



NEWSLETTER/PANUI

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A MESSAGE FROM MR EVANS - TUMUAKI / PRINCIPAL

Tēnā koutou katoa o Te Atatū Intermediate whānau.

It was fantastic to see parents back on site again at our student led conferences held earlier this week. For some of you, it may have been the first time you have been on site, It was great to see you here! This was the first time we have been able to open up since our year 6 open night last August! We hope you were able to see and experience where and what your child is learning and where to next with their goals.

A reminder again that we will be having our **MoE designated teacher only day on Tuesday 7 June**. This is straight after Queen's Birthday. As a cluster of Te Atatū schools, we have coordinated the same day across the cluster.

Carey Park Camp, Term 3 2022

As mentioned last week, this year we are heading to Carey Park Camp, Henderson Valley for our school camps 2022.

Who and when:

Camp 1: Kea syndicate (rooms 1, 2, 9, 11, 16) - **Monday 1 August - Wednesday 3 August**

Camp 2: Tui syndicate (rooms 5, 6, 7, 8, 10) - **Monday 8 August - Wednesday 10 August**

Camp 3: Kakapo syndicate (rooms 3, 4, 13, 14, 15) - **Monday 15 August - Wednesday 17 August**

Where: Carey Park Camp, 397 Henderson Valley Rd, Waitakere, Auckland

Why: Camp is an important part of our EOTC (Education Outside The Classroom) programme. Children will experience a range of carefully selected activities that they may not have experienced before, learn to take safe risks, build friendships, problem solve, build resilience, and come back with a sense of personal pride and achievement.

What: The children will be sleeping in dorms (bunk rooms) and will be separated by gender. Trained instructors along with our teachers and parent helpers will lead the children through a range of team building, cooperative, personally challenging and rewarding activities over the three days.

Cost: The Carey Park experience is \$230, and we would appreciate your contribution to support this EOTC programme. This includes: meals, accommodation, all activities, and covers the trained instructors. The bus cost will be covered by the school.

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Parents are welcome to make part-payments throughout the term.

Kindo is our preferred payment method, see our website for more details on this. Payments can also be made to our school account:

ASB BANK LTD
TE ATATU
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Please use your child's first initial and last name, and 'camp' as the reference.

If you wish to discuss payment arrangements, please contact Kelly Clarke on kelly.c@teatatu.school.nz

Transport: Children and parent helpers will be transported to and from camp by bus. Buses will depart school as follows:

- Camp 1: Kea syndicate (rooms 1, 2, 9, 11, 16)- depart 9.30am Monday 1 August and return Wednesday 3 August at 1.30pm.
- Camp 2: Tui syndicate (rooms 5, 6, 7, 8, 10)- depart 9.30am Monday 8 August and return Wednesday 10 August at 1.30pm.
- Camp 3: Kakapo syndicate (rooms 3, 4, 13, 14, 15)- depart 9.30am Monday 15 August and return Wednesday 17 August at 1.30pm.

We will be sending home more information regarding student permission, parent help, medical forms and a gear list in the coming weeks.

****IMPORTANT- For now, please complete the confirmation form by clicking this link:**
[Carey Park Camp Confirmation](#)

Ngā mihi

Kelly Clarke (Deputy Principal)

Chocolate Fundraising

Our chocolate fundraising begins this **Monday 23 May**. All profit from the selling will go directly towards your child's Carey Park camp contribution. If you do not wish for your child to participate, please send a note to your child's teacher. Each box sold will get **\$23** off the final camp costs.

Online Safety hub

A reminder about the **TAI Online Safety Tech tab** on the safety hub home page. This is a really useful tab which has blogs and articles around online safety, parental control setting information as well as handy informative guides for parents. To view the safety hub either click the Family Zone link on the school website home page or go to; <https://teatatu.onlinesafetyhub.nz/family-zone/about>

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Pink Shirt Day

Bullying Free NZ Week is this week and tomorrow is **Pink Shirt Day**. As a school, we recognise the importance of supporting this movement and the Mental Health Foundation with a **Pink Shirt Non-Uniform Day on Friday 20th May**. Please bring a **gold coin donation** and wear **pink**! Let's celebrate diversity, spread aroha and kindness and end bullying! All proceeds go to the Mental Health Foundation.

TAI Sport - Results

1) **Netball** - A great start to the season from all teams;

TAI Talons vs Don Buck Flames 4-3 (W) / **TAI Talons** vs GEIS 4-5 (L)

TAI Tactix vs **TAI Tsunami** - 7-3

TAI Tsunami vs St Doms 3 -11 (L)

TAI Titans vs St Doms 16 - 1 (W) / **TAI Titans** vs Henderson Int 12 -0 (W)

Rangihina Rivals vs St Doms 13 - 0 (W) / **Rangihina Rivals** vs BBI 10-2 (W)

2) **Waterpolo**

After a very close, hard fought game the final result was **Te Atatū** vs Glen Eden Gladiators 5-6 (L)

Chess Club

TAI have started a Chess Club. We need some more sets in order to get everyone playing. ***So, if you have an old chess set that is not being used, perhaps you could donate it to our club*** - this would be much appreciated. Please drop these off to Mrs Northwood in Room 6. Any students who wish to join - please see Mrs Northwood in Room 6 - all welcome!

Student success

Congratulations to **Mikael Garner (Room 10)** who has been selected in the **Auckland Little League Intermediate Baseball Team** which is traveling to South Korea at the end of June, to compete in the Asia-Pacific Little League Competition. An amazing opportunity for Mikael to represent NZ and if the team wins the Little League competition in South Korea, they will then travel to the USA to represent Auckland at the World Series. We wish you all the very best as you prepare towards this Mikael!

Staff News

Next Friday we farewell **Ms Cathlin Ward** - our Art Teacher who has been with us the last 6 years. Ms Ward will be moving to teach secondary closer to home for her at Westlake Girls. I would like to thank Ms Ward for all the work she has done over the last 6 years and wish her all the very best for the next stage of her teaching career. In our next newsletter, I will let you know who her replacement will be.

Covid-19

Unfortunately, this week has seen a slight rise in Covid cases of students from the first couple of weeks of the term - although this is nowhere near the numbers we had at the peak, it is still trending upwards. We are still wanting to make sure that we minimise any risks as much as possible. Unfortunately, we have also had impacted staff and with relieving teachers in very short supply at present, there are times where we have no other option than to split classes for the day.

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Class teachers are continuing with making sure there is adequate ventilation and windows are recommended to be slightly open to allow airflow even during the winter months. We are monitoring classes daily for airflow using CO2 monitors to make sure there is adequate flow, and that levels are within the optimum range for learning- so far all classes have recorded levels well within the required range. **As cases are rising, we will also continue with mask wearing in class for staff and students for the next fortnight and continue to reassess.**

Student Report

THIS WEEK

AUCKLAND BLUES PLAYER JAMES LAY MADE A VISIT



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Yesterday, James Lay visited our school. Myself, Milo and Paige were lucky enough to meet the Auckland Blues player. With the help of Whaea Ngaire and Mrs Satele, we asked James to come to our school & give us a shoe bin for Tonga.

Who is James Lay? James Lay is a prop for the Blues rugby team and is currently resting from his injury

Why is James collecting shoes for Tonga? James Lay is collecting sports shoes on behalf of the Auckland Blues efforts to assist Tonga in the recovery effort after the volcano that caused thousands of people to lose their homes and belongings.

What does the shoe bin have to do with this? Well, the shoe bin is where we will store the shoes that you have donated. The school's goal is to get 8 shoe bins full over the next couple of weeks. We will be helping the Blues reach their goal as well, which is to get over 20,000 shoes over to Tonga.

This week would be a big help if you contribute by bringing in some old sports shoes or footy boots to give to the people in Tonga. Next week Monday, you can bring in old sport shoes small, big, and bigger shoes all welcome! Ask your parents, siblings and extended whānau to support the kaupapa for Tonga.

Mālo

Olivia Tuivaiti, Tamilo Ah-Hing, Paige Jarvie-Otufangavalu

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

Nga mihi nui

Lloyd Evans, Tumuaki/Principal