



Kia ora Parents, Whānau and Caregivers,

Term 1, Week 1

A very warm welcome to the 2025 school year, especially all new whānau to the Tauranga Intermediate School community. The school year has started in a very positive fashion with our students settling into their classrooms and learning. It is obvious to see each House developing a sense of pride as our fantastic teachers set up students for an exciting year.

Communication:

If you haven't already had the chance to, we recommend taking a good look at our school website, as this contains a lot of useful information. All important school newsletters and updates will come out via our school management system HERO and will be posted on our TIS Facebook page. School newsletters come out 2 to 3 times per term. You can also find our newsletter on our website.

Website - <https://www.tauranga-int.school.nz>

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/TaurangaInt>

Please join your child's House Facebook page too, where a lot of House specific information and celebrations will be shared.

It is important to communicate if you have any frustrations or burning questions. These should, in the first instance, be directed to your child's classroom teacher. Please do not post these frustrations on our school's Facebook page.



HERO:

Our school Student Management System is called HERO. We ask all whānau to create an account as this will be our way of communicating all school information and events via the Community Feed. Teachers will be using this to provide information about upcoming Technology classes and the requirements for these, Camp information, House events and class events. Through HERO you will be able to view your child's learning and reports. All students will be creating posts of their learning and progress - these are only visible to whānau and the classroom teacher. HERO is also your way to report absences. If you have not signed up and created your account, please follow the link below:

<https://linc-ed-hero.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360026349934-Logging-into-Hero-Information-for-Families>

It is very important you sign up with the same email you have used in your child's enrolment. If your email has changed please notify the school office so it can be changed - you will not be able to access HERO if the email addresses do not connect.

Whānau 'Back to School' Information:

Next Friday 14th February, each House will post a presentation via our school management system HERO, to introduce themselves and help you learn about day to day organisation that is in place to support your child.





Teaching and Learning:

Whakawhānaungatanga is our first 'Roadmap' for 2025.

Waiho i te toipoto, kaua i te toiroa: Let us be closer, not far apart.

The vision for this learning is to establish links and connect with others in culturally appropriate ways, which include acknowledging, whakapapa (who we are), past heritages, whānau, values, interests and other relationships.

Our Roadmaps are contextual learning opportunities and provide the platform for most learning experiences in the classroom, including from the Science and Social Sciences curriculum.

Whakawhānaungatanga supports our foundation, our place in the world, and our home. It is our place where we feel a sense of empowerment and connection.

This Roadmap provides the following learning experiences:

- The foundation of our identity comes from who we come from.
- We are part of many different communities that all contribute to our identity and us to theirs.
- Our identity, culture and communities shape our perspective.
- Culture and heritage originate and are sustained through familial links and bonds.
- There are things across all identities and cultures which are similar – common ground.
- Kinship and relationships come with rights and responsibilities and affect responses to historical events.
- The history of Aotearoa contributes to the identity of our country.

Literacy, Numeracy, and PE/Health are the core of the academic programme in all classrooms and are integrated with the Roadmap for best learning outcomes.

Sport:

Term one is an exciting one with sports registrations being sent out for 5 aside football, golf, gymnastics, hip hop, squash, tennis, super league and Kiwi volleyball, Underwater hockey, Water polo and Mountain Biking, Be in quick with these as they do tend to fill up.

TIS Swimming Sports Champs are open to all students who can swim competently over 50m. Houses have their own swimming sports throughout the year that are targeted more at participation. Our swimming sports will be held at Greerton Aquatic Centre on Friday 7th March.

Super 11 events are inter-school competitions where students get the opportunity to compete against 11 intermediate schools from the Bay of Plenty and Poverty Bay including Gisborne, Taupo etc. These events involve a selection or trial process.

Winter code trials will get underway in the coming weeks including basketball, hockey, and netball. Please encourage your child to keep an eye on the notices if they are interested in any of these codes.

Whānau Learning Conferences:

These will be held in Week 8 on the 24th and 25th March. These provide an important opportunity to learn more about your child's learning.





Phones:

Students are not permitted to bring a phone to school unless they have received permission from Whaea Cheri. Please email cherig@tauranga-int.school.nz if your child/ren needs to bring a phone. Permission is only given in exceptional circumstances.

Attendance:

We ask for your support to ensure that your child is at school every day. If you need support to get your child to school, please contact their teacher for assistance. Together, we can raise their achievement and social interactions if we have them here every day.

School Driveway:

We request as a safety precaution, that parents do not drive down the driveway to drop off or pick up their children before and after school. Please use Grace Ave or 18th Ave (near the crossing) for all drop-offs. Alternatively, students can be dropped off at Fraser Cove car park and they can use the crossing and enter TIS from Fraser Street. This Fraser Street crossing is supervised by staff members on duty, both before and after school.

Buses:

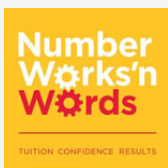
Thank you to those parents that have supported their children in knowing what bus to catch to and from school. Unfortunately, we are still getting students daily asking what bus they should catch. Please ensure that your child knows their bus number, perhaps a slip of paper with a reminder in their bag may help. Also, a reminder that a bus contract was sent home with all bus students to read over and have signed by a caregiver agreeing to the expectations on the bus.

Fraser Cove:

A reminder that students are not allowed to visit shops at Fraser Cove like Burger King, The Warehouse, DKs, Reduced to Clear or Countdown before school and after school unless they are accompanied by a caregiver.

NumberWorks'nWords:

Thank you to the amazing team at NumberWorks'nWords. Your continued support over 2025 is greatly appreciated.



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Thank you all for your support in 2025.

**Ngā mihi nui,
Cameron Mitchell - Principal/Tumuaki**



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www.tauranga-int.school.nz

School office

E: info@tauranga-int.school.nz

P: 07 578 4401

Register your child's absence:

E: attendance@tauranga-int.school.nz

P: 07 578 4401

Bus Transport:

Mike Hansen

E: mikeh@tauranga-int.school.nz

Classroom teachers

www.tauranga-int.school.nz/About-Us/Staff



UPCOMING DATES

TERM 1

Week 3

- **Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20th February**- Photolife School Photos
- **Thursday 20th to Friday 21st** - Super 11 boys cricket

Week 4

- **Friday 28th February** - TIS Tennis Champs

Week 5

- **Wednesday 6th March** - Boys basketball trials begin
- **Friday 7th March** - 11 Surfing - Mount Maunganui

Week 6

- **Friday 14th March**- Super 11 Tennis- Whakatane

Week 7

- **Thursday 20th March** - Year 8 HPV
- **Friday 21st** - Super 11 Swimming - Rotorua

Week 8

- **Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th March** - Whānau Conferences
- **Monday 24th to Friday 28th March**- Scholastic Book Fair

Week 9

- **Wednesday 3rd April** - Rā Whanaungatanga
- **Friday 4th April**- Super 11 Touch Rugby- Rotorua

Week 10

- **Monday 7th April** - Winter Code Parent/Player Meeting
- **Wednesday 9th April** - TIS Badminton Champs



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DATE: 16th February 2025

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Tauranga Fish & Dive Club Website or Facebook page.

Tickets can be purchased from: - Tauranga Fish & Dive Club
- PlaceMakers Mount
- Top Catch Sulphur Point
On Line - www.tfdc.co.nz

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