

TE PAEPAE O AOTEA

<u>Kia eke atu ki Taupaenui o te tangata</u>

Newsletter - 7 June 2024

Kia ora e te whānau

Last week we had our first inter-house Waiata (singing) competition. Students were challenged to perform two waiata, one in Te Reo Māori and one in another language. I was really impressed with how our students embraced this challenge and the respect they gave to the different waiata from around the world. All houses prepared themselves well but, on the day, Tangahoe came away with the win. All students who stepped up to lead in this space should be commended for their courage. This event was a great way to celebrate the halfway point of the term before the long weekend.

Today marks the last day of Semester One for our students. This means learning programmes for both our seniors and juniors will be changing from next week. Students will be issued a new timetable on Monday morning. Parents and students can check their timetable over the weekend by logging into Parent Portal. You will find timetables in details and then by selecting attendance. Once you are in attendance scroll forward to Week 18 and it will display student's options for Semester Two. If you have queries, please contact their whānau teacher.

The link to the Parent Portal can be found on the school website as well as the school app. If you have misplaced your login details, contact the school office. The Parent Portal is an important tool for parents to monitor student attendance and progress. This is where you will find all assessment information including NCEA credits for seniors. Senior students have live reporting that can be accessed here, underneath each NCEA assessment you will find a comment from their classroom teacher. Junior students have their PAT assessments as well as the curriculum level that they are working at in each course. As always, please connect with the whānau or course teacher if you require further information about your child's progress. All students will receive a formal report before the end of Term 2.

Earlier this term many of our Year 10 and 11 students sat the CAA (Common Assessment Activity) assessments. Staff were really impressed with how students prepared themselves for these assessments and the effort they displayed sitting them. We now have about a two month wait before students receive their grade. Students who are unsuccessful this time around will get another opportunity to sit them in September. September will also be an opportunity for many of our Year 9 students to sit the CAA's.

This weekend we have our school Ball. Always an exciting time of the year for our students. Our senior students have spent a great deal of time organising and preparing for this event and I know it will be a fantastic evening.

Week four saw our Year 7 and 8 students compete in our annual Highlands exchange. Competition on the field was extremely tough but I was impressed with the resilience and attitude our students displayed throughout the day. The next day I heard from their principal congratulating our students on being wonderful hosts and displaying our school values.

Winter sports have started for our students and it has been great to see the commitment our students are showing in their chosen sport. I know with this level of commitment they will learn and improve throughout the year. Keep encouraging them to attend their trainings and to be fully prepared for their games. We are very proud of all our students who represent us in sports.

The major event coming up is our school production of the Lion King Jr. Our students and staff have been working hard in this space to ensure we deliver an amazing production. Please continue to support our students as they prepare and don't forget to purchase your tickets! This is going to be an amazing showcase of the talent we have in our school.

Thank you to everyone who has worked with us to get our students in the correct uniform. This has been a massive undertaking and we are nearly there. All students should now be in the correct uniform or have a uniform plan in place (often this is if some items are on back order). We are extremely appreciative of all the work that families have done in this space.

Attendance at school matters, please continue to check Parent Portal and have conversations with your child if you notice any absences. Connect with us if you need to discuss absences. The goal is for all our students to attend school more than 90% of the time. A high attendance rate gives them the best possible chance of being successful in the school environment.

We have recently received notification that Ebony Kalin has received a full scholarship to Duke University. Ebony was one of our Head Students last year and balanced her leadership role with being our supreme Taupaenui Academic recipient at prizegiving. Gaining a full scholarship is an exceptional achievement as most students who get scholarships for American Universities only receive part scholarships. We are very proud of Ebony's achievements and know she will make the most of the opportunity given to her. Ebony will head to Duke University later in the year but until then you will find her contributing to our community through her work with STDC and coaching the Taranaki U16 girls' representative hockey team.

Ngā mihi Rachel Williams **Tumuaki**



School Policies

The school has a subscription with SchoolDocs to maintain, update and review our policies. SchoolDocs provide us with a comprehensive core set of policies that are well researched and follow the Ministry of Education National Administration Guidelines. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school and we supply specific information such as our charter together with procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents, etc.

SchoolDocs update, modify or create policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team.

We invite you to visit the site at https://tepaepaeoaotea.schooldocs.co.nz

SchoolDocs login details

Username tepaepaeoaotea
Password excellence



Policies for review Term 2

- Appointment Procedure
- Equal Employment Opportunities
- Teacher Relief Cover
- Safety Checking
- Police Vetting for Non-Teachers
- Timetable

Please login to SchoolDocs at any time to read and give feedback on these policies.

Tuakana Teina Time (Fridays 1.45pm – 3.00pm)

The wider school community is welcome to join us for events highlighted orange.

Term Two	
Week 7	Tuakana Teina in class • Juniors e-portfolio • Seniors Tracking
8	Round Four: Head Leaders Challenge
9	Matariki – Public Holiday Friday, 28 June
10	Whole School Assembly – Friday, 7 July, TSB Hub

Term Three		
Week 1	Whole School Assembly – Friday, 26 July, TSB Hub	
2	Mathletics Quiz - Juniors Town v Country - Seniors	
3	Kapa Haka Practice	
4	Kapa Haka Practice	
5	Kapa Haka Practice	
6	Inter-Awa Kapa Haka Comp – Friday, 30 August, TSB Hub	
7	Whole School Assembly – Friday, 6 September, TSB Hub	
8	Study for Seniors Junior Quiz run by junior leaders	
9	Town v Country - Juniors Senior - exams	

Term Four	
Week 1	Whole School Assembly – Friday, 18 October, TSB Hub
2	Study for Seniors
3	End of Semester Two
4	STEM Challenge
5	Goofy Games
6	Tabloids
7	Camp meetings

Blue indicates Juniors Only weeks.

The tuakana—teina relationship, an integral part of traditional Māori society, provides a model for buddy systems. An older or more expert tuakana (brother, sister or cousin) helps and guides a younger or less expert teina (originally a younger sibling or cousin). In a learning environment that recognises the value of ako, the tuakana—teina roles may be reversed at any time. For example, the student who yesterday was the expert on te wā and explained the lunar calendar may need to learn from her classmate today about how manaakitanga (hospitality) is practiced by the local hapū.

<u>The concept of a tuakana–teina relationship / Aspects of planning / Teaching and learning te reo</u> Māori / Curriculum guidelines / Home - Te reo Māori (tki.org.nz)

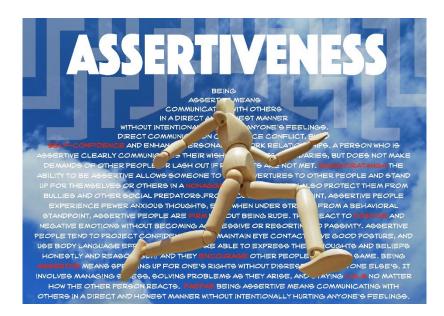
Te Paepae o Aotea Building Update from the Ministry



On Tuesday, 5 May 2024, the Ministry of Education met with the Establishment Board of Trustees (EBOT) to discuss and commence the master planning process for the future redevelopment of Te Paepae o Aotea.

The next step is to engage the services of a master planning/lead design consultant who will work closely with the Ministry of Education and EBOT to develop a master plan and concept drawings.

We look forward to getting this project underway and will continue to provide regular updates to ensure the school and wider community remain informed of progress throughout each stage of the redevelopment project.



Our Social and
Emotional
Learning focus
for this week.
This work is
completed each
morning in
Whānau Hui.



NEW CANTEEN HOURS

MONDAY CLOSED

Tuesday-Thursday

Open at Morning tea & Lunch

Friday is now

Fundraiser Friday

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SNEAK PEEK









Cell Phone Implications

Our front office staff are finding it difficult to locate students during break times if they need to leave school for appointments. Please communicate to your child before school if they have an appointment that day. Alternatively, please communicate your child's appointment time to the office outside of break times so they can get a message to their classroom.

Break times are Morning tea 11.15am – 11.45am / Lunch 1.15pm – 1.45pm

Confiscated Cell Phones

First time offence: Student cell phones can be collected by students at the end of the day. If a student is leaving early during the day, the office will ring home to confirm the student is not returning later in the day before they will issue them their cell phone.

Second and subsequent offences: Student cell phones will need to be collected by a caregiver. If they are leaving early, a parent will still need to come to school to collect their phone.

Attendance and Engagement

The Ministry of Education has released the following guide to help support parents and caregivers to have their children attend school and develop habits of regular attendance.

Student attendance: Guide for parents and caregivers – Ministry of Education

After School Senior Academic Support			
The following opportunities are available for students to seek extra			
support in their subjects during Term 2, 3.15-4.00pm			
Sciences	Tuesday – JBA		
	Wednesday – GBA		
	Friday – EPL/TWI		
Mathematics	L2: Tuesday		
	L1: Wednesday		
	L3: Thursday		
Photography	Monday		
Visual Arts	Tuesday		
Digital Technology	Thursday		
English	Monday		



Te Paepae o Aotea Head Leader News

7 June 2024

COMMUNITY LEADER

Emilia Scott





We have completed semester one and we're halfway through the year. The first semester has been extremely busy. Over the first semester, three of the awa have completed the community leader's amazing race. This is a great event where junior and senior students get to work together to complete various tasks.

We have raised money to support Relay for Life, Pink Shirt Day and the Westpac Chopper appeal. Thank you to everyone who supported these fundraisers. They were all very successful.

We also organised a group of students to participate in Relay for Life. This was an amazing day out, with our team walking over 650km. I would encourage students to join Relay for Life next year if they didn't get involved this year. To end the semester, the Year 12 and 13 students have their School Ball. We invite you to come to the HUB at 6.30pm on Saturday to watch all the entrances and see your fellow students all dressed up.

Next semester there will be lots to look forward to. In a couple weeks, Kaūpokonui will be the last awa to complete our amazing race. I hope all students enjoy this. Later in the year we will also be holding a shave-a-thon. More information will come out soon. Any students interested in getting involved, let one of the community leaders know. We also encourage any girls with long hair to join in and donate their hair, rather than shaving their heads. We know it can be bit daunting but donating your hair makes just as much of an impact.

Semester one has been awesome. Let's make semester two just as good.

Ngā mihi Emilia Scott

ACADEMIC LEADER

Kaia Silva



Kia Ora

This week's 'Spotlight On!' focuses on an operations manager - be sure to check that out.

This week marks the end of semester one. Semester two gets underway on Monday. Whether you are continuing a full year course or swapping to a half semester, make sure you are putting in heaps of effort and getting the results you're striving for.

As seniors start to move into external learning, please ensure you are utilising study methods that work for you, to help keep this content in your mind until exams come around.

Ngā Mihi Kaia Silva

SPORTS LEADER

Sha-meel Chengan



Kia Ora,

I hope everyone enjoyed their long weekend, which was very much needed, but we're back into things now and as we're halfway there, stay on track and put in the work.

It's painful to say but congratulations to Waingongoro for taking out the senior LRA netball and a big thank you to all those who turned up. There was significant improvement to numbers so thank you seniors.

Further congratulations to all our juniors taking part in basketball on a Wednesday night. Keep up the excellent work and continue to play hard. It's very good to see all three teams racking up the wins each week. Good luck to all the teams playing on the weekend. Play hard and get the win.

To our seniors, a big weekend is coming, Prom night!!! Please do enjoy and soak in the last few moments we all have together. We hope the seniors have a great night and a time to remember. Stay safe and enjoy.

Ngā mihi Sha-meel Chengan

CULTURAL LEADER

Tamati Horo



Kia Ora everyone,

Last week we had the Awa Waiata competition and I'd like to say a massive congratulations to everyone for participating and 'Well done, Tangahoe' on the win. This was one of our first proper activities as a cultural committee and we look forward to running more during the term

We're already over halfway through term 2 so seniors, keep grinding for those credits. Also, with the end of the first semester fast approaching, to all those students changing subjects, make sure to work hard and put in the effort.

20 June is the first Lion King show. Make sure to get your tickets from iticket.co.nz or the Hawera iSite. LRA's are underway. It's great to see so many students participating - go whenever you can. The final head leader challenge is scheduled for Week 8. Be sure you participate and have fun.

Year 13's, there's 17 weeks left (or so Matua Mahaki said) so make the most of everything. I look forward to seeing what the rest of the term brings. Have fun. Work hard.

Ngā mihi Tamati Horo



OPERÁTIONS MANAGER













1. Did you envision yourself in this career?

Yes, I have always had a passion and interest in finance, economics and mathematics. My dad was an accountant, so I used to hear a lot of conversations about finances and money from a young age.

2. How did you end up in this position?

It was all due to experience. In my opinion, first you have to learn the ins and outs of a business before you take a management position. You must prove to the rest of the team and to yourself that you have what it takes to be a good leader and manager.

3. What would you say is the hardest part of this career?

In a management position you have to be available 24/7; an urgent issue may arise out of business hours and you need to be available to solve it. Also, you must learn to prioritize and manage your time efficiently.

4. What are some benefits of this job?

I get to work with a team and hear different points of view as well as perspectives that ultimately help me make important business decisions or to solve a problem.

5. What would you rate your job?

I would highly rate this job. It is fun because every day is like a new chapter and my duty is to make sure the business and operations run

6. What is the range that you could earn in this career? (entry level vs experienced)

It is hard to say at entry level because you need to build up your skills to reach a management position. The salary may range between \$100K - \$150K depending on the industry. However, if you gain experience and become a senior manager you may have an opportunity to earn more.

7. What did the training entail?

To be an Operations Manager, it is recommended to obtain a degree in Finance, Accounting or Management. Knowledge of spreadsheet software such as Excel is required because you will be dealing with lots of numbers, statistics, tables, graphs, etc. Furthermore, my post graduate degree as an MBA (Master in Business Administration) has allowed me to learn skills and techniques that assist me to do my job well.

8. What skills help you in this job?

Definitely attention to detail. Also, being organized, social, friendly and good at multitasking will help you build a successful career in management. Additionally, being patient and good at problem solving will come in handy. Lastly, building up your Emotional Intelligence (EQ) and communication skills will play an important role in being a good manager.

9. What is your favourite aspect of this job?

Learning how the market and various economic factors can affect a business. Pandemics, elections, weather, inflation, laws, Central Bank regulations, etc. can dictate how business activities flow throughout the year. Not every day is the same.

10.In high school, what are some opportunities that could help put people ahead?

I recommend working hard in mathematics to become a super star or at least know your way around numbers. Joining a sports team and learning how to work with others to become a leader, as well as speaking in public, is also important. Furthermore, being involved and making an impact in your community will help you broaden your perception of the place you live in and the world.



Student Success



Tangahoe win Inter-Awa Waiata Competition

On Friday, 31 May Te Paepae o Aotea held a inter-Awa Waiata competition. Great efforts from all our Awa's with Tangahoe winning First place; Second Kaūpokonui; Third Waingongoro and Fourth Place Pātea.







Purchase your Disney The Lion King JR tickets here:

https://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2024/jun/lion-king-jr



Are you ready to embark on an exciting journey of learning and exploration?

Te Paepae o Aotea Taupaenui Badges are our homework program for year 7 & 8 students.

What are Taupaenui Badges, you ask? Well, imagine a treasure trove of fascinating homework projects, each one a shiny badge waiting for you to earn. From the depths of history to the wonders of science, and everything in between, there's a badge for every curious mind.

Here's how it works:

Taupaenui Badges is completely optional, but oh-so-rewarding! You get to choose which badges you want to tackle, whether it's diving into the mysteries of space or uncovering the secrets of ancient civilizations. Each badge comes with a variety of tasks, each worth a different number of stars.

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to complete a total of 20 stars' worth of tasks to the best of your ability. Don't worry, you can complete them either digitally or with good ol' pen and paper – whatever suits your style!

Once you've conquered your chosen tasks, it's time to submit them to the one and only Mrs Surgenor for marking. If your work shines bright like a star in the night sky, you'll be rewarded with a certificate of achievement and, drumroll please, your very own Taupaenui badge!

Picture yourself proudly wearing that badge at the next Awa assembly, knowing that you've ventured into the realms of knowledge and emerged victorious.

So, what are you waiting for? Let the quest for Taupaenui begin!

Dive in, explore, and let your curiosity guide you to greatness. The adventure awaits!

Please click on the link below for ALL Badge information:

AAA Year 7-8 Taupaenui badge information.pdf



Sports News

Kia ora whanau

Wow, we are already half way through the year and it's been epic seeing the volume of students being active at interval/lunchtimes and in their school sports teams.

I think it is super important to take this time to thank all the amazing parents, caregivers, whanau and staff for your ongoing support and help with our tamariki. I have been really impressed and thankful for you giving up your time when I've needed officials or the odd parent manager to run teams at the very last minute. It's overwhelming when I read messages offering help at the next event or exchange before I even ask. THANK YOU!

This term, I have been very proactive of upholding our expectations for students to play sports or to attend events. It has been great to see the change in attitudes and commitment shown from our students as they are aware of the consequences that could come through their own actions.

I ask as parents, caregivers, staff and wider whanau we continue to awhi/support these expectations for our tamariki.

Expectations to play sports or attend events:

- Have 80% attendance in school.
- Follow and uphold our school values and expectations.
- Wear correct school uniform at all times in school and to events when asked.
- Have a satisfactory behaviour record and be respectful to staff and students.

Contact will be made with students if the above is not met.

TSSSA Cross Country

Great to see 30 students representing our school at the TSSSA Cross Country which was held at the Egmont A&P Showgrounds. Several students finished in the top 10 of their age groups. Congratulations to:

Maddison Sturgeon – 3rd place Junior Girls

Drej Climo – 3rd place Junior Boys

Thank you to Hayden Sturgeon and his troopers for setting up the track and being marshals on the day. A well-oiled team who made the day a success as well.

Good luck to Te Paepae o Aotea students who will be competing in the 2024 New Zealand Cross Country Championships, 15th-16th June in Christchurch: Ryan Finey, Lachlan Wills, Cayden Hughes, Mikayla Arnold, Maddison Sturgeon and Drej Climo.

TSSSA Netball

Under some very wet conditions we have six teams play in the TSSSA Netball – two mixed, one boys and three competitive teams. What was great about the day was seeing some extraordinary game play from our boys!

Conditions played a huge part with messy games however, the laughs and fun that everyone had outweighed the weather conditions. Unfortunately, half-way through the tournament it got cancelled.

Our Senior A Netball team hadn't lost a game and placed 2nd equal overall.

TSSSA eSports

This was my first time attending an eSports gig, and wow... what an eye opener! It can be intense, very tactical, different vocab however strangely entertaining. 20 students participated in eSports which was held at the Ngati Ruanui 2NUicode Esports. Teams of three could compete in either Fornite or Rocket League.

Well done to our TPOA teams who placed 1st and 2nd in Fortnite:

1st – Seth Lewis, Josh Kalin, Wiley Campbell, Koryn Terrill (this team have won it for the 2nd year in a row)

2nd – Christian McCrea, Emily-Rose Davis, Tay D'Ath, Blake Harris

Thank you to Whae Marea for hosting the day and keeping our kids in check.

TSSSA Badminton

35 students participated in non-competitive Badminton held in Hawera at the HUB. Te Paepae o Aotea had 18 doubles teams. This was a fun day with some serious game play and some who were just happy that they hit the shuttlecock and it went over the net. Great to see good numbers.

TPOA School Champion - Golf

Kai pai and well deserved 2024 Overall Top Golf Champion – Divan Denton Our school champs was held at Te Ngutu Golf Course. Thank you to Mr Barnard and parents for your help.

Huge thank you to Te Ngutu Golf Club, Ladies Golf group and Robert Larsen for allowing our school to play our champs on stunning course.

Congratulations to our talented students who have achieved some great results in sports:

Elizabeth Cudby and Ayla Bond

Representing New Zealand Roller Skating team to compete at Oceania in June.

Maddison Sturgeon

Outstanding performance Long Course Weekend Triathlon Event – 1km swim, 50k Road Race, 10.5km Road Run. 1st in her age group, 2nd overall in Open Womens Quarter LCW

Tayla Sturgeon

Taranaki Athletics - Top Girl 7-11 years age group

Elliot Wills

Taranaki Athletics - Most promising male athlete -

Julia Scott

Gaining 2 nominations to Nationals in Ballet and Jazz (requires 98% in each exam) Achieving highest grades in Ballet 'Teaching papers' in the country (3 excellences) All modules are completed $-1^{\rm st}$ in the country in Ballet. Highest grades are over all genre of teaching.

Keep up the outstanding efforts!

Ngā mihi, Vicki Roberts, Sports Coordinator

2024 Up and Coming Sporting Events			
TSSSA Years 9-13			
Squash	Monday, 10 June		
Junior 3x3 Basketball	Thursday, 13 June		
Senior 3x3 Basketball	Wednesday, 19 June		
Māori Games	Monday, 24 June		
Senior Festival Day	Wednesday, 3 July		
Years 7-8			
Year 7-8 Rippa Rugby Tournament	Tuesday, 11 June		
Devon Intermediate Winter Exchange	Wednesday, 19 June		
Year 7-8 Volleyball Tournament	Thursday, 27 June		



Student Activities



MARKET DAY



E-SPORTS



TPOA GOLF CHAMPS











GORGE HUT

TE PAEPAE O AOTEA

school Sponsorship

Te Paepae o Aotea wish to thank our amazing businesses for their support with sports teams and school events.

















Robertsons Pharmacy

















If your business would like to sponsor a school sport or event please contact Vicki.Roberts@tepaepaeoaotea.school.nz or Claire.Kalin@tepaepaeoaotea.school.nz



Speakers

Guy Honnor - Sport Taranaki

Karla Ralph - Taranaki Secondary School Sports Association

Monday 17 June 2024

6pm – 8pm

Held in the Te Paepae o Aotea Staffroom

Opportunity to talk with local coaches and share stories, insights, drills and skills.

Coaches/Managers seminar covering:

- -Coach Development
- -Coach planning/organisation Before, during, after
- -Roles and responsibilities as a Coach/manager
- -Support in student coaching and development
- -Communication platforms (parents/students) & Sideline behaviour -Q & A

Please confirm your interest by Thursday 13 June to vicki.roberts@tepaepaeoaotea.school.nz



Student Achievements

At Te Paepae o Aotea we have students who participate and represent themselves in activities from sports, cultural, academic, and community in and outside of school. Our school values are shown and upheld through



We want to capture your achievements and celebrate these with you and our wider school through assemblies, newsletters and our social media platforms.

YOUR achievements are what YOU believe you have accomplished and feel proud about and would like to share.

Information will be collated and entered onto a spreadsheet which will be kept for our records throughout the year. Information gathering helps with reports

Please take time to share your successes with us by filling in this form and selecting the 'Activity' and then a brief description. Forms can be filled out whenever you need to update your achievements.



Click on the link below to register achievements now for Sports, Culture, Academic and Community.

https://forms.office.com/r/CzPCqiDPwR



Kia eke atu ki Taupaenui o te tanaata

Te Paepae o Aotea promotes our school values (Aotea, Taupaenui and Paepae). We show Taupaenui by being the best version of ourselves. This applies to players, referees, coaches, managers, administrators, and all personnel involved with our sport teams.

Our guidelines outline how we help, cheer and celebrate from the side lines demonstrating Taupaenui within our sport.

Taupaenui means we will:

- Respect all players, referees, coaches, managers and supporters.
- Cheer the efforts of all players, including the opposition because we're all doing our best.
- Support the coaches and managers. They are volunteers.
- Keep all communication and actions positive in our environment.
- Show others that we know the meaning of TAUPAENUI.
- Celebrate the fact that we have the opportunity to watch our rangatahi eniov themselves.

Showing Taupaenui means that we value, we support, we unite in good sportsmanship on and off the field. We will strive to reach our full potential in a positive and supportive environment.









All school uniform items need to be purchased through:





