTING AWARDS. THIS NEW LEVEL OF RECOGNITION SETS A POWERFUL BENCHMARK OF ALL-ROUND EXCELLENCE AND ENCOURAGES OUR STUDENTS TO REACH EVEN GREATER HEIGHTS.

FOR OUR YEAR 8 STUDENTS, DON'T STRESS, YOUR EXISTING AWARDS WILL CARRY OVER ONTO THE NEW BOOKLETS. WE ARE AIMING TO HAVE THESE BOOKLETS PRINTED AND DELEVERED BEFORE THE END OF WEEK 5!

LET THE CHALLENGE BEGIN!





T.I.S. SPORTS CO-ORDINATOR NEWS



TIS Sports Bulletin

Golf Success at Super 11 Championships

Congratulations to the **TIS Golf team** who travelled to Te Puke for the **Super 11 Golf Championships**. With over 44 golfers competing across a 19-hole course, our team had an exceptional day.

- **Chad Atkinson** took out 1st place with a superb round of 80
- **Angus Eyre** finished close behind in 2nd place

Chad and Angus teamed up with **Martin Jung** and **Liam Dunbar** to win the **Teams/Schools competition** for the **Lowest Team Score** – an outstanding achievement.

Well done to all players involved!

Thank You – Winter Sports

A huge thank you to all the parents, coaches, and team managers for your support throughout the winter sports season. Your time and effort make these opportunities possible for our students.



Basketball Starts Monday

The Basketball season kicks off this **Monday** and we're excited to see the teams in action and check out the **new Events Centre flooring!**



Lunchtime Sports – Starting Next Week

We held our first **Sports Leaders meeting** this morning and it was fantastic to see their energy and ideas. Lunchtime sports will kick off next **Wednesday** with **Unihoc**.

Students should listen to the **morning news** for information on how to get involved.

Have a great weekend and thank you for your continued support.

T.I.S STAFF NEWS

STAFF SNAPSHOT

*Hi everyone. My name is Rebecca Ingram and I'm the Learning Support Co-ordinator at TIS.
I'm located in Room 13 and a member of the fantastic Support Staff team.
I am here to help support your child with their learning needs in the classroom, neurodiversity,
resources, and programmes to be adapted, meetings with families to put a plan in place,
and following up on attendance.
Please don't hesitate to contact me if you want to find out what our school can offer your child
and their specific learning requirements.
learningsupport@taupointermediate.co.nz*



*Kia ora e te iwi,
Ko Te Arawa te waka
Ko Putauaki te maunga
Ko Tarawera te awa
Ko Tuwharetoa ki Kawerau te iwi
Ko Hahuru te marae
Ko Ms Brunton taku ingoa
Tēnā koutou kātoa*

If food is your passion, then we are your people! You can find us in the Food Technology room, creating new and exciting dishes and experimenting with different ingredients. We have an absolute ball in Food Tech! My hope is that your child, mokopuna, niece, nephew or stepchild is inspired to come home and cook for you, for their whānau and for themselves.

*Ngā mihi maioha 😊
Calida Brunton
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THE SUPPORT HUB

Beginning of Term 2 Jiu-Jitsu has started well. The boys have shown respect and enthusiasm.



Amazing group work done today in Alpha to Omega with Donna.



Granny readers on a Wednesday in the library. A small selection of students sit with our Grannies and read to them for 20 minutes. They select a book from the shelves and read aloud together. It's a great form of community involvement and support for our Tamariki. We really appreciate our volunteers.



ROOM 17 - GIRLS CLASS



ROOM 21 - STUDENTS ON PINK DAY FRIDAY 16TH



TAUPŌ DISTRICT

COMAVOL

COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEERING EXPO

GREAT LAKE CENTRE, TAUPŌ
SATURDAY 7 JUNE 2025
10AM - 2PM

FREE!

Come and join us for the Taupō Community and Volunteer Expo, COMAVOL!

Find what you can do to help your community, listen to some fantastic key speakers talk about their work and be part of the spirit.

Michelle Kitney



Christine Rankin



Megan Thorn



This year we are celebrating some incredible individuals with our inaugural Volunteer Service Awards.

Come and meet the funders at COMAVOL's first Funder's Lane!

- Sports Waikato
- Geyser Community Foundation
- Taupō District Council Funding Team
- DIA

Come and check out our fantastic line up of organisations:

- Good Bitches Baking
- He Kahui Tangata Trust
- Tidy Taupō
- Neighbourhood Support and many more!

A special thank you to our incredible sponsors



2025 Timetable

Monday
3.30pm - 4.30pm
4.45pm - 5.45pm
6pm - 7pm
Little Creators (5yrs-8yrs)
Story Telling through Dance (10yrs+)
Stage Crafters (9yrs - 12yrs)

Tuesday
3.30pm - 4.30pm
4.45pm - 5.45pm
6pm - 7pm
Art Class (5yrs & under)
Art Class (10yrs+)
Beginner Special Effects (10yrs+)

Wednesday
1pm - 4.15pm
3.30pm - 4.30pm
4.45pm - 5.45pm
6pm - 7pm
Preschool Class
Stage Crafters (9yrs - 12yrs)
Little Creators (5yrs-8yrs)
Special Effects (10yrs+)

Thursday
3.30pm - 4.30pm
4.45pm - 5.45pm
6pm - 7pm
Story Tellers (13yrs+)
Stage Crafters (9yrs - 12yrs)
Lineage (10yrs+)

Friday
3.30pm - 4pm
4.15pm - 5.15pm
Singing
Story Telling through Dance (7yrs-9yrs)



🎭 Auditions are this Friday for Moana Jr 🎭

4:30pm or 6pm in our studio! 🥳

Please note your child must be enrolled to take part in this production 🎵

Enrolled here: <https://act2.corsizio.com>

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)**



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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

and follow 4 easy steps to get started

1. Register an account
2. Add member/s including your name and delivery location
3. Make a payment to have funds in your account before you order
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 19th May

Golf - Final of WBOP - Springfield

Friday 23rd May

Futzbul – Tauranga

Wednesday 28th May

Year 7 & 8 Epro8 Challenge

5pm-8pm

In our School Hall

Monday 2nd June

Kings Birthday – School Closed

Tuesday 3rd June

School Swimming Sports AC Baths

Friday 6th June

Mountain Biking -Rotorua

Wednesday 11th June

Inter schools swimming - AC Baths

Friday 13th June

Napier Sports Exchange

Thursday 19th June

Rock Climbing -AC Baths

Friday 20th June

Matariki – School Closed

Wednesday 25th June

Orienteering

Friday 27th June

Last day of school for Term Two