

# **NEWSLETTER/PANUI**

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### A MESSAGE FROM MR EVANS - TUMUAKI / PRINCIPAL

Tēnā koutou katoa o Te Atatū Intermediate whānau.

The term is continuing to fly by, can't believe we are a third of the way through this term!. This week we have transition visits from our contributing primary schools to visit, as well as transition visits continuing for some of our Year 8s for Rutherford College for next year. It is another busy term, and we have had some great student events and success. Our Lifechanger programme has been well received by the students and it has been great to see our students engaged in these activities.

#### **Girls' Self Defence Project**

In week 5 (November 14 - 17) our year 8 girls have the opportunity to take part in a Girls' Self Defence Project course run by Kia Haumaru - Personal Safety Education. The course is open to all girls and gender diverse students in year 8.

The facilitator is a qualified and experienced Personal Safety Educator, and has run several successful courses at TAI in previous years. She will help the students to learn ways of dealing with unsafe people, situations, and threats to their safety- such as dealing with stranger attacks, being followed, and issues relating to cyber safety. The course will emphasise how students can 'think' their way out of a threatening situation, and how important it is to tell a safe adult if something happens.

If you would prefer for your child to <u>not participate</u>, please send a note or email to your classroom teacher.

#### **School Photos - Photolife**

Photolife should have emailed all whānau with a key code to access the school photo in order to purchase. If you have not received any information on this, please contact the school office on office@teatatu.school.nz and we will follow up with Photolife.

#### **Netball**

Final call for netball uniforms to be returned to **Whaea Ngaire in Room 3**. These must be returned by tomorrow please.

#### Sun safety

As we are now past the Labour weekend period, students should all be wearing hats outside.

#### TAI Athletics Day - Thursday 10th November 2022

Te Atatu Intermediate school athletics day will be held on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November at school**. The first event will start at 9.15 and we will follow the timetable below. We encourage all students to participate and give each event a go. If your child places 1st, 2nd or 3rd in the field events and 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th in the sprints, they will go on to represent the school at the athletics zone day to be held on <u>Tuesday 22nd November</u>. Parents / caregivers are welcome to come and support their child on the day. Students are able to attend school in their PE gear on this day and accessorise in their WAKA colours. If you have any questions about the athletics day, please contact <u>ian.f@teatatu.school.nz</u> *Mr Felix (Sports Director)* 

#### **TIMETABLE FOR DAY**

	Y7 Boys	Y7 Girls	Y8 Boys	Y8 Girls	Event Break
9:15-10:15	Shot Put	Gumboot Throw	High Jump	Discus	Sprints
10:15-11:15	Sprints	Shot Put	Gumboot Throw	High Jump	Discus
11:15-12:15	Discus	Sprints	Shot Put	Gumboot Throw	High Jump
12:15-1:15	High Jump	Discus	Sprints	Shot Put	Gumboot Throw
1:15-2:15	Gumboot Throw	High Jump	Discus	Sprints	Shot Put
2:15-2:45	WAKA RELAY				

#### **Care Waitakere Food Bank**

This year **CARE Waitakere Trust** and their group of community volunteers are making Christmas hampers for local families, and Te Atatu Intermediate will be supporting them with this initiative. **For the next 3 weeks we will be collecting items.** Each class has been given a poster outlining the items which are most needed- which includes cereals, long life milk, tea, coffee, milo, pasta, rice, tinned foods, washing powder, toothpaste, shampoo, tooth brushes...

If anyone is in the position to bring in an item or two to support CARE Waitakere, that would be much appreciated. 100 waka points per item!

#### **Student Events**

#### **Lions Club Slam Poem performance**

Last Tuesday the 25th of October, **Sharlise Barton and Natalie Hy (both Room 4)** performed their winning Slam Poem about 'Body Beauty Standards' at the West Auckland Lions Club. Our school is very lucky that every year the Lions Club hosts a celebratory dinner for some of our winning students and their whānau, to celebrate their success in our School Speech Competition. This wonderful opportunity was a chance for Sharlise and Natalie to present their Slam Poem for their whānau and the Lion members, and be treated to a delicious dinner. At the end of the night the Lion's presented Sharlise and Natalie with a framed certificate recognising their outstanding achievement.

Many thanks to the West Auckland Lions Club for their ongoing support of our T.A.I students.





Lions Club Awards

Ki-o-rahi teams

#### Ki-o-rahi Tournament

On Raapa 26 Whiringa-a-nuku (October) 2022, Whaea Ngaire And Koka Amorangi took two teams to Crum Park in Titirangi. It was a great day of laughter, skills and learning. There were some rules we never knew about and the kaupapa for the day was about playing, showing good sportsmanship and using Te Reo. Overall, Te Atatū Intermediate did a great job and met some new friends, reunited with some friends made from sports camp. It was a very well organised tournament.

#### **Softball Zone Tournament Winners!**

The TAI Girls' Softball team took part in our annual Softball Zone Day at Brains Park on Tuesday. We did not know what to expect - other than it was going to be a scorcher of a day. According to our draw TAI was in a pool with the main heavy hitters of our zone cluster.

Our first game against Rangeview Intermediate was our first win - Waihi Rm 1 was our pitcher and young Charlotte Rm 16 was the catcher of the day. They were both a winning combination that once they both got going - were unstoppable.

With our first win under our belt - our confidence began to grow - next game we played Kelston Intermediate - our heavy batters Charli Room 15 and Roma Room 3- gave us some out of the park hits that led us to our second victory of the day.

Next game up was against Glen Eden Intermediate- this was the game that we wanted to win the most. The nerves were beginning to show at the beginning but once we found our groove - the winning magic kept coming particularly from our clever plays from Emily Room 9, Tessa Room 2 and Aria Room 3. Our win against GEI School was our best game ever - and was a fantastic build up against Henderson Intermediate.

Our game against Henderson was a show stopper - our scores were one for one and we needed extra home runs to see us place in the final - thank goodness Phoenix Room 2, Elyna Room 15, Maya Room 6 and Maire Room 15 all pulled through the game and fielded exceptionally well-especially when we needed it the most.

The last game against Green Bay - was the win that sealed our place into the finals.

Our final game against Kelston Intermediate was a real David vs Goliath feeling - Kelston

Intermediate had all their supporters barracking for them - and our TAI Girls' Team - well we only had each other - and just like David we fought back and we relied on each other - and **WE WON -**4-2!

We would like to thank Aaron (Charlotte's Dad) and our forever day 1 supporter Kylee (Charli's Mum) for taking the time out of their day to be our chief supporters - **THANK YOU** - and to our team - we were small in numbers today - but we were mighty in spirit - **AUCKLAND CHAMPS HERE WE COME!!** 

#### Mrs Satele & the TAI Girls' Softball Team 2022



The champion Girls Softball Team -Congratulations!

#### **Student Success**

Hi my name is Paige and I am in Room 9.

On Tuesday I went with Rutherford College to the **Special Olympics at The Trust Stadium**.

We played indoor soccer and there were about 9 schools altogether.

Our team came 2nd in our Pool and we all got a certificate.

We had a great day and we came back to school very happy and also tired.

Congratulations Paige! Well done!!



Te Atatū Young Crafters Market celebrates creativity, sustainability, and connection by showcasing the incredible talent of Te Atatū's creative kids through a market experience.

#### How to apply

If you're interested in becoming a stall holder, fill out an application form (collect from office, Whaea Stacey or send an email to Jamie Thomas at jamiethomas@windowslive.com). Forms must be returned by Friday, 18 November 2022.

#### **Information**

- Stall Fee: \$5
- Date: 10 December 2022
- Location: Te Atatū Peninsula Community Centre (the big hall)
- Time: 10am 1pm
- Tables are provided free of charge
- Crafts must be made by, and sold by, young people aged 8-16
- Your young person will need adult supervision if they're 13 or younger.

#### **Categories**

Category 1 – New Craft/Products

Category 2 – Food Products

Category 3 – Upcycled Craft/Products

Category 4 – Second Hand Toys/Goods (Limited Spaces)

Category 5 - Community Fundraiser (Limited Spaces)

Newsletters resume fortnightly - Have a great rest of the week!

Ngā mihi nui, Lloyd Evans Tumuaki/Principal

