



TAMATEA
HIGH SCHOOL

Growing Good People for a Changing World





Welcome

Tēnā koutou e ngā mātua. He mihi mahana tēnei ki a koutou katoa mai i te Kura Tuarua o Tamatea.

Greetings and a warm welcome to Tamatea High School.

Our vision at Tamatea High School is 'growing good people for a changing world'. Parents, whānau and community – it's what we all want and what we are doing together. We want our children to have the opportunity to learn skills for today and tomorrow. We want them to learn how to: get on with others, work in teams, set challenging but achievable goals, strive to achieve these goals and most importantly, be a good person.

Our school values are captured by the word PRIDE. Participation, Respect, Integrity, Diversity and Excellence. These are values that we encourage our students to work and live by. Our teachers and leaders model these values in their classrooms, their lessons, and in the social environs of the school.

At Tamatea High School we are small enough to make a genuine commitment to your child. We can learn and understand their individual goals and adapt our programmes to help them become good citizens and to succeed. This



is our 'X factor' – our size means we are like a family, a whānau. There is a warm, welcoming friendliness to our school and we care about each other. Our classes are small (and we plan to keep it that way). We know your child's name, we know you, and we know what we need to do to support your child's success. There's no chance of getting lost or 'slipping through the cracks' at Tamatea High School.

I am extremely proud to be the Principal of Tamatea High School. I know, hand on heart, we have a tremendously dedicated staff, great students and supportive whānau who are all committed to helping our young people grow into good people.

Tamatea High School is a good choice for your child and for your family.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Robin Fabish". The signature is stylized with a cursive script.

Robin Fabish
Tumuaki (Principal)

Participation



Participation at Tamatea High School means we:

- take ownership of our learning and performance
- set goals and work hard to achieve them
- contribute to activities that support our community

We are all learners at Tamatea High School. Teachers and students set goals on a regular basis to improve our results. Our teachers encourage and support all students to achieve their goals.

Three times a year, all students meet with whānau and their Whānau Group Teacher to create and review their Individual Development Plan. Together we focus on goal setting and their career pathway. This partnership and regular tracking supports students to take ownership of their learning.

There are plenty of opportunities for participation at Tamatea High School. We offer all of the subjects you would expect. In addition, we have subjects available through the Video Learning Network. Students can follow their passions. The Government says on-line learning is the future and we have been doing it for almost ten years!

Senior students have the opportunity for blended learning with the Hawke's Bay Trades Academy at the Eastern Institute of Technology (EIT). Strong relationships with EIT and others help our students make successful transitions when they finish school. Selected senior students can also enrol and complete university papers, at no charge, while still enrolled at Tamatea High School.



Respect



At Tamatea High School we have an emphasis on respect. This means students respect themselves, respect others and respect the school environment. Through respect we build a safe and supportive learning environment. Students and adults are all expected to be respectful of each other.

At Tamatea High School we use restorative practice, to help students learn from their mistakes, rather than punitive approaches that create resentment. Our strong restorative practice and pastoral support system help us to positively influence student behaviour.

Fundamental to this process is the relationship students have with their Whānau Group Teacher. Each Whānau Group has around 12 students who get to know their teacher very well over the course of their five years at high school. The Whānau Group Teacher regularly communicates with parents and caregivers. Deans assist and when needed, they are supported by our two Deputy Principals and Principal.

Our students respect themselves and their school. We are fortunate to have large green spaces around the school, with gardens and sporting facilities for all to enjoy. The Arts, Technologies and Music rooms are fully resourced. Our students value and respect our facilities. They wear their regular uniform with pride and relish the opportunity to wear our 'number one' uniform on formal occasions.





Integrity

Integrity is a key value at Tamatea High School and this means we expect adults and students to:

- be honest
- be responsible and accountable for their actions
- commit to completing anything they undertake
- do the right thing (even when no one is watching)

We take time to teach these skills as we see them as critical for successful relationships in adult life. Integrity is being honest, respectful, responsible and having the courage to stand up for what you believe is right.

Our students acquire these values and behaviours from assessment practices, participating in extra-curricular activities, from their peers and our adult role models, and through our commitment to restorative practice.

When a student 'gets it wrong', we encourage them to show integrity; be honest, own their mistake, make amends, learn the lesson and move forward.

Tamatea High School offers young men and women an opportunity to grow and learn for their future in an environment that recognises them as individuals within a caring family. As part of the Tamatea whānau, they will learn 'We Care'.



Diversity



Diversity is an integral feature of Tamatea High School. It means that we value the languages, cultures and heritages of all.

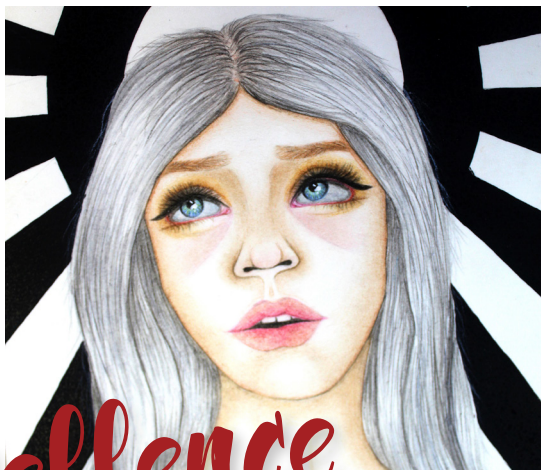
We have a diverse school population that brings a richness to our community. We celebrate our differences, whether religious, ethnic or gender-related. Our school student population is 55% Māori and 40% European/Pakeha which gives us a unique opportunity to celebrate the partnership promoted by the Treaty of Waitangi.

We are lucky to have international students from all over the world. All students are welcomed and accepted and this makes Tamatea High School a safe environment for any student.

Celebrating diversity means we provide many different opportunities for students. Sports enthusiasts can play: Tennis, Volleyball, Basketball, Football, Athletics, Rugby, Netball, Badminton, Squash, Touch Rugby, Rowing, Hockey, Cross Country and Waka Ama.

We also offer Rockquest, Speech Competitions, Debating, Kapa Haka, Young Enterprise, Music Bands, Multi-Media Technology. Our Arts programme integrates kowhaiwhai, whakairo (carving), design, painting and photography. All are supported by a strong digital infrastructure – we have ultra-fast broadband, wifi and a suite of high specification Apple iMacs for Photography, Design and Music.





Excellence



Excellence at Tamatea High School means that our students:

- aim high in sport, culture, arts and academics
- persevere in the face of challenges
- strive to do their best in all they can
- set challenging goals and strive to achieve them

We have placed a significant focus on our NCEA leavers pass rates and ensuring our students have meaningful pathways for when they leave school. This is the result of our teachers' hard work, good scaffolding to help learning, and increased student self belief. To ensure meaningful learning, we develop individual programmes for students with learning challenges. We celebrate our special needs students attaining their own excellence.

Tamatea High School has been developing its digital learning platform. We have supported our Year 9 and 10 students into our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) programme. Most have bought or leased their own Chromebooks and laptops while others are using Chromebooks owned by the school. We are working to develop our students' excellence as digital citizens – a critical skill in our increasingly digital world.

In our sports, academic, arts and cultural activities we encourage and support whatever excellence looks like for that person. For some it is participation, while for others this may be regional or national success. We work with students as individuals to help them reach their potential.



Community



Our Principal is the Lead Principal of our 'Community of Learning', which includes Tamatea Intermediate, Tamatea Primary, Porritt Primary, Onekawa Primary, Westshore School, Fairhaven School and Tamatea Kindergarten. Our schools are working together to ensure success for our students through seamless learning and smooth transitions from preschool through to high school. We are also regularly working with EIT and other tertiary providers so that our students can make a successful and stress-free transition to tertiary study.

Our students frequently help out at Tamatea Intermediate and the primary schools with sports and kapa haka. We assist at the Hawke's Bay Careers Expo and our student leaders help to organise the local schools' ANZAC Day service alongside the RSA. Our seniors are also involved in the Napier City Council Youth Council.

We see ourselves as proudly Tamatea. We enjoy our longstanding connection with the wonderfully supportive Greenmeadows Rotary Club. We have forged close links with Tamatea Pak 'n Save, Tamatea Pharmacy and Lumino Dentists. We are committed to our community, believing that the good people we help grow, will lead and live in our local community.





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