



# Taupo-nui-a-Tia College



## TERM 3 August 2015

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

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Kiaora koutou katoa to whanau and family of our students and a special welcome to all of our students new to the college this term. It is a great honour to write this message as Acting Principal. Peter Moyle is on sabbatical and will return 7 September which has provided me with this incredible opportunity at the helm.

Term 3 is regarded as the busiest term with so much happening, especially in the classroom with a lot of assessments planned. Seniors have assessment week starting on 19 August which provides opportunity for extended time to work on internal assessment and also practice examinations. For seniors there are just over nine weeks of school left. The challenge for many is ensuring all internal assessments deadlines are met while still finding time to study towards their exams. You are encouraged to check their progress online and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the college.

The teachers have been busy this term working with students. Along with teaching, planning and assessing, an important aspect of teachers' work is professional learning. This term our professional learning programme has been focussed on e-learning. With availability and affordability making owning a computer device such as laptop, netbook, or tablet more viable for students, exciting possibilities have been opened up to enhance teaching and learning through students using these devices.

This year we have had a class in Year 9 as our first class to use their devices on a daily basis in lessons, and we plan to expand it next year to possibly six classes. We have called this style of learning 'Blended Learning' as it is a blend of new learning possibilities mixed with proven more traditional approaches.

There is an increasing amount of research which promotes blended learning as an enhancement of student learning. Perhaps the greatest enhancement is improved ability to personalise learning for every student. Secondary schools are moving very rapidly away from a standardised system of 'one size fits all' to being very responsive to each student's individual strengths, interests and learning needs. Blended learning also enables students to collaborate more, increase critical thinking and be creative, which are all recognised as essential 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills needed in the modern workplace. Reports from other schools are that students' engagement and ownership of their learning are increased and also improved literacy.

It is not just at Year 9 that we are encouraging students to use computer devices. As teachers' ability and confidence increases students at all levels will progressively be able to use their devices in lessons, as many already are to good effect.

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### Cornerstone Values

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

## The Principal's Message

# School Calendar

August			
Mon	10	<b>Enrolment Week</b>	
Tues	11	Taster Lessons for Taupo Intermediate 9:15am to 11:45am	Week 4
Wed	12	Open Evening 7:00pm to 9:00pm	(red)
"	"	Taster Lessons for Taupo Intermediate 9:15am to 11:45am	
Thurs	13	Taster Lessons for Hilltop, St Patrick's and any others	
Fri	14	DanceNZMade, Great Lake Centre	
Mon	17		
Tues	18	<b>Whanau Day</b>	Week 5
Wed	19	Exams 19 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> August	(green)
"	"	PTA Meeting, 5:15pm in the college boardroom	
Thurs	20	Exams	
Fri	21	Exams	
Mon	24	Exams	
Tues	25	Exams	Week 6
Wed	26	Sport BOP Seminar, 6:00pm to 8:30pm in the college library reading room	(red)
Thurs	27		
Fri	28		
Mon	31	Winter Tournament Week	
September			
Tues	1		Week 7
Wed	2		(green)
Thurs	3		
Sat	4	<b>Triple A Day</b>	
Mon	7		
Tues	8	Course Information Evening, 6:00pm to 8:00pm in the D & I Block	Week 8
Wed	9		(red)
Thurs	10		
Fri	11		
Mon	14		
Tues	15	Defensive Driving Course 5:00pm – 7:00pm	
Wed	16	PTA Meeting, 5:15pm in the college boardroom	Week 9
Thurs	17	Defensive Driving Course 5:00pm – 7:00pm	(green)
Fri	18		
Mon	21		
Tues	22	Defensive Driving Course 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Week 10
Wed	23		(red)
Thurs	24	Defensive Driving Course 5:00pm – 7:00pm	
"	"	School Sports Awards, 7:00pm in the hall	
Fri	25	<b>Last Day of Term 3.</b> <b>Term 4 begins Monday 12 October.</b>	

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Next week, on Tuesday 18 August, is our second Whanau Day in which the school is open for parents/caregivers/whanau to come in with students to meet with the student's Learning Advisor. At that meeting you will be able to look at your child's Traffic Lights which give an indication if they are achieving to their potential, as well as looking at key indicators to see if they are meeting expectations in terms of learning behaviour and attitude. This time we are aiming for every child to be interviewed. (See notice below on how to book an interview time).

I would like to wish all of our teams travelling away to Tournament Week all the very best. We have teams from a range of codes travelling to all corners of the North Island starting on the week of 31 August. I would like to acknowledge the work of the tournament teams, coaches and parents who have gone to a lot of effort in terms of fundraising, finding accommodation, food and/or transport. Although it does require a lot of work in getting these teams away there are a multitude of positive outcomes for both individual players and the teams at tournament.

As winter sports wrap up for the year we look forward to our annual Sports Awards on 24 September as we acknowledge the successes, and there are many, and endeavour of all our sports men and women plus their coaches, managers and supporters.

Nga mihi nui koutou.

Wayne Frewen  
Acting Principal

## Whanau Day

On Tuesday 18 August from 9:00am to 6:00pm we will be holding another Whanau Day. The purpose of this day is for parents/caregivers and whanau to meet with their child's Learning Advisor. This is an excellent opportunity to discuss your child's progress towards their academic goals. To book a 20 minute interview with the Learning Advisor, go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and enter code KWD7K. For further information please contact the college office – ph 376 110.

## Cornerstone Values


The Cornerstone Value for this term 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.



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## Exams

Students in Years 11, 12 and 13 will have practice exams and/or internal assessments. They have been given a personalised timetable.

Attendance is compulsory for all exams. Students will have study leave at home when they do not have a timetabled exam.

Students are required to wear full school uniform to exams.

## Students' Success

### Year 9 and Year 10 Speech Winners

Molly Wyatt (Year 9) and Nathan Grey (Year 10) are the winners of this year's Taupo-nui-a-Tia College speech competition and also did a fantastic job of presenting their speeches at a whole school assembly recently.

### International Competitions & Assessments for Schools (ICAS) – Digital Technologies

Well done to all our students who participated in ICAS. Special congratulations to Trey Nairn who gained Distinction for a score that put him in the top 3% of Year 10 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific Region. Chelsea-Lee Nairn gained Credit (top 36%) and John Gidlow Merit (top 41%) in the Year 9 category.

### Principal's Award

Congratulations Maia Hura who gained a Principal's Award for achieving 10 Merit vouchers in Term 2.

### Duke of Edinburgh Hillary Awards

Megan Brown, Harrison Griffin and Matthew Harty are all going to Government House on 15 August to receive their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

## Zenith Programme

Congratulations Gus Murray who has achieved Level 3 accreditation in the 2015 Zenith Programme. Also Skylar Orr and Ben Simmons have recently achieved Level 2 accreditation.



### Students Showcasing Speech Skills

The Taupo-nui-a-Tia College Zenith Club were invited to the International POWERtalk Convention in Rotorua to demonstrate how their meeting are run. 19 students ran the Zenith meeting, it included a business session, an icebreaker from Chloe French (speech about oneself) a poetry reading, written and read by Hannah Coulter, as well as a humorous speech by Gus Murray about the privileges of being the librarian's son. The two programme leaders, Aimee Nicoll and Charlotte Forsyth, tied everything together with a mystery which had to be solved. Table Topics were enjoyed by all and Ben Simmons involved the audience who willingly participated in the event.

The end of the meeting was marked with many questions by experienced and seasoned POWERtalk members from countries such as America, Japan, Holland and South Africa. They were enthusiastic at the idea to get Zenith clubs up-and-running in their own countries.

## Bay Trust Clinic Times

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

BayTrust main doors closed for 10 minutes at 8:40am and after interval bells.

## Yearbook Advertising Opportunity

Taupo-nui-a-Tia College is preparing its Yearbook for 2015. Once again we are offering local businesses the opportunity to advertise with us and support the college. The magazine is distributed to every student and your message will reach over 600 families. It is a great way to let everyone know what you have to offer.

Our advertising rates are reasonably priced and remain the same as last year. Based on a black and white A4 page they are: Full page \$200, half page \$100 and quarter page \$50.

Your support will again enable us to produce a high quality Yearbook which will also be a useful guide to the local community. As a contributor you will receive a free copy when it is issued in December.

If you would like to participate please contact Fiona Primrose, ph 376 1100 or [mail@taupocollege.ac.nz](mailto:mail@taupocollege.ac.nz). The deadline is 16 October.

## Thank You 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

## Enhanced Performance Dance

Well done to the students who competed in the Queen's Birthday Dance Competition in Taupo in Term 2. Four groups from TNT entered in the Expressive Class and gained 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Highly Commended and Commended. The group that came first consisted of Year 11 students Madi Pierce, Lauren Hughes, Aimee Golebiowski and Caitlyn McRae. Their piece "Ne Me Quitte Pas" was choreographed by ex-student Holly Finch.

This term the EPD students are preparing for DanceNZMade. The Taupo regional competition takes place on Friday 14 August at the Great Lake Centre and we would love the support of our TNT Whanau. The groups entering this competition are:

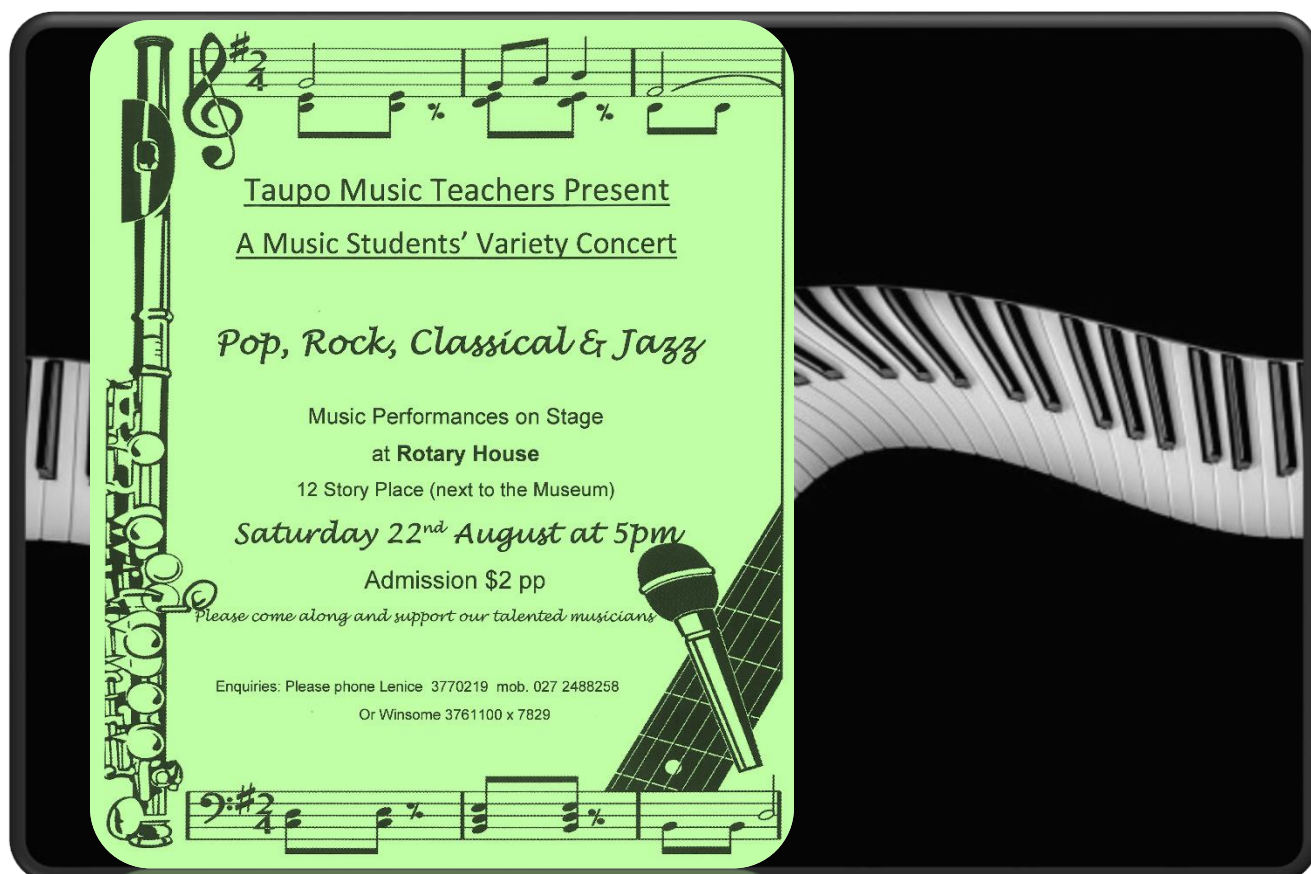
- ★ **Y9-10 Category (Three Groups)**  
I'm a Good girl (9 students), His Daughter (5 students) and Winter's Tale (8 students).
- ★ **Y11-13 Category (Three Groups)**  
Ne Me Quitte Pas (5 students), TNT All Stars (9 students), I'd Rather Go Blind (10 students).
- ★ **Y9-13 Open Category (Two Groups)**  
Hide and Seek (13 students) and Autumn Leaves (16 students).

Last term saw the Dale Boddy Academy of Dance students complete their AJDA Jazz exams and this term Dance Central and Taupo Academy of Dance students are doing their RAD Ballet Exams, NZAMD Jazz and Contemporary Exams and AJDA Teaching Certificate Exams. I wish these students all the best of luck.

Finally, well done to all the studio dancers who compete in dance competitions during weekends and over the holidays – keep up the good work!

Iggy Gloy  
Teacher in Charge, EPD

## Music



Taupo Music Teachers Present  
A Music Students' Variety Concert

*Pop, Rock, Classical & Jazz*

Music Performances on Stage  
at **Rotary House**  
12 Story Place (next to the Museum)

*Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August at 5pm*

Admission \$2 pp

*Please come along and support our talented musicians*

Enquiries: Please phone Lenice 3770219 mob. 027 2488258  
Or Winsome 3761100 x 7829

## Careers Update

### Upcoming Liaison Visits

Thursday 27 August	Canterbury University	Room D3
Thursday 27 August	Auckland University of Technology	Room N5
Wednesday 10 September	Studylink at TNT all day	
Friday 11 September	Waikato University	Boardroom
Wednesday 16 September	WINTeC	Boardroom
Thursday 17 September	Otago University	Boardroom
Friday 18 September	Victoria University	Boardroom
Tuesday 22 September	Auckland University (again)	Boardroom

### Upcoming Open Days

Friday 28 August	Victoria University
Saturday 29 August	Auckland University

Please see Mrs Grant, Careers Advisor, if you require any further information.

## PTA News

Please see our flyer over the page and support us with our offer from **Sileni Estate**. Excellent quality wines at great prices! All profits will go towards helping with more outdoor seating around the school.

On the back of the information sheet is an order form and if you would like more forms to share with friends and family, then please email [alyson.murray@taupo college.ac.nz](mailto:alyson.murray@taupo college.ac.nz) and we can send these out to you. Alternatively you can collect copies from the college office or library.

Offer ends Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September (with delivery approximately one week later).



### **IMPORTANT DATE!!**

**Keep this date free:**  
**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**



*Two of Taupo's top chefs: **Prue Campbell** (The Brantry and Yum Catering) and **Jason Lewis** (formerly Bistro Lago, The Hilton) who both teach Culinary Arts at Waiariki Institute of Technology to up and coming chefs, will be in our hospitality rooms providing demonstration workshops with a Summer Entertaining/Christmas theme.*

*Wine pairings for each dish will also be recommended to complete your experience. Whether you want new ideas for entertaining or planning for guests over Christmas, this promises to be a fun night and not to be missed.*

*More details on times and prices available closer to the time, but tickets will be limited, so spread the word and mark it on your calendars now.*



PTA meetings are held once a month in the college boardroom, starting at 5:15pm – approximately one hour duration.

We are a friendly group of parents and meetings are relaxed with no pressure. It's a great way to be better informed with what's happening in and around college. We support the teachers and students and are a parent voice. If you would like to come along and see who we are and what we are about then please do, everyone welcome!

***Upcoming Meeting Dates:***

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October



**PTA Committee**

*From left to right:* Ange Edhouse, Margaret Raife, Sharon Griffin, Chez Taylor, Roewyna Loughlin, Sarah Monro, Tricia Golebiowski, Alyson Murray.

*Absent:* Sue Collett, Kaye Isaacs, Vicki Hohaia-Webb.





**REDMETAL**  
VINEYARDS

HAWKES BAY

## SILENI ESTATES & REDMETAL VINEYARDS WINE OFFER FUNDRAISER FOR TAUPO-NUI-A-TIA PTA

By promoting this offer you *know* you are distributing fantastic wines at unbeatable prices and Sileni Estates will donate \$40.00 (incl GST) per case back to the Taupo-nui-a-Tia PTA to assist with fundraising for outdoor seating. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Included in this offer we have some superb wines to enjoy over the winter months.  
extremely quaffable and perfect for those chilly evenings by the fire.

Wine can be purchased by the bottle or in case lots.

### LOOKOUT POINT ML Sauvignon Blanc 2012\*

**\$11.00**  
Per bottle  
(RRP \$15.33)

This aged Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc labelled for our overseas market has classic gooseberry fruit flavours with sweet honey notes and a soft and approachable finish.

**Food Match:**

Great with Seafood and Asian cuisine, or drink as an aperitif with friends.

Serve lightly chilled.

### SILENI ES 'Parkhill' HB Pinot Gris 2012\*

**\$13.00**  
Per bottle  
(RRP \$17.33)

This wine is from the award winning, sustainable Parkhill Farm Vineyard in coastal Hawke's Bay. The afternoon sea breeze maintains a warm, even ripening temperature that provides intense fruit flavours. The 'Parkhill' Pinot Gris was hand harvested and whole bunch pressed and has rich, aromatic stone-fruit flavours.

**Food Match:**

Best served lightly chilled with pork, poultry, seafood and lightly spiced Asian dishes.

**Awards:**

4.5 Stars - Wine Orbit Review, 2013

### SILENI ES "The Don" HB Riesling 2010\*

**\$12.00**  
Per bottle  
(RRP \$16.00)

If you like aged Riesling then this is for you!

This fantastic example is an intense and complex wine with classic terpene aromas, slightly dry yet full and smooth with flavours of honeysuckle & citrus.

**Food Match:**

Try this with white meats, Asian & Northern Europe cuisine or drink as an aperitif with friends.

### OVERSTONE HB Pinot Noir 2014\*

**\$16.00**  
Per bottle  
(RRP \$18.95)

This wine labelled for our overseas markets is sourced from Sileni's Hawke's Bay vineyards. The wine is a ripe and deeply coloured food wine, with concentrated black cherry and dark berry aromas following through to the palate where dark berryfruit and cherry flavours are supported by soft tannins.

**Food Match:**

This is a great wine with hearty pastas, roast chicken, duck and New Zealand lamb or enjoy with a platter of soft cheeses.

### REDMETAL HB Merlot Cabernet Franc 2014\*

**\$17.00**  
Per bottle  
(RRP \$19.95)

From our Chief Winemaker, Grant Edmonds', vineyard comes a fantastic wine.

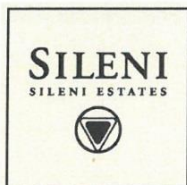
Dark purple in colour and bursting with super ripe dark berry and licorice flavours, with a subtle hint of oak. A blend of 92% Merlot spiced up with 8% Cabernet Franc for extra colour, tannin and aromatics.

From another great HB vintage, this wine is ripe, soft and full, with fine, rounded tannins and excellent length. Dangerously drinkable right now, but will cellar for 5-6 years if you can resist the temptation.

**Awards:**

4 Stars - Sam Kim-Wine Orbit 2015

*\*Offer available while stocks last. Sileni Estates reserves the right to change vintage &/or brand of wine offered to a wine of equal quality and value dependant on stock levels.*



**REDMETAL**  
VINEYARDS

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**TAUPO-NUI-A-TIA PTA**

**SILENI ESTATES FUNDRAISER ORDER FORM**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF SCHOOL FAMILY WINE ORDERED FROM: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send me:	RRP Per bottle	PTA's Special Price Bottle / Case	Order in bottles quantity	\$ TOTAL
Lookout Point ML Sauvignon Blanc 2012*	\$15.33	\$11.00 / 132.00		
Sileni ES "Parkhill" HB Pinot Gris 2012*	\$17.33	\$13.00 / 156.00		
Sileni ES "The Don" HB Riesling 2010*	\$16.00	\$12.00 / 144.00		
Overstone HB Pinot Noir 2014*	\$18.95	\$16.00 / 192.00		
Redmetal HB Merlot Cabernet Franc 2014*	\$19.95	\$17.00 / 204.00		

**TOTAL \$**

**\$40.00 (including GST) per case will be provided in sponsorship to Taupo-nui-a-Tia PTA to assist with fundraising for outdoor seating. Your support is greatly appreciated.**

- Offer closes on Wednesday 8th September 2015.
- The offer is available for personal consumption only. It is not to be on-sold and is not available to On and Off Premise licence holders.
- Payment must be made by cash or cheque at time of order.
- Please make cheques out to **Sileni Estates Ltd.** Please add full address and phone no on the back of your cheque. Your order will be processed after the fundraiser closing date once your cheque has been cleared.
- Please send order forms & payment to Sileni Estates, C/- Alyson Murray, School Library, Taupo-nui-a-Tia College, 122 Spa Road, Taupo.
- Phone No for enquiries— Sharon 027-2552979
- You will be contacted by the Fundraising Group regarding pick up/delivery of the wine. Please ensure you provide a contact phone number and/or email address.
- **Students are not involved in this fundraiser. It is a parent/teacher driven initiative.**
- *\*Offer available while stocks last. Sileni Estates reserves the right to change vintage &/or brand of wine offered for a wine of equal quality and value dependant on stock levels.*

**Payment Details**

- Please find enclosed: My cheque for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (made out to Sileni Estates) or Cash \$ \_\_\_\_\_

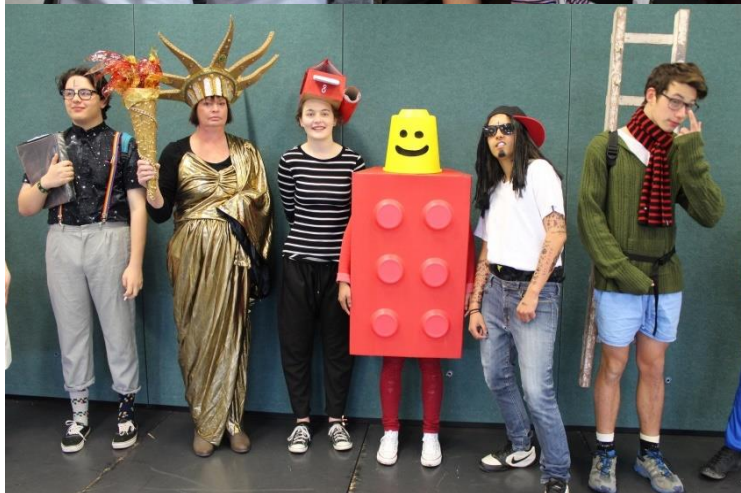
**I am over 18 Years of age (tick) Yes ☐**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Signature acknowledges that I am 18 years of age or over.

Persons under the age of 18 years may not order or receive wine on behalf of anyone else.

All wine to be sold by persons 18 years of age and over only





Spirit Week  
2015



## Engineering Boys Going Flat Out!

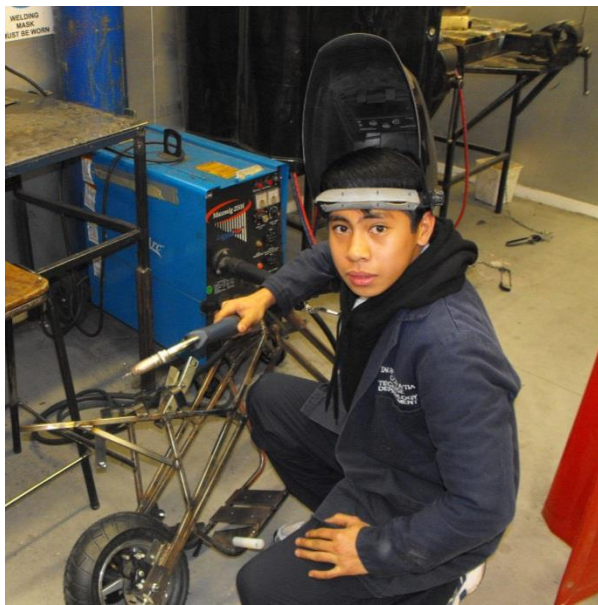


### Mini Bikes and Go Karts

This year engineering students are a capable, motivated bunch of young men. They are taking every opportunity offered to them and get into the engineering workshop and work on their mini bike or go kart. About six mini bike builders are keen to enter the National Mini Bike GP which is held at Manfeild at the start of Term 4. The challenge is to have their bike constructed, painted and tested before then.

There are also seven student-constructed go karts and progress is further ahead than previous years, so hopefully a race event can be held for these students as well.

It has been pleasing to see the independence and problem solving that has occurred during the year with many students proving they are definitely ready for the work force in the near future.







# !!!! ATTENTION !!!!

## NEW MEMBERS OF THE TAUPO TENNIS CLUB

As part of your joining package and as a new member the club will provide you with a tennis welcome session and a 4 week coaching program. It's Fun, Social, Free and a great way to find more about the club

All coaching session and Tennis Welcomes are held by Taupo Tennis Club Pro Kris Martin

Sessions start Monday 7 of Sept 2015

Senior Coaching groups Monday 7:30

Tuesday 6:30

Junior Groups TBA with Kris

Tennis Welcomes will be held Monday at 6:30pm and then every Monday in September, Booking essential

To book or for more information contact us on [clubcoach@taupotennis.org.nz](mailto:clubcoach@taupotennis.org.nz) Or [info@taupotennis.org.nz](mailto:info@taupotennis.org.nz)

All coaching is only available to fully paid members of Taupo Tennis Club

## Seay Earthmovers Limited – Sports Pages

### Sports Round Up **Andrew Maisey, Sports Coordinator**

Four seasons in one day! Yes, if it is not raining it is either snowing, blowing or perhaps some sunshine, so we just have to roll with it and I wonder sometimes if that is a part of why Kiwi's produce so many great sports people. We are adaptable to all weather conditions, never complain and just put our heads down and get on with it and support our team mates no matter what. My father always said to me, "son, it is only a bit of water and somewhere up there the sun is shining", so it is all in how you see it in your mind. Dress for the conditions, play to the conditions and don't ever give up! These were great words of wisdom that helped set me up for all of my sporting and outdoor life. Remember everyone play to the whistle, play with passion and play fair!



Photo: Our rowing team doing some early morning training in their off season in preparation for spring.

A huge thanks to Brenda Lawson and the parents for keeping everyone motivated on these early frosty mornings!

### Wakeboarding

Georgia Collard was recently selected for the NZ Wakeboarding Team to compete at the World Championships in Mexico in October! How awesome is that! We certainly are producing athletes at the top level across a wide range of sporting codes.

### Netball

Special thanks to Penny Homes Taupo for their generous sponsorship of the TNT Prems Netball Team. Due to Penny Homes' generosity, the girls have new team jackets!



The TNT Prems are performing well, currently sitting in the top three of the Taupo A Champ competition. Earlier in the season they played in a South Waikato Secondary Schools competition in Tokoroa, competing against five other schools where they were undefeated and won the final 41-15.

A huge thanks to Donna Jefferies who has run the scoreboard and Vanessa Carmichael for being the team umpire throughout the season for the prems. Thanks also to the supporters who brave the conditions to cheer on the girls every weekend!

As the weekly Taupo competition starts to come to an end, the next big focus will be the Upper North Island Secondary Schools tournament held in Hamilton this year from 31 August to 4 September.

## Team Taupo Scholarship Squad 2015

It was a great evening a couple of weeks ago at the Team Taupo Scholarship Squad presentation. A select group of outstanding young athletes from both Tauhara and Taupo-nui-a-Tia Colleges were presented with their scholarship awards helping set them up towards their own personal sporting goals. These awards are kindly and very generously donated by Youth Town Taupo in assistance with Taupo District Council, Chris and Cindy Smith, Jonty Garrick from Pilates and other wonderful people within our community.



Each recipient had to give a brief talk about themselves, their own achievements to date and their goals moving forward. I was very impressed with each and every one and quite blown away by what they have achieved already, and the high standard they are setting both nationally and internationally. A massive congratulations to you all – Kyle Smith, Jakob Larsen, Hannah Howell, Thomas Bishop, Fraser McClellan, Tahlia Pook, Johnson Bishop, Georgia Collard, Campbell Maclean, Aiden Lynch, Xanthe Sando, Mathew Forsyth, Corey Price and Ora Williams.

**Corey Price was also awarded the Peter Paul Cup for Outstanding Role Model. Fantastic and well deserved!**

## Boys' Rugby

*Our awesome 1<sup>st</sup> XV Rugby Team whilst on their recent trip to the Gold Coast, Australia competition.*

*In hot and humid conditions the boys played with heart, courage and determination to be very competitive and played well in the spirit of sport.*



The 1<sup>st</sup> XV recently returned from the Gold Coast Carnival where they finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in their division. They won four games and lost two, scoring 115 points for and 31 points against. The team and management would like to thank all of our sponsors for their support to get the team overseas.

For two TNT teams their 2015 season has ended. The U14 team ended with a good win over Western Heights 44-15. The team finished the season in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the U14 Championship division.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> XV played their last game in the semi-final vs Opotiki. Opotiki were too strong on the day. The team finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the 2<sup>nd</sup> XV competition.

Play continues for the 1<sup>st</sup> XV on Saturday 15 August in the Division 2 final vs Katikati. The team goes into the final game ranked first on the table, however it is going to be a fine battle as Katikati are the only New Zealand team to have beaten our boys this year.

**Congratulations to the following players selected for the King Country U16 Rep Team:**

Jamie Harrison, Joshua Rainford, Samuel Robinson, Bronson Singh, Matthew Whittaker, Darnell Williams.



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### Girls Rugby

Not to be outdone by the boys, our girls are also playing great rugby and have only had one loss (by only 2 points) this season and so are looking well on track for the finals! So it looks like rugby is deep in the school and going well. Congratulations to Ora Williams on her selection into the Team Taupo Scholarship Squad and for her great leadership skills.

### Triathlon



This is a popular sport in Taupo, and New Zealand is well known for producing world class triathletes, so it is great to see so many very good triathletes coming out of our school.

Kyle Smith has recently returned from competing in a series in Japan along with the New Zealand squad and racing amongst the elites. Kyle did very well in finishing 5<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> overall in his two races against some stiff competition and has his sights set very high for the future.

It is great to see so many younger triathletes developing well at our school and a couple of students who have been doing very well this year, and were also selected into the Team Taupo Scholarship Squad, are Hannah Howell and Jakob Larsen. Our triathletes all put in many hours training and are very passionate about their sport – the old saying still rings true “hard work pays off.”

### Junior Girls' Volleyball

The Junior Girls' Volleyball Team has grown from eight to 24 with new players coming along each week. This is fantastic and the players have been enthusiastic as they learn the skill set required to play the game. Whilst we have a way to go, we have made great progress and the girls really seem to be enjoying the challenges the sport offers. Training is on Wednesdays from 6:30pm to 8:00pm in the school gym. Volleyball for juniors is predominantly a Term 3 and 4 sport with all tournaments in Term 4. The way numbers are growing, we may well have three teams. Teams usually consist of between eight and 10 players. It is our intention to have every player who wishes to play, be placed in a team and experience participating in the three Bay of Plenty tournaments. The decision in terms of the number of teams will be made when we have determined the level of player commitment.

**Trials:** These will be held Wednesday 26 August from 6:30pm to 8:00pm, with the teams named the following day. Girls need to attend all trainings from now to give themselves a better chance of making a higher graded team. These practices now include skill work and games and give the coaches a very good opportunity to gauge player strengths/weaknesses.

Keith Marsh  
Coach, Junior Girls' A Team

### Junior Boys' Volleyball

The Junior Boys' Volleyball Team has also grown from small beginnings to a group of now a dozen or more. If they can show enough progress and numbers stay firm, the boys may also be keen to head to the Bay of Plenty tournaments. Training is on Mondays from 5:30pm to 7:00pm in the school gym.

DJ Tiplady  
Coach, Junior Boys' Team



## Boys' Hockey

Congratulations to the Boys 1<sup>st</sup> XI Hockey Team for winning the Bethlehem Tournament –

- TNT v Hauraki Palins College 3-2 win
- TNT vs Bethlehem College 0-2 loss
- TNT v Otumoetai College 3-0 win
- Final v Bethlehem College 2-0 win

Thank you to coach Robyn Harrison, manager Alan Brake, and all parents who helped with transport. This is a great win and lead up to the National Secondary Schools tournament taking place in Whanganui.



## Football – Proudly Sponsored by Bayleys

All teams have continued to develop throughout the season with notable improvements being shown in the college's U15 teams in particular.



It has been a very stop-start season with the FIFA U20 World Cup matches resulting in a number of no-play days. This was quite disruptive and led to a lack of continuity for all our Saturday teams. However, despite this, significant improvements in skill and cohesiveness have been achieved and this is a credit to the coaches and committed players. The boys' 1<sup>st</sup> XI are currently sitting in 3<sup>rd</sup> place and if they can hold onto or improve on this position this would represent a great result in this their first season in the Premier Division. They head away to Tournament Week in Papamoa during week 7 of this term. Good luck for the remainder of the league and for tourney boys!

The boys' 2<sup>nd</sup> XI have been doing very well and are currently in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in their league, with a top of the table clash this Saturday (15 August) away to Tauranga Boys College. Again, all the best boys – it would be wonderful to see you take the league out!

The U15 Red and U15 Green teams are currently sitting in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> respectively.

Girls' midweek football has kicked off again for Term 3 with both our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> XI teams ending up in Division B for the playoffs.

## Other Sports

Other teams that have been performing well are Squash, Basketball, Netball, Duathlon and Shooting. **Snow Sports are about to start up soon and with the mountains looking stunning it looks as though we are in for a great ski season!**

**Bring  
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say the  
sailing  
team!**



### ***Recognition – a view from the sidelines and from the inside***

We often say thank you to the coaches, parents and helpers but do we really appreciate what they do and just how much time they put into these students? I can tell you from my experience, observing from the inside of the bubble and from the side lines, that these teachers, coaches, helpers and parents put in a massive amount of their own time. Many hours every week are spent coaching, arranging things, making unlimited phone calls and even washing the team's uniforms in some cases! So next time you see the coach, teacher or parent helper please give them a pat on the back and show your true support. One last thing – If you are on the side lines watching a game please show respect to the referee, players, coaches and the people standing beside you. We are all role models and they learn from us. Poor behaviour on the side lines is ugly and not necessary.