

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.

I trust you all enjoyed Labour weekend. On Tuesday, we dove headfirst into our WAKA Athletics Day, which proved to be an awesome blend of competitive and non-competitive events, brimming with WAKA pride. It was great to see numerous parents rallying behind their children, and, fortunately, the weather cooperated for a change, allowing us to complete the day successfully.

We witnessed some truly impressive WAKA chants, relay races, and tug-of-war contests.

Congratulations to this year's Athletics Day champions, Team Tainui, with Team Aotea securing the second position, Team Te Arawa coming in third, and Team Takitumu clinching the fourth spot. I extend my sincere appreciation to all the students for making the day truly remarkable. Each one of them gave their very best, running, throwing, and jumping with unwavering determination, and it was indeed a joy to behold.

Last but not least, tonight is our Spring Music Showcase starting at 6:30pm in our school hall. Featuring our beginner & advanced band, violin ensembles, drum squad and our award-winning rock bands! Come along & enjoy the performances!



IMPORTANT NOTES



BLACK OUT FRIDAY 2.0

It worked so well last week - that we're doing it again! It was great to see our school's support on One News Sport on Sunday night.

Tomorrow, Friday 27th October, TAI will be supporting the All Blacks in their quest to win the World Cup for the 4th time, by holding another 'Blackout Friday' where all students are encouraged to get behind the team and wear All Black apparel or black clothing. There will be no charge for this non uniform day.

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Monday 13 November
As a Kāhui Ako / Community of Learning - all Te Atatū cluster schools will hold their last designated teacher-only day on Monday 13 November. This date is also listed on our website.

NGĀ MIHI

Our Science Room now has a full class set of gumboots thanks to Richard Carter from Auckland Council's Sustainable Schools!



Our fields were able to be lined for Athletics day thanks to paint supplied by local AVT Painting Services & we were able to enjoy Sack Race's thanks to coffee sacks donated from Atomic Coffee Roasters! A big thank-you too all for supporting TAI!



ROAD PATROLS

40 keen Year 7's were trained to take over road patrols by Constable Jude. Thank you for volunteering your service to TAI and keeping our students safe!



LIONS CLUB SPEECH NIGHT

Written by Ruby R6



On the 24th of October, Awarua and I were fortunate enough to be invited to the Lions Club speech night. There were several other West Auckland Intermediate schools representatives. The night started with an opening statement and the national anthem. We then listened to Lions members speak about the club, how far they have come, and their appreciation towards us; the guests attending. We indulged in a wonderful meal, cooked beyond perfection. Before we knew it, our speeches were due to be delivered. All of the other schools went first. Many of the speeches revolved around similar topics to do with sustainability and a healthier way of life. Awarua and I presented our speeches. Happy nerves spun through our stomachs. We did it. The relief was great. We enjoyed the remainder of the lovely evening. All participants received a beautifully framed certificate of congratulations. It is a great reminder of the amazing night we had.

OTAGO PROBLEM CHALLENGE FINALS

Congratulations to the following 'mathletes' - Louis R5, Max R7, Riley R15, Micah R15 and Elijah R16 who had qualified and participated in the Otago Problem Challenge Finals. The test was a 1 hour online session and took place on Thursday, 19 October. The questions were equivalent to high school Maths. Students were discreetly warned to expect an uphill battle. These students have also earned an academic TAIS badge.



AWHI MAI TE ATATŪ

TAI's Food Tech department are now working with Awhi Mai Te Atatū by donating any food scraps generated in lessons. These food scraps are hot composted and then used to nourish the Awhi Mai Te Atatū gardens on Beach Road. Awhi Mai Te Atatū uses regenerative methods to mihi the soil, growing kai while connecting to te taiao. We are so excited to be able to contribute to this project.

MSAA ART EXHIBITION

TAI is entering 10 students work into the annual Auckland Middle Schools Art Association Art Exhibition. The event opens on October 29th and runs through until November 5th.



Tropical Paradise TE ATATŪ INTERMEDIATE CLASS OF 2023 Graduation Ball

THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

FORMAL DRESS

COST: \$20 (CASH ONLY)

OPTIONAL \$5 FOR PHOTO BOOTH CONCESSIONS CARD
LIMIT OF 2 PER PERSON (4 PHOTOS PER CARD)

TICKET SALES EVERY MON, TUES, WEDS & FRI FROM INSIDE R4
5:50 - 6:00 PM DROP-OFF AT GATE 1/STAFF CARPARK
6:30 PM CLASS PHOTOS START

7:00 PM KAI TIME
8:00 PM CUTTING OF THE GRADUATION CAKE
8:15 PM DOORS OPEN FOR PARENTS, LAST DANCE
8:30 PM PARENT MUST COLLECT FROM HALL

REMEMBER: THIS IS A SCHOOL EVENT
SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS AND VALUES ARE EXPECTED
THIS IS A CELLPHONE FREE EVENT

YEAR 8 GRADUATION BALL

Our Year 8 Graduation Ball is on Thursday 7th December from 6:00 pm. The below information & this permission form will be emailed out to our Year 8 Whānau tomorrow. If you have any questions please contact Whaea Tere.

SPORTS

BASKETBALL ZONE DAY

Last Tuesday, two basketball team's represented TAI at the West Auckland Basketball Zone day. Our girls team had some tough matchups against Blockhouse Bay & Henderson - missing out of making it to the semis.

Our boys team played amazing. Beating both Greenbay & Avondale by over 20 points each. Unfortunately they were also pooled with Liston, who they lost their first game to by only 4 points, knocking them out of the competition. Thank you to Reece Beardsall for coaching the boys team, Areta Faifua for transport & Karsha Taka for scoring.



VOLLEYBALL ZONE DAY

Today TAI sent 2 teams to the West Auckland Volleyball Zone day, our Year 8 boys & girls' team. We played & won most of our games in our pool which saw us land in the quarter finals against Glen Eden Int whit team & Glenavon Int. We won both games which placed us 3rd overall for the Year 8 round. A big thank you needs to go out to Matua Tony, Mr. Felix for always helping out behind the scenes so we can run our trainings during school time & to our TA Barbra for being our umpire for the day. But a massive shout out to our Yr 8 boys & girls crew....we spiked, blocked, pass, jumped, dig & hopped our way to the quarter finals...you all did TAI proud. Next stop : touch rugby zone day

WAKA ATHLETICS DAY 2023

WAKA Athletics Day 2023 was a fantastic showcase of talent and camaraderie among TAI students.

The whole school got behind it, dressing up in their WAKA colours and embracing the spirit of Whanaungatanga.

The atmosphere was filled with excitement as students took to the field to compete in high jump, sprints, shot put, and discus, organized according to their respective year groups.

As a WAKA they finished the day competing in fun activities like relay races, sack races, and tug-of-war.

The spotlight shone on the outstanding athletes who achieved top placements in their events, and they, along with others, are set to represent TAI at the upcoming Athletics Zoneday next month, carrying with them the pride of our school.

Congratulations to all the participants who made this day a memorable one!

HIGH JUMP

Oliver R7, Evie R5, Luke R14, Taylor R1

SPRINTS

Ben R5, Evie R5, Lev R9, Lilah R2

DISCUS

Nathaniel R5, Evie R5, Caleb R16, Rosa R11

SHOT PUT

Cobby R9, Evie R5, Harry R7, Kiana R13,



