

# Tauranga Boys' College Newsletter

#### Friday 5th May 2017

Dear Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the College

A warm welcome back to all of our students for Term 2.

On the last Wednesday of Term One 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 described in previous newsletters, these interviews are on ensuring boys have set clear academic goals, recognised barriers to achievement and ways to overcome these barriers, are motivated and are supported to achieve their goals.

Thank you to all parents who attended these interviews. I know your son will appreciate the interest and support you have shown in ensuring he succeeds academically. We will continue to support your son by tracking his progress towards his educational goals as he accumulates internal NCEA Credits through the year. You will receive regular updates on his achievement and can follow his progress via the parent portal accessible



from our website.

#### THURSDAY 11TH MAY -

All parents/caregivers of Year 9 and Year 10 students are invited to attend the Junior Parent-Teacher Evening with their son to discuss his learning progress so far.

It would be beneficial if your son attends this evening with you. Teachers can provide valuable feedback at this faceto-face meeting and the

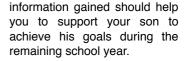
#### NCEA RESULTS 2016

I was disappointed that the NZ Herald recently reported misleading data regarding our NCEA results from 2016. Their data did not include the results of students in our Accelerate Programme, who sit NCEA a year ahead of their year level. In essence, the top 20% of our candidates at Level 2 were not included in their report. Tauranga Boys' College is strongly committed to providing an accelerated programme for our most gifted boys. It is regrettable that the NZ Herald misrepresented the true picture of our outstanding NCEA success in 2016.



#### 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. Your guidance and support through provision of employment opportunities for our boys is greatly appreciated.



Interviews will take place Thursday 11th May from 3.45pm – 7.30pm in the main Gymnasium.

You should allow at least 10 minutes between interviews to move from place to place. If you have issues to discuss with staff that require more than five minutes, please let the teacher know, so that they can make another time for you. To book online, please visit <u>http://</u> www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and use event code **m49st** 

If you don't have internet access, please phone the main office (578 4029) and we will be able to make a booking for you.



## NATIONAL YOUTH JAZZ / BIG BAND / COMBO - EASTER 2017



#### **C**ONGRATULATIONS!

Sam Ashton - winner of the Tom Baylis Trophy for Best Clarinet. Kai Time Combo - Silver Award. Mason Jar Combo - Silver Award. Big Band - Gold Award





Every year the Tauranga Boys' College Arts Council put together an amazing fundraising event to help support the Arts at TBC. Please support Tauranga Boys' College Art Students by coming along to the Fundraising Dinner and Auction we are holding at the Tauranga Art Gallery on Friday 12th May, commencing at 6.30pm. Anton Steel, President of BOP Film, is guest speaker. He was the Director, Writer and Editor of the New Zealand film "Z-Nail Gang" and has numerous other accolades under his belt, including being the Second Unit Director for films such as "The Chronicles of Narnia" and First Assistant Director for "Emperor" and "Bridge To Terabithia", plus many more. We have auction items to tempt you on the night and plenty of wonderful canapés and food from the incredible "Juz Catering"! Your ticket includes a complimentary glass of wine on arrival. There will be a cash bar operating throughout the evening.

Come along - you will have a great night of delicious food, fun and entertainment from our talented TBC Arts boys. You can purchase tickets by phoning the school office on 578 4029. Online banking payable to Tauranga Boys' College 03-0445-0296510-000 Dress Code : Cocktail / Formal

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW STAFF MEMBERS



Mr Nathan Ludgate

Mr Ludgate is our newly appointed Attendance Advisor. He is an ex Police Officer and for many years worked as a Qualified Youth Aid Officer. His interests include golf, rugby, music, surfing, fitness and health. Mr Morgan is a Visual Arts Teacher and joins our Art Department as from the start of this term. Mr Morgan has experience teaching Outdoor Education as well as Junior Te Reo Maori. His interests include family and friends, outdoors, music, art and sports.

Mr Stewart is a Digital Technology Teacher. He has been involved in the New Zealand education system for the past 20 years. He has also worked with children and adults at Digischool creating innovative ICT experiences in areas such as animation, game design and basic coding, and has created digital resources for schools in New Zealand and Australia. Mr Stewart is a former 1st XI cricketer and keen footballer.



Mr Jesse Morgan



Mr Jonathan Stewart

# TBC OLD BOYS

Peter Burling -Team New Zealand Helmsman - pictured after Team New Zealand impressed in their first showdown on the water in Bermuda, beating America's Cup pacesetters 'Artemis' in an official practice race last Saturday. The team then went on to beat French team 'Groupama'.





#### TITANS SPORT HAS SOME OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE SPONSORS. There are two Bronze sponsorship packages available, 7 silver packages available (due to resource consent upgrade) and 2 Gold Sponsorship packages available.

\$1600 + GST\* signage only on the corner of 15<sup>th</sup> and Cameron Road (1m x 1m) BRONZE

\$2500 + GST\* signage on Cameron Road (3.6 x 1m) with benefits package-invites to Titans SILVER Sponsors days, association with Titans Sports, Acknowledgement in Titans Quarterly newsletter, website association on Titans website

- \$5000 +GST\* Premier signage on Cameron Road and reverse signs looking into school site with Gold benefits package
  - These are available on a 3 year contract. 8 sponsors only.
    - The package includes
  - Naming rights to the gear bags for first teams of Titans Sports'
  - Website Association.
    - Name and logo on homepage of sports team
    - A link on the Titans websites to your own website
    - Acknowledgement on Titans Homepage
  - Acknowledgement in the Titans Quarterly Newsletter
  - One half page editorial per annum in the Titans Quarterly Newsletter. (Distributed to all students and alumni of Tauranga Boys' College).
  - Acknowledgement in other media releases as appropriate and at the discretion of media outlets. Other appropriate sports fixtures.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES PLEASE CONTACT DARRELL BOYD 5579064

All funds go toward the development of sport at Tauranga Boys College.

\* These can be paid in monthly instalments

#### SPORT

# CONGRATULATIONS

#### Water Polo

At the NZ Secondary Schools Water Polo Tournament held over the holidays, our Senior Water Polo Team won the Division 2 Tournament in a 'nail-biting' last match. Liam Moffatt made the Tournament Team and Daniel Courtis was named Tournament MVP, an outstanding result given there were nearly 200 boys competing in their division. The team is a combination of Year 10 to Year 13 boys which places us in good stead for Division 1 next year. The team is: Mitchell Hooker, Liam Moffat, Daniel Courtis, Benji Rowe, Sam Jones, Jack Preston, Theo Bos, Patrick Burtenshaw, Ross Baldry, with Old Boy, Mitchell Gregory as Coach.

#### Swimming

Tristan Eiselen (14) (pictured below) was selected for the New Zealand Swimming Team to represent New Zealand at the Australian National Age Championships in Brisbane. This took place from 16-21 April 2017. It was the best New Zealand has ever done at an Australian Age Championships - winning 18 medals at this meet. Tristan won a silver medal in the 100 butterfly, with a time of 58.3 - just 0.5 away off breaking a New Zealand record. He also won a silver medal in the 200 butterfly with a time of 2.09.61 which was a 5 second personal best for him, putting him 5th overall at New Zealand Age Champs this year (boys 18 and under).





Toby Langdon, (pictured above) selected for the New Zealand Tae Kwon Do team for the World Championships in Ireland

#### New Zealand Representative Selection 2017:

Jack Wilson Matthew Lochhead Fergus Hamilton Leroy Carter Shaun Gwillam Damien Torwick Josh Bell Charlie Bell Stewart Bloor Hugh Canham Jack Saies Kieren Washer Cameron Black Tristan Eiselen Toby Langdon NZ U19 Mountain Biking Team NZ Cycling Development Squad NZ Cycling Development Squad NZSS Sevens Team NZ Junior Skeet Shooting Team NZ Junior Canoe Slalom Team NZ U18 Dev. Canoe Slalom NZ U14 Swimming Team NZ Tae Kwon Do team

### SPORT

# CONGRATULATIONS

#### NZ Prone Paddle Board Championships

Liam Moffat - Silver in the 10'6" Open Men's Competition. Declan Dempster - 4th in the 12' Open Men's Competition Old Boy, Sam Shergold, Bronze in the 12' Open Men's Competition.

# Canoe Slalom NZ Secondary Schools - Top Kayaking School for the 18<sup>th</sup> Time

Held on the Tarawera River in Kawerau on the last week of Term 1. Our team of 27 paddlers had to endure heavy rain, and flooded rivers, an impending cyclone as well as the pressure of being at a NZ Championship. As it turned only three of the ten events were cancelled but the results achieved over the rest showed just how much depth our team had. To win the overall Top Kayaking School on a points system is twice as hard for a single sex school thus we needed to dominate some events gaining a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and a 3<sup>rd</sup> place if possible.

Of the 27 paddlers who were picked to represent Tauranga Boys' College, one was sent home injured and twenty-two received either an individual or team medal. Stand out paddlers were Oliver Puchner winning 6 medals and the U16 Top Paddler for K1, C1 and DR: Charlie Bell winning 6 medals in the U16 division: Damian Torwick winning 6 medals, the U18 Top Paddler and Overall Top Male

Paddler at the event: Stewart Bloor winning the U18 C1 division: Jack Saies winning the U16 K1: Josh Bell/ Cameron Black winning the U18 C2 class. Our 11-man U14 team was the biggest we had sent away since our first squad back in 1996. They were up against strong paddlers from Rotorua Lakes High School with the best performer being Aden Cassaidy who won 4 medals. Cole Anderson was the gate judges pick from over 100 paddlers from New Zealand and the Australian U18 Development squad, with his positive verbal communication skills during the U14 team events. Alongside this amazing result is a huge team of parent help to run the event in our local area and the school is grateful for the hundreds of hours of work and professional approach in event management. Most of the team went on and competed in the NZ Nationals on the Tarawera River top course. Team captain Josh Bell, Stewart Bloor and Damian Torwick were selected to represent NZ in the Junior Men's Team to compete in Europe later this year at the Junior World Canoe Slalom Championships. Rob Sperling teacher in charge Kayaking



# CHINA TRIP





My name is George and I'm writing to describe the 2017 Tauranga Boys' & Girls' Colleges Business Studies trip to China.

China was a real eye opener as to how good a life we have here in Aotearoa. In some parts of China you can't even brush your teeth with tap water because of the pollution. However, besides some negatives, China has so many great aspects about it and New Zealand could learn a thing or two from the Chinese infrastructure.

My favourite experience of China was definitely the Great Wall. The Great Wall spans 8,000km but if you're crazy enough to want to walk the full distance it is forbidden as some sections have been damaged over the millenniums. I would still encourage anyone who gets the chance to walk on the Wall to go till you can't walk anymore. The scenery is magnificent. You can see small villages in the distance and the original watch towers still standing to this day - truly an amazing feat to those who built the wall. Not only that, but the wall has a luge that takes you from the top to the bottom back to the entry gate. Although not quite as exhilarating as Rotorua luge you can still have a fun time with your mates.

Another eye opener of the trip was being billeted out to homestay families. Each homestay was different so each student had a different but exciting experience with their new family. The homestay gives a good insight as to how a standard Chinese family go about their daily lives.

I would definitely recommend taking up any opportunity you might get to travel to this country.

# **ANZAC Day Commemoration**

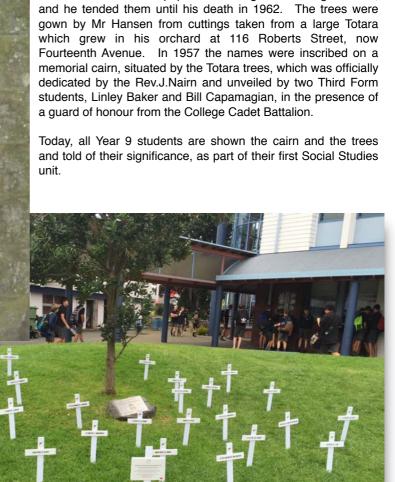
At today's Principal's Assembly we commemorated ANZAC Day, as this occurred during the recent holidays. We believe it is important to remember those who have served the country both in Gallipoli and in more recent conflicts. Our College Green (pictured below) was set up with white crosses bearing the names of men from the Tauranga District who made the ultimate sacrifice and gave their lives for their country. Our boys were reminded that those men were all old boys' of the Tauranga District High School, and hence Old Boys of Tauranga Boys' College.

Our College Prefects represented us at various ANZAC services on the 25th April, with Head Boy, Flynn Kelly, reading a poem at the Greerton RSA Dawn Parade, while other Prefects laid a wreath and attended the Tauranga Civic Ceremony at Memorial Park.

#### Memorial Trees

The Totara trees on the border of Nicholson Field and Fifteenth Avenue were planted in 1949 by Mr C Hansen as a living memorial to 40 former pupils of Tauranga District High School,

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TIME? After school - 3:15pm till 5pm.

Three middle days - TueSday, WedneSday and ThurSday.

Students Supporting Students (SSS) Tutoring

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

STARTS? Term 2

WHEN?

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## Some Important Dates for 2017 Term 2

May Monday 1st Wednesday 10th Thursday 11th Thursday 11th Friday 12th Tuesday 16th Friday 26th Wednesday 31st June	Start of Term 2 TBC Cross Country Health Seminar - Mike King - Resiliency Junior Report Evening WORK DAY Napier BHS Junior Exchange (away) Super 8 Schools Cultural Festival Westlake Winter Exchange (away)	August Friday 4th Wednesday 9th Wednesday 16th September Monday 4th Friday 8th Friday 15th Friday 29th Term 4	Junior Reports Online Open Evening Year 8s & Parents Junior Report Evening Winter Tournament Week Begins Mid-term Break / Old Boys' Dinner Senior Assessments until 22nd Term 3 Ends
Monday 5th Tuesday 6th Thursday 8th Monday 12th Tuesday 20th	Queen's Birthday Holiday Health Seminar - Anti Drink Drive Rotorua BHS Exchange (home & away) Senior Assessment Week begins St Paul's Collegiate Exchange (home&away)	October Monday 16th Monday 23rd Thursday 26th November	Start of Term 4 Labour Day Holidays Senior Reports Online
Monday 26th Wednesday 28th	School Production - all week Hamilton BHS Exchange (home&away) Senior Reports On-line	Wednesday 1st Friday 3rd Tuesday 7th Thursday 9th	Arts Awards Evening Sports Awards Evening Senior Academic Awards Evening NCEA Exams Begin
<b>July</b> Thursday 6th Friday 7th	Senior Report Evening Term 2 Ends	Thursday 9th Thursday 16th/Frid Monday 27th December	day 17th Junior Exams Junior Tournament Week all week
Term 3 July		Friday 1st Monday 4th	Last day of NCEA Exams Year 9 Alternative Programme Year 10 Camp Week
Monday 24th Wednesday 26th	Start of Term 3 Option Evening	Friday 8th Monday 11th	Junior Prizegiving Term 4 Ends

Tertiary Visit May	s to the College	Friday 26	Pd 1 - Otago Uni Visit Tohoi Oho Mai Open Day
Wednesday 3	Pd 1 - WINTEC Visit Pd 2 - Waikato Uni Visit	Monday 29	Pd 4 - Lincoln Uni Visit
Thursday 4	Pd 2 - Auckland Uni Visit	Wednesday 31	Pd 3 - Canterbury Uni Visit
Thursday 18 Friday 19	Pd 1 - Victoria Uni Visit Waikato Uni Open Day	<b>June</b> Thursday 1	Canterbury Uni Info Evening
Wednesday 24	Pd 3 Massey Uni Visit	Tuesday 20	Victoria Uni Info Evening



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