

30 June 2017

From the Principal's desk

Nga mihi nui, kia koutou katoa,

Our students are continuing to thrive in a wide range of activities. I am very grateful the work of our teachers and volunteers who make these opportunities possible. This week, our Year 11 Drama class is presenting the play, 'Wheeler's Luck'. Next week, our students' diverse talents will be on display as we celebrate Matariki with our wearable art, concert and hangi on Tuesday night. Our Year 5-10 mathematicians will be competing at the annual 'Mathex' competition at Whangarei Boys High School on Friday evening.

In addition to organising activities, our teachers frequently give their students opportunities to catch up with any lost work through lunchtime tutorials. It is important that students do everything they can to keep up with missed classwork if they are out of school for any reason.

I am pleased to say that our school ball is an annual highlight of our calendar, having passed without incident for many years. Students attending the ball can expect to be breath tested on entry. Students with any trace of alcohol on their breath will be turned away. I am very impressed with the way in which students themselves have organised the event - I am sure everyone attending will enjoy a wonderful evening. Parents are reminded that the school does not sanction or encourage any after ball events.

Please let anyone you are aware of, who might be thinking of enrolling students at TAS, know about our Open Day and evening on 24 August. This is an opportunity for Year 6-8 students to enjoy a day of activities, followed by an information session and tour of the school for parents in the evening. Our best advertising is 'word of mouth' as people let their friends know of the many advantages our school has to offer.

I'm sure you won't need to be reminded of our end of term on 7 July. Our Year 0-10 reports will be issued on that day (and available online).

Heoi ano,

Grant Burns
Principal

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

Do you need a garden shed? Our senior technology students will be building high quality garden sheds in the second half of the year. If you might be interested in purchasing one of these, please contact the school office.

Coming Events:

30 June	Mathex @ WBHS 2:00-6:00pm (Y5-10); Mufti day 'Hippy Theme'
1 July	School Ball
4 July	TAS Matariki/Wearable Arts - Hangi available by pre-order
7 July	Y7-13 BOI 'Beast'
7 July	End of T2
24 July	Start T3
2 August	Y7/8 Science fair
3 August	SRD/VPI project possum assessment day
7-10 August	'Too Much Punch for Judy' Y12/13 Drama (6 shows)
10 August	Y7 to Snow Planet
16 August	Road Show presentation to local schools
17-19 August	DoE Silver qualifying journey
19 August	MCAT exams (Y11 Maths)
16-18 August	NZASA conference, Wellington
24 August	Open Day
30 Aug-5 Sept	Y11-13 Exams
3-8 Sept	Y10 Hillary Outdoor Centre (Turangi)
20 September	TAS Creative On Stage (Forum North)
25 Sept	Y11-13 Reports issued
26 Sept-12 Oct	Europe trip
27-29 Sept	Y8 Auckland Camp
29 September	End T3
16 Oct	Start T4
23 Oct	Labour Day
27 Oct	Country Day
9 Nov	NCEA Starts (L1 Drama)
12 Dec	9-13 prizegiving; Leavers dinner
13 Dec	Y0-8 Prize giving; End T4



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University of Auckland's Parent Information Seminar
2nd August at 6.30pm, Level 2 Main Lounge, Toll Stadium.

The presentation will cover study options, entry requirements, scholarships, accommodation options, campus life and much more.

Parents and students are invited to attend and they must register their attendance online via the following link: www.auckland.ac.nz/parentseminar

Uniform: The weather is colder now and students/whānau are reminded that plain, white, long sleeved, thin merino or poly-prop style shirts can be worn under white shirts and polo shirts, and plain, black, long sleeved, thin, merino or poly-prop style 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 centre, or Kamo uniform Shop. School jackets and woollen jumpers are also available from these retailers.

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.

Wanted: We would appreciate any uniform items that you are willing to donate to our uniform shop.

Term 2, week 6, Word of the Week
Nefarious

Intermediate: The father came home to find out that his *nefarious* son had tied his nanny to the stairs.
Daisy Sephton, 7AA

Senior: The *nefarious* doctor's evil plan did not just simply include world domination.
Miriam Ashcroft, Year 12

Term 2, week 7, Word of the Week
Wield

Junior: I *wielded* a nerf gun at my sister because she messed up my room.
Shavaani Deveine-Blake, Year 5

The police man *wielded* his gun to protect himself.
Jessica Armstrong, Room 4

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

Music News

Important dates for parents and members of school music groups to remember are:

- Monday 3 July NCEA Performance Night (7pm music room)
- Tuesday 4 July Matariki Festival (7pm school hall)
- Thursday 3 & Friday 4 August Concert Band Festival
- Wednesday 16 August Road Show
- Wednesday 20 September TAS Creative (Forum North)

Students taking NCEA Music have a final deadline for submission of their original music which is the end of Term 2. Congratulations to TAS staff and students who are performing in the major musical production of **Mamma Mia at Forum North** -Chris Townshend, Alistair Williams, Debbie Graham (our vocal teacher), Regan Grobler, Alexander Grbavac, LJ Yearbury-Murphy and Sam Parry (lighting).



Well done Max!

Max represented TAS at the Northland Junior Disability Sports Day last Friday 16 June. Max competed in many different events such as boccia, shot put, wheelchair football and wheelchair races. Well done Max for being the best you can be and giving everything a go.
By Clarissa Tana -Special Education Needs Coordinator



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Public Health News!

Skin Infections & Sore Throats

Skin Infections, such as scabies and Impetigo (school sores) are common problems in school children. Public Health Nurses are able to assess children and treat uncomplicated skin infections and sore throats in school age children.

Strep A throat infections can cause Rheumatic Fever. A simple throat swab is all that is required and if positive then Antibiotic's can be given. This preventable illness is prevalent in Northland and this initiative has been established to help prevent more cases.

This is a free service and free medication will be supplied. Parental consent will be obtained before we can swab or treat your child and your child's GP will be informed of any treatment provided.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact your Public Health Nurse – Dee Millen-Turner on 0800 223 358 (option 4) or 021 735 313

There will be a roadshow around the country throughout August, in partnership with Google, focused on keeping kids safe online. It's a free event for schools to help them ensure their digital solutions are configured correctly with safety and security front of mind. Full details and to register can be found on this website: <http://www.cyclone.co.nz/>

Congratulations to these students who achieved the following:

- Level 1 DVC excellences—Produce rendered drawings
Cole Whitaker
Emma Weir
Caeley Barfoote
- Level 1 DVC excellences—Influential designer
Caeley Barfoote
Georgia Grindle
Jacob Jenkins
Kody Mischewski
Emma Weir
Cole Whitaker

Te Whānau o Tauraroa

The next whanau hui will be **Thursday 6 July, period 4 (12:10pm)** to hear the Year 9 students delivering their mihi about a person who is important to them.

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

HUANUI COLLEGE Presents

Disney THE LITTLE MERMAID JR

Music by Alan Menken
Lyrics by Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater
Book by Doug Wright
Based on the Hans Christian Andersen story and the Disney film
Music Adapted and Arranged by David Weinstein

Capitaine Bougainville Theatre
10th and 11th August
12pm and 6pm
12th August
2pm and 6pm

TICKETS through Ticketek
\$10 child and \$12 adult

Director Debbie Walters-Brown
Musical Director Cathy Senescall
Singing Coach Angela McGregor
Choreographer Rebecca Amy Muir
Stage Manager Kallan Brooks-Owens

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