

Kia ora parents, whānau and caregivers,

As the school year draws to a close, we continue to see Tauranga Intermediate School students excelling in many different areas.

Community Survey:

We would like to consult our community to get their feedback on what we are doing well and also to identify some areas we can improve on moving forward.

We would really appreciate it if you could take 5 minutes to complete the survey link below. Everyone who completes the survey will go in the draw to win one of four \$50 Warehouse Vouchers. https://forms.gle/tiiiqxYhoCGBnNnr9

1-1 Chromebooks

As has been communicated, we are moving to 1–1 Chromebooks next year. We believe this will set all students up for success with their e-learning and also through into their college years. We have secured a fantastic bulk deal on a great **robust device** that is designed to last students for **7 years**. We want to give whānau options and flexibility on paying their child's Chromebook off, either upfront or over 1 or 2 years at an affordable monthly rate with a \$100 deposit (\$13.10 for Year 7s (21 payments + \$100 deposit) and Year 8s \$30.56 (9 payments + \$100 deposit). This enables students to take their device with them on to college. If you have a recently purchased Chromebook (within two years) and would like to use that as a BYOC device, please **ensure it meets the specifications** sent out last week and that you complete the online BYOC form available on our website or school office. We have to be very careful to ensure we do not jeopardise our school online security network. **Important:** Once you have read and signed BYOC agreement/application, please scan and email to Dale Leggett by **Friday 9th December** with the subject: BYOC 2023. dalel@tauranga-int.school.nz This is also to ensure no school device is ordered and prepared for your child.

Importantly as stated, all students will have access to a Chromebook regardless of whether or not whānau opt into a pay off option. I'd like to apologise if there has been some confusion around this. Hopefully, last week's update provided more clarity.

End of Year Academic Progress Report

This report outlining the progress your child has made between Terms 1 and 4 in Reading, Writing and Mathematics will be sent home on Monday.







Learning Celebrations

Te Ao Kaihaukai: Our Global picnic was an incredible success. Students got to learn about and taste food from many different cultures. A great culmination of our recent inquiry roadmap where students focused on chemistry and chemical change as well as global citizenship - Panoni. We have included some photos of our celebrations.



Super 11 Athletics

TIS performed incredibly well at the Super 11 Athletics held last Friday at the Tauranga Domain taking out top overall school. Well done to all participants who competed. 1st Tauranga Intermediate 116 points 2nd Te Puke Intermediate 61 points 3rd Otumoetai Intermediate 46 points



Some results of note included: Che (Matai) Y7 1st 100m, Meleane (Kahikatea) Y7 1st 100m, Sobhan (Totara) Y7 1st 200m, 300m, 1= high jump, Remy (Matai) Y8 1st 300m, Oscar (Rata) Y7 1st 1500m, Henry (Totara) Y7 1st cricket ball throw, Tim (Manuka) Y8 1st cricket ball throw throw, Ella (Totara) Y8 1st High Jump and long jump, Rhayn (Matai) Y8 1st High Jump, long jump and shot put.



TIS won the Year 7, Year 8 and Championship Relay. A special congratulations to Sobhan (Totara) for being first overall Year 7 Girl, Rhayn (Matai) first overall Year 8 Boy, Meleane (Kahikatea) second overall Year 7 Girl, and Ella (Totara) third overall Year 8 Girl.



Sports Prizegiving

Last night, we had a fantastic evening at our annual Sports Prizegiving. It was wonderful to see so many students participating and engaging in a large range of sports and achieving to such high levels. A huge thank you goes to our school whānau and staff that support our school's sporting endeavours through coaching, managing games, and supporting our students to explore their personal potential. We could not have such an incredible range of sports on offer if it weren't for our phenomenal Sports Department who work tirelessly to organise teams, tournaments and opportunities.







Year 8 Leavers Ball

We are very excited for our Year 8 Leavers Ball tonight, which is a celebration and send off for our Year 8 students. The theme is The Enchanted Ngahere (forest). We know our students and staff are excited to join together with some kai (food) and kanikani (dancing). It starts at 6:30pm-8:30PM tonight. Whānau must collect their child from the hall at 8:30pm.

Final Assemblies

A reminder that our Prize Giving final assemblies are next week. Yr 7 students will celebrate the year on Monday and Yr 8 students are on Tuesday. Whānau for students receiving an award will be notified by their teacher. The assemblies will begin at 9:30am.

Secondhand School Uniform Sale

Whānau are welcome to sell secondhand uniforms at school from 9 am on Thursday 15th December. Cars are able to park along the school driveway. All sales are between the seller and purchaser. Cash will not be available from the office.

Whānau Conferences

The Tauranga Intermediate School Whānau Conferences will take place in class on Wednesday 1st February 2023. This is a great opportunity to form connections and for teachers and whānau to get to know each other. Whānau Conferences are for all Year 7 students and new Year 8 students to Tauranga Intermediate School. If your child has a new teacher in 2023 you may also wish to take this opportunity to meet them prior to the year starting.

The purpose of the Whānau Conference is:

- For you to share about your ākonga/child; likes, hobbies, talents, celebrations
- For you to share what success looks like at school for your ākonga/child
- To further develop the learning partnership between home and school

Each conference will be 15 minutes long and can be booked online as below

ONLINE BOOKING INSTRUCTIONS:

Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the code **5kwk2** and follow the prompts. Bookings are now open.

If unable to book online or the above date is not suitable, please email our school office at info@tauranga-int.school.nz by Wednesday 1st February with your child's Name and Room Number so we can inform their teacher to arrange a suitable appointment for you.







HERO

HERO is our new student management system. We are asking all whānau to create a HERO account to access your child's learning, reporting and general school communications.

Step 1: Visit: https://hero.linc-ed.com/parents or Download the Hero App. You will be directed to our Hero site and the log-in box will appear on the screen. Select the 'New User' box at the bottom of the page.

Step 2: You will be directed to enter your email address. Please enter the email address that you registered with us at your child's enrolment.

Step 3: Follow the instructions to sign into your Hero account.

All students will have an account and this is how messages, notices and learning will be shared with you.

Ngā mihi nui, Cameron Mitchell

COMING UP

TERM 4:

Week 8:

- Wednesday 7 December Year 8 Leavers Ball from 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- Thursday 8 December NZ Cup vs Shaun Brown Academy Australia + S.T.A.R.S Fun Day

Week 9:

- Monday 12 December 9.30 am Year 7
 Prizegiving
- Tuesday 13 December 9.30 am Year 8
 Prizegiving
- Wednesday 14 December School concludes at 12.00 noon
- Thursday 15 December Individuallyled Second Hand Uniform Sale 9 am start

TERM 1 2023:

Week 1:

- Wednesday 1 February Yr7 and new Yr8
 Whānau Conferences 8am-5pm Book
 Online
- Thursday 2 February All students start school - 8.30am

Week 2:

Thursday 9 February - Whānau
 Information Evening (Meet the Teacher)
 6pm-7.30pm



YOUR CHILD COULD WIN A BIKE VALUED AT \$600







Kindly donated by MYRIDE TAURANGA CNR 17TH AVE AND CAMERON ROAD Your child could win a bike by continuing to display the S.T.A.R.S in everything they do and receiving a STARS card. They will go into the draw to win a bike valued at \$600 at the assembly on the last day of school.

They must be present to claim the prize.

Let's ENCOURAGE THEM TO

Keep being amazing!!