

TŪ TANGATA

Te Atatū Intermediate School



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Nau mai, haere mai and Welcome to the first newsletter of the year!

To our returning families - A special welcome back to our Year 8 students and whanau. I hope you have had a fantastic summer's break and ready for another year of learning at TAI. To our Year 7 students and whanau new to the school, without sounding too much like an Air NZ safety video, it is great to have you on board.

As mentioned at the powhiri, I am thrilled to be the new Principal, taking over from the fantastic Mrs Fletcher. Having been the Assistant Principal here for 10 years already, it feels like it has been a smooth transition. One of my main goals for this year is to continue the great tradition of high expectations, positive character values and a safe environment conducive to learning. We will be modelling these aspects as leaders and teachers ourselves. We will continue to refine and make our school culture the best it can possibly be. Even though I have changed my role, the vision and direction of the school, already going in a positive direction, will continue to do so. Thank you parents, the students all look great in their uniforms and look relaxed and ready for a great year of learning ahead. I am looking forward to a superb 2019!

Lloyd Evans, Principal

Website

Over the next few weeks, there will be changes to our website. Thanks to Mr Andrews, we will be revamping the website through an IT company. Our aim is that all our correspondence and information will be on the website, allowing this to be the main place to get all information about what is happening at school.

Tuck shop

The tuck shop is looking good and it is already very popular. As it is most important that all of the children have finished eating their morning tea or lunch before the next lesson starts, the tuck shop will close five minutes before the end of either break. **Mrs Northwood.** Attached to the newsletter is a notice about the prices for the tuck shop. At morning tea, food can be pre ordered for picking up at lunchtime. The tuck shop is open every Tuesday - Friday, morning tea and lunch. Pita Pit can be pre-ordered and delivered to school on Mondays.

Meet the Teacher Night Tuesday 19 February

We will be having our annual '**Meet the Teacher**' night on Tuesday 19th February. the format for the evening will be;

6.30pm - meet the teachers in the classroom, expectations for the class will be covered at this time.

7.00pm - Principal's address in the hall.

7.15pm - Music information. The music teachers will explain our musical programme here at TAI.

7.30pm - Music tryouts for students in music room. Rooms will be set up for students to try instruments on the night. (If you do not wish to stay for try outs, this will be the conclusion of the evening.)

Our **Student Led Conferences** - our formal parent evenings will be at the end of term 1.

Pasifika

Afio Mai, Malia Mai, Tala Mai a'ao ma le Manuia
Tele le tausaga fou. Matou te fiafia e galulue
fa'atasi ma Matua uma ile tatou Vasega
Pasifika, i lenei tausaga.

Welcome and Happy New Year, we are excited to work together with all our parents in our Pasifika Group. My name is Mrs Satele and I look after our TAI School Pasifika Group - I will be organising our group in the next coming weeks. If there is a wonderful tutor to help teach our boys this year, that will be awesome. Please contact me via our school phone number or school email. We would absolutely love to have you!!!
Alofa tele, Mrs. Satele

KEY DATES

11 February: Lockdown drill

Practice lockdown to cover procedures in the event of an emergency.

18 February- 1 March: PE focus: Squash

Outside expert to take squash for PE.

19 February: Meet the teacher night

6.30pm start in classrooms.

5 March: Softball zone day

Girls Waitakere zone day.

7 March: Softball zone day

Boys Waitakere Zone day

18-27 March: Science focus

Kaitiakitanga conservation programme at Harbourview / Orangihina.

25 March: World of Maths

Maths hands on practical activities through World of Maths.

27 March: Swimming zone day

Waitakere zone swimming West Wave.