



**Newsletter Number: 26**

**Date: Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September 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.**

As we approach the end of Term 3, I want to express my gratitude for what has been an incredibly busy and rewarding time for our school community. It has been a pleasure to see our students actively embody our school values. They've shown a strong commitment to their learning, focusing on next steps to achieve higher academic results. Their enthusiasm for the wide range of activities on offer has been inspiring, and their respect for one another and our environment is evident every day.

### **Winter Sports Prizegiving & Kapa Haka Success**

Last night, we celebrated our talented athletes at the Winter Sports Prizegiving, where we recognized students who competed in a wide range of after-school and Saturday morning sports, as well as our NZAIMS participants. Thank you to all the dedicated team coaches and managers for your time and commitment, and to all the parents, caregivers, and whānau for your unwavering support throughout the winter season. A special thanks goes to Sam Bradley for her hard work coordinating our winter sports, and to our sports leaders for their excellent job leading the ceremony.

What a fitting way to celebrate 'Te Wiki o te Reo Māori'! We were all so very proud of our Taupō Intermediate 'Te Tira Kapa Haka o Taupō Taniwha' who gave a truly amazing performance at the Ngāti Tūwharetoa Taioenga Kapa Haka Festival today. You were incredible! A huge thank you to Ida Ngatai for her mahi and aroha, which helped our kapa haka group reach such a high standard of performance.

### **Dance NZ Made Nationals**

This weekend, we wish our solo dancers and the Purple Hats troupe the very best of luck as they compete at the Dance NZ Made Nationals in Palmerston North. We are incredibly proud of their dedication and hard work and know they will represent our school with pride. Good luck!

### **Successful Lockdown Practice**

This week, we also successfully completed our annual lockdown practice with Harrison Tew. Their team was on-site to help us facilitate the procedures and reinforce the importance of understanding why lockdowns happen. It's important for us all to remember that these events can be triggered by a variety of reasons, from something simple like a dog on school grounds or a bee swarm, to a more serious safety matter or a police request.

I am very proud of how our staff and students handled the practice. Their quick and calm response was a testament to their preparation, and we will be working on a few minor points identified during the practice to make sure we are as prepared as we can be for any future situation.

Have a wonderful weekend.

**Ngā mihi  
Brent Woods  
Principal/Tumuaki**



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## CO-ORDINATOR NEWS

### Wow – what a busy week!

Last night we had the **Winter Sports Prize Evening**. Thank you so much to everyone who attended – it was an awesome night, and we are so proud of our Sports Leaders for the fantastic job they did organising it. Congratulation to award winners and thank you to the coaches/team managers. Photos and more details will be shared in next week's newsletter.

It is now time to close the chapter on the **AIMS Games 2025**. As you will have seen on our Facebook posts, it was an incredible week. Our students performed brilliantly in their sports, showing that the hard work and dedication they put into training truly paid off.

- **Teams** stood strong against much bigger and more experienced schools, proving that belief, teamwork, and determination can overcome challenges.
- **Individual athletes** dug deep to produce season-best performances, break personal bests, and even reach the podium.
- A real highlight was the **camaraderie** between our teams. Students made the effort to support one another whenever possible, showing the true TIS spirit both on and off the field.

A huge thank you goes out to all our **coaches and team managers** who gave up their week to guide, support, and look after the students.

Your efforts are so valued and deeply appreciated.

### Looking ahead:

- **Volleyball sign-ups** are open in the Sports Office until the end of Monday.
- Next week, we have the **Rippa Rugby Tournament** (Tuesday 16th September at OD park) Teams and details are posted. We're looking forward to a great day to finish off what has been a truly outstanding term of sport!

# NZ AIMS GAMES RESULTS

|                        |  |                     |                                       |
|------------------------|--|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>AIMS GAMES</b>      |  |                     |                                       |
|                        |  |                     |                                       |
| <b>Mountain Biking</b> | <b>Lola Bradley</b>                    | <b>1st</b>          | <b>Yr 8 Girls</b>                     |
|                        | <b>Stanley Newman</b>                  | <b>1st</b>          | <b>Yr 7 Boys</b>                      |
|                        | <b>Lola. Stanley and Pablo Stewart</b> | <b>1st</b>          | <b>Team</b>                           |
|                        |  |                     |                                       |
|                        | <b>Pablo Stewart</b>                   | <b>4th</b>          | <b>Yr 8 Boys</b>                      |
|                        | <b>Ginny Gibson</b>                    | <b>4th</b>          | <b>Yr 8 Girls</b>                     |
|                        | <b>Cooper Marriott</b>                 | <b>30th</b>         | <b>Yr 7 Girls</b>                     |
|                        |  |                     |                                       |
| <b>BMX</b>             | <b>Khalia Crocker</b>                  | <b>3rd</b>          | <b>TT</b>                             |
|                        |  | <b>8th</b>          | <b>Racing</b>                         |
|                        |  |                     |                                       |
| <b>Gymnastics</b>      | <b>Isobel Woods</b>                    | <b>1st</b>          | <b>Artistic Girls Open WAG Step 2</b> |
|                        | <b>Faith Egan</b>                      | <b>2nd</b>          |                                       |
|                        | <b>Mackenzie Streeter</b>              | <b>2nd in vault</b> | <b>Novice Level 3 Regional Rec</b>    |
|                        | <b>Charlotte Barnett</b>               |                     |                                       |
|                        | <b>Nyla Grigg</b>                      | <b>10th</b>         | <b>Artistic level 4</b>               |
|                        |  |                     |                                       |
| <b>Golf</b>            | <b>Chad Atkinson</b>                   | <b>5th</b>          |                                       |
|                        |  |                     |                                       |
| <b>Orienteering</b>    | <b>Ginny Gibson</b>                    | <b>50th</b>         | <b>Year 8 Girls</b>                   |
|                        | <b>Kiara Bullock</b>                   | <b>TBC</b>          | <b>Year 8 Girls</b>                   |
|                        |  |                     |                                       |
| <b>Indoor Bowls</b>    | <b>Mikayla Blackburn</b>               |                     | <b>Singles</b>                        |
|                        |  |                     |                                       |
| <b>Swimming</b>        | <b>Jack Simpson</b>                    | <b>Top 17</b>       | <b>Yr 8 Boys</b>                      |
|                        | <b>Max Peirce</b>                      | <b>Top 20</b>       | <b>Yr 8 Girls</b>                     |
|                        | <b>Ella Newth</b>                      | <b>PB'S</b>         | <b>Yr 7 Girls</b>                     |
|                        | <b>Shiloh McQuinlan</b>                | <b>PB's</b>         | <b>Yr 7 Girls</b>                     |
|                        | <b>Te Rerewai Meihana</b>              | <b>Top 15</b>       | <b>Yr 8 Girls</b>                     |
|                        |  |                     |                                       |
| <b>Cross Country</b>   | <b>Kiara Bullock</b>                   | <b>20th</b>         | <b>Year 8 Girls</b>                   |
|                        | <b>Te Rerewai Meihana</b>              |                     |                                       |
|                        | <b>Pablo Stewart</b>                   | <b>30th</b>         | <b>Year 8 Boys</b>                    |
|                        | <b>Jack Gibson</b>                     |                     | <b>Year 7 Boys</b>                    |

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| <b>NETBALL</b>             | <b>Winner of B Grade</b>   |               |
| Lola Bradley               | 32nd out of 130 teams      |               |
| Jayleigh Corke Peters      |                            |               |
| Abbey Smith                |                            |               |
| Lily Te Heu Heu            |                            |               |
| Krystal Thrussell          |                            |               |
| Te Rerewai Meihana         |                            |               |
| Jacoli Nortje              |                            |               |
| Kiara Bullock              |                            |               |
| Eva Higgie                 |                            |               |
| <b>Evie Biddwell</b>       | <b>Sportsmanship Award</b> |               |
|                            |                            |               |
| Julia Panoa                | Yolandi Nortje             | Oliva Spriggs |
|                            | Rachel Te Heu Heu          |               |
|                            |                            |               |
| MVP                        | Lola Bradley               |               |
| MIP                        | Lily Te Heu Heu            |               |
| TIS Values                 | Kiara Bullock              |               |
| Sportsmanship Medal        | Evie Bidwell               |               |
|                            |                            |               |
| <b>RUGBY</b>               | <b>5th out of 42 teams</b> |               |
| Paddy Parkes               |                            |               |
| Te Ramora Ormsby           |                            |               |
| Te Omeka Ormsby            |                            |               |
| Brooke Mercer              |                            |               |
| Declan Penn                |                            |               |
| Lucas Bennett              |                            |               |
| Zach Young                 |                            |               |
| Hunter Tazewell            |                            |               |
| Jackson Wilson             |                            |               |
| Lachley Burley             |                            |               |
| Hector Martin              |                            |               |
| Josef Arnold               |                            |               |
| AJ Broadbent               |                            |               |
|                            |                            |               |
| Don Arnold                 | Deanne Parkes              |               |
|                            | Roschelle Ormsby           |               |
| <b>MVP</b>                 | <b>Lucas Bennett</b>       |               |
| <b>MIP</b>                 | <b>Zach Young</b>          |               |
| <b>TIS Values</b>          | <b>Te Omeka Ormsby</b>     |               |
| <b>Sportsmanship Medal</b> |                            |               |

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| <b>HOCKEY</b>               |                         |             |
| Angus Eyre                  |                         |             |
| Liam Dunbar                 |                         |             |
| Justin Sainsbury            |                         |             |
| Kyle Wrigley                |                         |             |
| Tristan O'Reilly            |                         |             |
| Sophie Lyons                |                         |             |
| Chloe Gregory               |                         |             |
| Kauri Crabb                 |                         |             |
|                             |                         |             |
| Scott Wrigley               | Yolandi O'Reilly        | Cam Wrigley |
| <b>MVP</b>                  | <b>Angus Eyre</b>       |             |
| <b>MIP</b>                  | <b>Kauri Crabb</b>      |             |
| <b>TIS Values</b>           | <b>Zoe Stafford</b>     |             |
| <b>Sportsmanship Medal</b>  | <b>Kyle Wriggley</b>    |             |
| <b>Positive Vibes Award</b> | <b>Tristan O'Reilly</b> |             |
|                             |                         |             |
| <b>BASKETBALL</b>           |                         |             |
| Ted Robertson               |                         |             |
| Mason Elers                 |                         |             |
| Max Martilli                |                         |             |
| Charlie Saville             |                         |             |
| Casey Williams              |                         |             |
| Matthew Smith               |                         |             |
| Layken Boyd                 |                         |             |
| Cooper Elers                |                         |             |
| Finn McCollough             |                         |             |
| Cassidy Jutzen              |                         |             |
| Casey Williams              |                         |             |
| Charlie Christmas           |                         |             |
|                             |                         |             |
| Shiloh Elers                | Chelsie Robertson       |             |
|                             |                         |             |
| <b>MVP</b>                  | <b>Angus Eyre</b>       |             |
| <b>MIP</b>                  | <b>Kauri Crabb</b>      |             |
| <b>TIS Values</b>           | <b>Zoe Stafford</b>     |             |
| <b>Sportsmanship Medal</b>  | <b>Kyle Wrigley</b>     |             |







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## PHOTOS



ZESPRI AIMS GAMES 2025



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# THE SUPPORT HUB

**Students at Young Pioneers have been busy building garden beds for the community, what a great way to follow our TIS values.**

**The boy's jiu-jitsu group have been working hard and ticking off goals supporting them becoming the best version of themselves.**

**Another TIS value (Involved) being worked on.**



**Youth town come onto our school on a Monday to support a variety of students in social situations. This group of boys are working together to build a kart (Fred Flinstone style). They learnt how to tie strong knots and lash the poles together. They then had turns riding it down a hill. Great teamwork boys.**





## **TAUPŌ JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL**

### **FRIDAY COMPETITION**

The competition will run for 6 weeks (with a break at Labour weekend) and teams will play on the big courts. This is being hosted by Taupō Volleyball Club.

**If you wish to sign up, please put your full name, room number & year down on the form first thing in the morning, at interval or lunchtime. Forms located on the desk in the sports office.**

Please find below all the information required. All games are played on a **Friday night**.

#### **DATES:**

- 10<sup>th</sup> October
- 17<sup>th</sup> **BREAK (Labour weekend – no game)**
- 24<sup>th</sup> October
- 31<sup>st</sup> October
- 7<sup>th</sup> November
- 14<sup>th</sup> November
- 21<sup>st</sup> November

#### **COST:**

\$20 per student. and a permission letter will go out next week.

#### **PLACE & TIME:**

- Friday nights at Taupo Events Centre, 4pm - 6.00pm.

#### **WHAT TO BRING:**

- School PE uniform – Black shorts & blue PE top
- Sneakers (non-marking soles) or bare feet – **no socks, crocs, scuffs or jandals allowed**
- Drink bottle

#### **OTHER:**

- We may need some parents to help manage a team. This will be on the permission slip sent home.
- Students need to sign up by this Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September so teams can be put together. Apologies for the short notice but we have just been advised of the date.

**Prize Giving** - Participation Certificates will be provided, together with Awards for winning teams. This will take place at the completion of the final games.

The primary focus is to provide an environment for year 7&8 children to play lots of fun volleyball.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact myself or Sam Bradley.

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Sam Bradley - [sport@taupointermediate.co.nz](mailto:sport@taupointermediate.co.nz)

# **TI.S IMPORTANT** **UPCOMING DATES**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September & Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

**Dance NZ Made Nationals – Regent on Broadway,  
Palmerston North**

**13<sup>th</sup> September – She Shines On Solos.  
Junior, Intermediate & Senior Teams**

**14<sup>th</sup> September – Wake Up & Dance,  
Duos & Trios**

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

**Kiwi Sport Rippa Rugby  
Year 8 Vaccinations  
9am-12noon in the Hall**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

**Big Music Day Out**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September**

**Last day of Term 3**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October**

**First day of Term 4**