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Growing Good People For A Changing World

Te Whakaputanga - Edition: Here-Turi-Kōkā— August 2022

Here-Turi-Kōkā—August

Paraire/Friday 12th

Early finish—1.45pm

Hātare/ Saturday

13th

Open Day

1pm—2.30pm

Tāite/Thursday 18th

Ko Maui Hangarau (Maori Technology and Entrepreneurship) 9.30am -2pm

Wenerei/Wednesday 24th

Accord Day (Teacher only day) - No School

Tāite/Thursday 25th

Junior students (Years 9-10) finish at 1.45pm

All senior students attend EIT Discovery Day

Paraire/Friday 26th

Victoria University and Massey University (Wellington) Open Day

Apirana Taylor Presentation

Visit by Stuart Nash, MP for Napier

Mane/Monday 29th

Mid Term Break—No School

Mahuru—September

Tāite/Thursday 1st

Eastbridge Engineering Open Evening

Paraire/Friday 2nd

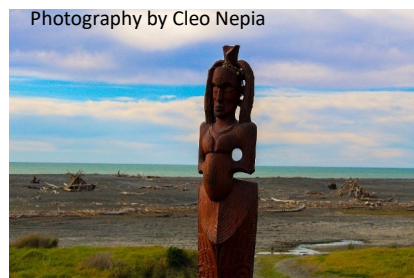
Trades Academy Open Day

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Congratulations to the Year 10 and Year 12 students who have recently exhibited their photography at Creative Arts Napier (CAN)



Pictured above are some of our Year 10 exhibitors: Hunter King, Emma Neal (Art teacher), Jesse-James Harrison, Cleo Nepia, Mon'nika Pohatu, Keira Jones and Putaanga Waitoa (Creatives in Schools Artist in Residence). Ngā mihi nui to Putaanga for her support and advice.



Photography by Cleo Nepia



The Year 12 exhibition is open until 25th August, so go along and see some of the cool photography on display.

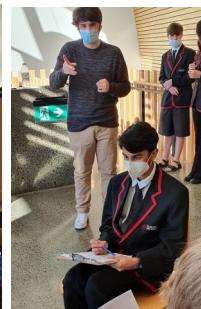
Emma Neal (Art teacher) with Year 12 students: Mizsharn Nehemia and Niamh McNally (far left) and Mizsharn with her photography (left).

Model United Nations Conference

On Thursday 30 June, a group of Year 11-13 History students headed off to participate in the **Model United Nations Conference** being held at Iona College. This conference brings together over 140 participants from Hawke's Bay schools for this 2-day event for juniors and seniors. The aim is to build a sense of a global community and how the youth can work collaboratively to resolve global issues.

We started with an environmental scenario that brought together Tamatea High School, Lindisfarne College and Karamū High School. Representing politicians, scientists and polluters each group had to represent their view and negotiate with each other to gain funds in order to fix the problem of a lake that was polluted and had died. Needless to say, with lots of enthusiasm, our students participated and had a lot of fun while doing it.

The afternoon saw each student representing a different country at a model general assembly. The resolution on the table was to deal with the growing elderly population, worldwide, and the declining working population and what could be done to resolve issues of employment, health and providing for these populations. It was an eye opener for some of our students and an opportunity for them to shine.



Ngā whakaaro o te Tumuaki

Tēnā koutou e te whānau.

Kei te rongo tātou i te kauawhi makariri o Hine Takurua. Ka inoi atu ahau ki a Tamanui-Te-Rā kia whakatere i tōna hokinga atu ki Hine Raumati me ōna ahuatanga papai!

We're all feeling the cold embrace of winter at the moment. I'm pining for longer and warmer days! The good news is that all this rain is good for the trees we've planted in our Matariki ngahere (forest) that commemorates Marg and Heitia Hiha – it was fantastic to watch their Black Sticks Hockey playing grandson, Sam Hiha, score an amazing goal at the Commonwealth Games!

We got some welcome news from the Ministry of Education this week which acknowledges the impact that COVID has had on our senior students and their NCEA studies this year. Attendance, motivation and wellbeing have all been issues related to COVID and finally the government has acknowledged this and applied the use of learning recognition credits for NCEA. This means that students (mostly Yr 11) will require 70 Credits instead of 80 Credits to attain a level 1 qualification. Year 12 and 13 students will require 52 rather than 60 Credits. And University Entrance will require 14 Credits in two approved subjects and 12 Credits in another approved subject instead of 14 Credits in three approved subjects. There is some suggestion that the government is lowering the bar, but they've done this in 2020 and 2021 and the world didn't end! I think it's important to recognise what we all know in our schools which is that COVID has impacted learning again this year. This doesn't mean everyone can go into cruise mode – we've still got to do the mahi to get the treats!

We are running our open day this week. Instead of having it in an evening, we're trialling having it on a Saturday afternoon (1pm to 2.30pm). Hopefully, it will make it easier for whānau with Year 7 and Year 8 tamariki to come along and see what our school has to offer in the light of day! Every year we get great feedback from those who come to visit. They're impressed by our school environment, our well-mannered and helpful student guides, but mostly the welcoming whānau atmosphere. We have placed a huge emphasis on ensuring our students successfully transition from intermediate to high school. This means we're looking after their emotional needs and their learning needs by building strong relationships and making sure our learning programmes are student centred. Please encourage any whānau and friends to come along and visit us.

Finally, I want to let our whānau know that next year we will be starting a Reo Rumaki junior class here at Tamatea High School. A Reo Rumaki class is a Māori language immersion class – the students explore the various learning areas (social studies, maths, health etc.) through the medium of te reo Māori. This means that we will be able to give students who have been in immersion or bi-lingual classes at primary school the option to continue learning in te reo. It will also mean those who have not learned te reo Māori, can also opt in to develop their fluency. If any of our whānau are interested in this pathway, please get in touch with me to discuss.

Koina āku mō tēnei wā,

Matua Robin

Tumuaki



Staff vs Year 13 Netball

Honour was upheld,
the staff won by one point



Year 8 students from Tamatea Intermediate visited us to see some of the cool things on offer at the High School and to participate in activities.





Our wonderful community policeman, Senior Constable Mark Thomas, had the opportunity to provide a school with a visit from a 2021 Ferrari . He chose Tamatea High School to promote the work of the Got Drive Trust and to reward Jessie who had used their help to pass his restricted licence. Both Jessie and Mrs Morgan were thrilled to have the chance to ride in such a beautiful car.



Our Year 13 students took a day to visit the Massey University (Palmerston North) and UCOL open days. The tour via electric scooter and the furniture design course at UCOL were highlights of the trip.



Year 9 Science took advantage of the sunny day and the size of the quad to do some experiments



'Good Luck' to our Junior Netball team who will be playing at 11am at Hastings Sports Park for the next two weeks, with the aim of getting into the final for their grade.



Year 9 students were able to get a good look under the bonnet of a car to check things like the oil, and water, fantastic life skills to learn.

Thanks to a grant from Apollo Projects, our students have more gym equipment available to use during their PE lessons.



Hawke's Bay Interschool Chess Teams Championships

On Friday 5th of August, nine of our students organised themselves into two teams to compete against other schools at chess. We had great fun again and everyone from last year managed to improve their results. This meant that instead of propping up the table, we sat comfortably in the middle.

Our players (with points in brackets) were: Nikau Puhara (3.5) Almahmud Roman (3) Oliver Hill (3) Hunter King (2) Dylan Wolland (3) Ben Amer (2) Kaiata Kaitao (3) Ruby Whyte-Williams (2) Sydney Unciano (2)



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