



# ROOM 15 NEWSLETTER



TEAM TAWA - "Step by Step, Day by Day"

**Term Two Values:** Responsibility | Honesty | Self-Management + Independence | Challenge + Competition

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mälö e lelei, Kia Orana, and welcome back to Term Two here at MI.

Term One in Room 15 was truly a whirlwind, with exciting events such as Night Markets, Swimming Sports and Mini Athletics. These experiences provided a wonderful opportunity to get to know each student individually, as well as see them work together as a team within Room 15 and the wider whānau.

Rounding off our major events for Term One was our MI Survival Camp, which was certainly a unique experience this year and brought with it some real challenges. It was fantastic to see students step up, support one another, and show resilience when things got tough. I couldn't be more proud of the way each student approached this experience, and the growth and determination they displayed.

With the commencement of Term Two, I would like to thank every whānau member for their continued support. Whether you contributed to Night Markets, turned up to Student Involved Conferences or encouraged from home, we truly couldn't have reached our levels of success without you, and we are extremely grateful.

While all students have worked extremely hard across Term One, there are a few who have achieved some amazing milestones already this year:

- Ryder Luamanu for his dedication to swimming and being selected to compete in both Zone Day and Auckland Champs
- Nishita Sen for being selected as our Room 15 Whānau Leader
- Denzel Ainea for being selected to represent our school on the Pastoral Council

Looking ahead...

This term, it is full speed ahead as we begin our MI Expression art-focussed module. Across Weeks One and Two, students will have the opportunity to explore their creativity by designing their own expressive artwork, while also contributing to a shared class piece. Our focus will be on 3D art and perspective, giving students the chance to experiment with layering, depth, and a range of materials. This experience will culminate in our Exhibition of Learning, where whānau are warmly invited to come along and view the students' work.

Another exciting aspect of Term Two is the introduction of Thursday Options, which replace REC for Terms Two and Three. Each week, students will take part in a class of their choice for one period, where they can learn a new skill or explore a personal interest. We look forward to building on the successes of Term One and continuing to achieve great things in Term Two and beyond. Please continue to reach out should you have any questions or concerns. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

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Aimee Palmer

## SUBJECTS & TEACHERS

**Module 4**  
MI Expression

**Module 5**  
Optimistic

**Teachers for the year**  
Humanities: Whaea Trace  
Math: Miss Palmer  
Science: Miss Gomez  
PE: Mr Elazegui

**Module 5 Teachers**  
Cooking: Mrs Rowney  
Music: Mr Devereux

**Module 5 Form Time Subjects**

Hauora: Keeping Ourselves Safe  
Monday Magic: Communication Literacy  
Life Skills: Taha Hinengaro  
Friday Frenzy: Foundation Basics



## WELCOME BACK

Last term we made a strong start by getting the small things right - being at school every day, arriving on time, and wearing our uniform with pride. Let's keep that momentum going by staying consistent and supporting one another. **Tawa strong, all term long.**

Mr Ingham - Tawa Whānau Leader

## Important Dates

For all important Term Two dates please refer to the 2026 MI Whānau Calendar you received, and it is also in your child's MI Planner on page 5. If there are any special events unique to our class, I will let you know.

- April 27: ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY
- May 4: Uniform Check & Exhibition of Learning
- May 11: School Photos
- May 15: Pink Shirt Muffi Day
- May 26: Boys' Night Out
- May 27: Girls' Night In
- May 29: STAFF ONLY DAY
- June 1: KING'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
- June 19: School Speech Competition
- July 3: Last Day of Term Two

## TAWA BIG THREE!



### ATTENDANCE

I expect 100% attendance! Your child must be at school every day. If your child is not coming to school make sure to contact me in the morning preferably before 8:30 am. I will be contacting you or visiting your home if your child is away without a valid reason. Your child can not progress if they miss school and instead will be playing catch up on their learning. We want and need your child at school every day!

### LATES

School starts at 8:30 am, though we encourage arrival by 8:20 am. Students late twice in a week, or three times in a term, will be assigned Community Service. A fourth instance within a term will result in after-school detention. If your child is late, please escort them into the school or provide a written note of explanation.

### UNIFORM

Your child needs to be in 100% correct school uniform, this includes their whānau band. Refer to the MI Planner for more info. If there are any problems and your child does not have the correct uniform please provide them with a letter they can give to Mr. Peilua to receive a uniform pass.

