



Tauranga Boys' College Newsletter

Dear Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the College

Thursday 13th April 2017

As the term ends we reflect on what has been a very busy and productive term. We have welcomed our new Year 9s and other new students into a supportive and orderly community of over 1900 boys. They have settled well, embracing the challenges and many opportunities available to them. Year 9 Camps have been the highlight for most with a wide range of water-based activities providing rewarding experiences. Our Year 13s have stepped up, taking over the challenge of leadership of the school, strongly influencing the culture of the playground through role-modelling appropriate behaviour and guiding those in the junior school. Year 10, 11 and 12 students have returned and taken up their work with the Year 11 and Year 12s focused on NCEA.

On Wednesday this week we had a very successful series of interviews with parents and boys from Year 11 and Year 12. This was an opportunity for parents and boys to meet with Form Teachers as part of our Academic Coaching

process as outlined in my previous newsletter. Thank you to all parents who attended these interviews as I know your son will appreciate the interest and support you have shown in ensuring he feels that you value his academic success.

We will continue to support your son by tracking his progress towards his educational goals as he accumulates NCEA Credits throughout the year. You will receive regular updates on his achievement and can follow his progress via the parent portal from our website.

Term 2 provides an opportunity for me to undertake some professional learning as well as freshen up as I have been fortunate to have been granted Sabbatical Leave for the term. As a result of this our Associate Principal, Mr Ian Stuart, will be Acting Principal. Should you need to communicate with the Principal please use the email principal@tbc.school.nz

Mr Rob Gilbert will be Associate Principal, Mr Leyton Watson, Deputy Principal and Mr Mike

Akkerman, Assistant Principal for the duration of Term 2.

I take the opportunity to thank all staff, parents, whanau and those in the wider community who have contributed to the success of our boys over the past 11 week term. Our boys have had a huge range of opportunities in the classroom, outside the classroom, in curriculum related activities, cultural pursuits and sporting competition. They are extremely fortunate to have the level of support that they do. I'm reminded of the saying ... "it takes a village to raise a child", as we work together to ensure we are "Best for Boys"!

I wish you all a relaxing Easter break, Ensure you spend quality time with family, whanau and friends and recognise the significance of the Easter break in your chosen way.

Enjoy the holiday and we look forward to welcoming our boys back safe and well, refreshed and ready for Term 2, on Monday 1st May.

*Robert Mangan
Principal*

Work Day Friday 12th May

Thank you to all parents who have supported our Work Day so far and offered to employ boys. This event is a significant fundraiser for the College, with funds raised this year to be used to purchase new IT equipment, as well as lunchtime sports gear and arts equipment.

Students have been issued with a Work Day newsletter and are requested to return this to their Form Teacher as soon as possible, indicating what they will do on Work Day. This is an opportunity for the boys to give something back to the College. Your guidance and support through provision of employment opportunities for our boys would be greatly appreciated.

The principle of Work Day is that students find work and their wages are donated to the school: a practical way for students to provide funds to improve school resources. In keeping with this philosophy, money should be contributed through the efforts of students themselves.



Students of the Term

Year 13 - Justyce Te Kani

Justyce's Tutor advises that he has had a real turn-around in regards to attendance and academic application. Justyce has developed into an excellent role model for others in his class. He is polite, works hard, helps others and is a responsible Year 13 student. Congratulations Justyce!



Justyce Te Kani

Year 12 - Thomas Te Kani

Thomas is described by his teachers as being a hard-working, polite student. He is always willing to help other learners in the class. He continues to make positive decisions in his learning and should be proud of the progress he has made, especially in the senior school. Well done Thomas!



Thomas Te Kani

Year 11 - Robbie Maris

Robbie was nominated by several of his teachers all of whom stating how impressed they are by his incredible work ethic. Robbie is a dedicated student who is well-organised and takes responsibility and accountability for his learning. He is a positive young man who is respectful towards others. Well done Robbie on a fantastic start to Year 11 and NCEA Level 1.



Robbie Maris

Year 10 - Joseph Cook

Joseph's teachers say he is polite, enthusiastic and unfailingly friendly. He loves taking part in discussions with other students and teachers. He gains great satisfaction and motivation from doing his best work. His initiative allows him to make the most of time available, even when the learning is difficult. Joseph gets along with everyone and thrives on group work. He asks the questions to which everyone needs to know the answers. He has had a fantastic Term 1! Well done Joseph!



Joseph Cook

Year 9 - Cameron Gaulofa

Cameron's teachers advise that he is really making the most of his opportunities at Tauranga Boys' College. He works hard, completes all work, is respectful and humble. He helps others without being asked. On Year 9 Camp, Cameron exhibited leadership qualities, showed initiative, embodied the 'Respect Code', was quick to help and maintained this throughout his entire stay at Camp. Cameron is a quiet, dignified young man. Congratulations Cameron.



Cameron Gaulofa

Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival

Congratulations to our students who performed at the University of Otago Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival Bay of Plenty Region held recently. Going to the Nationals in Wellington

are: Damian Torwick - Best Supporting Actor, Ethan Hahunga, Hunter Eagle, Andre Moffat, Dyllan Crandle and Damian Torwick - Best Student Directed (Twelfth Night), and Fletcher

Oxford winning Best Performer and direct entry into the National Schools' Shakespeare Production. Well done boys!



TBC PASIFIKA

The TBC Pasifika Programme provides cultural opportunities and academic and social support. We have many people from the Pacific Island community helping to support the growing number of Pacific boys in our school. The boys have embraced these new opportunities and are proud of their Pacific brotherhood.



Our TBC Pasifika RISE Programme featured on TV1's Pasifika - click on this link to view it online: <https://www.tvnz.co.nz/content/tvnz/ondemand/shows/t/tagata-pasifika/s2016/e40.html>



Last year many of the TBC Pacific Island Boys were part of the Pasifika RISE Programme. This lead to their performing in in the Tauranga Pasifika Festival. *Photo above courtesy of Drops Photography*

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We continue to offer a variety of programmes for our Pasifika boys. There are regular meetings during school lunch hours (Thursday) where the boys will have time to receive academic coaching from the Pasifika Tutors. Community organisations will also come in to the school to provide support for the students. In Terms 2 and 3 the Pasifika Rise programme will run. This involves morning training and a big cooked breakfast. It is a popular programme with the boys. If you would like to have your son participate please let us know!

Another exciting programme is the Pacific Studies course run by Miss Brenda Oakley. This is for Year 11, 12 and 13 boys and is an NCEA approved course. Ms Oakley can be contacted at b.oakley@taurangaboyscollege.school.nz

Other events through out the year will be in sporting and cultural fields including Pacifica Beats and Rugby 7s. We will let the boys know the details for these events and opportunities.



Pasifika POWER-UP PLUS Programme 2017

INTRODUCTION TO PASIFIKA POWER UP PLUS

**Enrolment Evening: 6.00pm Tuesday 2nd May at Life zone Church –
7 Oak Lane Judea, Tauranga.**

*Held every Tuesday evening of the school term
6-8pm at Life zone Church*

Pasifika POWER-UP PLUS

- * FREE - Fully funded Educational Programme for the whole family
- * 2 hour weekly session (Tuesday evenings)
- * Enrolment of all participants - students, parents, caregivers is required.
- * Light snack and hot evening meal provided

Pasifika POWER-UP PLUS is designed to accelerate your child's learning and assist Pasifika families, parents and caregivers to support their children's learning. Registered Teachers, Youth Mentors and Pasifika Community Champions work with you to support you with all your learning needs. Our goal is to ensure learning and understanding of Educational requirements at all levels. From Early Childhood Education through to NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3.

Catering for ages 0 to 18 years old and parents.

PASIFIKA POWER UP PLUS is for your whole family.

For further information contact: Pacific Island Community (Tauranga) Trust office (PICTT) 075771270 or 0275 500 335 or contact Emma Potaka hpcoordinator.pictt@xtra.co.nz for further information.



NOTICES



PART TIME WORK

SOME OF OUR STUDENTS STUDYING HUMANITIES, ARE GOING ON A TRIP TO VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA NEXT YEAR AND THEY WOULD LIKE SOME PART-TIME WORK DURING THE WEEKENDS OR AFTER-SCHOOL. BETHLEHEM OR TAURANGA CENTRAL AREAS ARE PREFERRED. PLEASE PHONE MR PHIL ADAMS OR MR ROB LESLIE 578 4029 EXTENSION 274 IF YOU CAN HELP, OR EMAIL p.adams@tbc.school.nz or r.leslie@tbc.school.nz

Office Staff Member

We have a **part-time** role coming up within our Tauranga Boys' College Office Administration team.

We are seeking a person who is:

- professional
- organised and effective
- pays attention to detail
- patient and calm under pressure
- friendly
- IT savvy
- great at prioritising multiple tasks
- ideally first aid trained

The type of work will involve:

- dealing with Student Reception enquiries
- co-ordinating our 'transitional' sickbay for our students
- sorting and distributing mail / courier items
- laminating / binding / taping, photocopying
- taking 'spill-over' phone calls
- providing relief for other office administration staff members

The hours of work are Fridays during school term, 8.30am – 3.15pm, with a 12-12.30pm lunch break.

We look forward to receiving applications from people fitting the above criteria.

Please email your resumé and letter of application to: busdev@tbc.school.nz

Applications close 5pm Tuesday 18th April 2017.

All Ex Pupils of ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL TAURANGA 75TH JUBILEE SCHOOL REUNION

22nd 23rd and 24th September 2017



For further details Registrations etc., please

visit www.stmarystga.school.nz or St. Mary's School Facebook

To register online, download a registration form, or to view events for the three days please

visit www.stmarystga.school.nz

Make sure you register for what will be a great three days or any enquiries contact St Mary's School Office Tauranga Phone(07) 578 8066

Remembering the Battle

Commemorating the Battle of Gate Pā

4pm, Saturday 29th April 2017

St. George's Anglican Church, 1 Church Street, Gate Pā.



To commemorate the Battle of Gate Pā the Anglican Parish of Gate Pā invites you to a time of quiet to remember those who fought and died in this battle, and the consequences of both this battle and future military engagements, including Te Weranga - the Bush Campaign of 1867, for ngā iwi o Tauranga Moana.



At 4pm, when the British forces began their march up Pukehinahina, you are invited to join us in silent reflection.

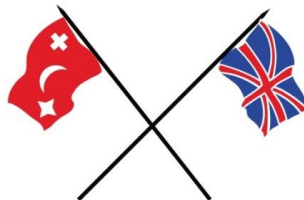
At 4.30 the bell will be rung 60 times to remember the approximately 60 who lost their lives in the battle.

We join in prayers/karakia for the future of Tauranga Moana.

We will finish by unveiling the new information panel placed by the marae atea.

All are welcome.

Refreshments will be served after the service.



Anglican Parish of Gate Pa. 1 Church St, Tauranga, 3116. 07 578 7916.

www.stgeorgesgatepa.org.nz

Students Supporting Students (SSS) Tutoring

WHEN?

Three middle days -
TueSday, WedneSday and ThurSday.

TIME?

After school - 3:15pm till 5pm.

WHERE?

In the Library. SSSh

WHAT ?

Senior students, lead by Academic Captain Kane Drake, will be available to help other students with their work.

STARTS?

Term 2



Some Important Dates for 2017

April

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/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