

# 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.**

This week saw all classes participating in a beach education day held at Orewa Beach. With Auckland surrounded by two harbours and multiple beaches, it is vitally important that students learn to treat our moana and awa with respect and understand the power of nature.

The sessions have involved beach safety, lifesaving skills, board handling, paddling and stance demonstrations as part of a group surfing lesson as well as beach games and other activities. So far the weather has played its part and students and staff have enjoyed the learning and hands-on activities. I would like to take this opportunity to also thank the parents and whānau who have supported our ratios for these water activities and allowed us to participate in these beach learning days.

Your support and help were very much appreciated!



# IMPORTANT NOTES

## LION KING PRODUCTION

TAI will perform Disney's The Lion King in the last week of Term 3. **Performance dates are the 19th, 20th and 21st of September.** Everyone is looking forward to taking part in the fun and action.

Congratulations to the students who have won a role - there was a lot of competition.

RAFIKI - ISHWARI R7  
ZAZU - RUBY R6/AVA R10  
MUFASA - PAUL R9/LAKER R7  
YOUNG NALA - ANNA R6  
NALA - GRACE R11  
YOUNG SIMBA - KORI R8  
SIMBA - KEANU R4  
PUMBA - NICO R14  
TIMON - MILA R16  
SHENZI - HAZEL R5  
BANZAI - HAMISH R9  
ED - URIJAH R7

We have lots of African animal roles to fill and we always need a large chorus. If your child is keen to become involved with the dance group, please ask them to email [Mrs Northwood](#).

## AIMS GAMES 2023

The Aims Games 2023 will be held in Tauranga from Saturday 2nd to Friday 8th September. We will not be entering any teams this year, but if you would like your child to enter into one of the individual sports, please email [Ian Felix](#) and he will let you know if they qualify for that particular sporting code. All the information about the Aims Games and which sports are available, can be found on the [Anchor Aims Games website](#).

## COUNSELLING

Available at school on Tuesdays with Olivia and Thursdays with Roneeka or Lynley. Please see the pamphlet attached at the end of this newsletter for more information.

## IMMUNISATION FORMS

A reminder that Immunisation forms went home to all students last week. Please get these back to school ASAP. All forms need to be completed and returned even if your child does not require the immunisation. If you would like more information on this important immunisation programme, please go to [School Immunisations](#).

## NON-UNIFORM & SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY

One of our school's values is atawhai - the consideration, care and kindness towards others. Currently, one of our school whānau has been impacted by a house fire and we would like to support this whānau in this stressful time by holding a non-uniform & sausage sizzle day **next Thursday 30th March**. This is our first non-uniform day of the year and we ask that students bring a gold coin donation & \$2 for a sausage sizzle.

## KNOWLEDGE-ATHON

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](#) or [Ms Rooney](#).

## HEAD/DEPUTY PREFECTS

Democracy at its best with staff and students making their voices count by voting for our new head leaders last week Friday. We stand with them as they embark on a year of learning about leadership, life skills, growing in character, and how to serve others.

## 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.

Each class will have a day with the NEST educator, which is split into 3 sessions:

In the first session boys and girls will be together to learn about some of the physiological and emotional changes that occur during puberty. The class will discuss how to manage these changes in a positive way. In the second session boys and girls are separated into two groups. Each group will learn about the physical changes that occur during puberty.

In the final session, classes come together once again to learn about concepts including anxiety, body image, media manners, and cyber safety.

For more information 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

# KĀHUI AKO PICNIC

WHĀNAU, MUSIC, FUN & GAMES

TODAY  
TE ATATŪ INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL  
4 - 6PM

FOOD STALLS  
PETTING ZOO  
FACE PAINTING  
BOUNCY CASTLES + MORE!

BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC

CASH ONLY  
SMOKE, VAPE & ALCOHOL FREE EVENT



WE ARE DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCE  
OUR NEW STUDENT HEAD  
LEADERSHIP TEAM 2023

CONGRATULATIONS

PAUL (DHP)

RUEBEN (HP)

ISHWARI (HP)

KIANA (DHP)



# SPORTS

## NETBALL

THERE IS A HUGE INTEREST IN NETBALL THIS YEAR. OUR SCHOOL TEAMS WILL PLAY WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT TE PAI COURTS. GAMES ARE USUALLY BETWEEN 4-5.30 PM. THE SEASON RUNS FROM MAY TO AUGUST.

WE ARE DESPERATE FOR NETBALL COACHES. IF THIS SOUNDS LIKE SOMETHING YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN PLEASE CONTACT [WHAEA NGAIRE](#).

WE ARE ALSO SEEKING UMPIRES FOR OUR TEAMS.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO MAY BE INTERESTED IN EARNING A LITTLE EXTRA CASH, PLEASE HAVE THEM CONTACT WHAEA NGAIRE.

*HE WAKA EKE NOA*

*WE ARE ALL IN THIS WAKA TOGETHER.  
PLEASE SUPPORT OUR NETBALLERS.*

## P.A.C.E - WRESTLING

Fantastic to see our TAI students trying out Wrestling for the first time! Our troops have been learning the art of self-discipline, different wrestling techniques, and of course how to work as a team. We are grateful and thankful to have Coach Amir every Wednesday and to Rutherford College for the space to train our students.



*"I chose wrestling because I got to get out of the school grounds but now I have realised that it's pretty full on. You leave the hall with a bright red face and drenched with sweat. It's a great way to get some exercise and learn something new."*  
- Jean Rm1

## KI-O-RAHI

NEXT WEEK TAI WILL BE TAKING THREE KI-O-RAHI TEAMS, TE ATATŪ ŌRANGIHINA, TE ATATŪ ŌRUKUWAI AND TE ATATŪ ATAHAPARA TO RUTHERFORD COLLEGE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE KI-O-RAHI COMPETITION. ALL THE BEST TO THE 48 STUDENTS WHO WILL BE COMPETING NEXT WEEK.



## ORIENTEERING - WESTERN ZONE SPRINT SERIES

TAI had some outstanding success at the Western Zone Sprint Series orienteering competition, competing against all of the local intermediate schools in the area. At the last event at Henderson High, TAI took the top three places on the girls' leader board with Summer, Leilani and Rosa leading the way.

At the end of the 5 events, Evie took the overall Year 7 girls' winner and Aflie came 2nd for the Year 7 boys.

We also had numerous students in the top 10 for both year levels which was a great achievement.

## ORIENTEERING ZONE DAY

Next Tuesday, 28th March, TAI will be sending a 24-strong team to the Waitākere Zone Orienteering Field Day, 2023. The 2km course will be held at Waitatua Reserve, Grand Dr, St Johns.

Participants will be competing in teams of 4-6. There are 4 categories. Year 7 Girls/Boys; Year 8 Girls/Boys.

If any whānau are able to assist with transport, please contact [Matua Tony](#).

## SWIMMING ZONE DAY

Last Wednesday, TAI attended our local Swimming Zones Day. Five students represented TAI all competing in 50m freestyle, 50m backstroke and 50m breaststroke. One student, Shayla, also competed in the 50m butterfly.

Leilani had one of the fastest times for Yr 7 freestyle and Belle for the Yr 8 freestyle, both making it to the finals.

All students did really well in their races and did an amazing job representing TAI.

Shayla made the finals for all of her events and made it through to the Auckland Champs, which was held yesterday. Although she didn't place anywhere, it was an awesome achievement making it to Auckland Champs - Congratulations Shayla!





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## 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

Classwise. 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.

# COMMUNITY NEWS



## Te Atatū Peninsula Coastline Clean-up

Saturday, 1 April 2023

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

[PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

Triangle Park Community Teaching Garden

# Open day

FREE ENTRY

PLANT SALE

WORKSHOPS

REFRESHMENTS

**SATURDAY 01 April**  
10am - 2pm

**385 Don Buck Rd, Massey**

Calling whānau and friends from all cultures to join Tāmaki Makaurau's first

## PLAY FESTIVAL

SATURDAY 8 APRIL 11am-4pm  
Tuna Mau/Western Park, Freemans Bay

Come along to a **FREE FAMILY DAY** to play and explore traditional games, music and food from many different cultures! **THIS IS FOR ALL AGES!**

• Cultural Play and Traditional games • Nature play & Loose parts play  
• Arts and crafts • Music and dance • Ethnic street food

For more info SCAN HERE

Play Festival celebrates cultural identity, facilitates intercultural connections and creates a safe and inclusive environment for people to play, interact and **JUST HAVE FUN!**

AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL  
ON TUESDAYS WITH  
OLIVIA AND THURSDAYS  
WITH RONEEKA OR  
LYNLEY

## How to make an appointment:

Talk to your parents,  
ask your teacher or at  
the office

## COUNSELLING IS ABOUT SHARING YOUR STORY PRIVATELY

### what can I talk about in counselling?

- Troubles
- Getting help
- Feelings - about myself or someone else
- Thoughts
- Things I can't tell others
- Problems
- Remembering - e.g. "I feel sad"

COUNSELLING  
CONVERSATIONS ARE  
PRIVATE AND  
IMPORTANT.  
THIS MEANS THAT YOUR  
COUNSELLOR WILL NOT  
TELL ANYONE WHAT YOU  
SAY UNLESS:

- YOU DECIDE SOMEONE ELSE COULD HELP, OR BE TOLD
- YOU OR OTHERS NEED TO BE KEPT SAFE

### what you can expect in counselling

- To be listened to
- To be cared about
- Not to be told off or blamed
- To feel safe
- No judgement
- To be able to say anything
- To feel better after a while
- We might draw or do other art activities
- You can tell your stories
- The counsellor might tell a story