



Taihape Area School

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Tena koutou katoa

The term has passed at break-neck speed, with the days and weeks extraordinarily busy. As a staff we have been delighted with the majority of our students this term – they have worked extremely hard, are progressing well, and have made our school a great place to be.

There have been many **highlights**, inside the classroom and out, some of which are listed below: -

- ✓ The ongoing success of our **sports teams** over the winter season:
 - The **Under 19 Football Team** is enjoying a very successful season, and is making significant progress as the season progresses;
 - The **School Netball Teams** are all enjoying successful seasons;
 - The **Senior Hockey** team is performing extremely well. The **Year 5-8 Hockey** training has progressed well. This involved children from our contributing students;

- After a slow beginning the Year **9/10 Rugby Team** has enjoyed a very successful season;
- ✓ The Year 5/6 **DARE** Programme;
- ✓ The **Inter-House Sport** organized by the Student Leadership Team;
- ✓ The Year 7/8 **Young Leaders Day** in Palmerston North;
- ✓ The Room 8 Wellington experience;
- ✓ The **Celebration Assemblies**.

We celebrate the success of our pupils in many ways – assemblies, newsletters etc. **Now it's your turn – please talk to your child/children about their work, their term, and about school generally.** Ask them about the things that have gone well, and congratulate them on their successes. It is also an opportunity to set some goals for term FOUR, and identify one or two areas to try and improve.

Next term will be another very busy time. There is a great deal to look forward to including part two of the winter sports season, the Secondary Schools Tournament Week, Country Seven's, Winter Tournament (Y4-8), the Year 11 Careers Week, the Year 12 Leadership Camp, Book Week, the School Ball, and importantly for our Senior Students, Mock Exams.

With the unusual alignment of the terms this year, term 3 takes on a different complexion, and becomes increasingly important in preparing our senior students for the challenges of NCEA exams, and beyond. These students will be expected to knuckle down and do the hard yards to ensure they are ready and prepared for these exams.

The Year 13's also face the realization that their time here is almost at an end, and very shortly they will embark on the next phase of their lives. Naturally this can be a period of uncertainty, even anxiety. Our Deans do a wonderful job in working alongside students and their whanau. If you have any concerns at all, please make contact with them or a member of the SLT (Senior Leadership Team).

Not the best news on the sporting front over the weekend, with the weather severely disrupting the various codes.

The bad news continued with losses suffered by both the Silver Ferns and the Crusaders. How unlucky were the Silver Ferns with their last second loss to Australia in the final of the World Netball Championships?? This was definitely a lost opportunity as the Ferns were dominant for much of this final.

The Crusaders also lost the Final of the inaugural Super 15 Competition. It appeared that the combination of the extensive travel (over 100,000km!!) and emotional turmoil, caused by the Christchurch Earthquakes, finally caught up with them in a rather disappointing effort.

Finally I wish everyone a happy, safe, and enjoyable holiday.

Richard McMillan
Principal

The Week Ahead

Tuesday 12th **CAFÉ Closed**
Thursday 14th "Last Paradise" Film
Evening

Friday 15th TAS Students
Performing on
"Breakfast" TVone

End of Term

Saturday 15th TAS Students on TV
again

August

Monday 1st Beginning of Term 3

2011 Term Dates

Term	Start Date	End Date
3	1 st August	6th October
4	25 th October	8 th December

End of Term

The holidays begin at 2.40pm, this Friday.

Term 4 begins, and school reopens, on Monday 1st August. Have a great holiday.

Term 3 Events and Activities

There is a great deal to look forward to **next term** including:

- ❖ Year 12 Leadership Camp;
- ❖ Year 11 Career's Camp (Wellington);
- ❖ Year 11-13 Mock Exams;
- ❖ The School Ball;
- ❖ Winter Sport Part 2;
- ❖ Year 1-8 Cross Country;
- ❖ Mathex;
- ❖ Australian Math's;
- ❖ Book Week;
- ❖ Celebration Assemblies;
- ❖ Winter Tournament;
- ❖ Country Seven's;

- ❖ Junior School Cross Country;
- ❖ ...plus, plus....

Café Closed

Due to family circumstances, the CAFÉ is closed tomorrow Tuesday.

TAS Students on Television

This Friday and Saturday a number of students have been invited to perform on live Television as part of the **World Cup Roadshow Promotion**. Lauren Donne-Gregory is singing, while Jasmine Ruru, Charntelle Vaoga, Anahera Rudolph, and Renee Sullivan are dancing.

On Friday they are performing in Palmerston North on the TVNZ Channel 1 Breakfast Programme, between 6.30am and 10.00am.

On Saturday they are accompanying the Roadshow to Wanganui to perform again.

This is a great honor for these extremely talented students, and they will without doubt represent TAS, and the wider Taihape Community, with distinction. This is a fantastic opportunity for them to showcase their unique talents.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Trinna Santos who has been selected to attend the New Zealand Business Week Conference in Palmerston North these holidays. Trinna had won a scholarship from the Rotary Club of Taihape to make this possible.

Well done Trinna!!

Work on Gully

Work on the development of the Gully area has moved on with the construction of the first flight of terraced seating. When funding permits more seating will be built, followed by a picnic area.

Eventually we hope to install an adventure playground in the area behind the stage. This will complement the Junior Playground, but contain more challenging activities suitable for older students.

Panui from Learning Street

Congratulations to Mitchel, Aliyah and Cordel who all won prizes in the 'Ngaku Anderson Flag Challenge'. There was much excitement on Friday as the student from Years 1-13 tried to answer Ngaku's questions.

Netball

All netball in Taihape was canceled this weekend, only a couple of weeks to go. Closing day is Saturday 13th August.

Hockey on the Turf

We have some amazing younger hockey players who are spending their morning tea and lunchtimes with Mr. McMillan. Stars to watch out for are Hoani, Nikau, Jerome, and Whetu from **Room 1**. They are competing well against some of the Year 9 boys.

- Deb Logan

Hockey

Last week we played the third ranked team, PNBHS 10, winning 10-0 in a dominant, controlled display of full field hockey. After the poor and very disappointing performance of the previous week, it was wonderful to bounce back in such resounding fashion. This was our best performance of the season so far, and a clear illustration of the ability of our team.

Shelby, Rowan, and Eden were strong in defence. The mid-field of Kayla, Oliver, and Kerryn dominated possession, and provided a steady stream of ball to the forwards (Boyd, Ryan, Nathan, Zoe, and Hannah) who created numerous scoring opportunities. Our forwards are a team strength - Nathan highlighted his finishing skills by netting 5 goals, a notable first for him.

Due to illness and injury, TAS was only able to field the bare minimum of 11 players. It was encouraging therefore that some of the less experienced players, in particular Kerryn and Hannah, really stepped up, and played extremely well.

Special mention of Boyd who battled through the match although suffering the

severe effects of the flu – his efforts were an inspiration to his team mates.

Goal scorers were Nathan 5, Ryan 2, Oliver 2, and Boyd.

Player of the Day: Rowan Bradley.

Draw - Tuesday

TAS v Dannevirke on Turf 2 (Palmerston North) @ 4.15pm. The bus leaves at 2.30pm.

Dannevirke High School is currently second behind us, and will without doubt provide a real test of where we are at this stage of the season.

The first week (Tuesday) back after the holidays TAS is playing Fielding 3, in Fielding, beginning at 5.00pm. The bus will be leaving from school at 3.30pm.

Great News

Great news last week, from the **Pub Charity Trust**, of a grant of \$5,913.04 towards the cost of our participation in the North Island Mixed Secondary School's Hockey Tournament, scheduled for week 4 next term.

This grant also includes funds for Team Tracksuits. Last year our players felt a bit like the poor relations compared with other teams at the Tournament we attended in Napier – however this year we have a new playing kit, new track suits, and team kit bags.

Fund Raiser

Thank you to everyone who supported the Hockey Team's **McDonald's Fund Raiser** last Monday night. The team raised over \$420 in just over an hour, so it was well worth the effort.

Special thanks to Ryan for organizing this project, and to Shelby, Nicole, Bruce, Sean, and Bridget for their unpaid services in the kitchen, and/or behind the counter.

Area Schools Tournament

Next week we have a number of students taking part in the **New Zealand Area Schools Tournament**, to be held in Taupo. The tournament begins on Monday, and finishes on Thursday. The following TAS Students are participating:-

Rugby

Boyd Mower, PT Horton, and Zoe Whatarau

Netball

Te Puawai Chambers, Gracie Horton, Chante Rukupo, Jesse Anne Sincock, and Shivaughn Marurai

Futsal

Josh Fellingham

This is a fantastic opportunity for these talented young athletes, and we wish them all the best for a successful and enjoyable week.

Football

There was no Football on Saturday for our Under 19 Team because of the weather.

Rugby

On Saturday our Year 9/10 Team suffered a narrow 24-22 loss to Wanganui High School. This game was played in muddy and very windy conditions at Wanganui High School.

This was an excellent effort against a team that comprised a number of older players who were making up the numbers. Alex Hawira was the standout player for TAS. Alex led from the front and was extremely strong both on attack and defence, and led the scoring with two excellent tries. Robbie played well also and scored a deserved try. Others to play well were Kaine, Humu, and Dylan.

Netball

Taihape Netball was cancelled on Saturday because of the atrocious weather.

The Senior A Team, playing in Wanganui, lost 39-16 to Collegiate A, an extremely strong team that also plays Premier Grade Netball.

However the Junior A Team continued their excellent form with a 23-15 win.

Reading

The holiday break is a long time away from books and essential **reading practice**, for many children, in particular Primary aged students. It would be wonderful if all children could spend some time each day during the holidays reading, or being read to. The benefits will be long term.

The **Taihape Library** is also well worth a visit.



School Grounds

We love seeing the **School grounds** used during the weekends and holidays. Please remember to leave them tidy, and respect all School Property. It really soul

destroying coming back after a weekend, or the holidays, and finding rubbish everywhere, or damage/vandalism.

The School belongs to us all – please value that fact!!

KiwiCan

Kia ora Kiwicanners

It is hard to believe we have reached the last Week of the term already. We would like to thank our Students and teachers for allowing us to have another great term of Kiwican, and we look forward to an action packed term after the holidays.

To our Students, please remember the helpful hints we have talked about this term to keep our selves Healthy, and most importantly, the steps we can take to keep colds and flu away.

Keep warm and safe through the holidays, and we look forward to seeing you all as bright as a button next term.

- Wanda and Moo
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**TAIHAPE AREA SCHOOL
THE EUROPEAN ART TOUR
6 APRIL - 28 APRIL 2013**

**YEAR 11 -13
REGISTRATION OF
YEAR 9/10/11 STUDENTS**

There is a meeting for Year 9-11 Students and Caregivers who are interested in exploring the feasibility of this tour. The meeting starts in Room 20 at 5.00pm Monday 15 August 2011

Sore Throats

A message from the Public Health Nurse to parents/caregivers:-

“A sore throat can be caused by bacteria or viruses, and will usually clear up within 2 – 3 days. However, some sore throats can be caused by the *Streptococcal Bacteria*, and if not treated can sometimes lead to rheumatic fever.

Please see a doctor or visit the local Pharmacy if:

- The child with the sore throat is under 12yrs;
- Have earache, swollen glands, a rash or vomiting;
- Difficulty swallowing;
- Fever/temp above 39C;
- Difficulty breathing or swallowing or even talking;
- Sore throat keeps coming back;
- White spots on your tonsils or the back of your throat.

Finally - remember to maintain regular hand washing, and drink plenty of fluids (water).

Tips - Sucking on ice-blocks can relief some of the discomfort and also get extra fluids into the children.

Soft food will make swallowing easier.”



Quotes of the Week

“The doors we open and close each day decide the lives we live” - Flora Whittemore.

“One day your life will flash before your eyes. Make sure it's worth watching.”

School health clinic

- free & confidential -

Hi. My name is Vicki Andrews and I am the Public Health Nurse for your School. My clinic days are Mondays from 12.25pm to 1.05pm. You can come and visit me in the consulting room, next to sick bay.



I can help with things like:

- ⇒ Health information
- ⇒ Assessments
- ⇒ Advocacy
- ⇒ Support
- ⇒ Contraception
- ⇒ STI checks
- ⇒ Assist with health concerns
- ⇒ Referrals to other services and agencies.

You can contact me on 06 388 0926 or 027 491 2183.

This service is free and confidential.

RUGBY WORLD CUP 2011 ROADSHOW



In July, the Rugby World Cup 2011 (RWC 2011) Roadshow will be coming to you! The Roadshow is focused on bringing the stadium of 4 million alive, engaging and interacting with local communities across NZ, creating a country wide festive atmosphere, and showing people how they can be part of RWC 2011.

- The two best dressed fans on the day will win two RWC 2011 match tickets.
- Get your photo taken with the Webb Ellis Cup.
- **VISIT:** rugbyworldcup.com/roadshow



DATE: _____

TIME: _____

LOCATION: _____

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Join us for this great New Zealand Film
and a Kiwiana feed

Taihape Majestic Theatre

Tickets \$25.00 each
available at the TAS office

BYO wine/beer/glass

"Survival's greatest of
the wilderness are the
out who play it
tough..."

Taihape Area School

Fundraising for Student Sports Training travel fund

Thursday 14 July 2011

6.30 pm

It began in the remote beauty of New Zealand...

LAST PARADISE

Most
popular
NZ film
of 2009

A global quest for
adventure on the
road less travelled

45 years of stunning original footage
Featuring innovation, adrenaline and science
Inspiring for all ages



Cinema schedule: www.lastparadisefilm.com

Taihape Youth Centre

July School Holiday Program!

Monday 25th July; Leave The Hutt at 9.00am

Lets go adventure camping

Campfire

Spotlight

Grass Karts

Hobo Stove

Team

Vertical Horizon
24/7 Adventure Camp

Fun

Water

Initiatives

Raft Building

Orienteering

NZ Bush Nature Study

Arts and Crafts

Some of the activities available

Arrive back at The Hutt 5.00pm Friday 29th July;

Register with Dave at the Hutt, limited numbers.

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