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From the Principal's Desk

Ka Ori, Ka Oriwa, Talefa Lava and Greetings

This year has been an interesting transition time for Toveora High School, a new Principal and some new initiatives started. The school has continued to gain success in various domains including academic culture and scoring. I personally acknowledge the hard work of former Principal Mr F. J. Edwards. It is through his vision that Toveora High School has made significant progress over the years. The positive Education Review Office (ERO) report released in December 2015, was confirmation of the tireless effort made by Mr Edwards during his tenure.

Academic achievement as the primary focus of school was highlighted at our Academic Excellence evening earlier this year. Top students were presented with badges of excellence for gaining excellence in their 2016 NCEA results. Academic success is a reflection of the commitment and hard work each of these students were able to demonstrate over the last year. My congratulations to the students and their families. They can be justifiably proud of their efforts.

As a school we continued this year to have a strong drive towards further improvement of our academic results at all three NCEA levels. Especially thank our curriculum leaders Deputy Principal Mrs Margot Crate and Senior Manager Mr Brian Reid, for the ongoing consolidation of our academic programme.

The introduction of the Seniors Academy was the most exciting new concept introduced into Toveora High School this year. This tertiary focused secondary school programme was funded by the Ministry of Social Development with technical specific support coming from the New Zealand Defence Force. Positive outcomes for students enrolled in the academy were noticeable from the outset and have continued throughout the year. I would like to thank our Deputy Principal Mr E. Rothman and our Seniors Academy Director Mr Mall Manu for their foresight and dedication to this programme.

We had a range of student activities this year and it is with gratitude that I thank the many people who supported our students. It takes hours of time, often away from family to assist our young people pursue their interests and goals. During the year I was privileged to witness a number of quality events and earned to appreciate the calibre and talent of our students.

- The Music Department led by teacher Mr Julian Baker, held NCEA assessment performance evenings which showcased the musical ability of our students.
- Our Puna Wai Ora group won the prestigious Pasifika by Nature cultural performance competition for secondary schools in the Waikato and Bay of Plenty.
- Justus Riki-Hamana won the Junior English speaking section of the Tairāwhiti Regional Nga Manu Koreo competition and then placed a creditable fourth at the Nga Manu Koreo Nationals.
- The Toveora High School Cross team won the Central North Island Inter-school tournament and then progressed on to win their section at the New Zealand Cross Nationals.
- In the fashion world, we were represented at the Wearable Arts competition. Our students' garments were creative and unique.
- The Rugby League Farways course was included in the school academic program this year.
- In Dunedin, Charlotte Cassidy won the Under-16 title and was runner-up overall in the NZ Junior golf championship.
- The mixed hockey team played competitively in the secondary schools national tournament at Napier.
- The 1st XI11 rugby league team played in the secondary schools nationals. Opeta Utanga gained selection in the NZ Secondary Schools team and James Hoar was MVP.
- Jonathan Bass competed very well in the New Zealand boxing championships held in Christchurch.
- Our school was well represented in regional competitions in soccer, netball, basketball and touch. I would like to especially thank the staff and parents/volunteers involved for providing our students with these wonderful sporting opportunities.

A critical ingredient in the success of our students is our staff. I would like to publicly express my appreciation for the effort and commitment. It is through their education and willingness to spend extra hours supporting our students through after-hours tutorials for academic studies, through sports, cultural and music activities that enable our students to succeed.

Bereavements are an incredibly difficult time and I wish to express heartfelt sympathy from our school community to the loss of our school Kaumatua, Mr Waiata Gage, who passed away in July. We were grateful for the support that Linda Waiata provided to our students, staff and Board of Trustees.

At this time, I would like to acknowledge the work of our Board of Trustees in governing the school in the best interests of students and staff. My sincere thanks to our outgoing Board members Mrs Naomi Paagala, Mr Charles Stowers, Mrs Ana Masonoff, Mr Marco Ols and Miss Cecelia Strwan for your past commitment and service. I welcome our incoming Board members, Mr Ernest Appel, Mrs Maha Te Kanawa, Mrs Vanessa Leloa-Palca, Mr Dean Teru and Mr Aaron Godd. My gratitude also to current Board member Mrs Tracey Mariani-Lyon and our Board Chair, Mr Graeme Dewhurst, for the countless hours spent working on behalf of our school and for support in my role as Principal.

To members of our community, have enjoyed my association with you all this year and look forward to 2017 with positive anticipation.

Lastly, to our students, particularly the senior students and the senior leaders, I thank you for making this a tremendous year. To those students who are leaving, we wish you well for the future. We will follow your progress and look forward to celebrating your future successes.

To each of you, staff, parents/learning vets and students

Mate Atuarua
 manager, Hoi Laka
 Intel, Kaitia
 Tera Kouloa, Tera
 Kouloa, Tera Talea
 Kaitia

W. Ford
 Principal



Deputies

Corner

A new decade and a new principal, or by now not so new anymore, yet still a wonderful school to be working at. To me it is a blessing if one can go to work with a bounce in one's step and that is what it is like for me working at Tokoroa High School.

Our students have once again done well in a variety of activities like Puna Vai Ora, Manu Korero, various sporting codes, wearable arts, the music scene, the STARS project and this year in chess. These achievements are excellent for personal development, but we have also seen those who excel in their academic work. This was celebrated earlier in the year at the excellence evening where students were honoured for achieving academic results at an excellence level in the previous year's NCEA results. We have also had our first year of the Services Academy which proved to be excellent for our students in the academy. Not only have they done us proud, but have shown what is possible if one has a positive attitude towards life. All of this would not have been possible if it was not for the Services Academy director, Mr Matthew Murell-Manu.

An area where hope springs eternal is with the establishment of a Teen Parent Unit in Tokoroa. The approval of such a unit has been done in principle by the Ministry of Education, but as yet the fruition of it we have not yet seen. It is with great anticipation that we are hoping that we will see it being established in Tokoroa in 2011.

In conclusion one cannot help but to think of the students of Tokoroa High School and their excellent decorum whenever our students are to represent our school at any event be it sport or cultural activities, the STARS camp or activities like the visit of mainly Year 9 students to the Karapiro facility for the world rowing championships. In the case of the latter the students' good behaviour was so exceptional as observed by the management of the Karapiro facility that they felt compelled to write a letter of commendation to the controlling body of the STARS project. This was augmented by an excellent article in the Waikato Times and the South Waikato News. These occasions are the ones that fill my heart with exceptional joy and pleasure. That is why I love my job and being part of Tokoroa High School. I trust that 2011 will bring us the same joy and pleasure. Kia kaha students of Tokoroa High School.

Butch Rothman
Deputy Principal
(Pastoral)

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Where has this year gone? I am sure that just last week 1 was the end of March.

The year at our school starts with the big STARS camp where the year 9 students go away with the year 12 students and their mentors. The aim of the camp is, of course to form a bond (ie at least) between staff and students and year 9 students and their older mentors. Schools are all about relationships and it is always amazing to see how the relationship develops between the incoming year 9 students and the teachers, to the relationship that those same students have with their teachers when they are in year 13.

Of course a relationship has problem times and it is during these times that we experience personal growth. As we all grow we test the boundaries that are around us and this is expected and normal behaviour however, this is how we deal with the consequences of this testing that makes us the adults that we turn out to be. We all make mistakes as we go through life - it is how we deal with them and learn from them that is interesting. I agree with Theodore Roosevelt's words:

'The only man who never makes a mistake is the man who never does anything worthwhile.'

As you progress through school and see your friends testing the boundaries you must be prepared to make your own decisions and not just follow the crowd. If you know the group you are with should not be doing what they are doing then challenge them - challenge yourself -

stay away from the behaviour you instinctively know is wrong - by doing this you might ultimately make the crowd or a single individual question their behaviour and thus you will make a difference to that individual.

Remember no one is too small to make a difference. Even a mosquito in a tent can make a big difference!

It has been great to see so many of you respond positively to the excellent opportunities provided by our school and take pride in what you achieved. Thank you for your role as peer mentors, mediators, breakfast club organizers, as well as organizers of events like the socials 48 hour fun run and much more. Well done!

Congratulations to all of you who have achieved well this year whether at school or in the sporting field. To succeed many times one must put in extra effort so well done - I hope that you were happy when you got to and that then you have set new goals for next year.

To students that are leaving us this year, I hope that you have a marvellous future and that you challenge yourself as you go through life. Do in and see your old teachers when you return some believe it or not they like to see you. To the students that are returning have a great holiday and I look forward to see you all when you return in late January 2011.

Yangel Crane
Deputy Principal
(Curriculum)



FROM THE BOARD

What a wonderful year.

As a school we have a lot to celebrate not the least of which our new Principal, Willie Ford has certainly met and exceeded all expectations of our Board. A successful Board of Trustees election saw more candidates than positions another positive. A huge amount of work by staff and pupils has seen our school succeed in numerous areas, sporting, cultural and academic. We have a lot to be grateful for and we need to celebrate our victories. I look forward to 2011 and can assure you that as a Board we are working to improve the learning environment provided for our children and the children of the future.

Graeme Dewhurst



Head Girl

It is not the mountains that we conquer but ourselves.
St Edmund Hillary

In the first assembly I remember saying that this was going to be a year full of laughter, full of tears, full of drama and full of success. What a year this has been indeed.

Being involved with the Stars Program I was privileged enough to participate in the Big Walk where I went to see much about limits and how far you can go if you push yourself yes and bend your eyes focused on that peak. Like Miley says it doesn't matter how fast we get there it doesn't matter what's waiting on the other side, its the climb. My fellow students and year 13s, I have enjoyed every single minute of the climb with you guys. From the vegetarian food at our first Stars camp to the falling asleep in Calcutta these are memories to cherish.

Akshay National quote I have on my wall and wake up to every morning reads

*Knowing is not enough, we must apply.
Willing is not enough, we must do.*

The reason I put my name forward for head girl was because of the great amount of faith and support that was entrusted in me. Even though I had strong competition I gave it a go. This is my advice to everyone out there, by everything once and if you fail improve, learn and try again.

Many describe me as being random, bouncy, beautiful, passionate and slightly insane. Sometimes you have a thought in your head, you just want to let it out. Yes that's me. My most memorable and the one I'm always getting reminded for is 'Is the Sun in the sky?' which is quite a legitimate question. I also believe in the art of smiling. Smile to each person you walk past for you never know who's day you might have brightened up.

Another lesson I have learnt is to never judge a person by their appearance. Make an effort to really get to know that one person who intimidates you or that shy and quiet one. I have met most of you in quite random situations, playing soccer as a rookie, Raun practices, library, netball training, bus trips and intervals and lunch times. Each one of you I have to thank for making my time here an adventure.

Thank you Chris Oakes and Ross for a year's support. My year 13s, two years together and still going strong, despite the drop outs and drop ins. We've made history this year. Teachers, the extra time and effort you give, even though I may not seem so, is greatly appreciated. The little year 9s, even though you are in a period of great annoyance, one day you will grow up and I'll be back to teach you.

I'd like to end with one final quote

"Don't remember me for my amazing personality or beautiful figure, remember me and my green tights"

Ke-tan Teau or as most of you know Her, KK

Head Girl
Ke-tan Teau
2010



Head Boy

Over the last 4 years many people have said to me "The manager of a leaders success depends upon his performance as a role model and his own success." "You are the captain of your sports team for example, then yes, your success does depend upon your ability to be a role model and to play your very best in every game.

My experience as head boy this year has also led me to realize that leadership also depends on your ability to put yourself second. You do not always have to lead from the front. You can watch, listen carefully and guide people to their goals. Leadership depends upon your ability to select the right person for the right job, it asks your ability to keep your people going forward and when they stall, are slumped, or at a dead end and wondering which way to go that is your time to lead from the front and call a call for your people to follow.

To the Head Boy and Girl for 2011

The best advice I could give to the head boy and girl for 2011, is to be yourself. Some people will try to influence you and turn you into the idea of a head student. If you change your values or standards to suit one person or group you can guarantee that others will also try to change you. To be myself and to hold to my own standards has been one of the hardest battles I have had to fight this year.

As new head boy and girl for 2011, if you are a Christian, be a Christian. If you are a Muslim, be a Muslim. If you are Maori be Maori. If you are sporty, be sporty. Be proud and strong in your beliefs, your ability or your skills and achievements. Most of all, be true to yourself because the person who you have always been and who you are is the person that got you into this position to start with.

Remember that you are important to people. As head boy and girl teachers and students listen to what you say. You can actually influence people's lives in this position. Sometimes the most rewarding thing a head student can do is to select a person who is being by themselves if they are ok. My best memories this year came from sitting with students who were by themselves and seeing their faces light up when I was talking to them. Remember you do not always have to do your work in the limelight. To be honest most of your best work as head student will be done behind the scenes.

To all the sports teams. A great sportsman once said "Winning isn't something that happens suddenly on the field

when the whistle blows and the crowds roar. Winning is something that builds physically and mentally everyday that you train and every night that you dream." Unknown
Congratulations on your hard training and your many sporting achievements this year. Your dedication to your sports has led the name and reputation of our school.

To the class of Twenty Ten: Well we are here to the place where most of our business thought we would never get. There have been many laughs and many jokes along the way and I am glad I have been able to share these moments with you. This year has been hard to get through with the many challenges we have been faced with however we have picked them up and stayed strong as a unit. No matter what Mr Terou says I am very glad to be a part of this crew.

As we depart from our hometown I hope you remember one thing. If having things turn out the way you want then it is a measure of a successful life. Then some would say we are failures. The most important thing is to be able to look back on your life and realize that everyday isn't sunny and when you find yourself lost in the darkness and despair remember as only in the dark of the night where you can see stars and those stars will lead you home.

So, do not be afraid to make mistakes, stumble or fall because most of the time the greatest reward comes from the things that hit you the most. Maybe you will get everything you ever wished for. Maybe you'll get more than you've ever imagined. Who knows where life will take you, the road is long and in the end the journey is the destination.

This year our school has achieved very highly in a few areas whether it is sporting, cultural or academic. There have been many highlights for me, Justice Kik-Ramona at Nga Manu Korero, Gemma Cassidy on the national stage yet again, also the medal hockey team going to the big time in their league, just to name a few. Thank you to all of those involved in making this year such a bright and happy year, I has made me a very proud boy and med. Teau-tai-tai.

To all the students who will be here next year remember that Tokoroa High School isn't just a school, it is your school. Be proud of it. Make the most of it, and represent to the best of your ability.

Head Boy
Chris Teague
2010

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Deputy Head Girl

This is the end of a journey as a young girl and the beginning of life's path to the hard and unyielding world.

At the beginning I had a dream that I would be head girl of Tokoroa High School. Well, as you can see, I didn't get there, but it's close enough. But I have grown up to be a confident leader, I'm proud to have represented our school as deputy head girl, a prefect, stars pake meater and student representative for the Board of Trustees.

Although the life of being DHG has been tiring, I have fully appreciated every second of it.

Being a role model is harder than people think. You must as a role model respect the prefects. Trying to keep the 12 & 13 year olds on a tight leash is a mission, but I guess they grow on you. Leaving them with the thoughts of greatness is a huge achievement. They had me running after them, pulling my hair out, and screaming my face off resulting in using my voice and fist, but not least, stealing all my food. Boys can't live with them and can't live without them. Boys will always be boys.

My time here at Tok High has been a memorable one. We as a school have gone through change and have broken one of the best traditions of high school life. We have a new principal, Mr William Ford, but we have also lost the tradition of having a senior ball.

With the vibrant personalities of Kelvin, Chris and Ross, I has been quite an interesting year for us. From Year 9 to now, we have gone through so much together. Year 9 came to learn, mentoring, Year 10 homework class, study period, random stuff and drama. I have had fun working with these various people. Thanks to them, I have become a better leader.

I think with all my heart the best school ever, Tokoroa High School, the teachers who have taught me to be the best, the head students for doing messy nothing but be the face of the school, as well as the prefects for carrying on and making a difference in the school, and the students for choosing Tok High.

All the best for the "Class of 2010" and I hope that you will further your journey to become international super stars.

Poalehii Lavan,
E Kāia mānawa

Osoosa Stowers



Deputy Head Boy

I have enjoyed my years at Tok High from humble beginnings as an immature year 9 to my final year as a mature year 13. From when we looked up at everybody, to the times when a lot of us except Lisa looked down on you, I hope I have provided inspiration to those students who have looked up at me. Even if you're taller.

On a more serious note, my time here has been an entertaining one to look back on. From school work to every day school life and the occasional curve ball life throws at you, everybody pulls together. I know this is from both our individual and school spirit which has helped me to become the person I am today.

My role as DHB has been serious and fun, from representing the school at ANZAC Day to leading out the sports results, it's all been an experience. And to whoever that wishes to take the life, go for it. You won't have any regrets.

Our term started out strong, but as the years went by, struggles felt coming. To all the surviving year 13s, over the years we have become close and grown to know each other well. Thanks for making our last year so awesome and good luck for the future! Hope to see you all again.

Ross Gardner



Tokoroa High School Council

The Student Council of 2010 has succeeded in our mission to be the backbone of Tokoroa High School's student body. This year we have had a dedicated and passionate team that is proud of Tokoroa High School and we have always wanted to see the students achieve to the highest of their ability.

This year we have held many multi days and socials that have had an awesome variety of themes. Halloween, crazy hat day, island day and many others. We thank the students of Tokoroa high for their support with these events. It truly makes the events worthwhile when you turn up in the large numbers that you have been.



Due to your solid support the council has been able to assist and support many of our top athletes and culture groups. We were able to give a financial donation to Chantelle Cassidy when she went to Dunedin for her Golf Championship, Jonathan Bass as he traveled to Christchurch for his Boxing Championship, Jusbee Riki-Namana and the Nga Manu Korero team, The National Hockey team when they went to Napier for their Tournament and Puna Vā Ora when they attended their many competitions. We held many Socials and Mufti's to assist the First Thirteen League team as well. We were also able to donate to large foundations like the Carleen organization and to the daffodil day event. We certainly would not have been able to assist these many groups if the students of Tokoroa High school had not supported us as well as you have. Once again we thank you for your efforts.

This year has been a fun year within the council and we have certainly had many laughs organizing our events. I wish the students on the council all the best in your future dreams and good luck to those of you who will be back on the Council in 2011.

POWHIRI HAILS IN NEW ERA



New staff and students joined incoming Principal, Willie Ford, as manuhiri at a dynamic powhiri held at Te Whānau o Nāgarua recently.

Anticipation built as the large crowd waited for the powhiri to begin. The media were in attendance with local reporters and Te Karere present.

A warrior issued a traditional wero and respected a kua offered karanga as proceedings began.

The tangata whenua were well supported by local kaumatua and members of various groups including the Cook Islands and Samoan communities.

Mr Ford was led onto the marae by kua and kaumatua from Ngati Maniapoto as well as local minister, Mr Timoti Turu. Willie's family was also at his side as were distinguished guests such as Lady Morrison.

A variety of speakers offered advice and were excited about the future of Tokoroa High School.

Several Cook Island mamas expressed their joy through dance and singing and the Te Rito students offered inspirational waiata.

A moving moment was when Mr Ford went from the manuhiri side to the tangata whenua side. Haka greeted him and tears bid him farewell as he officially moved into his new role.





INTRODUCING TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL SERVICES ACADEMY



Ten years ago the NZ Army was approached to see if their services could be set up when working with a high school in Christchurch. What has been the result of this relationship over years on the birth of Tokoroa High School Services Academy.

The academy was initially seen by others as a boot camp style academy only for students who were considered 'naughty' and needed the military hand of just to speak. The academy was designed to help students to find a direction in the journey of help them into tertiary further education.

Students at Tokoroa High School knew little of the academy as it was a new unit alive at the school. Some came into the academy to see what military life was like and exposure to the services, others to find a direction after they leave school.



Phase 1

Introduction to the Services Academy and Induction Camp

The academy started with 20 students. The students were informed of the expectations and standards they were to meet in a sense, but by which they were in the academy. PT was to be a daily activity. Physical Training, their dress and bearing and even the way they were to approach staff members was to change. They had to learn a different way to walk (march). Also academics was a big part of the academy lives.

After the second day the academy was reduced to 16. Some of the students found the PT and the standards hard to live by at first but the emphasis was for them to become a team to help each other and look after each other in all aspects at school. All this was a preparation for their induction camp.

On 3/2010 the academy attended INDUCTION CAMP in Waiuku which was run by the New Zealand Defence Force. This was 12 days of hard work. They were exposed to the military's ethos and values. It tested the students physically, mentally as individuals and as a team. I suppose trying to get a mix of what they experienced doesn't give their effort any justice, you had to experience it.

Let's just say they couldn't have done it without each other and they brought pride to themselves, the academy and our school. The students came away with a whole different aspect to life in general and a respect for each other.



Phase 2

Continuation of their new found aspect to school and life in general.

Like after induction course was a whole different matter. We returned to school and the students had a new set of challenges other than surviving each other in discipline work, integrating back into school life to name a few.

Everyone within the academy was on a high after induction but it was a funny way of either trying to pull us back to our old ways or give us a few speed bumps just to see how we handle them. The key now was not to reach a certain standard - it was to keep them.

The students had their ups and downs as does everybody, some expected in their new found confidence and others were backing along at school. In the academy we tried to encourage and celebrate everyone's successes. There was extra PT at times for those who fell off the wagon a bit, but all in all we wanted it to be known that ACHIEVING WAS NORMAL and should be praised, not seen as something embarrassing. Whenever a good comment was passed on to me about a student in the academy or they achieved academically then we would bring it up and the students would applaud their fellow comrades. We celebrated the personal and attitude growth as well as academics. I must say in seeing the students look after each other in different situations does reflect our school values and the time and effort that our teachers have put into doing after our students.



Phase 3

Military courses and community service

The academy was asked to attend a number of community projects and also help in different areas of the school. It has been an aspect which has been an eye opener (The fact that our academy students now wanted the same for other students in school, going to class and respect towards teachers, just to name a few). They wanted to help the school in whatever they could, some needed to break up small arguments and so on.

The military courses the academy attended helped the students cement the attitudes they have learnt. We went on a camp which they enjoyed a lot (not so much pressure on them) just straight learning about how to survive in the outdoors, wear dressing, all that outdoor good stuff. The night around the fire was one to remember with lots of laughter, skits and even some singing. The other courses that some of the academy attended was a leadership course (5 of our students attended) and from that, out of all the academy around NZ there were 20 students picked and Tokoroa had 2 students chosen (Joshua Smith-Holley and Yannis Mea) an awesome feat for our guys. This rewarded them for the growth as leaders not only in our academy but other areas of school.



Phase 4

Finishing off the year and completion of goals

At the start of the year academy students made goals for themselves in the sense of not only attitudes but academics. Some would finish their goals others to surpass them which has seen them be rewarded for their hard work. Some of our students have not only achieved in school but also outside of school. One student (Timothy Teaukurua) was awarded a scholarship to Outward Bound and another (Michael Raithe) was chosen from students nationwide to attend a Navy challenge for 40 pupils. I can only say that it has been a long year for our students, one which has come with challenges and huge changes for them. Seeing where they were at the start of the year, to the students they are now is a testament of their dedication to each other and themselves. They have come together as a team and have set a good standard for future academy students to aspire too. We done team I has been awesome to be apart of the first year in the academy with you, stay strong to your values and continue your good work, not only succeed in your chosen career path but also have a full life too.

Matt Mea



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Tokoroa High School Services Academy Director
Matthew Mea

Quote: "They came out of starting again, again."



Cody Trainor

This year I joined the service academy and it helped me to better in school. I learnt self discipline and integrity.

Quote: "Push yourself."



Aidan (Dudley) Russell

This year was fun like the camps and playing sports with other academies.

Quote: "Push yourself again, again, again."



Joshua Smith-Holley

This year has been a great experience for me. I have got to meet heaps of new people and make new friends. Also I have got to learn heaps of new skills and go on some camps.

Quote: "Military is fun."



Michael Ratema

Being in this academy I have had lots of experiences, have a career path, meet heaps of new people and made friends for life.

Quote: "Go further."



Danny John

For me this year has been real positive. I have achieved more, learnt more and experienced new things. I have enjoyed being apart of Tokoroa High School Services Academy, the sports, the feeds, and last but not least the fitness.

Quote: "Showers are OK."



Moby Mitchell

This year has been a great year for me to experience all the different services at induction course and fitness skills.

Quote: "Go for it."



Clay Brown

For me this was a whole new experience. I got to meet new people and make some friends. We got to go some camps and have learnt a lot and accomplished a lot this year.

Quote: "It was born here."



Axi Kingi

This year in services academy I have learnt self discipline and respect.

Quote: "Seriousness."



James Horn

This year has been an awesome for those who don't understand "awesome".

Quote: "Seriousness is my year."



Bryce Domashenz

This year is the first time I have been apart of a team. It has been fun changing for me.

Quote: "Outdoors."



Trinity Teaukurua

This year has seen huge changes for me personally. I gained new skills and overcome attitudes that have held me back from where I want to be. I have learnt to understand my goals this year and more.

Quote: "There is always a way to do it, but this is the way to do it. There is no excuse for not doing it. There is no excuse for not doing it. There is no excuse for not doing it. There is no excuse for not doing it."





Tokoroa Teens Taking on 'The Big Walk'

Confident and healthy young people are critical to the success of building vibrant and strong communities. It is crucial that our next generation of Kiwi parents, business and community leaders continue to develop the legacy of a positive, successful and caring New Zealand.

Having completed Leg 10 aka Tokoroa Ch. - Brand, we did our emotional goodbyes and headed home. Traveling along the western side of Lake Taupo we could see on the opposite side of the lake the journey that we had just completed. I took up the entrance to the Central in our view was the combined silhouettes of Mount Taranaki and Mount Ruapeka. These are the two highest peaks in the Puruhos and I've traversed them at the very start of our adventure.

The mini-van was rocking with our students Deyanna, Aiyana, Ke Lan, Lisa, Matt and Ross, as Russel is singing their hearts out to the sounds of the Red Hot Chili Peppers. Continuing to squeeze the music out of every angle bit of their part of The Big Walk. Just two more hours to go and we'd be saying our farewells to Luke and Lisa - The Big Walk team in hopes that were taking us home. The end of our participation in an inspirational vision that saw our group walk over the centre of the North Island. A foresight that young people the length and breadth of New Zealand had clamoured to be part of.

We all wanted to continue. And it will. These Tokoroa High School students are committed to providing other young people in their community with the same opportunity - plans for a Big Camp and a training programme on the agenda. They themselves will continue to promote The Big Walk brand by taking part in a future triathlon. This is the start of a new year. And I couldn't stop looking at those two summits far on the horizon. It was more than a walk. Much, much more. We had been privileged to have been part of a venture that had as its foundation a genuine commitment to providing youngsters with an amazing challenge. They had been stretched, and then they stretched us. Their constant enthusiasm and desire to take on each and every bit of the challenge have. At the very centre of North Island New Zealand, a tipping point, young adults from Tokoroa demonstrated how they can and will do from their experiences. Thank you Jamie and your amazing team, for providing that chance.

Tony Jones



An 'On Brand' Journey

First time in a chain-trail to Brook Park in Te Kuiti with the most divine cranberry smoothie in front of me whilst I await the rest of my team to arrive by pedal power for the second to last stage of Leg 9 - Te Pahi to Te Kuiti.

Why am I sitting in a cafe instead of with them you may wonder? Easy. It has been discovered that Robin and push bikes don't mix at that well. Warm, tired friends and whatnot that I will be on 'The Big Walk' they laughed and said 'You won't come out alive, can we have the MG?' At some points stifling this eg. I thought they may be right.

Never before have I been pushed to the limit both mentally and physically. I have blisters on top of blisters, I have chafed, I have gotten angry, I've nearly had a tantrum and for those who know me, I never do any of that stuff.

I have yet to fully digest what was accomplished. My mind is still trying to absorb the fact that it was me that climbed up one side of a mountain and down the other side (and all the other stuff we did). I think I will take a few days to really sink in.

Why do this with computer teacher from Tokoroa do this? Easy. EMPOWERMENT and taking control. I knew it would be a bumping learning curve both personally and professionally as a teacher.

I was right. Seeing the way that Jamie and the crew interact and empower the youths is incredible. The energy and drive required for motivating people around them is a joy to watch. One example I can give you is after coming down off that mountain, I was a complete and utter wreck. As soon as my foot touched the last step I broke down. I knew within myself that I had reached my limit and there was no way mentally I could have rode in a straight line (which is kind of essential) when pedalling along roads. The crew understood and gave me the job of driving the other van to save Cynthia having to shuttle back and forth with both support vehicles. Do they think I was a failure for not completing the bike sections? NO! They understand people's limits and know that everyone is an individual and respect you for that. Do they think I was a failure for not completing the leg as well? NO! I did good - in fact, I am proud of myself. Jamie and the crew, again, a big thank you for a, you have taught me. You're a truly 'On Brand' lot of people!

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THE BIG WELLINGTON ADVENTURE

On 31 January 2010 Karen Blue (Stars Co-ordinator), Mr. Tony Jones, six Tokoroa High students and 2 other students from the Waikato area embarked on the journey to Wellington.

Upon arrival we received a true Wellington welcome, wet and windy. We shared our stories and experiences with fellow Big Walk participants.

On Monday afternoon, the parade which marked the end of The Big Walk, set off from Civic Square to Parliament steps. At Parliament steps we chanted, "Who do we want, John Key. When do we want him, NOW!" The most remarkable thing is that the Prime Minister, John Key came out to meet us.

At the youth forum we got to share our views and stories with CEOs and marketing directors and they were really interested in what we had to tell them. We also met many other students who were passionate about making a difference.

The banquet at the Te Papa awards ceremony and the rides there were the highlights of our adventure. These experiences will never be forgotten along with the truism:

"When times get tough don't throw the sea anchor out, just keep rowing."

By Lisa Horn



AFS



My full name is Ana Gabriela O'Brien O'Brien, however I prefer people to call me Ana. I am an AFS exchange student from Peru (located in South America) and I have been in New Zealand for nearly eight months and staying with the Waraxes. So far it has been a really good experience. I had the opportunity to meet new people, new places and learn from another culture.

Things are very different here especially school. I come from a Catholic school that is just girls. Teachers are very strict and we have to take a lot of subjects out here we just have to choose 6 of them. I think it's a good idea because here you choose what you want to take and work at. It's harder and give a 100%. The schedule is different too. Back home we start school at 7:45 am and finish at 2:30 pm. The only break we get is at intervals that is 30 minutes long. In Peru, we stay pretty much all day in the same classroom and teachers are the ones that come to our classes, last year we were 45 girls in my form. So it was a huge change for me to come to this school but I find it good. I feel good around people here and I think New Zealanders are really friendly.



I have been around the north island and visiting new places apart from Tokoroa. I think New Zealand has beautiful scenery and I love it. Not too long ago we went to Whangarei and saw the snow, it was great! It was the first time I had touched snow and had such a good time. I think I have a lot more to visit.

To the students and people I have met in Tokoroa I will miss so much when I return home. I really have enjoyed my host family and the lifestyle. Living here is really quiet and you can give more time to your friends and family, spend more time with them. Don't forget about the sense.

I will be leaving by the beginning of January, next year. I am glad I came to New Zealand. I am enjoying being here and going through this amazing experience. I will never forget this.

By Ana

My experience in New Zealand

Having arrived from France, I spent my two months at Tokoroa High School with people who were great company, even though there were a few bad times when things were not going well with me. I will not forget my great time among you which will always remain engraved in my memory. I hope that during my work vacation, I'll come back to visit you with my girlfriend Odine who you have all heard about.



I really loved these two months because you welcomed and accepted me as if I was one of your own.



It took a while to get accustomed to the New Zealand lifestyle which is really different from mine. At your school you can speak freely and have fun with the teachers, but in my school, I cannot do this.

I loved the tough rugby league matches though some of the strict super guys I played against seemed comically crazy. I wish I could play at your pace and time to show what a French strict player can do. Even if Team France was not very good when they played against New Zealand.

I loved this place Tokoroa. It's very different as the people are kinder and I would like to remain here but I can't because I have my friends in France. Two months ago I arrived in a country and town I knew absolutely nothing about. Now I find I'm a man who has lived here ten years.

Everyone says this place Tokoroa is boring and not good, but I think this place is super with nice people. I prefer this community to mine, even though I have all my friends there.

By Gweno G. Lc

Manu Korero

Regional Manu Korero at Sacred Heart Girls' High School



Manu Korero was a great experience. It was the first time I have ever spoken in front of a live crowd. It gave me great confidence and I'm proud to stand in front of the mass live crowd.

What gave me a huge buzz was speaking in front of our very own MPs and head Judge Nana a Manua who even said I was funny, witty and informative and she loved my performance and speech. I also had a good time watching all the other contestants. One of the hardest things was facing my brother in the competition. It was hard to beat him in the competition gaining second place in the junior English.

I can't wait to go to the nationals to represent Te Rito and Tokoroa High on a national level and stage in Dunedin. Lastly thanks to all our Te Rito supporters my speech coaches Mr Ngapo and my whanau. My haka-whakaaorua to you is "It is your P.A.C.K.A.G.E that matters most" And I that confuses you all then you have heard my speech to find out!

By Justus

Performing at Manu Korero speech competitions was an exciting experience. I was proud to be standing in front of many people and just expressing my passion and trying to do.

I said a prepared 11 minute speech on the Maori culture and the world, and how the culture changes along with time and the world I came 3rd in this section.

For my impromptu section I was given three topics to choose from and only 3 minutes to map it out in my head. I chose, "Wharekura (being full Maori speaking schools) or Kura Auraki (main stream schools)".

Three minutes flies by fast in this competition, I was shaking, nervous and was about to give it all up. Then I got on the stage and I knew that if I at least gave it a try I would be proud, and so I did it.

In the end it all paid off because, even though I was competing against the best speakers of the region and even though I was one of the youngest speakers of the section, I took it all and won the trophy for the impromptu section, and that is something I will be proud of forever!

By Teardrop

Manu Korero is a Maori and English speech competition. There were four of us speaking, Senior English Bianca, Junior English Justus, Senior Maori Teorua, and spoke in Junior Maori.

To me speaking at Manu Korero was pretty awesome because of the adrenaline buzz and representing Tokoroa and Tokoroa High School with my mates. But the practicing was very hard because I had to learn a New Zealand speech in Maori. I had to practice my speech every day and every period for three weeks. My dad wrote my speech and helped me to pronounce my speech properly.

By Mana

Tairāia Regional Nga Manu Korero 2010 was an awesome and breathtaking experience. The impromptu section was the most hardest because I didn't practise at all. It was hard work but in the end it all paid off because I gained 3rd in senior impromptu.

Thank you to all those who helped and supported me through this. Remember love, cherish and hold everything close to you because you never know when something or someone close to you may be taken away. Kia Ora!

By Bianca

National Nga Manu Korero Trip to Dunedin

On the 20th of September 2010 a group of Te Rito supporters travel to the National Nga Manu Korero Speech Competition in Dunedin. After months of fundraising and time spent refining speech technique, our staff and parents traveled to support student speaker Justus Riki-Hamana.

I am so proud of Justus for the time and effort he put in to Nga Manu Korero, as the rewards he received were so beneficial. Our students looked fantastic and I was complimented on their appearance and the way they carried themselves with pride. Thanks to all parents who helped their children prepare for the event.

The students were impressed by what they saw and by Justus Riki-Hamana's speech which was more than just motivating, it was inspiring! His provocative yet interesting speech certainly gave the audience something to think about. To see Justus represent the school and Te Rito with so much mana and kaha was a humbling experience. His speech also made us proud to be Maori and to be part of our whanau Te Rito which is about 'Whakawhānaukatanga'.

Justus was placed fourth overall and missed out on third place by only half a mark. His honest and accurate account of what it truly meant to be a leader touched the hearts of the judges who all scored him in the high 90-98 marking range. It's great to see our school show that it truly does not matter who you are. What you are and where you come from that makes the difference. Instead, if you set your mind to a goal, anything is attainable.

A huge thank you to all those supporting our funding initiatives including Tokoroa High School, our student council, Ngāroa-Loscombe Law, Rotary Club, Tokoroa Lions Club, South Waikato District Council, Or Caldwell, Tairāia Teachers' Centre, Papatūāwhiri Training and a number of individuals and groups who helped and supported us.

K Ngapo

A Student Perspective 2010 Manu Korero was a great experience for all who attended and our kaupapa was to support Justus in the speech competition. The flight down was long, but worth it as many of us had not been on a plane before. Before Justus's speech, our group came together to give him encouragement and to present him with a taonga. With Justus presenting his speech, the whole group was extremely proud. We knew that Justus gave this all we also gave. Our ahiwhiri and haka to Gailoka iwa korero. Sober thanks to Mātua Kōhanga Ngapo for the effort that put us into the lead. To the staff and to Kōhanga Aorua. Whakaaorua, we would not have been able to share in this great experience.

By Reginald Masekoti

A Student Perspective I really enjoyed the time we had down in Dunedin attending Nga Manu Korero nationals. We had a good time staying with the Maori school Ngāroa from Hamilton. It was a great experience to stand on stage performing and supporting our speaker (Justus Riki-Hamana) but most of all representing Te Rito and Tokoroa High School. We made heaps of new friends and had loads of fun spending time with each other, shopping and going round the town taking photos. It was a great time and it was a great privilege to be there. Thanks to Mr Ngapo for this awesome experience.

By Dana Clark

A Student Perspective I loved that we got to travel on a plane. I got a mean buzz going down to the South Island and the only thing I really wasn't keen for was of course an earthquake. When we got to the South Island it was sunny but so cold. We were really focused but we did have some mean kaka back times and got some good photos too. There will be a lot of memories from this trip and I think some new friends with our awesome school we stayed with Ngāroa Aha from Hamilton. We had some fun, remember it the Waikato region.

Finally it was my time to take the stage and give it my all. When I spoke, I was proud to represent my school and Te Rito and I was confident. Although I gave it my all I still don't know how I feel. I didn't win but I did a mean job and others offering their congratulations were from Clago Winter and Orage University and that made me so happy. I don't want ill next year, I'd like to thank my Te Rito tutor group for all the support and to mention her name on our trip. To my speech coach Mr Ngapo - without your help, we wouldn't have been able to get to the nationals, so a big ups and thanks from me and the group!

By Justus Riki-Hamana



GUIDANCE COUNSELLING

Another busy year in the guidance department, working to support students with a wide variety of issues, with the objective of addressing barriers to learning and creating a space for teaching/learning to take place.

Attending STARS camp at the beginning of the year was a tremendous advantage. The 19 students met the counsellors and the counsellors got time to spend time with the new students as well as catering relationships with the seniors who act as mentors. This interaction laid a firm support foundation for the academic year.

Students have been well cared for by a number of school-based services. Nurse's clinics have been well attended as usual. We have been fortunate to retain the services of Maureen Leget, P.N., who is hugely popular with our students for her high level of care.

Opportunities for students to get further support have been extended by the Paolito Island nurse, Kerry Stowers, having clinics fortnightly. Linda Tait continued to provide specialising and alcohol counselling every Monday. Everyday counselling services have been augmented by the work of Whaea Irene Hasana during her placement in training from University of Waikato. The students are very appreciative of this extra help.

Within the school itself several groups have been operating out of the counselling area with students assisting students. A large group of students have opted into peer mediation training this year to supplement the work of those already trained. This group includes Darlene Westlake, Ngāroa Westlake, Laura Walker, Roxanne Emery, Heen Meyer, Bianca Sobel, Sarah King, Hannah Dewhurst, Shlich Avon, Hira Ale, Jemima Tonge, Meah Taylor, Grace Clark, Tamara Thom, Taria Anderson and Brooke Cook-Boncar.

The Peer mediators - Gideon Letoga, Justus Daniels Mata, Devon Morris, Molly Mitchell, Cassandra France, Matthew Brunton and Stacey King - have been busy with the Students Against Violence Everywhere programme facilitated in our school and 17 other schools nationwide by Angela Hughes. Most of them attended a two-day conference in Rotorua with 51 other local schools, the last week of term 1 where they made videos that have been used across the country.

The focus in term 2 has been to work with other schools, getting other students to commit towards a peaceful, non-violent way of being and relating. Students and staff are distressed that Angela's contract and wonderful work has ended with the withdrawal of financial support by the present government.

A new group of ten Y11/12 girls have taken part in the Dare to Move On programme aimed at building self-esteem, developing identity and assertive skills. The group included Jessica Elmore, Osina Savage, Heen Meyer, Hira Ale, Laura Walker, Sarah King, Darlene Westlake, Ngāroa Westlake, Bianca Sobel and Rebecca Griffin. The programme will be completed with a challenge in term 3.

The Mission On team - Chris Teague, Stacey King, Hira Ale, Heath Taylor, Melissa Appel and Dean Smith-Harty - have continued to address the issue of smoking for seniors during break times by negotiating the use of the Hall and Library to construct stalls over time outside the library where they erected benches as an area. They are planning a fun water day early in term 4.

Our night role has been great to be involved with our young people at the Youth Forum at Papatūāwhiri College and the High Roses Low Roses Course at Lake Karapiro at the end of term 2.

We had five groups of students preparing to take part in the yearbook arts, Design and Craft Awards in Rotorua at the end of August. Read about their achievements further on in the magazine. Well done Stacey King, Melissa and Melani Apple, Tamara Thom and Grace Clark, Roxanne Emery and Laura Walker, and the boys group Andrew McDonnough, David King, Terence Moore and Lucas Pofard.

Thank you for the privilege of working in a school that cares so much for its students. I appreciate the warm welcoming responses we get from our students in return.

WYONNE EVANS
Guidance Counsellor



2010 Prefects



Mission On Team



Peer Mediators

Community Education Report

Despite the government's recent cuts in funding, we still offered a range of night classes this year at locations in and outside the school. All adult courses must now however, have a literacy or numeracy component and hobbies, arts and crafts courses can no longer be offered in ACE (Adult Community Education) programmes.

This year the school ran some sixty courses with the more popular being NZ sign language, Te reo, Cook Islands language and learners theory license. Other well attended classes included German language and writing for fun and profit.

Our popular self funded Indian cooking class ran during all four terms and attracted many keen participants who

keep enrolling to further extend their skills. Despite the much reduced programme, being ACE coordinator at the school continues to be an enjoyable and rewarding job.



Dr. Trevor Bentley

LIBRARY BLOG

Libraries are so much more than the sum of their parts. This is one area where so many diverse cultures and philosophies come together. Books open to us diverse perspectives about our world.

It has been another busy and successful year in the Tokoroa High School library. Successes and teachers alike have received numerous books, items and information to suit the learning and relaxation needs. A school library which is well resourced can contribute greatly to improved educational outcomes with literacy being a pivotal role and our school library has once again been working hard to provide for the literacy and curriculum needs of students and staff. Collaboration between the library, teaching staff and students is crucial to ensure quality teaching and equitable access to information and resources. Tokoroa High School library is very fortunate in that the Principals, Board of Trustees and Senior Management fully support the library to ensure that resources, both print and online, are of the highest quality.



The library continues to be fully utilised before school, during the day and after school. The bulk of this work keeping the library functioning is done by a dedicated group of Student Librarians. Several of these students are now in their second and third year of working in the library and their expertise is highly regarded. This year Heath Taylor, Molly Milne, Stacey King, Hannah Dewhurst, Aroa Ait, Jerroau Tonge, Tyler Metu-Tana, Calum Goll, Dean Smith-Haley, Cassandra France, Grace Clark, Tamara Thom, Ian Mowbray, Stephen Jackson, Sheldon McLean, Helen Meyer, Aloreia Tereu, Jayden-Lee Slater all assisted in the library; their hard work is very much appreciated. A great team of wonderful students.

We look forward to 2011

Laura Henderson
Library Manager

BLOOD DONORS 2010

After a week of nagging Mrs Crate had four volunteers that were prepared to give blood. The van arrived from school at 11 am on 21 September and they were accompanied to the hospital by Mr Mike McCutchen. Mrs Crate met them there. She went early so she could get in first and get back to school early. Mrs Crate has been donating blood for 40 years so is an old hand at it. She is really passionate about the cause as most of us know when we will need a blood transfusion.

Three of the four donors were new donors so naturally were feeling a little apprehensive. Lisa hates the sight of needles however she coped really well and apart from being a little light-headed after the day felt no bad side effects. After giving his blood Heath felt really light-headed and kept seeing stars so he was able to go home for the afternoon and have a rest. Cal, Ian and Jayden along with Mrs Crate and Mr McCutchen had no problems so the rest of the day was normal for them.

This is a great cause to get involved in. We need to have twice as many donors donating next year. You are looked after really well when you donate the blood. You are given clothes, biscuits and a drink. After your first donation you receive in the mail a card with your blood group on it which you should always have in your wallet in case you are involved in an accident. We'll come to the donors involved this year and we'll get twice as many giving blood in 2011.



VISIT BY FONTERRA SCIENCE ROADSHOW

The Science Roadshow, sponsored this year by Fonterra, visited Tokoroa High School on Thursday and Friday 29-30 July. All year 10 students from the school had the opportunity to see a number of interesting demonstrations and to gain hands-on experience with the many interactive activities.

Special themes this year were based around electricity, forces and pressure, health and human performance, materials, and motion and technology. A few of the more popular activities were measuring the speed of your throw, microwaves voice transmission, moulding plastic and sipping liquid in the coffee tank.



Roadshow staff were ably assisted by year 10 explainers Huiho Aie, Grace Clark, Calum Goll, Sheldon McLean, Jayden-Lee Slater, Cody Towler, Gabrielle Mapstone, De-Anna Henderson, S'hot Levao, Tyler Metu-Tana and Jerroau Tonge, whose help is much appreciated.



TOTS AND TODDLERS VISIT

On the 17 May eighteen Tokoroa High students attended a Parent training programme called Tots and Toddlers. In this programme we assisted with helping parents both their babies.



We had some loans and Mr Baker's daughter, Nadia. While we were observing and helping the babies and the parents, we learned how to support a baby when bathing, to support the head out of the water and to place your arm underneath and alongside when the spine is. We also learned to put cold water into the bath first, then hot water because if the bottom of the bath is hot then I may burn baby's bottom.



Then the parents told us the routine that the children have after being changed. First the baby powder, then the nappy and the clothes are put on. Finally, they put on the boots, hat and gloves. In the second part of the morning we got to interact with 3 to 5 year old toddlers. We learned that when they are playing they are actually learning to socialize with other and younger people and lots of other things about the world around them. We also learned how nutrients and vitamins contribute to brain and muscle development. It was a fun day!

Laura Walker and Roxanne Emery

BREAKFAST CLUB 2010

Each Tuesday and Thursday and morning interval, between twenty and forty students have made use of the Breakfast Club run from the cooking room C10. Breakfast usually consists of weetbix, milk and toast. The weetbix is sponsored by Sor.Terism and the milk by Fonterra through the Kickstart Programme.

Breakfast club would not happen without the dedication of a small group of students, particularly Laura Walker, Roxanne Emery, Hine Mohi, Stacey King, Cassandra France, and Hannah Dewhurst, who are capable of running the programme without adult support when necessary. Thanks to Aloreia Tereu who usually takes care of the collection of the milk. Other students have either volunteered or been rostered on through the peer-mentors-in-training group run by Mr Jones. Our thanks also to the staff who have donated food and Ms Kombarie for allowing us to share her space.



RACE RELATIONS DAY

It was Thursday the 18th of March and I was heading out. The responsibility of being the first and only participant representing Tokoroa High School at the Race Relations Day speech competition was nerve-wracking.

Having had only 3 days to rewrite my speech while practicing as though my life depended on it, added to the nervous fear boiling up inside me. But after a few deep breaths at 4:30pm I was on my way to Hamilton's Satai Community Center where the competition was being held.

We (my father and I) arrived at the Community Center at precisely 6pm, to be greeted by a smiling face and an offer for a drink to which I hastily said "Yes please." My nerves began to calm down as I realized that there were only 34 seats in this cozy little cottage and four of those were for the judges. Further adding to my surprise was the knowledge that I would only be competing against 5 other students.

The six of us soon made friends and got on really well as we drew lots to see who would speak when. Thankfully, I was a satisfying third. The other students' speaking talents were inspiring and as one of the judges said later, "If young people like you are to be the adults of tomorrow, then the future is very, very bright!"

My fellow students proved the diversity of the human family with two NZ Europeans, one British girl, one Indian girl, one Sri Lankan girl and a Chinese boy who happened to be Asian and Chinese. They were also from different high schools including Mt. Roskill and Morrville.

The theme of our speeches was "The diversity in the human family" and we had to either agree or disagree with the quote below i.e. "The diversity in the human family should be the cause of love and harmony, as it is in music where different notes come together in the making of a perfect chord." I chose to disagree with the quote, arguing that it is the similarities of the human race that are the cause of love and harmony, while the other students chose to agree with it.

After I had completed my speech and the other competitors had finished theirs, one member of the audience caused a stir by standing up and saying "Ladies and gentlemen while we wait can I just get you all to stand up?" We all stood, expecting some patriotic or heart-wrenching speech or song, however what we heard was "Thank you." We all laughed and had just sat back down again when they brought out the food (the real reason my dad attended).

The refreshments were really nice, with a collection of papers and clip art and custom buses (which one of the students thought was fancy clothes). We waited and waited for the judges to reach a consensus and finally the first result was fast came with Amy from Morrville as runner up.

There were lots of photos taken, an interview with a trendy radio guy and time for one last coffee later before returning home. This was an exciting learning experience which I really enjoyed and thanks Mr Ngape for all your assistance.

Jayden Piner



TE WIKI O TE REO MAORI

26 July - 1 August 2010

Tauke means awesome!

Tumeke means - too much.

But what does Korero Maori mean?

Teachers and students of Tokoroa High School isami, spoke and promoted Te Reo Maori last week.

During the week, Te Rito students organised some school-wide initiatives to focus on. Many helped staff deck out their classrooms for the 'pimp the classroom' competition. Renaming classrooms and ablution blocks in Maori were also undertaken, to help further raise awareness.

Congratulations also to all students and staff who went that extra mile by helping to promote Te Wiki o te Reo Maori with our

fantastic waata. Other factors contributing to the success of the week were: Te Rito's initiatives in making the first ever Sebo site dedicated to Maori Language as well as creating a Maori text tone. This tone was Bluetoothed to people in and around the school, our community and also in Rotorua during our travels to the Kapa Haka national's.

This year the theme for Maori Language week was kai for the chiefs, and so, all the schools daily notices centred on kai, with staff and students rallying around to make Maori kai. The winner was 'Te kahui whetu' for their tasty Maori lard bread.

Another highlight amongst the week was hearing from our AFS student from France speak the Reo. Thanks to Carolyn Mackenzie, we were also fortunate again to have a great Maori webpage that was used to promote the language, just 'fantastic'!

Te Rito, participated in a fun tikoi through the town promoting the use of the reo, helping the general public with pronunciation and informing them of the importance of Maori language. These students were profiled in a South Waikato News photo and article which helped showcase their talents while presenting our school in a positive light. Well done students for your efforts.

One student Mana Tepera, also managed to

write a Waata about the importance of the Maori Language. The Maori Language art award was a fantastic occasion and this year, the award went to Tane Thompson. Ka mau te wani students and korero Maori. Thanks teachers, parent supporters, Raukawa Trust Board and all those involved for making this a memorable event.

Results from our in-school competitions:
Staff winners: Rose Phillips, Elzabe Appel, Margo Crate, Karen Krause.
Student winner: Tane Thompson

Maori Language Waata
'Kutia te rito o te harakeke'

Written and composed by Mana Tepera.

**Hutia te rito o te harakeke
Ko te reo maori te rito o te ao maori
Whakakahangia te reo maori
Hei whai oranga ki roto i tena ao hou
Noreira kia mau ki to tatou ao maori,
to talou reo haenga.**

The kaupapa or message behind this waata was about our students staying true to the Maori language. Support it and speak it, for all those who use reo, nurture it.

Korero Maori!

Dean of Te Rito

Kaiana Ngapo.

DEBATING

SENIOR

As we roared along the country roads trying to get to 'The Debate' on time, Lisa and I were frantically trying to think of another content for her to make in her speech while Julius read his aloud and Mr Ngapo concentrated ferociously on the speech. It for one felt very uncomfortable in the Tokoroa High School uniform and wanted the night to be over just so I could go back to my trendy so-funny-knew-that-gay-that-unless-I-was-a-wedding-or-a-funeral-I-would-never-wear-a-suit-again.

Eventually we made 3 inebriated teenagers ready to take on the world. Ok, ok, so it was just Putaruru College but with a lead speaker like they had, and with that same lead speaker's father as one of the judges, it sure felt like the world. The pressure was on, but we were prepared and ready, even if slightly nervous.

After being sealed, announced, sealed again, sent to a room where you couldn't hear the debate, and during what felt like a very long interval, we were called to the stage a final time. First up in our team was me. 'YIKES!' language moderated on behalf of the young eyes reading this article. So I got up, stared out into the crowd, took a deep breath, and at the words 'Law', I started with a rebuttal of the affirmative first speaker's poor metaphor regarding Adam and Eve. I totally knew a lot about, and then continued with my speech.

Julius was next and after we had humbly written more rebuttals, he delivered perfectly, with eloquence and humour when needed. After Julius, Lisa had the job of mostly rebutting the opposition's arguments but Lisa being Lisa, also included a great dictionary definition, just to clarify how we were right and the affirmatives were wrong. Finally I had the unfortunate job of summarising up the negative team's argument but after I had read my first page, I panicked. 'OMG! WHERE WAS MY NEXT PAGE?' Suddenly I had to think on the spot and quickly recalled all the points on as I remembered it and sat down before anyone picked up on my embarrassment. Later in my speech I realised the rest of my speech was on the other side of the paper I had 'OCD'.



When the affirmative lead speaker finished, insulting our team personally, the debate ended and we all had to wait in suspense, hoping that the judges picked us. But guess who won? You got it, you guessed it! Putaruru College! (Gee I wonder why?) Still, with their nasty digs and sarcasm aside, they each did extremely well and showed natural talent. As our lovely mayor put it, as he always does, 'I look at these young people and I see a very bright future for the South Waikato' due to the one-way smile. And that was a great night full of fun and laughter and I would recommend any student to give debating a go in years to come.

By Jayden Parker

JUNIOR

On Wednesday 16 June, our junior debating team participated in the 5th annual Freemason's Junior Debate which was held at the Putaruru Plaza. Putaruru College and Matamata College also participated in the competition. Matamata College are the current holders of the trophy. The THS junior debating team is made up of Verena Poko, Gabrielle Maostone and Dean Smith-Holley. Julius Daniels-Mata also travelled to the competition as an adjudicator. The judges were made up of senior students from all three colleges. The motion being debated was 'that the media makes up stories as opposed to reporting facts'.

This is the first time all three members have been in a debate. Putaruru College A and Matamata College were first up and THS and Putaruru College 1 took the stage second. Our school team were quick at figuring out how to use rebuttals and Hereana Poko was also quick at summarising and distilling the opposition's arguments in her final speech. Our congratulations



are extended to Putaruru College A for taking out the trophy this year. Also thanks to Julius for accompanying the team as a judge. Our appreciation is extended to Mr Ngapo for his help in writing our debates, Mr and Mrs Hainesworth for supporting the team and Mrs Foke for getting us all there!

By Mire Poko

Excellence in Academic Achievement



An awards evening acknowledging Excellence in Academic Achievement was held recently on Tuesday March 16. Badges of excellence were presented to a select group of students who had gained excellences in their 2009 NCEA results. Academic success is a reflection of the commitment and hard work each student was able to demonstrate over the last year. The students and their families can feel justifiably proud of their efforts.

Bronze Awards:

Lisa Horn	Chemistry, Maths and Phys. cs.
Sarah Mitchell	Cook Island Maori and Dance
Nalasha Finlayson	Accounting, English and Computing
Gideon Leloga	English and Music
Talyana Stowers	Accounting, English and Computing
Aria Turia	Accounting, English and Computing
Luke Hutchison	Computing, Maths and Science.

Silver Awards:

James Loveday	Geography and Maths
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Gold Awards:

Aaron Gott	English, Geography, Maths, Music, Science
Julius Daniels Mata	English, Geography, History, Computing, Maths, Science and Cook Island Maori

Lisa Horn, Aaron Gott and Julius Daniels Mata also gained their NCEA Certificates endorsed with Merit.

School Speech Competition

Tokoroa High School's speech competition never fails to impress and the calibre of speakers continues to grow. The innovative task of judging fell into the capable hands of Mr Jowett, Mrs Clark and Mrs Henderson, all of whom are well-versed in all things oratory.

The speakers are as follows:

Year 9 Section

1:	Ben Lucas, Rodrigo
2:	Stefanie-Ann George
3:	Dane Clark

Winner of the Junior Oratory Cup and of Year 10 Section:

Justin Rei Hamauna

Year 11 Section

1:	Courtney Rose
2:	Hannah Stewart

Winner of Senior Oratory Cup and Year 12 & 13

Champion of Section - Gabrielle Leloga

1:	Doreen Stowers
2:	Lisa Smith

Year 13 HISTORY TRIP



Being the respectful and punctual students the Year 13 history class are, we were waiting at the bus bay at 8am just like we were instructed. However there was no sign of Mr. Bentley until 8.10, when he turned up in his body hired van and we were off! The trip north wasn't too exciting, a few photos but most of us were pretty bored. We first stopped at the Cambridge Museum to learn about the town's military history and Kai-fah enjoyed 'hooking up with' a stuffed lion.

After the museum we walked through town, trying to find some nice eating places but a lot of them were closed. We ended up splitting up into two groups, one of them went goodness knows where, but Caitlin and I stopped at the pet shop and looked longingly at the puppies and kittens.

Our next stop was the Waikato Museum in Hamilton to learn about the Kingitanga and after a quick lunch we travelled to Te Awamutu Museum. Here we learnt about the conflicts at Rangiaowhia and at Orakau where the Maori defenders under Rewi Maniapoto survived by running away while the warriors at the back repeatedly pointed their empty muskets at the British cavalry, effectively slowing them down.

So after writing all our notes, and bearing all the information we possibly could, the day was over. We headed home feeling very satisfied at how the day had turned out and on the way, had mini photo shoot as you can see from the photos.

By Jayden Parker



CLASSICAL

On the 24th and 25th of May our senior music students performed a Classical and Art music recital as part of their NCEA assessment. These assessments involve performing technically demanding pieces in front of an audience. For these students it was the culmination of over 10 weeks of rehearsal and many of our students achieved their solo and group performance credits.

One of the standout performers was Year 12 student Aaron Gott who performed on piano (Aaron's first instrument), "Für Elise" and "Moonlight Sonata," which were composed by Ludwig Van Beethoven. Aaron performed on guitar (his 2nd instrument), "Vals - Homage to Antonio Luro" which was composed by Vincent Lindsey-Clark and "E. erick" composed by Jose Ferrer.

Other note worthy performances included Hayley Bason and Shamice Birch both playing guitar and our vocal groups. Te Anani McKenzie, Aia Cowley and Katy Cassidy who performed "Falling Slowly" by Glen Hansard, Marketa Inglova and Hyeon An Lee and Te Anani McKenzie, Aia Cowley, Snoli Tavier Levao and Gabriele Mapstone who performed "Amazing Grace".

The recital was concluded by our drummers who performed a Taiko drumming inspired piece "And The Mountains Rising" by Kevin Tuck.

This was a challenging and unfamiliar genre for many of our students but it showed just how versatile and technically competent our young musicians are becoming.



Ludwig Van Beetho-



Glen Hansard



Vincent Lindsey-Clark



Marketa Inglova



Jose Ferrer

ROCK

On the 9th and 10th of September the senior music students put on a series of concerts towards their NCEA assessments. The theme for term 3 was rock music.

The night began with an upbeat Sweet Home Alabama by Lynrd Skynrd performed by Katy Cassidy (vocals), Aaron Gott (lead guitar), Shamice Birch (rhythm guitar), Mr Baker (bass) and Gideon Letoga (drums).

We had a number of standout performances throughout the night including a trio consisting of Aaron Gott (guitar), Hayley Bason (bass) and Matthew Broman (drums) playing an instrumental version of Black Dog by Led Zeppelin. Breezin' By George Benson played by Taylah Paul-Kaponga (lead guitar), Rapania Herehni (rhythm guitar), Robert Mihini (bass guitar) and Awan Urala (drums). Katy Cassidy (vocals) and Gideon Letoga (drums) presented a convincing performance of I Wish I Were a Punk Rocker (With Flowers In My Hair) by Sandi Thom. Aia Cowley (vocals) led two songs Every Breath You Take by The Police in which she was backed by Taylah Paul-Kaponga (guitar), Mr Baker (bass), Tuscano Wehipehena (drums) and Put Your Records On by Corinne Bailey Rae supported by Taylah Paul-Kaponga (guitar), Mr Baker (bass) and Reynor Hewitt (drums).

The night was rounded off with an outstanding rendition of Hotel California by The Eagles performed by Katy Cassidy (vocals), Aaron Gott, Matthew Broman (lead guitars), Shamice Birch (acoustic guitar), Hayley Bason (bass guitar) and Sivega Letoga (drums). These students are steadily maturing into musicians with skills that they will be able to call on throughout their lives. The level of performance which includes aspects of technical ability, accuracy, musicanship and stage craft continues to develop with each series of performances and I look forward to next year's endeavours.



Open Day 2010

It all started a week earlier with a group of students putting paper into envelopes that were posted home to parents inviting them to our Open Day. We then progressed into having to put seven different pieces of paper into snap lock bags and putting fruit, muesli bars and fruit juice into bags for the students for their morning tea.

On the actual day we had to get to school at 7:45 am because the prospectus only arrived the night before and needed to be added to the envelopes along with a Tokoroa High School pen. We finished this job with only 15 minutes to spare. We then went into the hall, where Mr Mana did a wonderful job of keeping the students entertained until the last group arrived. Mr Ford then welcomed the students and we then watched some talented Tok High students perform some items, before seeing the Year 8 students split into groups. Current students were used to lead the potential students around the school and others helped with classroom activities. After a couple of taster classes and a shared morning tea all students returned to the hall where they were again entertained by some of our talented students.

This was another successful open day thanks to a committed team of Tokoroa High School students who didn't give up until the job was done.



Trip to Waiariki



waiariki
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Where Learning

In term two, Tokoroa High School senior students experienced an amazing day at the Waikato Institute of Technology in Rotorua. I experienced an amazing feeling surrounding this area. A feeling of Mana, pure Maori. As I gazed around at the all the lectures the vast area caught my attention.

Everything was detailed in spiritual form as if you were experiencing it. My mates also experienced Nursing. They explained to us the meaning of being a nurse. I was horrified, I have never seen anything so disgusting. So we moved on. Later in the day, they put on a dance competition and Charlie Tuakura was the only one from our school who entered. We watched for a while but decided to get a hot chocolate from the café. It was time to go home and Mr Phayor and Mr Hoby were waiting for us. The Waiariki trip was an awesome experience. I thoroughly enjoyed my day.

Written by Alicia Urala and Stacie-Rae Rangitika



Congratulations again to the four winners of the scholarships this year, Troy, Dane, Weyan and Teru-ala. These students were able to demonstrate excellence in one of the following domains: academic, culture or sport. As the quality of entrants was high a fourth scholarship was awarded for leadership. Each of these students provided evidence to support their application from another person, such as a coach or teacher. The scholarship awarded them \$300 each to use to pay costs that were incurred at school. Well done to the four of you. I hope the money has been of help this year and you encourage others to apply for the 2011 scholarship.

NOHO MARAE 2010

We have had some great times at Noho Marae this year and I was really benefited for our new students. We got to enhance ourselves in terms of kapa haka performance and sets that the parents helped us to prepare. We also learnt how to interact with our peers in a non-violent way by playing heaps of games and sitting together at the dinner table.

The noho marae was a great fun for the parents who created and their own sets for their kids. We also watched some of the kids come out of their shells through performing and singing. But more than this, we learnt about how to be good role models in the Rāto and how to make the most of our potential.

I'd like to thank all the parents who supported Whaea Aroha and Māua Shō Whaea Pip and all our awesome tutors, Mr Māea, Mrs Manu, Mr Hoby, Mr Baker, Aiso Māua Ngāro who always supports our noho marae. The kapa that was prepared by our very own talents was also great. It was great experiencing noho and the pride of being Māori.

By Rebecca Hoani.

BUCKLAND MEDICAL TRIP

Early September saw four Tokoroa High School students: Joshua Brown, Veronica Poko, Gabrielle MacLennan, Grace Clarke were among a group of 12 South Waikato year 10 students who spent a two day visit to the University of Auckland Medical School.

All four students are part of the GATE (Gifted and Talented Programme) at our school.



YOUTH CONNECTING YOUTH

Forty-one Peer Mentors from the Stars programme got into the spirit of Youth Week in May and delivered a two-hour adventure-based learning session to the Kiwi Can students from Strathmore School. The objective was simple - empowering young people to connect with other young people. The students then shared a healthy lunch together, thanks to support from New World Tokoroa and NZAAHD. The feedback on all fronts was outstanding and we have already been asked to continue with this next year.

The Kiwi Can and Stars programmes are delivered to the Tokoroa community by Foundation for Youth Development Waikato (FYD Waikato). FYD Waikato is a charitable trust partnering with schools to deliver positive youth development programmes. These aim to develop life skills and maximise the potential of our young people, as well as helping them to understand their value in the community.

Cheers
Karen



Wearable Arts

On the 28th of August 5 groups of students attended the Wearable arts creation a colour in Rotorua. This competition has been running for nine years and this is our second year entering. Our models were Roxanne Emery, Stacey King, Tamara Thorn, Andrew McClintock, Melissa Appel. Our designers were Kaylani Tautari, Laura Walker, Stacey King, Lucas Pollard, Melissa Appel, Grace Clark, Melandi Appel.

Each creation took at least 1 to 10 weeks with lots of hard work and effort we manage to create **Whizzy** by Melissa and Melandi Appel. This creation was inspired by two sisters dedicated to sports. Their creation was made out of cardboard, paint, polystyrene and broken cds.

Signed, sealed, delivered was made by Laura Walker, Kaylani Tautari, and Roxanne Emery was the model. Our creation was made out of cardboard, green cloth, paint, over sized glasses and blue necklaces and was inspired by the modern technology of how we communicate.

QUEEN V was designed and modelled by Stacey King. Her creation was inspired by the energy drink V and royalty which combined together makes Queen V. Her creation was made out of 100 v cans and lots of careful gluing.

Danger of the Undergrowth was designed by Tamara Thorn and Grace Clark. The creation was inspired by dark angel and mythical creatures, using cloth, transfers, wire, and lots of hard work.

CyberTech was created by Andrew McClintock and Lucas Pollard inspired by the modern technology create cybertech. Their creation was made out of computer pieces, and spray paint.

The awards ceremony was very impressive, with lots of colour and entertainment. Ward 16 was one the acts and along with Hip Hop and jazz groups which astounded the audience. The wearable creations for 2010 were truly amazing and a wonderful experience.

By Laura Walker



Our creation was inspired by the everyday use of technology and how we rely on it so much today. Our costume was made at the last minute, but we decided to do the show anyway and it turned out well.

Wearable Arts was a great experience for us and the people there were incredibly welcoming. We made a lot of new friends and had an amazing time.

Andrew and Lucas

This year's costume was called Queen V and our model Roxanne. It was a top rated costume and we took home 1st place. It was made out of over 100 empty v cans that were attached to a green top, paper skirt, a cardboard hat and gloves to give it that 'Queen V' look.

This year's costume was 'Queen V' by Stacey King. It was inspired by the energy drink V and royalty which combined together makes Queen V. Her creation was made out of 100 v cans and lots of careful gluing.

It was an awesome experience. I had a lot of fun and met some really nice people. The competition was really exciting and we were so proud to win.



Central North Island Regional Chess Tournament

The Check Mates out smarted their competition at the Central North Island Regional Chess Tournament which was held in Taupo. Mr Māea the teams coach has to be praised for his effort in providing the opportunity for students interested in this sport to have an opportunity to compete at this level. With TJ Rawaru placing 2nd and Chris Mayer placing 3rd, and gaining 1st place overall the team qualified for the national finals in Auckland on October 20th. Having won the New Zealand national finals, the chess team is off to Melbourne to represent New Zealand in November.



High Ropes / Low Ropes Adventure Based Learning Course

Wednesday 30 June, 7:30 am. The time we were supposed to leave.

Wednesday 30 June, 8:05 am. The time we actually left.

Tokoroa High School Services Academy a few teachers and 20 odd students made their way to the Karapiro High Ropes/Low Ropes Outdoor Pursuits Centre.

The trip on the bus took 35-45 minutes, the bus was filled with the 'good kids' singing in the back, the 'Services Boys' listening to music and everybody else including the teachers talking, chatting and trying to look out the window in the back of the bus.

When we arrived at the Karapiro Outdoor Pursuits Centre we were sorted into our groups two groups worked on the Low Ropes course while the other two worked on the High Ropes Course for the first three hours of the day. Then we were briefed on what activities the day would hold. The day was packed with many fun filled courage and trust building activities. Along with jokes, laughter and food.

The Low Ropes Course consisted of many obstacles and activities that needed built up confidence and trust with your peers. You were to walk along a log, then walk along again with your eyes closed while your peers spotted you because you're blind. You then went on to a set of wire

ropes and tried to walk along them while again your group spotted you. In our group we decided to mix things up and go in groups of four, one walker and three spotters, and we were to have two people walking across the wire at the



same. When we met in the middle of the wire we would have to work out how to manoeuvre around each other. We played many other team building, courage building and trust building activities and by the end of the first three hours we had a new found trust in our teams.

We stopped to have lunch at around

11:00am. It was fun to watch everyone laughing and joking around, having fun, while sharing lunch.

Once lunch was over the groups switched places. The first two groups that were on the Low Ropes Course were

ropes themselves were at 8-9 meters and in between two boys was a big gap that people had to walk across. The Services Academy walked over the log one at a time and Staff Maru gave each of them different things to do. My group watched on as many Services Academy did push-ups, sit-ups and other random things on the log.

While the Services Academy walked along the log each person in the group that I was in had to walk along a rope and walk backwards along it. I used the helmet to brace their leg and then they put their hands under it once and then they put their hands as many times as they could. After that they would be let down off the wire with the help of the man belayer and the harness that supported us. I must say it was a challenge walking along the wire and trying to keep my hands with a cast on and a broken finger.

All in all the day out to the Karapiro High Ropes/Low Ropes Outdoor Pursuits Centre was a fun filled adventurous day that put many of us out of our comfort zones and showed to us all that we could do whatever we put our mind to. It was a lot of fun and afterwards everyone was tired out and fairly quiet on the bus ride home. Oh, except for the 'cool kids' singing in the back of the bus.

By Courtney Ross And Devon Morris

now on the High Ropes Course for the last two hours of the day and the two groups that were on the High Ropes Course before were now working on the Low Ropes Course.

The High Ropes Course consisted of high wire ropes connected together by around about 10 meter high poles. The

Outward Bound

So here I am now changing my life by enrolling in the Service Academy and becoming a more positive person. I recently went on a 3 week Outward Bound course it was one of the best experiences in my life. I did high ropes and low ropes, trampolining, rock climbing, sailing and lots of other challenging activities and exercises. I met lots of new people and made more great positive friends. This course gave me confidence and self belief, it challenged my attitudes and made me take a harder look at myself and the effects I have on others. I would like to thank Tokoroa Rotary for sponsoring me on this course.

My time at Tokoroa High School has not always been focused or positive. I went to class but not to learn. I went to create havoc and tag, never listening to my teachers. The teachers would constantly tell me to do work but I was one of those people who would rather talk to my mates instead.



Since joining the Services Academy I have tuned up my attitude in a better manner. I have built up confidence, comradeship, gained leadership skills, team integrity and know to use a respectful tone in all sorts of situations.

My goals for the future are to join the forces in particular the army and eventually I would like to own my own home and have some land for future purposes.

Trinity Teakura

Nac Camp Royal New Zealand Navy

27th September to 2nd of October



The experience I had during the nac camp with the New Zealand Navy will last me my entire life. All the things the navy taught us were skills that everyone can use outside of military life for day to day living.

When I first arrived I never knew any of these people and it was very awkward. However, during the camp you get to know everyone and their backgrounds.

Attending the camp it gave me the desire in choosing my future job. I would love to uptake and join the New Zealand Navy as an officer and become a helicopter pilot. When my fellow course mates and I were taking up this exciting but hard camp we joined together and became tighter than I thought possible. The best thing about the camp was making new friends and doing this camp together. A big downfall I thought about the camp was leaving, nevertheless I will stay in contact with them all.

By Michael Ratima



RAUKAWA REO AWARDS

Last year we made the finals of the Raukawa Maori Language Awards, winning the Maori Language section and this year we were fortunate again. Held at the Wharanga, this was a night of fine dining, entertainment and most importantly, a way of recognising all those in the community who support the Maori language. Mr Ngapo and a contingent from Tokoroa High School's Te Rito attended the awards ceremony, namely Raymond Maru, Adam Te Anoa, Justin, Justice, Barco, Shaquille and Rane.

On arrival our room was greeted by wait staff and ushers who showed us to our table situated just in front of the stage. Students were treated to fine dips and a bread selection complemented with taua and kina butter. A lovely choice of buffet pork or salmon was on the menu for dinner and this delicious treat was complemented by a dessert treat of either steamed pudding or mousse.

Then it was time to move on to the award section, category nominee and award winners. Tokoroa High School was nominated in two categories and we made the final in both: The Education Link: Term Education Section as well as the Maori Language Week Section. It made us proud to be a part of our school and Te Rito which won the Maori Language Week Award. Our students supported the kaupapa by performing a beautiful waiata a haka.

Te Rito had nominated Te Anoa for his work towards the reo and he won the Individual Award which was a tremendous achievement. Te Anoa was eligible for the overall Supreme Award and when our name was announced our students stood with pride and this is the reason why as Dean I support our boys like this. Entering kaupapa at 1000 and returning with a new our light in shina, and this allows Maori to shine as a collective. Hopefully Te Rito's achievements this year will show other students that with hard work and determination they too can represent themselves and Maori at any level.

Thanks to the Te Rito whanau for allowing their tired yet dedicated children to attend this prestigious awards ceremony. They had the experience of being on stage and being recognised for their efforts in Maori Language Week. Thanks also to the Raukawa Charitable Trust Board, Chances, Te Papa and Tairāwhiti Airports for pulling together a fantastic night and for giving our students a night to remember.



Youth Row Day

Come rain or shine, Tokoroa High School staff and students were determined that the Youth Row Day was going to happen at the Youth Park.

The 'Row Box,' supplied by rowing New Zealand, was a central activity of the day along with a bouncy castle, magician act, fire engine, face painting and fantastic performances by Tokoroa High School students.

The schools Puna Vā Ora cultural group and the recently formed rock band 'The Photons' were a big hit with the spectators and both performed under cold windy conditions.

Despite the cold and rain, it was smiles all round and lots of laughter. It was a great opportunity for our senior students to demonstrate the skills that they have and collectively put on a great day for their own community.





Huia National Maori Language Awards

On the 9th October 2010, we traveled to Rotorua to attend the National Maori Language Awards. With our school being a first time entrant, this was a great experience. We were proud to make it as finalists, and proud of the work that our Kura presented.

Although we did not win, the event showcased the work of our school and the organising committee commented that our ongoing commitment toward the reo was encouraging to see, especially in a mainstream school. They went on to say, "That the focus for the reo needs to be about revitalisation of the reo in all facets, the curriculum included".

The event was well attended and some of the highlights included a lovely three course meal, great entertainment and inspiring speeches from the Maori Language Commission, politicians and Maori leaders. The MC Julian Wirox of Maori Television, kept the programme moving and we all enjoyed the night.

Raukawa Chantable Trust was also in attendance and we congratulate them for winning their category and also for winning the joint supreme award on the night. It was great to see our Kura excel and also other people from the rohe or Raukawa excel and support the Maori kaupapa. We look forward to next year's challenge and achievements.

[Leaves fall as they die, falling to the earth, and veiling on the ground the sound of leaves, crunge and crunch under my feet as I walk along. I taking into position the leaves leaping around like in a dance. That's so graceful and pleasant.]

By *Kylisha Winter*



My purpose I am a leaf. I looked around a meadow with my fallen friends was the last in ceased tree I upon a burst of strong like a bull I was weak hit me I fell from like a bird that springing and descending.

By *Josiah Manu*



friends, I this degazed wind raging once it the tree can't fly

My leaf... I was face to face with my most enemy.



Dear... I was... standing against the tower... gusting wind I held on with all my might. I was weak, broken and alone I was descending around a meadow. The best of my life flashed before my eyes as a bullet covered the ground. There I was watching amongst my friends, I looking around, breathless, I see how lifeless trees over head, the smell of us no ping leaves made me understand the meaning of life.

By *Lousiana Mata*

Year 11/12/13 Geography Trip Tongariro Crossing

Mr Teruo, Mr Olsen and Parents took the geography students up and over Mount Tongariro- considered one of the world's best one day walk, 17 kilometres long.

Leaving Tokoroa at 8 in the morning (still sleepy eyed), travelling pass Lake Taupo and Turangi to the start of the desert road. We travelled north of Mount Tongariro and arrived at our starting point at 8 o'clock. The track begins at the head of the Mangatopopo valley. Walking up the valley we went up and down the lava flows from Mount Ngaunohoe until we reached the "Devil's staircase". As intimidating as it sounds, Keilah and others motivating spirit encouraged everyone to keep pushing themselves to the limit in reaching the top of the staircase. There we rested at the base of mount Ngaunohoe. We also walked on boardwalks and trails that had uneven ground. The view over the Mangatopopo valley was beautiful in the distance of Mount Taranaki.

We walked across the flat area of South crater and climbed up a narrow ridge to red crater on top of Mount Tongariro. We could see into the crater with its red coloured rocks and smell the sulphur. Some people were afraid to go too close to the edge of the crater and therefore missed the spectacular view inside. From red crater we descended down a scoria slope of loose rocks and gravel to the aquamarine emerald lakes where we had lunch.

After lunch we travelled across central crater with its recent black lava flows and past blue lake (another crater). We then descended down to Keilah's hut to rest. On our way to the bus we passed the Keilah's hot springs travelling through the tussock lands and worked our way downhill through the rainforest.

Mr Teruo travelled over with the year 13 students doing their geography work along the way, as this is their area of study for year 13. The year 11s and 12s, for the most part arrived back at the bus earlier. We traveled back to Tokoroa arriving at 7 pm, tired and exhausted, but knowing that we had completed a walk which thousands of overseas tourists do every year.



Puna Vai Ora

The overall winners for the Pacific by Nature secondary competition for 2013 is "Tokoroa High School - Yes!"

The 2013 Puna Vai Ora group is a group of 40 strong, talented students that were dancers, drummers and singers. Organised by our teacher Mrs Solomon, also known as Aunty Ape. Tutored by the awesome Moana Tikia Aka Aunty Moana, with the help of the talented musician Masei Ngakawani for song and raps but not least, our fantastic supporters.

We as a group have stuck through thick and thin and have grown strong along the way. This year we have performed for many occasions. The benefit concert for Bodine Oranga, a young local man who has been diagnosed with cancer was one of many performances that we had. We also represented our school in a secondary competition and were pleased with the 1st place award.

Deyanne Takiri, Osessa Slowers and Sussega Usotoga have seen our strong year 13 students that have represented Puna Vai Ora this year. As we farewell them we would like to wish them all the best for the future.

On behalf of the Puna Vai Ora students, we would like to thank Aunty Moana, Aunty Ape and Vava for their awesome support and support that they have shown throughout the year. Also big thanks to all the supporters and costume makers for their support and time.

Kia Orana e ka Manuwa
By *Deyanne Takiri*



Puna Wai Ora

Technology



2010 was an exciting year in the technology department, with a growth in student numbers as well as significant improvements in results. 2011 will see even more growth with more improvements to the technology courses. Our school has well equipped facilities to offer Woodwork, Metalwork, Graphics, Food technology, Catering and Fabric technology. We also have a modern computer suite at our disposal. We have well qualified and motivated staff in the technology department and we are looking forward to the challenges of implementing the new technology curriculum for senior students in 2011.

Trades Training. Next year we will offer the BCAT (Building and Allied Trades) course for pre-apprentice training. This course is accepted by 16 different building related trades. The students will receive theoretical and practical training. We will also do practical building projects such as building decks, pergola's etc.



Hard Materials. The technology curriculum is changing to an achievement standard course only that will require a higher academic standard, especially for the theoretical component. We will be offering a multi-materials course including woodwork, metalwork and welding.

Soft Materials Ms Kombarne did a great job in 2010, offering Catering and Fabric technology. The Fabric technology students produced some very impressive, high quality products. Due to the success of the courses we will be offering Food and fabric technology again next year.

Graphics. Graphics was offered from Level One to Three. The students worked hard at their designing, sketching and drafting skills and the results were very good, with some innovative and interesting projects produced by the students. We want to encourage more students to take Graphics as it is an excellent subject for pursuing any technology qualification as well as gaining university entrance.



Yr 10 Fabrics

Our project for fabrics this term was creating bags. We spent days learning about the machines, the fabrics and sewing joints. After hours of brain stuffing, we were ready. Mrs Kombarne took us to the library with the instructions to research on a culture. Some people chose Cook Islands and Maori while others chose more exotic ones like Japanese. I thought about my choice for a while before coming up with the answer.

I chose a mixture of Scottish Celtic knots and Irish colours. Seizing the opportunity to create something great, I searched Google images to find the perfect knot. In the end I chose one that consisted of two different coloured hearts overlapping in a way made to resemble the Star of David. After clearing my design with Mrs Kombarne began to practice.

To illustrate my design, I chose to embroider. Carefully, I drew the outline of a single heart onto a scrap of material and continually practiced embroidering it with a machine until I decide that was good enough.

Now my decorations were complete could start assembling my bag. I chose back denim and matched it with blue lining and a buckle belt.

With a lot of sewing and a simple double knot - voila! My bag is complete.

By Kayla Dewhurst



From the Depths of the Hard Drives



Year 12 US12885 images

It has been yet another busy year within the computing department. All our senior computing classes are on track with the majority of our senior students receiving their 15+ credits. Those that don't need to look at their own commitment to their classes and study.

All three suites are now equipped with up-to-date computers enabling students easier access to online multimedia applications and connections with the outside world. We thank the Board of Trustees for financing this upgrade and will do everything in our power to ensure that our students benefit from the new machines. It is pleasing to note that in 2011 we have a considerable increase in the number of senior students wanting to study computing. Great stuff!

It is great seeing more departments incorporating technology within their subject area and bringing the students over to use the computing suites on a regular basis.

Congratulations to Luke Hulcheson and Karasha Finlayson for gaining their NZQA Level 2 General Computing certificate. Our aim is to get more year 12/13 students completing this certificate in 2011.

2010 has seen a good year for the computing dept however, 2011 is going to be even better! Watch this space!



Year 9 Flower Pots



Year 10 CD Cover Production



JUNIOR SCIENCE CAMP

On the first morning of March 2010, a class of over 30 year 12 and 13 students along with Mr Utanga, Mrs Tucker and the Bus driver ventured off to Ohope to broaden our scientific horizons, in our Scenic Tours Bus. On the first day the year 12s were about to embark on a somewhat long and tiring walk down Ohope Beach then through a bush ending up at Otararawire Bay. While we were hiking through the bush in jandals and shorts, the year 13s were preparing lunch and chucking oranges and onions into the sea. Our class sessions were long but much appreciated and most of us were in bed by 11 o'clock that night.

The next few days of camp involved early morning runs, long walks from Whakatane back to Ohope, lots of long but interesting lectures from both Mr Utanga and Mrs Tucker, and a lot of walking around Ohope. On camp we all learnt lots about the earth, science and local marine biology, but most important we all had fun, from laughing because we were high on pineapple lumps and lollies, to having water fights in the middle of the night, but shoosh don't tell Mr Jones that. If you have the chance to go on the science camp next year I recommend it, as it was a benefit to me and you all get the chance to gain valuable credits, it would give you the perfect head start to your school year.

By Julius Isabella and Yoni Daniels Mata

Science Camp

SENIOR SCIENCE CAMP

A horde of excited faces, and some not so excited, crowded around the bus, all set for an uneventful week in Ohope. Science was the reason for our journey, though the first day of work had us thinking otherwise.

So there we were, sent out to the sea, to throw fruit. Yes, that's right. Here we were, throwing a lemon, an orange and an onion to the sea. Okay, maybe I am being bit overdramatic, there were good reasons behind these actions. As a part of our research of sediment movement, we had to complete a series of experiments, and as a part of this, we had to see in which direction the fruit was moving.

While the year 13s were on our fruit's voyage, the year 12s made like long hoes from Whakatane to Ohope whilst studying rocks. I'm sure the majority of the science students preferred these outdoor experiences to having their heads buried in a text book at school.

The week gradually passed and day by day we continued with our science work, all reasonably relaxed thanks to Moko across the road which led our junk food addictions. But of course, this can seem to be unfair and torture us in the most unexpected ways.

Crucially stumbling out of bed at six in the morning showed that most of us were not morning people. To wake 25 odd teenagers for an early morning run was not the most brilliant idea to be thought up by teachers, and it certainly did I was then a bit more bored.

So the mornings started with a bit of unenthusiastic exercise, and the experience of working outdoors during the day left the whole population of the camp exhausted by evening. Well, most of us. The rebel came out among some students who decided that they wanted an all nighter. However, Mrs Tucker during her reign of terror subdued these rebels in their tracks and sent them to bed at an hour that was considered very early by most students.

The week came to an end with a bonfire and marshmallow roasting on the beach. By now we were tired of the sight of the beach and the thought of home was on everyone's mind.

Colin Wallace



Success



During my stay at Tokoroa High I have had lots of lows and highs.

For me school was beginning to become a burden and I had no focus, no discipline and especially no integrity. By changing my life and enrolling myself into something called Service Academy, all my burdens became a positive thing in my life.

Before joining the Service Academy I had no goal for my future and where I would be in a few years, which I would consider a big goal in my life at Tokoroa High School.

I didn't care and didn't think twice about what I was getting myself into. If I hadn't enrolled, I would probably be on the dole, trying to look for a job somewhere, getting paid the lowest you could get, still trying off my mum and dad!

Personally, by being in this academy I have been on loads of fun camps, met heaps of new people, travelled all over the country and met successful people. At the beginning of my school years you could say I was hanging with the wrong crowd getting up to well, you know the story of hanging with the mates.

The whole time being in this academy has been a huge help for me gaining my credits, helping me aim high, to gain level 3 and UE and boosting my confidence to the max. I used to be shy to stand up and give a speech but now I can speak in front of people with confidence.

Right now I am studying to become an officer in the navy, I have all the help I need and the goals are in reach.

M.KE. ROMEO OUT

By Michael Raitira



Stars Round-up

The 2010 STARS programme began with the challenges of tramping, mountain biking and white water rafting 100km. The Big Walk covered the entire length of NZ. Our leg was from Bennydale to Turangi and was covered over four days.

Next came the Big Download in which our lucky STARS students were flown to Wellington to meet up with every other Big Walk participant from around New Zealand. We had a conference dinner at Te Papa and free rides on the simulators. At the Beehive we met with Politicians and heads of big organisations such as Telesia Clear, NZ Rugby, ANZ, Air NZ, ZM, The North Face, Classic Hits and Sanitarium.

Somewhere between the Big Walk and the Big Download we squeezed in three days of Peer Mentor Training, welcomed Year 9's to the school with four days of pre-camp activities and then the Big Camp itself. Over 120 students attended a 5 day camp at Lakes Ranch, Rotorua.

All the above before normal classes had got going!

For the remainder of Term 1 we had our weekly STARS sessions with Year 9 groups being led by our STARS Mentors.

In term two we started the process of selecting our 2011 Mentors. This involved several training sessions and a day at Seathmore School to run a fun day as part of the Youth Connecting Youth week. In addition all our Mentors attended a High Ropes/Low Ropes training day. This was to prepare them for the Community Adventure in Term 3. We also held a Careers Expo with over 30 local businesses and individuals sharing their expertise and experience.

Term 3 was also really busy with our Community Adventure being an absolutely brilliant day. Year 9's were treated to a tour of the Rowing NZ Complex and met many of the NZ Rowers. They also took part in a Low Ropes course led by our Mentors and some even had a go on the High Ropes.

The next Term 3 event was the Community Project which was an opportunity for our Year 9's to put something back into their community. In partnership with the South Waikato District Council they planted over 400 trees on the banks of Lake Moanani at a spot that had become a place for rubbish dumping. With the addition of the trees it is much less likely to return to the eyesore that it was.

Term 4 started with the Youth Row Day. This was a family fun day at the Youth Park run by our Mentors and Staff. Despite the terrible weather it was a great day with the Rowing NZ 'Row Box', bouncy castle, magician, face painting and fantastic performances on stage by 'The Photons' and 'Te Puna Vai Ora'.

During Term 4 we also selected our 2011 mentors and we use this space to farewell our Year 13 Mentors of 2010. A big thank you goes out to the following:

Mathew Beazley, Kelvin Cooper, James Horn, Eden Dixon, Bryce Domaschewz, Ross Gardner, James Horn, Lisa Horn, Siusega Letoga, Renee Manu, Molly Mitchell, Jayden Parker, David Phillips, Roneta Pomare, Stacie-Rae Rangitua, Alana Rikau, Graham Sheek, Joshua Smith-Holley, Ososoo Stowers, Deyanna Takiri, Krystle Tangimatahi, Trydin Te Aonui, Christopher Teague, Kei-lah Teao, John Teakota, Ethan Tito, Samantha Tremain, Charlie Tuakura, Alaya Turia, Caitlin Wallace

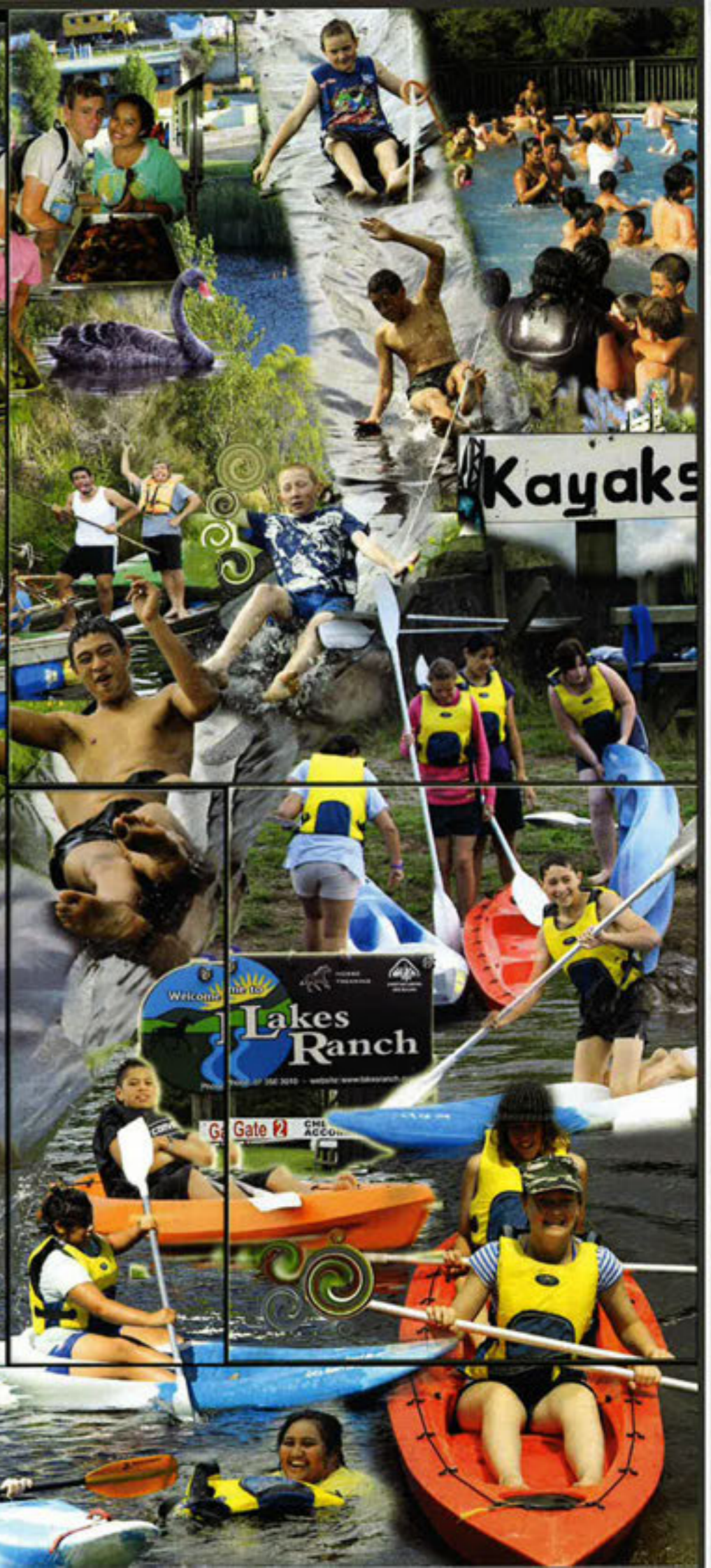


TV Stars

This year Te Rito had the privilege of being asked to attend and take part in the Erin Simpson Show. Mr Ngapo and the Te Rito students had a great time showing Erin around our fantastic town of Tokoroa. Treated like royalty, we were taken around in their flash car and given lunch. Mr Ngapo was interviewed for a while about his singing and then the Te Rito students Dremon, De-Arna and I were escorted to the Youth Park where we took part in a challenge. The show was screened during the July holidays and it was cool to see our school participating and contributing so well. It was a great opportunity and even though we were nervous as, we did it for our school and Te Rito.

By Mana Teapara and Dremon Mata

STARS CAMP 2010



Kayaks

Welcome to the
Lakes Ranch
www.lakesranch.com

Gate #1 CME ACCOUNT

Stars



We enjoyed going to the ten pin bowling finals in Rotorua because we like winning the ribbons.



We built our own compost bin for the food scraps. Then we use the compost for the gardens.



In Te Kahui Whetu we made trucks in Woodwork. We enjoyed painting the trucks because we got to paint them different colours.



In Sewing we made bags that looked like jeans.



We went to Te Awamutu for Special Olympics swimming. We all won ribbons and Rebekah

TKW has a good veggie garden. We use the vegetables for cooking in class. We have made stir fried vegetables, and we have used the lettuce, beetroot and onions for hamburgers.



Te Kahui Whetu



We made a volcano to experiment with the reaction between warm water, baking soda and vinegar.



We made fruit skewers from every colour of the rainbow. We had banana, grapes, pineapple etc. They were yum.



It was exciting to watch the reaction and the 'lava' of this mixture flowing out of the cardboard mountain.



We went to Matamata in the pouring rain. It was fun anyway. We came 2nd in our division.



When we studied bamboo we tried thinking dancing from the Philippines. It was much harder and faster than it looked on Youtube.



the class as part of their SPEC task



FORTITUDO

STRENGTH
COURAGE
MORAL BRAVERY

successful as it has allowed people to speak to the whole group and at the same time try to create some common identity.

Several of our students have been involved in regional or national sporting activities or teams. Congratulations must go to Jonathan Bass for Boxing, Isaiah Cooper for Rugby League, Christina Black for Mixed Touch, Chris Meyer, Saige McMahon and T J Raivaru for Chess, along with James Biddle and Joshua Brawn for Que sports.

I would like to thank the tutors of FORTITUDO for all their energy that they have put into supporting their students and dean. Thanks to Mr. Hamman, Mr. Hawaira, Mrs. Tucker, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Cassidy, Ms. Kombarie, Mr. Parnar and Mrs. Phillips. Thanks must also go to Mrs. Evans for her work with student guidance and Mr. Phayer for his advice with careers.

With the move to vertical Whanau groupings this year, FORTITUDO was created for those students who were not members of Te Rilo or Te Manawa. This included students from years nine to thirteen. It therefore comprised the largest grouping of over 200 students in the school.

Many of our students were involved early in the year in the school community. It started with senior students being "STARS" mentors which involved them supporting the year nine students enjoying the fun activities at the STARS camp. I thank you for this and hope that FORTITUDO senior students will continue to support our new arrivals next year. Other activities included our students taking up Prefect roles or participating in such school activities as debating and speeches.

It has been a pleasure to work with, help, support, talk to and encourage our students in their learning this year. I wish them all the best for a fresh start in 2011, which over a region they may be heading towards.

M O'Sen
FORTITUDO Dean 2010.

Every Thursday the eight tutor groups come together to meet in the hall - "B.G TUTOR" - as it became known by the students. This has been very





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-TE RITO -
KO TE MANA O TE
WHAKAWHANAUNGA-
TANGA

*Mana
lives
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beliefs,
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and
sense
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from
our
Whakapapa*

MAI I TE WHAKAARO, KO TE HIAHIA, MAI I
TE HIAHIA, KO TE TIMATANGA, MAI I TE
TIMATANGA, KO TE PUAWAITANGA, O TE
WHAIHIAU O TE RITO THEI MAURICIA



As Dean, I have the job of summing up our year as Te Rito. We have had a grand year and I believe this is due to the hard work and effort from the parents, staff and students. Thanks, to SMT and of course to our great tutors, who do so much for the students, your time is invaluable.

Looking back over the year some of the highlights have included

- ✗ Rō- alter dance for many of our Te Rito students
- ✗ Te Rito Monday night study classes
- ✗ Focus on Te Reo and ongoing commitment towards re- rejuvenation
- ✗ Finalist and supreme award winner at the Kaikawa Maori Language Awards
- ✗ Finalist in the National Hui a Maori Language Awards
- ✗ Being on the Errol Simpson Show
- ✗ Regional winners at the Nga Manu Korero Speech Competition
- ✗ Finalist in the National Nga Manu Korero Speech Competition
- ✗ Supporting the reo through Noho Marae, north and school trips away.

In terms of future developments while improvements can always be made, it is also clear that we are improving on certain areas of academic achievement. This must be our focus for the future and this must increase next year. Hence, coming to school on time, being prepared will help support our students. With our students working hard in Te Rito and knowing that with hard work and determination, is the key to success and our goals are attainable.

I have already seen this year many of our students advance in terms of culture, sporting opportunities and this is so great to see.

Id like to thank those friends and whanau that have passed on this year. To one of our staunchest supporters and kaumatua Waka Gogo. His tireless efforts supported the fiscal part of Maori at Noa and to lose him was such a huge loss for his whanau and for mauritoni.

Last but not least, Id like to farewell our departing year 13 students and say a huge thank you for your time and effort in Te Rito over the past years. From the time you entered the gates of Noa, our hearts and minds were open to you. And so as we bid you farewell, know that this is not goodbye, but that it is the beginning of your lives. You will forever be apart of Te Rito. Puna wai ora, Te whare a Noa and Tokoroa High School.

Nga Mihi kia koutou katoa.
Matua Keinan Ngapo
Dean of Te Rito



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Te Manava

2010 has been a very exciting, challenging and frustrating year for all involved in Te Manava. With the wonderful opportunity afforded to Miss Tara to return home and study in the sands, we have been left to "hold the fort" so to speak and I must take this opportunity to thank all of the tutors involved. The students and local community can fully appreciate how lucky they are to have the number and quality of Pacific Island teachers we have here and I would challenge any school in New Zealand to have a better student:teacher ratio in this respect. When we factor in the number of people who have returned home to teach in Tokoroa and are well known members of the wider Tokoroa community, a very positive picture starts to emerge. The crowning glory is the fact that our Principal Mr Ford has been a fully supportive leader who has allowed us to do things our way.

Given the quality, love, energy and perseverance of our teachers, we must then ask the questions of our students: "What is it that we do well and what are the areas that we need to improve on?" Since the establishment of Te Manava we have seen an increasing number of our students achieve top academic honours, leadership roles in the school, represent with pride and distinction in the sporting arena and make numerous outstanding contributions in the cultural aspect of school life.

We have, however, identified several areas where we as a school must improve. We will be working hard in these areas in 2011.

Our ultimate goal in Te Manava is to provide the opportunity for every young Pacific Island person to have dreams and work towards achieving them. I want every student to make their families proud of what they are and not just who they are.

Dear Tara,



TMMI



TMMI



TMKR



TMMU



TMSL



'SOO WHOOP!

..XXNKKUUX..

I love my friends

'No students who left and didn't do year 13 can get a leavers jersey I don't know'

'I DUNNO'

'What the fish?'

'Phone Home E.T's Waitin'

'I don't know anything about this'

'Just close your eyes and look through all the negative, to get to the positive re-

there I gotta there

'Enough with the drama's, get back to work'

'Kiss me 2x'

'Drop the past and move on'

'Stacie likes computing and can not lie'

Talk to the hand

'Man I wish I was more like me'

Leave me alone, its morning

'Your extremely happy'

There is no such thing as ugly in art

'Is the sun in the sky?'

'I AM SASHA FIERCE!!! (Stars Camp)'

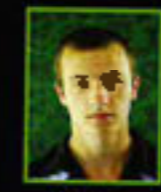
'I'm the only girl in service academy'

'How dare you say milk comes from cows'

'Did you know the Canterbury logo is three kiwis'
 'I can talk the talk, but not walk the walk'
 'Too many Chiefs, and not enough Indians'



Kelvin Cooper



James Horn



Stacie-Rae Rangitulia



Yannis Mea



David Phillips



Joshua Smith-Holley



Hayden Hodge



Siusega Letoga



Jayden Parker



Graham Sheck



Ethan Tito



Samantha Tremain



Patu Hare



Chantelle Cassidy



Molly Mitchell



Deyanna Takiri



Michael Ratima



Trinity Teakura



Renee Manu



Sarah Mitchell



Ronella Pomare



Tyla Barton



Chris Teague



Charlie Tuakura



Bryce Domaschenz



Kasper Nooyen



Jacob Jones



Caitlin Wallace



Mathew Beazley



Kei-Lah Teao



Clay Brown



Alicia Uerata



Lisa Horn



Trydin Te Aonui



John Tekotia



Krystle Tangimataiti



Osooso Stowers



Ross Gardiner

Moe Mai Ra
R.I.P

Mathew Wells

Joshua Cook



Tug of War

The inaugural Tug of War between the Houses was held on Wednesday the 16 June in our school hall. Preliminary battles were held in a round robin tournament to determine the two finalists. Kowhai powered their way to the finals. Kauri joined them at the top. The two teams of Kowhai and Kauri would contest the final in a best out of three series. Kowhai powered their way to a clear victory by winning the first two battles and claimed the title of Tug of War Champions for 2010.

Kowhai qualified themselves to take on the mighty teachers who were anchored and led by Mr Ian "too much" Mutch. In a one-off battle only, the mighty teachers just lost to the powerful Kowhai team claiming another significant victory all in one day.

Many thanks to Micmac, Mr Mait Manu and the Services Academy for organising the event and to Mr Maea for being the M.C.



The school Cross Country was held fast Thursday and it was good to see so many students taking part.

House results:

1st Rimu 2nd Kowhai 3rd Kauri 4th Totara



Teachers vs Students

This years annual Teachers vs Students sportweek was marked by a new trophy dedicated to Alan Utanga. The week started with the usual over confident remarks by students, to the ageing staff, "you're too slow, we're going to get you". These comments only fueled the teachers to a determined victory.

Monday - Netball

Teachers vs Juniors Draw
Teachers vs Seniors Tch

The P.E teachers led a good attack with the twin towers Mr Mutch and Mr Baker pulling up a solid defence. The experience of Nancy, Mary, Miss Kravac and Miss Manu steered the teachers to win.

Tuesday - Basketball

Teachers vs Junior Boys Jnr B
Teachers vs Senior Boys Tch
Teachers vs Senior Girls Tch

The students went into the Basketball confident to defeat the silver competition. NOT! The teachers may have started slow, but once the bodies had warmed there was no defeating them.

Wednesday - Touch

Teachers vs Juniors Tch
Teachers vs Seniors Jnr

These games were a lot closer with the teachers just beating the juniors and the seniors just beating the teachers. Mr Ford was player of the match with the try of the game.

Thursday - Soccer

Teachers vs Juniors Tch
Teachers vs Seniors Draw

Soccer say Wigan Wizard Mr Tony Jones completely shut out student who led Chris Teague for an exciting draw.

Friday - Badminton

Teachers vs Students Tch

Go the teachers. Total wipe out of all competition in Badminton. Mr Rothman won the best dressed player of the day award.

Annual Teachers won 15 points to 7

Thanks to Mr McCurrin for organizing this event, everyone who participated and remember WINNERS ARE GRINNERS



2010 Athletics

Sun shining, drums being hit, and house groups that all made a perfect day for good performances by some of the students of Tokoroa High School as we held our annual athletics.

At 10:30 am, we started off as the house groups Kōwhiri (yellow), Rima (green), Totara (blue) and Kauri (red) participated to ensure that our students had fun before.



There were many students that stood out on the day including Kōwhiri (Kōwhiri) who was the only one to break a record in the intermediate boys discus.

The house relay was also a highlight of the day with families coming to support the event.

Sprints followed with Mr. McCune's class. A great day was had by all and we are grateful to the students for their sportsmanship and participation, the organisers for ensuring everything ran smoothly and the catering team for keeping the teachers well fed and happy.



Mid Island's



Tokoroa High School had a great contingent represent our school at Mid-Islands at Stratfords Park and quite a few students represented us at the Waiako/Bay of Plenty Athletics competition in Tauranga last weekend. Students really put us on the map and gave the other schools a good run for their money.

All students excelled in their sporting areas and we did exceptionally well in the field events. We would like to congratulate all our students who took part and wish our two representatives all the best having qualified for Northern Champs in Wellington. Well-done and good luck to Sirohi Levao and Mau Nga-vaevae for making it into Northern Champs for Shot Put.

With winter sports now on our cool step Tokoroa High marked its arrival with a sports exchange. On the 23rd of April, students from Manurewa's Southern Cross Campus in South Auckland, travelled to Tokoroa High School with the 1st Senior A Netball team and the 1st 13 Rugby League Team. This exchange was seen as an opportunity for both schools to test their abilities and gauge where their teams are at before heading into a long season.

Netball
Known as a dominant Netball school in South Auckland Southern Cross provided us with an opportunity to see if Tokoroa High students had the goods to match up with a top level Netball team. Not having a Senior A Netball team in school this year did not deter us, and a big thank you goes out to the girls coach Mrs. and Mrs. Solomoni who provided Tokoroa High School with a team. This paid off as the girls brought it together and showed good school spirit. The game was a great challenge, but our girls showed that Tokoroa High School does have what it takes, and won 51-16. Although 2010 sees Tokoroa High without a Senior A Netball team, this game has highlighted the fact that good things are to come in the future.

Finally a big thank you to Southern Cross Campus Senior A Netball team for providing Tokoroa High School with a fun and challenge and for traveling here. We wish them the best for the 2010 season.

Rugby League
Once again this school (Southern Cross Campus) was a dominant Rugby League school both in the Auckland Region and nationally. Being Tokoroa High School's first game of the year, it would allow us to test the waters and gauge where the team is currently at.

Having a total new players in the ranks this year we knew it was going to be tough. Southern Cross showed class and dominance which resulted in an impressive victory. However, Tokoroa High School did not deter by this defeat and a lot of positives came from the game. Coach Mr. Manu stated "The team showed an impressive front on defence during the game. It was rewarding to see that the team did not let anybody come through the middle. They need more time and games on their side on defence which will mature in future games. There is a good fitness level which need to improve more."

Finally a Big thank you to Southern Cross Campus 1st 13 Rugby League team for providing Tokoroa High School with a strong challenge and for traveling here.

The day ended with a great celebration over some food and songs, and all involved left with a full tummy and smiles all round. Mr. Harata's steamer not only fed our guests but also our hungry teachers. The relationship between the schools has strengthened and is a very positive and bright for the future. We look forward to seeing more of these exchanges with Southern Cross Campus in the future.

Naku Koa

Noroo Maru
HOD of Sport

Winter Sports Round-up



HOCKEY 2010

For Tokoroa High Hockey, 2010 has been an amazing year for the whole team. It's exciting and always good times and fun.

We started off the year with a team, half of whom hadn't ever played hockey before and the other half, having only played the year before. It started off as a bit of fun, playing in the Bay of Plenty league. Then the idea of going to play in the Nationals got offered to us from our brilliant coach Paula Sawford. All of a sudden, hockey became our lives. We lived and breathed it. We also made sacrifices. Most of us wouldn't be happy to have never had chocolate again!

With the nationals on our minds we had one thing we had to deal with first - winning the Bay of Plenty competition. We thought we were dead and gone when we came up against the unbeaten, top of the table team in the semi-final. We put everything into that game and were amazed when we managed to hold them to a 3 all draw by the end of the match. It then went into penalty shoot out in which we prevailed with our awesome goalkeeper Rosco stopping all of their shots! This means we were in the final!!! Who would of thought that the start of the season?

We were in the final against Taupo - something something and unfortunately despite our... and efforts on their night we came losing 4-2 but we still very proud of ourselves for making it that far. After a very game second! Next on our list was the Nationals. This time a team was really built and could wait to be called to help and make ourselves... our side around.

The Secondary School Hockey Nationals were held in Napier in late August. We entered the tournament feeling confident but it came out with a bit of a... However we were proud to have played the quality of our competition. We played 11 games in which we won 7, lost 2, and drew 2. It was very exciting to have been put into a group with all the other schools. From coming in as one of the underdogs... it was a great experience. We had a great sense of team spirit developed. We had fun and were happy to be there.

We have had a fantastic year making new friends and having new skills. A huge thank you must go to our coach Paula Sawford. We couldn't have done anything without you. Your guidance and support got us to the nationals and gave us an experience we shall never forget. We all look forward to playing with you for many years to come. We played against the rest of the Bay of Plenty Nationals!

TEAM COACH: STEPHEN
WRITER: BY MATTHEW BROMAN



MOUNTAIN BIKING



Mountain biking is a great sport which can be done socially or right through to a competitive level. Tokoroa boasts a good class facility with many other world class venues right at our doorstep in Rotorua and Taupo. There is nothing more satisfying than having a big crash or a down hill and getting back up with everyone laughing at you on the finish of a night ride where any little noise sounds 100 times louder and just in the background.

A small group of dedicated riders came together to chase the rush of riding a bike down a hill as fast as you can! Let's first introduce the riders:

- By Brian "Cobra" Reid... mountain biker extraordinary and fearless leader of the group.
- By "I am that fast" Flutey... super fit and hard core mountain biker to the bone.
- By James "The rock" Loveday... never missed a ride and solid technical skills.
- By Matthew "Rock" Broman... the newest member to mountain biking.

Also we had a couple of riders... Poko and Iain "My best friend" Mitch who came out and supported the team. Thanks must go out to Mr Loveday for taking the students over to Rotorua in the July holidays.

All could be fooled into thinking this was all about casual... students were also set the challenge of completing three unit standards and one achievement standard within a total of 10 credits. All students had to complete a series of practical rides and theory lessons to achieve these credits.



Congratulations to K.C. Mail and James for achieving a credit. Special note must go out to Iain and James who achieved an "excellence" grade on the time trial in Rotorua collecting four credits at Level Two.

Hints for Mountain Biking

One of the hazards is to watch out for mine cones. Otherwise known as pine cones. In one of these pictures and off the side you are.

The other interesting part is staying in a rut. Most people in the... like to want to get out of a rut, well in mountain biking terms you need to stay in the rut to avoid being tipped off your bike and head over heels into the blackberry.

If you are interested in joining the team just speak to one of the students or me.

By Brian Reid

JUNIOR BOYS' BASKETBALL

This year our school only fielded one basketball team. Basketball is an expensive sport to be a part of because of the need to travel to games and the hire of indoor courts. Nevertheless, our boys team represented the school well. Hopefully next year more adults will become involved in the sport and enable our students to experience the thrill of the game.

The Junior Boys basketball team had a great and fun year on the court. We traveled to Rotorua each week to play in the Bay of Plenty competition.

A memorable game was played against Reporoa when we won through our team's great shooting and the way we carved up the opposition. After that we went for a mean feed at Wong's kitchen as the after game feed was always an important part of our Thursday trips.

We didn't spend all of our time eating though! We won some other games and lost others against some well drilled Rotorua teams. We had a lot of talent in our team but needed a little more fine tuning. Te Aonani really showed a lot of improvement throughout the year and developed into a solid player. Brennan was always steady and reliable. Malik and Maachi showed their skill on attack. Maachi showed he had a 3 point game and Joseph used his height and shot to great effect. Other players filled in throughout the season and helped make our team a great one to be in.

Thank you to Christian Vana for coaching us earlier in the season. Also thanks to Mr and Mrs Manu, the Vences and Mr Ford for transporting us to the games. Special thanks to our fitness coach who drilled us for shopping (no names mentioned).

By Joseph and Malik

Touch Rugby



Rugby League

Kelston Boys High School

Exchange

Having formed a positive relationship from the attendance at the 2009 Secondary League Nationals, both school decided to make this an official annual event. The event was an annual game between each other, playing for the Awen Gutinbal Trophy. Kelston Boys travelled to Tokoroa this year for the inaugural game.

The team was greeted with a powhiri to highlight the importance we place upon this event and they returned the reply by bringing their strongest team for the challenge. The game was played in good spirits and both teams gained something from it. For us this game provided the match we needed before going into the Nationals. Thanks needs to go to Mr Maca for organising the powhiri, and the team who won the inaugural game Kelston Boys High

Rugby

NWS Waratah Exchange

During the Term 3 break Tokoroa High School hosted the NSW Waratahs under 15's and 16's rugby teams that have come from Australia to tour the Central North Island. Based in Rotorua the team was at the end of their tour when coming to Tokoroa. They were well received and the first game to take place was the under 15's match.

The games carried out well and both teams played hard, but the visitors were first to gain a win. Following this game the big boys came out to play and the game showed both sides had good talent. The lead went back and forth but in the last 5 minutes our under 16's took the lead and came up with the victory.

The visiting team was then treated a grand welcome with a powhiri and meal at Te Whanau a Nga. This event would not have been possible without Mr Nookoa Manu taking charge of organising the exchange. In addition, Mr Nookoa Manu would like to thank the under 14's coach Barry Gadsen for organising his team to play the under 15's visiting team, fellow assistant coach of the under 16's Shilo Riki Hamana, Mrs Daniel Manu for organising the meal and Mr Keruan Ngapo and Epaia for running the powhiri.



With the breaking of bones, clumsy falls and out going personalities, we wondered, was it the game supporters actually came to watch or were they more interested in the comedy that the Tokoroa High School Girls Soccer Team brought to each and every game. Though we did not have as many wins this season, I must say that it was definitely the most interesting season for our girls soccer. Win or lose we were without doubt the happiest team at the end of the match. Although we all love the game I can easily say that the most enjoyable part of each game was the large feeds at the end of the match. With cues lined up through the McDonalds doors almost every eye was on our bright coloured team.

A big thank you to Denise Tremain and Carol Morris for sponsoring and managing our team. Also thanks to Mike Gubb, whom throughout the season helped me with coaching this rowdy bunch. We all saw big improvements in each individual player.

Overall this season I will not forget. This team I can say is like a big family and it will be sad for me to say good bye to this team.

Samantha Tremain



Girls Soccer



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NETBALL 2010

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The most rewarding thing about being a coach is seeing each and every player develop in maturity and skill and this season was no exception!

If a coach can take a group of talented and committed newbies and manage to mould them into a well performing unit who enjoy playing together then that's half the battle won!

I would like to thank each of the girls for giving me all they did this season. To our captain Tatyana Stowers thank you for leading by example. To our shooters thank you for being a sharp as you were I stand in admiration of our defensive unit for never ever giving up and to our speedy mid court well done.

Our 2010 season finished with the Waikato Secondary Schools Netball Tournament at which we were runners up in our grade.



Back L-R: Janita Puka, Chevaughn, M.P.N.A., G. Stowers
Front L-R: Kishia, M.P.N.A., T. Stowers, G. Whelan

PUNA NETBALL by Aro'a Tuiā

Our season can be summed up by the following statements:

- "Muggie - pass the ball!"
- "Chevaughn - stop running with the ball!"
- "Tama - it's netball not basketball!"
- "Teaora - Reach for the ball!"
- "Teaaraa - get here on time!"
- "Kei-lah - watch your defending!"
- "Mrs Solomon - where are you?"

Despite all of these, our season was full of joy and excitement. We came from the bottom of our grade to the top and eventually took it out at the end of the season. Despite playing netball herself and family commitments, Mrs Solomon continued to support us whether we won or not. Ours was just a social team, but we played our best every Saturday and at the end of the season we had a good result. It was a great season and a great competition. Bring on the next netball season.



Back L-R: T. Teu, Tereza Solomon, Mrs Solomon
Front L-R: A. Tuiā, M. Teu, T. Tangitanga

JUNIOR A NETBALL TEAM

by Bernice and Morgan

This season was a long and hard one but at the end we got through it as a team. Our T.H.S Junior team had an up and down year with a mix of wins and losses. We went into the season with a strong and positive team. Winning boosted our confidence, while losing taught us some important lessons.

Our netball skills got better throughout the year. Our biggest enemy was Forest View High School Flyers, and we faced them not once but twice.

The games against them were hard out and were very good to watch. But in the end we knew we had our hardest and the result for our hard work came to one loss and one win.

Puna John Bernice Hodge and Taiana Shock were just some of our star players and also went onto play for the Tokoroa Rep Team. They are making our school proud and have done very well!

Lastly we would like to thank our coach Daniel Mann, for always being there for us and taking the time to coach us. You are awesome! Plus to all the parents and helpers that came down in the cold just to watch us play. We appreciate you so much.



Back L-R: T. Teu, Puna Bernice
Middle L-R: F. Hodge, Bernice Hodge, Aro'a
Front L-R: T. Shock, T. Teu, Morgan, M. Teu

INA WAI ORA 2010

Waikato Secondary Schools Champions for Pacific Bygone. Overall Winners of 3 or more Pacific Bygone medals:

Anthony, Chloe Herman, Kuramaeva Sema, Teina, Melandi Appel, Hine Ahi, Tamaru Tereu, Maggie Pitt, Timote Turu, Gabrielle Mapstone, Tearao Jubi-Sinoti Levao, Naomi Fuimaono-Sinclair, Chevaughn Puka, Johanna Hunia, Shiloh Aloai, Gaye, Numanga, Tatyana Stowers, Isabea Te'a, Rayna Tahiri, Aro'a Tuiā, Kishia Ngata, Deshauna Tavin, Osoo Stowers

Waikato Regional Champions for Nga Maru Koreo level. Top getters in all four categories. Kaohika Ina-Representatives in Nga Maru National Duried in. Māori Language Awards winners at the Raukawa Awards - Top Language Week. National Finals in the Puna Netball Language Awards. Long term commitment to the Tokoroa Kapa Haka and Iauloko group representatives.

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Junior contribution and Services within Tokoroa and Hāua. Rebecca Hoani, Shagunika Kaup, Jamela Puka, Johanna Hunia, Rang Wilson, Samantha Teu, Justina Hodge, Jason Teu, Moarahu-Paoli, Justus Rukamana, Mana Tepana, Kay a Waene, Christopher Wapiti, Alicia Uerata, Te Aroha McKenzie, Aroha Teu, Aroha, Doreen Matthews-Ford, Roxanne Emery, Ann Bass, Denise Mann, Morgan Hayes, Taylor Kauranga, Dani Clark, Jasmine Hoani, Bernice Hodge, Justina Hodge, Tussy Wene, hana Kardas Kaia, Reginald Malekoni, Bernice Omsby

MOUNTAIN BIKING

Coach: Mr Reid
Manager: Mr Teu

Most Improved Player: James Lovelady
Most Sporting Player: Matthew Droman
Tokoroa High School Mountain Bike Champion: No P. O'Flynn

JUNIOR BOYS CRICKET

Coach: Mr Reid
Manager: Mr Teu

Most Improved Player: Weyan Hewell
Most Committed Player: Dean Smith-Holley
Tokoroa High School Junior Boy All Rounder: Daisho Wright

GIRLS SOCCER

Coach: Samantha Tremain
Managers: Mrs Tremain, Mrs Morris

Most Committed Player: Taara Vavia

Extra-Curricular

Moffman Cup for the Most Improved Soccer Player: Emily Mead
T.H.S Sport Trophy for Girls Leading Goal Scorer: Noky Prolifit
Contribution to Soccer: Rebecca Tremain
T.H.S Player of the Year: Devon Morris

MIXED HOCKEY TEAM

Coach: Mrs Sawford

Most Improved Girl: Lea Horn
Most Improved Boy: Hito Aie
Most Committed Player: Ross Gardner
Contribution to Hockey: Jayden Sawford
1st Graham Cup for Most Outstanding Girl: Kumeroa White
Wendy White
Tokoroa Club Trophy for Most Outstanding Player: Damon McGuire

NETBALL

T.H.S Social

Coach: Mrs Krauss

Most Improved Player: Anisa Gardner
Most Committed Player: Samantha Teu
Player of the Year: Rana Hira

Puna

Coach: Mrs Salmon

Most Improved Player: La'keisha Maao-Hirawanu
Most Committed Player: Aro'a Tuiā
Player of the Year: Kei-lah Teau

Junior A

Coach: Mrs Mann

Most Improved Player: Patsy Teu
Most Committed Player: Morgan Hayes
Nga-o-Reeves Trophy for Most Promising Year 9 Player: Taiana Shock
Tara-Taiana Teau

Ayes Team

Coach: Mrs Puka

Most Improved Player: Mikimiki Ngata
Most Committed Player: Wendy White
Player of the Year: Marama Puka
L. Reid Trophy for Most Outstanding Year 10 Player: Marama Puka

TOUCH

Girls Touch

Coach: Mr Hakana

Most Improved Player: Wendy White
Most Committed Player: Kumeroa White
T.H.S Trophy for Girls Most Outstanding Player: Sarah Bass
Whatareia Trophy for Highest Achievement Award: Christina Black

Boys Touch

Coach: Mr McCuman

Most Improved Player: Aiden Te Kanawa
Most Committed Player: Damon McGuire
T.H.S Trophy for Boys Most Outstanding Player: Marco Televano

BASKETBALL

Junior Boys Team

Coach: Mr Mann

Most Improved Player: Malachukhi Viano
Most Committed Player: Doreen Matthews-Ford
Manu 5 Trophy for Player with the Most Points: Mark Viano
Manu 5 Trophy for the Most Outstanding Junior Boy Basketball Player: Joseph Mann

RUGBY

Under 14's Rugby

Coaches: Mr Gadsden and Mr Carrispe
Manager: Mrs Howell

Most Improved Player: Maciej Hansen
Most Committed Player: Weyan Hewell
Surf Player of the Year: Daisho Wright
T.H.S Trophy for Most Outstanding Player: Denise Robb

Under 16's Rugby

Coaches: Mr Mann and Mr Hamana

Most Improved Player: Mana Tepana
Most Committed Player: Aiden Te Kanawa
Surf Rugby Club Back of the Year: Aa Kingi
T.H.S Trophy for Best Forward of the Year: Aiden Te Kanawa
Tera Family Trophy for Most Outstanding Attitude and Committed Player: Sisa Mann



RUGBY LEAGUE

Coach: Mr Teakura Mr Maru and Mr Ford
Manager: Mr Haurua

Most Improved Player: Peter Letoga
Most Committed Player: Victor Joseph
Joe Horn Memorial Trophy

James Horn
Ford Trophy for Player of the Year
James Horn
Crestle Uanga

SWIMMING

Junior Girls Champion: Francis Cup
Jasmin Hoan
Junior Boys Champion: A. Uanga Trophy
James Loveday
Intermediate Girls Champion: T.H.S. Student Council Trophy
Anahia Maaker
Intermediate Boys Champion: T.H.S. Student Council Trophy
Marco Tekeano
Senior Boys Champion: G. Francis Cup
Clay Brown

CROSS COUNTRY

Junior Girls Champion: P. Barrell Trophy
Monique Snow
Junior Boys Champion: T.H.S. Sport Trophy
James Loveday
Intermediate Girls Champion: T.H.S. Student Council Trophy
Maunokoia Horn
Intermediate Boys Champion: R.W.H.A. Cup
Noel Foley
Senior Girls Champion: McKel Cup
Molly Mitchell
Senior Boys Champion: Mackintosh Cup
Christopher Teague

ATHLETICS

Junior Girls Champion: T.H.S. Student Council Trophy
Morgan Hayes
Junior Boys Champion: T.H.S. Student Council Trophy
Joseph Mann
Intermediate Girls Champion: G.H. McEwen Cup
Sarah Bass
Intermediate Boys Champion: L.H. Riley Trophy
Denzil Manu
Senior Girls Champion: G. Wilson Cup
Molly Mitchell
Senior Boys Champion: L.H. Riley Trophy
Christopher Teague

LUNCHTIME BADMINTON

Teacher in charge: Mrs Muller
Most Improved Player: Chantelle Cassidy
Most sporting Player: Nurena Numanga
Most Valuable Player: Aislin Jerasa
Cassidy-Marc Uerata

GOLF

B. Pallidge Trophy for Golf Player of the Year
Charlotte Cassidy

LEADERSHIP

Head Students

Head Boy: Christopher Teague

Head Girl: Ke-Lah Teao

Deputy Head Boy: Ross Gardner

Deputy Head Girl: Ososoa Stowers

School Prefects

Molly Mitchell: David Phillips

Deyanna Takar: Papi Hare

Lisa Horn

School Student Council

Chair: Christopher Teague

Secretary: Ososoa Stowers

Committee Members

Student Leaders: Chris Teague,
Ross Gardner,
Ke-Lah Teao,
Ososoa Stowers

Te Rito: Rang Wilson,
Justus Rik-Harmana

Mara Tepera,
Suzanne Orby,
Renata Pomara

Te Manawa: Teina R. Lau,
Mereana Poko,
Julius Daniels Mala,
Heath Taylor,
Deyanna Takar

Fortitude: Dean Smith-Holly,
Oshea Savage,
Slacey King,
Melissa Apoti

David Phillips,
Kerelma Mofu

Te Kahui Whetu: Kerelma Mofu

Services Academy: Tinsley Teakura

INTERNATIONAL HONOURS

RUGBY LEAGUE:

New Zealand Secondary Schools Rugby League Team
Opela Uanga

CHESS:

Winners of the Central North Island Regional School Chess Tournament 2010
Winners of the National Chess Tournament
Will represent NZ at the Australian Chess Tournament in Melbourne in November 2010
T. Rakaru (Captain), Chris Meyer, Benjamin Paparua, Sarge McMahon, Arvin Uerata

NATIONAL HONOURS

GOLF:

Won under 19 title and was runner up in the NZ Junior golf championship
Charlotte Cassidy

BOXING:

Jonathan Bass Attended NZ Nationals in 46 - 48 kg class

RUGBY LEAGUE:

Rugby League Team attended National Tournament in Wellington

HOCKEY:

Mixed Hockey Team attended National Tournament in Napier

REGIONAL HONOURS

TOUCH:

B.O.P. Mixed team
Christina Black

RUGBY:

Waikato Under 16
Denzil Manu
Waikato under 16 Trail
Sisi Manu, Gareth Wolm, Victor Joseph, Denzil Manu
Tritons- U15
Reginald Malekoni, Justus Rik-Harmana, Kardas Kacs
Tritons- U14
Moyan Hewitt, Te Waata Anderson

RUGBY LEAGUE:

Waikato Bay Under 15 Team
Kardas Kara, Isaiah Cropper

NETBALL:

Tokoroa Raps- U17
Sarah Bass, Whetu White, Mereana Poko, Shaouf Xaca, Laetia Snow
Tokoroa Raps U15
Gemma Te Hiko, Morgan Hayes, Senacey Hodge,
Fars John, Tarana Snock

SUPREME SPORTS AWARDS

WHANAU TROPHY

Kowhai

T H S TROPHY FOR MOST OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN SPORT

Nominees:

Chantelle Cassidy
Jonathan Bass

Winner

Chantelle Cassidy



SPORTS TEAM OF THE YEAR

Nominees:

Under 16 Rugby Team,
T H S Chess Team,
Ayes Netball Team,
The Mixed Hockey Team

Winner

T H S Chess Team



RYAN TROPHY FOR BEST CONTRIBUTION TO SPORT IN ATTITUDE AND PARTICIPATION

Nominees:

James Horn
Denzil Manu
Mereana Poko

Winner

Denzil Manu



NEWBROOK TROPHY FOR ALL-ROUND SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

Nominees:

James Horn
Chris Teague
Denzil Manu

Winner

Christopher Teague



NEWBROOK TROPHY FOR ALL-ROUND SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

Nominees:

Molly Mitchell
Chantelle Cassidy
Christina Black

Winner

Molly Mitchell



Mathew Beazley

DC Lane Trophy

Dux Medal

Tokoroa Host Lions Club Award

Tokoroa Club - E.W. Evans

Memorial Scholarship

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Lisa Horn

RSA Cup

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Geoff Burridge Memorial

Lions Club of Tokoroa

City Scholarship

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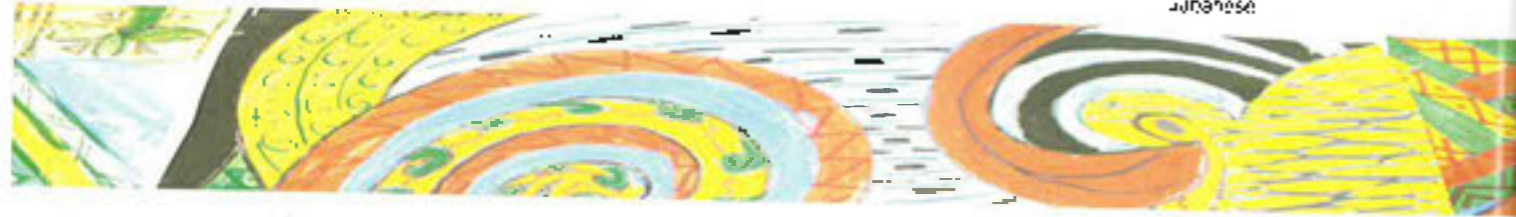
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SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

YEAR 11 SUBJECT AWARDS

STUDENT	SUBJECT
Stacey King	Computing
Shaquille Kaea	Communication English
Matthew Thompson	Electronics
Avan Uerala	Technology - Hard Materials
Gaye Numanga	Cook Island Maori
Te Ao Nui McKenzie	Te Reo
Sisa Manu	Rugby League Pathways
Korotina Mulu	Te Kahui Whetu achievement
Courtney Ross	Speech competition for Gratory Student Council cup for effort and involvement across all subjects and has not gained a first place in any subject
Anna-Marina Kala-Joseph	Fabrics Machine cup for best practice work in Fabrics

STUDENT	SUBJECT
Alia Cowley	Music
Michael Tau	Tere Mana Anu Tangaroa Memorial Trophy for Science by a Cook Is and Student
Taylor Paul-Kaponga	Music Performance
James Loveday	English History
Mereana Poko	Geography Physical Education
Ariana Hawker	Art Biology Mathematics with Application (MAA)
Hannah Dewhurst	Science Food and Nutrition Mathematics NCEA Japanese



YEAR 12 SUBJECT AWARDS

Natasha Finlayson	1st equal Communication English Literacy Club of Tokoroa City 1st equal Food and Nutrition Accounting	Talyana Stowers	Physical Education	Ngabei-pssombo Law
Shainice Birch	Art	Rebekah Kaora	Te Kahui Whetu award for perseverance, patience and persistence	
Anita Orihuwala O'Brien	1st equal Food and Nutrition	Desmond Phillips	Sports Academy 2	Barry Preece Glass
Raynor Takari	1st equal Communication English	Christopher Bishop	Te Reo Cook Island Maori	
Troy Smith-Holly	Travel and Tourism	Aro'a Tuna	Granam Paper Plus Trophy for the most improved year 12 student of Commerce	
Danny John	Plessus Cup for the most improved student for Year 12 Computing	Gideon Letoga	Ngape Cup for year 12 Gratory Senior Gratory cup	
Hayley Bason	Biology	Tearara Tangimataiti	Effort and involvement across all subjects and has not gained a first District Award twice in any subject	
Luke Hutchenson	Computing	James Loveday	Geography SW District Council	Mathematics - NCEA Award SNZ Trophy
Heath Taylor	1st equal Electronics Technology	Aaron Gott	Year 13 Electronics	Newbrook cup for best all round student in year 12 Watch from Thomas Jewellers
Tane Thompson	Technology - Hard Materials Furniture Making			1st equal Electronics Technology
Christina Black	Trade Mathematics Creative Arts Cup			



YEAR 13 SUBJECT AWARDS

Chris Teague	Communication English Geography 1st equal Science	Barry Preece Glass	Jayden Parker	English	South Waikato News Award
Deyanna Takiri	1st equal Science	Waikato Graduate Women Charitable Trust Award	Kel-fah Teo	Effort and involvement across all subjects and has not gained a first place in any subject	Student council cup WAFAC cup for academic excellence by a Cook Is and Student Tere Mana Anu Tangaroa Memorial Trophy for best all round performance by a senior Pacific Island student
Michael Rabma	Computing Most improved student in year 11-13	Tokoroa Men's and Boys' wear Award	Ross Gardiner	Biology 1st equal Chemistry Double Happy cup for top achievement other than Duke of Proxima Access I	Mine Cup for Mathematics
Stacie-Rae Rangitūia	Physical Education Art	SW District Council Award	Lisa Horn	1st equal Chemistry Maths with Statistics	Tapanui Lockers His SW District Council Award Eder Cup for Science
Pabu Haru Kasper Nooyen	Te Reo Te Kahui Whetu Achievement	Holster Supply Company	Mathew Beazley	Physics History	
Chantelle Cassidy	Sports Academy 3	National Bank Award			
Josh Smith-Holly	Services Academy	AFS Centre Plateau			
Sarah Mitchell	Tourism Cook Is and Maori				
Eihan Tito	Technology - Hard Materials				



SPECIAL AWARDS (YEARS 11, 12, 13)

CARTER HOLT HARVEY BOOK AWARDS FOR YEAR 11, 12, 13 STUDENTS FOR DILIGENCE AND/OR SERVICE TO THE SCHOOL

Christopher Bishop Julius Daniels Mala	Denzil Manu Te Ao Nui McKenzie	Heath Taylor Cassandra France	Reginald Matakohi Aidan Te Kanawa	Rebecca Hoani Bryce Domasschenz	Stacey King Hannah Dewhurst
James Loveday	THS Trophy for Special Achievement in Year 11		THS Trophy		
Lisa Horn	Excellence and contribution to the school community		The Kelly Cup Rotary Scholarship		
Aro'a Turia	Contribution to Puna Wai Ora Contribution to Te Manawa		Slaver's Trophy Uirangi Family Memorial Trophy for contribution to Te Manawa		
Aaron Gott	Music		The Lavery Brothers cup for outstanding all round contribution to Music		
Heath Taylor	Outstanding contribution to the school community		Hooper's Carpet and Upholstery Centre		
Gideon Letoga	Outstanding contribution to the school community		Radio Forestland Classic His Award		
Deyanna Takiri	Communication and Co-operation Year 13 Outstanding contribution to the school community Ex Pup of Strathmore School who is going on to Tertiary Study		Lois Dear Memorial Scholarship		
Osooso Stowers	Outstanding contribution to the school community		Radio Forestland Classic His Award		
Ross Gardiner	Communication and Co-operation Year 13		Diana and Jim Ryan Family Trophy		
Molly Mitchell	Services to the Library		Nigel Stuart Memorial Trophy for Contribution to Puna Wai Ora		
Josh Smith-Holly	Integrity and positive role modelling to other students		For deserving students returning to school next year		
Aidan Te Kanawa	Contribution to Puna Wai Ora		Head Girl Medal The Hendra Trophy Relay Club Scholarship		
Christopher Bishop Zivaina Omsby	Julius Daniels Mala Victor Joseph	Tearara Tangimataiti Gideon Letoga	Head Boy Medal The Hendra Trophy Kasey O'Neale Scholarship		
Kel-fah Teo	Head Girl Outstanding Contribution to the School Community Student Council cup for the most dedicated council or Tertiary study in the Arts Fed				
Chris Teague	Head Boy Outstanding Contribution to the School Community Tertiary study in the Arts Fed				



Alaelua Manu: Ale Hitro: Aloiai Shiloh: Altman Shai: Amohia Santana Anderson Te Waiata
Anderton Tarla: Antcliff Hemi: Anthony Eteta: Appel Melandi: Appel Melissa: Arioka Louisiana
Ataria Te Arawa: Baker Courtney: Barrett Rhys: Barton Cedric: Barton Tyla: Bason Hayley
Bass Ashley: Bass Jonathan: Bass Sarah: Beazley Mathew: Bell Dion: Bennett Jake: Biddle
James: Birch Sharnice: Bishop Christopher: Black Christina: Blowes Jessica: Bonnar Haden
Broman Matthew: Brown Camrin: Brown Clay: Brown Joshua: Cadle-Middlemiss Jesse: Camp-
bell JD's: Cassidy Chantelle: Cassidy Hannah: Cassidy Katy: Cassidy Nathaniel: Clark Dane
Clarke Grace: Cook-Bonnar Brooke: Cook Michael: Cooper Isaiah: Cooper Kelvin: Cowley Alia
Craig Audrey: Daniel Malietoa Tuteretere: Daniel Jammal: Daniels Mata Julius: Daniels Atai
Daniels Phayde: Davis Chanel: Davis Chedz: Dawson Levi: Dean-Aukuso Marylise: Dehar Te
Aroha: Dempsey Tyson: Dewhurst Hannah: Dewhurst Kayla: Domaschenz Bryce: Donghi Troy
Eaton Analee: Edwards Kokiri: Edwards Ngarimu: Emery Roxanne: Farrar Sean: Ferguson Mor-
gan: Finlayson Natasha: Fitnes Jerome: Fitzpatrick Cody: Flutey Nic: Ford Koda: Foster Adam
Fox Regan: France Cassandra: Fuimaono-Sinclair Naomi: Gardiner Anisa: Gardiner Isziah: Gar-
diner Ross: George Steffie-Anne: Gerrard Stevie: Gott Aaron: Gott Callum: Gray Jamie: Grey
Jace: Griffin Rebecca: Gubb Alex: Gubb Kayla: Guise Kayla: Haa Faith: Haa Riana: Hare Patu
Hargraves Nadia: Harris-Simiona Zac: Hartley Jahdelle: Hartwell Kavari: Hawker Ariana: Haw-
kins Corey: Hayes Morgan: Henderson De-Arna: Heretini Rapana: Herman Chloe: Hewett Rey-
nor: Hewett Weyan: Hewett Zak: Higgins Jesse: Hill Shaye: Hinga Krystal: Hoani Jasmine: Ho-
ani Rebecca: Hodge Benlacey: Hodge Hayden: Hodge Rauhina: Hodge Tumaia: Hohopa-Ta
Rawiri: Hood Jon-Henry: Horn James: Horn Lisa: Horn Munokoa: Hosking Pita: Hunia Johanna
Hutcheson Luke: Ivitu Elia: Jackson Kurt: Jackson Mamaiti: Jackson Stephen: Jacobs Micaiah
John Danny: John aris: John Shady: Jones Jacob: Joseph Victor: Jubilee Tearoa: Kaea Kardas
Kaea Rodford: Kaea Shaquille: Kaea Strickland: Kani Chass: Kaora Rebekah: Kara Tiana
Karora Styles: Kata-Joseph Ann-Marina: Katipa Jayson: Kawhena Nesta: Keat Jona: Keating
Koenraad: Kerewaro Kelsii: King Colin: King David: King Sarah: King Stacey: Kingi Axl: Kohere
Raniera: Kopa Aloma: Kopa Wiremu: Landrebe Kieran: Letoga Gideon: Letoga Peter: Letoga
Siusega: Levao Sinoti Tavier: Loveday James: Maa-Hirawani La-Keisha: Maki-Rota Tashyna
Mani Haraina: Manu Denzil: Manu Joseph: Manu Josiah: Manu Renee: Manu Sisa: Mapstone
Gabrielle: Martin Zoe: Martis Cyprian: Matagi Ifi: Mataiti Maggie: Matangi Chevas: Matangi
Theophita: Matekahi Reginald: Matthews-Ford Dremon: May Kara: McClintock Andrew: McDer-
maid Ryan: McGuire Damon: McKenzie Te Ao Nui: McLean Sheldon: McMahon Saige: Mea Yan-
nis: Meegan Porshia: Metu-Tana Tyler: Metuakore Trinity: Meyer Christopher: Meyer Helen
Middlemiss Cappri: Mihinui Robert: Miller Campbell: Mitchell Molly: Mitchell Sarah: Mohi Hine
Molloy Devin: Monga Kila: More Terrence: Morris Devon: Mowbray Ian: Mutu Keretina
Needham Earl: Ngata Mikimiki: Ngatai Toni: Ngavaevae Mau: Nield Emily: Nield Jacob: Nooroa
Hezekaya: Nooyen Kasper: Numanga Gaye: Numanga Nuhaka: O'Keefe Kelsey: Ogle Jamela
Okeroa Pania: Orihuela O'Brien Anita: Ormsby Bianca: Ormsby Jakisha: Ormsby Zivanna
Pakaru Sharoen: Papanoa Ranginui: Papuni-Moetu Destiny: Paraone Brown Wiremu: Parker Jay-
den: Patena Chris-Arne: Paul Durbin: Michael: Paul-Kaponga Taylah: Paul Jakota: Paulo Mal-
colm: Pepe Junior: Petero Shiloe: Phillips David: Phillips Desmond: Placid-Te Moananui
Jacob: Poko Cleveland: Poko Mereana: Poko Norah: Poko Tapeka: Pokoati Chevaughan: Pollard
Jessikah: Pollard Lucas: Pomare Ronella: Proffitt Nicky: Pumphry Curtis: Pumphry Sean: Rae
Teina: Rae Toka: Rahiri Ashleigh: Raivaru T.J: Rangitutia Stacie-Rae: Rapana-Campbell Harma-
nie: Ratima Darryan: Ratima Michael: Ratu Ngatimakea: Reid Nikki: Riki Hamana Justus: Rikiaru
George: Rikiaru Tahlise: Robb Denzel: Roberts-Takiri Patariki: Robertson Marcus: Ross Court-
ney: Rota Robell: Rota Wycliffe: Russel Liam: Russell Aiden: Russell Rebecca: Ruua Ngatupuna
Sadler Kaleb: Saini Manisha: Savage Patrick: Sawford Jayden: Scoble Aunica: Selwyn Iritana
Selwyn Mohi: Sema Kuramaeva: Shaw Monique: Sheck Graham: Sheck Laetitia: Sheck Taiana
Shepherd Mairaro: Short Matthew: Simeon Justice: Simeon Steely-Rae: Simiona Harris Gary
Simmonds Roy: Skelton Varn: Slater Jayden-Lee: Smith-Holley Dean: Smith-Holley Joshua
Smith-Holley Troy: Stanley Jovan: Stowers Osooso: Stowers Tatyana: Tai Dion: Takao
Tyrone: Takerei Arangi: Takiri Cheyenne: Takiri Deyanna: Takiri Keanu: Takiri Rayna: Tangima-
taiti Koringo: Tangimataiti Krystle: Tangimataiti Tanga: Tangimataiti Tearaara: Tangimetua An-
thony: Tau Isabella: Tau Michael: Tautari Awhina: TaylorHeath: Te Amotahi Te Maapii: Te Aonui
Trydin: Te Hiko Coralie: Te Hiko Shylo: