



Taupo-nui-a-Tia College



**TERM 1
March 2015**

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Taupo-nui-a-Tia College
"Gateway to Your Future"

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I strongly urge you to attend this day because it will be a valuable time to get a good understanding of your child's current progress and an indication of the next steps needed in their academic journey.

Education researcher John Hattie, in his book 'Visible Learning' devotes a chapter to the contribution from the home on a student's learning. He notes when talking about student achievement that *"parents have major effects in terms of the encouragement and expectations that they transmit to their children."* He says that these parental expectations are far more powerful than many of the structural factors of the home, eg. single or two parent families. He also states that *"Parents should be educated in the language of schooling, so that the home and school can share in the expectations, and the child does not have to live in two worlds – with little understanding between the home and school"*.

Term 1 is very quickly coming to an end and the college is certainly humming with activity. Our students are now well settled into their classes and the wide range of extracurricular activities are in full swing. This includes Stage Challenge, Kapa Haka, summer and winter sports, Zenith Club and drama rehearsals to name but a few.

It was great to see so many parents attend the first parent-teacher evening last week. Your input into your child's education is valued by the college and plays an essential role in their progress. The report you received was a "running check" on your child's progress and there will be regular updates throughout the year.

The Learning Advisory Groups that we have established this year have been receiving good feedback from both parents and students. The first term has been dedicated to knowing our learners and fostering positive relationships.

Next term the Learning Advisors assigned to your child will be preparing a learning plan for every student in their care and in most cases setting academic goals and targets.

This information will be shared with you and your input will be welcome during a whanau engagement day next term.

The college's NCEA results have been finalised and as I have stated earlier, are very pleasing. I am always intrigued by the grandiose claims made by some schools in the media or on billboards about their results. Often these results are 'participation' results and don't give an accurate indication of a school's performance. Participation results represent only those students that are entered for 80 credits. This means a significant number of students from that year group might have either been withdrawn from entry into NCEA or are not taking enough credits to be included in that school's results.

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Cornerstone Values

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

The Principal's Message

Calendar up to Week 7, Term 2

March			
Mon	30	Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival hosted by TNT, in the college hall. 1 st XV Rugby, McQuilkin Cup, Taumarunui. LAST DAY OF TERM 1 Term 2 begins Monday 20 April 2015 Easter – Good Friday	 Week 9 (green)
Tues	31		
Wed	1		
Thurs	2		
Fri	3		
April			
Mon	20	Term 2 begins 5:10pm PTA Meeting, college boardroom.	Week 1 (red)
Tues	21		
Wed	22		
Thurs	23		
Fri	24		
Mon	27	ANZAC Day Mondayised. 5:00pm Board of Trustees meeting, college boardroom. School Swimming Sports.	Week 2 (green)
Tues	28		
Wed	29		
Thurs	30		
May			
Fri	1		
Mon	4	Manu Korero Speech Competition, Regionals.	Week 3 (red)
Tues	5		
Wed	6		
Thurs	7		
Fri	8		
Mon	11		Week 4 (green)
Tues	12		
Wed	13		
Thurs	14		
Fri	15		
Mon	18	Whanau Day for Individual Education Plans. Waikato University Open Day.	Week 5 (red)
Tues	19		
Wed	20		
Thurs	21		
Fri	22		
Mon	25	5:00pm Board of Trustees meeting, college boardroom. Year 11 Triathlon.	Week 6 (green)
Tues	26		
Wed	27		
Thurs	28		
Fri	29		
June			
Mon	1	Queen's Birthday Defensive Driving Course 5:00pm – 7:00pm Defensive Driving Course 5:00pm – 7:00pm 1 st XV Rugby Fundraiser.	Week 7 (red)
Tues	2		
Wed	3		
Thurs	4		
Fri	5		



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A more accurate indicator of a school's NCEA results is its roll-based results. This measure includes all students who are listed on the school's roll as at 1st July of that year. This is what I call the 'warts and all' results. Taupo-nui-a-Tia College's roll-based results exceed all other schools in the district. Parents can also go to the *Education Counts* website and look at the percentage of school leavers leaving a school with NCEA Levels 1 and 2.

Every year I talk at a Year 9 assembly about bullying. The statistics around bullying in New Zealand schools do not make good reading and it is important that this subject is not swept under the carpet. International studies have found that there is a dramatic reduction in bullying when schoolwide strategies are used. This message was given to our Year 9 students and later at a full school assembly where I outlined the various forms of bullying and told students that a whole school approach to preventing bullying was essential – this includes staff, students, parents and whanau. Victims of bullying are urged to report bullying of any form so that it can be dealt with. More importantly, our students have been told that if they witness bullying to intervene if they are confident enough to do so, or report it. Thankfully our students take this responsibility seriously. If parents have any concerns with regards to bullying please contact the college.

Taupo-nui-a-Tia College has established an Alumni Fund that will be managed by the Geyser Community Foundation. This is a future-focused financial venture that aims to build up a fund that will benefit students at this college for many years to come. As the fund builds from former student and parent contributions the interest earned is dispersed to the school. Schools that have had an alumni fund for many years have built it up to millions of dollars. This means a significant amount of interest can be used by these colleges every year for the benefit of the students. Money can be given to Taupo-nui-a-Tia College as part or all of an estate, donated in a lump sum or through regular contributions. I would like to acknowledge Hilary and Pat Brown's kind donation of \$5,000 to get this fund started. The Browns have three sons who are former students of Taupo-nui-a-Tia College and Hilary was the Board Chair for many years. The college appreciates the valued and constant support it has received from the Brown family over many years. For further information regarding the Alumni Fund, please contact the college.


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 2 is **Consideration and Concern for Others**

which is defined as:

"Willingness to be kind, thoughtful and consider the interests of others before self."

- Be nice to people on your way up because you will probably meet them on your way down!
- When consideration is the sensation the sweeps the nation it will be time for a celebration.
- Let others learn.
- Make others happy when you enter a room, not when you leave it.
- Before thinking of yourself consider the effect of your actions on others.
- Become an example of how you would like the world to be.

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.



DOE Hillary Awards

Congratulations to Madilane Pierce who has gained the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Hillary Award.



Zenith – Coaching in Effective Speaking



Congratulations Connor Harrison on recently gaining Level 1 and Hetal Patel for completing Level 2 of the Zenith Programme.

Zenith started on 24 February with a membership of 30. We are very lucky to have the expertise of Hilary Brown, International President (2002 – 2003) to support and train students in our Zenith Club. The following students were elected as officers after having to work very hard to convince the rest of the members that they were the right people for the job. Each of these office-holders have tasks allocated to them to ensure they know what needs to be done to fulfil their roles effectively. That is found in the Master Manual that is given to each member in the Zenith group.

- Isla Sando – President
- Megan Brown – Vice president
- Skylar Orr – Secretary
- Ravi Sharma – Treasurer.



Board of Trustees

Back Row:

Alan Brake, Parent Rep
Wayne Frewen, Deputy Principal
Brenda Ronke, Deputy Principal
Peter Moyle, Principal
Bruce Forsyth, Deputy Principal
Sue Henry, Staff Representative
Barry Draper, Parent Rep

Front Row:

Huia Maniapoto, Board Secretary
Karen Owen, Parent Rep
Jan Pook, Parent Rep
David Forsyth, Chairman
Lorraine Kerr, Parent Rep
Kristy Monro, Student Representative



Your Board of Trustees is very proud of how Taupo-nui-a-Tia College is progressing. The college's prime focus of course is the achievement of our students. NCEA results from 2014 are extremely pleasing with exceptional results for all levels, in particular for NCEA Levels 1 and 2, which augers well for the years ahead. Under our inspirational Principal and dedicated Senior Management the school has a focused Strategic Plan to build on this success. The record school roll is evidence of this success and clearly the Taupo Community continues to support what the college is doing and what we stand for.

Our Cornerstone Values are integrated into the fabric of the college and continue to be an important part of school culture. The physical environment continues to be developed with landscaping works and resurfacing of the courts being currently planned and executed. Planning for the next project involving the remodeling of the music and drama departments is underway and this will start to be evident through 2016.

Our current Board is a very well balanced and stable group, but as part of our succession planning we will be looking for some new blood into 2016. If you are interested in being part of the successful governance of Taupo-nui-a-Tia College, then perhaps you may consider being part of this group. In the meantime the Board will continue to serve the college to the best of our ability and we thank all parents for their involvement and support.

Dave Forsyth, Chairman



Bay Trust Centre Clinics

Monday to Friday	8:15am – 3:30pm	Fiona Primrose, Administrator
Monday	9:00am – 12:30pm 10:00am – 11:45am 12:30pm – 3:20pm	Psychologist, Riona Baldwin Dr Debbie Hughes TUMT Drug and Alcohol Counselling
Tuesday	9:00am – 3:20pm 9:00am – 1:00pm	Nurse, Claire Swindlehurst Physio, Jeff Fox
Wednesday	12:30pm – 3:20pm 11:30am – 1:00pm 2:20pm – 3:20pm	Nurse, Claire Swindlehurst Mana Whakatipu Mentoring, TeWhetu Dewes TUMT Drug and Alcohol Counselling (Group)
Thursday	9:00am – 1:00pm 11:30am – 3:20pm	Physio, Jeff Fox Mana Whakatipu Mentoring, TeWhetu Dewes
Friday	9:00am – 3:20pm 9:00am – 12:30pm 12:30pm – 3:20pm	Community Youth Worker Youth Worker, Tracey Vowles Nurse, Claire Swindlehurst

Bus Notice to Schools in the Taupo Network Group



There have recently been a number of concerned parents contacting schools or the Nimons bus company in regard to the apparent overloading of buses. Below is an extract from the Ministry of Education website relating to standing passengers:

*“Standing passengers –
The New Zealand Transport Agency determines the legal loading limit for every bus. This includes both seated and standing passengers. The loading limits for a particular vehicle can be found on its Certificate of Loading, and bus operators are responsible for ensuring that they do not exceed these limits.”*

The Taupo Network Group wishes to clarify that the standing of passengers is not an overloading of a bus. If you have any queries, please contact the college bus controller, Catherine Fraser – ph 376 1100.

Slingshot 'Better Schools' Programme

SLINGSHOT 'BETTER SCHOOLS' PROGRAMME

We are now part of this wonderful programme whereby Slingshot customers can choose to have a percentage of their monthly bill donated to the school. Each month, Slingshot will send us the money to use as we see fit. How big that donation is depends on you! If you'd like this easy and pain free way to contribute please go to call 0800 89 7733 and speak to one of their friendly customer helpers.

Who is Slingshot?

Slingshot is New Zealand's largest 100% Kiwi owned phone and internet company. They focus on keeping things simple, and providing better service and better value than the big guys.



Thanks Taupo Businesses

A huge **THANK YOU** for the generous support that the following Taupo businesses have given our Technology Department for quite a number of years. Without the generosity of our local businesses we may not be able to offer the students the great opportunities that the college has, to assist them in today's technological and competitive society.



Bunnings – Keith Walsh
Mike Prior Saw Milling Limited – Mike Prior
Total Trade Supplies – Kevin Watts
Tenon Limited – Ross Johanson
Hire Pool – Stan De Thierry
Vistalite Taupo – Bronek Szpetnar
A & T Glass – Andrew McCullough
Lake Steel – Shane Nairn
Roofing Industries Limited – Ivan and Caroline Cribb
Urbanform Architectural – Clint Bramley
Kiwi Outback Adventures – Peter Wilkinson
Contact Energy – Roseanne Jollands
Hynds Pipe Systems – Darryl Watson

CACTUS

This year CACTUS will take place in Term 2, beginning on Monday 4 May.

Sergeant Shane McNally and the team came in and spoke to students at an assembly recently about the CACTUS programme. Over 100 application forms were taken for a spot on the course which caters for 25 only. Also, a number of last year's participants put their name down to be one of two student instructors. A selection process will take place in the coming weeks and a meeting with parents will be held early in Term 2.

A winter CACTUS will be new to Nui students but no doubt the 6:00am starts will be a breeze for them all. We look forward to following their progress!

Driver Education

- **Driver Directions** – If your child would like to participate in the Driver Directions programme, head to the Taupo District Council website to register – <http://www.taupodc.govt.nz/our-services/road-safety/Pages/Driver-Directions.aspx>.

Term 1

Wednesday, 8 April 2015
 Thursday, 9 April 2015

Term 3

Tuesday, 29 September 2015
 Wednesday, 30 September, 2015

Term 2

Tuesday, 7 July 2015
 Wednesday, 8 July 2015

Term 4

Tuesday, 8 December 2015

- **Defensive Driving Course** – Any student who wants to do a Defensive Driving Course next term please see Mr Ball to get your name on the list. The Term 1 course was oversubscribed so make sure you get in early!




Music Department – Upcoming Events

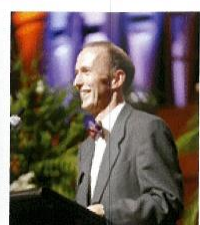
2015
Bay of Plenty
Music School
Taupō

10th–12th April 2015


Taupo-nui-a-tia College
Who are the Conductors?



Ryan Youens, Band



Peter Watts, Choir

 **NEW ZEALAND CONCERT BANDS ASSOCIATION** 

New Zealand Senior Concert Band

IN CONCERT



*Featuring a wide range of concert band repertoire
 by composers such as Sousa and Suppe*

Special Guests—Taupo Youth Wind Band
Barleycorn (Irish Influenced) Band, Gisborne

Taupo-nui-a-Tia College, Spa Road, Taupo
Sunday 29 March 2015 - 1.30 p.m.
Admission \$10 - Seniors/Students \$6

Great Lakes Symphony Orchestra



BACH

- Double Violin Concerto
- Brandenburg Concerto No 2

ALBINONI

- Adagio in g minor

VIVALDI

- Double Cello Concerto

HANDEL

- Arrival of the Queen of Sheba

Leader:
 Kate Candy

Conductor:
 Stephen Cowley

Saturday March 28th 2pm
 St Luke's Church, Amohia St, ROTORUA

Sunday March 29th 2pm
 St Andrew's Church, TAUPŌ

Adults \$10 Under 19 Free

 **New Zealand**
Secondary Schools'
Symphony Orchestra

2015

Informal Concert 16 April 4pm
 Tickets - \$5

Final Concert 17 April 7pm
 Tickets - \$15 Adult \$10 Unwaged

As mentioned in the February newsletter, Keziah Cowley (Year 12) and Claire Cowley (Year 13) were selected into the 2015 New Zealand Secondary Schools' Symphony Orchestra. Entry into the NZSSSO is by audition, drawing from some of New Zealand's top secondary school orchestral instrumentalists. Keziah and Claire will represent Taupo-nui-a-Tia College in a full size orchestra in a concert to be held at St Margaret's College. They will also participate in an intense six day course, widely regarded as a significant training ground for young musicians.



IT'S A BIG DECISION –
ARGH, THE PRESSURE!
TAKE A DEEP BREATH
AND HAVE A THINK
ABOUT SOME OF
THESE THINGS...

QUICK TIPS FOR
STUDENTS

HOW TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT UNI



1. LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

Do you want to stay at home or spread your wings?
At home you can normally save money, but further afield may bring more adventure.

2. WHAT'S ON OFFER?

If you're intending to study a specialised programme then you may not have much choice as there may only be one or two places that offer it. But if you're aiming for something more popular, such as a Bachelor of Business Studies, then you have lots of places to choose from.

3. CAN YOU GET IN?

Entry criteria varies a great deal from programme to programme. All degree level qualifications at NZ universities require University Entrance, but some have additional requirements such as credits in a specific subject, a portfolio of work, an interview and so on, so make sure you're fully informed about what's required.

4. THE CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT

Universities come in different shapes and sizes. They're all much bigger than your high school, but some are bigger than others. Do you enjoy the hustle and bustle of a big place or would you prefer the benefits of smaller class sizes?

5. HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

The cost of university can be daunting, and if you live away from home there are additional accommodation costs. And of course some programmes of study are more expensive than others, e.g. our vet school has a lot more expensive equipment to maintain than our business school so the fees are inevitably higher. Studylink.govt.nz can help you out if you need assistance.

6. NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RANKINGS

All NZ universities rank well – in the top 5% of universities worldwide – so you can rest assured you're getting a good education regardless of where you go.

7. FRIENDS

It can seem a bit traumatic leaving friends you've known for years but there are always new friends to be made wherever you go. It's good to get their perspective on things but ultimately it's your decision.

8. FAMILY

Parents are concerned about what's best for you and this can sometimes seem like it's limiting your options. And if you're still financially dependent then they may be the ones to make the final decision. So hear them out and if you feel differently then try to put your case to them in a way they can appreciate.

9. CAREERS ADVISER

Your school careers adviser has a wealth of information on the types of programmes that are available around the country so let them know what you're interested in and get their advice.

Ultimately it's very difficult to decide what to do and where to go if you don't have any information. So we recommend getting out there and talking to people about your future. That way you can make an informed decision about what is best for you.

THE ENGINE
OF THE NEW
NEW ZEALAND



MASSEY
UNIVERSITY
TE KUNENGA KI PŌREHURUA

UNIVERSITY OF NEW ZEALAND

QUICK TIPS FOR
STUDENTS

7 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN SCHOOL AND UNI



1. UNI COSTS MORE

It pays to work hard at uni as failing a paper means you're wasting your money. Lots of students have part time jobs or use Studylink to help them out financially. And there are plenty of scholarships available to school leavers.

2. YOU HAVE TO BE MORE PROACTIVE

Our students tell us that the more you get involved with uni life, the more you get out of it. This applies to the social side of life with clubs, sport teams and so on, and also to getting help when you need it. Lecturers are available to provide extra help for example, but they won't track you down to offer it – it's up to you to be proactive and ask when you need it.

3. LECTURERS WON'T CHASE YOU IF YOU'RE LATE WITH ASSIGNMENTS

The responsibility for getting things in on time rests on your shoulders - and so do the consequences if you don't.

4. YOUR DAY IS STRUCTURED DIFFERENTLY

Your uni classes are at different times and you may have several hours break between them. You may also spend less time in class than you did in school depending upon what you study.

5. THE 40 HOUR WEEK

At uni you'll normally do four papers per semester, which means eight per year. We recommend allocating 10 hours per week to each paper, including class time. In this sense uni is closer to working life in that it is around a 40 hour week.

6. THE UNI YEAR IS MUCH SHORTER THAN THE SCHOOL YEAR

Uni normally consists of two 12 week semesters, plus exam times. While this means the uni year is shorter than the school year, it tends to be more intense.

7. BUT WAIT...THERE'S MORE!

If the above all sounds a bit serious you should also remember that there's no uniform and the holidays are longer!



Account Statements and School Fees

A statement for school fees is emailed or posted out twice a term with the school newsletter. If you have not received a statement, please contact the office as soon as possible to make sure we have your correct details – ph 376 1100.

Compulsory and/or previous years' fees must be paid before students can attend optional co-curricular activities. We encourage families to set up regular automatic payments and spread the costs over the full year. Many keep their payments running over the Christmas holidays to set up for the next year's charges. Accounts can also be paid by internet banking: ASB 12-3162-0154524-00. Eftpos, cash, cheque and credit card facilities are also available. If you have any queries at any time concerning your child's account please feel free to contact us – ph 376 1100.

School Donations of \$120 per student (\$95 second child, \$70 third child) are requested at the beginning of the school year. These donations are an extremely valuable contribution which help the college purchase extra student facilities and equipment. If you pay the school donation, discounts are applied to subject and sports fees. Thank you very much to those parents and caregivers who have already paid the donation.

School Charges are made dependent upon which subjects your child chooses. These charges are solely to cover the cost of the materials used by your child that can be taken home (gone are the days of bringing your own egg and flour to school for cooking class). The subject charges for all year levels are in the course booklet which your child used when choosing subjects for 2015. These charges are not voluntary school donations and therefore are compulsory if the student is taking the subject.

Activity Charges relate to any extra curricular activities your child chooses to carry out. This includes all sporting teams/events, drama activities, Zenith Club and optional school trips, etc. Again the charges relate directly to the costs involved in the activities and therefore are compulsory if the student takes part in the activity.

Funding – The college is funded by the Government to cover staffing, buildings, basic equipment, running costs and maintenance. There is not sufficient funding to cover material charges and optional choices by students. We understand that for a variety of reasons people can go through very difficult financial times and if you are unable to meet the compulsory charges please contact Brenda Ronke or Louise Berney to look at what can be arranged – ph 376 1100.



**Taupo Nui-A-Tia
1st XV Rugby**

9am-1pm
even if it snows

Car Boot & Garage Sale

Food stalls,
coffee cart,
candy floss,
BBQ stall,
Bounsie castle,
Cake stall,
Vege stall,
Ice cream van

Fundraiser for the
**1st XV Rugby teams July 2015 trip to the
International Rugby Carnival in the
GOLD COAST Australia**

Saturday 18th April 2015
at the college

Donations for our Garage sale appreciated we will collect.
CAR PARK'S for sale 33 available \$20 per parking area contact
Aroha Bishop 0221839026
Call or text welcome BE QUICK SELLING FAST

Thanks for your support look forward to seeing you all there!!!!

Sports Review by Andrew Maisey, TNT Sports Coordinator

Well again it is all go with sports at TNT and I am very pleased to see so many students actively pursuing sport and applying themselves with so much enthusiasm. "Healthy body, healthy mind" I always say.

Triathlon, volleyball, cricket, motocross, touch, tennis, equestrian, golf, rowing, waka ama and athletics are all going well and our winter sports are about to kick off soon. Football, rugby and netball have all been training hard, trialling and building fitness as they prepare for the upcoming season and we look forward to following them throughout the season. Please get behind these sports and support your children, teachers, coaches and all other helpers. Remember the definition of 'good sport' and stay positive, focussed, smiling and supportive. Wishing you all well in your respective sports!

Rugby

Firstly a huge thank you to McDonalds  for sponsoring the new 1st XV shorts!

On Saturday 14 March the two colleges, Taupo-nui-a-Tia and Tauhara, met for a pre-season game. Nui was too strong on the day, winning by an outstanding 103-3.

Come along to our Car Boot and Garage Sale fundraiser being held at the college on Saturday 18 April from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Please contact Aroha Bishop if you have goods to donate or if you want to buy a carpark area for the car boot sale – ph 022 183 9026. Thank you for your support!

Rugby 7s Tournament

The annual TNT and KCRFU 7s Tournament was held on Saturday 21 March, with teams in all grades.

Playing in their first 7s tournament, the U14s were well outsized in most areas but the boys improved from game to game and finished 4th overall. The U15 boys used this tournament as a warmup before heading to the Secondary Schools Nationals this week. The U16 team had two good wins during pool play, however they were unable to progress past the semi final. The girls' 7s team also played well.



Seay Earthmovers Limited – Sports Pages

TNT Athletics Champions 2015



Junior Girls

- 1st Lucy Mason
2nd Grace Vanner
3rd Loea Feuillade

Intermediate Girls

- 1st Xanthe Sando
2nd Julia Davis
3rd Kiana Tane

Senior Girls

- 1st Beth Owen
2nd Sarah Kenyon
3rd Delany Rihari.

Junior Boys

- 1st Kyle Tanatiu
2nd Joel Hansen
3rd Ethan Lingrell

Intermediate Boys

- 1st Tom Voss
2nd Hopa Haika
3rd Finlay Hooker

Senior Boys

- 1st Ben McKay-Ransfield
2nd Kyle Smith
3rd Stanley Ngawairau-Coward



Mid Islands Secondary Schools Athletics Championships 2015

Our college performed very well at the Mid Island Athletics held at Owen Delany Park on 5 March, with some fantastic results in both track and field. One standout was a new record set in the 3000m by Kyle Smith, knocking a whopping 12 seconds off the old record!

Junior Girls

- 1500m 1st Lucy Mason
800m 1st Lucy Mason
Triple Jump 1st Grace Vanner
3000m 2nd Hannah Howell
High Jump 2nd= Chloe Janssen
Javelin 3rd Kataraina Fredricksen
300m 3rd Hannah Golebiowski
Shot Put 3rd Sharneice Rangikataua.

Intermediate Girls

- Shot Put 1st Kiana Tane
3000m 2nd Julia Davis
Triple Jump 2nd Aimee Janssen
1500m 2nd Simone Maclean
1500m 3rd Julia Davis
800m 3rd Simone Maclean
100m 3rd Osharna Melling.

Senior Girls

- 100m 2nd Chevina King
High Jump 3rd Sarah Kenyon
Triple Jump 3rd Sarah Kenyon
Discus 3rd Delany Rihari
800m 3rd Isabella Sherwood-Clark
1500m 3rd Isabella Sherwood-Clark.

Junior Boys

- 800m 1st Ethan Asher
Triple Jump 1st Ethan Lingrell
300m 2nd Ethan Asher
3000m 2nd Jack Cunningham.

Intermediate Boys

- Triple Jump 1st Hopa Haika
Discus 2nd Tom Voss
Javelin 2nd Tom Voss
Long Jump 3rd Finlay Hooker
Javelin 3rd Jaxxon Rowland-Himona
1500m 3rd Tom Voss.

Senior Boys

- AWD 100m
Sprint 1st Mathew Harty
Long Jump 1st Ben McKay-Ransfield
1500m 1st Kyle Smith
3000m 1st Kyle Smith (new record)
Long Jump 2nd Stanley Ngawairau-Coward
Triple Jump 2nd Ben McKay-Ransfield
1500m 3rd Matt Cordell
100m 3rd Lewis Eccles.



Waka Ama

Here are results and photos of the Waka Teams that paddled at regionals:

J16 Girls	3 rd	in Championship 250m Final
J16 Boys	4 th	in Championship 250m Final
J19 Boys	2 nd	in Championship 250m Final
J19 Girls	3 rd	in Championship 250m Final
J16 Girls	4 th	overall in 500m turns
J16 Boys	4 th	overall in 500m turns
J19 Girls	6 th	overall in 500m turns
J19 Boys	2 nd	overall in 500m turns.



Girls' Touch Rugby

On Sunday 15 March, the TNT Girls Touch Team competed in the Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Touch Regionals in Rotorua. As shown in the results below, they did very well and won the tournament! The girls are now through to the BOP/Waikato Zonals at which the two top teams will qualify for Nationals in December.

Regionals Results:

TNT	-v-	Whakatane	4-3
TNT	-v-	Trident	6-1
TNT	-v-	Te Puke	5-4
TNT	-v-	Rotorua Girls	7-2

Team Members:

Ora Williams, Hazel Wineera-Ellis, Natruly Mani, Deli Taylor, Oceanna Hardwidge, Reilly Williams, Sarah Julian, Shanaya Dempsey, Summer Tai-Rakena, plus three Wineera sisters from the Kura.

They all did the college proud and played with a lot of heart!



Roman Rajek competed in Round 3 of the NZSBK Series at Hampton Downs recently. He qualified 1st and won all three races, including the NZTT. He has since finished the Championship Series in 2nd place overall.

Triathlon is looking strong again this year with Hannah Howell 1st overall in the 1km lake swim on 28 February and then backing that up with a strong 1st overall the following day in the Elite Senior Girls Iron Kidz. Keegan Pook again showed his talent with a 5th overall in the across Lake Taupo swim.

- Kyle Smith 1st U19 boys
- Hannah Howell 1st U14 girls
- Jakob Larson 4th U13 boys
- Lucy Mason 4th U14 girls.



Hannah Howell, Megan Lockett, Julia Onishi



On 26/27 March are the NZSSC Triathlon Championships at Wharewaka Point, as well as the Open Water Swim and Aquathlon Champs, so it's a big week and a great opportunity for all of our Taupo students to shine in front of their home town.

Our rowing squad had their first outing 6 – 8 March at Lake Karapiro where they gained some valuable experience before gearing up for the Maadi Cup 23 – 29 March. (A huge thanks to the Taupo Rowing Club, parents and coaches, especially Michelle Dew).

It has been 14 years since TNT competed at the Maadi Cup and the 2015 team represented our school with pride and also had some success.



Wasn't it great to see the Ironman again in Taupo and so many hardened, healthy and focussed looking people of all ages out there achieving such a huge goal in their lives. Thank you to everyone who helped out and supported these amazing and inspirational people from all walks of life. Cameron Brown, 11 times winner of this event, and Meridith Kessler from USA again breaking her own record and setting yet another new womens' course record – quite remarkable indeed. Fantastic to see so many Taupo people participating.

A good result from two of our boys at the NZSSC Mountain Biking Champs held in Hunua, Auckland on 14 March, with Jacob Thomsen gaining a solid 4th in the cross country and 3rd in the super sprints. Dylan Budd-Nash finished around 15th place in his category.



Volleyball

The girls' volleyball teams are progressing well and results are improving as they get closer to the championship. I watched them training recently at the Events Centre under the guidance of Keith Marsh and have to say I was impressed at the skill level. They recently received The Amanda Tauai Award for Sportsmanship and Spirit. Here's a full report by Ashley Hargreaves, Captain:

Over the past few months Taupo-nui-a-Tia College's Senior A and B Volleyball Teams have been training hard three times a week and have done exceptionally well in the Bay of Plenty regional tournaments. It was the B Team's very first experience of real volleyball and although they did not come out with a win, they were very competitive and their improvement was phenomenal. This is the A Team's second year competing in these tournaments and through hard work and determination we moved from 49th to 16th place in what is known as the toughest region of volleyball. Not only did we shock coaches and other teams in terms of how far we have come after only a year, but the tournament organisers awarded us the Amanda Tauai Trophy for Sportsmanship and Spirit. This upcoming week the A Team will be participating in the national tournament in Palmerston North and is currently seeded one of the top teams in our division. Nationals is five intense days of blood, sweat and tears, and with hard work and pure determination we are hoping to come out with a medal.

Cycling

Lewis Eccles recently returned from the World Cup track event in Columbia where he gained valuable international experience along with a new personal record. He then competed at the New Zealand Nationals where he won the 1km time trial, finished 2nd in the kieren and gained two golds and silver in the sprint event.

Touch Rugby

Great to hear that the Girls' Touch Team did exceptionally well winning the qualifiers round at Rotorua, winning all of their games and are going straight through to the Bay of Plenty/Waikato Zonals in two weeks' time.

Football

Congratulations to Liam Cradock, Aidan Lynch and Ryan White for their New Zealand selection into the Ricki Herbert Football Academy. In September the boys will travel to Barcelona and London where they will receive training, compete in five games, attend professional teams' games and be taken on tours of stadiums.

Hockey

The hockey trials have now taken place and lists for two girls' teams and three boys' teams have been posted.

Thank you to the parents that have stepped forward to coach. If there are any other caregivers who can assist the coaches or act as manager, please contact heulwen.simm@taupocollege.ac.nz.

The girls will practice on Mondays from 4:00pm to 5:30pm with games played on Tuesdays, and the boys will practice on Wednesdays and play on Thursdays.

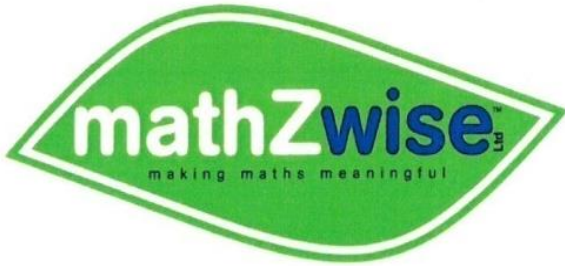


Congratulations to Xanthe Sando and Kelsey Comer for their selection into the Midlands Development squad. They travel to Tauranga and Rotorua twice a week for their training sessions.



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