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"Gateway to Your Future"



Tena Koutou Katoa

As term three comes to an end I must confess that it has been a very demanding time working under different Alert Levels. Thankfully, we have managed to fit in some semblance of a sports season for our students, including tournaments. Likewise, cultural activities and competitions have taken place, albeit some online. More importantly staff have worked hard to ensure our students are as close as possible to being on track with their studies. Extra resource has been put into our NCEA students; hence the second Academic Workshop held this week. After prizegiving we have identified the need for senior students to be at school so they can be supported in gaining the necessary credits to achieve NCEA. Some will be preparing for their external examinations while others will be doing internal assessments. We would ask that you support this initiative by ensuring your child attends school after prizegiving.

I am aware that some parents have raised concerns about junior students missing out on school time during Academic Workshop. For this week's Workshop there is the opportunity for a group of Year 9 and 10 students that have been identified to attend this day to catch up on work. We are also committed to tracking our junior students' academic progress for the remainder of the year to ensure they haven't been disadvantaged.

In many ways Covid-19 being in the year 2020 is apt.

I have found you need 20/20 vision to predict what steps are needed to plan for coming weeks or months and then with the benefit of hindsight you get those "experts" that had 20/20 vision all along and would have done things differently!

It was a pleasure seeing so many parents attend the Line 6 afternoon held a couple of week's ago. I know that the students were proud of the work they had produced, and I was privy to many of the conversations where they explained to parents the background to their work. For the uninitiated, Line 6 is a Year 9 cross-curricular programme that allows students to see the natural links between subjects. It also gives them opportunities to be creative and make links with the wider community.

Music in the school continues to flourish and this is reflected by the students that entered the Smokefree Rockquest. 'Armed Goldfish' gained second place in band section, Clayton Littlewood won the Musicianship award and Bri Hilton won the Best Vocals Award and was the first placed soloist.

Our dancers have also been busy winning a host of awards at the Dance NZ Made competition held earlier in the term. This college will be well represented at National level.

The Taupo Kahui Ako (Community of Learning) has continued to grow since the inception in 2015. There are now 15 schools (two Secondary Schools, one Area school and 13 Primary Schools) in the district working together for the common

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Cornerstone Values

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

Taupo-nui-a-Tia College

The Principal's Message

Calendar – Week 9 Term 3 – Week 3 Term 4

September			
Mon	14	MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK – various activities all week. Reports Sent. Academic Workshop Day 2. Junior Callback Day. Interhouse Kapa Haka Competitions at Lunch time. Course Interviews close.	Week 9 (Green)
Tues	15		
Wed	16		
Thurs	17		
Fri	18		
Mon	21	Mental Health Awareness Week. Meet the Teacher Subject Day. Pathways Connect Workplace visits. BOT Meeting. Solo Music Performance. Badminton BOP Finals. First Aid Training – Gateway. Hardisty Shield Badminton Turangi. Y11 PED Flag Football Tournament. End of Term 3.	Week 10 (red)
Tues	22		
Wed	23		
Thurs	24		
Fri	25		
October			
Mon	12	Start of Term 4. OPEN EVENING – 6.00pm in Hall (this is dependent on moving to Alert Level 1) Practice Exams begin for 6 days. Clay Target – Matamata. Shakeout Drill.	Week 1 (Green)
Tues	13		
Wed	14		
Thurs	15		
Fri	16		
Mon	19	First Aid Training – Gateway. 11SOE Tramp. 11SOE Tramp. First Aid Training - Gateway.	Week 2 (red)
Tues	20		
Wed	21		
Thurs	22		
Fri	23		
Mon	26	LABOUR DAY. BOT Meeting. 10ODE Tramp (JSm). Music Performance – 6.30pm in Hall. 10ODE Tramp (WLa).	Week 3 (green)
Tues	27		
Wed	28		
Thurs	29		
Fri	30		

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good of all our students. Coupled with this group are 17 Early Childhood Centres working with schools. Current initiatives include an oral language programme from early childhood to Year 3, a writing programme aimed at students from Year 3 to Year 13 and professional development on culturally responsive pedagogy. Developing learner agency for our students is also an area of focus along with ensuring smooth transitions between Schools. Longer term plans are in place to be able to monitor every student needing extra support with their learning from early childhood through to secondary school. My role as the Lead Principal of the Taupo Kahui Ako ends in December of this year with the replacement to start in 2021.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at "Meet the Teachers" next week. Bookings can be made online. I am guessing that the country will still be at Alert Level 2 so appropriate protocols will be in place including physical distancing, trace and tracking.

Peter Moyle
Principal



Cornerstone Values

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 4 is **Compassion** which is defined as:

“Willingness to help, empathise with, or show mercy to those who suffer.”

- Helping another person makes two people very happy.
- It's never too late to do the right thing.
- Put 'go' into goal and 'do' into done because actions speak louder than words.
- Be the change you want to see happen in the world.
- Never look down on anyone unless you are helping them up.
- Don't always put yourself first.
- Walk awhile in someone else's shoes.
- Care for someone enough to make their problems your own.

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.



Student Volunteer Army Service Awards

Taupo-nui-a-Tia College is excited to be involved with the Student Volunteer Army (SVA) Awards Scheme. This Service Award is a free nationwide framework for all students, that recognises volunteering efforts of Year 9-13 students. Students volunteer in organisations or independently and are awarded pins for their volunteer hours. Community, school and in-home volunteering hours all qualify and are combined into an SVA Summary of Service.



This summary showcases participants volunteering and is a great tool for young people to include in job or study applications.

Students register and record their volunteer hours to achieve SVA pins.

5 hours = Membership Pin

32 hours = Bronze Pin

250 hours = Silver Pin

500 hours = Gold Pin

Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded SVA pins to date:

Membership Pins - Bronze Awards

Year 9	Year 10
Jamie Gamble Luca Tinworth	Ben Chapman

Year 9 Achievers Awards

The purpose of these awards is to encourage Year 9 students to get involved in school activities. Students receive Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum Awards as they advance through various levels of contribution to the categories of Cultural, Sports and Service to the School or Community. Congratulations to the following students who recently attained their Bronze and Silver Awards:

Year 9 Bronze

Joe Brown
Phoenix Barnett
Taylah Barnett
Fergie Cagayan
Brooke Falconer
Harry Febery
Mia Haysham
Nathaniel Higgins
Nanami Ishikawa
Keyla Olsen
Oscar McDougall
Summer Maulder

Year 9 Bronze

Kalaya Messenger
Emily Mortimer
Solal Mourot
Paul Notoa
Stevie Read
Bayley Robertson-Rakei
Charlotte Rosenberg
Lexie Stock
Chloe Strange
Estella Taroa
Luca Tinworth
Keira Wood

Year 9 Silver

Kalaya Messenger
Keyla Olsen
Luca Tinworth

Victoria University Graduates

We are always delighted to acknowledge the success of past students of Taupo-nui-a-Tia College.

The following graduated from Victoria University recently:

First Name	Last Name	Qualification	Major 1	Major 2
Alexandra	McConnon	BAS - Bachelor of Arch Studies	Interior Architecture	
Chloe	Travers	BAS - Bachelor of Arch Studies	Architecture	
Huy	Tim	BDI - Bachelor of Design Innovation	Industrial Design	
Joseph	Sutton	BSC - Bachelor of Science	Geography	
Joseph	Sutton	LLB - Bachelor of Laws		
Lily	Nichols	BDI - Bachelor of Design Innovation	Industrial Design	
Tayla	Bilbie	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce	Marketing	Management
Thomas	Rosenberg	BSC - Bachelor of Science	Ecology & Biodiversity	Environmental Science

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Monday	9.00am – 3.10pm	REAL Counsellor
	8.30am - 10.30am	Physio – Jeff Fox
	10.30am – 3.10pm	Anamata CAFÉ Nurse
Tuesday	9.00am – 3.10pm	Anamata CAFÉ Nurse
	9.00am – 11.30am	REAL Counsellor
Wednesday	9:00am – 12.30pm	Anamata CAFÉ Nurse
	12.30pm – 3.00pm	Anamata CAFÉ – Nurse Practitioner – Sue van Mierlo
	9.00am – 3.10pm	REAL Counsellor
Thursday	9.00am – 3.10pm	REAL Counsellor
	8.30am – 10.30am	Physio – Jeff Fox
	10.30am - 3.10pm	Anamata CAFÉ Nurse – Angie Langeveldt
Friday	9.00am - 3.10pm	Student Counsellor - Josh
	9.00am – 3.10pm	REAL Counsellor

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

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Thank you, Taupo-nui-a-Tia College, for supporting local business getting up and running again during the COVID 19 pandemic.

Year 9 Cross Curricular

Despite the unsettled year, it was great to see the end of the second Line 6 rotation be completed, along with the open evening. Students worked tirelessly to complete their projects and pieces of evidence for the evening and this was extremely evident on the night.

Wandering through the exhibitions, it was great to hear students explaining the processes they have been through and showing off the wide range of innovation on display. Huge thanks to the whanau, students and staff who attended this night.

Below is a wrap up of our rotation two courses as we move on to the third and final rotation for the year.

Snack, Crackle, Pop

Grab a beaker, pick up your whisk, and get ready to cook up some solid science.

Using food as our tool we have explored some incredible, yet edible science. When all the mad science was complete - we took a bite!

Throughout this course we explored the concepts of spherification, gelification, fermentation, foam, effervescence, caramelisation and crystallization.



Flying The Flag

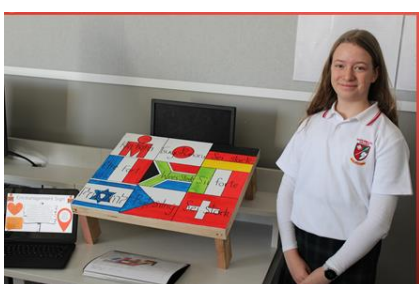
Competitors from over 100 countries will be visiting Taupo for the Ironman World champs at the start of 2022.

The challenge provided by the Taupo Council for our students is to have every country's flag or cultural identity on display or represented somehow to help motivate the competitors to the finish line and make the event memorable.



During this course students used the design process to develop an idea that they thought could enhance the iron man experience for the competitors, supporters or volunteers. Students had the option to work on their own or in small groups. After they had a workable plan produced the next stage was to use their practical skills to create a prototype or model of their idea. These ideas were then presented to council and iron man representatives. It would be fair to say that an interesting range of ideas were developed, including underwater signs to offer words of encouragement

to the competitors. Plenty of creative skills were developed. Here hoping we see some of these great ideas when the World championships 70.3 Ironman finally comes to town.

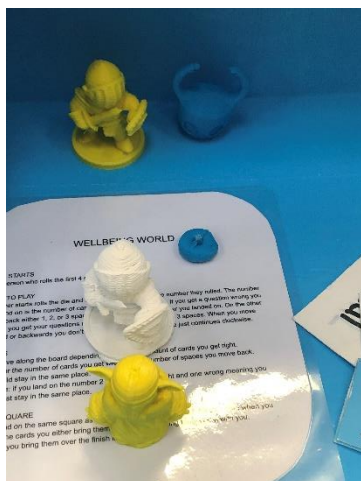


Wannabe Spelunker

A cross of outdoor education and social studies, this course looked at natural caves in New Zealand. Students were taken through a variety of team building activities with an Outdoor Education spin on it which included ABL and rock climbing.

The pinnacle of the course was the trip to Waitomo caves where the groups got to experience the “real thing”, utilising one of New Zealand’s most popular tourist attractions.

There was a vast amount of growth in knowledge and skills through this course and students have gained a solid understanding of application of Outdoor Education and Social Science at the college.



The Greatest Wealth Is Health

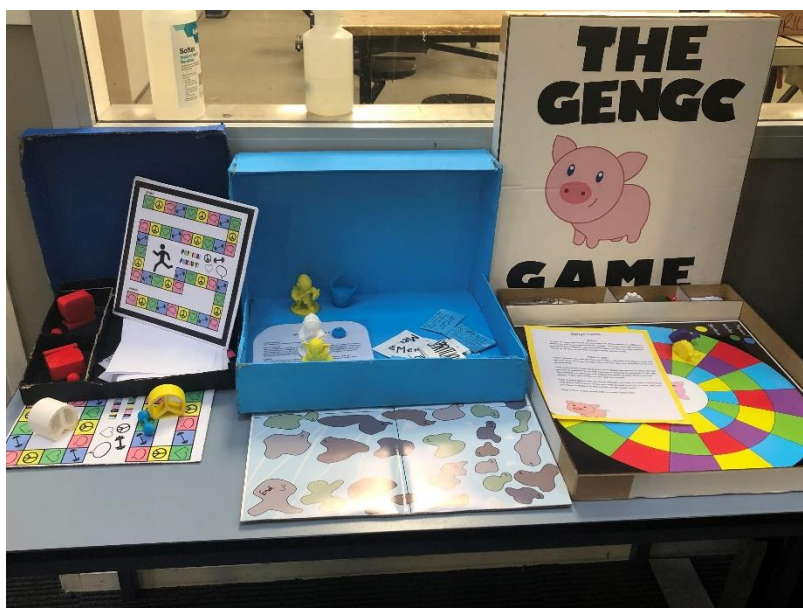
With well-being becoming a hot topic globally, students were given the task of creating a board game that incorporated the idea of well-being and the Maori perspective of Hauora.

Students were given the opportunity to investigate their own ideas for these games and had use of a wide range of technologies and skills ranging from painting, right through to milling machines, 3D printers and computer design.

The teachers were amazed at the creativity and innovation on this course and noted a huge amount of growth in self-management of the students on this course.

Downtime

During Down Time, students went out into the community to volunteer and work towards the Five Ways to Wellbeing. They were able to meet new people, learn new skills, and to help where they could. All hours spent volunteering were logged with the Student Volunteer Army and contributed towards their year 9 achievers award. This was a high trust course where students were given agency over where they choose to complete their placement. The feedback was that they appreciated the trust and respect given to them to do the right thing



Here to help Taupo

A help line email – heretohelptaupodistrict@gmail.com has been set up to help people through no fault of their own have found themselves in a vulnerable situation as a result of Covid.

This initiative has resulted from a report based on a community survey that was undertaken by Enterprise Great Lake Taupo. The report identified various sectors in the community who had and/or could become vulnerable through no fault of their own, often for the first time in their lives.

The email contact is a way for people to seek help in a simple, confidential non-threatening way. There are a multitude of social service organisations, groups and individuals in our community all doing amazing work helping people in need. However, because there are so many it can be rather daunting trying to find the appropriate avenue to seek help.

Consequently the email address has been set up to simplify the process. People will contact the address stating their area of need, and then be referred to the appropriate organisation, individual or service of help.

If you know of anyone who needs help – be it mental health, emotional, financial, business, relationship or otherwise, please encourage them to email their problem to the following address. We do understand that asking for help is not always easy, but in these troubled times everyone is affected by Covid in one form or another.

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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 to the School Office **BEFORE** the senior students finish on 11 November 2020. 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.



If school accounts have a credit, this can be transferred to a sibling attending Taupo-nui-a-Tia College, or refunded to the payer. Please contact debbie-lee.lidderd@taupocollege.ac.nz to arrange any refunds by 20 November 2020.

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 2020. The schedule for choice and payment is outlined below.



The signed permission slip and non-refundable deposit of \$50 should now have been paid.

Timeline for payments

TERM 3

18 September 2020

Payment No. 2 - Another \$50 minimum paid.

2 October 2020

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

TERM 4

16 October 2020

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

30 October 2020

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

13 November 2020

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 13 November 2020. If a camp becomes oversubscribed, a ballot will be held for those that have returned the signed permission slip and paid their deposit by the due date of 3 September 2020.

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

SCHOOL SHOES

A reminder that the school regulations for shoes are: black lace-up shoes, roman sandals. This excludes sneaker/skater/sports/canvas/ ballet/leisure/casual/converse style shoes. **No** jandals or slides. Boys can wear slip-on business style shoes. Girls can wear 'Mary-Jane' style shoes. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

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 authorised 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.

UNIFORM

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.

TROUSERS – Only Grey trousers are permitted as part of the school uniform. These can be purchased online via our school website or www.argyleschoolwear.co.nz

SCHOOL START TIMES

A reminder to students on start times; Monday and Friday students have Whanau time at the start of the day at 8.50am.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:50am	Whanau Time 8:50 – 9.10am	Period 1 8:50 - 10:20am		Period 1 8:50 - 10:20am	Whanau Time 8.50 – 9.10am
9:10am	Period 1 9:10 - 10.40am	Assembly 10:20 - 10:50am	Period 1 9:10 - 10.40am	Whanau 10:20 - 10:50am	Period 1 9:10 - 10.40am
10:20am	Interval		Interval		Interval
10:40am		Interval	Interval	Interval	
10:50am		Interval		Interval	
11:20 - 12:50pm	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2
12:50 - 1:40pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:40 - 3:10pm	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3

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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.

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School Cross Country Results

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Junior Girls	Sophie Webber	Tatiana Peachy	Rocio Dysart
Junior Boys	Fletcher Norris	Aston Upfold	Joe Brown
Intermeidate Girls	Momo Ishikawa	Lilja Tinworth	Greer McLaren
Intermediate Boys	Casey Thorby	Kasper Lenoir	Jack Mortimer
Senior Girls	Katie Donald	Helen De Young	Jorja Johns
Senior Boys	Matthew Stokes	Connor Perrott	Joseph Allerton

Bay of Plenty Secondary School Champs

A small committed team headed to Whakatane on 9 September. 3 grades – Senior U20, Junior U16 and Year 9. Large fields. Students ran well. Best result was Sophie Webber Year 9 who finished 2nd, 33 seconds behind the winner. An excellent run.

Other results:

Jack Mortimer – 11th Place - Junior Boys, Casey Thorby – 7th Place - Senior Boys, Matthew Stokes – 17th Place Senior Boys - Momo Ishikawa – 14th Place - Senior Girls, Lilja Tinworth – 27th Place – Junior Girls, Joe Brown – 24th Place, Year 9 and Ashton Upfold – 22nd Place – Year 9.

TNT Girls Football Social Team

TNT social girls football has been another great season. New faces to the team and a lot of enthusiasm. We had an up and down season but overall played some fantastic football. A short and sharp season which suited our young ladies who flourish in other sports too. Looking forward to 2021.

Girls 1st XI Football

It has been a stellar season for the girl's 1st XI football team, winning the Baywide Youth Division 1 league for the second year in a row. Despite welcoming a number of new faces to the squad this year, the girls have performed consistently. Aply lead by their captain Ella Watson and top goal scorer Briana Robinson the team has been undefeated. This a credit to their commitment and cohesion as a team throughout the season.

Boys first XI Hockey

Boys first XI are unbeaten so far in the BOP competition. They continue to deliver high quality games. As the coach would say: this is a very smart team, who understand the game of hockey without any exemption. Semi's and final are planned on the 17th and 24th of September. Keep up the good work.

Girls first XI Hockey

Girls first XI are playing off for the 5th and 6th place in the A grade. The girls have shown exceptional growth and developed some great team play under the guidance of their fantastic management team Mike Rohloff and Sue Girling. The girls are a very young team with 7 junior girls, and they will have a bright future ahead of them.



Boys 2nd XI Hockey

Boys 2nd XI have had a great season with some good results in the B grade. With a few injuries they have lost some power in the second round but are keeping their head high. The positive spirit of this team is fantastic, and the school is very proud of their waiaro.



Girls 2nd XI Hockey

Hockey 2nd XI girls have had one of their best ever seasons finishing second in the championship round which then led to our semi-final victory against Tauhara College 1st XI 4-2. The team is made up of a great bunch of girls and they have played extremely well throughout the season.

We now play the final against RGHS 1st XI in Rotorua on Tuesday 15th Sept. The team has been well coached by Jaedon Fredricksen.

Mixed Development Hockey

Our mixed development team have been playing a great season. With two more games to go in the second round, they are now ranked second in the C grade. Super proud of you!!!

Other Hockey News

The hockey teams have been extremely lucky that HNZ continued with hockey tournaments under level 2. Both our first teams competed for a full week in the Lower North Island championships in Hawkes Bay.

Our boys had a fantastic tournament with big wins (13-0, 13-0, 10-0, 6-0 and 4-0) and, finishing 5th overall, by only losing one unfortunate game (1-2) in the quarter finals.

The girls first XI played great hockey, but unfortunately couldn't concede the amount of goals they deserved. With 2 wins, 2 draws and 2 losses, they finished 13th in the competition.

In both camps the atmosphere was positive and supportive. They returned with a bag full of new experiences, memories and hockey skills.

TNT Girls Basketball

Our girls' basketball program participated in the Lake Taupo Basketball Association women's leagues for the first time in many years. Both junior and senior teams were coached by Steph with our senior basketball girls coming second in the competition final.



TNT Boys Basketball

The TNT boys' basketball program has been hugely successful this year under the guidance of Coach Dylan for the seniors and Coach John for our Juniors.

All teams participated in the Lake Taupo Basketball Associations local college junior, college development and senior men's competition. At the final's night held this Wednesday gone there was a representation of TNT teams in all three level of competitions. Our Junior prems were just beaten by the Tongariro team and of particular note is our senior prems team making the final of the men's premier competition which is awesome considering most of the team is made up of year 11 students.

Well done TNT basketball!

Tony Strange, Sports Coordinator