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Tena Koutou katoa

Thank you to those parents that responded to our survey earlier this term. The 90-minute period received the thumbs up with 70.7% strongly agreeing or agreeing with the change and 15.6% were neutral. Finding even stronger support was the new start and end of the school day (74%). Interestingly, 46.6% did not want mobile phones being banned at school with 28.6% supporting a ban. Those that voted banning phones cited the distraction they cause and social media bullying. Those that were opposed to the ban felt the need to be able to contact their children and vice versa – especially if there was an emergency. Common to both groups was the feeling that phones need to be banned in class because of the distraction they cause. This is currently the case with cellphones, and we have included the rules regarding these devices in this newsletter.

The last question in the whanau feedback survey was "I believe Taupo-nui-a-Tia College is providing a safe and caring environment for my son/daughter". The response was heartening with 90% strongly agreeing, agreeing or neutral. This does not mean for a minute that we have "cracked it!" Those parents who do have concerns regarding their child's safety should get in touch with the college be it the whanau teacher, dean, guidance counsellor, deputy principal or myself. All schools have bullying, and, in some circumstances, there is no quick fix.

If we know about issues, then we can do our very best to resolve them.

Our seniors are now at the 'business end of the term'. NCEA internal assessment deadlines are looming for many and NCEA external assessments are only a few weeks away. I would encourage all our senior students to make arrangements with their employer if they have an after-school job to ensure they have adequate time to complete assignments and/or study. Likewise curtailing some social activities over the next month wouldn't do any harm. There are a range of subject areas offering after school support and these are invaluable for those that attend. Our students are fortunate to have so many staff willing to give extra time to assist them.

Last week we celebrated Maori Language Week by staging an interhouse haka and waiata competition. Despite limited lead in time our students did an outstanding job in a very spirited competition. We have included some photographs of the competition that was won by Tongariro House.

Unfortunately, with Megan Marshall leaving the staff the Duke of Edinburgh's Hilary Award went into recession for a couple of months. Thankfully, we have Mark Chapman an accredited provider from Rotorua who has offered to run the programme at Taupo-nui-a-Tia College. Mark Chapman has some opportunities available this year for those students who have started an award and he will be running programmes at all levels in 2020.

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Cornerstone Values

- Honesty & Truthfulness
- Kindness
- Duty
- Compassion
- Responsibility
- Consideration & Concern for Others
- **Respect**
- Obedience



Calendar – Week 10 – Term 3 – Week 4 Term 4

September			
Mon	23	11SOE Rafting Trip x 2 classes. NCEA Solo and 2 nd Instrument Performance – 6.30pm School Hall.	Week 10 (red)
Tues	24	11SOE Rafting Trip x 2 classes. St Patrick's and Intermediate Students Taster Courses – 11.30am – 1.30pm. NCEA Solo and 2 nd Instrument Performance – 6.30pm School Hall.	
Wed	25	SPORTS AWARDS – 7PM SCHOOL HALL. Bay of Plenty 7's – Mt Maunganui.	
Thur	26	Badminton Hardisty Trophy – Turangi. Flag Football Yr 11 PE – Periods 2 & 3.	
Fri	27	End of Term 3 @ 3.10pm.	
Sat/ Sun		Shooting Champs – Hamilton. Mountain Biking – Dunedin.	
October			
Mon	14	Start of Term 4. Mini GP Trip.	Week 1 (green)
Tues	15	Mini GP Trip. WTE Workshop – Going for Gold. Defensive Driving.	
Wed	16	Mini GP Trip. Jazz Band Concert – Spa Hotel (Joshua's) 7pm.	
Thurs	17	Defensive Driving. Shakeout Drill.	
Fri	18	Trades Academy Prizegiving – Rotorua.	
Mon	21	TNT Dance Extravaganza.	Week 2 (red)
Tues	22	'The Board of Trustees Concert – 4pm in School Hall. Board of Trustees Meeting. Defensive Driving.	
Wed	23		
Thurs	24	2 nd & 3 rd Place – Prizegiving Assembly – 10.10am. 10ODER – Bush Survival Trip. Defensive Driving.	
Fri	25	10ODER – Bush Survival Trip.	
Mon	28	LABOUR DAY.	Week 3 (green)
Tues	29		
Wed	30		
Thurs	31	SENIOR PRIZEGIVING – 7PM IN SCHOOL HALL.	
November			
Fri	1	Junior Volleyball – Mt Maunganui. BOP 7's – Mt Maunganui.	Week 4 (red)
Sat	2	Hauraki Kapa Haka Festival – Paeroa.	
Mon	4		
Tues	5	Health & Safety Course – D3.	
Wed	6	Health & Safety Course – D3.	
Thurs	7		
Fri	8	NCEA Exams start. BOP Junior Tennis – Papamoa.	
Sat/ Sun	9 th & 10 th	BOP Junior Volleyball – Mt Maunganui.	

Cornerstone Values

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The Duke of Edinburgh's Hilary award has a proud tradition in this college, and we would encourage students to get involved. Funding has been found to support participants who might have difficulties with paying for this opportunity.

The college endeavors to have a school uniform that is affordable, practical and suitable for all shapes and sizes. I would ask for your support in ensuring your child is in the correct uniform when they leave for school. Different coloured sweatshirts, non-regulation shoes or non – regulation headwear are not acceptable. Unfortunately, for those students not attired correctly it means a negative interaction first thing in the morning opposed to a friendly welcome. I am proud of the students at this college and want them to look their best for themselves and in the eyes of the community.

Peter Moyle
Principal



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Taupo-nui-a-Tia College is an accredited Cornerstone Values school and was the first secondary school in the country to gain this accreditation. There are eight Cornerstone Values in total and every term we focus on one of these values. The eight values are: Honesty and Truthfulness, Kindness, Duty, Compassion, Responsibility, Consideration and Concern for Others, Respect and Obedience.

The Cornerstone Value for Term 3 is **Respect** which is defined as:

“Willingness to treat with courtesy; to hold in high regard; to honour; to care about yourself and others.”

- Treat everyone you meet as if they were the most important person in the world.
- Make the most of yourself for that is all there is of you.
- Respectful behaviour is the oil that keeps a class working well.
- If you want to be respected, you must respect yourself.
- Treat others the way you would want to be treated.
- Respect the right to be listened to, learn and be safe in our classrooms.

As a parent you can be proud that your child is part of a Cornerstone Values school and we appreciate the support you give from home in emphasising these values.

If you are new to the school you will notice that the college is proud of its Cornerstone Values accreditation and displays the Cornerstone Values logo prominently.



Students' Success

Zenith

Congratulations to Juliette McIlvride and Annie Donald, Ashlee Stevens for obtaining Level 1 in the Zenith Programme this term.

Congratulations to Juliette McIlvride, Kees Manders and Suzy Kilmister for obtaining Level 2 in the Zenith Programme this term.

Congratulations to Kees Manders for obtaining Level 3 in the Zenith Programme this term.

Former students Graduating from Victoria University

Ashlee	Cammell	BA - Bachelor of Arts
Zac	Dale	BA - Bachelor of Arts
Rebecca	Donald	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce
Brooke	Halliday	BA - Bachelor of Arts
Jamen	Moss	GDTCPD - GDip Teaching (Primary)
Jared	Pickett	BSCHON - Bachelor of Science with Hons
Jared	Pickett	MSC - Master of Science
Matt	Ranston	BA - Bachelor of Arts
Callum	Turnbull	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce
Elliot	Whittleton	BDI - Bachelor of Design Innovation
Louisa	Williamson	BMUS - Bachelor of Music
Louisa	Williamson	BMUSHO - Bachelor of Music with Honours

Senior Year 11, 12 and 13 Study Leave 2019

Senior Prizegiving will be held on Thursday, October 31st at 7.00pm. In the past senior students have gone on study leave after this ceremony. In order to support our seniors, this year we will be issuing study passes.

To gain a study pass you must be on track to achieve your relevant NCEA level. If you do not qualify for a study pass then extra support will be offered to start from Monday 4th November. Normal timetable will run for the week of November 4th to the 8th and senior students with study passes are encouraged to attend their classes for revision support. More details of this will be available closer to the time.

Cath Mackintosh, Deputy Principal

Bay Trust Centre Clinic Times

Monday to Friday	8:15am – 3:30pm	Administrator, Fiona Primrose
Monday	9:00am – 3:10pm	REAL – Fi Mannington
	1.20pm – 3.00pm	Physio – Jeff Fox
Tuesday	9:00am – 11.30am	REAL – Antonia Britt
	10.00am – 3.10pm	Anamata CAFÉ Nurse – Angie Langeveldt
Wednesday	9:00am – 3:10pm	Anamata CAFÉ Nurse – Sue van Mierlo
	9:00am – 3.10pm	REAL – Paul Gardiner
Thursday	9:00am – 3.10pm	REAL- Bradley Pascoe
	8.30am – 11.00am	Physio – Jeff Fox
	11.20am – 3.10pm	Student Counsellor – Valda Gummer
Friday	9:00am – 3.10pm	Anamata CAFÉ Nurse – Fiona Lafferty
	8.40am – 3.10pm	Student Counsellor – Valda Gummer

Note – BayTrust main doors are closed for 10 minutes at 8:50am and after interval bells.

Homestay Families Needed

At the end of Term 2, we thought it was time to thank our fantastic homestay parents with a hangi prepared by our International Students.

Homestay parents are families who take care of our students from overseas (mostly Europe) for a period of 3-6 months. The students live with the family and take part in family activities. Very often long-lasting relationships are created, which will lead to lovely visits to Europe. We are always looking for new families as our number of Internationals is still growing. You could become one of them! A welcoming family, who is proud to be a kiwi and want to share this with a student. Per week the school allowance for hosting a student is \$230. This is to cover some costs for food and transport.

If you like to know more, please contact us Aniek.lenoir@taupocollege.ac.nz or go to our website and register: www.taupocollege.ac.nz/internationals/homestay



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Messages from the Office



YEAR 13 STUDENTS

It is that time of year when we need to start thinking of the end of year for our senior students, in particular our Year 13 students.

If your child has a locker these need to be emptied and keys returned **BEFORE** the senior prizegiving on 31 October 2019. If keys are not returned a charge will need to be added to your child's account. At the same time students are encouraged to return any text or library books; again, if books are not returned charges will need to be added to students account.



YEAR 12 STUDENTS

If any Year 12 students would like to donate any old uniform that will no longer be needed, the office would be pleased to accept washed and dried uniform to add to the supply of Loan Uniform available to students.

YEAR 10 CAMPS

All Year 10 students have been issued an Expedition booklet outlining choices for camps in November 2019. The schedule for choice and payment is outlined below.

Two payments of \$50 should now have been made according to the timeline referred to in the previous school newsletter.



Timeline for payments

TERM 3

6 September 2019

Payment No. 2 Another \$50 minimum paid

27 September 2019

Payment No. 3 Another \$50 minimum to be paid.

TERM 4

18 October 2019

Payment No. 4 Another \$50 minimum to be paid.

1 November 2019

Payment No. 5 Another \$50 minimum to be paid.

15 November 2019

Final payment due

Alternatively, regular weekly payments can be made until camp is paid for, **OR** you may wish to pay **in full at any time**, prior to 15 November 2019

Eftpos and credit card facilities are available at the school office. Direct debits can be made via Internet Banking to Taupo-nui-a-Tia College Bank Account number:

123162 0154524 00 - Please state child's name and camp name for reference

If you are experiencing difficulties in meeting payments, please contact Brenda Ronke (Deputy Principal) or Dee Whale (Office Manager) to discuss options and/or to arrange regular automatic payments.

All compulsory, sports and full camp fees must be paid before camp departure

Messages from the Office

STUDENTS FEELING UNWELL

All students that are unwell or require first aid **must** report to the BayTrust. The nurse or Fiona will contact home if required.

To keep your child safe, they should follow this procedure.

The students **should not** be texting home directly or leaving school grounds without signing out.



USE OF MOBILE PHONES

A reminder to students that mobile phones are not to be used during class unless authorized by the teacher.

First time – confiscated for the day – student to collect from the office at the end of the day

Second time – confiscated for the day – student to collect from the Dean.

Third time – confiscated for the day – parent/caregiver rung to collect at the end of the day



Please remind your child about the rules around mobile phone use thank you.

PAYMENT OF SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

We have a solution for you! Did you know that paying as little \$5.00 per week via Automatic Payment can reduce your child's school account by \$260.00 per year. We appreciate the hardship a lot of families are experiencing and we want to limit the financial pressure by offering this service without compromising your child's education or participation in future school activities. PLEASE give this some serious thought. We are here to help you and your child. An Automatic Payment form is available from the school office or email debbie-lee.lidderd@taupocollege.ac.nz.

SCHOOL SHOES

A reminder that the school regulations for shoes are as follows:

- Black lace-up school style shoes that can be polished.
- This excludes sneaker/skater/sports/canvas/ ballet/leisure/casual/converse style shoes.
- Black roman sandals with heel strap in place, black 'Rugged Shark' or 'Lynx' sandals with heel strap in place. **No** jandals.
- Boys can wear slip-on business style shoes.
- Girls can wear 'Mary-Jane' style shoes.
- **NO EXCEPTIONS.**



JACKETS/COATS

As we head into Term 4 just a reminder that students should not be wearing the black jacket; this is only permitted in Term 2 and 3.

Advertising Opportunity

Local business are invited to advertise in the 2019 Taupo-nui-a-Tia College yearbook, which reaches 600 families.

Quarter page	\$50
Half page	\$100
Full page	\$200



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Uniform – Argyle Online

UNIFORM

As mentioned in a previous Newsletter, Taupo-nui-a-Tia College uniform supply is moving to ArgyleOnline. Argyle has been the supplier of our school shorts for some years but in the future will be supplying ALL our uniform.



From **TERM 4** of this year all uniform for all years will be available online. This will replace the previous system of purchasing uniforms from the school office and via our school shop on our website.

Parents and caregivers will find this system quick, easy and efficient to use. Payments can be made by credit or debit card, internet banking, or pay at any Westpac branch. Delivery of orders directly to your door within 3-5 working days.

WINZ quotes are available through the ArgyleOnline website which can then be taken to the local WINZ office who will make payment direct to Argyle.

In preparation for the online ordering set out below are ordering instructions to assist parents:

- ❶ Click the link on the Taupo-nui-a-Tia College website.
- ❷ Select the garment you require.
- ❸ After measuring your child carefully, choose your size and quantity and add to cart.



CHEST - Measure around the fullest part of the chest



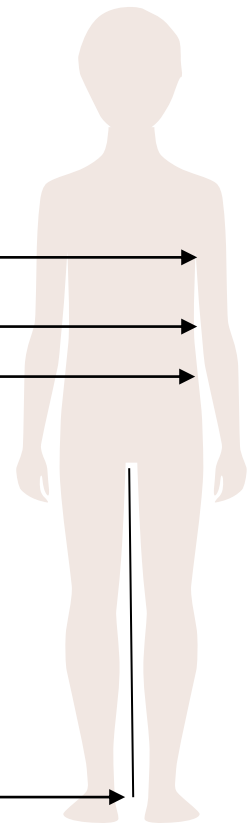
WAIST - Measure around the narrowest part of the waistline above the belly button



HIPS - Measure around the fullest part of the hips



INNER LEG LENGTH – Measure from the crotch



- ❹ Review your shopping cart repeating steps 3 and 4 for additional garments.
- ❺ Go to checkout and select your preferred payment method. Payments can be made by Credit or Debit Card, Direct Credit, Internet Banking, pay at any Westpac Branch, or WINZ quotes are also available
- ❻ You will receive an order confirmation by email followed by a courier track and trace email when your order is collected by the courier. Expect delivery 3-5 working days after payment.
- ❼ You can find more information on www.argyleonline.co.nz/faqs.
- ❽ Need further assistance? Live chat with Argyle's customer service team online or contact them by phone or email:



Celebrating Maori Language Week

An interhouse kapa haka competition was held Friday lunchtime to celebrate the end of Maori Language Week. It was pleasing to see the quality and passionate performances from all four houses. The winning house was Tongariro.



Celebrating Maori Language Week



Kids Greening Taupo

Our students are regularly involved with Kids Greening Taupo. Year 10 Science in the Community class were planting at Cherry Island. Year 9 students assisted Four Seasons Kindergarten and their 'bush kindly' initiative. Thank you to all the students involved.



Thanks Taupo Businesses

A BIG THANK YOU for the generous support that the following Taupo businesses have given to our Technology Department for quite a number of years.

Without the kind help and support given to us by our local businesses we may not be able to offer the students the great opportunities that the College has to assist them in today's technological and competitive society.



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HOW TO USE CELL PHONES AT NUI



- ◆ Cell phones **MUST** be turned off during class and in assemblies.
- ◆ Text messaging is not allowed during class or assemblies.
- ◆ Misuse of a cell phone will result in confiscation and home contacted.
- ◆ Students should understand that the right to carry a cell phone means the owner has the responsibility to use them according to school rules.

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1ST OFFENCE

Confiscated.
Held in office.
Recorded.
Student to collect from office staff at end of school day.

2

2ND OFFENCE

Confiscated.
Held in office.
Recorded.
Student to collect from Dean/DP at end of school day.

3

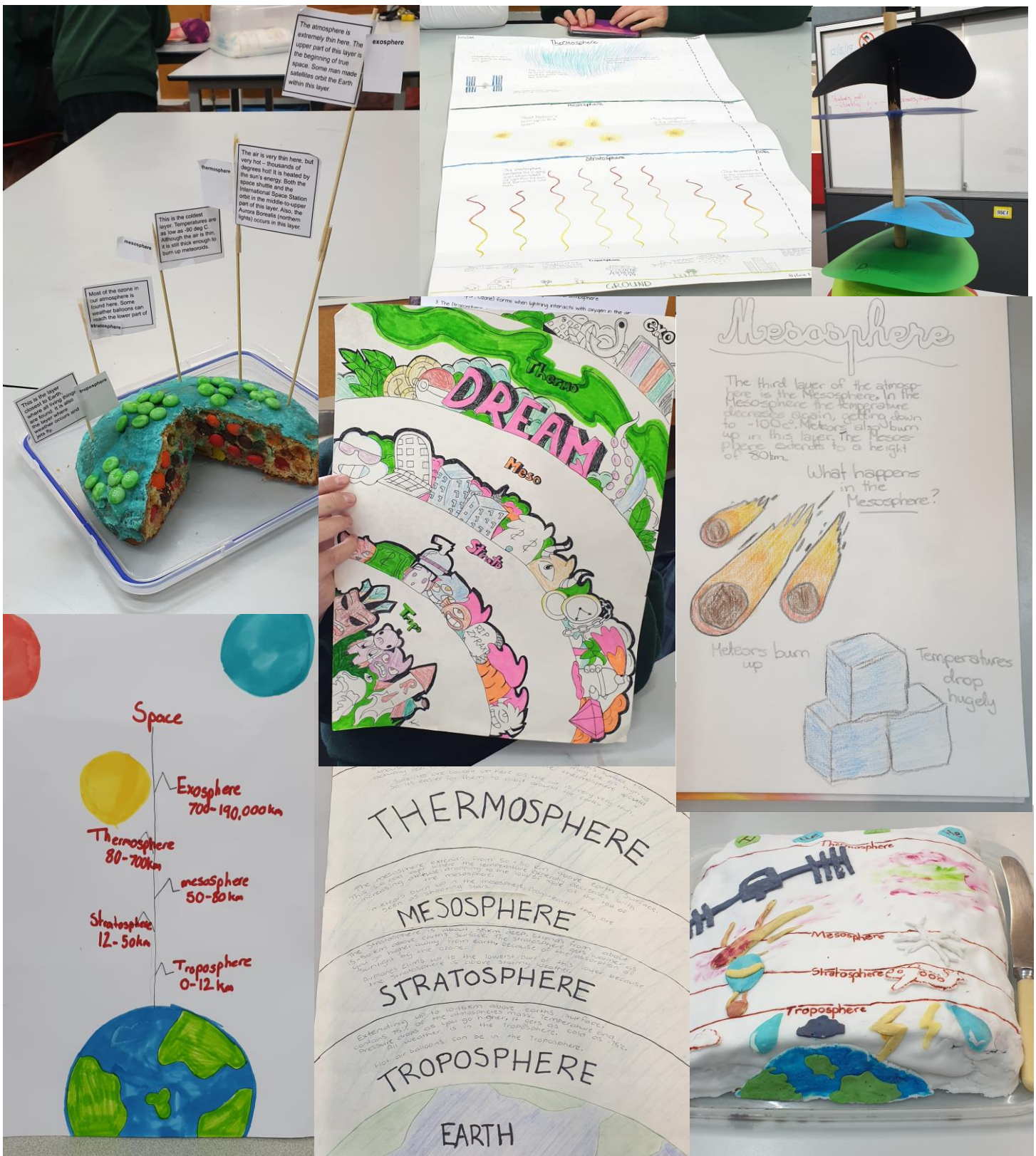
3RD OFFENCE

Confiscated.
Recorded.
Dean/DP to contact home.
Caregivers must collect from Dean/DP at end of school day.

Year 9 Science Project

My Y9 science class were looking at modelling to represent scientific concepts. I challenged them to create a model of Earth's atmosphere that other students would be able to understand. Some of the boys really brightened up when I said they could do this in any non-digital way they liked, including an edible version! Needless to say, we ended up with a number of cakes that everyone enjoyed once they had been photographed! Such fun and very rewarding to see my students so engaged!

Ms Fox, Science Teacher



Dance @ Nui

At the Regional DanceNZMade interschool competition held on Thursday 8th and Friday 9th of August, Taupo-nui-a-Tia College dancers bared their souls and left their hearts on the dance floor. Since Term 1, dancers have been preparing for this competition. The instructions from dance teacher, Iggy Gloy was to tell a story, to give something to the audience and leave them thinking about the message of the dance. This is not only for the benefit of the competition but also for the dancers' NCEA internal assessment work. Movement should have meaning and purpose, rather than just moving to the music. This proved to be very valuable as TNT not only walked away as the Regional Champions but scored 100/100 from both judges in their dance titled: "Border Crossing". Choreographer, Carissa Yeoman, found inspiration from images she had seen on the news about families trying to escape from their existing lives by crossing the border into a new country. The images contained so many different emotions ranging from grief, anger, frustration, fear, worry, happiness and jubilation, which were all captured within this dance.



Taupo-nui-a-Tia College dancers excelled in choreographing pieces for this competition. Y13 students Hannah and Lucy Golebiowski choreographed 5 solos and 3 groups – all their solo choreography pieces placed either 1st or 2nd in their respective categories and 2 of their groups from Hilltop School (Year 5&6 and Year 7&8) came first and will represent Taupo at Nationals. First time choreographers, Year 10 students Taryn Drysdale and Shazanae Corin-Goldsmith created a delightful piece for Taupo Primary's Y3-Y6 students and received a huge thank you and congratulations from Taupo Primary staff, students and parents. Y11 students Grace Bilbie and Grace Merwyn choreographed the winning Y9-Y10 entry for Taupo-nui-a-

Tia College – "Child Poverty" – which like "Border Crossing" had a powerful message and left the audience stunned in silence. Grace Bilbie further choreographed Taupo Intermediate's Y7-8 group and the winning solo for Hilltop School in the Y7 category. Taryn, Shaz, Grace B, Grace M, Onera Beck, Stella Godfrey, Ayla Yeoman, Belle Yeoman, Hannah Golebiowski and Lucy, Enya Abele and Aimee Coleman further represented the school in the Solos and they all choreographed and co-choreographed their dances with huge success. Year 9 and 10 dancers also danced in 2 other pieces which they worked on collaboratively: "Trust in Yourself" and "The Reason". The Y11-13 dancers gained 2nd place with a collaborative piece: "Disengaged Connections" which had a message about the impact of technology, specifically the cellphone on people.



Onera Beck's solo "ReMoved" had such an impact on the judges and director of DanceNZMade because it related to her life and the hope she gives others, that she was invited to be the guest performer at DanceNZMade Nationals this year.

At the time of writing this article, Hannah and Lucy Golebiowski and Ayla Yeoman and Georgia Smith were preparing for DanceNZMade duets. Hannah and Lucy were also choreographing several other duets for dancers at Hilltop school.



Representing Taupo at the DanceNZMade Nationals from Taupo-nui-a-Tia College were: Hannah Golebiowski (solo), Grace Merwyn (solo), Child Poverty (Y9-10 group) and Border Crossing (Open Category group) and Onera Beck (solo) as the guest performer.

In the Solo competition, Taupo-nui-a-Tia College gained:

- 1st and 2nd in the Year 9 category (Aimee Coleman and Enya Abele)
- 1st in the Year 10 category (Onera Beck)
- 2nd and 3rd in the Y11 category (Grace Bilbie and Grace Merwyn)
- 1st and 2nd in the Y13 category (Hannah Golebiowski and Lucy Golebiowski)

In the Group competition, Taupo-nui-a-Tia College gained:

- 1st in Y9-Y10 category – "Child Poverty"
- 2nd in the Y11-Y13 category – "Disengaged connections"
- 1st in the Open category – "Border Crossing"



Regional Champions – Taupo-nui-a-Tia College



Taupo Pathways

300 Students
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3 Days
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Last term Year 11 students had the opportunity to visit various local workplaces as part of the Pathways Connect program. Organised by Taupo Pathways, this program is designed to connect young people, educators and employers.

Students came back buzzing with lots of stories about their hands-on experiences and what they learnt. They were able to obtain a greater understanding of employer expectations, workplace culture and various career pathways. Seeing relevance of school subjects enabled them to make connections and be better equipped to make informed decisions about their future.

EMPLOYER FEEDBACK

Joel – Corbie Films “Had an awesome time, working with some future young filmmakers. Such a smart and energetic group to work with.”

Sarah – Legend “Last Friday we were thrilled to host students from the colleges for the Taupo Pathways Connect Program. This amazing program introduces young people to various options available to them as they decide a career pathway to employment.”

Cheal Consultants – “We had a blast!”



Sportswrap by Simone Stewart, Sports Coordinator

It has been another great season for all our winter sports teams. Typically, secondary school sport works in 5-year cycles and all our premier teams this year had several younger players involved which bodes well for the coming years both locally and nationally.

Rugby

At the time of our last newsletter our 1st XV boys had narrowly missed out on making the Division 1 semi-finals, finishing the season 5th. Several of these players, and their coach are now involved in representative rugby for King Country which is fantastic to see.

From a slow start our Under-15 boys did well to make the semi-finals in the Championship competition. The team went down in their semi-final and finished the season in 4th spot with the same win-loss record as both the 2nd and 3rd placed teams.

Our Under-14 boys were focused on winning the title right from the pre-season. They finished the regular season in 2nd spot, after unfortunately losing their semi-final here at home.

The 1st XV girls had a great season finishing in 3rd spot. But as the girl's competition goes straight from pool-play to a final, the girls missed an opportunity to contest for the top spot at the business end of the season.

The focus now shifts to sevens with an U15 boys and girls team heading to BOP champs later this term and the national tournament next term, and an U19 girls team attempting to qualify for the national tournament in December.

It's an exciting time for rugby here at the college with some committed, passionate volunteers and a real 'buy-in' from the players around a culture of excellence both on and off the pitch. Watch this space in 2020. team.

A huge thank you to our coaches who are giving up a lot of their own time for our students.



Triathlon

Congratulations to Hannah Howell for her outstanding 11th place at the World ITU Sprint Triathlon Championship in Switzerland last month.



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Netball

With 9 teams in the local netball competition, we were represented in all the Saturday grades. Our premier team with several junior players had an outstanding season, finishing 3rd in the A Champ competition. The girls showed maturity to win their 3rd/4th play-off against Richmond by 3 points.

Our other teams finished the season as follows:

Academy	5 th A Flight
Development	7 th A Flight
9 Red	6 th A Reserve
Skux	3 rd B Prem
10 Red	2 nd B Champ
Senior Red	3 rd B Champ
9 Green	4 th B Champ
10 Green	5 th B Champ

Our Premier team travelled to Auckland for the Upper North Island Secondary School tournament. The young team had the goal of keeping their position in the B Grade from which to build in the coming years. The girls played some fantastic netball throughout the week and finished the week in 21st position and hold their spot in B grade in 2020. This team will be one to watch over the next couple of years with a bit more experience under their belt.

Congratulations to Meile-Rose Green who was awarded “Most Improved & Most Promising Young Player” for the season.



Football

Our U14 and U16 football teams both finished the WaiBOP 15th/16th grade season mid-table. It is great to have two teams in the grade, after our U14 side were promoted after an unbeaten first round. Our U16 team got the win over the younger side and managed to finish the season one place ahead.

The 1st XI boys finished the first half of the season in 2nd position on the table but suffered some close losses in the back end of the season which had them finish in 5th position.

The team travelled to Whanganui for tournament week with the addition of a few younger players to boost numbers. The team won 3 of their 5 round-robin matches to progress to the 9th-16th play-off group. The boys had a first up loss but bounced back with wins over Taradale and Bream Bay to finish the competition 13th of 32 teams.

Our 2nd XI Girls finished their competition mid-table after giving a few of the top teams a run for their money. To finish the season, a “finals day” was organised at Tokoroa High. Our 2nd XI played exceptionally well all season, and earned themselves second spot after the finals, losing the penultimate match 1-nil to Tauhara College 1st XI.

Our 1st XI Girls didn't play in the “finals day” as they were on their Australia trip, however finished the season in 2nd place. In the Baywide Youth Division 2A Saturday competition, the team went through their season unbeaten – a fantastic achievement, and an awesome platform on which to build in the upcoming season.



The girls team travelled to the Gold Coast during tournament week and played three matches against Gold Coast High Schools in tough (hot!) conditions. Our girls struggled with the 32° playing temperatures and were outplayed by the three schools but it was a fantastic learning opportunity for the team, and an eye-opener as to how other school sports programmes operate – 4x football sessions during curriculum time per week, dedicated strength and conditioning coaches, squad training with the boy's teams.... being beaten isn't so hard to take when you factor these things in, and our girls played well, improved with each game, and came home with plenty of ideas to implement before next season.

A big thank you to all the people who supported our fundraising efforts, the parents who gave up their time to help, and Mr Robinson for the hours of work behind the scenes to pull the trip together.

Hockey

In the second round of the BOPSS hockey competition our 2nd XI Boys and Mixed Development teams finished 7th and 6th respectively in the A grade. In the Girls B Grade, our 2nd XI girls finished the second round with three wins from four matches, and advanced through to the semi-finals in 2nd spot. The girls unfortunately lost to John Paul College in their semi-final but redeemed themselves with a 3-nil win over Western Heights to finish the competition in 3rd place. Congratulations to Sophie Fagan and Rebecca Chamberlain who were in the top-10 goal scorers of the competition.

Following round one of the BOPSS hockey competition both of our 1st XI teams transferred to the Midlands Secondary School competition which brings together teams from the wider Waikato / BOP / South Auckland area.

Our 1st XI Boys started the Div.1 competition slowly with a couple of first up losses but rallied with three wins in their next games to make the semi-finals. Trident are always a strong opposition, and unfortunately our boys couldn't make it through to the final and finished the competition in 3rd spot.

The Girls played in Div. 2 of the same competition, and like the boys had a slow start but improved results as the season went on with two draws in their final two games.

The boys travelled to Christchurch for the Rankin Cup tournament. It was always going to be a tough task remaining in this highly-competitive Tier 1 tournament. The boys played well throughout the tournament but couldn't get enough wins to remain in Tier 1 next year. Regardless, the younger players will be better for the experience and hopefully hungry to experience more success in the future. Congratulations to Tim Greenwood who was in the top-10 goal scorers at the tournament.



The girls travelled to Palmerston North for their tournament, and after mixed results during the regular season they achieved some fantastic wins at tournament to advance through to the Top-8. They beat John Paul College to advance to the 5th/6th playoff but went down in this match to finish 6th place overall. A great result for this team moving forward.

We have been very fortunate to have a few parents running hockey behind the scenes, and sadly this year is the last for Robyn Harrison and Sue Maclean who have given so much to our hockey programme over the past few years. Thank you so much for all your hard work!

Shooting



Our clay target shooting team have had a successful season to date. Most recently competing in the Tauranga leg of their regional competition where they picked up two team medals, and both Casey Thorby and Caitlin Simpson won gold in their categories. This is a fantastic result as they build toward the NZSS Champs in two weeks' time.

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Sr Boys Basketball Team

Head Coach: Howard Jones

Assistant Coach: Stephanie Richards

Lake Taupo Basketball Men's League - 3rd

Havelock North Invitation Tournament - 2nd

The Senior Boys Basketball team had a good season this year. Consisting of players playing their first year at a senior level, they developed into a group who improved as the year went on. They competed in the Taupo Men's League, and were competitive with all the teams.

The highlight of the year was the Hasting North Tournament. It was a great performance by such a young team. This team has a great future.

MVP: Conjoint Isaiah Lopez & Kobe Koko

Most Improved: Timothy Greenwood



Year 11 Senior A Boys

Head Coach: Howard Jones, Assistant Coach: Stephanie Richards

Lake Taupo A Grade College League - Winners

The Year 11 Senior A Boys had a very successful year this year.

Playing in the Taupo College A Grade League, they went undefeated and won the Championship in the finals to the Junior A team in a game that went into overtime. This team was led by Kobe Koko, Isaiah Lopez, Nathan Rowland and Cullen Mason, they are a group who have a bright future. Well done boys.

MVP: Nathan Rowland

Most Improved: Stephen Notoa



Year 11 Senior B Boys

Head Coach: Howard Jones, Assistant Coach: Stephanie Richards

Lake Taupo A Grade College League - 3rd

This social team of basketball players led by Peter Te Kahu and Matene and Tawera Duff the team competed in the Taupo College League very successfully. Eventually losing in the semi-finals. They competed hard and displayed some good basketball skills. All the players improved and learned a lot in the season.

MVP: Peter Te Kahu

Most Improved: Matene Duff

Junior Boys

2019 was planned to be a big year for our Junior teams, building on from 2018 where there was an increase in structure and commitment. We looked to do even more, and more in the words of 'more training, more playing and more opportunities to develop.

We started our year off with attending the National 3X3 Championships where we took a Year 10 team and Year 9 Team, this was the first time Taupo Nui-a-Tia has ever entered teams into this competition, our Year 10 team played in the premier grade, coming up against Basketball powerhouses like Hastings Boys, Westlake Boys and Rosmini College. Our Team fared very well winning games against some big schools and making the National quarterfinals out of 28 teams in their grade. The team ended up finishing 8th overall Nationally a huge achievement for the Year 10 boys. Our Year 9's even though entered in the open grade play some great basketball and won a few games against Junior A teams, this will help set them up for next year where coming back with valuable experience will be pivotal.

NZ Junior 3X3 Tournament - 8th Place



We followed up our success at the 3X3 by winning the annual Tip off tournament in Rotorua, our Junior A won the development grade and have qualified to enter the premier grade for next year which is a huge achievement as Taupo nui-a-Tia had not attended this tournament in quite some time. Our Junior B also competed at the Tip off tournament which was a great learning curve for them competing against other schools Junior A's and even winning some games.

Rotorua Basketball Secondary Schools Tip-Off Junior Boys – Winners

We had planned invitational games during the season against Rotorua Boys High School, Te Awamutu College, Hamilton Boys High School, St John College, Hastings Boys High School, Napier Boy High School this was on top of our Wednesday Night Taupo Junior League Games, and for the Junior A Team also on top of playing in the local Sunday night Senior men's league as well.

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This all leading in to our Junior premierships tournament where our Junior A team entered in to the premier grade and our Junior B in to the A grade. Our Junior A finished 8th overall in the Premier Grade and our Junior B finished 13th Overall in the A Grade. A huge amount of growth and development for our Junior boys, where both teams represented themselves, their families and the school diligently. Many highlights from the tournament on and off the floor which I know our boys will remember forever. It was clear to see at the tournament that if the boys stay commitment and stick together Taupo nui-a-Tia will have a bright future for the up-coming year in Basketball.

Junior Secondary Schools Regional Premierships – 8th



Then lastly after playing four straight days at tournament our Junior A come back and played our own Taupo-nui-a-Tia Year 11 A team in the Wednesday night Junior League Final, where they pushed the Year 11 boys in to overtime and trading basket for basket for the extra period, our Year 11's won the game 93 -90 in the end. Huge effort from the year 10 and year 9 boys involved.

Lake Taupo A Grade College League - 2nd

From the coaches special mention has to go to our parent managers – Phillipa Daniels and Angie Radanovich who gave up almost every weekend and most weeknight support, driving, fundraising and mothering our boys when attending basketball activities.

Junior A Boys

Coach: Dylan Perfect-Tait, Manager: Philly Daniels

MVP: Regan Gent-Standen

Most Improved: Caylum Daniels & Tyson Samuels

Junior B Boys

Coach: John Dolan, Manager: Philly Daniels

MVP: Cameron Tongiatu

Most Improved: Jacob Eru-Davis & Izaac Bensley

Whero and Kākāriki

Head Coach: Howard Jones

Both these teams consisted of Year 9 first year players and some year 10 social players. They competed in the Year 9 & 10 College B Grade League and both teams had successful seasons. They ended up playing each other in the semi-finals, with Kākāriki winning in a thrilling game. Kākāriki played Tongariro Girls in the finals - they jumped out to an early lead in the first quarter but Tongariro Girls went goal for goal right down to the end and final score was 33-39 to Kākāriki.

All the players improved throughout the year and deserved to be congratulated.



Whero

Coach: Hayden Alker

MVP: Xavier Skelton**Most Improved:** Rian White**Kākāriki***Lake Taupo B Grade College League - winners*

Coach: Belinda Walker

MVP: Christopher Caballes**Most Improved:** Will Oakley**Girls Teams**

The girls teams started off slowly as there were many new players to the game but they improved immensely over the season. We took a combined team to the Invitational Havelock North tournament and made huge improvements as the tournament progressed.

**Senior Girls**

Coach: Issacs Whānau, Assistant Coach: Stephanie Richards

MVP: Toni Henry**Most Improved:** Karina Henry**Junior Girls**

Coach: Annaleise Campbell

MVP: Betty Fotu**Most Improved:** Ella Wisnewski**Coming Up**

At the time of writing our swim team are competing in Hamilton at the NZSS Swim Champs.

North Island Ski Champs	16-18 September
NZSS Cycling	28 September
NZSS Clay Target Shooting	28 September
NZSS Mountain Biking	4 October

Our annual school sports awards are being held on Wednesday 25th September in the school hall. Tickets are available for \$5 from the main school reception. We welcome you along to celebrate 2019's sporting success.



Girls Soccer Australia Trip – Vs Robina High School

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