

Ngā Pitopito Kōrero NEWS

E tipu e rea, ka tipu koe hei tangata Growing Good People For A Changing World

Te Whakaputanga - Edition: Haratua—May 2022

Haratua—May

Tūrei/Tuesday 31st

Futureopoly at the Showgrounds—all Year 12/13 students (Careers Event)

Pipiri-June

Monday 6th

Queen's Birthday Holiday—No School

Wenerei/Wednesday 15th

Matariki Dinner at 6pm in the Auditorium

Tāite/Thursday 16th

RYDA Expo—Year 12 (Careers Event)

Paraire/Friday 17th

Japan Trivia Night—3pm— 9.30pm in the Auditorium

Tūrei/Tuesday 21st

NZ Careers Expo—PGA
All Year 12 and 13 students

Public Session: 5-7pm

Tāite/Thursday 23rd

Matariki Celebration and Planting - Karakia at 7am

Paraire/Friday 24th

Matariki Public Holiday—No School

Hōngongoi—July

Paraire/Friday 1st

Senior School Ball—pay for tickets with a deposit or in full now

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BP Business Challenge











Last week, Year 11 assembled in the auditorium for three days to experience the world of business through the 'BP Business Experience'. It introduces students to business. It gets them to find a need, choose a product, create a business and present their concept to a group of judges. (These are kind and supportive judges, it's no Dragon's Den).

Guided by the BP gurus, Jesse Armstrong and Jane Watson, Year 11 worked hard to prepare their presentation. There were many who surprised themselves with their knowledge and confidence when they spoke to the judges.

Thanks to our judges who were all local business owners who gave up their time to support our students. Andrew Graney from Tamatea Pak n Save, Chloe Johnson (former Head Girl) of Little Koha, Kataraina May of Drivetrain Driving School (who supports the school with her affordable driving lessons), Dianne Johnston of BP Bayview (who has employed several of our students at the service station) and Tania Fulcher of Flanders Trading Company who is keen to support our kura.

The winners were 'SET' who were promoting an app for screening sport, second were 'Power Me Up' who designed a hydrogen generator and third was 'Secret Sensational Senses' who created calming scents. This year there were many businesses targeted towards the ongoing COVID anxieties.

Our thanks to BP for continuing to support us to offer this programme.



Congratulations to our Senior Dance Crew,
'Served with a T' who recently competed at the Hastings Street Dance Competition, coming 3rd in the Varsity Division.

Big mihi to Russ, their tutor and owner of Rezpect Dance Academy.



Ngā whakaaro o te Tumuaki

Tēnā koutou e te whānau.

Ka rere a Matariki, ka wera te hinu!

Nei ahau e mihi ana ki a koutou i roto i te wā o te kāhui whetū e kia nei ko Matariki. Kua tata atu a Tamanui te rā ki tōna hoa rangatira, arā ko Hine Takurua, nā kua makariri ngā rangi, kua roa hoki ngā pō. Heoi anō, he wā whakanui tēnei i roto i ngā āhuatanga o Matariki. He wā kia maumahara i ngā mate, kia tuku whakawhetai mō ngā mea pai katoa, ā, kia aro ki ngā whāinga i mua i a tātou.

When Matariki rises, it is a time to heat the cooking fat! On Friday 24th of June, our whole country will be enjoying a public holiday to celebrate Matariki. For Māori (and other Pacific cultures) the rising of Matariki represents the start of a new year and it is a time of celebration, remembering those who have passed on and setting goals for the future. At Tamatea High School we are organising some events to honour Matariki.

The first event, like last year, will be a whānau dinner. Our students will give a presentation about Matariki and what it means. Our Yr 10 Art students have been working with Putaanga Waitoa who is a local artist and photographer, to create their own pieces which will be exhibited at our Matariki dinner. This will be held on Wednesday the 15th of June at 6pm in the school auditorium. Keep an eye out for the invitation so that we can confirm numbers.

Our second event will involve planting a new native forest on one of the school playing fields. We have received funding and support from NZ Forestry, Napier City Council and the Plant Depot for 2500 plants which our whole school and community will be involved in planting on Thursday 23rd of June. The day will start with a 7am karakia, Matariki acknowledgement and dedication of the forest. The forest will be dedicated to the memory of local educators Heitia and Marg Hiha who themselves and their family members have worked at Porritt School, Tamatea Primary, Wycliffe Intermediate, William Colenso College, Te Aute College and Tamatea High School. The karakia will be followed by a breakfast and then the planting will begin. The students will be involved in planting and other Matariki activities. Any whānau and community members are welcome to join us for this celebration.

We are all very happy to be able to attend school in person after the challenges of COVID. The virus is still circulating in our community and we are grateful to those whānau who are keeping ākonga at home when they are sick. Our kaiako are continuing to wear masks in class to reduce the risk of getting sick but they are still affected by having to isolate because of household contacts. This means we are making use of relievers and kaiako to cover some classes. We may in the future need to return to an online learning platform if too many are away because of COVID. We'll keep you in the loop about this.

My final message is to acknowledge those whānau who are supporting their tamariki to get to school. When they are at school we can help them to achieve their learning goals, so attendance is a priority. Please let us know if there are issues so we can support with solutions. I also want to mihi to those who are ensuring that tamariki are wearing correct uniform. It is cold at the moment and we want ākonga to be warm. If there are any challenges with uniform, please let us know and we can help out.

Koinā āku mō tēnei wā, ngā mihi nui

Matua Robin - Tumuaki



Our two Pasifika Leaders, Osaiasi Latu and Ondreya Savai'i-Ta'atiti (left) are part of the **Pacific Youth Council (PYC)** (below) for Hawke's Bay. They attended a PYC Workshop: **Co-Designing your future**; **What's next?** This workshop was looking at whether our Pasifika students are equipped for life after secondary school, what it looks like and what needs improving.









Matua Robin, Colin James and Alamein Burns (Na

Part of our recent staff only day was to visit Waohiki Marae where we heard about the history of the Marae and surrounding pa. We also visited 'Friend's Bush' in Jervoistown. Colin James planted this bush to enrich the birdlife and green belts of Taradale and Jervoistown, and to provide a venue for events. It gave us an insight into what our new native planting could look like.





Congratulations to Head Boy Sam Adams, who is one of two students from Hawke's Bay selected by EIT for an Outward Bound 'Whakatipu Scholarship' for a week long course from 8-15 June.

To get the scholarship Sam had to demonstrate he was committed to his personal development. Sam is not only Head Boy but he has passed Level 1 and 2, gained his Learners and Restricted licences, completed a Defensive Driving programme, plays Rugby and Badminton for the school and holds down a part time job.

Sam is "excited to be selected and looking forward to doing tramping, high ropes, rock climbing, kayaking and sailing."







Our Head Boy, Sam Adams, and Head Girl, Katie Moorcock (above) took part in the ANZAC day celebrations with Matua Robin.

This term the Junior School classes are embarking on hikoi to Otiere Pā (above) as part of their learning around our local cultural narratives of the area. 9S ventured out first beginning their hikoi at the DOC Whakamaharatanga Walkway where they crossed farmland through two old pā sites with terraces, pits and middens (shell dumps). Most of the farmland was under water prior to the Hawke's Bay earthquake in 1931. Thank you to Matua Elijah for supporting the trip and sharing his knowledge of the pūrakau in our area.

















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