



TAMATEA
HIGH SCHOOL

**Ngā Pitopito
Kōrero**



E tipu e rea, ka tipu koe hei tangata—Growing good people for a changing world

Te Whakaputanga — Here-Turi-Kōkā/ 24 August 2023

Here-Turi-Kōkā/August

**Tāite/Thursday 24th—Paraire/
Friday 25th**

Victoria University and Massey
University Trip

**Mane/Monday 28th—Paraire/
Friday 1st Mahuru/September**

Mpowered programme for Year
11 group

Tūrei/Tuesday 29th

Career Navigator Mentors

Wenerei/Wednesday 30th

Year 12/13 Election Presentation
Kapa Haka group at Quake
Conference

Tāite/Thursday 31st

Malaga study session
3.30-5.00pm—for any student
(every Thursday)

Mahuru/September

**Tūrei/Tuesday 5th — Taite/
Thursday 7th**

Benchmark Exams

Mane/Monday 11th

Year 8 Transition

Tūrei/Tuesday 12th

EIT Te Pūkenga presentation

Wenerei/Wednesday 13th

Career Navigator—site visit

Tāite/Thursday 14th

Life Education Trust—Years 9-11
RYDA (Road Safety Education) -
Year 12

**Tāite/Thursday 14th—Haterei/
Saturday 16th**

Te Whanau Puoro—performing
at Smokefree Tangata Beats
National Finals

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Asia and Middle Eastern Week

Our school celebrated its diversity with Monday to Thursday of last week devoted to our Asian and Middle Eastern cultures. This culminated on Friday with our students cooking their country's dishesand then we were able to taste them. We are so proud of our students, they really threw themselves into making Asia and Middle Eastern week a success.



Ngā whakaaro o te Tumuaki

Tēnā koutou e te whānau.

Nei taku mihi mahana ki a koutou. E pukumahi ana mātou ki te kura nei ki te akiaki i ngā ākonga ki te whakatinanatia ō rātou whāinga, moemoeā hoki. Kei te putaputa te wene o te kura ki te hari ngā tamariki ki ngā wāhi mahi. Nā tēnei ka tuwhera ō rātou whatu ki ngā momo tūnga e wātea ana ki ngā wāhi mahi. Ko te huarahi o te umanga tētahi o ngā tino kaupapa o te kura nei.

Greetings to one and all. We're working hard here at kura to support our students to realise their ambitions. Our vans have been in and out of school visiting different workplaces to open the eyes of our ākonga to the opportunities that exist. Ensuring our leavers have meaningful pathways is a key goal for the school.

Pathways are informed by the options that our students choose for different subjects. This is the time of the year where we ask our ākonga to give an indication of their preferences for 2024. We are doing subject selections through our KAMAR portal which is accessed through our school website. Whānau Group Teachers have started helping our students to make their choices and we will have this process complete by the end of next week. Please have a kōrero with your tamariki about the options they'd like to take next year, why they want to choose their options and the pathway that the option leads to. There will be an opportunity during the hui whāinga (whānau/student conferencing) on Thursday 21st September to review the option selection.

We have been contacting homes about ākonga who are wearing incorrect uniform. Too often we are hearing that students are telling parents that certain items are allowed when they are not. Hoodies must be plain black (or Year 13 leavers' hoodies). Long black pants should be dress pants – not track pants, gym tights or jeans. Caps and beanies are fine but they must be plain black with no logo. Shoes need to be all black – soles, tops, laces and logos. Students should be wearing a white blouse or shirt or a grey shirt under their sweatshirt or hoodie. Any plain black jacket is fine to keep warm on these chilly days! We are in the process of making some changes to our uniform which we will be publicising soon – watch this space.

Term 3 is always a busy time. Our seniors in particular, have their noses to the grindstone working to complete assessments. Those of our Year 13 students who want to achieve their University Entrance need 14 credits in three approved courses, plus 10 Level 2 literacy credits and 10 Level 1 numeracy credits. Their total Level 3 credits must exceed 60. So it's a critical time. Please encourage your tamariki to keep coming to school. We are experienced in getting our ākonga over the line whether their goal is Level 1,2 or 3 NCEA or UE. The most important thing is to keep showing up and doing the mahi and we'll provide lots of support along the way. Parties and late nights should probably be kept to a minimum at this time of the year. Encourage your young ones to eat well, get plenty of sleep and keep focused on school mahi for a strong finish.

Finally, if you or someone you know is wanting to complete an enrolment for 2024, please go to our website and follow the link 'Year 9 Enrolment 2024.' Demand for places is high, so best to get onto it early.

Koinā āku mō tēnei wā

Matua Robin

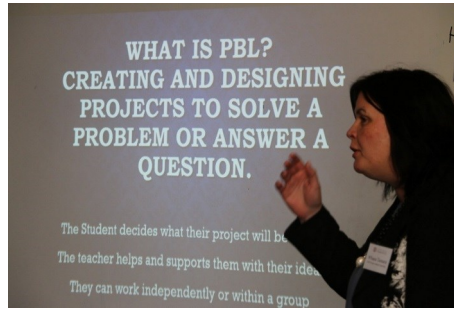


Competitions between Year 13 and staff are always fiercely fought. Last week's netball game was one of those events, with the staff just taking the win.



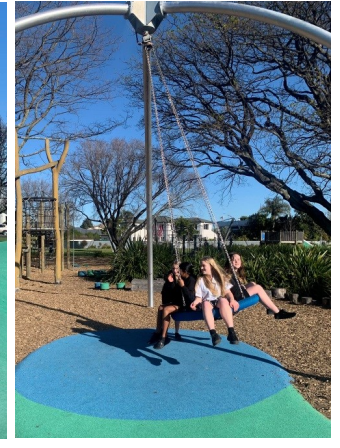


We held our Open Day on Saturday 14th August. It was fantastic to see whānau and their children coming to have a look at what we have to offer. Thank you to all of our year 10 Open Day ambassadors who did such a great job showing people around the school, and to our wonderful Kaiako who showcased their subject areas.



Year 8 students from Tamatea Intermediate recently had their first taste of life at high school. They took part in some cool activities and were able to hang out with our students at lunchtime.





Some of our Year 9 students were able to take advantage of our closeness to Anderson Park to take photographs for their wellbeing project poster.



Our Junior Horticulture class had some expert tuition on how to prune our vines. Ngā mihi nui to Larry Morgan for his help.



Greendale Tennis Club Junior Opening Day

Saturday 2nd September (if wet following week)

Juniors times:

Beginners 8.30 - 9.30am ages 4-8
Intermediate 9.30 - 10.30am ages 9-12

Senior 10.30 - 11.30 ages 10-18
(must be able to serve)

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