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### TERM 2 July 2021





Head Girl 2021 Rhea Paalvast



Head Boy 2021 Boaz Mellor



Deputy Head Girl Lilli-Lee Tupe



Deputy Head Boy Taine Hakiwai

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Tena koutou katoa

Next term I will be on Sabbatical leave. The purpose of а Secondary Principals' Sabbatical is to provide Principals with a sustained period to engage in professional learning. In my case I will be looking at "Whole-School Wellbeing" programmes both in New Zealand and hopefully Australia. I chose this topic because it links directly to much of the work we are currently doing or intending to do in the college. During my absence Alistair Froggett will be the Acting Principal and to backfill his current position Maria Heaslip will be stepping into this role for term 3.

Congratulations to the chamber music group "Wobble" for winning the Bay of Plenty regional Chamber Music Competition. Apparently, the group's name comes from a piece in their music that asks the violinist to wobble their hand vigorously on the neck of their instrument ("more than just vibrato" I am told!). Former student and music tutor Richard Paul is to be commended for the work he has done with this group.

Drama continues to thrive in the college and the group of students that travelled to Wellington for the Sheila Winn Shakespeare Festival returned with a range of awards. Boaz Mellor won the award for "Outstanding Costume Design" and another for "Most Innovative Interpretation" while Ella Brown received an award and a contract from a Theatre Company for her portraval Lady Capulet. of Remarkably this college has 6 (and possibly soon to be 8) former and current students selected from across the country to go to Shakespeare's Globe Theatre in

London later in the year (Covid permitting).

Taupo-nui-a-Tia College

"Gatewav to Your Future"

Earlier this term our Year 9 and 10 students watched a play written by a Lower Hutt College teacher and performed by Hutt College students that tackles harm the caused by pornography. Author Bernard "because Beckett says, pornography normalized. is young people don't even know the behaviours that stem from it are something they can complain about." "Smartphones have changed everything. They made the internet accessible for young people anywhere, anytime, and quite privately," he said. The play aims to have young people understand that what they may be exposed to online is not normal, not acceptable, and not a way to interact with a someone you are in a relation with.

The college has been approached by a group of parents asking for a review of the Taupo-nui-a-Tia College uniform. This is being backed up by a group of students who want to initiate some change in certain aspects of the uniform. A change in the design of the skirt and footwear are two items that have been highlighted. А student survey was conducted a few years ago with samples from some of New Zealand's newest schools and I was surprised at the lack of buy-in from students regarding change. That is not to say that will be the case this time. Several things to consider regarding school uniform.

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### **Cornerstone Values**

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

Са	lend	lar- Term 2 – Week 10 – Term 3 Week 4	
July			
Mon	5	SPIRIT WEEK @ NUI (please be aware of change of start times this week).	
	-	Line 6 Trip to Mountain.	
Tues	6	100DE – Trip – Class 1.	
Ned	7	100DE – Trip – Class 2.	
		School Cross Country – Pd 3.	Week 10
		Line 6 Parent Presentation – 4.00pm – 6.00pm.	(red)
Thurs	8	Manu Korero – Rotorua – Y10-13 Te Reo Classes.	(104)
	•	U14 Rugby Team – OD Park.	
		Clay Target Shooting – Waikato.	
Fri	9	LAST DAY OF TERM 2.	
Mon	26	Term 3 commences.	
Tues	27	110DE – Whirinaki Tramp – (HSi).	
Wed	28	110DE – Whirinaki Tramp – (HSi).	
Thurs	29	110DE – Whirinaki Tramp – (HSi).	Week 1
		Waikato University Information Evening – Reading Room – 5.30pm.	(green)
Fri	30	SPORTS PHOTOS – Wharekai.	
		Amplify Career Expo – Hall – 2.00pm – 6.00pm.	
August			
Mon	2		
Tues	3	Board of Trustees Meeting.	
		100DE Trip Class 1.	Week 2
Wed	4	100DE Trip Class 2.	(red)
		BOPSS Jnr Badminton Finals – Tauranga.	
Thurs	5		
-ri	6	Last day to change Junior Semester Courses.	
Mon	9	ACADEMIC WEEK.	
-	10	Y11 Drama "Kiwis come out at night".	
Fues	10	Adventure Racing – Jnrs Cambridge.	
Mad	11	ACCORD DAY - Cahaalia alaaad	Week 3
Wed	11	ACCORD DAY – School is closed. Music Solo Performances – 6.30pm.	(green)
Thurs	12	Clay Target Shooting – Putaruru.	
muis	12	Music Performance – 6.30pm.	
Fri	13	Y13 Engineering H & S Course.	
Mon	16	130DE Rafting.	
Tues	17		
			Week 4
Wed	18	First Aid Course – Gateway, Trades, LTW.	(red)
-	-	BOPSS Snr Badminton Finals – Tauranga.	()
Thurs	19	Rugby Prizegiving – Wharekai – 6.00pm – 8.30pm.	
-ri	20	Y13 PED/13SAR – Tough Guy/Gal Challenge.	
Sat	21		

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Firstly, it is called a uniform because it is just that – uniform, and there is an expectation that it be worn within the rules prescribed by the board. It helps pupils share a common identity regardless of finance, background, culture, or religion. It removes peer pressure to buy designer clothes and shoes not all can afford. Pending the uniform review later this year I would ask for parents support in ensuring their children abide by the uniform regulations. I have *included* in this newsletter a tongue-in-cheek article by columnist and former English teacher Joe Bennett on the topic of uniform regulations.

The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spirit Week launches into action on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July with an array of wacky and wild activities designed to encourage cooperation and teamwork within each house. Each day has a different group of senior leaders organising the activities for the day and every day has a different theme for that day's attire. Wednesday's outfits are to be house colours followed by wearing something starting with the letter "B" and "teenage stereotypes" on the Friday. Please note that these days are held over lunchtimes – normal classes are still being held and full attendance at school is expected.

Peter Moyle Principal



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# **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 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.





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Nominate your Taupo-nui-a-Tia College Taupo School ADULT 1 ADULT 2 CHILD 1 AGE CHILD 2 AGE CHILD 3 AGE CHILD 4 AGE ADDRESS PHONE EMAIL Bank Account: 01-0427-0143377-000 For payments, use Name of ADULT 1 as reference.

#### Extract from 'The tongue-thing' by Joe Bennett

(from just walking the dogs, Hazard Press, 1998)

So, the lassie has a thing through her tongue. It is a silver thing, a sort of dwarf weightlifters dumb-bell, and she has developed the charming knack of making one end of it protrude between her lips an then wiggling it from side to side. Thus she had added her bit to the popular art of body-piercing, an art much practiced among primitive peoples. Indeed, the number of holes in this girl's flesh and the tonnage of silver bangles dangling from them may well denote high rank, but today I am concerned only with the dumb-bell though the tongue.

Am I not alone in being concerned with the dumb-belled tongue. The nasty principal of this girl's high school is also concerned with it, so very concerned that he has told her to remove it. She refused. He suspended her from school.

Enter the lassie's father, frothing with indignation as protective fathers of vulnerable children understandably tend to do. And, of course, he sat her down, told her in forthright terms to remove the dumb-bell, apologised to the principal and sent the lassie to bed without any supper.

Or so we would have supposed. But we would have supposed wrong. Instead, dear papa gave her a pat on the back and a tube of Brasso for the dumb-bell and then informed the fascist principal that his daughter would remove the dumb-bell only over dad's dead body, and while he was still breathing she would continue to attend school.

.... We hear an awful lot about rights. Father insists on his daughter's right to express herself. At the same time he implicitly assumes her right to an education. Both rights are indeed enshrined in law in New Zealand. Neither is a natural right. Both are artificially created by an artificially organised society. They are not so much rights as privileges.

If dad is unconvinced by this distinction I invite him to send his daughter to North Korea having first taught her a few choice phrases of self-expression about the president of that country. The authorities would certainly remove his daughter's tongue-thing. Whether they would bother to extract it from her tongue first is less certain.

Or let him send her to Eritrea to insist on her inalienable right to eleven years of education at the state's expense. They love a good laugh in Eritrea.

The rights that this gentleman is insisting on are rare in this world. Most people do not have either of them. They are to be cherished, and should not be invoked for the sake of an infantile whim. *De minimis non curat lex*, which translates loosely as 'stop whining about tongue-pieces, darling, and thank your lucky stars you live in a wealthy democracy.

And then finally there is the question of age. Father insists that his daughter knows best. At what age did she start knowing best? At fifteen, or ten, or five? Or was she pretty clued up in the womb? And if she knows best, if she is capable of making adult decisions for herself, then what need has she for school? School is a place of training. His daughter does not apparently need any form of training. Whatever she does is right.

I have just discovered that one may not become president of the United States until one is 35 years old. The hoary old birds who knocked up the Constitution clearly thought that if you have lived that long you have enough experience to talk sense. How wrong they were. Witness several presidents and one New Zealand father.

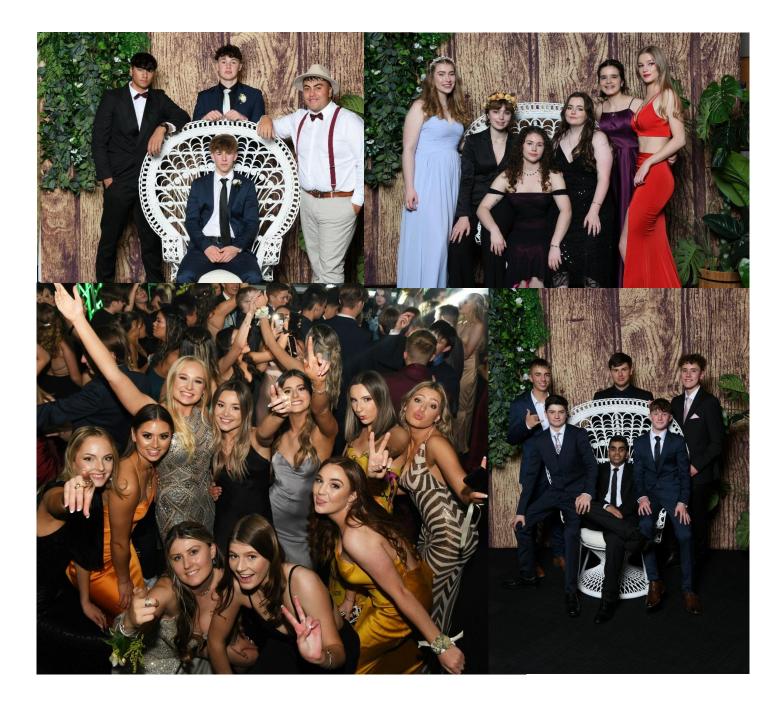
# School Ball 2021

Thank you to the Senior Ball Committee members, staff and students who helped make our Ball fabulous!! The behaviour was exceptionally good and you all looked wonderful. It was a glamorous and fun-filled evening. We would also like to say a huge thank you to the following sponsors who helped make the evening a wonderful success:

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#### **Senior Ball Awards**

King – Michael Bradley Queen – Paige Green Prince – Isaac Toka Princess – Indi Ashton Bachelor – Heath Elliott Bachelorette – Emilee Grimwood Best Dressed Female – Ava Park Best Dressed Male – Joseph Craggs Best Arrival – Bri Bradshaw Best Dancer – Nate Melling Cutest Couple Y12 – Tobias Thurston & Lylli Smith Cutest Couple Y13 – Tessa Caste & Nate Melling



# **PROUDLY SUPPORTING EDUCATION IN TAUPO**



# **Bay Trust Health Centre Clinic Times**

BayTrust Services available Monday to Friday.

- REAL Counsellors
- FOX Physio services
- School Nurses from Anamata

See Della at BayTrust Health Centre for clinic times and to make an appointment.

The school nurses offer a drop-in service at interval and lunch only. You will need to make an appointment outside of these times.

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



Pass on a real estate referral to Reece and he will give \$500 of his commission to your school.

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# **Careers Update**

Here are some useful links and information to assist students and parents with careers decision making.

By now all Years 11, 12 and 13 students should have completed the bulls-eye online Career planning quiz and questionnaire in Whanau. On completion students can then download their own personalised Future Pathways Assessment.

This will give the top 10 vocational careers for students to focus on and explore. Students have access to bullseye free at Taupo-nui-a-Tia College for the three years as they progress through Years 11, 12 and 13. This is an amazing tool.

Below are the instructions as to how to access "bullseye" if students have missed it for any reason.

Kay Grant Careers Advisor



BULLS-EYE CAREER PLANNING PROGRAMME



This is available free to all Years 11, 12 and 13 students at Taupo-nui-a-Tia College.

Please encourage students to access anytime in Whanau – there are quizzes, reports and up to date Career information. It is a site they can go in and out of as needs be. I suggest they start with Bulls-Eye Future pathway assessment – approximately 20 minutes.

### **Procedure**

- 1. https://app.careercentral.school.nz
- 2. Students select.



All scholarships and grants for tertiary education are available at MoneyHub. This resource is extensive and has lots of other information besides scholarships such as financial planning, student loans and allowances, insurance, job guides, cv templates and job interview tips.

A one stop shop for students!

- 1. <u>http://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz</u>
- 2. **Student's login** top right-hand corner select.
- 3. Select Taupo-nui-a-Tia College from the drop-down box.
- 4. Use your school email and password to access Bulls-eye.
- 5. Press START button for Quiz One Future Pathways Assessment.
- 6. Print your Future Pathways Assessment to share with Whanau teacher, parents, caregivers and Careers Advisor. You can have a great "career conversation" based on this report!

### careers.govt.nz

This is another fantastic site for students and parents. It is updated regularly and has job information, career planning, study and training information, quizzes and careers resources.

### **University Liaison visits**

University visits and Careers Events as at 22 June 2	2021
(There will be more booked in as the year goes	on)

Friday 20 August	Victoria University Open Day <i>No school trip but students can make individual arrangements.</i> See Mrs Grant if you need help.						
Wednesday 25 August	Auckland University	Reading Room	12.50pm				
Thursday 26 August	Taupo Careers Road Show	Great Lake Centre	9am – 4pm				
Friday 27 August	Canterbury University	Reading Room	12.50pm				
Thursday 2 September	Victoria University	Reading Room	12.50pm				
Parents and careaivers welcome to any of these visits							

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### University and Polytech Open Days

Open Day dates are on the websites for each institution. I always encourage prospective students to visit the institutions they are applying to so that they get a 'feel' for where they will be studying. An important decision for all our students is where they wish to live when they leave us so a robust conversation around this is important.

### **Career Appointments at TNT**

Any student can make a careers appointment with me by filling out the yellow request slip found at the College office.

### **Careers Roadshow 2021**

All TNT students will be bused to the Careers Roadshow in year groups on the day. It is open and free to all members of the wider Taupo community and will have exhibitors from employers, universities, polytechnics, Defence Force and many others.

More information about this event will go out closer to the time.



# **Messages from the Office**

# SCHOOL START TIMES/TIMETABLE

A reminder to students/parents/caregivers of School Start times:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday is 8:50am Wednesday 9:10am

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:50am	Whanau Time	Period 1 8:50 - 10:20am		Period 1 8:50 - 10:20am	Whanau Time
9:10am	Period 1 9:10 - 10.40am		Period 1 9:10 - 10.40am		Period 1 9:10 - 10.40am
10:20am		Assembly 10:20 - 10:50am		Whanau 10:20 - 10:50am	
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



### ATTENDANCE

All students are required to attend each day when the College is open. If students are to be away from school for short periods of leave or holiday, permission must be obtained by written application to the Principal at least two weeks prior.

Notification of daily absences can be made by telephoning the school on 376 1100 then press 1 to leave an absence message or by logging onto the school website and selecting CONTACT and then change "Email Recipient" to

Attendance or emailed to: office@taupocollege.ac.nz

If a student arrives late to school a note or phone call from home is required. Students must sign in at the office.

Should students need to leave the school during school hours they must have written permission from home which will be checked by a Dean.

Any person/s who are not listed on a students file will not have access to information and/or pick up that student without prior permission from a caregiver or by arrangement.



### LIBRARY BOOKS

Please can all overdue textbooks and library books be returned as soon as possible. We have noticed, recently that paying for them seems to be the easier option than searching for them. There are no fines for overdue books, but we

really do appreciate them being returned on time.

### UNIFORM

All students are expected to wear the correct uniform. As the temperature drops a reminder for students to be wearing the Green Polar Fleece or the Green Jersey - **no alternative hoodies or sweatshirts are permitted**. Please read the following guidelines:



# **Messages from the Office**

### JACKETS/COATS

During terms 2 and 3 only a <u>PLAIN BLACK</u> black weatherproof, puffer or rain jacket is permissible. It should not have stripes, markings, emblems, or logos. The jacket cannot be worn in class. Green Polar Fleece and/or Green Jersey are available online from Argyle Schoolwear. **No alternative hoodies or sweatshirts are permitted.** 





The School continues to stock SOCKS, HATS and SCARVES which are available at the School Office.



# SCHOOL SCARF NORMALLY \$30 REDUCED TO \$20

### SCHOOL FEES

Statements are posted or emailed twice a term. Recommended course contributions are for take home components and requirements for subjects your child is studying. Any field trips away from school (which include sporting trips) must be paid for once the permission slip is returned and before your child goes on the trip. It is recommended that students bring a note from home if credit on a student account needs to be used.

Caregivers are encouraged to set up regular automatic payments. As little as \$5.00 per week can reduce your child's account by \$260 a year. Please give this some thought. An AP form is available from the school office or email <u>Debbie-lee.lidderd@taupocollege.ac.nz</u>.

Winter season sports are now upon us. A reminder that charges for participating in any sport must be paid in full before your child can take part. The school is charged registration fees for entry into the season, so it is essential fees are paid promptly.

### **PAYING SCHOOL FEES**

It's time to say goodbye to cheques. From <u>27 August 2021</u> the school will no longer be able to accept cheques as method of payment for school fees. We will still be accepting cash, Eftpos and credit card payments. You can pay fees using the school website and via online banking.





Online banking is a secure method of payment. Should you wish to use this method our bank details are:

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# **Important Dates to Note**



YEAR 9 CROSS CURRICULAR OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 7 July 2021 4.00pm - 6.00pm Design & Innovation Building (Creative Catwalk starts at 5.30pm)

#### Sweaty Try Hards

Upside, Downside, Inside Out

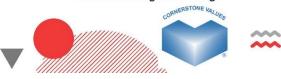
**Escape with Sound** 

The Eye of the Gods

Identify, Isolate, Eliminate

#### The Physical Dilemma

Please note: reports for these courses will be available for collection during this evening.





# ACCORD DAY

Notice to all Parents/Caregivers/Whanau of Taupo-nui-a-Tia College

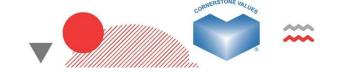
Wednesday 11 August 2021

the College will be **closed** 

This is a government allocated professional learning day for the Bay of Plenty/Rotorua/Taupo Secondary Schools.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact the school office 3761100.

Peter Moyle Principal





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# **Taupo Pathways**





# Connecting Youth, Employers and Educators

The Pathways Connect Programme connected secondary school students with employers in the Taupo District. The workplace visits showcased the career pathways in the sector, as well as provided an understanding of employer expectations and workplace culture.

2021 proved to be a huge success for our students!

Student Feedback

% of students said ...

These trips helped them decide on SUBJECT CHOICES for the future

% of students said ... These trips helped them decide on CAREER PATHWAYS and the steps they needed to take

A huge THANK YOU to all our participating Employers. We appreciate all the time & energy that was given hosting our year 11 students.

TAUPO

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# Taupo Pathways



# Gateway @ Nui

Recently a group of students travelled to Tokaanu Power Station to take part in the Connexis Girls with Hi-Vis event.

This was a fantastic opportunity for these students to see what opportunities are available locally in not only the infrastructure industry but also in those interconnected vocations.

Throughout the day the girls were involved in hands on activities, were given a tour of the power station, but more importantly were given the time to talk and ask questions to women employed in this sector by Genesis Energy.

Being able to see what is involved in different vocations and ask question to the right people is a huge part of what Gateway is about. Jobs are changing all the time and therefore the opportunities available are also evolving. If you think you would like to investigate a career pathway Gateway is a great tool.



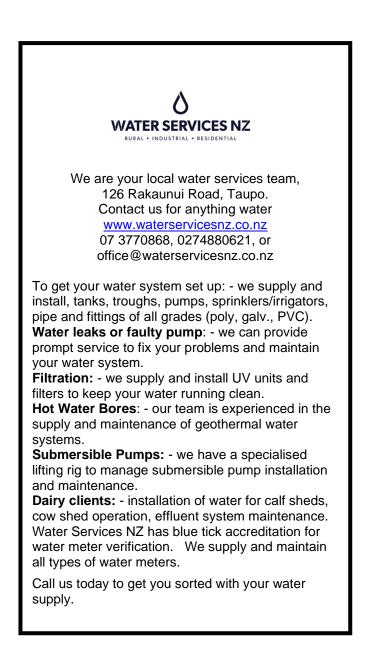


# **Supporting Local Business**



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# Thank you to Taupo Businesses!

**A BIG THANK YOU** for the generous support that the following Taupo businesses have given to our Technology Department this year.

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



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#### Sportswrap by Aniek Lenoir

With winter sport codes well underway, and students continually participating in year-round sports, there has been much to get excited about at the College this past month. We are proud to celebrate everyone's successes and stories.

#### **BADMINTON - Juniors**

Our Junior Badminton team recently travelled to Rotorua to compete in the Central Bay of Plenty Badminton Qualifiers.

Both the boys' and girls' teams had a great tournament, both finishing second after competing against all other schools present. This means they have qualified for the finals to be held in Tauranga in August.

Congratulations on some excellent play and superb conduct to William Patrick, Oscar McDougall, Alysha Singh, Anushka Bhandari, Nanami

Ishikawa, Fergie Cagayan, Adam O'Leary, and Jesse Barlow.





#### **ROCK CLIMBING**

We had a group of budding rock climbers head off to Rocktopia in Mount Maunganui to compete against over 100 students from 14 Bay of Plenty schools.

Well done for giving it your all; Paige Cameron, Ida Dance, Sophie Fagan, Mano Fournier, Juliette McIlvride, Solal Mourot, Tyler Potter and Merrily Sowerby.

And a huge thank you to our parent support, enabling this to happen for them.

#### **BEHAVIOUR ISSUES ON THE SPORTS FIELDS**

Taupo-nui-a-Tia College prides itself on being a cornerstone values school. One area that our cornerstone values are tested is on the sports fields. Disrespectful behaviour towards umpires/referees is not acceptable.

### Seay Earthmovers Limited – Sports Pages

#### **RUNNING SUCCESS**

A number of students continue to work hard and enter running events far and wide.

BOPSS Champs – Five of our students headed to Kihikihi Domain to give this event a go. There was no qualifying time required to enter, so well done to them all for deciding to push themselves and attend.

Leah Kilmister, Amber Nicol and Alex Milne were able to compete individually and as a Year 9 girls' team. Well done girls for your team spirit. Ivan Abele and Casey Thorby worked hard in the Senior Boys age group. The top 7 all finished within 40 seconds of each other. Casey Thorby finishing 5<sup>th</sup>, a mere 1 second behind the 4<sup>th</sup> place getter. A tight and exciting race for everyone.

Casey also deserves a warm congratulations for his 1<sup>st</sup> place overall at the Mt Maunganui Runners and Walkers Half Marathon over Queen's Birthday.

Queen's Birthday. He also competed at the National Secondary Schools Cross Country event over last weekend, in a huge field of 180 senior boys. What a successful

few months you have had Casey.

#### EQUESTRIAN

Congratulations to our Equestrian team who competed in the North Island Secondary Schools Horse Trials recently. The girls had a thoroughly enjoyable weekend and came away happy with their individual achievements.

#### **VOLLEYBALL - IPC Tournament**

Congratulations to Meile Rose Green playing in the U19 Bay of Plenty Team who attended the recent Volleyball IPC Tournament where they won their division. In fact they won

every game they played over the 3 days. Meile was in the starting lineup and played a big part throughout, particularly in the final winning against North Harbour. Meile was also chosen for the U19 tournament team which is selected at the end of the tournament from all those who participated.

Grace Tiplady who plays in the U17 Bay of Plenty team also had a successful tournament, reaching their division final. Grace was also selected for the U17 tournament team. Such significant achievements, we are so proud of both of you.

Meile, Grace and Angelina have also been selected for their respective age group NZ Development Teams. These teams will be travelling the South Island playing exhibition matches in Nelson, Christchurch and Dunedin. Congratulations to all of you.







### Seay Earthmovers Limited – Sports Pages

Meile has recently been awarded a financial grant from the **Taupo Half Marathon Sports Fund** which supports high performing athletes in their chosen sport. In order to be successful the athlete must be achieving at a high level, attending National events, have a proven success record and be motivated to achieve.

Meile will use the award to help fund her trip with the NZ Development Team in July. What an outstanding effort. It is wonderful to see your dedication and success being rewarded.



#### Aniek Lenoir, Sports Coordinator

### **Duke of Endinburgh Trip**

Recently a group of 10 students including myself, and two parents took part in a 2 day journey to Central Whirinaki Hut, as part of the Duke of Edinburgh Program. Our journey spanned over 32 km (16km each way). As part of the journey, we learnt about our surroundings like how to navigate a map, how to determine what direction we are facing using a compass, bush surrounding and the wildlife. We cooked on cookers, learnt how to use an emergency shelter, made sure that we collaborated and had lots of fun. From accidentally spot lighting a kiwi, to playing presidents, the whole journey was joyful. This opportunity allowed us to disconnect from our mobile babysitters and reconnect with the outdoors. The spectacular views of the New Zealand native bush in Whirinaki Forest made it an ideal choice to tramp through for my bronze DOE qualifier. The track had a slight elevation on the way into the forest and the track was guided by the clear, crystal clean flowing Whirinaki river, that was home to whio and many other species of birds. There is a detour of 200m which leads to a spectacular waterfall which is a must see, it's very beautiful. While the huts' location was perfect, the facilities were very basic and the long drops were interesting to say the least. The trip was an overall success.

#### Gabby Donald, Year 10 Student

