



Kia ora Parents, Whānau and Caregivers,

Term 1, Week 2

A very warm welcome to the 2024 school year, especially all new whānau to the Tauranga Intermediate School community. The school year has started in a very positive fashion with our students settling into their classrooms and learning. It is obvious to see each House developing a sense of pride as our fantastic teachers set up students for an exciting year.

Communication - If you haven't already had the chance to, we recommend taking a good look at our school website, as this contains a lot of useful information. All important school newsletters and updates will come out via our school management system HERO and will be posted on our TIS Facebook page.

It is important to communicate if you have any frustrations or burning questions. These should, in the first instance, be directed to your child's classroom teacher. Please do not post these frustrations on our school's Facebook page.

Whānau 'Back to School' Evening: We look forward to seeing you all tonight. This will commence at 6.00 p.m in the Hall and then whānau will be invited back into classrooms and House areas so that you get to know the staff and learn about day to day organisation that is in place to support your child. We aim to have the evening wrapped up by 7.30 p.m

Whānau Learning Conferences: These will be held in Week 8 on the 18th and 19th March. These provide an important opportunity to learn more about your child's learning. More information will be provided about how to book these in the coming weeks.

HERO: Our school Student Management System is called HERO. We ask all whānau to create an account as this will be our way of communicating all school information and events via the Community Feed. Teachers will be using this to provide information about upcoming Technology classes and the requirements for these, Camp information, House events and class events. Through HERO you will be able to view your child's learning. All students will be creating posts of their learning and progress - these are only visible to whānau and the classroom teacher. HERO will be used for reporting and for Whānau and Student Led Conference bookings further on in the year. HERO is also your way to report absences. If you have not signed up and created your account, please follow the link below:

<https://linc-ed-hero.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360026349934-Logging-into-Hero-Information-for-Families>

It is very important you sign up with the **same email** you have used in your child's enrolment. If your email has changed please notify the school office so it can be changed - you will not be able to access HERO if the email addresses do not connect.





Phones: Students are not permitted to bring a phone to school unless they have received permission from Whaea Cheri. Please email cherig@tauranga-int.school.nz if your child/ren needs to bring a phone. Permission is only given in exceptional circumstances.

Sport: Term one is an exciting one with sports registrations being sent out for 5 aside football, golf, gymnastics, hip hop, squash, tennis, super league and kiwi volleyball, and water polo. Be in quick with these as they do tend to fill up. Unfortunately, Saturday cricket will not be run out of school any longer and we encourage cricketers to join Greerton or Cadets cricket clubs.

TIS Swimming Sports Champs are open to all students who can swim competently over 50m. Houses have their own swimming sports throughout the year that are targeted more at participation. Our swimming sports will held at Greerton Aquatic Centre on Wednesday 6th March.

Super 11 events are inter-school competitions where students get the opportunity to compete against 11 intermediate schools from the Bay of Plenty and Poverty Bay including Gisborne, Taupo etc. These events involve a selection or trial process.

Winter code trials will get underway in the coming weeks including basketball, hockey, and netball. Please encourage your child to keep an eye on the notices if they are interested in any of these codes.

Teaching and Learning: Turangawaewae is our first 'Roadmap' for 2024. Our Roadmaps are contextual inquiry learning and provide the platform for most learning experiences in the classroom, including from the Science and Social Sciences curriculum. Turangawaewae are our foundation, our place in the world, our home. They are our places where we feel especially empowered and connected. In this Roadmap students will be:

- Understanding their place in Tauranga Intermediate: Class, House, School (STARS), Community. This is their home away from home.
- Sharing their pepeha and the places that make them feel connected.
- Learning the history of Te Maro.
- Visiting Mauao and sharing the histories and stories of the land and people.
- Exploring local and national stories and histories.
- Thinking about questions such as: What specific place or area do you have a special connection to and why? How does your Turangawaewae shape your worldview? What are the significant places within our local area? How are our local landmarks connected to historical events and what are the different perspectives people may have?

Literacy, Numeracy and PE/Health are the core of the academic programme in all classrooms and are integrated with the Roadmap for best learning outcomes.





Attendance - We ask for your support to ensure that your child is at school every day. If you need support to get your child to school, please contact their teacher for assistance. Together, we can raise their achievement and social interactions if we have them here every day.

Fraser Cove - A reminder that students are not allowed to visit Burger King, The Warehouse, DKs or Countdown before school and after school, unless they are accompanied by a caregiver.

School Driveway - We request as a safety precaution, that parents do not drive down the driveway to drop off or pick up their children before and after school.

Thank you all for your support in 2024.

Ngā mihi nui,
Cameron Mitchell - Principal/Tumuaki

Uniform Expectations - Yes



Plain Black Shoes



Small plain
Sleeper



Small plain silver or
gold Stud



Taonga



Plain Black Sandal with
back strap



Black "Birkenstock" style
sandals with backstrap



Unnatural Hair
Colour



TAURANGA
INTERMEDIATE
SCHOOL



Nose stud

Uniform Expectations - No



White/coloured
details on shoes



High top
shoes



Ballet flats



Socks &
sandals



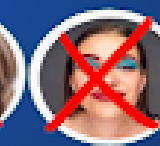
Socks with
branding



Nail Polish



Large Studs,
Pearls or
Diamantes



Makeup



Necklaces



www.facebook.com/TaurangaInt



www.tauranga-int.school.nz

School office

E: info@tauranga-int.school.nz

P: 07 578 4401

Register your child's absence:

E: attendance@tauranga-int.school.nz

P: 07 578 4401

Bus Transport:

Mike Bibby

E: mikeb@tauranga-int.school.nz

Classroom teachers

www.tauranga-int.school.nz/About-Us/Staff



UPCOMING DATES

TERM 1

Week 2

- **Thursday 8th February** - Whānau Information Evening: 6 - 7:30 pm

Week 4

- **Wednesday 21st February** - Boys basketball trials begin
- **Wednesday 21st February** - Photolife School Photos
- **Friday 23th February** - NZ Air Force Band, TIS Tennis Champs

Week 5

- **Tuesday 27th February** - School Photos catch up day
- **Thursday 29 February** - First eleven cricket - Fergusson Park
- **Friday 1st March** - First eleven cricket - Fergusson Park (continued)

Week 6

- **Wednesday 6th March** - Girls basketball trials begin
- **Friday 8th March** - BOP Golf- Rotorua, Super 11 Surfing,

Week 7

- **Tuesday 12th to Friday 15th March** - Scholastic Book Fair
- **Friday 15th March** - Super 11 Tennis- Whakatane, Open Water Swim- Taupo

Week 8

- **Monday 18th March and Tuesday 19th March** - Whānau Conferences
- **Monday 18th March to Friday 22nd March** - Scholastic Book Fair
- **Thursday 21st March** - HPV
- **Friday 22nd March** - Super 11 Swimming- Rotorua.

Week 9

- **Monday 25th March and Tuesday 26th March** - Scholastic Book Fair
- **Wednesday 27th March** - Rā Whānaungatanga
- **Friday 29th March** - Good Friday

Week 10

- **Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd April** - Easter
- **Friday 5th April** - Super 11 Touch Rugby- Rotorua

Week 11

- **Monday 8th April** - Winter Code Parent/Player Meeting
- **Wednesday 10th April** - TIS Badminton Champs

