

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.

Welcome to 2024! It was fantastic to see many of our Year 7 families at our pōwhiri and whānau hui day. Building early connections is crucial for a smooth start to the year. Our school truly came alive when the Year 8 students joined us last Wednesday, and their return as our Tuakana was a highlight. We're also thrilled to welcome 13 Korean students for a Kiwi experience lasting four weeks. We're looking forward to having them with us!

Our timetable is now in full swing, and all students will rotate through our specialist and technology areas, including workshops, coding, robotics, creative media, and food technology. They'll spend a term in each area. In specialist subjects, they'll cover Visual Art, Science (practical), Music, Dance, Drama, and Health/PE across the year. With the new government initiative of an hour a day for reading, writing, and maths, we've already incorporated this into our science, health, and social science programs. Starting from term 2, cell phones are not to be used during school hours – TAI policy has included placing phones in a locked box or class safe for the day for the past 10 years.

Teachers have been diligently planning and preparing for the start of the year, and it's great to be underway. You can find emails for staff on our [school website](#).

Finally, a big thank you to parents for your support in getting your children ready for the new school year. I'm excited about the wonderful students we have at TAI and the upcoming year.



IMPORTANT NOTES

RENOVATION UPDATE

After 8 months, we're approaching the time to move back into the refurbished office, administration, and staffroom area. We've just been notified that it has received Council consent (CPU). This week, we will address the snag list, and we aim to move into the space by the end of the week. Please bear with us during this transition, as we anticipate a few hiccups along the way.

Regrettably, the reception area, due to historical consent issues, required additional funding for extra building issues. This process is ongoing and will continue until April, so the reception area will still be unavailable. Please be aware that the office administrators may be transitioning between spaces over the next few weeks as we set up again. A blessing will be conducted this week for the initial phase of the areas we can use, with a full blessing once the entire building is available to us.

During the holidays, various property areas underwent improvements: the Futsal court was fully completed with new turf and surrounds, the school hall was painted internally and externally, the covered canopy underwent thorough cleaning along with the turfed courts, Cushion fall was added to the playground, and trees were pruned along the fence line. Jeff Chung did an amazing job ensuring the school was ready to start back.

We'd like to express gratitude to Ashley Govender, a parent in our school community, whose roofing company "Inside/Outside", re-roofed the office/admin area. Ashley also repaired the roof curve at no extra cost and fixed a broken tap. Thank you, Ashley - your willingness to go the extra mile for our school is greatly appreciated.

UNIFORM

Firstly, we'd like to express our appreciation for how stylish the students look in their uniforms - they're doing great. We understand that some families have experienced delays in obtaining the correct uniform, but there's no need to worry. If your child is in this situation, they can mix and match the uniform pieces they have until the full set is available. A big thank you to the Year 8 families for adapting to the change to plain black socks this year.

Just a friendly reminder to ensure that all uniforms are clearly labeled with the room number so that any misplaced items can be returned to their owner. Additionally, considering the intense summer sun this year, it's essential for all students to bring their hats (named). We have sunscreen available at school, especially during the afternoon sessions, to help keep everyone protected.

LATE DROP OFF/EARLY PICKUP

School starts at 8:45 am daily, and we recommend students be at school by 8:30 am. If your child is running late, they should come to the office to sign in. If you need to pick up your child before the regular dismissal time, kindly send an email to both their teacher and the office well in advance. Your child will then need to sign out at the office before being collected.

COUNSELLING

School Counsellors are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays for any student who would like to access support. To request a session please email your child's class teacher or [Kelly Clarke](#). Everything is kept confidential and private.



GIVE IT A GO MUSIC NIGHT

Thursday, 22nd February @ 6:30 pm
Music Info night is next Thursday at 6:30 pm in the hall. Please come along if your child is interested in learning an instrument this year at TAI. For more information, [please click here](#).

P.A.C.E. - PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES, ARTS, CULTURE & EDUCATION.

P.A.C.E is 21st-century learning, the main focus of which is to extend the traditional subjects into more authentic, real-life, learning. Students will be given electives to choose from this week and will then run every Wednesday afternoon for the rest of the term. Some options available to them this term are; Cartography, Sports Overload, E-Scrabble, Brainbusters, Garden to Table, Spanish, Pop-Up Art, Lawnbowls & Wrestling. Check in with your child next week about what P.A.C.E activity they are participating in this term.

WAITAKERE LEARNING SUPPORT (TEACHER AIDE) PROGRAMME

Waitakere Improving School Attendance Programme is continuing their "Return to the Workforce" programmes for parents who currently receive the Sole Parent Support benefit. They are able to employ Learning Support (Teacher Aides) to work in multiple schools across West Auckland (including TAI). For more information, [please click here](#).

KINDO

KINDO is our preferred payment option at TAI. IThrough KINDO you can make payments towards any extra curricular activity fees, order FREE sanitary products & student lunches. We have new lunch providers on board this year with Subway, Sushi & Nurture Kids joining Pita Pit. Orders close 8:30am on the day of order. For menu information [please click here](#). If you are yet to set up a KINDO account [please click here](#).

KAI FOR KIDS

BREAKFAST CLUB - Weetbix & milk is available in the FOOD TECH room Tues-Fri between 8:20 am and 8:40 am.
LUNCHES - If your child is unable to bring lunch on a regular basis, then please let Ms Rooney in the office know. We can provide them a daily lunch. We are fortunate to get donations through the Te Atatū Food for Schools group.

SPORTS

If you didn't get a chance to connect with Matua Tony on Whānau Hui day regarding PE and your child/ren has a keen interest in sports, please [complete this questionnaire](#). Our aim is to collect feedback from whānau on how we can best support your tamariki with staying active while at TAI.

NETBALL

If your child is keen on participating in the TAI Netball Season at Netball Waitākere/Te Pai Courts this year, [please click here](#).

ORIENTEERING

Student's were asked to sign up last Friday if they were interested in competing in The Auckland Secondary Schools Sprint Series (Orienteering). If your child missed out but is keen, [please click here](#).

STAFF LIST 2024

BELOW IS THE LIST OF STAFF MEMBERS AT TE ATATŪ INTERMEDIATE FOR 2024.

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE WWW.TEATATU.SCHOOL.NZ FOR STAFF EMAILS AND OTHER RELEVANT SCHOOL INFORMATION.

Principal/Tumuaki - Lloyd Evans	Health/PE - Matua Tony
DP/ Tumuaiki Tuarua - Kelly Clarke SENCO Y8	Performing Arts Kaiako - Whaea Tania
DP/ Tumuaiki Tuarua - Britannia Sieke-Siō SENCO Y7	Music - Bronwyn Chalmers Band Tutor - Chad Davenport
Rm 4 Teacher/Kaiako - Tere Tamarua <i>Kākāpō Team Leader/Kaiwhakahaere</i>	Science - Ryan Croon & Amber Aratema <i>(Term 1-2 & Term 3-4)</i>
Room 3 Teacher/Kaiako - Amorangi Ngata-Atkins <i>Kākāpō syndicate</i>	Visual Arts - Stacey Yates
Room 5 Teacher/Kaiako - Chris Goold <i>Kākāpō syndicate</i>	Workshop - Dave Gall & Bruce Edwards
Room 8 Teacher/Kaiako - Amanda Lake <i>Kākāpō syndicate</i>	Coding/Robotics - Michael Davidson
Room 12 Teacher/Kaiako - Ngaire Smith <i>Kākāpō syndicate</i>	Creative Media - Deborah Foote
Rm 6 Teacher/Kaiako - Lyn Northwood <i>Tūī Team leader/ Kaiwhakahaere</i>	Food Technology - Dr. Katy Perry
Room 7 Teacher/Kaiako - Nathan Morkel <i>Tūī syndicate</i>	Caretaker/Kaitiaki - Jeff Chung
Room 13 Teacher/Kaiako - Mr Vale <i>Tūī syndicate</i>	Office Admin - Linda Squires
Room 14 Teacher/Kaiako - Mrs McKeown <i>Tūī syndicate</i>	Office Admin - Kohle Rooney
Room 15 Teacher/Kaiako - Sabine Brooke <i>Tūī syndicate</i>	Office Admin - Helen D'Souza <i>Wednesday - Friday</i>
Rm 9 Teacher/Kaiako - Shel Chung <i>Kea Team leader/ Kaiwhakahaere</i>	Teacher Aide/ Kaiawhina - Wendy Pihema
Room 1 Teacher/Kaiako - Mike Leijh <i>Kea syndicate</i>	Teacher Aide/ Kaiawhina - Jess Kalolo
Room 2 Teacher/Kaiako - Matthew Banks <i>Kea syndicate</i>	Teacher Aide/ Kaiawhina - Monica Stillwell
Room 10 Teacher/Kaiako - Pamela Stoddard <i>Kea syndicate</i>	Teacher Aide/ Kaiawhina - Tofi Neemia
Room 11 Teacher/Kaiako - Matthew Johnson <i>Kea syndicate</i>	Teacher Aide/ Kaiawhina - Barbara Murguerza
Room 4 Teacher/Kaiako - Barbara Cloonan <i>Thursday Only</i>	Librarian - Karen Dobbs

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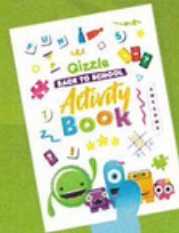
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SCHOOL UNIFORM CLUB

MAKE BACK TO SCHOOL STRESS-FREE WITH OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM CLUB.

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TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR LAYBY SERVICE TO SECURE YOUR UNIFORMS AND PAY INTEREST-FREE INSTALLMENTS WITH ONLY A 20% DEPOSIT.

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PLACE YOUR ORDERS ON OUR REVAMPED WEBSITE TO AVOID THE LONG QUEUES AND PICK UP YOUR UNIFORM FROM YOUR NEAREST STORE.

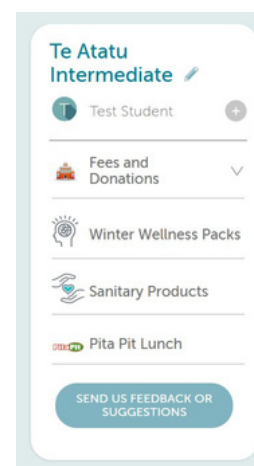
ONLINE PAYMENTS WITH KINDO!

All your school payments can be made in one place.... with your myKindo account.

Your personalised account (Fees and Donations icon) will show you all your outstanding payments, where you can choose to make a part payment, or pay the item in full.

You will also be able to purchase optional items, buy lunches, support fundraisers, and purchase event tickets.

This is our preferred method of payment, and we encourage all our families to sign up!



New users

New users can set up a myKindo account easily!

[Click here](#) to register & create an account. All you need is the email address the school has on file for you.

Existing users Already have an ezlunch or myKindo account?

If you have an account (with another school or organisation), you can [log in here](#), and use the my details page to update your details. One myKindo account for all your students, at their different schools.

Payment

There are several ways you can choose to top-up your account, and this can be done at the checkout, or by selecting the 'top up account' option at any time.

	top up account	my details	my orders	mykindo
POLi	No fees. Instant transfer. **RECOMMENDED**			
Credit/Debit Card	50 cent charge + 2.5% fee. Instant transfer.			
Bank Transfer	Visa / MasterCard / American Express and China UnionPay available.			
	No fees. Allow 2 days for processing.			

Shopping

There are TWO types of transactions you will be able to make using myKindo: paying personalised payment requests for your students and purchasing optional items.

Personalised payment requests will appear at the top of your screen under your student's name.

Pay the full amount by clicking '+' next to the item or make a part payment, by changing the amount before clicking the '+' (if available).

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There will also be the Kindo shop/optional items.

Click on your student's initial next to an optional item to add to your cart.



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Once you have made all your purchases click on the *Checkout* option to complete your transaction.

If you have sufficient funds, then simply click *Place Order* at the checkout and you're done!

If you have insufficient funds, you will be able to top-up before completing your purchase.

Your order will automatically go through to the school or lunch supplier, and you will receive an email receipt confirming your top-up and/or purchase!

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