



TAMATEA
HIGH SCHOOL

**Ngā Pitopito
Kōrero**



E tipu e rea, ka tipu koe hei tangata—Growing good people for a changing world

Te Whakaputanga — Here-Turi-Kōkā/ August 2023

Here-Turi-Kōkā/August

**Week 4
Maths Week**

Mane/Monday 7th

Girls' Self Defence—Year 10 group

Turei/Tuesday 8th

Career Navigator—Mentors

Wenerei/Wednesday 9th

Tahuna te Rangatahi Group
P4/5

Tāite/Thursday 10th

Year 8 Transition Visit

Hātare/ Saturday 12th

OPEN DAY 1pm—3pm

Mane/Monday 14th

Study Skills Programme -
Seniors

Turei/Tuesday 15th

Career Navigator Mentors

Wenerei/Wednesday 9th

Tahuna te Rangatahi Group
P4/5

Mane/Monday 21st

University of Waikato—Digital
Presentation
University of Waikato—Health
Presentation

**Tāite/Thursday 24th—Paraire/
Friday 25th**

University of Victoria and
Massey University Trip

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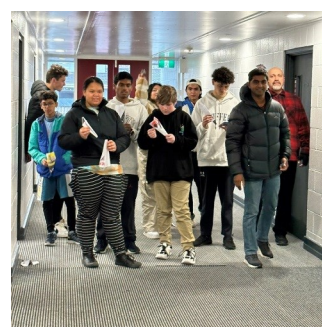
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Matariki Whakanui

Ngā mihi o Matariki, te tau hou Māori

Our Matariki celebration started at 6am with the Hautapu ceremony at our ngahere, followed by breakfast for whānau who had gathered for the dawn whakanui. Then our day of Matariki activities began. There was a game or activity to celebrate each whetu, Ururangi, Waipuna-ā-rangi, Waitā, Waiti, Matariki, Tupu-ā-rangi and Tupu-ā-nuku, Hiwa-i-te-rangi, and Pōhutukawa. We also welcomed a group from Tamatea Intermediate who joined in with the activities.



Ngā whakaaro o te Tumuaki

Tēnā koutou e te whānau

Ngā mihi o te tau hou Māori ki a koutou i roto i tēnei wāhanga o te tau. Kua maiangi a Matariki me tōna kāhui whetu. Kua rere te kohu ki te whakanui i a rātou me o rātou taonga i tā koha mai i roto i te tau. Kua poroporoaki ngā wairua o ngā mate kua whetūrangitia. Kua tukuna ā tātou moemoeā ki a Hiwa-i-te-rangi.

Greetings and best wishes for the Māori New Year. We've acknowledged Matariki and her star cluster. We are grateful for the bounties we enjoy in our lives, we gave thanks for those precious ones who have passed in the last year and looked forward to having our goals realised in the coming year.

We've been reviewing our school uniform. We've consulted with whānau, ākonga and kaiako and we have almost settled on some new alternatives. We'll put a mock up of the uniform on our website and FB page to hear your feedback. We're trying to get a balance of tidy, inexpensive, modern and formal when required. So far the feedback has been positive. Just to reiterate our current expectations – students are able to wear plain black hoodies (no logos or designs visible), plain black jackets, and the school sweatshirt. Seniors wear white shirts or blouses. All students can wear plain black long pants – dress pants, not jeans or trackpants please. Shoes must be all black. Hats must be plain black. We appreciate your help with this.

Teenage vaping is a nationwide issue. While we understand the role that vapes are playing in helping those addicted to tobacco, we have a growing number of teens who are vaping because they think it's safe. There is plenty of information online about the dangers of vaping and the impact on teenage lungs. We're monitoring those who we suspect of vaping (multiple trips to the toilet in a short period is a giveaway) and we will be contacting whānau to ask you to have a discussion if we think ākonga are vaping at school. Your support on this matter is appreciated.

There are so many fantastic things happening in our classrooms for the learning of our students. From seniors visiting the airport as part of careers awareness, to juniors learning about tuna and trout at Fish and Game. We're continuing to plant natives in our ngahere and the popularity of our science department is growing. Our homerooms are creating a safe transition space for our Yr9 learners who are very settled in their learning. Our badminton teams are unbeaten and the girls' soccer team are going from strength to strength. And there is so much more going on.

Our open day is on Saturday 12th of August at 1pm so if you know anyone who is considering Tamatea High School as a good option for their young one, please share the date.

We have a working bee and BBQ on Saturday 26th August. We'll be spreading mulch and doing some planting in our native forest on the field. We're grateful to former student Iriaka Pearson (nee Greeks) who was here in the 1990s for organising this. Please bring a spade, shovel and wheelbarrow and come and join us.

Koina āku mō tēnei wā. Nāku iti noa, nā

Matua Robin.



Open Day

Saturday 12th August, 1pm—3pm

Come and have a look at all Tamatea High School has to offer. There will be a chance to see our classrooms and find out about the learning happening there. Our ākonga and kaiako will be available to answer any questions you may have.





What a night! Viva Las Vegas was the bomb! Flash cars, amazing ball attire (you all scrub up so well), cool dancing, fantastic music, attentive wait staff and the best pizzas in Napier....not forgetting our wonderful photographers. A huge thank you to Ms Hay and the ball committee for their event management skills.

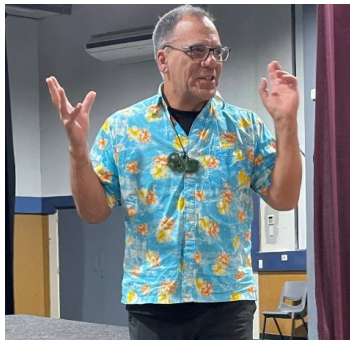
Thank you to the following vendors who supported our event: Touch of Elegance, DJ Hurricane, Michelle Bloom (Ruby Bloom, Photographer), Vinci's Pizza and Hotshots Photobooth.

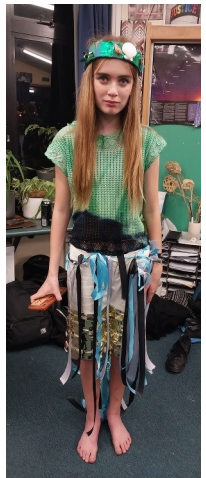
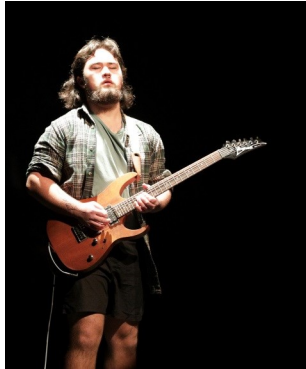
Pania

What a production! What a night! This production was a fabulous student response to a version of the Pānia story.

Working all together we dug into the mauri of each moment in the story. Students worked with staff and Rawiri Hindle to create pieces that expressed the mauri, the vibe, meaning, essence... of the moment they were expressing. Mau Rākau, Poi, Haka, Tititorea, Dance, Drama, Music, Monologue... it was all there. It was a lovely chance for our staff and students to discover and indulge in the performer - kaihaka parts of themselves.

Ngā mihi nui to Whaea Josie and Matua Rawiri for making this possible, and to all the other staff for their parts in the production, and of course to our wonderful students, the performers.







Career Navigator is a programme coordinated by the Graeme Dingle Foundation. The students involved had the chance to check out all the opportunities at Hawke's Bay Airport. They are looking forward to more site visits with other industries this term.



Drums are just one of the musical instruments being taught at school. Our school bands are very popular and Rockquest has given students the opportunity to be very successful.

Did you attend Tamatea High School? Complete the form on our website, under the Community tab -Te Tini o Tamatea (Alumni). Get ready for reunions!

Keeping safe at the school gate

Our Fairhaven students need to be dropped off and collected from school, which means we have a lot of vehicles coming and going from the school between 8.30 and 9.00am. If it is not raining and your son or daughter is in good health, please can you park outside the school gate and get them to walk up the drive into school.

Thank you for helping us to keep everybody safe.

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