

Titahi Bay Intermediate



In the days of old the school was the mooring place of the canoe.

Now it is the mooring place of knowledge.

There are many tribes, but they learn as one.

Kaumatua Uenuku Rene opening day speech 1971



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Message from the Principal

Tena Koutou, Talofa Lava, Fakalofalahi atu, Kia Orana, Taloha ni, Malo e lelei, Greetings to you all!

Kia ora, we are delighted to extend a warm welcome and thank you for your interest in our school.

Titahi Bay Intermediate opened in 1970 and has been serving the community for over 50 years and we are proud of the role we play in the development of the students who spend their intermediate years with us.

Our specialty is catering for not only the educational needs, but also the social and emotional needs of students in the 10-13 year age group. This is the time in their lives where students begin to become more independent, build new friendships and think more critically about a wider range of ideas and issues. This is a time of transition for students and we focus on improving their confidence to take ownership of their learning as they evolve into young adults.

Titahi Bay Intermediate values a balanced curriculum to help our students strengthen their sense of identity and mana. We promote and empower our students to become confident and active learners with a sense of belonging and pride. Students are nurtured in an inclusive environment, allowing them to become leaders and active contributors in their community.

Our staff are passionate about teaching this age group and preparing them for life at college, and beyond. We can do this with specialist teachers and specialised teaching spaces.

Our semi-specialised programme is enhanced by extracurricular activities offered throughout the year. Opportunities are offered to as many students who may be interested and students are encouraged to engage with a variety of new experiences.

As a small intermediate we are able to have closer working relationships with students and whanau across the school. The following pages will give you some information about the structure, values and expectations of our school, but it is only a taste of what we can offer. If you would like further information please contact the office on (04) 236 8588 or visit our website.

We pride ourselves on our open door policy and you are always welcome to come in and visit to see what life is like for a Titahi Bay Intermediate student.

Kind regards



Dairne Kaimoana
Principal



Why Enrol with Our School

Titahi Bay Intermediate School is focussed on the holistic education of our students as they make their journey through their middle years of education and prepare for their transition to college. We offer a range of learning experiences that cater to diverse learning needs and interests and are student driven. Every child gets the same opportunities, as these two years are all about discovering themselves and their passions.

We run a semi-specialised programme. The purpose is to help our students to become more independent, as well as to interact with different teachers and therefore experience different teaching styles. With their homeroom classes, students move to specialised teaching sessions, which gives them a chance to experience learning with different teachers and ease into following a timetable, preparing them for a secondary school structured timetable.

Maths and Literacy skills are essential for future success and these areas are covered daily with students, whether it be in a dedicated Maths or English class or through other curriculum areas. Every class has access to chrome books, computers and ipads. These are incorporated into daily lessons. Our Media Centre (Library) has a dedicated media viewing room and various computer pods for students to use.

We provide a Music Programme where every child gets the opportunity to learn how to play an instrument. Every year we build on this programme by introducing new instruments and also cater for those who are interested in the orchestra and/or band.

Over the years we have taught a range of Languages such as Spanish, Japanese, French, NZ Sign Language and Italian. Many of our students have then extended this enthusiasm by taking it as a subject in College.

Titahi Bay Intermediate Graduates

will be able to:

- explore and establish a pathway and vision for their future.
- have a sense of belonging, success, pride and confidence.
- have strategies to cope in a variety of situations.
- be a confident leader with good judgement who has the ability to care for the wellbeing of themselves and others.
- have had the opportunities to widen their horizons and interests.

School Expectations - TE ARA

Our school is a part of the Positive Behaviour for Learning School-Wide (PB4LSW) programme. We look at behaviour and learning from a whole-of-school, as well as from an individual child's perspective.

This programme has assisted us to build a culture where positive behaviour and learning is a way of life, it is tailored to our own environment and cultural needs. We are working with the following elements of environment, structure and practices to help support our students to make positive behaviour choices.

We continue to refine and enhance our School Wide Behaviour Management Plan, linking our school values and expectations and thus providing consistency and clarity to all students and staff at the school. Our TE ARA values underpin the behaviour and expectations at our school.



Tikanga - understanding that when we actively participate in developing a positive school culture where we do the right thing for ourselves and others it contributes to the well-being of our community.

Empathy - to have the ability and skill to identify, sense and respond appropriately to the needs of others.

Ako - to understand that there is mana and wealth in having knowledge and that we can share knowledge and learn from each other.

Rangatiratanga - to make a positive difference through role modelling and encouraging others.

Ambition - to understand that success is possible, what it might look like for ourselves and others and how to achieve it.

Learning Programmes and Opportunities

Our learning programmes cover all areas of the New Zealand Curriculum. We run a semi-specialised programme. **English** is taught in Home Room Classes and **Maths** is taught in **Focus Groups** where students are grouped with others that are working at a similar level.

Structure of English Programme:

School wide novel and poem
Learning Inquiry
Reading Rotations and Writing Workshops

Structure of Maths Programme:

Number Time for 30 mins
Unit of work for 60 mins

Students move as a Home Room Class to various teachers for other curriculum areas such as Science, Music, Dance, Drama, Social Sciences, Languages, Te Reo Maori and Technology.

Students are encouraged to enter national and international competitions and challenges in the field of Maths, Science and English. Their performance will be measured against their peers nationally and internationally.

Examples are: Otago Problem Solving Challenge

Kiwi Competition in Maths and Science and English

I.C.A.S. International Competition

Music and Cultural Performance

Titahi Bay Intermediate is very active in the areas of Music and Cultural Performances.

Orchestra - BRIO	Learn to play an instrument and be part of the school music group. The BRIO group will perform at various Trophy Nights and when requested.
School Band	Students can audition to be part of the school band. There are also competitions that the band can attend throughout the year.
Singing	The Singing group will perform at our school assembly and at the end of the term Trophy Nights.
Production	The School Production happens every year. This is a great opportunity to build on resilience, confidence, self-discipline, teamwork, organisations and time management.
Kapa Haka/Siva	Learn and express the techniques and tikanga of Kapa Haka and Siva. Students perform at various gatherings such as Trophy Nights, Te Ora Atamira, Kotahitanga, Matariki and when requested from other organisations.

Leadership & Extracurricular Activities

These are some of our Leadership and Extracurricular Activities that are on offer. Different students have different passions and interests and we will try to accommodate them.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Every class elects two Student Councillors to represent their class. Weekly meetings are held and the Student Council organises various events for the school, such as Mufti Days, Easter Raffle, Daffodil Day, Sausage Sizzles, Judging events etc.

LEADERSHIP/SCHOOL AMBASSADORS

Students can develop their leadership skills through being ambassadors for the school, trophy night hosts, assembly hosts and welcoming and looking after visitors to our school.

ROAD PATROL

Students can train to be Road Safety patrollers and are rostered on throughout the year.

ENVIRONMENTAL

School Garden

Students can volunteer to assist in developing and maintaining our garden.

Healthy Harbours

We offer an Environmental Marine Programme where students are able to explore protected and unprotected marine environments. This involves learning to use snorkelling equipment and all safety precautions associated.

INNOVATION WEEK

Project based learning programmes are held for a week at the end of each term. Students select from the different projects provided that week to participate. These projects can range from enhancing their learning environments.

EPRO8

A science engineering, innovation and technology problem solving competition where students compete in teams against other Year 7/8 students.

ELECTIVES

Students have an opportunity to participate in a range of learning activities which develop skills such as leadership, creativity and to broaden knowledge of topics covered during the year.

MARKET NIGHT

Using the Technological Model, students develop their design ideas, products, create packaging, costing and then selling their final products at our school market night

Sports at Intermediate

Sport is very important for the overall well-being of our students and we are proud to offer a wide variety of sports at our school besides our normal PE sessions.

WAI-TECH - WAKA AMA

Students are able to attend a 10 week programme with WAI-TECH. This is an optional programme that develops confidence on the water, leadership skills, self-awareness and tikanga Maori.

SPORTS (out of school hours)

Netball teams are entered into the Saturday competition held at Mungavin Courts during the winter season.

REGIONAL INTER - INTERMEDIATE SPORTS

Teams are sent to most inter-intermediate and Regional intermediate sporting events. Athletics, Cross Country, Rugby, Volleyball, Rugby League to name just a few.

NZ AIMS GAMES

Students travel to Tauranga to participate in the NZAIMS Games. With over 365 schools, more than 11,000 participants represented in 23 different sports this is a big event. These games have more participants than the Commonwealth Games and for those representing the school a definite highlight of their time at Titahi Bay Intermediate.

BOXING

Cannons Creek Boxing Academy - The Billy Graham Youth Foundation model is rooted in positive peer development, where they engage young people across every demographic, and provide them an environment where they develop strong bonds with those around them. The programme's values are in line with their Passport of Success, and provides structured progression through a series of foundational, non-contact boxing skills.

Education Outside the Classroom

CAMP

The whole school goes to camp every Even Year. For the last 3 years we have attended Kaitoke Outdoor Education Centre (KOEC). It is situated at the foothills of the Rimutaka Ranges, YMCA Kaitoke is just 45 minutes from Wellington CBD or 55 minutes from Masterton. It is set in 38 acres of natural and regenerating bush.

Our students participate in a range of activities that help build their confidence and co-operative skills. Activities include: Abseiling, Super Fox, Giant Swing, Low Ropes, Rock Climbing, Tree Top Trail and Kayaking.

Camp Goals

Students will:

- Develop their creative and critical thinking skills to process and make sense of information and experiences
- Be self-motivated and manage themselves with a 'can-do' attitude
- Be able to relate and interact with a diverse range of people
- Be actively involved
- Support others in a co-operative group environment.

NOHO MARAE

The purpose of Noho Marae is to provide our students with the opportunities to develop and demonstrate knowledge and understanding of marae tikanga and kawa as well as feel comfortable with tikanga Maori as they participate in a variety of Maori functions and cultural activities on a marae.

Noho Marae Goals

Nga Rangatahi will:

- Participate appropriately in a powhiri
- Recognise and understand various elements of the marae kawa
- Experience and understand the importance of working together as a large whanau and enjoy the experience of working within the confines of a marae complex.

Celebrating Achievements

Trophy Evenings

The success of our students is celebrated at the end of each term where trophies and runners up certificates are presented. Trophy nights are a celebratory occasion where students showcase their achievements through performances and by presenting their work from the term. The following trophies are presented:

Excellence in Manaakitanga
Excellence in The Arts
Excellence in Te Reo Maori
Excellence in Languages
Excellence in Mana Whakatipu
Most Improved in Literacy
Most Improved in Mathematics
Sporting Excellence
Excellence in Citizenship
Excellence in Attitude and Effort
Academic Excellence

YEAR 8 Graduation

We celebrate the success of our Year 8 students as they transition on to college. This is a special occasion where students make speeches and they are presented with a taonga to protect them on their journey.

WAI-TECH Graduation

A graduation ceremony is held at the end of the 10 week course. Each student delivers their pepeha and receives a certificate of graduation.

Information for Parents and Caregivers

School Day

School starts at 8:50 a.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m. We encourage our students to be organised and ready for the school day, so we require our students to be in class by 8.45 a.m.

Our school day is broken up into the following:

8.50 – 9.00	Home Room
9.00 – 10.30	English
10.30 – 10.40	In class eating
10.40 – 11.00	Morning Tea
11.00 – 12.30	Maths
12.30 – 12.40	In class eating
12.40 – 1.15	Lunch
1.20 – 2.05	Period 1
2.05 – 2.50	Period 2
2.50 – 3.00	Home Room

Food in School

Breakfast Club - Tuesday and Thursday from 8.00 am. Weetbix and milk is provided through the Kickstart Breakfast programme supported by Sanitarium, Fonterra and the Ministry of Social Development.

Lunches - our school takes part in the Healthy Lunch school programme. This provides every student with a healthy lunch on a daily basis under the guidelines from the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education.

Fruits in Schools - under this government funded initiative programme our students are provided with fresh fruit throughout the week.

School Uniform and Stationery

Our students wear their school uniform with pride. We do our best to keep the uniform related expenses as affordable as possible. Titahi Bay Intermediate is a sunsmart school and members of our school are required to wear a sun hat or cap in terms one and four. School uniforms are available for sale from NZ Uniforms

Description of Uniform:

- **School Hooded Sweatshirt**
- **Polo Shirt** - Navy/Gold with embroidered logo
- **Sports Shorts** - Navy
- **Plain Navy Blue Cap** - no markings
- **Plain Navy Blue Bucket Hat** - no markings
- **Plain Navy Blue Pants (*optional*)** - we do accept plain navy blue tracksuit pants with no markings
- **School Jacket (*optional*)** – with embroidered logo

- **Extras:** Ankle socks (black or white preferred)
- **Shoes:** Any laced up sports shoes

- **Jewellery** – Only studs and sleepers are acceptable. There are to be no other piercings – nose, eyebrow or tongue. Only clear nail polish is acceptable, taonga and watches can be worn but no other jewellery.

Please Note: We will ask students to remove or cover nose/eye piercings as this is for your child's safety.

You will receive the uniform and stationery list as part of your enrolment pack. Alternatively you will be able to find the information on our website www.bayintermediate.school.nz/enrolments

Term Dates 2022

Term 1 **Wednesday 2nd February – Thursday 14th April**

Term 2 **Monday 2nd May – Friday 8th July**

Term 3 **Monday 25th July – Friday 30th September**

Term 4 **Monday 17th October – Thursday 15th December**

Enrolment

For all Enrolments:

Fill in the Enrolment Form which is included in the Prospectus Pack.

Alternatively, if you would like to enrol online, go to our website

www.bayintermediate.school.nz

Checklist

- Enrolment form completed and signed
- ICT (Information Communication Technology) User Agreement** signed by both Parent/caregiver and student
If enrolling online, please ensure that a signed copy is handed into the office
- Do you have the **BIRTH CERTIFICATE** and **IMMUNISATION RECORDS** of your child? These need to be *presented with your enrolment* form to the school office

Once your enrolment is accepted you will receive a confirmation letter.

You will receive an invitation for a 15 minute Find Out First to meet with our Leadership Team. This meeting will be held towards the end of this school year.



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About Titahi Bay Intermediate School

The Blue Heron on the school monogram was chosen because of the number of Blue Heron that come into Porirua Harbour. In earlier years they were also a very common sight on the field and today the occasional heron can be seen around our buildings.

The group of stars, also part of the school logo, symbolizes the cosmic rising of Rigel in Orion which, to Maori people, signifies the beginning of the new Maori year. The star Rigel was called Puanga and the lunar year comprised the 12 or 13 moons between the appearance of the Puanga star of one year and that of another.

Pranker's Rock in front of the hall came from the quarry at Hongoeka Bay. It reminds us that while the school is new, the land it is on is very old.

The mural and carved panels in the foyer represent the history of the area from the earliest times to the arrival of the Europeans. The first carved panel on the left is the Taniwha of Porirua. The second shows Kupe killing the giant octopus in Cook Strait (Raukawa), the third represents Toa Ranagtira and his wife Te Moana, founders of the dominant tribe Ngati Toa, and the final poupou on the right is Te Rauparaha, Chief of the Ngati Toa at the time when the Europeans first arrived and his wife.

The following chant was introduced to the school and identifies the sacred maunga (hill or mountain), the waters of Porirua Harbour and the three main tribes who make up the people of the district: Ngati Toa, Ngati Raukawa and Te Atiawa. The last line identifies the children and grandchildren of people in the area who render the chant as part of the school's kawa (welcoming ceremony) when visitors arrive.

Whitireia te maunga

Parirua te awa

Ko nga iwi o konei

Ko Ngati Raukawa,

Ko te Atiawa

Ko Ngati Toa e...

E powhiri nei nga tamariki mokopuna e!

