



### New Learning Centre

Te Puke Intermediate is a school "in the middle" – those years in between traditional Primary and Secondary. We specialise in offering programmes, opportunities and resources to meet the needs of and to challenge emerging adolescents.

Our new Learning Studio is a design that encompasses all that we know from researchers and neuroscientists about brain development, student engagement in the middle years and optimum teaching and learning environments.

The new studio is a flexible space with 5 different teaching and learning areas all resourced in a slightly different manner. There are 4 homeroom classes based in this studio but it is staffed with 5 teachers to ensure that small, focussed group teaching can take place.

The varying spaces have either single desks, group desks, combination desks or no desks at all to cater for the diverse teaching and learning styles for staff and students. This is not an open plan arrangement whereby students can choose where or when they will work. This is a flexible teaching and learning space where staff can choose the purpose appropriate resources for the lesson or ability group they are working with. The teaching team work collaboratively to ensure flexibility with the timetabling of different areas and digital technology.

Desktops computers and wireless laptops are a prominent feature in the studio as are data projectors and interactive whiteboards. Students have the latest technology at their fingertips with instant access to research information, latest software and electronic portfolios where they capture their work so parents can look at it from home.

Jill Weldon



Caleb and Jordy on the new Laptops



The new Soft Learning Room



Teacher Work Station and Open Plan



MP Tony Ryall relaxing in the soft room

### TPI Swimming Champions



Year 7 Girl  
Marisa Wadsworth



Year 8 Girl  
Kathryn Bennett



Year 7 Boy  
Darren Barnard



Year 8 Boy  
Sean McKenzie

### NEW MINIVAN

The school has recently purchased a new minivan, It is an 11 seater Toyota Regius. The van will be used in conjunction with our older van to run students to a number places during the week. With students constantly going to Te Hapai Rangitahi, BOP / PB Sports Events, School Camps, BoxFit and Field Trips etc, it was essential that we get a new van as our old one (which is now 12 years old) was just not keeping up with the demands. We are all extremely proud of the new van.

To help out with the cost we held a fun run called the Kia Kaha Fun Run on 31 March. The community has been outstanding in supporting and sponsoring students. The final amount raised won't be known until early next term.

by TPI Media group



TPI new Minivan

### SPORT ED GROUP TRIP TO HAMILTON



TPI Sport Ed Group with Richard Kahui

Te Puke Intermediate displayed a faultless performance on Sunday 14 March to win the Top Schools Competition held at Paengaroa School. Te Puke Intermediate entered two teams into the competition and while the 'A' team won the competition the 'B' team made up of mostly Year 7 students finished in 3rd place. These incredible performances saw Te Puke Intermediate crowned as ...Overall Champions!!



Team A taking timeout



Taliya, Charlie and Lucy



Team B under control

**Team A**  
Ella Anderson  
Zealand Reeder-Rota  
Jamie Vuglar  
Jada Schindler  
Mereana Morrison  
Daniel Hintz  
Mikaere Teki  
Jared Taylor  
Sean McKenzie  
Matt Walker



"Speedy" bedside manner

**Team B**  
Lucy Carter  
Anahera Paul  
Nikki Thwaites  
Charlie Walker  
Taliya Boyd - Zame  
Naya Torlesse  
Ben Williams  
Anthony Jensen  
Mitchell Keyte  
Darren Barnard

Te Puke Intermediate would like to congratulate the athletes in both teams and thank Paengaroa School for a fun filled day.

### NEW STAFF



AJ and Mils



Destiny, Riria with Sione Lauaki



Naya, Jared and Mikaere with Stephen Donald



Olivia Tipene  
Room 15



Regan Williams  
Room 1



Indra Thomas  
Whanau Class  
Room 5



David Plane  
Room 6