

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

Thank you to all whānau for supporting our Teacher Only Day today.

This day is an important opportunity for us to focus on developing our local curriculum. We are also pleased to share that our school has received Ministry of Education support for the new English curriculum for Years 7–13, as well as structured literacy support to help us successfully implement this curriculum in 2026. We will be working as a staff with Evaluation Associates facilitators across term 4 2025 - term 2 2026

A huge thank you also for supporting our Knowledgeathon. We raised an incredible \$17,000, which has been earmarked for our Technology and Science programmes. Your support is greatly appreciated, with special thanks to Mrs Clarke and Miss Rooney for organising the student prizes.

Moana – We are now in the final four weeks of rehearsals, and the hard mahi is starting to take shape. Moana Jr will be performed across three evenings: Tuesday 16 September, Wednesday 17 September, and Thursday 18 September, starting at 7.00pm in the school hall. Tickets are now on sale – make sure you book this into your calendar, as it is going to be an incredible show!

Speaking of incredible shows, congratulations to the students who performed in Bandquest on Monday evening at the Bruce Mason Centre on the Shore. Both of our band, Beats per Minute and Lost in Time, performed outstandingly. TAI took out the overall top band prize, as well as awards for Best Drummer, Best Rock Guitarists, and Best Soloist. This is an outstanding achievement! Special thanks to John and Izak Kennedy for the many years of support they have given to developing our rock bands at TAI and beyond into high school.

Finally, Netball Finals – what a season it has been! As we edge closer to spring, we also wrap up another successful winter netball season. Congratulations to all players and coaches for your mahi and achievements throughout the season.

Ngā mihi
Lloyd Evans -Principal /Tumuaki



16TH - 18TH SEPTEMBER 2025

7:00 PM

TAI SCHOOL HALL

TICKETS VIA KINDO

\$10 CHILD | \$15 ADULT | \$45 FAMILY



IMPORTANT NOTES

BANDQUEST 2025

What a night for our school bands at the annual Bandquest competition! Both Beats Per Minute and Lost In Time delivered amazing performances and came away with some fantastic wins.

Beats Per Minute (Ruby R3 on keyboard, James R3 on guitar, Cohen (ex-student) on guitar, Nicola R9 on keyboard, Flynn R5 on bass, Maya R14 on vocals, and Johann R3 on drums) had an unforgettable night. They performed "Volcano Girls" by Veruca Salt and "Light it Up" by Blood Red Shoes and felt a great connection on stage. The band couldn't believe it when they were announced as the overall winners of the competition out of 15 bands! The group also took home the Best Guitarist award, which was a collective win for Cohen and James.

Lost In Time (Longdon R9 on drums, Ava R6 and Anouk R6 on vocals, Isla R12 on bass, Chloe R3 and Kelsie R3 on guitar, and Rita R4 and Kelly R7 on piano) performed "Still into You" by Paramore and "Untouchables" by Luna Halo. For many of the members, this was their first time at Bandquest, and they all did a brilliant job. The band earned some impressive individual accolades, with Longdon winning Best Drummer and both Anouk and Ava winning Best Vocalists for the entire competition.

A huge congratulations to every student who participated! Their dedication and talent were on full display, and we are so proud of what they accomplished.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

At the close of nominations, Te Atatū Intermediate School received 15 nominations for the Board. This means we will be holding an election. You should have received information about voting for the candidates listed below. We would like to acknowledge and thank the nominees who have put themselves forward to serve on our Board for the next three years:

Burton, Chris | Coste, Christine | Crawley, Alofa | Daley, Siobhan | Hodge, Hannah
Loveridge, Tania | Mills, Bridget | Pethybridge, Matt | Poomarathil, Rajesh | Robertson, Haley | Robertson, Jo
Rumble, Bridget | Smale, Nick | Street, Elizabeth (Liz) | Sudnongbua, Watchari

Of our current Board members — Nathan Hooker (Presiding Member), Mike Hirst, Darren White, Siobhan Daley, Christine Coste, and Nick Smale — three are not standing for re-election.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the three members stepping down at the end of this election cycle. Darren White and Nathan Hooker have both served on the Board for nine years, with Nathan also serving as our Presiding Member for the past three years.

Thank you to both Darren and Nathan — you have been staunch advocates for TAI and have provided tremendous support to Lloyd Evans personally, as well as to the direction of our school. Our final Board member stepping down is Mike Hirst. An ex student himself, with his own children through the school, Mike has had a strong connection to Te Atatū Intermediate. Mike is a former Presiding Member and has served on the Board for an incredible 21 years. I would like to personally thank Mike for his outstanding service to TAI and our wider community. He has been a huge supporter of the school, and under his governance, initiatives such as the music programme have been sustained and developed, alongside numerous property projects over the last 21 years.

Mike, thank you sincerely for your unwavering support over the past 21 years — your contribution has been deeply valued and greatly appreciated!

2026 ENROLMENTS

What a fantastic Open Night last Tuesday! It was a real pleasure to welcome so many whānau, both new and returning, into our school to experience all that Te Atatū Intermediate is about. Thank you for taking the time to come and connect with our community.

A friendly reminder: if you have a child currently in Year 6 or know of families who plan on sending their child here next year, please complete the in-zone enrolment online for 2026 as soon as possible. This helps us finalise our class numbers for the upcoming year.

For those interested in an out-of-zone enrolment, please note that due to our growing community, we can only offer 25 places for 2026. The enrolment window closes next Wednesday, 27th August, with the ballot being held on Wednesday, 3rd September. We will notify all out-of-zone whānau about their placement or waitlist number by Friday, 5th September.



HASER AT TAI

We are incredibly grateful to Toi Te Atatū for giving us funding to have talented artist Kairau Bradley, also known as Haser, join us every Wednesday this term. He is working on three large murals that will brighten and enrich our school environment. The centre mural is particularly special, as selected students throughout the kura are weaving their own cultural designs to it.

[Please click here for more information about Toi Te Atatū & what they're about!](#)

TICKETS ON SALE FOR DISNEY'S MOANA JR.!

The journey to the stage is almost complete! With only a few weeks to go until opening night, we are thrilled to announce that tickets for Te Atatu Intermediate's production of Disney's Moana JR. are now available.

"The line where the sky meets the sea, it calls me." Our students have been working incredibly hard, and we can't wait for them to share this amazing show with you.

Join us as we sail to the stage on:

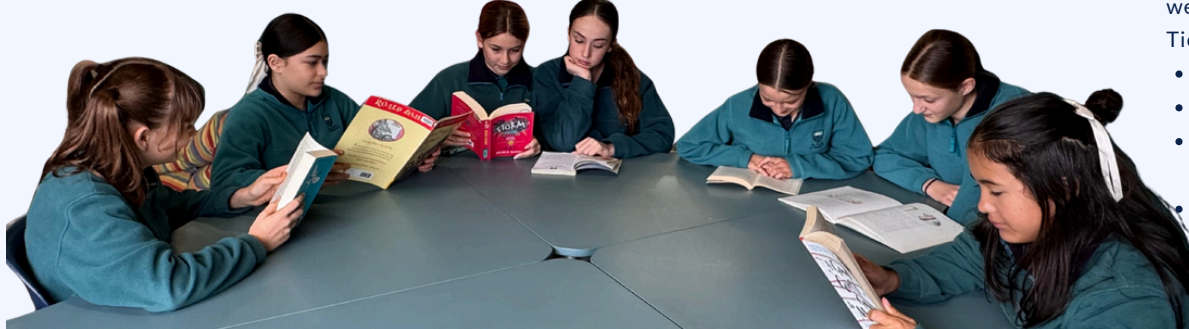
- Tuesday, 16th September
- Wednesday, 17th September
- Thursday, 18th September

Tickets can be purchased now

via a community link on our Kindo shop—meaning you don't need to have a Kindo account to buy them. This is an exclusive early release for our school community, so be sure to get your seats before tickets go live to the general public in a few weeks!

Ticket Prices:

- Adult (14+ years): \$15
- Child (3–13 years): \$10
- Family Pass (2 adults, 2 children): \$45
- Under 2 years: Free (on a lap)



SPORTS / HAKINAKINA

A WRAP ON THE NETBALL WAITĀKERE SEASON!

What a fantastic netball Waitākere season for all our Te Atatū teams! A huge thank you to every player, coach, manager, and whānau member who made this year so successful. Your commitment, sportsmanship, and team spirit were amazing to see each week.

GRAND FINAL WINNERS!

A massive congratulations to the Opals, who were crowned Grand Final winners of their grade after a fantastic 13-7 victory in their final!

TOP FINISHES

It was an intense final game for Te Atatū Tahi, who battled hard in a playoff for 3rd and 4th place. After ending in a draw, the team secured a win in overtime with a final score of 11-9, taking home 3rd place!

SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

Our other teams all had brilliant seasons filled with growth and determination:

- **TOKI** had a great season, narrowly missing out on the finals despite scoring the second-highest number of goals in their grade.
- **TE KAWARAU-Ā-MAKI MARVELS** had a cracker of a season, showing incredible teamwork and commitment on the court.
- **TU** held their own in their final game and placed 4th in their grade. We're especially proud of this result, as most of the team were new to or returning to netball.
- **ORUKUWAI ONYX** also finished 4th. They played with fantastic spirit, always smiling and having a great season.
- **TOA** had a brilliant start, going undefeated in the first half of the season before being moved up a grade. They finished 6th after a few tough battles against some talented teams.
- **RANGAHINA RIVALS** showed huge improvement and commitment throughout the term, proudly finishing in 6th place.

PRIZE GIVING

To celebrate the season, our Netball Prizegiving will be held on Wednesday, 3 September, from 3:45 pm to 5:15 pm.

Players, please bring a plate to share:

Year 7 students: Sweets

Year 8 students: Savoury

We look forward to seeing all our coaches, managers, and players there to acknowledge your hard work and dedication.



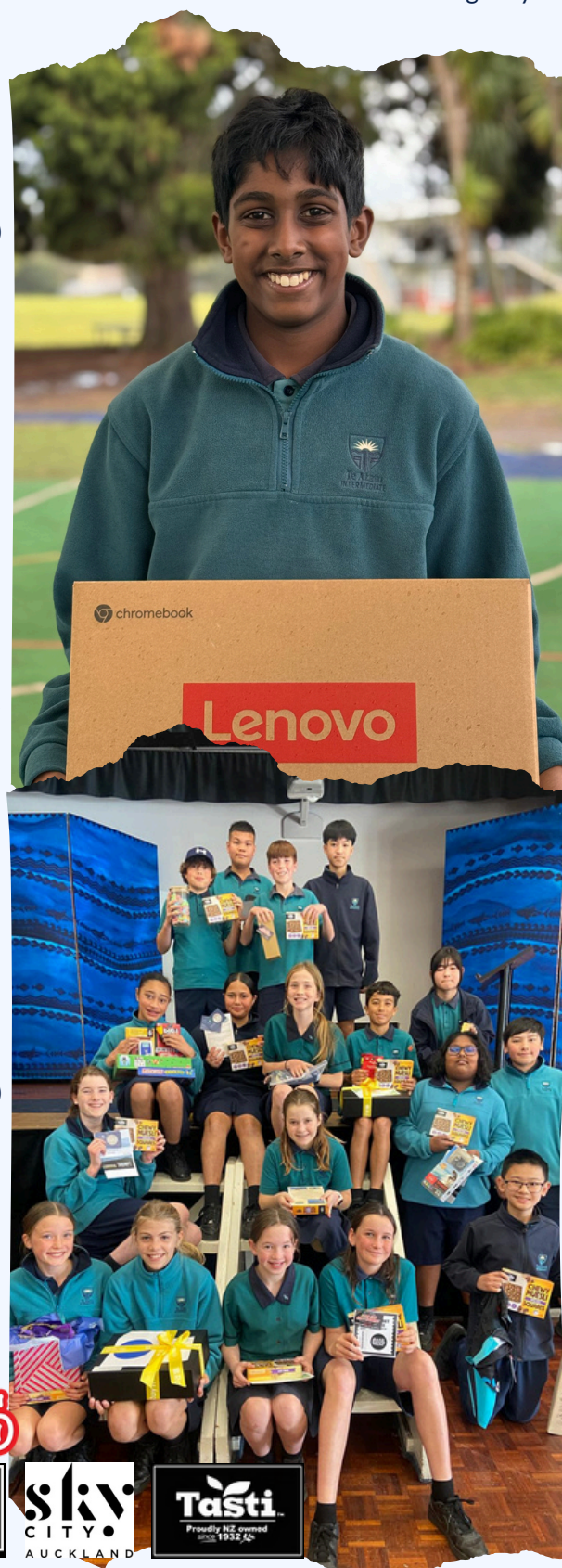
KNOWLEDGE-ATHON

What an incredible effort! We're so proud to announce the final results of our Aotearoa Knowledge-athon. Together, we've raised over \$17,000 for our school, which will go directly toward our Technology & Science programmes. A huge thank you to our students for their hard work and to all the whānau and community members who supported them.

Prizegiving was a great celebration. Our top ten fundraisers had the first choice of prizes, followed by a lucky draw for all students who achieved a perfect score. Congratulations to all our winners! A massive thank you to the many generous companies in our community who donated an incredible 20 prize packs.

Your support truly made this event a success and helped us celebrate our students' achievements in a big way.

- **First prize:** Chromebook (sponsored by Mita Consulting NZ) and \$100 Prezy card — Noah J R12
- **Second prize:** Chocolate is Life box (sponsored by Ray White Te Atatū), \$50 Prezy card and a Sky Tower family pass — Davin R9
- **Third prize:** \$25 Prezy card, Boulder Co. family pass, and a sports camera — Armaan R4
- 3x \$20 Bubble tea vouchers (sponsored by Yi Fang Taiwan Fruit Tea) and 2x Boulder Co. single entry - Stephanie R8
- \$35 Faded Barbers voucher and a drink bottle — Leon R9
- \$35 Faded Barbers voucher and a drink bottle — Danny R8
- Auckland City Football Club signed shirt (sponsored by Mr. Vale) and a \$35 Faded Barbers voucher — Rose R3
- \$35 Faded Barbers voucher and a \$30 Basement NZ voucher — JiWoo R8
- \$35 Faded Barbers voucher and a \$30 Basement NZ voucher — Naomi R10
- Parakai Springs family pass and a \$30 Mr. Illingsworth voucher — Irvin R8
- Parakai Springs family pass and a \$30 Mr. Illingsworth voucher — Grayson R13
- Minecraft Lego and Games (sponsored by Mrs. S & Office Ladies) — Serenity R9
- Decadent chocolate box (sponsored by Ray White Te Atatū) and two nights away at Bombardino Chalet, Ohakune (sponsored by Bombardino Chalet) — Alice R6
- Jordan/Nike sneakers (sponsored by Basement NZ) and \$45 Lil Red's voucher — Kaelyn R7
- Jordan/Nike sneakers (sponsored by Basement NZ) and \$45 Lil Red's voucher — Julian R4
- Black Caps signed bat and shirt (sponsored by the Ball whānau) — Daniel R7
- Under Armour cap (sponsored by the Samuels whānau) and a jar of lollies — Reid R10
- 4-day holiday kayaking programme (sponsored by Fergs Kayaks) — Kelsie R3
- 2x \$20 Bubble tea vouchers (sponsored by Yi Fang Taiwan Fruit Tea) and 2 hours of SUP or kayak rental (sponsored by Fergs Kayaks) — Katana R2
- Box of Cadbury chocolates (sponsored by the Nixon whānau) — Coco R14



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