



TERM II  
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Term Two has got off to a flying start and there has been a very pleasing productive atmosphere in the classes I have visited. We have had a lot of enrolments at the start of this term and I would like to extend a very warm welcome to the college to all these new students and their parents.

This term is a very busy term and if your child is a senior student one of the most important days for them is on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May. This is our NCEA Action Plan day. Students will get an update on the number of credits they have earned and they will be expected to set goals towards achieving to their potential in NCEA. We expect these goals to be challenging but achievable. Now is the time for our students to start considering time management strategies and identifying possible obstacles to the achievement of their goals.

Winter sport is now in full swing and I would like to thank all the parents who have volunteered their services in some capacity be it coaching, managing or assisting with transport. I doubt whether there is any other college our size offering as wide a range of sports as TNT and a large part of this is due to parental involvement.

Rehearsals for our major school production "Disco Inferno" are progressing well and our students are enjoying dressing in outfits that are nothing short of fashion crimes! From the glimpses I have seen of the rehearsals the show is shaping up to being a very high class production.

Be ready to buy tickets because most nights were sold out for last year's show.

Taupo-nui-a-Tia College is forming a PTA this term. We are aware that there are a number of parents who would like to be more actively involved with the life of the college and we have scheduled the first meeting for Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup>. Our aim is to use these meetings to share useful information with you about life at the college, educational issues and offer opportunities for you to be involved. There will also be a fund raising component to this group but this will not be the primary focus of this group.

On a final note our thoughts are with staff and students at Taupo Intermediate School as they mourn the loss of Bruce Cochrane, a long serving and highly respected staff member. I have talked with many of his former students over the years and it is obvious that Bruce left a lasting impression on these young people. He was one of those special teachers who had that "X" factor.

Peter Moyle  
Principal

#### Cornerstone Values

Cornerstone Values are at the heart of daily school life at the College -

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

The Principal's Message



**TERM TWO CALENDAR****MAY**

Tues	5	Cross Country	} Week 2 (red)
Fri	8	Central Plateau Secondary Schools Gymkhana JUMBO Day - Curriculum development Day 1 – all Staff Professional Development - School closed to students.	
Mon	11	Bay of Plenty Badminton Championships, Rotorua	} Week 3 (green)
Tues	12	CCV vaccination days (Tuesday and Wednesday)	
Thurs	14	Ugly Shakespeare – Performing Arts group	
Fri	15	Multisport, Rotorua	
Tues	19	Board of Trustees Meeting, 5.00 pm	} Week 4 (red)
Wed	20	Manihera Memorial Intercollegiate Golf Tournament, Kawerau Bay of Plenty Mid Island Cross Country Championships, Tauranga	
Wed	27	ICAS Computer Skills Competition	} Week 5 (green)
Thurs	28	Waikato Secondary Schools Duathlon	
Fri	29	JUMBO Day – Curriculum development (Day 2) – all staff, Rotorua School closed to students	

**JUNE**

Mon	1	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY	} Week 6 (red)
Wed	3	Te Arawa Regional Kapa Haka	
Mon	8	DISCO INFERNO – School production, Monday 8 – Friday 12	} DISCO INFERNO
Tues	9	Year 11 Triathlon	
Wed	10	ICAS Science Competition Secondary Schools Indoor Rock Climbing, Senior, Rotorua	
Fri	12		
Sat	13	SENIOR BALL	
Tues	16	Board of Trustees Meeting, 5.00 pm	} Week 8 (red)
Wed	17	Secondary Schools Indoor Rock Climbing, Junior - Rotorua	
Fri	19	SENIOR REPORTS ISSUED	
Mon	22	JUMBO Day – Curriculum development (Day 3)	} Week 9 (green)
Thurs	25	AAA Day SENIOR REPORT EVENING, 6.30 – 8.30 pm	

**JULY**

Wed	1	Manu Korero, Rotorua	} SPIRIT WEEK
Thurs	2		
Fri	3	Last day Term II	

**TERM III**

Mon	20	First day Term III	} Week 1 (green)
Tues	21	Board of Trustees Meeting, 5.00 pm	
Fri	31	JUNIOR REPORTS ISSUED	} Week 2 (red)
Tues	4	ICAS English Competition – Language certificate 1 Taradale Sports Exchange	
Wed	5	ICAS English Competition – Language certificate 2	} Week 3 (green)
Thurs	6	JUNIOR REPORT EVENING 6.30 – 8.30 pm	

## STUDENT SUCCESSES

### 2009 SWIMMING CHAMPIONS

Junior Boys	<b>Hamish Nixon</b>	Runnerup	<b>Matt Douglas</b>
Intermediate Boys	<b>Mitchell Nairn</b>		<b>Patrick McCarty</b>
Senior Boys	<b>Cameron Todd</b>		<b>John Glanville</b>
Junior Girls	<b>Beth Nixon</b>		<b>Nicole van der Kaay</b>
Intermediate Girls	<b>Laura Johnson</b>		<b>Kim Boocock</b>
Senior Girls	<b>Sarah McLeod</b>		<b>Shea Reardon</b>

#### New records –

Year 11 Boys	<b>Mitchell Nairn (7)</b>	100m Freestyle 56.02; 25m Freestyle 11.93; 25m Backstroke 14.06; 25m Butterfly 13.67; 100m Medley 1.06.90; 50m Freestyle 26.02; 50m Backstroke 30.01
Year 10 Girls	<b>Beth Nixon (1)</b>	25m Breast stroke 17.53
Year 12/13 Boys	<b>Cameron Todd (4)</b>	25m Butterfly 12.78; 100m Medley 1.07.05; 50m Backstroke 33.12; 50m Breaststroke 36.37
Year 12/13 Girls	<b>Sarah McLeod (2)</b>	50m Freestyle 30.70; 50m Butterfly 33.69

## NCEA ACTION PLAN

On Thursday 14 May during an extended tutor time senior students will spend time on their NCEA ACTION PLANS. The rationale behind the plan is 'to support and encourage students to self-evaluate their progress to date and assist them in doing their best'.

Students spend time with their tutor teachers discussing their NCEA results to date, setting short-term and medium/long-term goals aiming towards achieving NCEA this year and also looking ahead towards the future.

Next term, on 10 September, students will spend time with tutors again to check their results and progress towards their goals. The following week students will have year level assemblies with their deans to view NCEA statistics for the whole school and receive other information and advice to aid their progress. Mediocrity will not be enough for students to succeed either at school or when they leave school. Each student will need to do the best they possibly can in order to compete. What has been achieved in school will determine whether a favourite job, apprenticeship or entry into a dream degree at university is secured.

Kia Kaha. Aim High.

## CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

Further to March's newsletter,  
**a reminder that school is closed to students on –**

- **Friday 8 May** Principles and values of the revised curriculum
- **Friday 29 May** Learning areas within subjects

to continue staff implementation of the revised curriculum.  
We will continue to keep you informed of future developments.

## CORNERSTONE VALUE – Consideration & Concern

This term's Cornerstone Value is Consideration and Concern for others. This is defined as "willingness to be kind, thoughtful, and consider the interest of others before self". We would strongly urge parents to volunteer themselves as guinea pigs for this value by allowing your child to practice being considerate towards you on a daily basis.

Students were introduced to this value at the first assembly of the term by our Year 13 students. A link to Anzac day was made with reference to the efforts of the stretcher bearers at Passchendaele on the Western Front during World War I who risked their lives time and time again out of concern for their comrades.

Examples of consideration and concern for others that we witness at school range from greeting people pleasantly, making new-comers feel welcome, holding a door open for others, through to intervening if students witness bullying or doing a job without expecting a reward.

The key message for students is – if you do something to help people it feels good and it makes people more willing to reciprocate.

## WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS

Year 9  
Cheyeene Church  
Mitchell Matthews  
Marjorie Pepito  
Karla Rivers  
Te Hirata Savage

Year 10  
Ciaran Cullen

Year 11  
Aaron Church  
Briana Hancock  
Margarette Pepito  
Oliver Sword

We welcome you to Taupo-nui-a-Tia College and hope you reap the rewards of the many opportunities available here for you.

## STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

Hello everyone – my name is Jo Rowe, the newly appointed School Nurse. The school based student health centre is situated in the Nelson Block and will be open daily during the school terms.

This is a free student health service and students are able to come to me with any health concerns, including injuries.

We are passionate about the health and wellbeing of students and provide free and confidential healthcare to all Taupo-nui-a-Tia College students. I look forward to meeting students this term.

Dr Debbie Hughes will continue to run a GP clinic every Monday morning.

(signed) Jo Rowe

## STUDYIT – Excellent resource for senior students

- Studyit <http://www.studyit.org.nz> is a free, safe, online, resource for NCEA maths, science, biology, physics, chemistry and English students.
- There are also forums where students can post questions and receive responses from expert teachers seven days a week including weekends, holidays, and in the evening. Students also support each other on the forums  
<http://www.studyit.org.nz/communicate/index.php>

## ACADEMIC ISSUES

### SENIOR REPORTS

All Year 11, 12 and 13 students receive their mid-year reports on 19 June 2009.

### SENIOR REPORT EVENING

Thursday 25 June, 6.30 – 8.30 pm in the College Hall  
Parents, Caregivers and students are encouraged to attend

### TRIPLE A DAY – MONDAY 22 JUNE

Triple A Day (the 'As' stand for Attendance, Attainment and Attitude) is an important component in our drive to prepare students for NCEA and to improve academic focus. It is designed to target those Years 9 and 10 students who have not been meeting their academic commitments, and in recent years has been extended to cover senior students as well.

Each term, in each subject in Years 9 and 10, a maximum of two assignments or assessments are targeted as essential tasks to be completed. If students fail to complete these targeted assessments they are required to attend Triple A Day. In senior classes, students who have been absent for NCEA assessment or who are failing to achieve minimum literacy standards, have a further re-assessment opportunity where practicable on this day.

**These students are expected to attend when given this opportunity.**

Students in Years 9, 10 and 11 who have been absent more than 20% of Term One are also required to attend this 'catch-up' day.

On Monday 22 June students will be supervised in the hall under exam conditions. Students who have failed to complete targeted assignments/assessments will be required to stay in the hall until they are finished. Those students who have not met attendance criteria will be given work to complete and will be required to stay for the whole day. If a selected student fails to attend this day they may be stepped, under the serious discipline system.

Completion of set work and regular attendance at College are key factors in gaining any measure of academic success. Other schools using this system report noticeable improvements in both attendance and work ethic and this has also been evident in our classes. By taking this step we are convinced that we will contribute to the improvement of achievement for your child.

Students who are not required to attend Triple A Day are urged to use this day at home to prepare for assignments, tests and NCEA assessments.

**Students who are required to attend will be notified in writing.**

Thank you for supporting us in this action.

### CAREERS EXPO 2009

– Friday 22, Saturday 23 May

Rotorua Events Centre

All students are encouraged to attend this with their parents. All major tertiary providers, universities and polytechnics, private providers and Armed Forces will be present.

All students, regardless of their year level would find this a valuable information gathering experience and are encouraged to attend.

See Mrs Grant if more information is required.

## ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance at school is essential for your child's learning. Being punctual to school at the start of the day and arriving to each class on time is also vital in developing sound habits towards future employment. Lateness to class is extremely disruptive to a lesson and affects other students learning. For this reason, nothing but sickness or unavoidable causes should be allowed to interfere with regular attendance and punctuality to class.

We expect students to attend all classes every day and to be on time to school and classes throughout the day. We would like to thank you as parents/caregivers for your understanding and encouragement of the importance of regular attendance and punctuality to your child.

The school appreciates the many phone calls being received at the office each day to explain absences. Just a reminder, to please ring the school by 9.00am to explain any unexpected absence. Phone 376 1100 and leave a message explaining who is absent, for how long they are expected to be away from school and the reason for the absence. If you do not manage to ring the school, then a note explaining the absence must be handed to the Tutor teacher on the day of the student's return to school.

**NOTE:** Permission must be obtained for any known short periods of leave by prior application in writing to the Principal.

Thanks for your support in these matters.

Congratulations to the following 251 students who had less than one day off Term 1 2009 – huge effort. Well done! These students will also receive an achievement voucher.

### YEAR 13

Allen	James	Goodin	Hannah	Picot	Elise
Allen	James M	Herbert	Miles	Pountney	Natasha
Allen	Kelsey	Inglis	Darren	Speers	Daniel
Blackburne	David	Isaacs	Kimberley	Toms	Dylan
Bocker	Erin	McCartney	Thomas	Twentyman	Kathryn
Cederwall	Bex	Mroczek	Stefan	Wood	Mitchell
Glanville	John	Patterson	Ruby	Yerex	Ryan

### YEAR 9

Allen	Alexander	Hayes	Michael	Poole	Gavin
Allen	Elizabeth	Hayns	Anna	Price	Bradley
Andrews	Nicole	Hogan	Jael	Redfearn	Paula
Aporo	Matamarama	Irvine	Georgia	Ridd	Michael
Barnes	Nick	Isaacs	Sam	Scott	Nicole
Bassick	Andrea	Karaitiana	Rogue	Shanks	Lauren
Biesenbach	Paul	Kaur Dhatt	Jasmine	Simpson	Laura
Brake	Liam	King	Jayden	Smith	Phoebe
Buchanan	James	Kinney	Samuel	Spackman	Joshua
Cooper	Haylee	Kirkeby	Bryar	Stephens	Chayse
Davis	Arihia	Lewis	Liam	Stringfellow	April
de la Mare	Shyniese	Livingston	Braden	Tawa	Tangi
Doctor Herewini	Sonny	Lummis	Danielle	Taylor	Chantal
Drake	Reid	Mani-Brown	Montelle	Thompson	Amanda
Draper	Nathan	Manuel-Hepi	Tangiara	Thorburn	Daniel
Dyer	Janine	Marshall	Samuel	Tulett	Emily
Elmiger	Rachel	Marshall	Zak	Veitayaki	Manawa
Foote	Benjamin	Martin	Brooke	Wade	Ashley
Goucher	Kyle	McHale	Poppy	Wall	Reuben
Guthrie	Kate	Moscrip	Nathan	Wallace	Cassandra
Habib	Riria	Nathan	Dayne	Watkins	Georgia
Hansen	Jade	Nightingale	Megan	Watts	Shontelle
Hansen	McKenzie	Orr	Thomas	Webb	Jacob
Harding	Joshua	Owen	Jonti	White	Joshua
Harty	Caitlyn	Palmer	Jack	Williamson	Zac
Haycock	Sam	Poinga	Marehea	Wilson-Nuku	Jordana

**YEAR 10**

Alker	Stacey	Griffin	Luke	Smith	Cole
Anderson	Troy	Griffin	Taylor	Stone	Waimarie
Biddle	Heemi	Harrison	Tilly	Swain	Dyalla
Biel	Piatarahi	Haywood	Joshua	Symes	Sharon
Bradley	Isaac	Hunt	Ryan	Thompson	Vanessa
Bryant	Mason	Hurae	KJ	Todd	Benjamin
Bucher	Kristopher	Kengike	Natalya	Turtle	Bryson
Caird	Brittney	Maisey	Anna	Waho-Healey	Jesse
Caldwell	Dylan	Masters	Jamie	Wallace	Deiryn
Cameron	Nick	McCartney	Georgia	Waterworth	Jonathan
Carson	Rachel	Monro	Joshua	Weal	James
Crompton	Grace	Pearson	Riana	Wharehinga	Sabian
Cunningham	Emily	Pene	Jonty	Wilkie	Brett
Dale	Zac	Peters	Coral-Lee	Williams	Jevon
Dingle	Kurt	Ranston	Taylor	Wilson-Tahere	Raniera
Dyer	Victoria	Reihana	Lucy	Wright	Jadene
Ellis	Claire	Robinson	Emma	Zorgman	Mareli
Fletcher	Jamie	Rohrlach	Daniel		
Gould	Andrew	Savage	Jordan		

**YEAR 11**

Allen	Timothy	Greer	Tui	Pickett	Jared
Andrews	Cameron	Gulliver	Liam	Poupard-	Danielle
Aujla	Harkaran	Harriman	Ryan	Rupapera	
Barlow	Harrison	Holyoake	Cole	Rademakers	Jed
Beaumont-Orr	Hunter	Howard	Sam	Raymond	Laurence
Bowers	Jenna	Jacobs	Chevi-Gene	Sandham	Tessa
Brown	Cameron	Kaur	Harmin	Shaw	Cameron
Brown	Conor	Lacey	Larissa	Skudder	Kirsten
Burgess	Keigan	Lesene	Chantal	Thompson	Shane
Burtton	Christopher	Martin	Hayley	Tiria	Tor
Comer	Logan	Masters	Daniel	Toms	Dean
Crawford	Samantha	McDowell	Joel	Triscott	Jesikah
Dale	James	Moyle	Lucy	van der Kaay	Cameron
Dansey	Jake	Mroczek	Ella	Wakeling	Emily
Drake	Danyon	Nightingale	James	Watson	Ben
Draper	Joel	Palmer	Amanda	Waugh	Conner
Draper	Luke	Parker	Jack	Wells	Brooke
Duncan	Tyler	Paull	Matthew	Wilkie	Michael
Foot	Nicole	Perry	Nicola		

**YEAR 12**

Bonnet	Jamie	Hodges	Cory	Speedy	Logan
Cash	Anita	Hunia	Rangi	Steadman	Anthony
Dale	Brock	Mayhill	Samantha	Stewart	Jessica
Dawson	Hanae	McDougal	Alex	Stewart	Lauren
Dingle	Scott	McLachlan	Connor	Vincent	Stefanie
Dryden	Emma	Mercer	Tara	Wade	Olivia
Dryden	Tony	Mohr	Berit	Wall	Rebecca
Dyer	Thomas	Moulin	Thais	Watkins	Courtney
Ensor	Skylar	Muller	Duncan	Way	Nicole
Forrest	Hayley	Nixon	Alex	Whale	Conor
Forrest	Sarah	Owen	Libby	Wheaton	Logan
Groombridge	Scott	Poole	Tracy	Whitby	Charles
Hagen	Jack	Setters	Kimberley	Whitehouse	Mason
Heenan	Sam	Simpson	Amy	Zoraja	Marko

Many other students have had more than a day off but all their absences have been explained. As stated previously this makes all the difference in maintaining good communication lines with you and keeping our attendance records up-to-date as required by the Ministry of Education. Your efforts are hugely appreciated.

## Environmental News

**Kiwi Forever** – three students recently were awarded Untouched World Charitable Trust scholarships which allowed them to go on the Kiwi Forever programme. Phoebe Currie, Tracy Poole and Hayley Forrest joined 16 other students from the Central North Island schools for a week of hands on conservation work based in Tongariro National Park. The students were involved with predator trapping and tracking, monitoring endangered plants, and completing kiwi health checks while working alongside DOC staff. At the end of the week the students had to present their learning to an invited audience of scientists, conservationists and people involved with environmental education.



**Eco-Rangers** – the enviro-committee has rebranded itself at “eco-rangers” and has been working closely with Sarah Painter from Taupo District Council. This dedicated group of mainly Year 12 students have formulated a strategic plan for environmental initiatives in the school and plan to launch this soon. Students from any year level are welcome to join this group who meet regularly and carry out environmental actions.



### Recent Fieldtrips

#### Year 12 Biology and Geography

Towards the end of term 1 Year 12 biology and geography students went to Tongariro National Park for three days to gather field data on ecological patterns and environmental factors. When the students returned to school they wrote in-depth field reports based on their data and were assessed for Level 2 NCEA. The standard of these has been very good and students have received quality feedback on their reports and how they can enhance their academic work in the future.

Thanks to the Biology and Geography teachers who organise and facilitate this field trip allowing our students to gain credit for authentic field work.

#### Year 10 Science – Water monitoring field trip to Whakaipo Bay

Year 10 students have been involved with the annual water monitoring field trips to Whakaipo Bay. The school have been monitoring the water quality at Whakaipo Bay and in the Mapara Stream for over 10 years as part of the Science programme and all data collected is forwarded to Taupo District Council and Environment Waikato. Students enjoyed a half day at Whakaipo Bay gathering data on clarity, pH, temperature and assessing the habitat by collecting and identifying macro-invertebrates. They happily report that the water quality of the lake is still at a very high standard.

Lynette Brown  
Science Teacher / Environmental Educator  
Taupo-nui-a-Tia College

## 2009 SENIOR BALL – get ready, coming soon

- ★ Theme 'Midnight Garden'
- ★ When Saturday 13 June, 8.30 pm – 12.00 midnight
- ★ Where Great Lake Centre
- ★ Cost \$60.00 (approx) per ticket – to be advised
- ★ Assemble your ball gowns, suits and tuxedos and get ready for a night of glamour!
- ★ Tickets will be on sale soon.
- ★ Years 12 and 13 Taupo-nui-a-Tia College students only.  
(No outside partners)

## AFTER BALL FUNCTIONS

The School Ball is upon us with the opportunity for Years 12 and 13 Taupo-nui-a-Tia College students to celebrate their year in a formal setting. We hope that, as usual, this is a very special and happy occasion.

The Taupo-nui-a-Tia College Senior Ball is to be held on Saturday 13 June at 8.30 pm. It will be held at the Great Lake Centre and our students are spending considerable time, effort and expense on what we are sure will be a high point of their year.

There are some important issues and information that needs to be publicized to parents and the public about what happens after a Senior Formal Ball.

- Unfortunately after Ball functions are an inevitable part of after Ball activities. These are private functions and are not organized or sanctioned in any way by the College.
- As a Cornerstone Values school, we take very seriously our commitment to the values of Responsibility and Care and Concern for Others. The College is concerned about the safety and well-being of our students at all times. We educate students in regard to keeping themselves safe, host responsibility and making informed choices through their Senior Life Skills classes.
- These functions are not places for younger students. As a broad rule if a student is too young to attend the Ball, then he or she is certainly too young to be at an after Ball party.
- Parental organization is the best way to ensure a successful safe event. The alternative is to leave everything to chance! It is better to have warm shelter, food, security and control rather than lots of students roaming the streets looking for functions.
- Parents should be prepared to shoulder the responsibility of what happens after the Ball. Parents have two choices as far as an after Ball function is concerned: permit their child to attend or pick them up after the School Ball and take them home.
- Even though the College does not organize or sanction the event, we are able to provide to organizers of any after Ball function, a set of guidelines which may assist any parental group wishing to be involved. The guidelines come from a parent who organized a very successful after Ball function a few years ago.

## PROPS WANTED (ON LOAN) FOR DISCO INFERNO please

- A red, orange or black, with chrome arms, vinyl or leather couch
- Old style telephone (round finger dial)
- Dressing room screens

If you can help with any of these items please ring and leave a message for Sharon Ensor at the College Office.

## HOW MUCH ARE THE NCEA/NQF FEES IN 2009?

### Fees for Domestic Candidates

Enrolment	Fee
Any NQF standards and up to 3 Scholarship subjects	\$75 per candidate
Additional Scholarship subjects (more than 3 subjects)	\$75 per subject

*Note: For any number of NQF standards a maximum fee of \$75 will apply.*

### Fees for International Fee Paying Candidates

Enrolment	Fee
Any NQF standards	\$375 per candidate
Scholarship subjects (additional to NQF fees)	\$100 per subject

*Note: For any number of NQF standards a maximum fee of \$375 will apply.*

NQF = National Qualifications Framework - this includes all national certificates and NCEA.

### HOW DO I PAY THE FEES?

You must pay all of your fees to the College office. Please pay this amount by **Wednesday 5 August**.  
**Do not pay NZQA directly.**

If you do not pay your fees NZQA will not report any results on your Record of Achievement and you will not get any certificates. If you want to pay after 18 September you will have to pay a \$50.00 late fee as well.

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE?

To apply for financial assistance, the applicant (normally the parent or caregiver of the candidate) must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Be receiving a Work and Income or Study Link benefit
- Have a joint family income that would entitle the applicant to receive a Community Services Card
- Have more than one child in the family studying for senior secondary school qualifications and their total fees are more than \$200.00.

The fee is then reduced to \$20.00 per student or a maximum of \$30.00 per family.

*(International fee paying candidates are not eligible for financial assistance.)*

If you think you should get financial assistance you must complete a form. This form can be found on the NZQA website, [www.nzqa.govt.nz](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz) or you can get one from the College office.

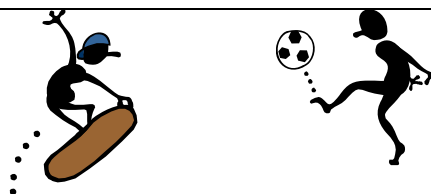
*The completed form must be returned to the College office by **Wednesday 5 August**.*

### REMINDER – name all clothing!

Students clothing must be named in order to help prevent lost gear. For students who do PE, please reinforce with your child the importance of keeping gear together in the changing room ie. in a bag. We get a number of concerns over this matter and hope that collectively we can ease the problems encountered. Thank you.

J. Boyden  
Head of Faculty Physical Education and Health

# SPORTS PAGES



## ➤ATHLETICS

### Waikato Secondary Schools Championships

**Ella Dick** – 1<sup>st</sup> Junior Girls 800m and 1500m

**Ashleigh Sando** – 1<sup>st</sup> Intermediate Girls High Jump (personal best of 1.72m, breaking Sarah Cowleys U15 High Jump Record which has stood for 10 years) and Hurdles, 2<sup>nd</sup> Long Jump and Triple Jump.

**Ryan Yerex** – 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Boys Javelin

### North Island Secondary Schools Track and Field Championships, qualifiers

**Ella Dick** – Junior 800m, 1500m

**Ashleigh Sando** – Intermediate High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump, 80m Hurdles

**Emily Tulett** – Junior Triple Jump

**Ryan Yerex** – Senior Javelin

## ➤BASKETBALL

Taupo U17 Girls Representatives - **Cala-Jane Chapman, Chelsea Katene, Nadia Matautia, Waimarie Stone, Samantha Mita-Morgan, Tuno Wawatai**

## ➤BMX

The BMX Nationals were held in Whangarei at Easter. It was a huge event with over 800 riders competing. Year 10 student Brett Wilkie came out with a National ranking of 21st in the 14 years age group.

## ➤DUATHLON

The Lakes, Tauranga - **Taupo-nui-a-Tia College Team 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall**

**Nicole Van der Kaay** 2<sup>nd</sup> Junior Girl

**Frank Sutton** 4<sup>th</sup> Junior Boy

## ➤EQUESTRIAN

On Friday 3 April our elite dressage riders competed in the North Island Secondary Schools Dressage Champs at St Peters' school in Cambridge and came 3rd overall

Team: **Emma Cowie, Emma Dryden, Bryar Kirkeby, Melissa Collins**

## ➤FOOTBALL

U16 Waikato Bay of Plenty representative team **Danyon Drake, Finn Smith, Toby Tulett**

U14 Waikato Bay of Plenty representative team **Reid Drake**

## ➤GOLF

**Grace Senior, Sam Heenan** to World Secondary Schools Golf Championships – Adelaide, 14 April

## ➤HOE WAKA

### **Ngaruawahia regatta 2009**

Winners Senior Boys Division II - Gold Medal

**'TNT Tuakana'**

Barry Simeona

Tamehana Dixon

Isaia Alofa

Joshua Nicol

Cruz Karauti-Fox

Runners Up Senior Girls Division II – Silver Medal

**'TNT Wahinetoa'**

Shanice Katene

Ngaria McCormack

Nahkita Wilson-Rogers

Whakapono Nepata

Savanna Martin

Winners Year 9 Junior Girls – Gold Medal

**'TNT Mana Wahine'**

Hinemoa Karaitiana

Jadie Heke

Riria Habib

Jade Hansen

Tangi Tawa

Third Place Junior Girls Division II – Bronze Medal

**'TNT Hone Ahurei'**

Samantha Mita-Morgan

Chelsea Katene

Nadia Matautia

Kristina Simeona

Waimarie Stone

## ➤LAWN BOWLS

Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Lawn Bowls- 1<sup>st</sup> place **Jemma Richardson** and **Jamie Taylor**, 2<sup>nd</sup> place – **Georgia Richardson** and **Danielle Malpas-Green**

## ➤MOTOCROSS

**Matt Cederwall** – Winner of the Junior Individual Triple Cross, consisting of a MTB leg, a grueling run, then a demanding Motocross leg.

## ➤7K KIWANI RUN

Winning Team – **David Blackburne, Miles Herbert, Liam Pettengell, Ryan Van der Kaay**

## ➤SAILING

“Congratulations to the three Taupo teams who competed yesterday at Tauranga, in the BOP Topaz Sailing Teams Racing Event. The Taupo combined school Year 7 and 8 team won the competition. The conditions were frustratingly light, with no wind at all for some parts of the day, and I was especially impressed to hear they planned some mark traps and other tactics to help them on the way! Tauhara sailed well to second place, and Taupo-nui-a-tia came in fourth, battling on in the light wind conditions which do not favour bigger sailors. This is a fabulous result for Taupo and you will all be very proud of your team work and achievements. Also your good manners and team spirit on the water and off, you were great representatives for your schools and yacht club. Many thanks to Julie Norris and Paul Dawson who went to Tauranga yesterday with the teams. And to all the Taupo schools and team parents for supporting the teams sailing this season. The use of the Taupo-nui-a-Tia minibus is further much appreciated.”

## ➤SWIMMING

**New Zealand 5km Open Water 5km** - Mitchell Nairn 13-15yrs age group Champion

**Rising Stars Swim, Rotorua** – 13yr Girls, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Anna Hayns**, 4<sup>th</sup> **Georgia Irvine**; 13yr Boys, 3<sup>rd</sup> **Matt Douglas**

**New Zealand Division II Swimming Championships** -

**Patrick McCarty** – 15 yr Boys 1<sup>st</sup> 50 m Butterfly, 2<sup>nd</sup> 100 Fly, 3<sup>rd</sup> 200 Free, 200 Medley teams.

**Beth Nixon** – 13 yr Girls 200 Individual Medley

Personal bests (PBs) by Nicole van der Kaay and Denholm Orr.

**BOP Secondary Schools Swimming Championships**

**Mitchell Nairn** - 1<sup>st</sup> 50 m Butterfly, 1<sup>st</sup> 100 m Freestyle, 2<sup>nd</sup> 200 m Freestyle, 2<sup>nd</sup> 50 m Backstroke, 3<sup>rd</sup> 50 m Freestyle

**Beth Nixon** - 2<sup>nd</sup> 50 m Breaststroke

**Cameron Todd** - 2<sup>nd</sup> 50 m Breaststroke, 2<sup>nd</sup> 100 m Individual Medley, 2<sup>nd</sup> 100 m Freestyle

**Patrick McCarty** - 3<sup>rd</sup> 50 m Butterfly

Taupo-nui-a-Tia College 5<sup>th</sup>

## ➤SPORTS DIRECTOR'S ROUND-UP

The leaves are falling rapidly from the trees and the amount of light available to us during the day is diminishing but this is always the sign that the winter sports are about to begin. It is because of this that I wish to particularly thank those dedicated coaches, managers, volunteers and parents who offer their assistance to these teams through the sometimes very wet, cold and miserable conditions.

To those who have once again stepped up to these positions we applaud you and to those who are helping out for the first time we thank you. It is because of you that the school is able to offer so many teams for Netball, Rugby and Football. We are however short of Social coaches for both the Boys and Girls Football and if there is anyone who can just offer a bit of their time it would be appreciated.

As you are aware the economy is not at its best and despite applying for funds we were only granted a small amount so often struggle to kit out or provide the teams with all the equipment they so desperately need. However the enthusiasm and fun gained by being part of these teams far outweighs the shortcomings.

Over the holidays we have had many students succeed in Mountainbiking, BMX, Sailing, Triathlon, Swimming and the Xterra. Your dedication to your sport is to be commended.

The school Cross Country day -Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May – as usual a hotly contested event, which also encourages all the school to just get out there and take part.

On this note I will leave you with a quote from Sir Edmund Hillary:

*“You don’t have to be a fantastic hero to do certain things – to compete. You can be just an ordinary chap, sufficiently motivated to reach challenging goals... I have moderate abilities, but a good deal of determination... I rather like to succeed.”*

Janet McKay  
Sports Director

HOUSE POINTS AFTER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Ruapehu	Non Championship	320	Championship	475	Total	795
Tauhara		318		336		654
Tongariro		318		311		629
Ngauruhoe		261		131		392



## AFS needs host families for awesome teenagers from around the world!!

Putting my volunteer hat on and I’m looking for host families for some awesome teenagers from around the world. So if you want to be parents to again or for the first time and don’t want the hassle of nappies or terrible twos then an AFS student is just the ticket!!

I am currently host Mum to Lasse from Greenland. He arrived two weeks ago leaving the capital city (15,000) Nuuk in -27deg to Taupo +27deg... Already he has volunteered at Ironman, played golf in my Ambrose team, volunteered at our ski club working bee and gone on a Young New Zealanders tramp in the Kawekas. He hangs the washing out and empties and loads the dishwasher.

My daughter Hannah is on her AFS year in Italy and has an incredible host family up in the mountains in northern Italy which suits her snowboarding. She goes to a nearby local high school and has been on school trips to Ireland and Rome and is currently on a weeks school exchange in Sardegna. She left here with next to no Italian and is now totally fluent.

Joakim (Sweden) at Tauhara College and Daniel (Costa Rica) at Taupo-nui-a-Tia College are both in families for their first six months but they need homes and families for their second six months (end of July – start of August)

*And we are now looking for homes for students arriving in mid July.*

**16-year-old Martin Soto Garcia** is from Ponferrada Spain. He will arrive in July and be here for **two months**. His hobbies are playing the piano, tennis, basketball, swimming and rollerblading with friends..He has been learning English for ten years and says you would need to talk slowly at first. He wants to be a doctor or a marine biologist..

**Arnaldo Luca Come, 17, from Gressoney in the Aosta Valley, Italy.** Arnaldo is the youngest of three boys. Arnaldo has studied french for 12 years, english for four years and german for three years. Arnaldo lives in a small mountain vilage near Monte Rosa in the Italian Alps. He is a very keen and competitive snowboarder, particularly in boardercross. He also likes to play golf and loves music and he likes cooking particularly pasta. He will be in NZ for **six months**.

**Nora Hirsch, 16, from Aachen, Germany** has studied english for six years, french for four years and latin for two years. Nora likes animals and sports. She is in a circus group and also leads a circus group and a climbing group for young children. She plays badminton and likes sailing . She has a job dog walking to earn some pocket money.She describes herself as honest and open minded. Nora will be in NZ for one year.

**Lena - Belgium (French speaking), 17 years old**

Lena is a social and cheerful student who is planning to study science at university. Lena is described as a reliable daughter and a very faithful friend. She considers friendship to be important and spends time with her friends listening to music and watching movies. Lena is also sporty and goes scuba diving, swims and practices Karate. (1 year)

AFS is a volunteer organisation and students are expected to become a member of your family – they are not a guest they are your sons or daughters and should help with chores, share rooms if necessary, take an active part in the family, the school and the community.

*Please contact **Robyn Orchard on 3768244** if you can help with hosting or know of someone who would be a great host family.*





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