



# TAMATEA HIGH SCHOOL

## Ngā Pitopito Kōrero News

**E tipu e rea, ka tipu koe hei tangata—Growing good people for a changing world**  
**Te Whakaputanga—Edition: Poutū-te-rangi (March) 2023**

### Poutū-te-Rangi (March)

#### Tūrei/Tuesday 21st

Mahinga Kai—Senior Food and Nutrition class

#### Paraire/Friday 24th

Hui Whāinga—Student led interviews with parents and students

#### Tūrei/Tuesday 28th

Career Navigator 9am-12.45pm

#### Wenerei/Wednesday 29th

Strike Day (To Be Confirmed)

### Paenga Whāwhā (April)

#### Tūrei/Tuesday 4th

Career Navigator

#### Tūrei/Tuesday 4th—

Wenerei/Wednesday 5th  
Senior Wānanga

#### Tāite/Thursday 6th

Last Day of Term 2

#### Mane/Monday 24th

Accord Day (teacher only day)  
No school for students

#### Tūrei/Tuesday 25th

ANZAC Day

#### Wenerei/Wednesday 26th

All students return to School

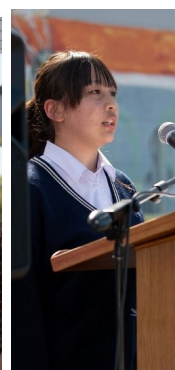
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We welcomed 11 International students to Tamatea High School at the start of this year. Some were here for 6 weeks, some for 10 weeks and others are here until the end of the year.

This week is the final week for Eriko Tobita, Aoi Nakajima and Ami Odate. They are from Sano Nichidai High School. Sano Nichidai High School is our sister school in Japan and both principals have visited each other's schools. We are building a relationship towards the future and hoping that we can send some students from Tamatea High School to Japan.

**International Students pictured with Matua Robin, Whaea Meredith (International Dean) and Whaea Mel (ESOL teacher)**



We were delighted to welcome back Curtis McOnie (middle left), Head Boy 2018, and his fellow soldiers when they took a break from their cyclone clean up duties to pop in for a Careers visit.

Students got to explore a Unimog and got to see (and for some taste) Army rations. Thanks to the Army for making the time for us and for all they have done in our community.



## Ngā whakaaro o te Tumuaki

Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

I roto i ngā āhua o te wāhanga nei, ka mihi atu ahau ki a koutou. Te Tumanako, kei te hoki te nuinga o tātou ki ngā orangatanga o mua i te haumākatakata. Koutou e pā tonu ana i te kino o te waipuke, nei mātou e tuku aroha ana. Hei te mutunga o te wā, e mōhio ana tātou, ko te tangata te mea nei.

A special greeting to everyone in our school community. Hopefully, most of us have been able to return to some level of normality since Cyclone Gabrielle. Those who are still being negatively impacted by flooding, our thoughts are with you all. It certainly reminded us what is important – our families and the people we love.

Our major focus over the last couple of weeks and for the coming four weeks of term is to get everyone settled back into their learning and focused on achieving their goals. One major component of goalsetting is our Hui Whāinga. Hui Whāinga used to be known as IDP Day and it's an opportunity for whānau group teachers, ākonga (students) and whānau to meet for 20-30 minutes and discuss progress and goals for each of our students. This year we are holding the Hui Whāinga on Friday 24th of March. Please go to the school interviews (<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>) website to make a booking. Face to face meetings are often best, but we are also happy to have a chat on the phone or zoom if that is easier.

Another important element of success this term is our Senior Wānanga which will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday 4th and 5th of April. This is the last week of term. Our junior students will have two learning from home days (we'll provide mahi) and our seniors will have the two days to complete NCEA activities. We hope this will assist our senior students to overcome the interruption that we experienced from Cyclone Gabrielle.

I'd like to take the opportunity to announce that Whaea Zac Anderson has been appointed as our new Deputy Principal. Whaea Zac has been the principal of Tiaho school in Wairoa and prior to that has been the Deputy Principal at Wairoa College. She has also worked for Waikato University on the Te Kotahitanga project team and taught at St Johns College Hastings and Flaxmere College. We're looking forward to the energy and experience that she will bring to our whānau here at Tamatea High School.

Finally, a big thank you to Matua Shane Hiha who was the tumuaki at Te Aute College. Matua Shane has agreed to step in to help me in the senior leadership team while Whaea Nicky is on leave for the next little while.

Koina āku mō tēnei wā, mā te Atua tātou e manaaki.

Matua Robin



### Learning in action

Science (left), Rumaki (right)  
and Maths (below)

Photos by Ruby Bloom







### Career Navigator

The team from the Dingle Foundation came in to meet with Year 12 and 13 and to explain about the Career Navigator programme. They presented the video of last year's students and then students tried some of the activities from the programme. Career Navigator students receive group mentoring, experiential workshops, which help them get to recognise their strengths and preferences, undertake workplace visits and attend Career Navigator events.

### Athletics 2023

Two records were broken at a hot but enjoyable Athletics Day. Year 9 student Hunter broke the long standing High Jump record while Tsubasa from Japan demolished the Boys' Cricket throw.



Congratulations to Tawa House who won the Athletics, Miro were in second place. Rata were third and Kauri in fourth position.







The Warehouse and Countdown Carlyle have enjoyed an influx of Tamatea students. The eight Year 12 students are completing a Gateway placement, learning about customer service, retail law and gaining credits for their NCEA.



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