



TAURANGA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL



Kia ora parents, whānau and caregivers.

It is great to see a large number of students returning to school this week from isolation. Case numbers amongst students appear to be decreasing daily. We are very fortunate that we have had only a small number of staff off with Covid 19, which has meant stability in the classroom learning environment.

The latest COVID-19 updates are available here: <https://covid19.govt.nz/>
IMPORTANT - we expect all students to attend school unless they are isolating due to being a household contact, a positive COVID case or are unwell. Please ensure that you communicate to the school if your child is going to be absent, with an explanation.

The following is advice from the Ministry of Education for anyone who is unwell:

- Anyone who is sick should stay home until they are well.
- When a child has respiratory symptoms, they should stay at home and seek advice from their GP or Healthline. Staying home is key to controlling the spread of any virus in a school setting.
- Many children will have a long-lasting runny nose or cough after viral infections. If it is over 10 days since the onset of COVID symptoms and they are no longer feeling unwell, they are very unlikely to be infectious and can therefore return to school.
- However, if they are continuing to feel unwell or their symptoms are worsening after 10 days, they should not return to school and a GP review, or a call to Healthline, is recommended.

Sport:

- Congratulations to the NZ Cup cricket team for their emphatic victories over Aquinas College and Otumoetai Intermediate making them Western Bay of Plenty Champions.
- Well done to Freddie Gleaves and Brooke Valois who are our TIS Tennis Champions for 2022.
- There have been many successes for boys and girls for Saturday morning cricket, Kiwi Volleyball and Rippa Rugby which have been able to continue under challenging circumstances.

Camps:

We are aiming to start our camp programme on Monday 21 March. Kahikatea Rooms 15 & 16 will be first up and they can't wait for this amazing experience. **IMPORTANT:** We have excellent health and safety procedures in place at Ngamuwahine Lodge. If any adult or student is unwell please do not attend camp. If a student falls ill on camp, they will be sent home straight away.

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Phone: 07-578 4401 (absences)

TIS Facebook Page

www.facebook.com/TaurangaInt

Tauranga Intermediate Website
www.tauranga-int.school.nz

Bus queries contact Mike Bibby
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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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Teaching & Learning:

A huge thank you to our whānau for attending the recent Whānau Conferences at school, online or by phone. We continue to receive very positive feedback about this forum for sharing your child's interests, strengths and learning needs at school. This hui is a great help for classroom teachers to best meet the learning needs of your child. If you would still like to connect with your child's teacher for a whānau conference, please get in contact by email via the school website. Our next hui for whānau is our learning conferences to be held on Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th May. Details will be sent out at the start of Term Two.

Our Term One Inquiry learning is all about Tūrangawaewae, ensuring our ākonga know they have a place to stand at home, at school and in our communities of Tauranga Moana. Ākonga will learn about Tūrangawaewae through our STARS Values and the history of our whenua (land) that Tauranga Intermediate sits on and the surrounding area.

**Ngā mihi nui,
Cameron Mitchell**

COMING UP: TERM 1:

Week 7:

- **Wednesday 16th March and Friday 18th March** - Girls competitive basketball trials
- **Thursday 17th March** - Netball trials continue for Year 7 girls

Week 8:

- **Monday 21st March and Wednesday 23rd March** - Girls competitive hockey trials

Week 9:

- **Monday 28th March and Wednesday 30th March** - Boys competitive hockey trials
- **Friday 1st April** - BOP Golf Tournament at Mount Maunganui

Week 11:

- **Monday 11th April** - Parent/ Player Winter Codes meeting (Basketball, hockey, netball) - **Pending**
- **Wednesday 13th April** - TIS Badminton Champs - **Pending**

KIMIHI KIA TAEA

EXPLORE AND ACHIEVE