

01 June 2017

From the Principal's desk

Nga mihi nui, kia koutou katoa,

'Duty' is our Cornerstone Value this term. We define this as 'to do what is right; what a person ought to do'. Although it seems something of an old fashioned concept, I believe a sense of duty is essential in building good character and empowering our students to lead worthwhile lives that contribute to the wellbeing of their communities. The world renown 'Dunedin Study' has found that the single biggest determinant in a person's lifetime success is their level of self control. A person's willingness to do what brings long term benefits (for themselves and others), in spite of a short term cost or inconvenience, brings rewards. Fulfilling our duties to our whanau, teammates and classmates, means being reliable and dependable. We all benefit when people fulfil the obligations tied to whatever role they have.

Thank you for supporting Student Led Conferences for Y11-13 students this week. The pleasing turnout indicates the desire of many parents to be informed of the progress of their children and be involved in their continuing educational journeys. Teachers are always pleased to hear from parents to be kept up to date with any information that may help them support students. Email is the most efficient way of doing this. Parents are also reminded that it is possible to see current learning records of students through our online 'Edge' system; you don't need to wait for reports to be issued.

As a school we are very proud of our Shakespearean actors who are competing in a national school's competition in Wellington this week. My thanks go to the teachers (Whaea Tabitha and Mr Williams) and parents who have given so much support to this endeavour.

Our short week ends with our Cross Country race and speech contest on Thursday (after this newsletter goes to print). It is great to see so many of our students giving their best to a wide range of challenges.

I trust everyone will enjoy midterm break.

Heoi ano,

Grant Burns
Principal

Cornerstone Value: Whai Tika: Duty - To do what is right. What a person ought to do.

Coming Events:

31 May-5 Jun	Shakespeare National Festival in Wellington (TK)
1 June	TAS Cross Country / Speech finals / Mufti day
2-6 June	Mid Term Break (Queens Birthday + Friday)
8 June	Y4-6 Winter sports (Kensington)
9 June	Y10 Subject rotation
8 June	40 Hour Famine sleepover
9 June	40 Hour Famine mufti
13 June	NSSSA Cross Country Championships Barge Park
15-16 June	VPI and SRD Project Possum; Tangihua Lodge
21 June	Wig Wednesday; Visit of Otago Uni
23 June	Y0-10 reports issued
27 June	J-Rock (junior stage challenge)
28 June	Vision and Hearing screens NE and Y7
30 June	Mathex @ WBHS 2:00-6:00pm (Y5-10)
1 July	School Ball
4 July	TAS Matariki/Wearable Arts
7 July	End of T2
24 July	Start T3
30 Aug-5 Sept	Y11-13 Exams
3-8 Sept	Y10 Hillary OPC



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MATARIKI CELEBRATION 2017 TUESDAY 4 JULY

Come along and join the celebrations. Our students will entertain you with:

- Wearable art competition
- Junior kapa haka
- Senior kapa haka
- Concert band
- Jazz band
- Drama production
- J-Rock

\$5 entry fee per adult

Come and have dinner in our "café style" seating area from 6pm.

\$10 Pre-order and pay for a hangi at the school office for dinner before the show.

Our canteen will be selling food to support the Europe trip.

Term 2, week 1, Word of the Week

Junior: *Alana Jury, Rm4*

I cried in **anguish** when my cat got run over.

Intermediate: *Savanna Crouch, 7AA Rm10*

I could feel Macayla's **anguish** and I tried unsuccessfully to hide mine.

Senior: *Sam Dutton, Year 9*

She raced through the doors, her tears masking the **anguished** expression on her face.

Amelia Paston Ross, Year 10

Anguished seeped into the back of her mind as she realised she had made an irreversible mistake in her choice of gift.

Term 2, week 2, Word of the Week

Intermediate: *Anahera-Maia Rangī, 7PA* In the war the brave soldiers have a big **duty** to save the country.

Senior: *Selena de Weyer, Year 11 A* A **duty** everyone has, but often forgets, is to look after their Mother; happy Mother's Day.

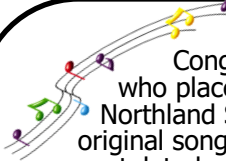
Term 2, week 3, Word of the Week

Junior: *Jennifer Moses, Room 4* I **accomplished** my goal of getting on my horse.

Intermediate: *Isabel Batchelder, 7AA* The para-athletes have to work hard and not let their disability stop them from **accomplishing** their dreams!



Supporting our local community by sponsoring the Duke of Edinburgh programme run through Tauraroa Area School



Music News

Congratulations to **Dani Ngakuru-Smith** who placed third in the Solo/Duo final of the Northland Smokefree Rockquest with her original song 'Paper planes.' Also to be congratulated are 'The Pastie Boys,' comprising **Eli Tamihana, Regan Grobler, Harry Marker and Hendrix Hall-Buckley**, who made it through to the Rockquest band final on the **1st of July**. Thanks to Mr Terry Toohill who has been teaching guitar while our regular guitar teacher, Mort, has been completing his teacher training. Mort will be back from week six. At this point all students who signed up for guitar should be in a group receiving lessons, please contact school if this is not the case. Reminders for your calendar are: the **4th of July**, which is our Matariki Evening at school involving the concert band, jazz band, rock bands and solo artists; the **3rd of July**, which is our 2nd NCEA performance evening and the **20th September** which is our TAS Creative event at Forum North.



Te Whānau o Tauraroa

The next whanau hui will be **Wednesday 28th June** to hear the Year 9 students delivering their mihi about a person who is important to them.

Please come and support Te Reo Maori. All invited. A plate for supper would be great



J-Rock News

Look out for the J-Rock newsletter! It contains vital information about the next few weeks and show day.

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School Expenses

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Our school does not ask for donations. However we do ask that you cover the cost of any school workbooks that are provided and activities that you have agreed to your child taking part in.

School payments may be made to Tauraroa Area School Board of Trustees
Bank account number 12-3115-0012400-000. Please use the students name as a reference. Setting up an automatic payment will pay school items and eventually keep your account current for future activities. Thank you to the families who do keep their accounts current.

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Hut Building in Primary

In Primary we are looking for lengths of bamboo that could be used by the students for building huts.

If you have some bamboo on your property we would love a couple of trailer loads to use at school.

We would teach the kids how to tie knots effectively and channel their energy and creativity. Just like the good old days!

Please contact Andy Mouat via email: andy.mouat@tauraroa.school.nz
Thank you so much



40 hour famine 40 hour famine 40 hour famine

Just less than two weeks to go until the **40 hour famine** begins! Don't forget to do plenty of fundraising to successfully complete our goal of \$5,000. Money can be handed to Kayla (E1) or the office. If you prefer to pay online you are welcome to do that. Just email Kayla at - kaypai@tauraroa.school.nz for details.

Also!! The famine backpack challenge sleepover is taking place **Thursday the 8th of June** at school, this is a \$5 entry fee but it will be jam packed with fun. Get all your friends involved and try dressing up as a refugee yourself and you could win some prizes!! Don't hesitate to email me with any questions you have - Kayla

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Home-based childcare @ Maungakaramaea

Spaces available for pre-schoolers.
Monday-Thursday
20 hour ECE Subsidy available
For more info call/text Wendy 021 0624 388



3/4 bedroom Rental house wanted in the TAS school zone or near. One outside dog. Please ring Renee 0210750208

Massive Garage Sale!!

Huge variety of good stuff
from 7am Sat 24 June
at Huanui College Gym, 328 Ngunguru Road
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Funds raised will be used to support the Year 9 Huanui College ecology trip .

Year 12 health

Our year 12 students are currently taking action to enhance the wellbeing of our community. One group has selected to look at the emotional health of our senior students and will be able to share their findings towards the end of this term. The second group have identified that Tauraroa Area School and Stonehaven Retirement Villages are two separate communities in the same geographical area. The students are working at connecting these communities together. **Lauren Bolly, Rheanna Bettin and Leah Gunson** hosted a morning tea here at school and have since visited the village to identify a plan of action. They have chosen to set up a reading service, where the residents of Stonehaven will come to the community library to help with the junior reading programme here at school. They will also work with the social club committee by lining their social club to make it a warmer environment for the residents to meet each other in. If you have spare time and would like to be part of this action, please do not hesitate to contact the school.



Andrea Cameron
Y12 and Y13 Dean

A couple of photos from the Year 9 Camp held in March 2017 photos



Congratulations to the following players from Tauraroa Area School who have been selected to play in the Whangarei Bears Rugby squad for the Dave Culham Taniwha Shield 2017.

BAILY GIBSON
ELI GRAHAM
LUKE NISSEN
RILEY GOFFIN