



Te Atatū
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER / PANUI

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A MESSAGE FROM MR EVANS - TUMUAKI / PRINCIPAL

Tena koutou whanau o Te Atatu Intermediate kura.

Well, we are heading now towards the last few weeks of the year, which somehow has simultaneously been both the longest and shortest year of my life!

Today we have 22 students representing us at the Auckland Champs for Athletics held at Mt Smart. We wish them all the best as they represent us against the best athletes in Auckland.

Year 8 Sweatshirts

Payments for sweatshirts are due by this **FRIDAY 27 NOVEMBER** (tomorrow) and can be made either online via our KINDO app, by cash/ EFTPOS to the school office, or through internet banking using the following account number:

School Bank Details:

ASB BANK LTD

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Please make sure you put your child's name and sweatshirt in the subject line.

A reminder - All Year 8 students will receive a free TAI leavers T-shirt as our gift to the Year 8s.

School Ball Information (From Whaea Tere)

Year 8 Graduation Ball Information

Theme: Masquerade

Dress: Formal Wear (see notices for details)

When: Thursday 10th December

Where: School Hall

Cost: \$15 per ticket - students must have their permission slip and money (cash) to buy their ticket

Tickets can be purchased during morning tea - from inside Rm 4 (first 15mins of the break) sales will start this week and continue up until the day of the ball - NO DOOR SALES

Optional: \$5 photobooth concession ticket - students need a ticket to be able to use the photo booth

For any inquiries please contact the teacher in charge: tere.t@teatatu.school.nz

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Student News

The team from Te Kura o te Kauri came to talk and teach us about kauri dieback and how we can become kaitiaki towards the kauri tribe. They were specialists in their area of being kaitiaki for our Native Forestry.

We participated in 3 activities that taught us the cause and effect of the dieback virus and how it affects NZ Kauri. We had a go at sun art and learnt to use a microscope to analyse native plants. We were looking at flowers and understanding that things under a microscope are way different then the human eye, the most disgusting thing to look at was the bugs.

By Rio Taka and Ngakau O'Donnell (Room 4)



Lions club speeches

Congratulations to Olivia Muller (Room 6) and Samuel Eraso Diaz (Room 9) who represented Te Atatu Intermediate at the annual Lions speech evening. Both students presented excellent speeches which were very well received and represented the school with pride.

As a bonus, they also got to chaperone Mrs Northwood, and had a lovely dinner as well.

A special thanks to Olivia and Sammy for representing us so well, and also to Mrs Northwood for coordinating the evening.

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Parakai Pools

On Monday 14th December, we are booked for our fun day at Parakai Pools. At the end of the newsletter we have a permission slip for parental permission for this day. As part of the donations scheme, **the school will be paying for this trip**. However, in order for us to book the correct number of buses, it is important we know how many students will be attending on the 14 December. Could you please complete the form coming home today and return to your child's class teacher.

2nd Hand uniform sales

On Monday 14 December, while the school is at Parakai Pools, we have our annual 2nd hand uniform sale. This will be from 9.30 -11am in the school hall. Any Year 8 families who wish to donate uniforms, these can start to be collected from **Wednesday 9 December to Friday 11 December**. Year 8s who donate uniform will be able to wear mufti clothing for the remainder of their TAI time. Could all donated uniforms please be washed before they are donated. Donated uniforms can be checked off with their class teacher, then taken and put on the school stage, ready for sorting.

Community News

Waitakere Teacher aide / Learning Support Programme

Accompanying this newsletter is an information letter about the Waitakere Teacher Aide Programme. This programme is a "Return to the Workforce" programme for parents who currently receive the Sole Parent Support benefit. They employ 12 Teacher Aides/Learning Support to work in one of the following schools: Glendene Primary; Glen Eden Primary; Henderson Intermediate; Liston College; Rangeview Intermediate; Te Atatu Intermediate; and Tirimoana Primary. The work is during normal school hours. Application forms can be collected from the front office.

What's coming up in the last weeks of school

Thursday 26 November - Auckland Champs Athletics @ Mt Smart

Friday 27 /Saturday 28 November - West Auckland Band Festival

Tuesday 1 December - Interschool sports exchange day

Wednesday 2nd December - final Y8 Girls Self Defence group

Friday 4th December - Non uniform / mufti day - donation for Foodbank at CARE Waitakere

Saturday 5th December - Te Atatu Santa Parade

Thursday 10 December - Year 8 ball (6-8.30pm @ TAI hall)

Monday 14 December - Whole school @ Parakai

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Tuesday 15 December - Year 7s home at 12pm. Yr 8 Prizegiving @ 1pm (**Year 8s last day**)

Wednesday 16 December - Year 7s only at school. Y7 Prizegiving @ 10.30am - 12ish.

End of school year.

Kia pai te wiki, have a fantastic rest of the week!

Nga mihi nui

Lloyd Evans

Principal/Tumuaki

Please see below for Parakai Pools permission slip

SCHOOL PICNIC – PARAKAI POOLS Monday 14th December - Entry Free (paid by school)

Please return the permission slip below to the class teacher as soon as possible. If your child will DEFINITELY NOT be at school that day, please let us know.

Student name:	Room No:
has permission to attend Parakai will not be going to the pools will not be attending school on Monday 14 th December	

Signed (Parent/Guardian):