

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 goodness for some much needed vitamin D this week as the sunshine hints that spring is nearly here. Last week was a particularly busy week with students representing the school at the Whānau Fono evening, BandQuest, Mathex and our netball prizegiving. Thank you parents and whānau for supporting our Whānau Fono evening - it was great to celebrate an evening with the students and family together. On the same evening, our two Rock Bands, taught by John and Izak Kennedy, represented the school at the Intermediate Band Quest competition at Auckland Girls Grammar. I am thrilled to report that out of 14 bands represented, we placed 1st (Pyramid Scheme) and 2nd (Heat Pump) respectively, along with an individual award also!

The talent and commitment continued to shine through with some of TAI students representing our school in Mathex & Epro8 in the past few weeks. We also celebrated and acknowledged our 70 plus students who represented TAI in netball at our local Waitakere Netball tournament, played every Wednesday over the last 10 weeks. Special thanks to all the teachers, parents, coaches, and supporters, as without your help we wouldn't be able to compete. More information about these events follow in the newsletter. Don't forget, our bi-annual school production of Disney's The Lion King will be held from 19-21 September. Tickets are on sale via Kindo or the school office!



IMPORTANT NOTES

2024 ENROLMENTS

All In-Zone enrolments are due ASAP.

Out-of-Zone enrolments have now officially CLOSED. Any out-of-zone enrolments received will now go onto a waiting list.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

As part of Te Atatū Intermediate's planning and reporting requirements, we are asking our TAI whānau some key questions in order to support our direction for teaching and learning as we head towards 2024. This will help us guide our strategic and annual planning. At our Whānau Fono evening, we got some great feedback on a number of questions posed to support our consultation processes. We would appreciate further feedback from our wider community to support what we received last week, which we can then share with the board. If you would like to share your feedback, [please click here](#). You can answer as many or as few questions as you like & you will be anonymous.



MATHEX COMPETITION

The following students were selected to compete and represent TAI at the annual MATHEX Competition. There were two groups:

Year 7:

Oliver R11, Jackson R7, Delilah R6 and Jeremi R13.

Year 8:

Rosalie R16, Louis R5, Max R7 and Elijah R16.

The students performed exceptionally well. As a result of the combined scores of the teams, they ended up in the top 30%. Well done!

It was one of the most intense one hour sessions that these students will remember fondly for the rest of their school career.

WAHINE RUGBY P.A.C.E

Written by Ayla & Ashlee R2

On Saturday the Wahine Rugby P.A.C.E group got to go to Eden Park Stadium to watch women's rugby - Auckland Storm vs Canterbury. We got to have a tour around the stadium and then went down to the field and held our flag in a line. When the Auckland Storm came running out, we put our hands out for a high five and started cheering! We were all cheering for one player - Daynah Moon! Whenever Auckland Storm got a try we would all wave our flags and stand up and cheer. Unfortunately, Auckland lost 24 -27. After the game we patiently waited outside of their changing rooms so we could get photos and autographs with the players. It was a fun & cool experience to see women's rugby up close!



EPRO8 CHALLENGE - WEST AUCKLAND HEAT

Written by Oliver R11

On the 17th of August, two teams represented TAI at the West Auckland heat of the Inter-School EPro8 Competition. Only three teams could get into the semi-finals. It was hosted at Blockhouse Bay Intermediate and lasted for three hours. It is a timed event, where 12 teams from different schools compete against each other to try and win. Teams are given the opportunity to use not just rods, axles, nuts and bolts, but also use electronics. They could motorise things and make lights, sounds, and use sensors. The challenge made it possible to make a variety of things like rat-wheel powered cars, pendulum clocks, car washes, and storm-proof houses. Everyone had fun building, creating and solving the problems that were thrown at them. In the end, our school did amazing, taking out both 1st and 2nd places ensuring that both teams go into the next round of semifinals!



TREES FOR SURVIVAL

Written by Jude R6

On Tuesday, 10 enviro students were taken to Helensville for a planting day thanks to Trees for Survival. The objective of the day was to plant over 100 trees to salvage the environment in the long run. Firstly, we had a quick demonstration of how to plant a tree, followed by a massive planting session where we planted around 20 trees each! At the house there was also a ping-pong table and the owners generously provided an assortment of food and a sausage sizzle for everyone who participated. Overall, it was a really fun day and I'm excited for the Year 7s who will get to take part in this next year.

TICKETS SELLING FAST!!

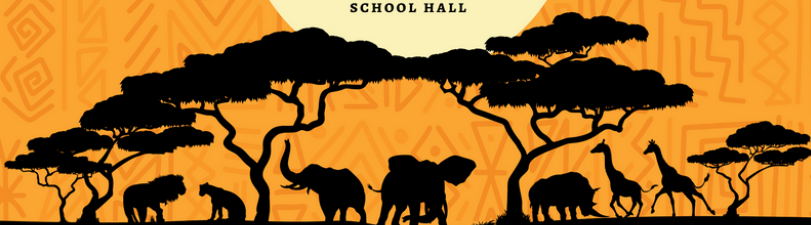
TE ATATŪ INTERMEDIATE PRESENTS



19TH - 21ST SEPTEMBER
7:00 PM
SCHOOL HALL

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE
VIA KINDO

2 & UNDER (FREE ON LAP)
CHILD 3-13 YEARS \$8
ADULT 14+ YEARS \$12





BAND QUEST

Written by Huia & Kate R4

At Band Quest there are normally 14-15 bands each year. This year, TAI entered one all-boy band, Heat Pump & one all-girl band, Pyramid Scheme to compete against 12 other bands. Heat Pump were the second to perform and Pyramid Scheme were second to last. We were watching the bands that played before us in amazement with butterflies in our tummies, dancing on the dance floor. Before we went on stage, we had to practise our songs backstage before we performed in front of the audience. Standing behind the curtains waiting to walk onstage, before we knew it, we were wobbling onstage putting on our instruments and holding our microphones watching the others, then BOOM! We were playing and having a good time. After our amazing performance, we were called into the interview room where we were asked questions.

When the results were in, Heat Pump came second and we were so excited for them, but also thought - there was no way we could come first!

Then the judge said “ Also from Te Atatu Intermediate”, and that's when we knew... We Came First!!!!!!!!!!



PYRAMID SCHEME

1ST PLACE \$400
SUNDAY MORNING, KNOWING ME KNOWING YOU
INDIA R10 (ELECTRIC GUITAR)
JEAN R1 (DRUMS)
GEORGIA R1 (KEYBOARD)
HUIA R4 (VOCALS)
KATE R4 (VOCALS)
AMELIE R16 (BASS)

HEAT PUMP

2ND PLACE \$200
6 LTR GTR, RUNAWAY.
MATTHEW R13 (DRUMS)
JET R1 (KEYBOARD)
PARKER R15 (BASS & VOCALS)
VINNIE R2 (ELECTRIC GUITAR)
MITCHELL R2 (ELECTRIC GUITAR & VOCALS)



SPORTS

YR7 SPORTS CAMP REVIEW

DESCRIBE YOUR FAVOURITE MOMENT FROM SPORTS CAMP

"I really enjoyed the performance night. It was so cool watching the other schools doing dances." - Leilani R5

"My favourite moment in sports camp was the penalty shoot-out in mixed football. It was so exciting and thrilling, even though we lost, it was still great." - Evie R5

"My favourite moment was making it to the semi-finals in soccer which we unfortunately lost." - Samuel R10

WHAT IS ONE SPORT YOU PLAYED AT CAMP AND HOW WOULD YOU ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO GIVE IT A GO?

"Wall Ball. It's kind of like Volleyball except you catch the ball and throw it over the wall. If the other team drops the ball, it's your point and when you get a point you rotate positions. I would encourage others to give it a go because it is fun and easy and anyone can do it!" - Darina R3

"A sport I played and enjoyed that I would recommend at sports camp was human foosball. I have never played it before sports camp and it was fun and easy to learn." - Samuel R10

"Probably Wallball. It was so fun because it's all about teamwork, reflexes and communicating." - Leilani R5

"My favourite sport was croquet. I recommend people give it a go because it's a walk and talk and you don't have to be good at it." - Ryder R2

WOULD YOU RECOMMEND OTHER STUDENTS TO GO ALONG TOO? WHY?

"I would recommend other students to go to Sports camp because it's very fun and I think they would like it because they can get fit while they are doing a sport that they love" - Addison R16

"Yes, I would recommend it to others to give it a try, because I think it was amazing just to get out there and play. It was fun to play new sports that I probably wouldn't otherwise have played. It was really tiring and challenging and put me outside my comfort zone." - Samuel R10

"I would 100% recommend others to go along. It was soooo fun and you get to try so many new things all in one week." - Evie R5

"I think others should try. It's really fun. You get to meet new people and play new sports, even just for fun." - Isabelle R3

BASKETBALL SCORES

GAME 6

TAI KNIGHTS VS VALLEY BOYZ ALPHA -
TAI KINGS VS HENDERSON HOOPERS **43 - 34**

GAME 7

TAI KNIGHTS vs BHB LEGENDS **44 - 39**
TAI KINGS VS WWBI GIRLS **WBD**

RUGBY LEAGUE GAME

Yesterday TAI played against Te Atatu Roosters U13s - open grade... final score: 28-20 to the Roosters. Not bad for our first game in the rain, wind and cold...but our parents loved it. At the end of the day, rugby league was the winner!

CROSS COUNTRY - AUCKLAND CHAMPS

Cross Country Auckland Champs was held on Tuesday this week & the weather was in their favour.

Mila R16 did really well for the year, placing 46 out of over 100 Year 7s. Unfortunately for Ashlee R2, she was unwell during the race and made to stop, disappointing for her she didn't get to finish. Both girls did an awesome job to make it that far & represent TAI in a large turnout!

NETBALL PRIZEGIVING

This year we had nine netball teams represent TAI every Wednesday night at Te Pai courts.

Last week after school, the teams had their prizegiving where the following students were recognised for Most Valuable Player, Coaches Award & Most Improved.

A big thank you to all the coaches and management this year, who without you, over 70 TAI students would not have been able to participate.

TE ATATŪ TOA

Coach: Whaea Ngaire
Most Valuable Player: Sonaya R7
Coaches Award: Leon R1
Most Improved Player: Evie R7

TE ATATŪ TAWHAKI

Coach: Ayana Asif
Most Valuable Player: Ava R10
Coaches Award: Eva R1
Most Improved Player: Labibah R9

RANGIHINA RIVALS

Coaches: Mrs Satele & Whaea Ngaire
Most Valuable Player: Awarua R16
Coaches Award: Kiana R13
Most Improved Player: Macy R6

TE ATATŪ TOKI

Coach: Lee Tai
Most Valuable Player: Jackson R3
Coaches Award: Leigh-Anah R1
Most Improved Player: Eva R2

TE ATATŪ TAHI

Coach: Tamara O'Dwyer
Most Valuable Player: Caprice R3
Coaches Award: Victoria R3
Most Improved Player: Mia R15

ORANGAHINA OPALS

Coaches: Mrs Northwood & Renei Tai
Most Valuable Player: Kate R6
Coaches Award: Shayne R4
Most Improved Player: Bella R11

TE ATATŪ TU

Coaches: Mrs Amber & Whaea Amanda
Most Valuable Player: Lois R8
Coaches Award: Isabelle R3
Most Improved Player: Shalya R10

KAWERAU A MAKI

Coach: Shamila Ward
Most Valuable Player: Ishwari R7
Coaches Award: Smrithi R6
Most Improved Player: Stella R5

TE ATATŪ TACTIX

Coach: Joely Hiini-Neilson
Most Valuable Player: Belle R14
Coaches Award: Lylah R2
Most Improved Player: Sydney R3 & Eli R9

