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TE ATATŪ INTERMEDIATE

Tū Tāngata

Equipping our students to stand tall: To be the best people they can be and, by becoming life-long learners, reaching their best potential.





MESSAGE FROM MR EVANS - TUMUAKI

Tēnā koutou katoa o Te Atatū Intermediate whānau.

It's been a bit of a challenge saying goodbye to summer with the end of daylight saving this week - especially since it didn't feel like we got that much of a summer to start with. Hard to believe that a quarter of the year is completed today. School finishes at the usual time of 3 pm today for the Easter break and Term 1 holiday.

As has been mentioned in previous newsletters - Term 2 will re-start on Wednesday 26th April.

All teachers will be participating in a Kahui Ako Teacher Only day on Monday 24th April where we will be having workshops and support around the refreshed curriculum - in particular Mathematics.

Tuesday 25th April is of course ANZAC day.

We hope that all students and whānau have a relaxing holiday over the coming fortnight and that you all enjoy a happy and safe Easter break.



IMPORTANT NOTES

TERM TWO - TEACHER ONLY DAY

MONDAY 24 APRIL

The Ministry of Education has given schools two teacher only days during 2023 in order to support implementation of the New Zealand Curriculum refresh. From the Ministry site:

'The first teacher-only day in 2023 can be held during the first two-weeks of Term Two 2023 - between Monday 24 April and Friday 5 May 2023. Timing of the second in 2023 and in 2024 will be confirmed with sector representatives in the new year. Primary and secondary schools Boards are encouraged to coordinate the timing of these teacher-only days.'

As a Kāhui Ako / Community of Learning - all Te Atatū cluster schools will hold the designated teacher only day on Monday 24 April - this is the Monday straight after the holidays and Tuesday is then ANZAC Day - school would re-start for term 2 on WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL. This date is also listed on our website.

POSITIVE PUBERTY PLUS

In week 2 of next term, Nest Consulting will visit our school to deliver the 'Positive Puberty Plus' programme. This Puberty Education & Empowerment Programme is designed to be positive, engaging, interactive and informative.

For more information please look at our last newsletter here or visit the **NEST website**.

Whānau hui for more information will be held on the 27th April at 6.30pm. Please click Join Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: 863 9416 2848

If you <u>do not wish</u> for your child to participate, please complete this <u>form</u>.

STUDENT LEAD CONFERENCE

In week 3 of next term, we will be holding our student lead conferences. The conferences will run on Tuesday 9th May from 3:20pm - 6:00 pm and Thursday 11th May, 1:00pm - 7:00 pm.

More information to follow next term. We hope to see you there.



Early next term we will be running a school 'Knowledge-athon' fundraiser. As part of our initial set-up we are now looking for prizes! If anyone in our community has any contacts or may be able to help us out by gifting a prize, we would love to hear from you! Please email Mrs Clarke.

NON-UNIFORM & SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY

As a school we raised \$900 for a member of our school whānau who has been impacted by a house fire. Thank you everyone who contributed!

PHOTOLIFE REMINDER

Class and individual photos were taken during Week 7. Please keep an eye out in your inbox for your unique access key, sent directly from PhotoLife.

STAFF NEWS

WANTED

KNOWLEDGE-A-THON

Congratulations to the following amazing teachers who are heading overseas for upcoming sporting opportunities.

Amorangi Ngata-Atkins who has made the NZ Womens Flag Football team and will be heading to San Diego in June to represent NZ.

Jordan Vale who is competing in the Oceania Champions League Football held in Vanuatu in May.

Also in May, Michael Davidson is heading to Malaysia to compete in the Asia Pacific Invitational Dodgeball tournament.



KAUNIHERA TEAM

INTRODUCING OUR FULL-STUDENT KAUNIHERA
TEAM FOR 2023.

BACK ROW:

SYDNEY, LLEYTON, HARRY, CARTER, AWARUA, KIANA, MACY, RUBY.

MIDDLE ROW:

BELLE, PAUL, RUEBEN, STELLA, BELLA, INDIA, ISHWARI, INDIA.

FRONT ROW: OSCAR, LUCAS, ROSA, EASHAN, LILY, RUBY.

LOCKDOWN DESKTOP EXERCISE

Harrison Tew® is fortunate to work with a large number of schools and organisations across New Zealand. With this comes real-life exposure to the range of incidents that schools are faced with, and as such we are constantly monitoring these issues to ensure schools have the most effective Emergency Management Plan and response capability to keep staff and students safe.
 As a community, we are constantly made aware of the types of events which impact our schools and communities. The previous year has again exposed schools to a range of incidents which have necessitated an ever-increasing number of schools in New Zealand to respond to emergency events and activate their lockdown emergency response procedures.
 Te Atatū Intermediate School has a comprehensive Emergency Management Plan for this purpose which guides an immediate action response designed by Harrison Tew® Consultants.

A series of training was conducted by Harrison Tew® which incorporates in-depth Senior Leadership Team training, staff training, and student training and culminates in a realistic assessment of the school's capability to respond to emergencies.

Being aware of the issues faced by other schools and relating them to Te Atatū Intermediate School is a vital aspect of preparedness for the Senior Leadership Team along with the ability to deal with a lockdown for an extended period.

"On Friday 31st of March 2023, Te Atatū Intermediate School completed the training of their Emergency Management Plan which included a training with the teaching staff, students and Harrison Tew and the Senior Leadership Team. Instead of a lockdown exercise involving the whole school, a desktop exercise was utilised involving only the Senior Leadership Team. The desktop exercise went extremely well. Principal Lloyd Evans was the incident controller. He is a natural leader, and the SLT clearly look to him for guidance and all decision making. He made decisions in a timely fashion, was clear and concise in his communication and sought more information when required. The SLT responded well and there is a strong level of trust between them. Decisions were made by Lloyd and carried out by the team. A good strong team who has a great communication style."

LINEWIZE

As part of our commitment to digital safety, Te Atatū Intermediate has joined with Linewize as a means of protecting our students' digital journey while at school. This is done in the following manner;

Hybrid Cloud Filter

School Manager. Cloud managed, hardware-optional, scalable, multi-OS supporting content filter.

Student Safety Monitoring

Monitor. Utilizing a combination of AI and a team of highly trained human moderators. It's the most advanced K-12 student threat detection tool available.

Classroom Management

Classwize. Providing screen and content visibility of all devices in class.

Digital Safety Education

Family Zone Community. Providing cyber safety education and tools, including a parent app, to engage your school community.

As part of this commitment to digital safety - there is also the Family Zone access that parents have, which can be accessed via the Family Zone tab on our school website. Please see below for access to Qustodio.

FAMILY ZONE - ONLINE SAFETY HUB

We are pleased to announce that our Online Safety Hub is now live and includes access to the Qustodio Parent app.

We invite you to join us in further building healthy digital habits and a safe online environment for your child by creating your own Qustodio account to use at home across two devices free of charge.

Key features include:

- Filter and block apps and content that you don't want your child to see
- Customise what your child can access during homework hours
- Balance screen time by setting time limits on devices as well as for specific apps
- Protect screen-free moments such as mealtimes and bedtimes.

Please **CLICK HERE** to create your Qustodio account through our Online Safety Hub.

Important note - one parent/guardian needs to create the account in the first instance, and then additional parents/ guardians can be invited and be given access to the same features.

As a reminder, you can protect two additional personal devices (phones, shared iPads, etc.) per family free of charge.

For any further questions please contact Kohle Rooney.

We look forward to continuing to provide you with the best resources for our school communities and encourage you all to utilise the Online Safety Hub - the platform we trust for high-quality online safety education.

*Important point to note - when creating your Qustodio account a validation email will be sent to you. Please check your spam or clutter folder for the validation email.

SPORTS

NETBALL SEASON 2023

Over the past few weeks, we have held our Year 7 & Year 8 netball trials to organise and prepare ourselves for the upcoming season. Throughout term 2 & term 3 we will be playing in the 4.10 pm & 5.10 pm rounds at the Waitakere Netball Centre.

We have had such an overwhelming response with both boys and girls interested in repping TAI in netball.

We are hoping to have 4 Year 8 teams and 5 Year 7 teams. We have coaches for three of the Year 8 teams and coaches for three of the Year 7 teams but we are desperately wanting and needing coaches for the remainder of the teams, managers. Umpires are also compulsory for every team. Before we can register the teams we need these vacant positions filled up asap.

All players have taken a netball notice home - so please read the notice, as it has important information in it that needs to be addressed. If you are keen for any of the above positions then please email us asap:

Whaea Ngaire or Mrs. Satele

We do not want to disappoint our players and forfeit any teams due to lack of coaches, managers or umpires.

Looking forward to a safe and competitive season and meeting new families during our netball season.





BASKETBALL SEASON 2023

Over the past few Tuesdays, we have held basketball trials after school with 23 boys being picked to represent TAI between two mixed teams.

Our games are played on a Wednesday evening at Henderson High School. Game times will be between 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm (the last round of games at 7:30 pm). Training days and times are varied due to coach, team and court availability. Training days will be confirmed in Term 2.

If your child has made a team, please sign the team contract form they were sent home with & return it in Term 2 to Koka Amorangi.





Congratulations to Matthew R11, who plays for the Waitakere Cricket Club. Matthew was awarded male player of the year for the junior club (goes up to U15) and batter of the year for U12, plus an award for his team.

SPORTS EVENTS IN TERM TWO

WEEK 3: AUCKLAND ORIENTEERING CHAMPS

WEEK 7: FOOTBALL Y7 & Y8 GIRLS

WEEK 8: FOOTBALL Y7 & Y8 BOYS

WEEK 9: RUGBY BOYS & GIRLS

WEEK 10: Y7 SPORTS CAMP @ TOTARA SPRINGS

30 SELECTED STUDENTS TO BE FINALISED WEEK 2 (AT THE LATEST)

KINDO IS OUR PREFERRED PAYMENT OPTION FOR FEES, INCLUDING SPORTS & OTHER ACTIVITIES. YOU WILL FIND THE OPTION TO PAY FOR THESE ON YOUR CHILD'S KINDO ACCOUNT. PLEASE CLICK HERE IF YOU ARE YET TO SET UP AN ACCOUNT AND/OR FOR MORE INFORMATION.

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TAI SPORTS DEPT.





Please contact tony.n@teatatu.school.nz



P.A.C.E - TERM ONE. STUDENT REVIEWS

FOOTBALL SKILLZ

FOOTBALL IS A VERY PHENOMENAL SPORT. IT BRINGS A BIG FAT SMILE TO THE HUMAN FACE AND CAN LIGHT UP SOMEONE'S DAY LIKE A STAR. IT CAN MAKE PEOPLE COME OUT OF THEIR SHELL AND EXPRESS THEMSELVES LIKE NOTHING ELSE IN THE SOLAR SYSTEM CAN. MR VALE IS THE ONE WHO GUIDES US IN P.A.C.E. HE IS AN EXCELLENT ROLE MODEL AND NO MATTER YOUR SKILL RANGE, HE IS VERY OPEN TO ASSISTING EVERYONE. MR VALE HAS TAUGHT US A VARIETY OF SKILLS THAT WE CAN UTILISE IN THE FIELD WHEN WE ARE IN A 1V1 SITUATION LIKE: STEPOVERS, FLICK UPS, ROLL OVERS, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY USING THESE EXCELLENT SKILLS IN A REAL GAME ENVIRONMENT.



FREESTYLE FOOTBALL

In freestyle football with Mr. Banks, we learnt how to lower juggle, upper juggle and to transit in between juggling. We watched a video on "fifty flick ups" and learnt what not to do when juggling. We also learnt how to do 'Around the World' which is when you juggle the ball up in the air with one foot and bring that same foot all the way around the soccer ball and continue to juggle it with out it hitting the ground. My favourite was learning how to do some of the easier flickups.

- Quinn R2

HIP-HOP TO THE WORLD

THIS TERM'S P.A.C.E WAS VERY AMUSING AND ENTERTAINING TO ALL. WE LEARNED A LARGE AMOUNT ABOUT HIP HOP, AND ALTHOUGH WE HAD MANY RELIEVERS WE STILL ENJOYED IT TO THE BEST ABILITY. WE LEARNED A FEW HIP-HOP DANCES, SUCH AS THOSE FOR BEGINNERS. IN OUR GROUP, WE COLLABORATED WITH OUR PARTNERS AND CREATED OUR DANCE.

-SHANNON R4

RUNNING LEGENDS

The P.A.C.E subject that we did was Running Legends with Mr. Goold. What we learned from this experience was that you don't run with your legs out in front of you, put them under you and push off from the ground and do a 7 form.

I enjoyed racing my friends and seeing if I could get a better time than my last one, and if I got worse than my other one then I would try better next time and push harder.

-Lucas r4

POWER HOUR!

I DID POWER HOUR WITH WHAEA NGAIRE AND KOKA AMORANGI.

I LEARNED HOW TO DO BOXING COMBOS AS
WELL AS LEARNING HOW TO STAY FIT AND GET
STRONG G.R.I.T. I ALSO LEARNED TO SET GOALS
AND HOW TO STICK TO THEM.

I ENJOYED HOW CHALLENGING IT WAS BECAUSE It taught me how to never give up and give 100% no matter what.

-ROSA R1



CRICKET

I did cricket this term with Mr Edwards.
We learnt how to bowl properly. To do this you have to have straight arms the whole time, with one hand straight and one hand pointing at the target.
We also learned how to bat properly while playing the game.
All in all, it was a good P.A.C.E subject.

- Sam R16

For P.A.C.E I did softball with Mr Collins. Playing softball has taught me many things like teamwork, how to bat and being focused.

I learnt how to try things, always do my best, and also learnt how to avoid a ball hitting my face. Mr.Collins has taught me how to swing a bat without missing the ball. I always miss the ball no matter how many times he tries to correct me. I loved everyone's support during our practice and everyone's commitment. I loved that we helped each other, and laughed with each other but mainly gave each other courage.

-Belle R14

DODGEBALL

THIS TERM I PARTICIPATED IN DODGEBALL WITH MR. FELIX AND MR. MICHAEL.
I REALLY ENJOYED BEING ABLE TO GO OUTSIDE AND BE ACTIVE DURING OUR WEEKLY BLOCK
TOGETHER.

THE THING I ENJOYED THE MOST WAS THROWING BALLS AND PRACTICING MY PRECISION. I
LEARNED HOW TO HOLD AND THROW MID-SIZED BALLS WITH SPEED AND ACCURACY.
I FELT THAT MY TIME LEARNING DODGEBALL WAS MOST ENJOYABLE. I ESPECIALLY ENJOYED
NOTICING MY SKILLS IMPROVE. I ALSO APPRECIATED THE CHALLENGE OF MOTIVATING AND
SUPPORTING MY TEAM MEMBERS TO DEVELOP THEIR OWN SKILLS.
-FI IJAH R16

FRENCH

Bonjour, Je m'appelle Daniel. Hello, my name is Daniel. I have done French with Mrs. Northwood this term for P.A.C.E. Even though I had prior classes in French it was still an enjoyable experience. Learning more about the structure and grammar of the language was definitely a highlight. We also managed to play a game of petanque which is an ionic outdoor French game. All in all, I enjoyed French and would not mind taking it next term. Au revoir.

-Daniel R6



GARDEN TO TABLE

This term for P.A.C.E, we did Garden to Table with Mrs Stoddard and Mr Johnson. There were two groups of us, one with Mr Johnson and one with Mrs Stoddard.

The two groups swapped between working in the garden and cooking in the kitchen every week. Both activities being equally enjoyable.

In the kitchen, we improved our cooking skills and learnt simple recipes we could share with our whanau. In the garden, we learnt about the different conditions plants grow in and how to look after them. Our favourite part was eating at the end, feeling that our hard work had paid off.

- Kate and Indy R10



P.A.C.E - TERM ONE. STUDENT REVIEWS

JEWELLERY MAKING

This term for P.A.C.E I did clay and jewellery with Mrs. Perry. I learned that you have to be very patient with your clay because your clay could melt and end up sticky or it could be too hard and be stiff. My favorite part of P.A.C.E would be seeing the end result of your clay because it's like a surprise seeing how it turned out. -Caris R8

SCHOOL MAGAZINE

FOR MY P.A.C.E THIS TERM I HAVE BEEN DOING THE SCHOOL MAGAZINE WITH MRS. MCKEOWN AND MS. PRICE. AT THIS P.A.C.E WE LEARNED TO INTERVIEW STUDENTS AND TEACHERS AND WE LEARNED HOW TO CREATE AN ARTICLE THAT PEOPLE WILL WANT TO READ. THAT MEANS LEARNING HOW TO TAKE INFORMATION AND TURN IT INTO AN INTERESTING ARTICLE. I ENJOYED BEING ABLE TO TAKE WHAT I'M INVOLVED IN IN THE SCHOOL AND WRITE ABOUT IT FOR OTHER PEOPLE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT.

-LILY R14



ABSTRACT ART

In abstract art with Mrs Chung, we have learnt how to draw freely and make our own form of art using the sound of classical music. We used markers, pastel, colouring pencil, watercolour, and dye to make our artwork bold and exciting. In abstract art I've learnt how to draw freely with music.

- Indie R2

STEAM CHALLENGES

THIS P.A.C.E WITH MRS. ARATEMA WE HAVE MADE ICE CREAM, SLIME, BOUNCING CUSTARD BALLS, SKYSCRAPERS OUT OF PAPER, AND MORE. WE HAVE ALSO PARTICIPATED IN SOME TEAM-BUILDING ACTIVITIES. IT HAS IMPROVED OUR TEAMWORK, THINKING AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS.



I DID PASIFIKA FOR P.A.C.E WITH MRS SATELE. I LEARNED ABOUT TAPA CLOTH PATTERNS.

SASA AND HOW TO MAKE ULA LOLE LEI. I ENJOYED DANCING AND DRAWING WHILE

GLASS PAINTING

In my P.A.C.E session with Mr. Morkel, we did glass painting. You need a transparent sheet, a copy of a design, and special glass paint. All you need to do is stick the clear sheet on the design and go over it with the paint. The group decided on a theme, then Mr. Morkel found suitable designs. It was very enjoyable and relaxing to do. It can be a little tricky at first but it got easier after every session. Mr. Morkel helped us improve our ideas. Everyone who did it improved every time. It is also more than just fun. It teaches you about patience and concentration which is a key skills to learn in life. All in all, it is a great activity and a valuable contribution to the P.A.C.E.



Lilly-Ann R7

program.



CULTURAL CREATIONS

OVER THE PAST TERM IN OUR SPECIAL EDUCATION PERIOD CALLED P.A.C.E, I HAVE BEEN LUCKY ENOUGH TO HAVE MADE TIKI MURALS WITH WHAEA STACEY, THESE TIKI MURALS WILL BE PLACED AROUND THE SCHOOL, MAKING OUR SCHOOL MORE COLOURFUL, AND BE OUR GUARDIANS - OUR KAITIAKI OF THE SCHOOL. THEY WILL PROTECT US AND HELP US KEEP SAFE AT SCHOOL.

TO MAKE THESE MURALS. WE STARTED OFF BY DRAWING OUR DESIGN WITH A PENCIL ONTO A3 PAPER. WE THEN TRACED IT ONTO OUR PIECE OF WOOD AND PAINTED OVER IT WITH BRIGHTLY-COLORED HOUSE PAINT



TRASH TO FASHION

-AIMEE R9

In Trash To Fashion with Whaea Amanda, we are learning how to think differently and use old junk to create a costume and make wearable art. This PACE option will run for 2 terms as there is HEAPS of planning and work to design and make our outfit.

-Cohen R5

