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Kia ora everyone

As we come to the end of a cold winter term I would like to thank so many members of the Taupo-nui-a-Tia community for their continued support. This takes many forms, be it managing or coaching sport, supporting our cultural activities, fund raising or transporting students all over the North Island. Also, the fact that you have your children here on time, in the correct uniform is very much appreciated.

It has been affirming to receive so much positive feedback about our school production "Rock of Ages". Here is one of the comments received immediately after a member of the audience arrived home:

*"I have just got home after watching your Rock of Ages production, and what an amazing night I had! Please pass on my sincere thanks and congratulations to all involved. I was a Nui student in the 80's, and spent most of my 7th form year in pastel shirts and a denim jacket covered in Def Leppard, Whitesnake and Twisted Sister badges (Yes, I too cringe at the memory....). To sit in my old school hall, listening to the music I enjoyed so much whilst studying there, and watching such a talented group of youth carrying on the legacy of the college I love was very special.*

*To cap it all off I took along my eldest son, a senior at St Pat's, who is now adamant he will go nowhere but Nui when he graduates St Pats!"*

The show reflected the talent and expertise we have in the school – and this includes both students and staff.

We are currently seeking your thoughts on extending our period times to 90 minutes in 2019. It is important to clarify what this will and will *not* mean for your child. What it will not mean is students being expected to sit in a class for 90 minutes and lectured to. You would be right in assuming this would be a hellish experience and no doubt will bring back memories of your most boring lessons back in your school days. What you can expect is a lesson that can cover topics in depth with a variety of activities and tasks to enhance the learning. This could include group interaction, practical work, on line learning as well as some teacher directed learning.

We recently had a Deputy Principal from a college similar to ours that had implemented extended period two years ago. The evaluation of their change showed that student engagement improved (measured by an outside agency) as did attendance. They also found that the school was much more settled with fewer transitions between classes. Surveys from several schools that have gone to extended periods have indicated overall approval from students, staff and parents alike once they had experience the difference.

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## Cornerstone Values

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

## The Principal's Message

## Calendar – Week 10 Term 2 – Week 6 Term 3

July			
Mon	2	<b>Shave for a cure.</b> <b>SPiRiT WEEK</b> Y9 Leaders Day trip – Hamilton. <b>SPiRiT WEEK</b> U16's Rugby Trip to Australia. <b>SPiRiT WEEK</b> <b>Last day of Term 2. – Term 3 starts 23 July.</b>	Week 10 (red)
Tues	3		
Wed	4		
Thurs	5		
Fri	6		
Mon	23	Wellbeing Survey this week.	Week 1  (green)
Tues	24		
Wed	25		
Thurs	26		
Fri	27		
Sat	28		
Mon	30	Y11 Drama Evening Performance. Board of Trustees Meeting. Ryda Driver Education Programme at Taupo Motorsport Park.	Week 2  (red)
Tues	31		
August			
Wed	1	<b>Sports Photos in Hall.</b> Y9 Adventure Racing.  Waka Ama competing in the Weekend.	
Thurs	2		
Fri	3		
Sat/Sun			
Mon	6	BOP Ski Champs.  Dance NZ Made Interschool Comp – all day. Y13 Tourism Trip.	Week 3 (green)
Tues	7		
Wed	8		
Thurs	9		
Fri	10		
Mon	13	<b>Assessment Week.</b> <b>Assessment Week.</b> <b>Assessment Week.</b>	Week 4 (red)
Tues	14		
Wed	15		
Thurs	16		
Fri	17		
Mon	20	<b>Assessment Week.</b> <b>Assessment Week.</b> PISA Testing. Assessment Catchup. Assessment Catchup. John Parsons Presentation – Juniors – Period 1, Seniors – Period 3.	Week 5 (green)
Tues	21		
Wed	22		
Thurs	23		
Fri	24		
Mon	27	<b>Enrolment Week.</b> <b>Enrolment Week.</b> Board of Trustees Meeting. <b>Enrolment Week.</b> <b>Open Evening 6pm in the Hall.</b>	Week 6  (red)
Tues	28		
Wed	29		
Thurs	30		
Fri	31		

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Long term the extended periods will help accommodate possible changes to how we deliver the curriculum. This is in keeping with the proposed changes to NCEA that include project-based learning, interdisciplinary courses and stronger links to the world of work. For more information on the review of NCEA go to their website [conversation.education.govt.nz](http://conversation.education.govt.nz) and have your say.

It was pleasing to see so many parents at whanau day. We appreciate the fact that many of you probably must take time off work to be there, but it does highlight the importance you place on your child's education. We are endeavouring to make these meetings a reciprocal as possible where everyone has a say in supporting your child's educational aspirations.

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 3 is **Duty** which is defined as:

***"Willingness to do what is right or what a person ought to do; obligation."***

- The things that are your duty are the things that need doing that you see need to be done and that no one else seems to see need to be done.
- The right thing to do is still the right thing to do even when you are the only one doing it.
- The reward for doing your duty is knowing that you have done the right thing.
- At school, home and in the community find out what needs to be done and then 'just do it!'
- See the need, do the deed!
- Nobody needs to wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.
- The greatest reward for doing is the opportunity to do more.
- Good to do a good thing, better to do the right thing.

As a parent you can be proud that your child is part of a Cornerstone Values school and we appreciate the support you give from home in emphasising these values.

If you are new to the school you will notice that the college is proud of its Cornerstone Values accreditation and displays the Cornerstone Values logo prominently.



## Students' Success

### Zenith

Congratulations to Katie Donald for gaining Level 3 accreditation in the Zenith programme this term, Poppy Thurston for gaining Level 2 and also Brianna Partelow who gained Level 1.

## Road Safety Reminder

The traffic flow on Spa Road has increased significantly over the last few years. That is why we need your help in ensuring our students enter and leave the school safely.

Some potential hazards include:

- **Parents double parking on Spa Road and obscuring the view of traffic leaving the school** – we encourage you to use the drop off bay accessed through Gate 1.
- **Parents parking outside Waiora House at the start and end of the school day** – students are running across Spa Road to and from Gate 2.
- **Parents parking on Waikato Street across from the buses** – students are walking between parked buses to cross the road.



Obviously, we continually remind students and we police these areas to the best of our ability, but your cooperation with the areas identified above would eliminate these problems. Thank you.

## Bay Trust Centre Clinic Times

<b>Monday to Friday</b>	8.15am – 3:30pm	Administrator, Fiona Primrose
<b>Monday</b>	10.00am – 12.00pm	Anamata CAFÉ Dr Debbie Hughes
	9.00am – 12.00pm	REAL Youth Workers - Leighton
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.00am – 3.20pm	Nurse – Lois Butler
	8.30am – 12.30pm	Physio – Fox Physio
	12.30pm – 3.00pm	REAL psychologist - Antonia
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00am – 3:20pm	Anamata CAFÉ Lois Butler
<b>Thursday</b>	8.30am – 1.30pm	Physio, Fox Physio
	9.00am – 3.20pm	REAL Drug & Alcohol Counselling
<b>Friday</b>	9:00am – 3:20pm	Anamata CAFÉ Nurse Lois Butler
	8.40am – 3.20pm	Student Counsellor Valda Gummer

Note – BayTrust main doors are closed for 10 minutes after interval bells and lunch bells.

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## Proposed Timetable Change

Taupo-nui-a-Tia College has spent the last few years exploring new ways of ensuring our students are well prepared for whatever pathway they choose when they leave school. We have developed a Taupo-nui-a-Tia College graduate profile in consultation with students, staff and the wider community to help guide us with the skills, knowledge and dispositions needed for the future.

To prepare our students for rapid changes happening in the world there is a need to change aspects of the current model of schooling – a model that was developed for a very different world from the one today. The problems and issues the world is facing now, and will face in the future, are complex and require new ways of thinking and working.

We want our students not only to acquire knowledge but to think critically and apply that knowledge in a range of different contexts. Local and National research identifies a need to communicate effectively, be creative and to work constructively as part of a team. The need for our students to have a sound set of values that builds character coupled with a sense of citizenship have not altered and are displayed in our graduate profile.

In order to deliver the curriculum, we are proposing to change the timetable structure in 2019 to three 90-minute periods. The model developed would have school starting at 9am and finishing at 3.10pm. Schools that have already adopted a similar timetable have done so to provide time for teachers to provide deeper learning opportunities. It has also given students the opportunity to see authentic links across a range of subjects. The feedback we have received from schools that have adopted this model has been positive from their staff, students and whanau. They have reported that other benefits, including a more settled learning environment in their schools. Should the 90-minute period go ahead in 2019 the Year 9 intake in 2020 will be learning in a cross curricular environment.

We welcome feedback from parents/whanau/caregivers. You can email your feedback to [mail@taupocollege.ac.nz](mailto:mail@taupocollege.ac.nz) enter: Timetable in the Subject Line.



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# Te Arawa Manu Korero Regionals

## Te Arawa Manu Kōrero Regional Speech Competition Results

Recently Taupo-nui-a-Tia College hosted the Te Arawa Regional Manu Kōrero Speech Competition.

The competition was held on Thursday 31st May 2018 at Rangatahi Marae, Taupo-nui-a-Tia College. TNT students can be proud of their efforts on the stage and as amazing hosts. Mā pango, mā whero, ka ora ai te iwi.

The following speakers won their sections and will be representing the Te Arawa region at nationals in Gisborne this year in September:

- 1st Pei Te Hurinui (Senior Māori) - Mokonuiarangi Rangitauira - Te Kura Kaupapa o Ruamata
- 1st Sir Turi Carroll Junior English Paretoroa Webster-Tarei - Rotorua Boys High School
- 1st Korimako Senior English -Te Aumihi Hohepa - Te Kura Kaupapa o Ruamata
- 1st Rāwhiti Ihaka Junior Māori - Wharepore Hare-Herbet - Rotorua Boys High School



## Messages from the Office

### PAYMENT OF SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

We have a solution for you! Did you know that paying as little as \$5.00 per week via automatic payment can reduce your child's school account by \$260.00 per year. We appreciate the hardship a lot of families are experiencing, and we want to limit the financial pressure by offering this service without compromising your child's education or participation in future school activities. **PLEASE** give this some serious thought. We are here to help you and your child. An Automatic Payment form is available from the school office or email [sarah.walker@taupocollege.ac.nz](mailto:sarah.walker@taupocollege.ac.nz).

### STUDENTS FEELING UNWELL

All students that are unwell or require first aid **must** report to the BayTrust. The nurse or Fiona will contact home if required. To keep your child safe, they should follow this procedure. The students **should not** be texting home directly.



### SCHOOL SHOES

A reminder that the school regulations for shoes are as follows:

- Black lace-up school style shoes that can be polished.
- This excludes sneaker/skater/sports/canvas/ ballet/leisure/casual/converse style shoes.
- Black roman sandals with heel strap in place, black 'Rugged Shark' or 'Lynx' sandals with heel strap in place. **No** jandals.
- Boys can wear slip-on business style shoes.
- Girls can wear 'Mary-Jane' style shoes.
- **NO EXCEPTIONS.**



### BLACK WEATHERPROOF JACKETS/COATS

Only to be worn during Term 2 and 3 as an additional layer to the polar fleece or woolen jersey, not instead of school uniforms.

### USE OF MOBILE PHONES

A reminder to students mobile phones are not to be used during class unless authorised by the teacher.

- First time - confiscated for day – student to collect from office at end of day
- Second time – confiscated for day – student to collect from the Dean.
- Third time – confiscated for day – parent/caregiver rung to collect at the end of the day.

Please remind your child about the rules around mobile phone use, thank you.



### MISSING LIBRARY BOOKS - The search is on!

Search in your cupboards, search under car seats, search in your laundry baskets, search under the couch, search behind your bookshelves ..

A **big plea** to all parents and students. Please, please would you return overdue textbooks and library books. We have noticed, recently, that paying for them seems to be an easier option than searching for them.

When books are replaced this can sometimes take months as they are not always in stock at the publishers and they have to be sourced from overseas - and sometimes they are just out of print.





## TNT Production 2018 - Rock of Ages

Was a huge success – sell out shows! Heartfelt thanks to all our wonderful staff, students and our performing arts specialists who helped make this production such a success.





## Senior Ball 2018

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

*Albert Pointons Menswear, Brooklyn Hair, Café Baku, Chopper Worx, City Nails, Colour & Claws, Crème Brulee, Davids Hair Design, Empower Gym, Envy Hair & Beauty, Geneive Hair Quarters, Hair Mechanix, Hunting & Fishing, Lee & Co, Lisa's Barber Shop, Massage Clinic, Mt Ruapheu.com, Paperplus, Spacecraft, Taupo Bungy, The Brantry, Unichem Mainstreet Pharmacy, Vine Eatery & Bar, Vivo Hair & Beauty, Young Nails, XOX Florals, Trade Aid. Special thanks to Prue and the Team at Yum Food Catering, Louise and the team at SMK Food Truck, Sally and the team at Bloomin Flowers, Senjo Security Tracey and her team at Taupo Hire, and the Great Lake Centre staff.*

### Senior Ball Awards

King – Johnson Bishop  
 Queen – Mykayla Barnes  
 Prince – Joep Lenior  
 Princess – Lucy Mason  
 Bachelor – Josh Vennell  
 Bachelorette – Maia Takuiria-Mita  
 Cutest Couple Y12 – Amber-Lee Cryns and Ben Insley  
 Cutest Couple Y13 – O'Sharna Melling and Fergus McClellan  
 Best Matched Ball Dates – Julia Palmer and Aidan Winmill  
 Best Arrival – Mykayla Barnes and Johnson Bishop

Most Social Female – Maia Hura  
 Most Social Male – Jaxyn Tufala  
 Most Creative Hairstyle – Lachlan Hogan  
 Best Female Hair – Eilish Barrett  
 Best Male Hair – Ronald Mpofou  
 Best Female Shoes – Lani Skudder  
 Best Male Shoes – Matt Connon  
 Best Female Accessories – Charlotte Wigram  
 Best Male Accessories – Siasosi Tiueti  
 Best Nails – Kyla Allen-Jennings  
 Most Energetic Ball Participant – Rhyson Te Fono



## Thanks Taupo Businesses

**A BIG THANK YOU** for the generous support that the following Taupo businesses have given to our Technology Department for quite a number of years.

Without the kind help and support given to us by 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.



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Students in Year 9 dance have worked through Dance units exposing them to a range of dance styles from Musical Theatre to Contemporary.

Year 10 students have been assessed at National Curriculum Levels as well as NCEA Level 1. They performed a Musical Theatre Medley routine at the Queen's Birthday Dance Competitions against studio groups. Most of the students have only been doing Dance for a term and a half and their result (70%) is a testament of their hard work and perseverance.



EPD 1 and 2 students also competed at the Queen's Birthday Competition and gained Highly Commended (79%). They are well on track for DanceNZMade Interschool and will compete at the DanceNZMade North Island Exchange for another practice before the Interschool competition. All the dancers in these classes have achieved Excellence results for NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3 Dance standards – and they are only in Year 9 and 10!!

EPD 3 students gained a 3<sup>rd</sup> place (86%) at the Queen's Birthday Competition. They too are working hard to have a few items ready for DanceNZMade Interschool, as well as duets and solos. Like the EPD 1 and 2 students the EPD 3 students are consistently achieving Excellence results for NCEA Level 2 and 3 Dance standards.

Iggy Gloy, TIC Dance

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**MEGA**

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## Clay Target Shooting

Two female basketball players, Kaitlyn and Kaitlin, are standing in front of a scoreboard. Both are wearing black basketball jerseys with white trim and a yellow, red, and blue medal around their necks. The scoreboard in the background shows a game between the Hawks and the Bears, with the Hawks leading 45-37.

It has been a busy month for a few of our students competing the Bay of Plenty, Waikato, and New Zealand Secondary Schools Cross Country Champs.

The Waikato / BOP Champs held here in Taupo was a bigger challenge, with Alex Brackenbury placing 2<sup>nd</sup>, Casey Thorby 6<sup>th</sup>, Cullern Thorby 13<sup>th</sup>, Meile-Rose Green 15<sup>th</sup>, Morgan Edgar 21<sup>st</sup>, and Greer McLaren 29<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations to all of our senior and junior badminton teams for their performances at the Central Zone BOP champs. All of our junior teams have qualified through to the wider BOP champs, with a number of our senior teams following suit. Particular congratulations to Jack Logan, recognised as the most outstanding player at the senior tournament.

Our indoor football league has been a huge success this term with 8 teams participating in games over six weeks. There have been some upsets, some awesome skills on display, and some questionable refereeing decisions – but it has been a great way to spend the last six weeks. Best of luck to our teams in their final matches over the next week. A huge Thank You to Taupo Pizza Hut for their sponsorship of 1st prize.

## Rugby

After starting the season by winning the McQuilkin Cup for the second year in a row, our 1<sup>st</sup> XV Rugby Team began their season in the Chiefs Secondary Schools Competition. From here they moved into the Bay of Plenty Division One where they have had mixed results. Currently sitting on 1 win, and 2 losses into the BOP competition the boys have been playing good rugby and are looking forward to a strong second half of the season.



Our u15 team are sitting near the top of the table with 4 wins and 1 loss in the season so far. The combined college u14 team have had a tough start to the season. However, the boys are really starting to gel and are playing some good rugby. Our 1<sup>st</sup> XV girls have made a good start to their season and are currently sitting middle of the table.

Congratulations to Renata Ngata recently named in the King Country u/14 team. Also a big well done to our u14 team who did a great job refereeing the Taupo and King Country Primary School Rippa Rugby tournaments.

## Rock Climbing

We sent a large group of students to the BOP rock climbing championships recently. We picked up 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> placings in the Junior Girls Division; 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> in the Senior Girls Division; a 5<sup>th</sup> in the Junior Boys Division; and 4<sup>th</sup> in the Senior Boys Division. This event attracted over 150 climbers, so our results were outstanding.



## Hockey

Our boys and girls 1<sup>st</sup> XI hockey teams have continued where they left off last season. The boys finishing in 1<sup>st</sup> place at the end of round 1 of the Taupo/Rotorua competition, conceding just 1 goal in 5 games. Our girls have one more match to play, with 3 wins from their 4 games. Both teams move into the intercity league at the conclusion of this round as they build towards their national tournament in September.

Our boys 3<sup>rd</sup> XI team have had an equally exceptional start to the season, finishing round one with 5 wins from 5 matches; they conceded only 5 goals over the round and scored 36.



## Netball

It has been a busy first half of a netball season for all of our teams. Our Premier Team have finished the first round in a great position with 7 wins from 9 games. They will continue the second round in the top grade, and are working hard targeting the Upper North Island Secondary Schools tournament in September.

Both the Academy and Junior A teams will be competing in the A flight grade for the second half of the season, with both teams having some good wins over the past few weeks. Our Senior A and Year 10A teams will compete in the top tier of the B grade with both teams looking very competitive this year.

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### Football

Our 1<sup>st</sup> XI Boys football team have had a cracking start to the Baywide Youth Division 1 competition. Sitting 4<sup>th</sup> on the table with 4 wins, 2 losses, and a draw.

Our u16 boy's started the season slowly, but have recently pushed teams for their first win and a few draws. The boys seem to have found their feet, and are pushing some strong club teams to tight contests.

Our 1<sup>st</sup> XI girls football team have entered into the Baywide Division 2 competition and have had a successful start to their first year in a Saturday league for some time. The girls have currently 3 wins, 1 draw, and 2 losses; and are sitting third on the table.

Our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> XI girls football teams are both sitting near the top of the table in their Wednesday night Taupo/Rotorua football competition. Both teams have had some good wins, and pushed some good football schools in their narrow losses. It is great to see TNT football doing so well.



### Thank you

As I write this, we are at the end of national volunteer week. Sport in schools can't run without the volunteer coaches, managers, and officials. It can often be a thankless task, but we appreciate all that our parents, community members, and student volunteers contribute to make our sports programme as successful as it is. Success is often measured by the number of titles a school holds, or the number of representative players they have; one of our successes here at Taupo-Nui-a-Tia College is the vast range of sports we are able to offer. This is due to the people who are willing to put in their own time, to ensure as many of our students are able to participate in sport. Thank you.

***Simone Stewart, Sports Coordinator***