

## TERM CALENDAR

### September

- 20 Alpine Camp
- 27 Year 6 Transition Visit
- 28 Speech Finals – Level 2 restrictions at this stage

### October

- 1 Latimer Assembly 2pm
- 1 Last day of Term 3

### School Holidays

- 18 Term 3 Begins
- 18 Te Puke Schools Staff Only Day CANCELLED – school as normal
- 18 Ngatuhua 1 and OPC Tongariro Camp
- 25 Ngatuhua 2 and Waitomo Camp

### November

- 8 OPC Great Barrier Island Camp

### BACK TO SCHOOL AT ALERT LEVEL 2

We have completed our first complete week back at school and on the whole, everyone has managed beautifully. Ka mau te wehi team!

As we would expect there has been some re-settling back into routines and in some cases resetting the body clock to be up earlier and at school on time. Some students have needed a sleep in the afternoon, others extra kai as we adjust to being back in a school routine. One of the most noticeable behaviour we are needing to reset is respect. Reminding students to speak nicely, using a respectful tone and demonstrating respect when given instructions by teachers. We did not notice this so much after the 2020 lockdown and we would appreciate whanau support on this as you discuss school with your child or moko.

Devices that were loaned out in Level 3 home learning are mostly all returned – however there remains a few across the school that need to be brought back to kura please.

Assembly was held via the Radio Station last Friday and it was BRILLIANT. Congratulations to everyone for their Centre contributions to Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori – awesome mahi this week.

### OPEN NIGHT CANCELLED

The restrictions in Level 2 make it impossible to hold our Open Night currently.

Our school schedule across the rest of this term and first few weeks of Term 4 does not have space to hold it then either.

This is a shame for everyone involved and we realise for families that are new to TPI, this cancellation is causing some stress.

### HOUSE POINTS AS AT 17.09.2021

<b>Te Ihi</b> <b>1030</b>	<b>Te Mana</b> <b>1010</b>	<b>Te Mauri</b> <b>1190</b>	<b>Te Wehi</b> <b>1020</b>	<b>Te Kaha</b> <b>1075</b>	<b>Te Maia</b> <b>810</b>
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## ENRICH DEBATING

Enrich have been learning how to debate. The topic they first battled over was this:

**"China is introducing a law that children under the age of 18 can only have one-hour online gaming on a Friday, Saturday and Sunday"**

The students had some very convincing arguments both ways and helped each other form their 'speaker's comments' with work they did during lockdown.



## TE PUKE TEACHER ONLY DAY

Monday 18 October was scheduled for a whole of Te Puke staff only conference day – this has been cancelled due to alert levels and the uncertainty around scheduling guest speakers – so it will be school as normal for the first day back!

## TPI ENROLMENTS 2022

Contributing schools have had their enrolment packs delivered and explained to the students. Whanau from non-contributing school are invited to collect theirs from the school office. All enrolments are due by this Friday 24 September with interviews taking place early next term to secure places in Learning Centres. If you know anyone wanting to enrol here for 2022 – please let them know they need to complete these and have them to us by Friday. Thanks for your help.

## TPHS ENROLMENTS 2022

TPHS also had to cancel their Open Night and while enrolment packs were handed to our Year 8's before lockdown, only 100 of our students have enrolled so far for next year. Students wanting to enrol at TPHS for next year need to do this with urgency. TPHS need these enrolments to secure their staffing for next year's options choices and without the enrolments, they are unable to do this. Thanks again for your assistance with this.

## MRS GOURLAY FINISHING AT TPI THIS TERM



After dedicating 45 years to education with 13 years of those years teaching and leading at TPI, Mrs June Gourlay has decided it's time to spend time doing "other things". June will finish with us here at the end of this term with a school farewell taking place for her.

June has contributed significantly to our school, teaching and learning, leadership, fundraising and EOTC during the past 13 years.

Many of these contributions involve events that are **life changing and life long memories** such as the Young Leaders Camp to Wellington and the overseas trip to the Pacific Islands. Both are incredible experiences which take huge amounts of planning, dedication to details and supreme organisation. Another mammoth role has been leading the organisation of our annual Kia Kaha Fun Run which over the years, has grown under her leadership to be a significant fundraiser for our school.

Mrs Gourlay has taught Extension English, trained our school leaders to perform a number of schoolwide procedures and had a leading role in our Positive Behaviour for Learning programme. Many parents and students from past years maintain contact with June out of respect for the impact she has made on their lives – both from teaching here in NZ but also from across the world.

It has been an honour to have a leader of Mrs Gourlay's caliber in our school over these 13 years – we thank her for her dedication and loyalty to TPI and education in general and we wish her well for her next adventures.



## YEAR 8 CAMPS

Are full steam ahead. This week we have our Alpine campers at Ruapehu and our others are all fully subscribed and ready to go.

Please ensure the final payment due on your child's camp is paid promptly. You should have received an email statement with the amount due – if you are unsure, please contact the office.

## SCHOOL STUDENT ACCOUNTS

With AIMS Games cancelled and these payments being refunded, there are a few students who have credits sitting in their accounts. Whanau of these people can do one of two things – either leave it there as a credit towards activities in Term 4 or have it refunded to your bank account.

If you wish to leave it as a credit – you need to do nothing. If you would like it refunded, please email [admin@tepukeint.school.nz](mailto:admin@tepukeint.school.nz) and provide your bank account details for us to direct credit it back to you.

## TRANSITION DAY

On Tuesday 30 November, our Year 8's enrolled at TPI will visit TPMS for the whole morning and experience aspects of their curriculum and timetable.

On the same day – our enrolled Year 6's will attend TPI and experience the Learning Centre they have chosen.

## SPORTS TOURNAMENT TO REPLACE SOME OF AIMS

With Level 2 restrictions in place regarding sports tournaments, we are unable to hold replacement tournaments for all the codes that have missed out on going to the AIMS Games.

However, in Week 10, there is a tournament for Netball, Football, Rugby and Hockey with split venues and tight regulations on the numbers able to attend. There will likely be no spectators able to attend. Teams from our Waikato/Bay of Plenty/Poverty Bay Intermediate association are invited to these events so there will be some good competition for our players.

Wed 29 and Thurs 30 September are the dates and athletes involved will receive more information from Mr Black soon.

## ECO OVERNIGHT TRIP TO KELLY TARLTON by Emily Smith

One week before COVID locked us down, Eco Learning Centre headed to Auckland for an overnight trip to Kelly Tarlton's. On the way we went to the Auckland Museum and had a good look around. I especially liked all the ancient artifacts. We then went to the Winter Gardens and then had some pizza for dinner. When we got to Kelly Tarlton's we had a lesson and tour where we saw some penguins, sharks, turtles and heaps of fish which we were able to feed. Bedtime came and we all slept in the tunnels under the shark tank.

On Thursday morning after breakfast we started our journey home. On the way we visited the Martha Mine Education Centre in Waihi and had a great walk through the Karangahake Gorge.

