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TE ATATU 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

As we complete week 2 of Term 2, we look forward to a productive and engaging nine weeks of learning and activities. This term includes two public holidays — King's Birthday (Week 6 - Monday 2nd June) and Matariki (Week 8 - Friday 20th June) and is a slightly shorter 9 weeks.

A highlight of the term will be our school's participation in the Matariki Celebration of Schools, a significant event that brings together schools from across the community.

Our Kapa Haka and Pasifika groups will be performing, and student artwork will also be on display. We are also preparing for Sports Camp, which takes place at the end of the term, with over 60 students representing the school across multiple sports. Training and organisation are well underway, and it promises to be a memorable experience for our students.

The Moana school production is also full steam ahead, with rehearsals and practices in progress. This will be performed at the end of Term 3 and is shaping up to be an amazing show.

In addition, we will celebrate National Primary Science Week next week, with Mrs Aratema, our wonderful science teacher, preparing exciting activities.

We will also be promoting inclusion and diversity by celebrating Pink Shirt Day next week. Later this term, we will celebrate our rich cultural diversity at TAI with International Languages Week.

Mid-year reports will be sent home to provide you with an update on your child's progress during the first half of the academic year. These will be sent home along with the digifolio at the end of this term.

Alongside the usual Term 2 events, we are set for a very busy and exciting term ahead. As always, we appreciate your continued support.



IMPORTANT NOTES



KNOWLEDGE-ATHON

Early next term we will be running a school 'Knowledgeathon' 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 Ms Rooney in the office.

PHOTOLIFE

Class photos and individual student photos were taken on Monday. Keep an eye on your emails, as a Photo Keycode will be emailed to you. You can use your unique Photo Keycode to view your child's photos at www.photolife.co.nz.

Orders placed before the Free Delivery Expiry Date will be bulk printed and delivered to the school for your child to bring home.



Gold coin donation. Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora! Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

PIZZA DAY

Wednesday 14th May

Support the TAI Runners Club as they fundraise for new uniforms for their weekly neighbourhood runs and future marathons and events! \$2.50 per slice with the choice of cheese or pepperoni pizza. Pre-orders close on Monday 12th via KINDO.

Students will receive a ticket with their order on it, which they will need to bring to the tuckshop at lunchtime on Wednesday 14th May to collect their pizza. Click here to preorder now! Unfortunately, due to low sales last time, we will not be offering a gluten-free (GF) pizza option.





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IMMUNISATIONS

Our immunisations are coming up. It's not too late to return your immunisation forms please return these regardless of whether you would like your child to be immunised at school or not.

POSITIVE PUBERTY PLUS HUI

THURSDAY 15TH MAY AT 6:30PM

A reminder that in week 4, 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.

A one-hour whānau hui will be held on 15th May at 6:30pm for those wanting more information. Please click Join Zoom Meeting

For more information please visit the **NEST website** where you can view the **Lesson Plan** or their **Facebook page**. If you **do not** wish for your child to participate, please complete this form. Unless we receive your response, your child will be included.



40 HOUR CHALLENGE

Last week, five students represented TAI at the World Vision Youth Conference. They joined in with over 100 other schools to learn leadership skills, climate change and about how to run the 40 hour Challenge with their kura. This year TAI is doing the World Vision Forty Hour Challenge on 13-15 June to fundraise towards reducing child poverty in the Solomon Islands. For forty hours you can give up one of your basic necessities such as food, furniture, technology or one of your own ideas. Our student leaders will be presenting this at assembly in the next few weeks, but in the mean time, if you have any questions or want info on signing up, please contact Dr Perry in Food Tech.

SANITARY PRODUCTS

Free sanitary products are available for any of our students who may require them. Order through KINDO.

CELEBRATING OUT OF **SCHOOL ACHIEVMENTS**

If your child has competed, participated in, or achieved something special outside of school-whether in sports, the arts, community service or another area-we'd love to celebrate their success in our school newsletter. Please send a short blurb and a photo to Ms Rooney in the office.

2026 ENROLMENTS

If you have another child starting with us next year-or know of an in-zone family with an upcoming enrolment-please spread the word. Enrolment forms are available on our website or by clicking here.

SAVE THE DATE **OPEN NIGHT**

Tuesday 12th August, 6:30-8:00 PM

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Friday 22nd August.



IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

Monday 28 April: First Day of Term Two

Monday 05 May: Photolife - Class & Portrait Photos

Thursday 08 - Friday 09 May: Tikanga Wananga @ Te Aroha Pā

Wednesday 14 May: Orienterring Auckland Champs

Thursday 15 May: Puberty Plus Hui

Friday 16 May: Pink Shirt Day

Friday 16 May: Te Puni Reo Netball Competition

Tuesday 20 May: Girls Football Zones

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Thursday 22 May: Boys Football Zones

Tuesday 27 May: Rugby Zones

Thursday 29 May: Autumn Music Showcase, 6:30pm

Monday 02 June: King's Birthday

Thursday 05 June: Cross Country Zones

Friday O6 June: Book Battle

Friday 13 June: Bake Sale for Starship

Friday 13 - Sunday 15 June: 40 Hour Famine

Friday 13 June: Hockey Zones

Friday 13 June: Chess Tournament

Thursday 19 June: Matariki Festival

Friday 20 June: Matariki

Monday 23 - Friday 27 June: Sports Camp @ Totara Springs

Tuesday 24 June: Gymnastics Zones

Friday 27 June: Last Day of Term Two

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OTHER HELPFUL LINKS FOR WHĀNAU

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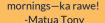
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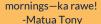
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