



# Tauranga Boys' College Newsletter

*Dear Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the College*

**3rd February 2017**

On behalf of the Staff and Board of Trustees, I extend a warm welcome to you all for the 2017 year. I look forward to your support in making TBC "Best for Boys" and sharing the successes of the year with you. A special welcome to boys and parents new to the college and to the staff who join the college this year. You will find the college a vibrant and supportive community, focused on realising the potential of our boys. We acknowledge our responsibility to grow the young boys who join us this week into good men.

I would stress the importance of the role that you, as parents, and the wider community have in nurturing, guiding and shaping these boys so they can achieve their potential. I remind you of the saying "it takes a village to raise a child" and I am

confident by working together we can achieve our shared goal of growing boys into good men who will make meaningful contributions to our great country.

One of the most significant influences on achievement and engagement is parent support. A positive partnership between whanau, parents and school is essential to support your young man achieve his potential whilst at Tauranga Boys' College. I would strongly encourage you to be proactive in this regard, making the most of the opportunities to engage with the college in supporting your son's learning and co-curricular activities. Details of these opportunities will be communicated to you via this newsletter and I would invite you to make email contact with your son's teachers,

tutor and dean or senior leaders should you have concerns.

Congratulations to our Prefect Leaders for 2017:

**Head Boy - Flynn Kelly**

Deputy Head Boy - Reef Cooper  
Academic Captain - Kane Drake  
Arts Captain - Kieran Lander  
Sports Captain - Ryan Forlong

Our other Prefects for 2017 are:  
Cameron Black, Alex Blakeway  
Jackson Currie, Te Awhina Downs  
Korban Eades, Jackson Filipo  
Cole Forbes, Bryn Fredheim  
Kyle Hamilton, Mitchell Hooker  
Brad Howard, Jimi Kameta  
Tanzeel Khan, Taylor Kite  
Mikaere Leef, Connor Lyttle  
Te Angitu Purnell, Matthew Rea  
Peter Seeling, Wiremu Whare  
George Wheatley, Robin Yang

## Prefects 2017



Prefects 2017: Back Row from Left: Alex Blakeway, Robin Yang, Kyle Hamilton, Mitchell Hooker: 4th Row from Left: Mikaere Leef, Peter Seeling, Jackson Filipo, Te Awhina Downs: 3rd Row from Left: Jackson Currie, Tanzeel Khan, Wiremu Whare, Taylor Kite, Bryn Fredheim: 2nd Row from Left: George Wheatley, Jimi Kameta, Matthew Rea, Cameron Black, Bradley Howard, Korban Eades, Cole Forbes: Front Row: Te Angitu Purnell, Kane Drake, Ryan Forlong, Flynn Kelly, Reef Cooper, Kieran Lander, Connor Lyttle



## WELCOME to our Year 9's



On Wednesday our incoming Year 9s spent the day with the Year 13s in attendance to support them in their orientation and help ease their transition into the College. A powhiri was held to welcome the new boys to the College at Te Whanau o Aronui. The focus was on the College becoming a Turangawaewae for them, a place where they feel they belong, engage in and achieve success. On Thursday the whole school returned, settling quickly into the routines of the College and beginning their classes for the academic year. On Friday all year levels returned to school with the day beginning with returning students welcoming and challenging the new boys with a rousing haka, to make the most of the extensive range of opportunities available to them. Then the first assembly of the year followed, acknowledging the student leaders for 2017. Click the link below to view the Year 13s haka challenging the Year 9s.

[https://www.facebook.com/plugins/video.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Ftaurangaboyscollege%2Fvideos%2F10154322115219632%2F&show\\_text=0&width=560](https://www.facebook.com/plugins/video.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Ftaurangaboyscollege%2Fvideos%2F10154322115219632%2F&show_text=0&width=560)

### Meet the Teacher Evening for Parents of Year 9s Wednesday 8th February

All parents of Year 9s are invited to meet the various teachers who will lead your son's learning this year. The evening will begin at 6.00pm in the *Gymnasium* and will finish with tea and coffee at 7.15pm. Please be seated in the *Gymnasium* by 5.55pm. I would encourage you all to attend as it is a real chance to support your son's learning in partnership with his teachers.

The only variance to this are our Year 9 Aronui boys who will have their Whanau meeting with their parents and teachers on Wednesday 15th February.



## WELCOME to our International Students



## Holidays in Term Time

I am concerned with the number of requests I receive from parents for time off for their sons during the school term to travel overseas or elsewhere in New Zealand for holidays.

I understand the educational value of overseas travel but remind parents to be mindful of the impact time away from

classes can have on your son's academic achievement.

Of particular concern is when this absence occurs at the same time NCEA internal assessments are planned, as this can have a significant effect on your son's NCEA results.

I would ask that all requests for leave are sent to me at [principal@tbc.school.nz](mailto:principal@tbc.school.nz)

My preference is for all leave of this nature to occur during the school holidays.

Leave from school for holiday travel overseas or elsewhere in New Zealand that is taken outside of school holiday periods will be recorded as "explained but unjustified".

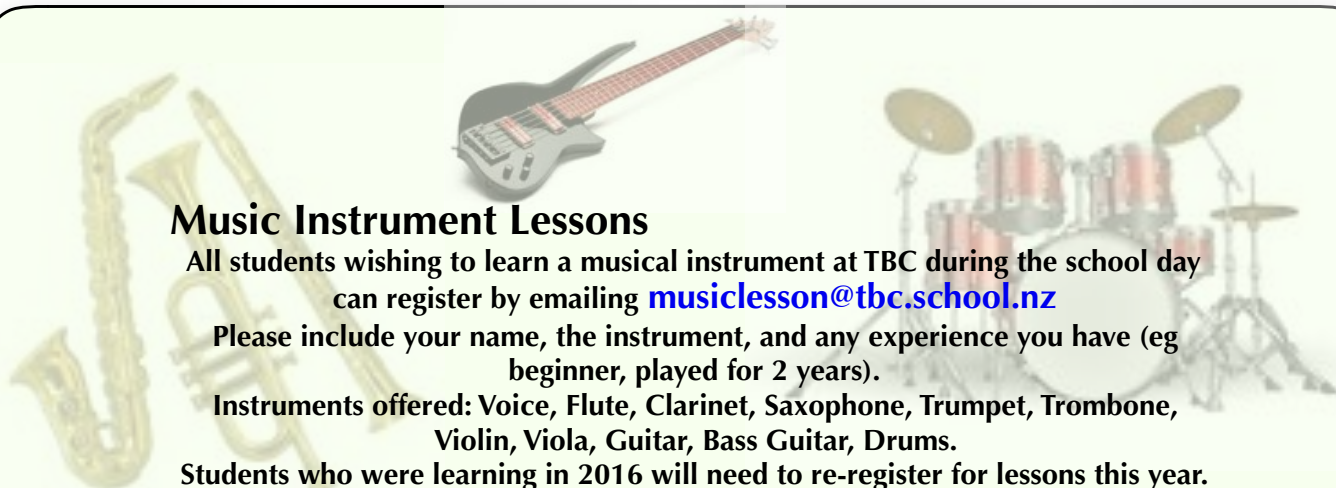
## Music Instrument Lessons

All students wishing to learn a musical instrument at TBC during the school day can register by emailing [musicleson@tbc.school.nz](mailto:musicleson@tbc.school.nz)

Please include your name, the instrument, and any experience you have (eg beginner, played for 2 years).

Instruments offered: Voice, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Violin, Viola, Guitar, Bass Guitar, Drums.

Students who were learning in 2016 will need to re-register for lessons this year.



## Head Prefect 2017

Head Boy, Flynn Kelly's speech to the students at Assembly today:



"I am extremely privileged to be asked to be the Head Boy for 2017. I take on this role with the upmost respect for those who have helped me to get here today. I would like to acknowledge my teachers, rugby coaches and ultimately, my Year 13 peers. I honestly wouldn't have wanted my time here at Boys' to be any different and you all have contributed to what I have experienced as an amazing 4 years so far.

For those of you who don't know me, I guess I should give a quick run-down - I have been raised between Mount Maunganui and Nelson and consider myself pretty lucky with the family I have. I come with a couple of nicknames - it was, once upon a time, 'Hedgehog' due to odd haircuts, but slowly become 'Skits', due to probably overly-energetic behaviour. I like to think I have simmered down since the nickname was implemented but it seems to have stuck.

I have spent my college years carrying out a passion for rugby and finding a future in the classroom. TBC has managed to make me excited about learning over the years, particularly in the Science Department. Alongside my studies, I have played for the 1st XV for the past two years. I have a lot of respect for this school. All you boys should understand that I really do want to make this school a better place in whatever way I can, but 'I' isn't how it should be said because in reality it's a 'we'. I'm merely just here to help guide you if you need me to, otherwise the direction is in your hands.

On a side-note from this, I genuinely am here to help guide anyone who needs it, don't be afraid to approach me, or any of the other Year 13's for anything, even if it's not school-released, because we are at your disposal.

I see a variety of boys sitting in front of me, each of you with many different talents. It makes me excited: excited for the future of this school and the future of all you. No matter your age this is a time for you to begin planning your future, laying down some solid foundations for the rest of your life, and everyone including me is here to aid that process.

When it comes to 2017 not everyone needs the same message so I will say: Firstly to Year 9s - a challenge has been laid to you this morning, you have what I hope is another 5 years here.

This year is big, but don't let it frighten you, become comfortable with those around you, focus in the classroom and form good relationships with staff, make smart choices that lay down a solid foundation for your remaining school years. But remember, there's always going to be tough times and this school environment is a place willing to help at anytime. But if no-one knows what's going on, no-one can help so don't be afraid to reach out for help.

Year 10 - my word to you is brief and maybe even a little harsh but hey I'll say it anyway! Don't get too comfortable. I want all of you to go far at this school, but it doesn't happen with dumb decisions. You have found your place here from last year, but not quite made it to NCEA, so this year should be a year of opportunities. You have time to focus on your studies and also your extra-curricular. Don't fall into the trap of doing nothing and just enjoy it while you can!

Year 11 and 12 - You are in the senior school and as boring as you may find it your reason for being here should be your academics. Smash your level 1 and 2, and enjoy every moment of it. Don't leave this year with the regret of almost crossing the line.

Year 13, hmmm..... Year 13, I'm just pumped for another year with you boys.

It's going to be awesome and well deserved as we are in our 5th year. Love your last year here, make some good memories with mates and have fun. You all know how hard you need to work for your studies and I back that we will get good work done. Amongst an awesome final year, remember the words at our breakfast. We are here as big brothers; we are supportive when need be but we keep order in our fortress.

We need to inspire and we need to be role- models. Good luck!

During My time this year I want to give a clear message that before anything, academics comes first. No matter your involvement outside the classroom, we need to come out of this place having gained knowledge to some degree. I say this from a sporting background so please trust my word. If there is one piece of advice I would like to bring to the table for everyone on that note, it is to be an active learner, do yourself the justice of making use of your 5 periods a day. Don't sit down and wait for brains to jump inside you because it doesn't work like that.

If you don't know something never be afraid to ask. Push yourself to succeed. That is honestly the only way to make your time here productive and enjoyable. Even if you don't see yourself as an academic try an optimistic approach to your learning and see the difference it makes.

Well, it wouldn't be a TBC 1st address without a metaphor to close and I've always loved a good metaphor, so - know that you are all a part of the fortress,- yes maybe my rugby background is what causes me to call it that, but still a fortress none the less. The fortress is unbreakable. We are a tight-knit community of individuals, sticking by the same moral code that the fortress laid down. The code revolves entirely around respect - for self, others, property and environment. We work hard to uphold this code and our togetherness forms a brotherhood for life. Be a part of this brotherhood in 2017, stick by the code and I'm 100% sure that our fortress will be stronger than ever.

And when you thought I might leave it out I just can't - doing all this will make us 'better than before'!  
Thank you"



## WELCOME to our New Staff

### Mr Nathan Fry

After two years at Rotorua Boys' High School, Mr Fry has returned to TBC. And he is thrilled to be here. He is looking forward to contributing to the English department and wider life of the school. He is a father of two and very pleased to bring his family home to sunny Tauranga. Mr Fry says he can't wait to reacquire himself with the wonderful people of TBC and Tauranga and the beautiful places that it boasts.



**Mr Fry**



**Mr Jackson**

### Mr David Jackson

Mr Jackson will teach in both the Maths and Science departments this year. He joins us after having moved from Auckland and is keen to immerse himself in the culture and community of Tauranga Boys' College. He looks forward to working with the TBC staff and becoming part of the team.



**Ms Lawler**



**Mr Lee**

### Ms Annmarie Lawler

Ms Lawler joins us after teaching at Trident High School and before that at Matamata College. She will be teaching English and Design and enjoys using technology to assist students learning and to monitor students progress. She is very interested in growing the film industry in the Bay of Plenty area, and is a keen squash player.

### Mr Yeh Lee

Mr Lee has returned to Tauranga from the West Coast where he taught Mathematics at Buller High School for the last 4 years. He is an old boy, beginning as an International student from Taiwan and ultimately gaining a Scholarship in Calculus in his final year. Yeh is excited to be working with the students at Tauranga Boys' College.



**Ms Pretorius**



**Mr Setiu**

### Ms Jana Pretorius

Ms Pretorius joins the English Department from Victoria University. Her interests include creative writing, theatre and public speaking. She has also taken on a number of volunteer roles including Star Jam working with young people with disabilities and teaching English in rural Thailand. She is also keen on volleyball and netball.

### Mr Kenneth Setiu

Mr Setiu is Samoan and Maori. His whakapapa connects to Ngati-Wai and Ngati-Kahu in the far north to Leauva'a in Samoa. Married with six boys aged 12 and under they enjoy the Papamoa lifestyle. Mr Setiu has taught at Hamilton Boys' High School, Aquinas and Mount Maunganui. He enjoys viewing sci-fi and action films, bodyboarding, and meeting new people. His aim is to encourage all learners to thrive in their strengths and aspirations for life.



**Mr Shipton**



**Mr Williams**

### Mr Tim Shipton

Mr Shipton is a first year teacher joining the English and Media Studies Departments. Being born and raised in the area he is looking forward to being able to make a positive contribution to the lives of the young men in our community. The majority of his free time is taken up training in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu and mixed martial arts. He is also a lifelong surfer.

### Mr David Williams

Mr Williams joins us in the Maths and Health & Physical Education Departments. He relocated with his family in April to Tauranga having taught for a number of years at Mt Roskill Grammar School in Auckland. He is looking forward to continuing his involvement with the students and staff by making a positive contribution to both the learning community and the wider life of the school.

### Mr Robert McAdam

Mr McAdam was originally from the Bay of Plenty, and joined the Automotive Trades working his way into teaching in the 80's. He has been in Auckland since teacher training and in subsequent schools, only to return to live in the Bay last year. He has extensive experience in the engineering trades and in trade training and is looking forward to continuing this in the Technology Department at TBC.



**Mr McAdam**

## BYOD (bring your own device)

BYOD, or Bring Your Own Device, is a policy adopted by Tauranga Boys' College (and many schools these days) for a number of reasons:

It supports anytime, anywhere access to class pages, tasks and notices

It gives students the flexibility to manage their own files in a way that suits them rather than being confined to the school's file servers

It provides easier access to communication

It provides anytime, anywhere access to web-based information and resources

It gives students control of their learning and research and supports 'personalised' learning

It reduces dependency on the traditional computer labs and allows for spontaneous inclusion of technology into any lesson

Noeline Wright's (University of Waikato) literature review looking at 'e-Learning and implications for New Zealand Schools' highlights the following benefits of e-learning afforded by access to internet capable devices:

Improved motivation and engagement

Greater independence and personalised learning

Improved critical thinking and development of multiliteracies

Greater access to information, resources and experts

Greater opportunities for collaboration in wide contexts, including international ones

This year there is one Year 9, opt-in, compulsory BYOD class. All other students are encouraged to bring their own device to school and utilise it as part of their learning experience. Note that this is not compulsory at this stage.

Where appropriate, teachers will encourage the use of devices to support learning in the classroom. The device is considered one of many tools for learning. Regular stationery will still be required.

Specifications of the minimum requirements for a device at Tauranga Boys' College can be found at

<http://www.tbc.school.nz/tbc-students/computer-use-policy/minimum-specifications>. NB: A mobile phone is not recommended as a device suitable for educational purposes.

All devices must be registered with the school

<http://www.tbc.school.nz/tbc-students/computer-use-policy/bring-your-own-device-registration> –

For further information, our computer use policy can be found at <http://www.tbc.school.nz/tbc-students/computer-use-policy>

During term time, the school library will be supervised four days a week, Monday through Thursday from 3.30pm to 5.00pm for any student who wishes to connect to the internet for purposes of study.

## Contacting the College

**Matters involving college policy** should go to the Principal, Mr Mangan or in his absence, Associate Principal, Mr Stuart or Deputy Principal, Mr Gilbert., Senior School, or Mr Tisch, Junior School.

**Matters of a social nature** such as the settling-in process of getting involved in school activities can be referred to your son's Vertical Form Teacher.

**Matters involving academic questions and class placements** should be referred to the Tutors. They are:

Year 13 Mr McFarlane: Year 12 Miss Elmes : Year 11 Mr Hyett : Year 10 Mr Orchard : Year 9 Mr Deacon and Mr Young.

Questions involving **careers or work experience** should be addressed to Mr Meys

**Personal matters** or issues of health which are affecting learning should be referred to our Guidance Counsellors, Mr Ebbett or Mrs Jo Wallace-Boyd or to the Student Liaison Office

**Matters involving discipline** Matters such as unexplained absences, loss of equipment, bullying, detentions, classroom behaviour, should be referred to the Associate Principal in charge of Pastoral Care, Mr Stuart, or Assistant Principal Mr Watson in charge of Student Management, or one of the Deans, Mr Newlands (Year 13), Mr Bryant (Year 12), Akkerman (Year 11), Mr Ormsby (Year 10), Mr Gemming (Year 9).

**Late lunches, forgotten appointments** etc need to be notified to the Student Office **before 8.00am** to catch the Daily Information Sheet (D.I.S.). The office can deal with a range of information such as opening and closing times, illnesses, uniform shop times and so on.

**To make contact with any of these people** please ring the College Office. If the person you want is teaching at that time, please leave a message or have them call you back. Return calls are usually made during intervals and lunchtimes, when the teacher has a non-teaching period or after the teaching day ends at 3.15pm. If uncertain as to who to talk to please ask the office staff.

### Email Contacts

We presently have a number of email contacts for parents/caregivers on our database and want to grow this means of communication. If your email address has changed or has never been communicated to the College, please email it to [sowman@taurangaboyscollege.school.nz](mailto:sowman@taurangaboyscollege.school.nz) so we can update your details. Our newsletters will then be sent to you electronically.

## Co-Curricular at T B C

Recently Year 9 boys should have received the TBC Co-Curricular Directory. This directory gives you directions on how to access our websites for Sport and Arts. This details all the co-curricular opportunities available to your son. The aim of this directory is to encourage your son to participate in co-curricular activities.

I would encourage you to talk with your son to ensure he makes the most of the opportunities that are provided at the College. We constantly strive to cater for all levels of ability and participation level, and with parental support can provide an enhanced programme to meet the needs of your son.

I believe participation in some form of co-curricular activity is of great value to boys and would encourage your son to get involved.

The Arts Council and Titans Council have been put in place in order to support all boys who want to participate in co-curricular activities at Tauranga Boys' College, both to develop to an elite level or to enjoy participation for social interaction. On Tuesday Year 9 students were given the opportunity to register their interests in co-curricular activities. Their Physical Education teacher will continue to get all boys registered in some form of co-curricular activity either a sport or a cultural activity.

All boys who are involved in co-curricular activities for the College are expected to demonstrate the qualities of good men and follow the code of conduct as listed in the co-curricular websites.

Providing a co-curricular programme of this level requires considerable resources over and above that which is provided by government funding. The need for this resource is both in the form of financial support and in the form of human resource - coaches, managers, directors, producers, to assist with activities.

In order to assist with the financial cost of providing the co-curricular programme, boys have been asked to pay a Titans Sports fee and an Arts fee, above the cost of general registration fees. This fee will be used to assist with some of the significant financial costs incurred through the programmes offered: This fee goes directly to fund coaching directors, and initiatives supporting the organisation and administration of Sport and Cultural activities.

I appreciate payment at this time of the year may be difficult for a number of people with significant costs of uniform and stationery. It would be appreciated however if this fee could be paid by Friday 13th March, as your son makes a commitment to participate in co-curricular activities at Tauranga Boys' College. Often the catalyst for continued commitment is

when a financial commitment is made. Parents may wish to set up an Automatic Payment for payment of this fee.

Your son can also bring his fees to the office. You will receive a receipt for payment.

As well as the financial resource needed to provide the programmes on offer, we also need a human resource. Our staff are very involved in a huge range of co-curricular activities as shown in the directory, and make a significant contribution in this area. However as we grow in size the need for parental / community support has increased.

We need your help to ensure we can provide the level of programmes we would like for your son.

If you are keen to volunteer you can email teachers direct, as listed for each activity on the websites. Or, you can contact Mr Darrell Boyd, Assistant Principal & Director of Titans Sport d.boyd@tbc.school.nz or Mr John Page Director of Arts j.page@tbc.school.nz or phone the College if you have any queries.

To visit the Co-Curricular Directory go to <http://www.tbc.school.nz/assets/mydocuments/aboutus/Directory20164EMAIL.pdf>



## MENU

### BREAKFAST: 8.00AM TO 8.40AM

Toast (jam, peanut butter, marmite)	.50c
Hash-Brown	1.00
Bacon & Egg Muffin	2.50
Chicken & Bacon Roll	3.00
BLT Roll	3.00
Bacon & Egg Roll	3.00
Hot Chocolate	1.50
Hot Chocolate & Cookie	2.00

### LUNCHTIME SPECIALS: \$4.00

Mondays: Nachos	Tuesdays: Turkish Kebab:	Wednesdays: Panini
Thursdays: Mac Cheese & Bacon	Fridays: Chicken Burger	

### DAILY MENU

Wrap	4.00
Filled Roll	3.00
Salad	4.00
Mini Toasties (MT)	.50
Sausage Roll	2.00
Pizza Slice	2.00
Hot Dog	3.00
Cheese Burger	3.00
Noodles	2.50
Wedges	3.50
Pies	3.50
Garlic Break	2.00
Lasagne Toppa	2.50

### BEVERAGES

Cal-c-yum	2.00
Small Milk	2.00
Golden Circle	2.00
Water	3.00
H2GO Flavoured Water	3.50
H2GO Sparkling Water	3.50
Fresh Up 1 Ltr	3.50
Mizone Water	3.50
Up & Go 350 ml	3.50
Primo	3.50
Fresh Up Bottle 1Ltr	4.00
Iced Tea	4.00
Mammoth Iced Coffee	4.00
Mammoth Protein Choc	4.50
Gaterade 1Ltr	4.50

### SNACK FOODS

Slices & Cakes from	2.00
Homemade Muffins	2.00
Homemade Cookies	1.00
Iced Donuts	1.50
Ice Blocks from	1.00
Waffles	2.00



## Some Important Dates for 2017

### February

Monday 6th Waitangi Day  
 Wednesday 8th Year 9 Teacher/Parent Evening  
 Tuesday 14th Athletics Day, Tauranga Domain  
 Wednesday 22nd Accelerated Parents Evening

### March

**Friday 3rd** Summer Sports Photos  
 Tuesday 14th Westlake Exchange (at TBC)  
 Wednesday 15th Maori Parents Evening  
 Westlake Exchange (at TBC)  
 Thursday 16th Form Class Photos  
 Wednesday 22nd Kelston Exchange (at TBC)  
 Monday 27th Summer Tournament Week Starts

### April

Monday 10th King's School Exchange (away)  
 Big Band Local Performances  
 Tuesday 11th King's Winter Exchange (away)  
 Big Band Local Shows  
 Thursday 13th Term 1 Ends  
 Friday 14th Good Friday  
 National Youth Jazz Festival  
 Tuesday 25th ANZAC Day

### Term 2

#### May

Monday 1st Start of Term 2  
 Thursday 11th Junior Report Evening  
 Friday 12th WORK DAY  
 Tuesday 16th Napier BHS Junior Exchange (away)  
 Friday 26th Super 8 Schools Cultural Festival  
 Wednesday 31st Westlake Winter Exchange (away)

#### June

Monday 5th Queen's Birthday Holiday  
 Thursday 8th Rotorua BHS Exchange (away)  
 Monday 12th Senior Assessment Week begins  
 Tuesday 20th St Paul's Collegiate Exchange (home&away)  
 Monday 26th School Production - all week  
 Wednesday 28th Hamilton BHS Exchange (home&away)

### July

Thursday 6th Senior Report Evening  
 Friday 7th Term 2 Ends

### Term 3

#### July

Monday 24th Start of Term 3  
 Wednesday 26th Option Evening

#### August

Friday 4th Junior Reports Online  
 Wednesday 9th Open Evening Year 8s & Parents  
 Wednesday 16th Junior Report Evening

#### September

Monday 4th Winter Tournament Week Begins  
 Friday 8th Mid-term Break / Old Boys' Dinner  
 Friday 15th Senior Assessments until 22nd  
 Friday 29th Term 3 Ends

### Term 4

#### October

Monday 16th Start of Term 4  
 Monday 23rd Labour Day Holidays  
 Thursday 26th Senior Reports Online

#### November

Wednesday 1st Arts Awards Evening  
 Friday 3rd Sports Awards Evening  
 Tuesday 7th Senior Academic Awards Evening  
 Thursday 9th NCEA Exams Begin  
 Thursday 16th Junior Exams  
 Friday 17th Junior Exams  
 Monday 27th Junior Tournament Week all week

#### December

Friday 1st Last day of NCEA Exams  
 Monday 4th Year 9 Alternative Programme  
 Year 10 Camp Week  
 Friday 8th Junior Prizegiving  
 Monday 11th Term 4 Ends

**Athletics  
 Day 2016**  
**TUESDAY 14TH**  
**February,**  
**Tauranga Domain**



A full day of athletics  
 will be held at the  
 Tauranga Domain on  
 Tuesday 14th  
 February, from  
 8.40am to 3.15pm.  
**PARENTS WELCOME!**

Bay Physiotherapy @  
 Tauranga Boys' College



Your Physio is  
**Julie Renouf**

See her at school for your injury rehab and injury  
 prevention education

See the School Office for appointment request forms  
 Or Phone 577 9798

Your first appointment is free, no referral necessary  
[www.bayphysiotherapy.co.nz](http://www.bayphysiotherapy.co.nz)  
 Email: [enquiries@bayphysiotherapy.co.nz](mailto:enquiries@bayphysiotherapy.co.nz)