

16 June 2017

*From the Principal's desk*

Nga mihi nui, kia koutou katoa,

We are getting very close to the middle of our academic year - in fact, our Year 11-13 students are already halfway to the commencement of NCEA exams in November.

Our students enjoy wonderful opportunities in music. Recent successes have included Danielle Ngakuru-Smith and a Year 11-12 rock band, The Pastie Boys, performances at recent RockQuest heats, progressing through to the next round of competition. A number of students and staff have been involved in Whangarei Theatre Company's 'Wizard of Oz' and others will star in the upcoming 'Mama Mia'. Megan Burns has recently performed with the NZ Youth Jazz Orchestra. Many musicians will feature in our Matariki / Wearable Arts show and TAS Creative on Stage concert.

The school is well served by a team of outstanding music teachers, led by our Head of Music, Derek Hopper. Being an Area School, our students have the opportunity to be involved in our performance music programmes from their primary school years.

Although students do have some time out of class for their lessons and ensemble practices the work they do aligns with the NZC - particularly the Key Competencies of Thinking, Managing Self, Relating to Others, Using Symbols Language & Text and Participating & Contributing.

I believe that making music is a worthwhile activity in its own right. However, there are wider benefits to be gained. Research has revealed direct gains for music students in academic achievement, creativity and improved cognitive development (memory, attention, IQ). Albert Einstein said, "The theory of relativity occurred to me by intuition, and music is the driving force behind this intuition. My parents had me study the violin from the age of six. My new discovery is the result of musical perception."

I encourage every student to lead a well balanced life. I believe that active involvement in music and sport should feature in this balance.

Heoi ano,

Grant Burns  
Principal

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

*Coming Events:*

21 June	Wig Wednesday
23 June	Y0-10 reports issued
27 June	J-Rock (junior stage challenge) performance
26,28, 29 June	Y11 drama 'Wheeler's Luck' (2 casts), Maungakaramea
28 June	Vision and Hearing screens New Entrants and Y7
29 June	12/13 PE Tough Guy Challenge (Mud Run)
30 June	Mathex @ WBHS 2:00-6:00pm (Y5-10); Mufti day 'Hippy Theme'
1 July	School Ball (Y11-13)
4 July	TAS Matariki/Wearable Arts show
7 July	Y7-13 Bay of Islands 'Beast' endurance event
7 July	End of Term 2
24 July	Start Term 3
7-10 August	'Too Much Punch for Judy' Y12/13 Drama (6 shows/3 casts)
10 August	Y7 to Snow Planet
24 August	Open Day / Evening
30 Aug-5 Sept	Y11-13 Exams
3-8 September	Y10 Hillary OPC, Turangi
20 September	TAS Creative Concert
26 September-12 Oct	Europe trip (Mrs Ashcroft with Y9-13 students)
27-29 September	Y8 Auckland Camp
29 September	End Term 3
16 October	Start Term 4
27 October	Country Day
7 November	Last day of regular timetabled senior classes
8-9 November	Y9-10 exams
9 November	NCEA Starts
4-8 December	CV Week
12 December	9-13 prizegiving; Leavers dinner
13 December	Y0-8 Prize giving; End T4





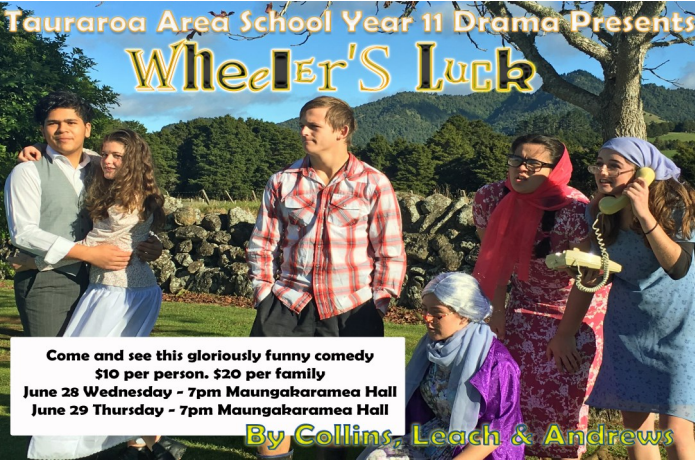
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**Tauraroa Area School Year 11 Drama Presents**  
**Wheeler's Luck**



Come and see this gloriously funny comedy  
\$10 per person, \$20 per family  
June 28 Wednesday - 7pm Maungakaramea Hall  
June 29 Thursday - 7pm Maungakaramea Hall  
By Collins, Leach & Andrews

Avoid having your child marked as truant and let us know the reason for their absence please. Tel 4322643 Option 1 or email [general@tauraroa.school.nz](mailto:general@tauraroa.school.nz)

**Sports news ....** We have photos and results in the newsletter insert. Congratulations to all the athletes that qualified for cross country at Barge Park. Y7 -13 participated in the Northland secondary schools cross country on 13 June. The **primary cross country** qualifiers, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, will be going to Barge Park in Term 3. Please keep a look out for the permission slip that your child will be bringing home.



Term 2, week 4, Word of the Week

Junior:  
There was a *kerfuffle* when I shot my sister in the head with a nerf gun. Hayden Mansell, Room 5

My big sister gets into a big *kerfuffle* over clothes. Amy Dyer, Room 3

Intermediate: Everywhere my siblings go, a *kerfuffle* is sure to follow. Jennifer Burchett, Year 7

Senior:  
The fact that my opinions differ from my dad's always causes a bit of a *kerfuffle*. Danielle Ngakuru-Smith Year 11

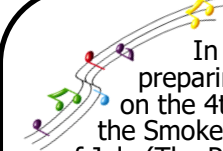
There was a big *kerfuffle* when we were told to pair up with a boy although some people chose willingly! Sam Dutton Year 9

Teacher: The princess couldn't possibly envisage what a scandalous *kerfuffle* would be caused by innocent gossip! Evgenia Kern

Term 2, week 5, Word of the Week

Intermediate: The model's beauty is *ineffable* and has everyone tongue tied. Fleur Willem-Pritchard Year 7

**Music News**



In the Music Department students are busy preparing performances for the Matariki Evening on the 4th of July (concert band, jazz band), for the Smokefree Rockquest Northland Final on the 1st of July (The Pastie Boys) and for this term's NCEA Solo Performance night on the 3rd of July (all NCEA music students). Also our concert band will be involved in the New Zealand Concert Band Festival 4-6th August and along with the jazz band will be involved in the annual Road Show around our contributing schools on the 16th of August. Parents of students learning musical instruments please remember to get them practising daily, we have too many potentially talented students giving up when they fail to make progress.

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

**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**

27 June @ Forum North we will be competing against 5 other schools with our JRock. The parents/caregivers concerned will have been receiving information via email. If you are not able attend the event, mark the 4 July on your calendars to attend our Wearable arts and Matariki Festival. JRock will be performing on stage.

**Shooting Team**  
Annual 3 course Mid-Winter Christmas Dinner  
Saturday 15th July – 6:00pm  
Whangarei Combined Gun Club  
Tickets: \$35.00  
Phone Cherie – 09 4316440 or 021 262 6599 for tickets

**Uniform:** Students/whānau please remember that blankets are not to be brought into school by students under any circumstances. These will be removed by teachers if students choose to ignore these rules.

The weather is colder now and students/whānau are reminded that plain white long sleeved shirts can be worn under white shirts and polo shirts, and plain black, long sleeved shirts can be worn under black polo shirts.

Plain black stockings (NOT footless tights) can be worn underneath skirts and Tauraroa emblazoned long black pants (girls and boys) can be purchased from either Bethals Uniform Shop in The Strand shopping center, or Kamo uniform Shop. School jackets and woollen jumpers are also available from these retailers.

The VPI students recently made a marae inspired play house for Maungakaramea play centre. It was blessed on Wednesday 15th and is now being enjoyed by all the children.



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**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Mangapai Community Hall presents**

**VARIETY**

Saturday 17 June from 8pm

There will be something for everybody - DJ and dancing, poetry, live music, belly dancing, etc... Raffle prizes, too. Bring a plate of food for supper and drink of your choice. Tickets are \$10.00. Contact Jan Poulson at 4322881 Looking forward to seeing you there!

Whangarei District Council in partnership with Maungakaramea Recreation Society invite you to...

**Whangarei: Here to where?**

We want to hear from you; what do you want to see for the District over the next 10 years?

6pm Monday 19 June 2017 at Maungakaramea Sports Club, Tangihua Road

[www.heretowhere.co.nz](http://www.heretowhere.co.nz)



We will be coming up and laying it down with harley wheelies, harley drifts, harley burn outs and much more!! Should be a awesome day out for the family. So come along and enjoyed the show!! Hope to see you all there 😊

If raining that weekend event will be on the following weekend 09/07/17(weather permitting)



**SUN, JUL 2 AT 10 AM**  
**Kwstunts Event**  
21 Alice Bloy Place, Ruakaka  
You like Kwstunts

Home-based childcare @ Maungakaramea  
For more info call/text Wendy 021 0624 388

For Sale 3 bedroom house opposite school \$400,000 **View** by appointment  
**Carol Manukau** (029) 6500927  
[carol.manukau@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:carol.manukau@vodafone.co.nz)

3 bed + bach. Great in indoor/outdoor flow. Single Garage, large deck, bach with own small deck can be used as 4th bedroom (Insulated, electrics started, need completing). Safe country community. Grow the grapes and the peacock' visit you. Easy care gardens with vines and fruit trees. Large flat fully fenced yard for kids to run

# WEARABLE ARTS

**Tuesday 4th of July**

**Showtime:** 7pm in the TAS gym  
**Tickets:** \$5 at the door

- Wearable art competition
- Junior Kapa Haka
- Senior Kapa Haka
- Concert band
- Jazz band
- Drama production
- J-Rock

Enjoy a pre-event meal from 6pm  
Café style seating

Pre-order a hangi \$10  
or  
Pies, chips, baking, hot and cold drinks from the canteen - Europe trip fundraiser

**CELEBRATE MATARIKI MĀORI NEW YEAR**

