

# TOKOROA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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Kia Ora      Kia Orana      Talofa Lava      Greetings

## **DEAR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS,**

As we are getting into the colder winter months, I would like to thank parents for getting their students into winter uniform. Those parents who still wish to purchase tracksuits please contact either Mrs Henry or the school office to arrange this.

I would also like to remind those parents who drop off / pick up students from the Elizabeth Drive gate to ensure they park / stop clear off the gateway and broken yellow lines. No matter what the weather, the extra few metres' walk is a far better option than stopping in the very dangerous area mentioned. If you drop off your child on the opposite side of Elizabeth Drive, please ensure they use the crossing at the crest of the rise. Again – this is for safety reasons.

Congratulations to our Waikato Intermediate Squash team – first place overall in the Intermediate Schools Tournament in Morrinsville (see below).

*Phil Straw, Principal*

## **WAIKATO INTERMEDIATE SQUASH**



On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May the Tokoroa Intermediate Squash Team went to Morrinsville for the Interschool Squash Tournament.

The team was Jessica Nicholson, placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the girls division, Theresa Downey placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the girls division, Bryce McMullen placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the boys division and Nathan Stead who placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the boys division.

Tokoroa Intermediate also won 1<sup>st</sup> overall out of the six school who competed. The day was a big success and a thank you to the parents who drove us there and supervised us: Sue Nicholson, Barb McMullen and Nicola Stead.

*By Jessica Nicholson*

## **SHORT DAYS**



If the lunchtime is shortened by half an hour because of wet weather, school will finish at 2:40p.m. If parents want to know whether or not we are finishing early, please **phone 886 0804 after 12:15p.m.**

## **BOT MEETING**

The next BOT meeting will be held on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm in the staffroom.

## **THEATRE DESIGN WORKSHOP**

Calling for expressions of interest in a Theatre Design Workshop weekend – model making and ground plans to scale, suitable for senior students and adults. Early to mid June/weekend. Adults \$120.00, students \$60.00. For information or to register ring Vanya Crocker on 886 7130.

## **CONTACT PHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES**

It is important that we have our student records up to date, especially phone numbers and emergency phone numbers in case of sickness or injury. If you change your address or phone number, please let us know by either phoning the school office or giving your child a note to bring to school.

## **NEWSLETTERS**

View our newsletter online on [www.tokoroa.school.nz](http://www.tokoroa.school.nz)

## **ATTENDANCE**

As you will be aware Tokoroa Intermediate School is part of a district wide drive to improve school attendance. Thank you to those parents who contact the school when their child is absent – it certainly helps us.

We have noticed a trend for attendance to be significantly lower on **Mondays and Fridays**.

Please help us to help your child by ensuring they are at school on time every day unless there is a legitimate reason for them to be away. Please remember that the first requirement for children to learn at school is that they must be there. If a child is away for a day they often miss learning that affects their education on subsequent days. Unless a child is sick or there is a family bereavement, then they should be at school.

Thank you for your support in this area.