



Te Puke Intermediate



Principals Comment

The year twenty eleven has proven to be yet another fast paced, highly successful one for all of us at Te Puke Intermediate. NZ winning the Rugby World Cup was the icing on the cake!

There are many standout memories from this year that our students will take with them including our incredible school production of 'Bugsy Malone', our GOLD success at the AIMS games and our overseas experience to Vanuatu. For me a highlight is the passion and drive that our students have shown in order to achieve their school wide 'Latimer' award. This is achieved by contributing to our school across academia, sport, arts and school culture at 4 different levels – Bronze, Silver, Gold and Distinction. We have had 275 students achieve a Latimer in 2011 which is 75% of our school – a great achievement for those students. Contributing as a global citizen across all facets of school life has provided these students with invaluable life skills as confident, connected, life long learners.

The overseas trip to Vanuatu was a tremendous success and we would like to thank the Te Puke community for their support of our students with their fundraising. In 2012 our school will have a group of Year 7 & 8's travelling to Samoa in August for a different cultural experience.

On behalf of our school and BOT, I wish everyone a safe and happy festive season, summer holiday and New Year. 2012 will be full of uncertainties for us as a community and our school is committed to supporting our school whanau, town and wider community.

Best wishes.
Jill Weldon

Ra Whakangahau

On Thursday 1 December, the TPI Kapa Haka group had the privilege of performing at the annual Tauranga Moana Primary Schools Ra Whakangahau Kapa Haka Festival hosted by Arataki School. We performed alongside two of our neighbouring schools, Fairhaven Primary and Te Kura Kaupapa Maori O Te Matai.

The build up to the Ra Whakangahau festival for our kapa haka group was intense, exhausting and even at times frustrating having only five weeks to create a strong programme ready to perform in week six. We worked hard as a group during the year to build Whanaungatanga, our focus being to create unity so that we could become one, sing as one and overall perform as one. As the days grew closer to the performance, the intensity grew stronger but the excitement was overwhelming. In order to be prepared we practiced every lunch time and also after school three times a week.

When the day came to perform the students were full of nerves and anticipation. They were amazing on stage, sang with full volume and with big smiles on their faces. They came away from the Ra Whakangahau stronger as a group, stronger as a Whanau and filled with pride.

Ka Mau Te Wehi Te Roopu Kapahaka O TPI!!



Social Dance



YEAR 8 CAMPS

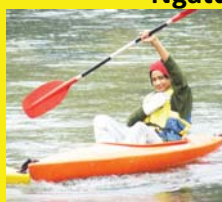
In Terms 3 and 4 the annual Te Puke Intermediate Year 8 EOTC camps take place. We are lucky at TPI to have such a wide range of camps to choose from. This year the Year 8 students had a choice of six camps. Alpine Ski, OPC Tongariro and Great Barrier, Ohope beach camp and two at Ngatuhoua lodge in the Kaimai's. All of these camps were a success with ski camp having great weather. Great Barrier got to fly in Term 4 after being grounded in Term 3 due to poor weather. Every year the camps are highly anticipated. Life long memories being made, ending the two years at Intermediate on a 'real' high.

OPC Great Barrier

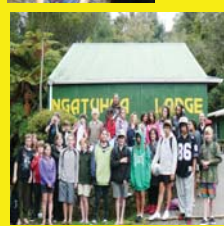
by Taylor Allen



Ngatuhoua



Ski Camp



OPC Tongariro



Ohope Camp

TPI ATHLETIC CHAMPIONS

Te Puke Intermediate Athletics team had an extremely successful day at the Bay of Plenty/ Poverty Bay Athletics Championship held at Tauranga Domain Friday 25 November. Congratulations to the following students:



TPI Athletic champions 2011

- Lauren Walker ... Year 7 Girl
- Te Rangitaunaha Wharearere ... Year 7 Boy
- Poto Taumata & Kororia Heyblom ... (Equal) Year 8 Girl
- Kiripa Clarke ... Year 8 Boy

- Year 7**
- Cole Forbes** -1st in 800m
-2nd in 1500
-3rd overall in the Year 7 Boy's BOP/PB Athletics Championship
 - Eric Pulman** - 1st discus (broke new record throwing 27.86m)
- 3rd shot put
 - Te Rangitaunaha Wharearere** – 2nd in 100m and 3rd in 200m finals.
-2nd in shot put
 - Harry Hillier** -2nd in long jump and 3rd in 100m final
- Year 7 Relay team** finished 2nd
- Year 8**
- Poto Taumata** – 3rd in shot put