



Taradale High School

Be determined. Aim high. *Piki ake. Kia maia.*

Newsletter 5, Term 2, 2011

Principal's Message

Tena Koutou Parents & Caregivers

As we approach the shortest day of the year, we also approach the business end of the school year. With the unusual timing of the school terms this year, it would be easy for students to get caught out by the brevity of Term Four (11 school days.) Final preparation for NCEA exams will need to be well underway during Term 3. I have enclosed the NCEA exam timetable on the back of this newsletter for your reference and it is also available on the NZQA website.

Senior exams

Seniors have recently sat exams. Please ask your sons and daughters about their results and if you have any concerns, contact the appropriate year level dean.

BOT Survey

The Board of Trustees is keen to know what you think about various aspects of school life. They are conducting a survey which is anonymous, takes only a few minutes to complete and touches on essential parts of school life. It will provide us with important information about how best to meet your aspirations for your sons and daughters. You will find the link to the online survey below and on our website. You will also receive a prompt by email. Please take the time to complete the survey by 3pm Friday, July 1st.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/S9PM8GLtaradalehighschoolsurvey2011>

Stage Challenge

Taradale High School's entry in the 2011 Stage Challenge Competition was spectacular and the awards won are listed later in this newsletter. The students demonstrated creativity and team work and wowed the audience with their dramatic performance on the night.

The Big Sing

The annual Big Sing on the 2nd June also saw outstanding performances from Taradale High School students. Audiences were treated to a performance from the Junior Choir, directed by Letitia Williams and entertained by the Boys in Blue performing Roy Orbison's "Crying". Highlights of the evening included Celtic Heart's rendition of "Sway" complete with dancers, and the senior choir's moving performance of "Vincent." Congratulations to Mrs Pierard for her innovative direction of the choirs and to all of the students involved for their impeccable attitude and behaviour.

Junior Social

More than 100 junior students, plus some energetic Year 13 Peer Support Leaders, enjoyed the Junior Social held on Thursday 26th May. We thank the PTA for their excellent organisation of this event and for providing supervision and refreshments throughout the evening. The feedback from students and staff has been very positive.

Mission, Vision, Values

Continuing to unpack the layers from our school vision, here's an explanation of what we mean by the value of Excellence: Excellence in...

Intellectual curiosity (passion for learning, innovation, asking important questions)

Respect (respect for self, others, learning, property, environment)

Integrity (honesty, good character, leadership by example, service to others, citizenship, participation)

Reminders

Our Mission: **Enabling students to reach their potential.**

Our Vision: **Young people who are confident, caring and committed to their learning.**

Our Values: **Excellence, curiosity, respect (for learning, people and the environment) and integrity.**

Coming Events

June

17 Chamber Music contest
Yr9 & Yr12 Speech Finals
20 Attitude Presentation
23 Student Assembly
27 International Students' Week

July

7 Freyberg Sports Exchange
11 PTA Meeting 7.30pm
15 Term Ends

August

1 Term 3 Begins



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Cross Country

Staff and students were delighted that the rain stayed away long enough for us to enjoy the annual school cross country. Congratulations to all who participated and to Hetley House for taking out the overall points. Results of individual races can be found later in the newsletter.

PTA Raffle

Ticket sales for the annual PTA raffle closed on Tues 7th June. The raffle will be drawn under police supervision on Thurs 16th June.

Sabbatical

A reminder that Mr Hensman is away on sabbatical from May 19 to August 15. He is currently in Ireland attending a "Thinking Conference." The staff hope that he enjoys this well-deserved opportunity to take a break from school and we are confident that he will return with some excellent strategies to make our school even more successful.

In his absence, please feel free to contact me through the school office.

Best wishes to all,
Mrs Liz Drury
Acting Principal



Congratulations to...

Netball

Paige Dean and Lesley-Renee Andrews who have been selected for the U15 Napier Netball Representative Team for 2011.
Kamaea Thompson-Paku who has been selected for the U15 Napier Netball Rep team for 2011
Brooke Mote, Nancy Rakete-Stones, Kelly Watts, and Constanze Streeter who have been selected for the Under 17 Napier Netball Representative Team.

Sailing

Daniel Cressey received a school colours badge for his selection into the team to represent NZ at the All Japan National Yachting Regatta in Osaka later this year.

Rotary Exchange

Lisa Clark has been accepted for a Rotary exchange to Brazil for 2012. Lisa will leave in January and she will be away for the year.

Dance results

Juniors

For competing in the Hawke's Bay annual dance festival:

Yellow team: Sarah Manktelow, Elaina Kelland, Leilani Malaitai, Ilse Viljoen, Stephany Van der Walt and Meredith Howe.

For gaining 1st place in the junior section of the Hawke's Bay dance festival:

White team: Danielle Williams, Nita McKenzie, Mollie Coulton, Kristin Witkowski, Caitlin Dine and Hannah Roche

Seniors:

3rd place: Blue team - Kerry Bredda, Alena Hausruckinger, Brydee McLean, Sofia Roberts, Courtney Hall and Paige Alexander.

2nd place: Silver team - Amanda Good, Rebecca Reid, Brydee McLean, Randy Glass, Damion Quate, Banri Matsuda.

1st place: Gold team - Ashleigh Witkowski, Laura Blackbourn, Melissa Coulam, Sarah Witkowski, Amie Osgood, Kayla Stanford, Rebecca Vanpreseuth.

Music

Rhys Wu recently gained a Highly Commended in the Registered Music Teachers' Intermediate Scholarship performing on piano.

Stage Challenge 2011

Jenni Coulson: Excellence in Set Design and Function

Andrew Browne: Excellence in Visual Enhancement

Jesse Byrne: Excellence in Costuming

Melissa Coulam, Ashleigh Witkowski, Sarah Witkowski and Demi McLeod: Excellence in Drama and Excellence in Performance Skill.

For participation in the Regional Festival of the University of Otago Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival:

William Atkin, Sofia Roberts, Ben Rosamond, Maude Morris, Ben Dark, Bailey Doyle, Cally Henderson. A special mention goes to Ariana Manning who performed and also directed the Taradale High School performance.

Cross Country Results

Y9 Girls

1 st	Laura Langley	Tareha
	<i>11.11 Record (previous 11.13)</i>	
2 nd	Caitlin Morrison	Kaiwhata
3 rd	Anna Udy	Hetley

Y9 Boys

1 st	Jacob Pollock	Kaiwhata
2 nd	Daniel Hardie	Hetley
3 rd	Luke Sambrook-Dixon	Hetley

Y10 Girls

1 st	Kelly Sunnex	Kaiwhata
	<i>11.01 Record (previous 11.55)</i>	
2 nd	Abi Collins	Kaiwhata
3 rd	Carly Reeve	Tareha

Y10 Boys

1 st	Dylan Binnie	Tareha
2 nd	Liam Hurst	Kaiwhata
3 rd	Adam Kockelbergh	Kaiwhata

Y11 Girls

1 st	Robyn Nicholls	Hetley
2 nd	Emilee Williams	Tareha
3 rd	Jenni Groom	Kaiwhata

Y11 Boys

1 st	Billy Kerr	Hetley
	<i>14.08 Record (previous 14.10)</i>	
2 nd	George Wrenn	Kaiwhata
3 rd	Braydon Coldicutt	Miller

Senior Girls

1 st	Claire Campbell	Hetley
2 nd	Kendele Hawke	Hetley
2 nd	Emma Rogers	Kaiwhata

Senior Boys

1 st	Regan Hughes	Tareha
2 nd	Josh Chiverrell	Miller
3 rd	Ben Andrews	Tareha

House points

1 st	Hetley 870
2 nd	Kaiwhata 799
3 rd	Tareha 754
4 th	Miller 726



Upcoming House Events for Term two 2011:

Term	Week	Dates/Days	Activity
2	7	16 /17 June Thursday/Friday	Tug of War – Senior/Junior
	9	24 June Friday	Noodle eating competition (part of international week)
	9	30 June 1 st July	Soccer Boys
	10	7 July 8 July	Soccer Girls
	11	14 July	Theatre Sports

SPORTS CORNER

This month our esteemed Student Sports Leaders have introduced a new initiative to recognise great sportsmanship and teamwork for all our sporting teams. A "Team of the Week" and a "Player of the Week" is announced every Thursday at assembly. Nominations need to be in to either Jono Cooper or Izzy Boyd by Wednesday of each week.

This week's winners are:

Player of the Week: Angus Webb

Team of the Week: Junior Boys' A Basketball Team

Congratulations to all of these students.

NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

On Friday 3rd, Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th June, three Taradale High School students represented Hawke's Bay at the NZ National Basketball Age Groups. Congratulations to Zane Hohepa, Darcy Walsh and Nancy Rakete-Stones.

TARADALE HIGH ANNUAL SPORTS DINNER

The date has been set for Thursday 15th September, and the ticket price will be \$5. Watch this space for more information.

Recent New Books

Boys don't cry by Malorie Blackman
Red tears by J. Kenrick
A company of swans by E. Ibbotson
Zero hour by M. Waldon
Now you see me by M. Kaye
Demons and druids by J. Patterson
The Emperor of Nihin-Ja by J Flanagan

Top five reads :

Agent 21 by Chris Ryan
The Politically incorrect guide to Teenagers
by N. Latta
iBoy by K. Brooks
Too Many Secrets by Adele Broadbent
Go ask Alice by Anonymous

Book Review



***Boys don't cry* by Malorie Blackman**

Dante thought he had his future planned. Depending on the results of his A-levels he was going off to Uni to study journalism. When someone is at the door, he assumes it is the mail with his results. Instead it is his ex and she has a small baby, which turns out to be his. Kendra, the mum, has to pop out to buy some things for the baby and does not return, turning Dante's world upside down, as he is left holding the baby. Lovely story, touches on some very sensitive issues.



During the first week of the April school holidays the **Junior Girls' Water Polo** team accompanied by Mr Karl Petersen and Mrs Carmel Gardiner travelled to Hamilton to compete in the North Island Secondary Schools Championships. The competition was tough and the girls didn't make the finals however the experience and challenge was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



HELP US CUT DOWN ON WASTE

We are very conscious that a big department like ours can generate a lot of waste in a week. We already give all of our food scraps to Mr. Allen's pigs but we are very concerned about the amount of plastic containers and forks, aluminium foil and glad wrap that our students use. Many of these items are just thrown away by students after use.

Did you know that aluminium and some plastics take over 100 years to break down in a landfill?

So here's what we have decided to do!

After our current stocks run out we will no longer have plastic containers or plastic cutlery available for students to use.

By the end of end of this term we plan to halve our use of aluminium foil and gladwrap, so it will no longer be available for students to use as a food wrapping.

Students are always welcome to eat their food in class, if time allows, or to come back and eat at interval or lunchtime.

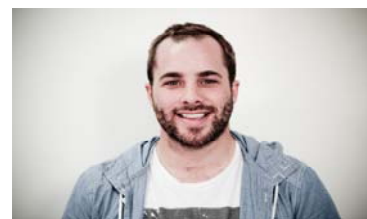
If students wish to take their food away they need to bring a re-usable container from home.

Parent Inc presentation for parents

Theme: Drugs. Wed 22/6 in School Hall

On Monday 20th June we will have a presenter at school to do three presentations to our students. Year 9 will have a theme of friendships and relationships, Year 10 and 11 will have a drugs focus and Year 12 sexuality education. These presentations which complement our Health programmes, will be presented by "Attitude", a Division of Parents Inc.

As parents we have much to deal with in this modern world and sometimes it's good to get some expert support. The School Board gives its full endorsement to this presentation which is being made available free of charge to all our parents in our school community.



We have been lucky to secure an evening presentation. Dave Atkinson will deliver this presentation; he has been part of the Attitude team for over four years, travelling New Zealand encouraging teenagers and has spoken to over 140,000 teenagers in that time. He now trains the Attitude presenters and is responsible for developing new talks and resources. Dave's passion for young people and ability to connect with and inspire them makes him a great asset to the Attitude team.

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity.

Kim Roscoe
HOD PE/Health
Staff Rep BOT

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Careers Events in Term Two

VUW INFORMATION EVENING: will be held on **Thursday 30 June**, 6.00pm – 8.30pm at the Napier War Memorial Centre. Parents and students are invited to attend. Please register your interest by email :course-advice@vuw.ac.nz

AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY ENGINEERING FUTURES EVENING: will be held on **Tuesday 16 August**. More information will be available in the next newsletter.

WAIKATO INFORMATION EVENING: will be held on **Wednesday 17 August**. More information will be available in the next newsletter.

CANTERBURY UNIVERSITY: OPEN DAY Friday 8 July, 9.00am – 4.00pm. The University invites students and friends to enjoy overnight accommodation in their Halls of Residence on Thursday 7 July at a subsidized rate. Please book online at: www.canterbury.ac.nz/openday/accom/

MASSEY UNIVERSITY: OPEN DAY: Palmerston North **3 August**; Wellington **26 August**.

VUW OPEN DAY: Friday 26 August. Taradale High School will be offering interested students the opportunity to travel to the Open Day on Thursday 25 August. Students will have the opportunity to visit Massey, Palmerston North on the trip to Wellington. There is also the option to visit Massey Wellington, Toi Whakaari; Weltec; Sir George Seymour on Friday 26 August. A letter will be sent home shortly requesting a deposit to confirm a placement on this trip.

AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY OPEN DAY: Saturday 27 August at the City Campus.

HALLS OF RESIDENCE (HOSTEL) ACCOMMODATION: All applications are on line. **Applications open online on 1 August.** All applications must be submitted by 30 September.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Students should consider applying for scholarships to assist with financial costs while studying at a Tertiary Institution. The Tertiary Institutions offer a number of scholarships. Please check their websites for information and closing dates. The "BREAKOUT" Database is available at the Taradale Library and at the Career Services, Crombie Lockwood Building, Level 1, Cnr Vautier & Hastings Streets, Napier. This database includes information on all scholarships which are available in New Zealand.

STUDYLINK: All senior students who are considering tertiary study are to attend a compulsory presentation regarding Student Loans and Allowances on **Wednesday 3 August**. Students will be informed via the daily notices and their Year level assemblies.

A new book has recently been published, "WHO YOU ARE IS WHAT YOU DO." (Heather McAllister) This is a well-researched book, a fun and easy tool to assist students in making Career Decisions which suit themselves. These are available online: www.beatnikpublishing.com

Parent Guides: The Universities publish helpful books, "Guides for Parents". These are available in the Careers Room. If you would like a copy, please contact the Careers Office, 650 4728



STAGE CHALLENGE 2011—Congratulations to all the students from Year 9 to Year 13 who participated either on or behind the scenes to make this such a successful and enjoyable event. Mrs Opie (Liason Teacher)

2011 NZQA Examination Timetable

Day/Date	NCEA L1
Tuesday 20 – Thursday 22 Sept	Mathematics Common Assessment Task (MCAT) for AS91027 administered by the school

Day/Date	Time	NCEA L1	NCEA L2	NCEA L3	Scholarship
Thursday 10 Nov	am	Media Studies			Drama
	pm	Art History	English		English
Friday 11 Nov	NO EXAMINATIONS ON THIS DAY				
Saturday 12 Nov	am				Statistics and Modelling
	pm				Science
Monday 14 Nov	am	Mathematics	Art History	Home Economics / Spanish	
	pm	Dance		Statistics and Modelling	
Tuesday 15 Nov	am	German	Accounting	Science	
	pm	Accounting	German / Te Reo Rangatira	Biology	
Wednesday 16 Nov	am	English	Latin / Media Studies	Samoan / Te Reo Rangatira	Classical Studies
	pm	Chinese	Physics	Art History	Physics
Thursday 17 Nov	am	Agricultural and Horticultural Science	Mathematics	Dance	Te Reo Māori
	pm	French	Te Reo Māori	Economics	Art History
Friday 18 Nov	am	Biology	Education for Sustainability	English	
	pm	History	Biology	Agricultural and Horticultural Science / Japanese	German
Saturday 19 Nov	am				Chemistry
	pm				History
Monday 21 Nov	am	Science	Chemistry	Chemistry	Latin
	pm	Samoan / Te Reo Rangatira	Drama	German	Music
Tuesday 22 Nov	am	Chemistry	Geography	Health	Biology
	pm	Classical Studies	Samoan / Spanish	History	
Wednesday 23 Nov	am	Geography	Dance / Home Economics	Geography	Accounting
	pm	Home Economics	Japanese	Classical Studies	Samoan
Thursday 24 Nov	am	Japanese	History	Accounting / Latin	Te Reo Rangatira
	pm	Physics	Agricultural and Horticultural Science	Mathematics with Calculus	Agricultural and Horticultural Science
Friday 25 Nov	am	Economics	French	Physics	Spanish
	pm	Social Studies	Science	Drama	Media Studies
Saturday 26 Nov	am				Mathematics with Calculus
	pm				Geography
Monday 28 Nov	am	Drama	Classical Studies	Making Music / Te Reo Māori	French
	pm	Te Reo Māori	Music	Media Studies	
Tuesday 29 Nov	am	Business Studies / Spanish	Social Studies	Social Studies	Chinese
	pm	Health	Chinese / Health	French	Physical Education
Wednesday 30 Nov	am	Music	Economics	Music Studies	Economics
	pm	Latin	Business Studies	Chinese	Japanese

All AM exams start at 9.30am

All PM exams start at 2.00pm