



# TAURANGA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL



**Kia ora parents, whānau and caregivers.**

Welcome back after what we hope has been a great summer for your whānau. A special welcome to the Tauranga Intermediate School community to all new students and whānau.

Our team is feeling refreshed and ready to go for the 2022 school year and we are looking forward to welcoming all students back onsite next week. I'd like to emphasise the importance that all students are at school, unless unwell.

Year 8 students start on Tuesday 1st February and Year 7 students on Wednesday 2nd February. We will have plenty of staff and student leaders onsite to support and direct students to their classrooms. Due to being at RED setting, please do not accompany your child onsite. We recommend parking at Fraser Cove, Grace Road or 18th Avenue, if travelling by car.

In regard to COVID-19, we have moved fully into the new traffic light framework for all our school activities and events this year. It is important for you to know that at Red setting, we are able to safely support everyone's learning onsite.

## Face coverings

Staff and children in Years 4 – 13 must wear face coverings when inside at school when we are in the Red setting. This will apply to our students when indoors only. Our staff are prepared to help and support some students who may find this difficult for the first few days. Plenty of breaks outside in the fresh air will be provided to help staff and students adjust to wearing a mask for long periods of time.

Public health advice is that an appropriate face covering will fit snugly and seal well around facial contours. This can include single use, disposable masks (medical masks) and reusable fabric masks with three layers.

## SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Phone: 07-578 4401 (absences)

TIS Facebook Page

[www.facebook.com/TaurangaInt](https://www.facebook.com/TaurangaInt)

Tauranga Intermediate Website  
[www.tauranga-int.school.nz](http://www.tauranga-int.school.nz)

Bus queries contact Mike Bibby  
[mikeb@tauranga-int.school.nz](mailto:mikeb@tauranga-int.school.nz)

TIS App - In App Store search  
SchoolAppsNZ

In the app search for  
Tauranga Intermediate School

Any other questions/queries  
contact the classroom  
teacher.

<http://www.tauranga-int.school.nz/About-Us/Staff>



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## **Buses**

An important bus meeting will be held on the first day of school for both Year 7 and Year 8 students. Mr Bibby will clearly outline bus procedures and expectations, so that all students feel comfortable and safe catching the bus. Please check out our school's website under General Information- Transport- Read More, for specific bus route information.

## **Events and activities**

Under the Red setting we will not be having large indoor events or gatherings of students like assemblies.

## **Camp**

Our school camps at Ngamuwahine Lodge will safely go ahead. We have exclusive use of our own camp, which is run by our own camp staff. Our camp has excellent health and safety procedures and is an annual highlight for most students. Class teachers will inform whānau of when their class is going on Camp within the next few weeks.

## **Communication**

Your child's classroom teacher is always available to answer any queries you may have and where possible, should always be your first point of contact. You will receive information from them and their House team on a regular basis. Please join your child's House Facebook page as well as following our Tauranga Intermediate School page. Other mediums of communication are our school app and schoolwide emails (please always check your spam folder). A more formal school newsletter will be sent home twice a term. Please also take time to explore our school's website, which gives a comprehensive overview of our school.

[Click here](#) for more information on how to download the school app and access our TIS Facebook pages.

**Finally, please make sure your contact details we have on file are always up to date, so we can get in touch with you if needed.**

**Ngā mihi nui,  
Cameron Mitchell**

# KIMIHI KIA TAEA

EXPLORE AND ACHIEVE