

# NEWSLETTER/PANUI

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## A MESSAGE FROM MR EVANS - TUMUAKI / PRINCIPAL

**Tena koutou katoa o Te Atatu Intermediate whanau.**

It was great to see so many people at the Student Led Conferences earlier this week. This is our main opportunity to share the goals your child has set, to showcase where they are currently at and where they are aiming to get to in their learning. Our next reporting will be a mid year, full written report.

## **Year 7 Boostrix Immunisations**

All year 7s have received the Boostrix immunisation forms (11 year old immunisations) this week. Could you please fill in the consent or non consent part of the form and return it to school by Friday 28 May.

The following information is from the Waitemata District Health Board;

*Year 7 School Based Immunisation Programme 2021*

*It is important to ensure our children remain protected from vaccine- preventable diseases.*

*Year 7 learners will be offered Boostrix vaccine (dTap) in school. This vaccine is a booster of diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough most children received last as preschoolers. If you would like more information on this important Immunisation Programme please go to Ministry of Health – Immunisation for Older Children;*

*(<https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/healthy-living/immunisation/immunisation-older-children>).*

*On this site there is a video you can watch explaining the Boostrix vaccine and what to expect at school on the day your child is immunised.*

*You can contact a Public Health Nurse on **09 838 1733** or **021 584 897** if you wish to talk to a healthcare professional. This vaccine is also available free of charge from your General Practice. Please complete the form and return to school.*

A video about the Boostrix immunisations can be accessed via the following link.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tNlKS9uQCQU>

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### **Teacher Only Day**

Please note that on **Tuesday 8 June** (straight after Queen's Birthday Weekend) we will be holding a Ministry of Education delegated Teacher Only Day. We have factored these in on the same dates across the Te Atatu Community of Learning (CoL) Schools where possible.

During this day, staff will be working with a facilitator from Kinane Sharp to review our Digital Technology programme and upskill within this area for all our staff. Our next designated CoL Teacher Only Day is set for the Tuesday after Labour Day in Term 4.

### **New Zealand Music Month**

NZ Music Month at Te Atatu Peninsula Library.

In the context of NZ Music month the **TAI Advanced Band** will be performing at our local TAP library on **Thursday 27th of May at 12:30pm.**

The invitation is open to students whānau and the community in general as part of events for music month. Entrance is free.

### **Office staff**

There has been a slight change in staff you may see at the office. Mrs Helen D'Souza has dropped down to three days per week - Wednesday to Friday. On Monday and Tuesday we welcome Miss Kohle Rooney in the office.

### **Pink Shirt Day**

Pink Shirt Day - It was great to see the wonderful variety of pink and colourful shirts and clothing today. Thank you for your support toward the Mental Health Foundation. Check out the photo!



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### Origins of Pink Shirt Day

Pink Shirt Day began in Canada in 2007 when two students took a stand against homophobic bullying after a new Year 10 student was harassed and threatened for wearing pink. These students bought dozens of pink shirts and distributed them to their classmates to wear the next day. The word got out online and hundreds of students showed up in pink, some from head-to-toe, to stand together against bullying. It has been celebrated in New Zealand since 2009.

At Te Atatu Intermediate, we strive to create an inclusive environment through our four WAKA values of whanaungatanga - creating the community of support, atawhai, caring, consideration and kindness towards one another, kaitiakitanga being responsible for ourselves and others, looking after our environment and ako, respectful relationships with each other - staff and students. We know the world isn't perfect, but where we are made aware of incidents, we strive to quickly follow up and support all students.

So thank you all for the support of Pink Shirt Day, all proceeds go towards the Mental Health Foundation to support the work they do with youth in Aotearoa.

### *What's coming up this Fortnight?*

**Friday 21 - Tuesday 25 May** - In class health sessions with NEST Consulting.

**Tuesday 25 May** - Girls Football Zone Day

**Thursday 27 May** - Boys Football Zone Day

**Thursday 27 May** - Advanced Band at Te Atatu Library for Music Month

**Tuesday 1 June** - Rugby 15s Zone Day

**Thursday 3 June** - Winter Music Showcase

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

*Nga mihi nui*

*Lloyd Evans*

*Principal/Tumuaki*

*Te Atatu Intermediate*