

Dear parents, caregivers, students and friends of the school. Tena koutou katoa. Nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa.

Welcome back to all students for Term 3 and a warm welcome to new families who are joining us this term. We have a number of international students who are joining our school, either as a group or as individual students and we are pleased to welcome them to our school and city. I am sure everyone in our school community will make sure their stay is an enjoyable one.

This term is going to be one packed with academic, cultural and sporting events. The annual showcase in August is a highlight for all our performers and it is always a pleasure to share their talents with our community. We also have a number of interschool sports events including the NZCT AIMS Games which are the pinnacle of sporting competition for Year's 7 and 8 in New Zealand. Another highlight of the term will be the official launch of Baymaths.

This is a new initiative from our school and involves a competition for students gifted and talented in mathematics at Y6, Y7 and Y8 level. Schools from across the Western Bay of Plenty and the Central North Island have been invited to participate and entries are flowing in from across the country. More information will follow and we are really excited at how this new initiative in our school is going.

This term, all students will be asked to focus on continuing their learning at a high level of attainment and on developing the skills to be responsible citizens at our school.

Manners, consideration and high standards of presentation and behaviour will be expected and given priority along with our school being a safe, secure and supportive environment for all. It is important that as a community we all work to reinforce values such as consideration for others, tolerance manners and a sense of community responsibility.

The students at Otumoetai Intermediate are a great group of emerging adults and we are proud of them. Every now and then one or two

let us down or fail to meet our expectations for behaviour. In these cases we work closely with the students' families and relevant agencies to foster change for the future. We appreciate parents and caregivers contacting the school when an issue arises and we also appreciate the positive feedback provided by email or telephone.

AMAZING RESULT FOR KNOWLEDGEATHON 2010

\$16,129.50 was raised in this year's knowledgeathon by our students and families. Congratulations and a huge thank you to all who supported us in achieving this record amount.

We are pleased to announce the following winners of major prizes:

Top Ten Students: (All received vouchers for The Warehouse at assembly)

- 1st Caitlin Bean
- 2nd Luci Glass
- 3rd Nathanael Stock
- 4th Bailey Thomson
- 5th Nathan de Munnik
- 6th Anna Cunningham
- 7th Joanna Johnston
- 8th Jim Van der Vorm
- 9th Leyton Blackler
- 10th Denee Wall

Family Prize: (Dinner at China Town Restaurant)

Caitlin Bean and family

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Top Classes:

1st Room 13
 2nd Room 22
 3rd Room 10
 4th Room 17

Lots of spot prizes were given out at our last assembly last term and we would like to thank the following businesses for their support:

- Flight Experience - Adventure Aviation N.Z.**
- Agrodome World Famous Sheep Show**
- Bay City Cinemas**
- Fernland Spa Thermal Mineral Springs**
- Tauranga Mini Golf Memorial Park**
- McDonald's Family Restaurant - 11th Ave**
- Baywave TECT Aquatic & Leisure Centre**
- Mount Maunganui Hot Salt Water Pools**
- Waimarino Adventure Park & Kayak Shop**
- Konica Minolta**
- Bunnings Warehouse Mount Maunganui**
- Blokart International**
- Marshall's Animal Park McLaren Falls Road**
- Tenpin 13th Ave**
- Bay Office Products**
- Books compliments of G. Haddon**

**BOOK FAIR - OTUMOETAI
 INTERMEDIATE LOVES TO READ**

A big thank you to all families who supported our recent book fair during parent/teacher interviews. We raised \$593.00 which will go towards new books for our Literacy Centre. We also wish to express our appreciation to our helpers, PTA members. Thanks to Glynis Haddon, school librarian, for organising this wonderful fair.

BOARD NEWS

At this weeks meeting the focus for discussion will be school strategic goal 5.

"The school will ensure all students are given opportunities to develop to their full potential" (minimum disruption from others, sense of pride, strong self belief)

Each meeting, the board sets aside time to focus on a strategic goal from our charter and to determine how successful the school has been in achieving that goal.

This week also sees the completion of rooms 13 and 14 refurbishment and modernisation. The board property committee continues work with our property manager to ensure our school site is well maintained and buildings systematically modernised.

All parents would have had an opportunity during parent interview nights to view the new literacy and learning centres. If you haven't had a chance to see these please feel free to call in at the office for a view of these.

SCHOOL NEWS

PARENT WRITTEN REPORTS

This year is the first year we have been required to report against the National Standards.

Now that you as parents have experienced our first attempt to report succinctly and clearly about your child's achievement and progress, we would appreciate your feedback.

We used a template provided by the Ministry of Education and are interested in your ideas

about how to improve the quality of the information you received.

As a staff we will reflect on and review the process for reporting to parents at mid-year and your thoughts would enhance this.

Please write to or email the Principal at:

hopping@otuinterschool.nz

We would appreciate your feedback on the following:

- Student portfolios
- The interview process
- Your child's written report

SHOWCASE

Our showcase involves the top performers from our school. We have two public evening performances on the 11th and 12th of August 7pm to 8.30pm. For this performance we showcase our Arts Academy (dance, music, visual arts, kapahaka and choir). Multi-media and highlights from Wearable Arts and Talent Quest. Tickets for showcase cost \$5 and will be on sale every interval from the 2nd of August.

BUZZ THE PEOPLE SURVEYS AND FUNDRAISER

A big thank you to all parents and family members who have already signed up through our website. Last year we received \$300.00 from the Buzz Channel and this year we have received \$450.00.

It doesn't cost anything to join up and you go into a draw for great prizes. For every survey you complete, the school receives \$1.

We currently have 301 families registered as "Friends of the School" and thank them for their support.

To join up just click on the Buzz bee at the bottom left of the home page on our school website, and follow the instructions.

STUDENT ADDRESSES/PHONE NUMBERS

To all parents/caregivers - please let the school office know if you have moved recently or changed contact phone numbers. We are having difficulty in contacting some parents when children are sick or have an accident.

2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

If you have a 2nd hand uniform you would like us to sell on your behalf, please deliver it to school.

We will issue you with a receipt and collect your name, address and bank details. Once we sell your uniform we will direct credit your account or post you a cheque, minus a commission of 15%.

Uniforms that are in good order we will sell for half the amount they cost to purchase new.

All uniforms that are brought into the school to sell must be clean and folded. If you want your child to bring a uniform into school to sell, please have it in a bag, clearly marked with your name, address and bank account number. Ask them to bring the uniform to the school office.

Any queries please phone Barbara Schollum, our Executive officer, at the school office on 576 5105.

INTERNATIONAL HOMESTAY REQUIRED

We are looking for a homestay for a Korean boy from now till December.

Please Contact Barbara Schollum at the School Office on 576 5105, if your able to assist, or know of someone who would be interested. Remuneration will be paid at \$210.00 per week.

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ANZAC POSTER

We congratulate Ashley Prentice on her artistic achievement.

Ashley entered an ANZAC poster competition and her work has been displayed at the New Zealand Defence headquarters. It was then one of fifteen to be further displayed at our National Museum Te Papa. A Fabulous effort Ashley.

BASKETBALL REP

Congratulations to Jessica Gadsbey who has been selected for the Tauranga City Basketball Association U13 Girl's Representative basketball team.

Jessica will be competing in the Basketball New Zealand U13 Premierships in Manukau from Friday 23 July to Sunday 25 July. This tournament is a qualifying tournament for the Basketball New Zealand Nationals later this year. Jessica has been training twice a week as part of her commitment to this representative programme and we wish her well for the tournament.

SCIENCE FAIR 2010

Once again this year's science fair enabled our year 8 students and some year 7 students to show their ability to carry out a science investigation.

Mr Nigel Calder, from the University of Waikato, was invited to judge the exhibition and he awarded the following distinction and merit awards. The criteria for judging is very specific and centres on the quality of scientific investigation used.

Our congratulations to the following students:

Distinction Awards:

Stephanie Gilchrist, Janaya Worthington, Leyton, Blackler, Nicola Turner, Alice Beedie, Aidan Smith Kelcy Ballantyne, James Thwaite, Brylie Apeldoorn, Mya Lewis, Stephen Crisp.

Merit Awards:

Courtney Leslie, Stuart Roodt, Nadia Mohamed, Ashley Prentice, Mya Lewis, Chloe Morgan, Briar Blackie, Kahla Tyson, Danielle Higgison, Daniel Hill, Dylan Ngatai, Jessica Gibson, Jordyn Polley, Isabella Sandoy, Hamish Mowat, Benjamin McColgan, Robert Hurford, Sean McDermott, Annie Freeman, Henly Watson, Ben Aiken, Jordan Gamman, Jonathan Hill, Laura Holdich, Sophie Tarr, Connor Steens, Matthew Kriel, Wilson Knox, Leah Madden, Rachel nunn, Rhianna overall, Blake Fairweather, Michelle Buyn, Torie Enticott, Naomi Kingsford, Kristen Edwards, Connor Benton, Jayden Gill, Luke Tisch.

Some of the exhibits will represent the school at the Regional Science Fair late this year.

2011 COLLEGE ENROLMENTS

OTUMOETAI COLLEGE

The following are dates and times for enrolment at Otumoetai College for 2011 Year 8 pupils.

Monday 26th July

Prospectus and enrolment forms distributed to Year 8 students.

Tuesday 3rd August - Orientation Night

The College has informed us of a change to the programme for this important event. The College Principal (Mr Randell) will now give an address before the start of each of the two tours of the College which are offered for the afternoon/evening. These addresses will be given at 4.30 pm and 6.30 pm with the tour following immediately after. The College extends a warm welcome for parents and prospective students to attend either of these addresses and tours.

Wednesday 4th August & Thursday 5th August

Individual interviews at Otumoetai Intermediate with College personnel/students/parents.

TAKE YOUR BIRTH CERTIFICATE, ENROLMENT FORMS, SUBJECT SELECTION SHEET, STUDENT INTEREST SHEET AND PARENT INVOLVEMENT FORM WITH YOU TO THE INTERVIEW.

If you are unable to attend on the two days please ring Otumoetai Intermediate to make alternative arrangements.

TAURANGA BOYS' COLLEGE OPEN EVENING

Thursday 5th August 6.00pm - 9.30pm

Contact Enrolment Officer on 578 4029 or email j.davis@tbc.school.nz.

TAURANGA GIRLS' COLLEGE OPEN EVENING

Thursday 29th July 5.45pm

Packs are available at Otumoetai Intermediate office from the July 27th. Enrolment information available on request (578 8114) or email info@tgc.school.nz

Enrolment interviews at Otumoetai Intermediate on Thursday 12th August at 9.00am.

Testing will be in November.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **Digischool:** Digischool ICT Media Arts Holiday Courses. Enrol now for our exciting school holiday courses at Digischool. You can choose from one day through to 4 days workshops. Choose from game design, 3d Animation, Stop motion, Photoshop, Flash animation or Film. We cater for ages 8 to 18. DigischoolCall Jonathan on 570 0066 or visit www.digischool.co.nz for more info.
- **Drum Lessons:** Matt Baxter offers lessons for all ages close to central

Tauranga. Phone Matt 570 3350 or 021 0261 4723 or visit www.drumlessonstauranga.co.nz.

- **MathZwise:** Maths tuition (years 1 - 13). One on one or maximum 2 students per tutor. Ph: Mark (07) 577 9045 or check out website www.mathzwise.co.nz
- **Piano Tuition:** New studio in Otumoetai. The teacher has studied with pianists - Maurice Till (NZ), & Tessa Birnie (Sydney), and has over 20 years of teaching experience. Vacancies for both children and adults. Phone: Rowanne Peace (M.Soc.Sc., B.Mus.,LTCL.) 570 3336
- **Otumoetai Playcentres,** 'Mad Hatters Tea Party'. Free Nescafe Cafe Menu coffee served, fun activities & giveaways for the kids. \$5 per/family. Sunday 8th Aug, 10am-2pm. Sausage sizzle available for purchase. Otumoetai Playcentre, Bellevue Park, Windsor Rd, Next to tennis courts/ swimming pool.

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Regards

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