

TŪ TANGATA

Te Atatū Intermediate School



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Tēnā koutou parents and whānau.

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope you all managed to get a break, or at least some down time over the July school holidays. This term is shaping up to be another very busy term, especially as we head towards the production in the last week of the term. Also, we have our individuals and teams that are busily training and preparing towards the AIMS Games sports tournament in September. This year we are sending down a boys and a girls football team, a netball team, a 3 on 3 basketball team, as well as an individual BMX rider - Seth Stylianou (Room 9) and an individual table tennis player - Cecilia Huang (Room 11).

A little background about the Games. The [AIMS Games](#) is a sporting championship that gives 11, 12 and 13 year olds an opportunity to compete as an individual or in a team against the best of their age in twenty different sports. The aim of the event is to provide opportunities for students in the middle years to compete at an elite level, be active, celebrate fair play and enjoy success and it is through events such as the AIMS Games, that these students will be provided with challenges and the opportunity to perform to a high standard. This year, around 10,000 students from all over New Zealand and also teams from Australia and the Pacific will be represented - this all occurs over one week from 9-14 September and is an event that has similar sports and competitor numbers as the Commonwealth Games! We are very proud to be sending our representatives to compete with the top age group teams in the country.

Ngā mihi,
Lloyd Evans, Principal

School Production

This term, rehearsals will ramp up as the production of 'The Adventures of Super Stan' gets closer and closer. Performances will be over three nights in week 10 - Tuesday 24 -Thursday 26 September, with a matinee performance for the contributing primary schools on the Monday 23rd September. If anyone is able to assist in helping in any way, or if you could help out with costumes, Mrs Northwood, teacher in charge has a special plea;

COSTUMES TEAM

We still need a band of sewers to help us with creating costumes for our school production of 'The Amazing Adventures of Super Stan.' Lots of help and support will be given to anyone who is able to commit to being part of this team. Please contact Lyn at lyn.n@teatatu.school.nz

Open Night

On Tuesday 6th August, we will be hosting our Open Night for our year 6 whanau to come along and see how our school operates.

This event occurs between 6.30-8pm. Students would need to be at school by 6.15pm and picked up again at 8pm. During the evening, parents will be visiting the classes to see the school in action. Letters outlining if your child is selected to help on the night, and further information will come home next week.

Chinese student visitors at TAI

This week we have been hosting a group of students from [Jianlan Middle School](#) (6 students) and [Dongguan School](#) (15 students) from China. We hosted a powhiri for them Monday morning, and they have been experiencing the Kiwi education system, including traditional Matariki activities in specialist classes, and will end the week with a hangi meal on Friday. We have enjoyed having the students with us this week, and our students have enjoyed getting to know a little bit about Chinese culture, just as we have shown our guests our Kiwi culture. Great connections have been made and the teachers have commented to us that they are very happy and impressed with what we do here at TAI. They finish their experience with us on Friday afternoon.

Future Pathways Expo

On the afternoon of August 8, all our Year 8 students will be visiting Rutherford College as part of their [Future Expo event](#). This event is hosted by Rutherford College and links in pathways through college and into a career, and is targeted at years 8-10 students. All students will be bussed to and from the College and this is part of the 'Community of Learning' for our local cluster.

Trees for Survival

For a number of years now, the Enviro team at TAI has been involved in the 'Trees for Survival' programme, an environmental education programme to grow and plant native trees to help restore native habitats by helping revegetate erosion prone land, improve stream flow and increase biodiversity. This year, our team will be planting trees at a farm in Wairere Rd, Waitakere.

KEY DATES TERM 3

- 22 -26 July - Cultural visit from Chinese students
- 24 July - Matariki assembly and BBQ - 1pm
- 26 July - Rutherford College in to talk to year 8 students at 1pm
- 30 July - Whanau hui evening
- 30 July - Trees for Survival planting day
- 31 July - Cluster wide cultural celebration event at Rutherford Primary
- 1 August - Mufti Day (Gold coin donation)

Whanau hui

Whanau hui for our Māori whanau and community - **Tuesday 30 July**

Where: Te Atatu Intermediate in the new building - **Hapori**

Time: 6.30pm start finishing at 7.30pm

Agenda: 6.30pm - Karakia to open and then a brief introduction. There will be specialist teachers for Math, Reading and Writing whom whanau can talk to about their child's report levels and next steps.

7pm: William Flavell from Rutherford College will be talking about Te Reo and Kapahaka at Rutherford.

7.20pm: Whaea Tere will be sharing information about Nga Puna O Waiorea

7.30pm: Karakia to finish.

Cultural Festival

Rutherford Primary Cultural festival.
Wednesday 31 July

Whanau are welcome to attend and watch the performance.

Rutherford Primary School 2 Kotuku Street. starting at 9.35am.

TAI Intermediate Pacifica group perform at 10.55am and Kapa haka at 12.45pm

Nau mai haere mai.

Congratulations Kobe!

Congratulations to **Kobe Antunovich** (Room 6), who represented New Zealand in Baseball over the holidays with the team in Korea.

Here he is pictured, in the much warmer Korean sunshine.

Ka rawe Kobe, we are all very proud of you.



NZ Rep

We currently also have another student who is representing New Zealand overseas at the moment - **Hayley Abbott** (Room 7).

Hayley is in Canada and the US for the U13 ISA girls softball tournament. Hayley is a very talented softball player and has worked very hard to get to this tournament.

We wish her all the best in her games. Awesome work Hayley!

Te Atatu Intermediate After School Yoga Classes (Term 3)

Day: Tuesdays 3-4pm

Dates: 30th July - 17th September

Cost: \$65pp

Registrations: info@tatyogapilates.co.nz (Tanija 021-540-817)

Online Payment:

Te Atatu Yoga Ltd 12-3038-0007025-00 (Use student's name as reference)

During this 8 week course Tanija will gently guide you through all of the basic yoga poses. Linking movement with breath, you will gain strength and flexibility, finding both a physical and emotional balance in class which you will eventually apply to your every day life. You will leave this class feeling a sense of strength and a sense of calm.

Regular yoga practice improves mood, focus, co-ordination, confidence, strength and flexibility. Yoga also will help you manage stress, anxiety and nervous tension. Every class will begin with breathing, sun salutations/yoga flow, and conclude with a guided relaxation where we will learn to let go of physical tension and manage our thoughts.

Classes held in the TAI school hall. Please register as numbers are limited.

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Netball News

Despite the cold weather last night, Te Atatū Intermediate was well-represented on the netball court.

In the Year 8 round our AIMS team, The Rebels, played against the Avondale Spiders; resulting in a 34 - 15 victory to TAI.

The Tigers roared and managed to overpower Bruce McLaren. Player of the Day, Stacey was formidable.

TAI Thunder team enjoyed a bye and were able to stay home. And the TAI Legends also took a fine win against Glen Eden. Players of the day were shooting superstars with amazing circle work Leshay and Mikayla.

In the Year 7 round, our Rangihina team faced Henderson 7B, resulting in a 23 - 16 victory to TAI. Player of the Day was the magnificent Emma Ngau.

The Orukuwai team played against Waitakere in yet another TAI victory. With an impressive 26 - 11 scoreline, Nevlynn and Brooke shared the Player of the day honour.

Te Atatū Tsunami were a devastating force of nature as they played Blockhouse Bay. The Player of the Day award was shared between Noah; for his relentless attacking, and Leah; for her clear communication and positive attitude.

The titanic Titans met Bruce McLaren but came second in an epic battle with an 8 - 13 scoreline. All players performed tremendously with the whole team being awarded the Player of the day title.