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FROM THE PRINCIPALS DESK

Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa Lava and Greetings.

This year has been exciting with many opportunities and experiences. Our students have impressed with their openness, their enthusiasm and their achievements. I wish to acknowledge the many student highlights this year. Turoa Tepana won the junior Te Reo speaking section of the Tainui Regional Nga Manu Korero competition and then placed third at the Nga Manu Korero Nationals. This was an outstanding feat as the level of oratory needed for success is very high, particularly in Te Reo Maori. Our Arts programme was to the fore again with the 'NCEA assessment' musical performance evenings. We entered the world of fashion with solid representation at the 'Wearable Arts' competition. In terms of cultural performance, Puna Vai Ora were runners-up in the prestigious "Pasifik by Nature" as well as featuring in a television documentary on Tagata Pasifika. The success of the Professional Sports Pathways course was seen with Denzil Manu and Isaiah Cooper offered contracts by the Newcastle Knights. The 1st X111 rugby league team achieved fourth placing at the NZ secondary school nationals and Axl Kingi gained selection in the NZ Secondary Schools team and NZ under 18 team. Other sporting highlights included the mixed hockey team playing competitively in the NZ secondary schools national tournament. Nathaniel Cassidy performed well in representing our school at the NZ secondary school Golf nationals.

In March, we received final NZQA confirmation of our 2010 NCEA results. Our figures have continued their upward trend with averages taken across all three levels at their highest since the NCEA qualification was introduced in 2002.

Tokoroa High School received an excellent report from the Education Review Office (ERO) on the quality of education in our Services Academy. Among the areas of strength identified in the report were leadership, educational outcomes, programme design, programme evaluation and review and full integration of students into learning. The Education Review Office concluded that many students in the Tokoroa High School Services Academy enjoyed significant educational success. The well designed programme and effective leadership of the director are significant factors in the success of the academy. This service academy is performing at a high standard and is responding effectively to the diverse learning needs of its students.

Other developments this year have included:

- Successful establishment of the Teen Parent Unit within the school.
- The ICT "Systems Network Upgrade Project" (SNUP) project was completed at the start of term one. This project allows our school to have faster and more reliable access to the school network and internet.
- Painting of our school was completed during the summer holidays.
- A ten percent increase in our school roll has followed a similar increase in 2010.
- It was great to see ex student Keven Mealamu playing for the All Blacks winning World Cup team. Keven attended Tokoroa High School in his junior high school years before moving on to Auckland's Aorere College.

Finally, I thank our school staff, both teaching and support for their efforts in assisting our students to achieve. I thank our Board of Trustees, led by Mr Graeme Dewhurst, for their wisdom and guidance and for serving our school so passionately. To the parents and caregivers, thank you for supporting our school and continuing to recognise the many fine achievements of our students.

To each of you, staff, parents/caregivers and students,

Ma te Atua hei manaaki, hei tiaki i a tatou katoa.

Tena Koutou, Tena Koutou, Tena Tatou Katoa

Willie Ford





Deputies Corner

It never fails to amaze me when I see the wealth of talent and ability that we have at Tokoroa High. It is indeed something we can be proud of. Our students are fiercely protective of our school and its reputation and this is a quality that I admire. It is part of the Tokoroa spirit! Our students are also protective and caring of each other and this is a quality to treasure.

I like the old Chinese proverb that states –

‘Teachers open the door. You enter by yourself.’

Our staff work extremely hard to give all our students opportunities to succeed – academically - in the sporting arena and in cultural events - however, teachers can only do so much, in the end it is up to each individual student to work hard, challenge themselves and aim to be the best that they can possibly be.

As Henry Ford once said,

‘Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young.’

One of the challenges of the new curriculum is to encourage all students to become ‘life long learners.’ Learning does not finish when you walk out the school gates, in fact, in many ways that is when your learning actually starts. Hopefully while you have been a member of our Tokoroa High School student community you will have gained skills and values that will enable you to contribute to our New Zealand society as a great citizen.

To our school leavers, graduation is just another word for opportunity, another word for choice. You have many choices. Just now, of course, you may be slightly bewildered by some of them but you know, deep down, that you are lucky to have those choices. Today you are happy to have finished with school and to be entering the adult world. You are glad that you can now embark on preparing for the career and study you have chosen. You know that you have taken the first steps on your road to adulthood.

That road will be a long one. You will, if you are lucky, have many interesting detours as you go your way. Hopefully you will make many new friends as you journey along. Always remember your old friends though, and what they have meant to you. You won’t keep all of them, of course, but I encourage you to make every effort to stay in touch with those who have been closest to you here.

I am sure you will agree, you owe a debt of gratitude to the families who have stood by you and encouraged you during your school days. I hope that you will always have that love and support in years to come. More importantly, I hope you will, in turn, be the kind of person who will make your parents and family proud. Go forward and build on the foundation, the rock of values, established at home and at school, with confidence in your ability to cope and to conquer. My very best wishes go with you.

To those students who are returning, I hope you have a wonderful holiday and festive season and I look forward to seeing you return next year. Look after each other over the summer break - you are all precious to our school community!

Margôt Crate
Deputy principal (curriculum)

Looking back is the usual activity this time of the year. Not only does one look back, but one evaluates the year and its activities and achievements. In some instances it was a hard year as we mourned the passing of two of our students. Although the sense of loss is almost unbearable one realises that life goes on. It does fill me with gratitude though to see the respect that our students have for their fellow students and their community.

Reviewing the year furthermore brought to mind student effort and achievement and once again reality teaches one that the only way to achieve is to enter the event prepared whether it is an exam, a cultural competition or sporting event. In doing so one can move forward confidently and achieve the best results possible. In the past I would look at group achievement but am now more focused on individual achievement. It was very good to see students achieving in rugby league, being selected to represent New Zealand. What an achievement. The same sense of excitement is experienced when one thinks of the academic achievement of some students. Be it the Year 11 student who achieves NCEA Level Three or an ex-student who is granted a \$47,000 bursary towards his studies for his Master’s degree or the ex-student being selected to do his Ph.D. or the girl who wins her event in swimming at the New Zealand swimming championships.

All these occurrences of success fills one with joy and all these successes come with thorough preparation. Not just for a short time before the event, but for years. These are students who did not give up and did not say I am not good at this, but persisted until they could master what they were to do. As one has to practice to drive a car, even though one has no idea how to do it when one drives for the first time; with persistence and practise one becomes competent in what one does. May it be that every student manages to understand that success is the result of effort and hard work and not a “Lotto” shot in the dark. The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary.

I would like to conclude with a quote from arch bishop Desmond Tutu who said:

***“It is not where you come from,
but what you become”.***

Butch Rothman
Deputy principal (pastoral)



HEAD STUDENTS



E muamua lava ona si'itia le viga ma le fa'afetai I le Atua ona o lona alofa ma lona agalelei. I lenei atalii, Upu o le lusi Analese non leava se manu talou te le maua faamuaga a le Atua. O lo'u igoa o Gideon Paulo Moe Fanoroa Letoga

**Words can't describe what a year it has been
all I can say is**

"In quite confidence really lies your strength"

**and that anything can be conquered if you are willing
to conquer it. No matter how big the task is always do
it with a humble heart.**

The journey this year has been one big mountain to climb. Taking it a step at a time knowing that my role, my responsibility as the new leader of Tokoroa High School was going to be a mission. From entering through the gracious gates of Noa as a Year 9 rookie to now becoming a Year 13 Sergeant in the making, from playing rugby in the heavy school White collared rugby jersey as a Junior to playing in the newly tight silk supreme green and gold 1st XIV and XIII uniforms. From making CMD videos to appearing on National Television, who'd ever thought that in all my years in Tokoroa High School being the cheesy guy I would actually get to be on T.V. All I can say is that with hard work comes **perseverance**, with **perseverance** comes **preparation** and with **preparation** comes **patience** and being **patient**, opens your eyes to see the real **opportunities** you have in life as you walk your long journey into the future.

Although I am a leader, it is the teachers who are the real leaders that really carry this school." These are the people I look up to. They have guided me this far and for that I would like to

thank them all. Your hard work and diligence will never be forgotten.

To my fellow students, I hope I have done you proud, because I am so proud of all of you. I hope in the years to come that you will UPLIFT the profile of this Fortress and take it to another level. The one word that describe the students of Tokoroa High School is **PRIDE**, no matter where it is, who is in it, or what has happened the students always show pride in wearing that Green and Gold uniform.

To the year 13's, we have been together for five years and it has been a Magic Carpet Ride. We all started together and now it is time to go our own ways, praying that somewhere in our future we will meet again.

Who can ever forget the team. The FANTSTIC FOUR! The Talented Tearaara Tangimataiti, The Mellow Melissa Appel and the..... Lets just say THE JUST STRAIGHT UP Julius Mata Daniels. We have had a blast this year. My memories will always bring a smile to my face and a chuckle to my belly and it has been an honour to serve you.

Seek your happiness in the Lord, and he will give you your heart's desire.
(Psalms 37 v 4)

la fa'afetai pe le viga I le Atua - se ia o'o I le fa'avavau fa'avavau lava Anene

Gideon Letoga

KIA ORA, KIA ORANA, TALOFA LAVA AND GREETINGS

From the time I was elected Head Girl, I knew I had to prioritise my life and balance school, work and of course my head girl responsibilities. To me, the most important thing I learnt from this was, 'Don't meet the challenges and expectations, let them meet you.'

I have loved and cherished every moment of being head girl. Some of the most memorable moments, I have enjoyed was being involved in STARS Programme, which allowed me to meet new people and help our lovely yr 9s settle into Tokoroa High School. It was a honour to represent the school at the Anzac parade, which was actually the first one I had ever been to. It was an honour to be part of the opening of the new Teen Parent Unit). It was an honour to be the person whose presence would be respected.

TO MY FELLOW HEAD STUDENT OF 2011

Gideon, Julius and Melissa;

we all knew this year would be where the final chapter in our high school life ends.. We are like the fantastic four, proactive about issues and representatives of our school. Even though we all did not agree on all things, we always worked it out together as a team. It was an honour standing alongside you. We have grown close, and I wish you the best for next year.

TO THE HEAD STUDENTS OF NEXT YEAR

The most brilliant feeling in the world is waking up every morning having to wear your uniform, putting on the badges and being ready for school. The message that drove my mindset was, "you were chosen because your teachers, principal and peers see that you are capable of balancing all areas of your life". The best advice that anyone could receive is "Just be yourself", because being a role model does not mean you have to be this strict person who sticks to their own group. Being a role model means being the kind of person, that is reliable, caring, committed and your ideal friend.

TO ALL THE LEAVERS, SURVIVING YEAR 13S.

We have walked through Tokoroa High School not knowing what to expect in year 9. We have been called names such as "Turds". We have watched things develop at our school over the years and life has flashed before our eyes like a fast-paced movie. We know our school, the in's and out's and we have become lifelong friends.. We have grown up together from little immature year 9s, to young intelligent adults. I wish you all the best as when we finally depart from our school and start our journey to live our dreams as the adults we aspired to be.

I would like to thank my family, who have supported me, for helping me be the person I am today. I would also like to thank the inspirational teachers of Tokoroa High School, for giving me support and direction. All of your lectures have helped me to achieve my goals, even though some were harsh when I needed it. Lastly I would like to thank my school family for having me as a pupil and for being a part of my life.

I was once a quiet, shy girl and now am a confident young adult. The people I have met, the teachers that have taught me, the important events I have been to. They are never going to be forgotten, but are going to be missed. I have been in Tokoroa High School for five years and I am proud and honoured to have served my school family as Head Girl for 2011.

Tearaara Tangimataiti



DEPUTY HEADS

As they say, all good things come to an end, I can honestly say that my time here as your Deputy Head Boy and also as a student has been not only good, but the best. In a way I'm pretty excited to get out of here and start a new journey, but who's not going to miss the many growling's I dish out every day, the good laughs I share with EVERYONE, and not forgetting the awesome tuck shop where LEGENDS like myself are overcharged and under fed!

I'm going to break down what I have learnt over the past five years into parts I'll call the..... **Deputy's top FIVE!**

NUMBER ONE

"Good things happen to those who do Good"

Long story short, if you put in the hard yards and do all that is required of you then life here is a breeze, however when you do give over and above what is needed then you will become one of those greats like your awesome Deputy Head Boy of 2011.

NUMBER TWO

"If you do nothing expect nothing"

Do not expect credits to fall out of the sky, if you are just coming to school to eat your lunch and look good, that's not how things operate, and don't think you're the coolest guy in school, because you are not, enough said? I think so.

NUMBER THREE

"God gave you a gift of 86,400 seconds in a day. Have you used one of these to say "thank you?"

Throughout my life here at Tok High I have learnt that I would not be the leader and person I am today without the everlasting support and "kick up the butt" talks from my great teachers and my supportive family, and for this I am forever grateful.

NUMBER FOUR

"Do not follow where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."

This one is for the Leaders and students of next year. 2012 is your year, do not worry about what students of the past have achieved it is time for you to make your own mark and lead a new path.

NUMBER FIVE

"You only get one shot at life. LIVE IT TO THE FULL"

Wherever you may go in life remember to never let an opportunity pass you by and that there is always help out there for you. All you have to do is reach out. Never be afraid of what life has to offer you.

I have probably been the most outspoken and straightforward deputy the students of this school have seen, but I would like to thank everyone who has been a part of my journey here—from the pain in the butt year 9s, right up to my fellow Head Students.

Go out and create your own pathways in life and I wish you all the best in whatever ventures you take.

Kia Orana e Kia Manuia

Julius Daniel Mata

My life at Tokoroa High School has been a journey I will never forget. I remember walking through the gates of Tokoroa High School all scared and not knowing what to expect and now five years later walking through Tokoroa High School as Deputy Head Girl proud and inspired that I can do anything if I put my mind to it.

George Patton once stated

"Leadership is not about telling people how to do things, it's about telling people what to do and letting them surprise you with their results."

This year has been challenging for me as Deputy Head Girl. It challenged me in ways I could not have imaged, but now I found myself stronger because of it. It has been interesting working with the Head Boy Gideon Latoga, Head Girl Tearaara Tangimataiti and Deputy Head Boy Julius Daniel Mata. We worked well together with the different personalities shining through. I definitely got to know them individually for who they are. The 'speaker' Gideon, the 'honest' Tearaara and the 'loud' Julius.

Thank you to all the teachers that helped me achieve my personal best and for all the effort you have put into preparing me for gaining my credits in NCEA. Thank you for everything. Many thanks to Mr Ford who has been a great help and truly wonderful principal. A special thanks to my

parents as without them I wouldn't have become who I am now.

The biggest thanks to my Father in heaven

*"Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light for my path"*

Psalms 119:105

I never thought that I would see the day when my school days would come to an end. It brings tears to my eyes to know that the last days of my five years at Tokoroa High School are coming to an end. One thing is for sure, I am going to miss Tokoroa High School. My thoughts will always be with this school and it will hold a special place in my heart. Thank you for the memories and all the friends I will treasure forever.

It has been a pleasure and an honour to serve you as Deputy Head Girl for 2011. All the best for the 2012 head students.

*"They say dreams are like stars,
you may never touch them but
if you follow them they will lead
you to your destiny".*

So follow your dreams!

God Bless

Melissa Appel





RANGI WILSON

24 DECEMBER 1995 - 18 SEPTEMBER 2011

We Remember

MOIHI SELWYN

1 JUNE 1994 - 3 OCTOBER 2011

NOW and THEN

In my primary years the environment was so vibrant, bright and full of life. The sound of kids laughing with one another. Happiness crept into my mind each time I walked through the gates of Strathmore School. This was an era where boys were afraid of girls and girls afraid of boys. Nonetheless in my case the girls were totally yummy. At my primary school everything was a breeze. I had no worries, no problems; all I had to worry about was packing my lunch for the marvellous day I was to have.

I felt comfortable at school, because my first cousin Ashley attended and was there to have my back. As the years went by, I made a lot of close friends and we became like family. One of my most closet friends was Bradley. He and I played Dragon Ball Z every play time and lunch time with the rest of our fun gang "The Room 10 Lao's".

We'd play up now and then and always crack up because we thought we were awesome as though we ruled the school. Running onto the dried up and rough field, we'd all argue about who got to be the boss and who got to be Goku who was one of the main characters of my favourite cartoons at that time. Once the argument was over, we'd all shout "Kamaehamaehaaaaaaa!" and pretended to shoot a beam with the motions of our hands.

Class work was more like a game with smiles on the student's faces, and everybody enjoyed it. As we sat on the ground, everyone was disciplined. Not a single whisper was heard. The assemblies were uncomfortable; we sat in our house rows and sang our songs of our school pride. I felt amazed at the heart and soul that this school had and the songs that used to put a smile on everyone's face.

Now as I walk into the gates of my new school 'High School' a feeling of laziness overcomes me. Rubbish is seen everywhere making the school look in a state which causes those to think we live in a dump. People are still in mufti though not allowed as this is incorrect uniform. The buildings have depleted and no longer look new rather it has started to peel and you can see two or three older coats underneath, thus the buildings are in desperate need of repair.

No longer do I play Dragon Ball Z, though I still watch cartoons just those that are a little more mature like Family Guy, The Simpsons or Sponge Bob Squarepants, well I guess Sponge Bob is the exception. I often walk around our school lost in my misery with nothing to do. People are more interested in relationships, clothes, fashion rather than the education. In primary we didn't know what a relationship was because it did not matter. We didn't even know what a label or fashion was.

Although many things are at fault, there are many things that make my High school beautiful. The smell of fresh rose bushes fill my nostrils, and as I engage in winter sports, I am always proud to run on the frosty, firm field wearing the green and gold colours of our school.

It's great to grow up and now I am older, High School seems to be the place I love to be. I guess the next chapter would be University.

By Rangī Wilson.



This year has been particularly difficult for many in our school community who have lost precious family members, both young and old. We extend our aroha to you all and acknowledge the strength of the wonderful youth of our school. You have shown maturity and love beyond your years. May you nurture your faith and appreciate all that you have. Each day is a gift; use every minute of it wisely.

Excellence Awards

On March 15th we gathered in the staffroom to acknowledge our students who achieved well in their 2010 NCEA exams. It was great to share this occasion with their parents and teachers. Mr Ford presented the students with their badges and encouraged them to strive for more excellence grades this year. The students all received a certificate and an 'Excellence Badge' which they are encouraged to wear with pride all year.

Bronze Awards: (4-14 Credits)

Nic Flutey	4 credits	L2,	Physical Education
Sean Farrar	4 credits	L1,	Computing
Jamie Gray	5 credits	L1,	Physical Education
Matthew Thompson	5 credits	L1,	Computing, English
Gideon Letoga	5 credits	L2,	English, Music
Jerreau Tonge	6 credits	L1,	English and Music
Stacey King	6 credits	L1,	Computing, Science
Christopher Bishop	6 credits	L2,	Cook Island Maori
Rebecca Hoani	7 credits	L1,	English, Physical Education
Courtney Ross	14 credits	L1,	English, Geography

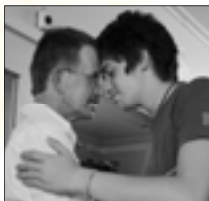
Silver Awards: (15-24 Credits)

Mana Tepana	15 credits	L1,	English, Te Reo Maori
Mereana Poko	22 credits	L1,	Physical Education, Geography, English
Te Ao Nui Mckenzie	22 credits	L1,	Computing, Te Reo Maori

Gold Awards: (25+ Credits)

Hannah Dewhurst	28 credits	L1,	English, Japanese, Mathematics, Science
Aaron Gott	30 credits	L2,	Physics, English, Music, Chemistry
James Loveday	46 credits	L1,	English and History
		L2/3	Physical Education, Physics, Geography and Mathematics

We also acknowledged Courtney Ross, Hannah Dewhurst and James Loveday who got their certificates endorsed with Merit. Congratulations to all these students!



BloOd DoNors



Over the past few years Tokoroa High School have had many students who have overcome their fears and saved lives by becoming registered New Zealand blood donors. These students and staff are really super heroes. Giving blood is as simple as filling out a questionnaire, providing your details if you are a first time donor and reading a couple of pamphlets. You need to complete a questionnaire and a simple health check and you are good to go. All you have to do is sit back relax and squeeze a ball. Simple right!

Over the last few years Tokoroa High School has been creating Life Savers. Mrs Crate, Mr McCurren and Ms Merrylees are regular donors and each year try to encourage students to join up. Last year four students donated however this year we have eight students donate. Next year we would like to double this number. Donors this year were Heath Taylor, Stacey King, Hannah Dewhurst, Braydon Willis, Whetu White, Christina Black, Teahlie Maraku and Cassandra France.

These students took time out of our own lives to overcome their fears and save the lives of many others less fortunate than themselves. With each donation you can save up to 3 lives. But sadly only 4% of New Zealand currently roll up our sleeves and donate blood. Blood only lasts 35 days so come on Tok High roll up your sleeves overcome your fears and help us save lives.!

It may seem to you that you blood is more useful in your own body but as a matter of fact your blood can regenerate within six hours. Unfortunately for some New Zealanders such as cancer sufferers this is not the case and they always need new blood to keep them alive. With your help they can live the life they deserve.

Innocent Eyes

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**Innocence lost, replaced by the fear,
Uncertainty in the eyes of the young Tutsi.
Desperation and terror, crying out for justice,
Witnesses to the horror of a million deaths. The dark
deathly silence deepens his despair.**

**Recalling the sound of steel on stone,
Being sharpened for slaughter, screaming out
for their blood.**

**Cheap machetes used for cold-blooded murders,
The smell of putrefying blood overwhelms his senses.**

**A familiar silhouette sheds light
In his time of darkness
Offering a helping hand to comfort his
Saddened soul .**

By Telia Lepa-Bonnar



BREAKFAST CLUB!

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, milo and toast. The weetbix is sponsored by Sanitarium and the milk by Fonterra through the Kickstart Programme and run with the help of the Services Academy. Grateful thanks goes to all the students in the academy and their instructors Staff Manu and Staff Tito. Our thanks also to the staff who have donated food and Ms Lotter for allowing us to share her space.

Dare to Move On

Something different happened this year with the Dare to Move On programme – we had our first boys group. We started with six students but only five completed the course - Kaleb Sadler, Marcus Robertson, Corey Stephenson, Kieran Landrebe and Zane Sell. Four students completed the challenge by a trip to Taupo Events Centre using the climbing wall, hydrosides and having a swim and lunch before coming home. Kieran Landrebe was the first to climb to the top of the wall. Way to go Kieran!

Spirit of Adventure!



On the 30th June- 9th July, I had the opportunity to sail around the Hauraki Gulf with 40 other students from around the country on the Spirit Of New Zealand. The thought of living on a ship for 10 days away from home, with no proper showers, cell phones, iPods, no family or friends to turn to, and not knowing anybody was quite scary, but I knew I'd be fine.

Our days were always full. Waking up at 6am for a morning swim/ shower, spending the day putting sails up and sailing, visiting islands such as Kawau and Great Barrier Island, swimming, activities, bonding and so much more. By sunset our nights were just as full with safety lessons, night activities such as burma trail, movies, Spirit Olympics, group debriefs and more bonding.

An exciting part of the voyage was trainee day. This is where on the 9th day of the voyage, all control of the ship is handed over to us. No help is given and the safety of the ship, crew and ourselves depends on us. Captains, navigators, engineers, cooks, watch leaders and rope technicians were all nominated the night before. What we had to do was sail our ship from Hauaki Gulf back to Auckland wharf. This Allowed us to put what we learnt throughout the voyage to use.

Everyday was a new challenge: learning to trust each other, getting over my fear of heights, adjusting to a new routine and having pretty much no personal space, but overall, The Spirit Of New Zealand was the most rewarding experience ever, with everyday being a new adventure.

Gabrielle Mapstone



BLACK AND WHITE

**We live in a world of black
and white
Where both of them are
destined to fight
Until one of them chooses a
different way
So both can live to the
present day
And both black and white
can be friends
And live together
peacefully till the very end
And black will finally be
recognized
Instead of being shunned
and despised**

**Though with peace,
racism lives to this day
Hurting people in many
ways
Though it's not as worse as
before
There are still black and
white fights that make
people sore**

**Even though racism
exist we can rise above
And have a Utopia filled
with love
And racism will cease to
exist
So try to stop racism,
I insist**

By John Anderson

LIBRARY NEWS

The library is no longer a warehouse for dead books. The library is the nerve centre of the school for information and student gathering. It is a place for our students to find help with homework assignments, find the books they love, kick-back and relax, work hard. A learning environment where students and teachers come together to interact, work, coordinate, invent and

produce. It is a place where students are supported by their teachers to think widely and deeply across curriculum boundaries. It is about creating an environment where the transformation of information into knowledge will enable students of Tokoroa High School to achieve in tomorrow's world.

In keeping with the school's policy of 'qualifications for all', the library seeks to provide students with the knowledge and experience necessary in their lives beyond school. Access to information has been improved, with the addition of more books, for both school work and relaxation; and additional search facilities being added to the library computers. The layout of the library is flexible to allow room for larger groups or quiet, relaxed reading. All activities are catered for at interval and lunch: music students earning credits for performance, Gateway courses, chess and card games. The library has indeed been busy and bustling.

As always, the wonderful group of student librarians has been invaluable. They have worked hard to keep the library bright and attractive, recommended the latest 'must have' bestseller, helped prepare displays and are more than ready to share their expertise with other students.

In conclusion: knowledge is useless if you don't even know where to begin to look. How much more can you discover when someone can point you in the right direction, when someone can maybe, even give you a treasure map, to the places you may not even have thought you were allowed to go? This is what libraries do...

*Laura Henderson
Library Coordinator*



Tokoroa High School is future proofing and fibre ready...

School Network Upgrade Project

In late 2009 Tokoroa high School applied to the Ministry of Education (MoE) to be part of the School Network Upgrade Project whereby the MOE would fund 80% of the cost to upgrade the school data and electrical cabling. This would ensure that our school would enjoy a reliable, high-performance data network, that meets industry standards essentially future proofing the school.

In early 2010, Tokoroa High Schools application was successful and the start of many months of planning got underway. Torque IP was contracted by the MoE to complete an audit on the schools network and to develop a tender document for contractors to quote on. Connetec from Rotorua was awarded the contract and work began in Term 4 of 2010. It was completed mid way through Term 1, 2011.

Connectec worked seamlessly, installing new switches, data and electrical outlets and fibre in all classrooms around the school. Down time was kept to a minimum and we are experiencing an improved performance over the network already.

As a SNUP school we have the benefits of continued access to subsidised equipment as the network grows. We are safe in the knowledge that all work carried out is to MoE high standards.

The next project in the pipeline is the Governments roll out of Ultra Fast Broadband via a fibre connection. Tokoroa is included in the first round roll out and we are hoping to have a fibre connection in the school in 2012.

*Brian Reid
Senior Management*

ADULT Education

2011 has been another busy and successful year for the school's adult community education (ACE) programme. Four additional driving licence theory courses were held during terms one and two to cater for the large number of 15 year olds wishing to obtain their Learner's Licence before the national driving age rose on the 1st August.

The most popular evening classes this year were the self supported Indian cooking course under tutor Mohan Lal and Mrs Herta Miede's German Language course. Most popular day classes were Adult literacy and Cook Island language and craft classes. Mrs Debbie Thompson's well supported Te Reo for Beginners course was also held each term.

Recent cuts in government subsidies to the adult education sector have greatly reduced the number of courses on offer through the school, and this has impacted on the number of adults wishing to develop new skills and confidence through night classes.

Under the new guidelines, the programme continues to focus on courses in literacy, numeracy, ESOL, Te Reo and other languages.



Our night class community regrets the recent passing of Harold Warburton, who worked as a welding tutor at the school for over 20 year. Harold was a popular tutor who will be remembered with affection by his many past students.

Finally, my thanks to our wonderful tutors who continue to work in the programme. and share their expertise with South Waikato adult learners.

*Dr Trevor Bentley
ACE Co-ordinator*

WEARABLE ARTS

Guidance Counselling

The year began with a large number of students interested in wearable arts projects across all levels of the school. A group of really committed students who had previously been involved went to an exhibition at the Rotorua Arts Village in Rotorua one afternoon in February. They were met by Barabara Cook the chairperson of the Wearable Creationz trust and Terry Wheeler, a judge in the events, who provided the students with ideas about what they expect, how things are achieved and answered any questions. Students had an opportunity to observe previous winning creations up close. From this meeting also came sponsorship in terms of a bus to transport contestants and costumes to the venues this year. This was organised by Barbara Cook with Pedersen Industries. Many thanks must go to Pedersen Industries and Barbara for their huge support.

As a result four groups of students entered in the wearable arts competition in Rotorua put on by Rotorua Creative Art Trust during the week of 16-20 August 2011. Stacey King, Cassandra France, Ariana Hawker and Melandi Appel worked for two and a half terms on their projects with the help of parents and staff – John Hoby, Damien Baker, Elsabe Appel and Yvonne Evans and other students like Tamara Thorn and Devon Morris. Pre-judging day was held in Rotorua on Saturday 6 August at the Energy Events Centre, followed by rehearsals on 16 August, matinee performance on 18 August, Gala event on Friday 19 August and the Awards Evening Saturday 20 August 7-11 pm compared by Jackie Clarke and accompanied by performers Ward 16, Matt Barnard and Amjazz Creative dance group and an art exhibition. The students performed to audiences totalling more than 5000 people over the 3 performances – a huge boost to their self-esteem. Students who had begun projects and not completed plus students from the Teen Parent Unit made use of the free bus to attend the matinee performance and support the students competing.

As a result the creation by Melandi, Melissa and Elsabe Appel, modelled by Melandi, succeeded in winning a highly commended place in the Youth section competing against 33 entrants. Congratulations to Melandi, Melissa and Elsabe for their well deserved efforts after three years.

Many thanks to Elsabe Appeal and John Hoby for giving up their time to accompany our young people to these events. Without their assistance our wearable arts programme would not work. Many students are now inspired and plotting their next entry for 2012!!



Another very busy and productive year, began with meeting the Y9 students at STARS camp in February and continued with the guidance counsellor working four days a week from term 2. This did not mean a lessening of the load, as for the first two terms we had a waiting list of 20 students. Our counselling staff has been greatly weakened this year without the usual support of student counsellors / social workers in training doing their placements here. However, we are fortunate to have the services of a number of trained and experienced peer mediators that are available to help students when I am not available.

I would like to acknowledge the work done by these peer mediators not just this year but for many of them for over three years. They take their own time to train and assist students having difficulty and add another layer of safety for our students. These peer mediators are Gideon Letoga, Julius Daniels Mata, Matt Broman, Stacey King, Cassandra France, Heath Taylor, Devon Morris, Hannah Dewhurst, Hitro Ale, Jerreau Tonge, Grace Clarke and Tamara Thorn.

It was great to Henderson, Jacob Te Moananui and Stephen Jackson into the training programme. Training has been limited welcome Helen Meyer and Darlene Westlake into the trained mediators group this year and De-Arna this year due to the difficulty of getting students together. However, most students completed a sexuality training day with Glenys Wood from Family Planning on 4 August with a follow up afternoon on 30 August. This gave students sufficient background in sexual health issues to be able to assist their peers on first contact before referring them on to either the school doctor, nurse or counsellor or seeking help outside the school. It is of concern that we are not getting Y9 and 10 students coming forward to begin training – an issue that will need to be addressed next year as we lose considerable numbers when Y13 students move on.

It was a pleasure working alongside Mr Jones in the STARS programme this year to provide leadership supervision for peer mentors which allowed us and them to strengthen the training even further.

With Mrs Leger retiring the school has a new nurse, Raewyn Mathew. Her hours have been increased to two and half days a week this term – Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday and Thursday. We were lucky enough to have the service of a doctor Wednesday mornings this term. This will continue from the beginning of next year. Thanks must go also to Mrs Tiro for her help in the drug and alcohol counselling field. She has a clinic at school every Monday morning. We greatly appreciate their help and caring.

I would like to acknowledge the help and support I receive from staff members, in particular the senior staff, in my quest to assist students to make the most of their opportunities at our school. It is a great pleasure and honour to work with our young people. I believe I have the best job!!! I wish you all a merry Christmas and look forward to seeing most of you in the New Year.

YVONNE EVANS, GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR



TE RA

'Tera' - a sea, bird and human creature combined. About 2000 beads, old materials and some paint were used. Were done by Melandi and Melissa Appel.



Here we are making a bird mask with an old mask which we tied up with some glass beads and some shiny strips from old pom-poms.



Here we are busy cutting the tail bit. We used mum's sewing machine and then we stuffed it with some cushion stuffing.



The wings are made of old material pieces and netting. We used some sticks to keep the wings steady

We took an old dress and put beads and patterns on it to create all the panicles stuck on a fish under water.. This took for ever to do and is around 2000 beads.

This was not an easy creation and took a lot of thinking and hard work. Being inspired by monsters and creatures is awesome. Avatar was a great inspiration to us but we still had to come up with something of our own. Melandi & Melissa Appel



SHAKESPEARE

To be, or not to be?

That was the question!

In the end, 'twas, to be', as Tokoroa High School entered into the Sheilla Winn Shakespeare Festival for the first time since 2006! Funnily enough, this was also the last year that Mr Jason Jowett was involved in the festival...as a student! The students learnt a scene from Hamlet, where Hamlet meets the ghost of his recently deceased father. His father tells him that he wasn't killed by a poisonous snake, but rather, he was poisoned by his own brother (Hamlet's uncle), who has now assumed the throne and married Hamlet's mother. It was a very intense scene, and the students involved did very well, having had no experience or exposure to Shakespeare before. The students all enjoyed themselves, and we are really looking forward to developing a culture of "Shakespeare" in the school over the next few years. We will be starting preparations for next year's competition at the end of the year, so we will be much better prepared for the competition.

CAST AND CREW

HAMLET: *Iain Mowbray*

HORATIO: *Stacey King*

TRUMPET PLAYER: *Hitro Ale*

HAIR AND MAKEUP: *Tamara Thorn, Brenna Clarke and Devon Morris*

PROMPTER: *Jacob Te Moananui*

MARCELLUS: *Kayla Dewhurst*

GHOST: *Heath Taylor*



Junior Debating

On Wednesday 15th June, three junior students travelled to Putaruru to participate in the annual Freemasons Junior Debating competition. These students were Tiana Hill, Dean Smith-Holley and Dionne Treadaway. The Tokoroa High School teams were up against Matamata College, THS arguing for the moot that "Beauty lies in the eye of the beholder". Dean Smith-Holley clearly introduced the argument, which focused on the fact that we as individuals all see beauty differently, and for that reason, Beauty does indeed lie in the eye of the beholder. Second speaker Tiana Hill strongly supported Dean's opening argument, while Dionne Treadaway spoke with power and elegance as she countered the arguments made by the opposing team. In the end, Tokoroa High School won their debate against Matamata, but it wasn't enough to beat the deserving winners Putaruru College. The students had a great time, and both Tiana and Dionne will be back for next years competition. A big thank you to Mr Ngapo, Ms Crate, Ms Voss and Mr Tahau for coming over and supporting our junior debaters.

Senior Debating

"If humans are to survive, they must reach for the stars".

On Wednesday the 17th August 2011, three students travelled to Putaruru to debate the topic, that if humans are to survive, they must reach for the stars. The students involved were Gideon Letoga, Teahlie Maraku and Rangī Wilson, and boy, did the chair of the debate struggle in pronouncing their names! Mr Ngapo had been working tirelessly with these three students for the previous couple of....DAYS!!! The students were arguing against the moot, and their argument centered on the fact that instead of reaching for the stars, why don't we reach for our families, reach for our friends and stop the violence in order to survive. The students were up against a very good and experienced Putaruru College team. Our humorous speakers shone through, as Gideon wowed the audience with some audacious and sometimes cheeky comebacks to the opposition argument. Rangī spoke clearly and argued his points precisely, while Teahlie was fantastic as the leader of the group, especially when it came to summing up their argument. In the end, Putaruru were adjudged to have won the competition. The students enjoyed their night out, and seemed to have gained a lot of experience in the field of debating by arguing with Mr Ngapo in class! A highlight of the night was seeing Taylah Kaponga perform Rihannas "Take a Bow" at the half time break, as well as Taylah, Gideon and our very own Mr Beau Tahau combining to wow the audience at the end of the night with a Performance, Jireh's hit "Draw me nearer". A big thank you to Mrs Voss and all the supporters that turned up to watch!



Farewell to Kasper Nooyen

Kasper Nooyen was born in The Netherlands in 1990. His first language was Dutch. He arrived in New Zealand in 2000 and started school at Amisfield, with Paula Whitford as his personal teacher aide who with her sense of humour and common sense helped him overcome a lot of problems he had due to his autism. When he started attending Tokoroa High School the Special Needs Unit was at Matarawa, and his teacher was a South African lady called Mel. She was followed by Tania Hodges. He moved to Te Kahui Whetu with Mrs Bates when this new facility opened..

Kasper has enjoyed all the Special Olympics competitions, especially swimming. His specialist stroke is breaststroke. He trains by swimming laps every week. He is also a reliable goal shooter in basketball and enjoys horse riding most Fridays.

Kasper's other interests include gardening, drawing, listening to music and reading. Outside of school he is also involved in Scottish Country Dancing and he attends the catholic church with his family.

Because making new friends is not easy for Kasper, his family has stayed in the Tokoroa area so that he can become familiar with the town and become known by the local people. Kasper hopes that when he leaves, people will continue to recognize him and say hello.

Kasper would like to let you all know that even though he doesn't speak much he still knows most of you and enjoys being involved in your lives. He keeps track of all that happens to



you guys and his favourite town, Tokoroa, by reading the local newspaper.

Having recently turned 21, Kasper has now completed his schooling at Tokoroa High School. He is leaving to attend the Creative Art centre and find work through the South Waikato Achievement Trust. The current staff of Te Kahui Whetu, Ms Haigh, Mrs French, Mrs Mutter, Mrs Kant, Mrs Chapman, Miss Wyett and the SENCO Mrs Hainsworth have all enjoyed working with Kasper over the years. We wish him a happy future and look forward to hearing news from him in the future.

SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORT FOR 2011

This year has been another phenomenal year for the school student council organising a lot of activities and funding activities that are running in the school. It is very rewarding being able to help extra curricular activities when we receive applications for help.

We have held three awesome socials with no problems. This is always a great feeling and it is great to see students enjoy themselves at these events. We had 'occupation' and 'fiuro' as two themes with the last social of the year having no theme. In May we held a mufti day with the students bringing cans of food instead of money. The cans were donated to the Food Bank. We collected 718 cans of food and \$143. The Salvation Army were very grateful for our support as they had just been burgled and all their supplies were taken. During the year we were also able to help the hockey team with going to the nationals, the senior ball, Gabrielle Mapstone with her trip on the Spirit of Adventure and the Manu Korero trip.

As the school council we like to help activities where we can and at our final meeting this year will make a donation to our library and prizegivings. Good luck to the school council for next year.



School Speech Competition

"Are boys becoming too girly?"

"We live, we die, we cry, we buy."

2011 saw another amazing range of topics covered in the School Speech Competition. The calibre of speakers, particularly in the junior section was very high and will certainly make for exciting viewing in the future

years. The seasoned veterans of our school competition then took the stage and showed the juniors something to aspire to. The unenviable task of judging was taken up by Mrs Henderson for all categories and Mrs Crate for the junior section and Mr Jowett for the seniors. Thank you to you all and we hope that you take this up for us again next year! To all of our contestants – thank you for your efforts and we hope to see you all competing again in the future!

FACT

Gideon Letoga has won the School Speech Competition every single year for the past 5 years!

The results are:

Junior Oratory Cup Winner: Mikaia Te Kanawa
Highly Commended: Dean Smith-Holley & Dionne Treadaway

Year 11:

1st – Tamara Thorn
2nd – Kayla Dewhurst
3rd – Manisha Saini

Year 12:

1st – James Loveday – Winner of the Year 12 Ngapo Cup
2nd – Stacey King
3rd – Peter Letoga

Year 13:

1st – Gideon Letoga
2nd – Julius Daniels Mata

Overall Senior Placings:

Winner of Senior Oratory Cup: Gideon Letoga
2nd – Julius Daniels Mata
3rd – James Loveday
Highly Commended: Tamara Thorn

"The mentor camp helped us GAIN CONFIDENCE, knowledge and a better understanding of what was in store. Tamara Thorn

Peer Mentors



MENTOR CAMP!

At the end of the school holidays before term one, the mentors went on a 3 day camp of peer mentor training at 'Lakes Ranch' in Rotorua. The purpose of having the camp was to help each of the participating mentors become stronger and more confident and prepared for the 'Stars Camp' ahead.

During the camp we learnt how to create lessons and plan activities that we could run with our groups during camp. The Lakes Ranch staff taught us the rules and safety for camp, like putting on harnesses and helmets properly, so we would know how to help if needed, and keep our year 9s safe during the activities on the actual camp.

Each mentor had a turn at taking the other mentors through a lesson, so we could get positive feedback and advice from our teachers and senior mentors on how we could improve. This helped to boost our confidence in taking lessons and gave us the chance to learn from any of our mistakes. These lessons helped us with our mentoring on camp and creating relationships with the year 9s so they would contribute and participate as a group in the activities on the Stars Camp.

We learnt a number of different educational games to teach, which can help improve social and problem solving skills and how to work as an team and lead as an individual. The mentor camp gave us the opportunity to work alongside other mentors, staff and our senior mentors. We got to know the camp and area better and other mentors we would work with on camp.



"The mentor camp helped me, because when I went on the year 9 camp I knew the area well and I learnt how to do things on the mentor camp that I would have got frustrated about on the actual camp... The Mentor Camp was helpful for us and saved a lot of time on the actual camp" *Jasmine Hoani*

Tearara & Jerreau

"The mentor camp helped me work better with other mentors"

Denzil Manu

FYD Ad

"Lights, camera, action! yes it was all on"

Being chosen to be apart of the FYD advert was an honour.

Not only were we stars for a 30 second advert but being apart of this experience has opened my mind to the world of possibilities; Computing Design, Acting also Casting. IT WAS GREAT.

What Opportunities has it given me?

- ⇓ Job prospects
- ⇓ How to Direct

What did I learn?

- ⇓ Acting skills and confidence
- ⇓ Creating Graphics
- ⇓ Working with Green Screen
- ⇓ Being a Creative Director

This has been great – it was a chance in a life time, it just goes to show that with hard work and determination anything is possible, give it a shot and you could be that next poster boy/girl for that ad, director for a movie or even be the next Justus Riki-Hamana Creative Director.

By *Justus Riki-Hamana*

Lights, Camera, ACTION!





Careers Expo

The Year 9 STARS programme held their annual Careers Expo on Tuesday 10th May.

The aim of the Careers Expo is to give our Year 9 students an idea of a range of career opportunities that are available locally.

The Careers Expo is part of a year long STARS programme which is sponsored by Waikato Youth Empowerment Trust (WYET) and the programme has been developed by the Foundation for Youth Development (FYD).

The Expo was set in a revolving format of four minutes question and answer time with each guest speaker before moving on to the next. A total of 20 guest speakers were available and the students were able to find out what qualifications and/or personal skills they need to set themselves on their intended career pathway.

Feedback from the students was that they had a great time speaking with representatives from a range of jobs, and that they need a Plan B should their initial career choice not eventuate.

Tokoroa High School STARS programme would like to thank the following businesses for attending our careers expo;

- Ngapo-Lipscombe Law
- NZ Police
- South Waikato Precision Engineering
- National Bank
- Gary Chapman & Associates Accountants Tokoroa New World
- Waiariki Polytechnic
- Greg Stead
- Planet Computers, George Moss
- John Stevens Electrical
- Waikato District Health Board
- Yvonne Evans and Tokoroa High Schools Teachers Norelle Boss and Iain Mutch

Without the support of our local community this event would not have occurred.

STARS CAMP

In Term One of this year, Tokoroa High School Year 9 students, teachers and mentors went on a STARS camp to Lake Ranch in Rotorua.

STARS camp gave Year 9 students the opportunity to meet teachers and their mentors. Senior mentors role was to supervise, lead and help individual groups.

Year 9's were organised into fifteen groups. From there, each group participated in numerous challenges. For example, the tough guy challenge, the swoop, horse riding, the big race and many other activities. Each activity involved teamwork, skills and help build confidence.

To end our week at Lake Ranch, each group performed a skit in front of all the students and staff. There was so much laughter, talent and effort put into this concert, leaving group overall winners of Year 9 STARS Camp 2011.

Danni Vi

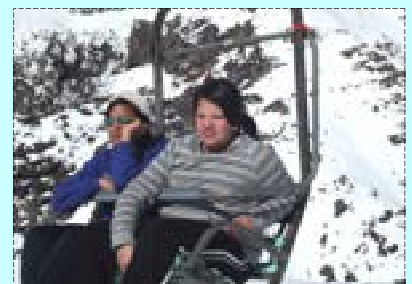


TREE PLANTING



On Tuesday morning of the 23rd August at 6 a.m. the Year Nine's travelled to the snow at Whakapapa fields at Mount Ruapehu for a fun day. First of all some of us stopped at Taupo to hire the pants and jackets, while the rest went to McDonalds to have breakfast. The epic journey continued and as we reached the ski fields we got our passes for snowboarding, skiing or sight seeing. There was white everywhere, no sign of a single piece of grass for miles, We used chair lifts to get us to the areas we were going to. Some of us had only been a few times, or never, to the snow before and we had a great experience, learning new skills, meeting different people and overcoming fears: such as heights, and having faith in ones ability to snowboard or ski. Snowball throwing, tobogganing and a continuous sausage sizzle were also participated in throughout the day. It was a chance in a lifetime and an awesome experience, even the travelling, with many of us not wanting to leave as it was like heaven.

TU Year Nine Science class.



Rise up this morning, smiled on the morning run

Three little herds, tried to sidestep. Singing sweet songs, of melodies pure and true. Singing dont worry, about a thing, cause every little thing, is gonna be alright. Singing do better do good at Tok highschool.

STARS CAMP -2011-



Three little herds, tried to sidestep. Singing sweet songs, of melodies pure and true.

Singing, you better do good at Tok highschool.

Year 12 Bio Trip

In the third week of Term Two our Year 12 Biology class went to Camp Park Lee (Pureora Forest) for a week to learn about the different living conditions and climate of plants in the Pureora Forest. We focused on the distribution of certain plant species, counting and measuring them.

We learnt:

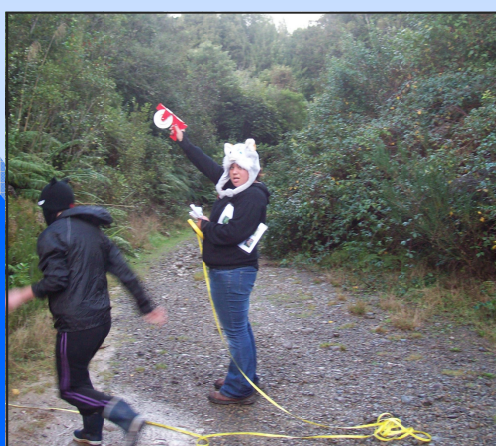
- to measure the heights of trees without climbing to the top with a tape measure
 - the names of many different plants and trees by looking at the leaves and trunk
 - that humidity, altitude and temperature could affect a plants growth going up the mountain
 - to record the distribution of plants from the forest floor to the top canopy
 - to measure the diameter of the trunks and spread of the branches.
- to count the number of a species in a 5m x 5m quadrat

On the fourth day we climbed up Arataki Track, Mount Titiraupenga which took about five hours as we had to stop every 100 metres to count our specie of plant in a 5m² quadrat and note the growing conditions; canopy cover, moisture, wind, light competition. When we got to the top it was great.

We had to get up early and work all day, but some nights after dinner we would play a game of cards and have a game of spotlight, boys versus girls. The girls won because they made all the boys scream when they beeped Mr Tahu's car horn.

It was nice having hot meals and hot showers after a long cold wet day of finding out information. On the last day we packed up and said our goodbyes to the camp and went home to our own bed. Overall though the camp food was pretty good, the cabins were cold and the weather terrible. A typical camp.

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TARAWERA TRIP

On Thursday 4th August Zane Sell, Deanna Head, and Iti Watane-Gates, headed to Rotorua with Miss Taipiti and Mrs Heydenrych, to visit the Buried Village.



First we went to the Museum, inside the museum we watched a movie and listened to how the eruption happened. They also told us the Maori version of how things happened.



We then went upstairs and looked at the mud baths and the lava domes.

From there we went to the Buried village and walked around reading all the information.



We also enjoyed a picnic lunch.

By Zane Sell

YEAR 13 HISTORY FIELD TRIP

During term two, Dr Bentley took our history class on a field trip around the Waikato. We visited Waikato University Library for research work and two museums and battlefields as part of our studies on the New Zealand Wars of the 1860s. We travelled by van and our first stop was at the tiny Cambridge Museum which has many exhibits on the town's military and farming past. Our guide Iris was very knowledgable and helped us complete all the worksheets

Our next stop was Waikato University Library's New Zealand room, where we gathered information for our school-based 3.1 assignment. The best part of the trip was the Te Awamutu Museum. Here we talked with our guide Alan Reilly about the work of local missionaries and some of the local battles during the 1860s.

We played a helpful history game called 'Scavenger Hunt'; and it was boys (Matthew and Julius) versus girls (Sharnice and Tearaara). We had to frantically search the museum's exhibits for clues to help us solve a puzzle and, of course, we girls won easily.

We next visited St John's Church near the battlefield at Rangiaowhia and also Orakau, where our guide described the ferocious clash between Ngati Maniapoto, Tuhoe and the British army. After completing our last worksheet and the most interesting field trip ever, we returned home to Tokoroa tired but happy.

INDUCTION COURSE

The induction course in Auckland was an awesome experience for me. We were at Hebronnville Air Force Base for a week with four other academies Tamaki, Waitakere, Otahuhu and Te Kuiti. We participated in all sorts of events such as the mud run, high ropes, drill comp, sports day, cross country and the longest day. The graduation we had at the end of the week was another exciting event for us and felt great to be apart of.

There were four trophies, the longest day trophy, Drill Comp, sports day and the leadership trophy. We were overwhelmed to have walked away with two of the trophies, the Drill Comp trophy which was based around team, discipline and the sharpest looking academy. Also the Leadership trophy which I got for displaying the attributes of a leader that is measured by Defence force standards. It was a tough challenge for all of us having to wake up in the early hours of the morning but it was an awesome event for our academy to attend. We gained a lot of discipline, confidence to be able to achieve anything we set our minds too but most of all team work within our own academy. Overall I'm glad to be apart of the Service Academy to have experienced this course, it was a lot of hard work but also fun and I can't wait for next year.

Jasmine Hoani

GATE

Wiremu Brown and Paris John attended a Year 10 visit to the Auckland University. The trip was provided for our Year 10 students who want to work in the area of health. Liz Carpenter, the school's health careers advisor, organised the trip and it was paid for by the health sector. The students had the opportunity to involve themselves in a laboratory activity, DNA discovery at the Liggins Institute, meet medical students to find out what they are involved in and ask questions of them. On Saturday they attended the open day at the University.

Matua Billy has worked with individuals who want to find out more about the pathways they need to follow to succeed in their career of choice.

Mr Mutch talked to a group of interested students about rifles and hunting.

Korero Maori - Te Wiki o te reo Maori

Tau ke, Tumeke, Pai to Mahi were only a few of the words spoken during this year's Maori Language week. The key word that rolled of the tongues of many was this years theme Manaakitanga (togetherness).

A wide range of activities were planned for the week and Te around 50 Te Rito students took to the streets spreading the word **"it's cool to korero"**, singing Maori waiata and handing out pamphlets. Public feedback was overwhelmingly positive as were interviews with the South Waikato News and Radio Raukawa. Students taught Te Reo during the week and kapa haka was held for all students who wished to learn waiata and perform at Wednesday assembly.

Our fabulous staff learned waiata and karakia and, many set up displays in their classrooms with the help of their students. Mr Tahau's room stood out with the colours red, black and white with the hep of students like Ezekiel

Cooper, who won a prize for his commitment to the reo 'tumeke e tama'. The appearance of the school Marae decorated with playing cards displaying Maori patterns was hugely effective. Mr Jowett's tutor really brightened their classroom and caring students brought Maori artefacts and traditional wall hangings to add effect.

Te Kahui Whetu took out this year's prize with carefully planned and included activities like making rewana bread, learning Maori waiata, and weaving. This gave them the winning edge and their focus on Manaakitanga was reflected in the way their visitors were fed during the week.

Some of our students promoted the reo through a Maori-reo-a-thon during which they were to speak te reo only. Our special Tokoroa High School website and Maori Bebo site had many hits and received positive comments. The prize for the top art student went to Mannassa Timoti for his original Maori piece on the importance of welcoming visitors, partly

inspired by the rugby world cup. Other activities included classroom notices read in Maori by students and Maori words and key concepts on display. The Science Department went all out and used Maori word finds. Elements of science were also translated into Te Reo and other subject teachers relabelled their books.

The biggest highlight for our Kura was the CD produced by Te Rito students. The time and energy spent on this CD, was most worthwhile and we hope the public enjoys the compilation. CD's can be purchased for \$5-00 at the school office.

I would like to thank all those who supported Te wiki o te reo Maori. To our staff, students and parents, you are all terrific for what you do. Remember whanau, everyday is Maori language day, so korero Maori, I nga wa katoa.

Matua Keinan Ngapo.



As part of our Kia Orana week we had a Kia Orana Day, where we invited our school to wear their Cook Islands gear. It was a fierce competition and staying with a traditional MUUMUU dress, was none other than Rebekah Kaora who won the best dressed female, taking home a \$50 Warehouse voucher proudly sponsored by South Waikato Pacific Islands Health Services.

The Kia Orana Day Thursday August 4th, marks the Cook Islands Constitution Day when we became an independent country, and for our school a celebration of how far we have come, and of how proud we are of our heritage.

KIA ORANA DAY



X marks the spot, and the place to be on Wednesday 27th July was "Stock Xchange" at Mount Maunganui. Our team consisted of Drummers Uncle Bob, Varo, Duane, Joshua and Aunty Monz, Dancers: Magz, Rayna, Gabz, Timo, Chris, Nu, Toru and Jo, Photographer: Aunty Lanz, Aunty Apz, Driver: Uncle Corey and our Emcee Miss Tarai.

We had three brackets, with three different costume changes and 3 round the worlds, even the drummers followed suit.

Its always good going to the Mount 'cos, even though we love dancing, the best part is definitely the food at Turkish Delight.



REGIONALS



In June 2011, Te Rito travelled to Waikato University to compete in the Regional Nga Manu Korero Speech Competition. With three sections in the competition, our students for the 9th consecutive year, were hopeful for a placing. They dedicated much time preparing, and carefully wrote and learnt their speeches. I was impressed by the level of commitment shown by all our students as the competition was fiercely contested.

This Year Turoa Tepana entered the Junior Maori section. Makaia Riki-Te Kanawa entered in the Junior English section and Teahlie Maraku competed in Senior English. All three spoke with enthusiasm and proudly represented Te Rito and Tokoroa High School.

Makaia fought hard to retain our junior English trophy. And stole the hearts of everyone with her motivational song. Turoa gave his all when he spoke on the importance of the reo. His compelling and thought provoking korero earned extremely high marks. Finally, Teahlie spoke on 'what it means to be Maori and how we need to stay strong if we wanted to make it in the world. This also prompted an original waiata/song about the reo and relevance of being Maori. The waiata was special and the students enjoyed singing something relative to Maori and te rito.

All students did well and I am excited about what their future holds for them. Teahlie placed third equal, Makaia placed second overall, narrowly missing the top spot and Turoa was successful in winning the Junior Maori section. He will go on to speak at the national finals in Tauranga September 2011. We look forward to his success and wish him well.

Thanks to all parents, staff and students for their support for Nga Manu Korero. Thanks also to our principal Mr William Ford. Your support for Te Rito and our kura is tremendous. We are fortunate to have a principal that recognises the importance of Te Reo and kaupapa Maori. We now look forward to the nationals in Tauranga.

Nga Mihi – Matua Ngapo.

NGA MANU KORERO

Te Rito Achieves Third Place at Nationals

In September 2011, Te Rito travelled to Mount Maunganui to take part in the National Nga Manu Korero Speech Competition. Junior Speaker Turoa Tepana represented the Tainui rohe in the Rawhiti Ihaka Junior Māori section. Turoa spoke about the importance of the reo did justice to his korero.

To be a part of this experience as the only year 13 Te Rito senior girls on the trip was amazing. Matua Ngapo and Lena Ormsby our Teacher and parent supporters did an awesome job of making sure we were fed, clothed and well looked after.

With a crowd of hundreds from all around the motu, whanau, teachers and students gathered to take part in one of Maoridom's most prestigious secondary events. The atmosphere was amping, so many students could not wait to take the stage and prove that they have what it took to make it at Nga Manu Korero.

The time finally arrived for Turoa to deliver his eleven and a half minute speech. When Turoa took to the stage, the Kura scarcely breathed until he uttered his last word, then it was the schools job to stand and tautoko. Turoa's performance was awe inspiring, mind blowing and the Kura was so proud of Turoa for his fine performance and oratory skills.

The 25+ tautoko group were so proud of what he had done for the Kura but most importantly for himself and his whanau. The Tainui rohe took Senior Maori going to Te Rau Aroha a Kura in Matamata. In junior English, Rakaumangamanga placed first in the Junior English section. Tokoroa High School placed third overall, in Junior Maori with Te Rito so proud of Turoa when his name was called for third place.

It makes you think too, that with students like Makaia coming second to the national winner and narrowly missing out by one mark at the regionals, the future for our students is most promising.

Thanks to matua Ngapo for believing in us, always giving us these opportunities and spending time to help us prepare, practice and achieve.

Teahlie Maraku & Matua Ngapo.





PUNA VAIORA

Recruiting new blood has been awesome with the help of Uncle Bob is editing a video from the highlights of 2010. "Lets Do It Again" has been a theme to encourage membership and I think that many mistook the Tauranga wharf as possibly being the enchanting waters of Aitutaki, hahaha. So along they came, an influx of 24 girls and 18 boys, this was definitely a first for the male population of our school.

As we look back on the year, it was great getting to no everyone and really dedicate sometime and energy into preparing for PASIFIKA BY NATURE, our annual event in celebrating pacific culture in the Waikato. We were fortunate to have Tangata Pasifika do a documentary on us as they followed our preparations. Our dress Rehearsal saw all our students amped and ready for the competition. In all honesty it was gutting to come Runners Up, but that has to be better than not getting anything. We took out 1st for Musicianship and we must give thanks to our drumming tutor Ngativaro. None of this would have been possible without the determination of Aunty Monz and Jaemie, so on behalf of everyone we want to thank you both for the long nights that you put in to making our costumes and getting our bracket ready. We also want to say a big faafetai tele lava to our singing coach for the Samoan bracket Uncle Soop and also Ute for helping with the Sasa.

After the competition, we were asked to perform at a wedding in Tauranga, so we began our show on the road. We want to thank our hosts Aunty Lanz and Jimmy for the hospitality. If your ever in the Mount, try our Turkish Delight, Turkish food in Island portions (ask Jo and Nuhaka).

Everyone knows that while we were at a funeral some punks stole our chocolates which meant that we didn't make a profit on our fundraising efforts, so to cover some costs and purchase our own Bass drum and Bongo's, we held a social "Neon Fresh Rage". From all those that went, we are told that it was pretty good, and the feedback we got was, awesome.

"Don't play reggae, you can't really dance to it"-Kardas. "
 No Intermediate Kids"-Duane,
 "Love the Food" - Tameka,
 "Have more glow stuff on sale" - Jamela.

Papa Orometua Timote Turu blessed our new drums that were hand-made by Ngativaro Iorangi. We are just so blessed.

Our performances this year have been

- Pasifika By Nature—Hamilton
- Mama Orometua Mata Turu's unveiling—Tokoroa
- Mike and Melissa's Wedding—Tauranga Wharf
- Stock Exchange—Mt Maunganui
- Open Day—Tokoroa High School
- Andrew and Symon's 21st Birthday—Tokoroa
- Variety Show—Tokoroa Youth Park
- South Waikato Cultural Festival—Putaruru

So lets not look back and think of what could have been, but rather lets look forward to 2012.

Te Atua te aroa,
 Timote Turu





Introducing Pa Harakeke Teen Parent Unit

In December 2010 and after many years of dedication and commitment by a number of community representatives, the Ministry of Education approved the establishment of a teen parent unit for Tokoroa. Located on the grounds of Tokoroa High School, Pa Harakeke is giving young teen parents a chance to complete their secondary school education. We are currently situated in the middle of the school but are awaiting the building of a new complex within the grounds.

For many of the current students adapting back into the education system has seen their confidence as a learner, as a parent, as a friend and as a person blossom. From their initial thoughts of not being able to accomplish anything to now having gained credits that were once a dream, they now hold the thought that tertiary education is within their grasp. However, although education is the prime focus it is not the sole focus. Throughout the year a number of guest speakers, relevant to the students needs, have been sourced. This has helped further develop and in some cases develop skills the students may require to cope with life outside of school.

Students range in age from 16 to 20 and are completing NCEA Level One to Level Three. The majority of the material required for their learning comes from The Correspondence School. This has ensured flexibility in the environment students are required to learn in. They are able to study in the class but if their child / children are ill or something happens where they need to be absent, students are able to complete their school work at home. Students are also able to, and have, studied subjects through Tokoroa High School.

On a final note, thank you to all the people who have guided and walked beside us on this new journey. There are so many, but I am sure you know who you are. To the students, keep your head high and walk with pride in who you are and in what you have sought to accomplish. Kia kaha koutou!

naa Irene Hakaria



I have had the great joy and pleasure of joining the teen parent unit in 2011. This has been a good experience for me. I have met so many amazing young parents who are trying to do the best they can to better themselves and the future of their child/children. Each person is so motivated to gain their qualification. Since I've had my son and being a solo parent my priorities have changed. I now see the importance of an education, for not only my future but now for the future of my son.

I appreciate and am lucky to have, the support of my whanau and friends through this journey. I have been given a 2nd chance to complete my NCEA Level 3 qualification while also taking care of my son, who attends a day care facility during school hours. I really appreciate and thank the people who have made this happen and given young parents, such as myself, the opportunity to come back and complete our secondary school education.

By Teisha

For the short time we have been part of the teen parent unit it has been a great experience. We are expecting our baby boy in November, so we are trying to gain as many credits as we can before the little one arrives. It's been primo to get to know others that are in the same boat as us because they understand our situation. Our priorities are very similar to others in the unit and our baby too has become our priority.

By Potaua and Laura.

This has been such an awesome experience for me, getting to meet all these amazing young parents who are so driven and motivated to gain the qualifications needed to continue with tertiary studies. For myself, since I have had our daughter my priorities have changed. Education has become so much more important because I now have someone besides myself whose needs have to be met. She comes first before anything else. I'm lucky because I have a hardworking partner who has a great job and is able to support our little family. This has enabled me to complete the education I started at college.

The teen parent unit has given me the opportunity to gain extra NCEA Level 3 credits while also looking after my baby. In the beginning when the unit first started our daughter Wairahi, would attend with me. When she was 6 months we made the decision to send her to a day care – Te Rau Oriwa, which she now attends while I am studying. I'm so grateful for being given the opportunity and to the people who made this happen for us all..

By Brittany

Tokoroa High School Services Academy



Tokoroa High School Services Academy is into its second year of existence. This has seen some changes from last year. The same focus academically (reaching our personal academic goals) but changes within the academy with the introduction of Junior Services Academy (Year 10) programme with our newest staff member Staff Shane Tito.

The seniors attended the New Zealand Defence Force induction camp in which their team work skills were tested; at times their own determination was stretched. The seniors came together as a team (stronger than when they came). There were four trophies awarded at the end of the camp and the seniors came away with two, The Regimental and Team Work trophy, Jasmine Hoani was awarded the Leadership trophy for the student who best displays leadership abilities. They also attended the *mils* skills course (I think our students will always remember that one).

Two students Andre Hamilton and Jasmine Hoani, both attended the Basic Leadership course and were then selected for the top 20 to attend an advanced leadership course.

The juniors programme has seen 20 Year 10 students focusing on team work, self discipline, physical training, drill, leadership, personal progress and most importantly focus on being academically ready for their NCEA level 1 year 11.

The juniors came with hesitation, curiosity, and maybe some excitement. For some, after the first session of

physically training, it all changed to "ah what am I doing!". Even though it seemed hard at first they stayed together and work hard at support each other. The juniors have not only worked hard on themselves but have worked towards helping with school activities such as the school ball, which they showed commitment, dedication and a willingness to support our school. Some of the juniors have excelled in school activities with two being chosen to represent the school in the First 13 Rugby League team - Joseph Manu and Montell Maea.

This brings us to our Year 10 tutor, STAFF TITO. Staff Tito also came with some hesitations but has brought an atmosphere to our juniors that centres around support, achieving more and promoting one of the academy values - being consistent across all facets of school (he can do more than just the running man, for those who know what I am talking about). Great job Staff Tito, thank you for your dedication and commitment to the students.

Being the first year for the junior academy the students have grown in skills, attitude and determination. They have set a high standard for next year's junior academy to aspire to.

To both the seniors and the juniors, you completed so much this year and have both continued on and even excelled in expectations. Well done team see you next year.

STAFF MANU OUT.

Courage, commitment, comradeship, and integrity, these are the focusing qualities the Junior Service Academy [JSA] teaches and are built upon. We are taught to be punctual, strengthen each other through team work and discipline ourselves. We learn that in our teams we are only as strong as our weakest link so we build and encourage one another. One exercise that accomplishes discipline is drill which helps us to work as one unit. Practical training, I mean physical training keeps us fit for both physical and mental activity. We are taught that everything has a purpose and determining how we fulfil that purpose is completely up to us as juniors **'work smarter, not harder.'**

Montell



I used to watch the Junior Service Academy [JSA] and think to myself how slick they looked performing their drill. Then I would picture myself in their shoes. I no longer have to imagine now that I am in the Academy and yes it's exactly what I imagined it would be. I joined the JSA because I wasn't enjoying my normal classes and wanted something new and challenging, once in I felt like I got just that. I am a lot more motivated and disciplined in class. I enjoy the JSA and have learned that it's not all about drill and fitness but it's like one big whanau, acceptance. During this time in service I have learned valuable tools that are helping my success in school like team work, discipline, time management, integrity, and most of all **consistency!** I think joining JSA has been one of the best decisions I have ever made.

Morgan



It has been a cool opportunity being a part of the junior service academy. I've learnt so much in such a short time. Areas of development for me were: learning to be part of a team, participation (because I didn't always want to do what my team was doing), pride, courage, integrity (that's a big one), time management (opps, still working on that one), attendance (better than last year), discipline (nobody's perfect), and fitness (wow! I can run when I have to). I'm so proud to be in the junior service academy and glad I was chosen. I have improved a lot as a student at Tokoroa High School both physically and academically, but I know with some things it is still a work in progress.

Justice



My time in the Service Academy has been great; I have achieved qualities I have never experienced before. I have learned to be courageous through public speaking in front of my peers and others; this is something that I have never liked before. Discipline and teamwork have been a big growth development for me. I believe the Junior Service Academy has helped me become more focused on where I want to go and my plans for the future. This year I have excelled in every class and subject and have learned to respect my teachers and my education.

Stevie



TE KAHUI WHETU

Te Kahui Whetu students swim for fitness and confidence every Friday all year. In February we participated in Waikato Special Olympics swimming in Te Awamutu. Kylisha came first in two events. Our relay team of Kylisha, Roy, Tyrin and Tony was fourth, against much larger senior students. Roy also participated in the mainstream swimming sports in Tokoroa and came first for his house.

We ride at RDA once a week if it's fine. Students are now riding without a lead rein and have the confidence to play games on horseback.

We all went to ten pin bowling in Rotorua for a practice day and to choose our best players for the Bay of Plenty finals. Our team was Rebekah, Tyrin, Morgan and Toka.

Our options this year have been Woodwork or Art. The woodwork group has made clocks, tables and bookends. They learned to use a variety of tools and techniques to produce a good finish. Thank you Mrs Chapman and Miss Maree for helping us.

The Art group has been led by Mrs Kant. She has had lots of new ideas. One project was fridge magnets. The first ones were hand sewn from colourful fabric. Then chocolate moulds were used to make shapes out of plaster. Students chose how to paint and varnish them before attaching magnets to the back.

Another project was tie dyeing. Students stitched the pattern into the cloth before dyeing the fabric two contrasting colours. The panels have beads or sequins attached and are sewn into cushions.

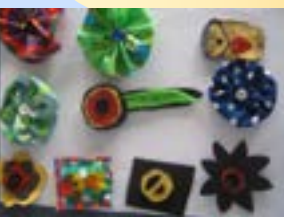
Mrs Mutter and Mrs French have been our helpers in Cooking. We have made yummy stuff like macaroni cheese, lasagna, stir fried rice and noodles, and lots of baking.

When we were learning about the businesses and facilities in the Tokoroa area, we took a trip up Colson's hill to look at the town. We enjoyed the picnic we cooked for ourselves.

We have learnt how to cope with minor accidents and major emergencies. We know that if there is an earthquake we must all get under our desks quickly. Drop, cover and hold!

We washed staff cars to raise money for our trip to the Special Olympics basketball in November. The car wash team developed a good system to do an excellent job.

This year TKW was very proud to win the Pimp Your Room competition in Maori language week. We used the theme of manaakitanga for our class curriculum that week. We learnt some traditions around flax, wove small gifts, learnt greetings, numbers and colours, and grew the rewena for Maori bread.



What a fantastic year this has been for Te Rito. Now the second largest tutor group in the school, Te Rito has gone from strength to strength. Dedicated students, whanau and tutors have ensured that learning remains a key focus.

Te Rito placed well in both the regional and national finals of Nga Manu Korero. We also have students in the finals of the Raukawa Maori Language Awards which will be held in November. Other students have excelled academically as well as in sporting and related extra curricula activities.

This year our students played host to many powhiri and ensured that visitors to our marae were very well cared for.

This fitted well with the Maori Language Week theme of manaakitanga.

Another highlight, was the initiation of our Tuakana/teina program devised to help support our teina students and to provide leadership opportunities for more senior and tuakana students.

As Dean, I have the sometimes difficult job of making sure that the pastoral and educational needs of our students are being met. Te Rito is dedicated to caring for and supporting students. I am proud as Dean, to say that our roopu is strong, as we seek to bring out the best in our students and urge them all to strive for excellence.

We look forward to the future and the positive leaders Te Rito will provide for our Kura. Our dedicated tutors have given students opportunity's to see our students excel. Together, we will lead and show that our Maori rangatahi are leaders with a bright future. From the bottom of my heart, I would like to thank Mr Baker, Mr Hoby, Mr Mutch, Ms Boss, Mr Tahau, and Mr Jowett for all your time and energy spent supporting our students.

I would also like to pay tribute to the Wilson whanau for their sad and sudden loss of our Te Rito boy Rangi Wilson. He will be dearly missed by all his whanau at school, especially by his Te Rito teina who looked up to him as a tuakana and a person who was a leader, mentor and an academic. You will remain forever in our hearts Rangi. To the Selwyn whanau, Moihi was a staunch supporter of Te Rito and to lose you in the same year is too much. You will be sadly missed. Nga mihi kia koutou katoa.

Lastly, to our dedicated parents thanks for your time and energy and for allowing your child time to grow and prosper in a tutor group. A tutor that prides itself on whakawhangaungatanga and awhi. I would like to thank all the staunch Maori supporter's and kuia and kaumatua that have helped out at the marae this year. We are so fortunate to have you as part of our whanau. There are so many to thank so at the risk of leaving anyone integral out, thanks so much to all those who have supported Te Rito.

Our tutor group is strong and flourishing because of the support of you the students, staff, parent's whanau and Māori community. We are fortunate to have great tutors, senior management team and a fantastic principal Willie Ford who always supports kaupapa Maori and Tangata Whenua Maori.

Nga Mihi
Dean Te Rito
Keinan Ngapo.



KO TE MANA O TE WHAKAWHANAUNGATANGA

Mana lives within us, our beliefs, our strengths and sense of belonging comes from our whakapapa

Tēnā Koutou Kātoa
Mai I te hinengaro, ko te whakaaro
Mai I te whakaaro, ko te hiahia
Mai I te hiahia, ko te timatanga
Mai I te timatanga, ko te puawaitanga
O te Whanau o Te Rito
Tthei Mauri Ora

Te Rito



Te Manava is made up of 5 Tutors:

TMFG
TMKR
TMMU
TMSL
TMTE

We want to thank our tutors for their guidance and care throughout the year.

Sometimes we may think that it is hard being in Te Manava because our teachers always expect the best from us, and sometimes there is no place that we can hide without Miss Tarai finding out about what we have done.

Sometimes it's the same thing all the time,


"COME ON SENIORS GET THOSE CREDITS"
 OR
"JUNIORS DO THE RIGHT THING",
 but nothing is ever without challenges.

In the words of Gideon,

"we are like a team, our tutors are our coaches, encouraging us towards the finish line. I am grateful for Te Manava for helping me to cross the finish line and giving me the opportunity to recognise my strengths and also the things that I have to work on. It is positive to be told the truth about where we are at, the good, the bad and everything that goes with it".



Heath Taylor
 1st in Te Manava
 Future Profession
 "ICT Technician for NASA"



Heaven Sobestel
 1st in the...
 Future Profession
 "Fitness Trainer for the Senior A".



Gideon Letoga
 1st in Preaching
 Future Profession
 "STARS Coordinator"



Damon McGuire
 1st in Hockey
 Future Profession
 "MP for Maori Party"



Julius Daniels Mata
 1st in Panel Beating
 Future Profession
 "Mayor of Tokoroa"



Marina Areal
 1st to Freedom
 Future Profession
 "Dean of Te Manava"




Rayna Takiri
 1st in Leaving Home
 Future Profession
 "Waitress at Turkish Delight"



Aro'a Turia
 1st in Falling Over
 Future Profession
 "Treasurer of St Lukes"



Tearara Tangimataiti
 1st in Being Right
 Future Profession
 "Guidance Councillor at FVHS"



Mikimiki Ngata
 1st in Staying Home
 Future Profession
 "Coach for Penrhyn Netball"



TE Manava

Everyone has the opportunity to shine, it really is up to you.

Maggie Mataiti

FORTITUDO started the year with students from a wide range of cultures, backgrounds and levels.

Once again, this year's students played a large role in the life of the school. Many were "STARS" mentors who were involved with the Year Nine students' camp at Rotorua, as well as on-going activities throughout the school year, such as the ski trip to Mt Ruapehu..

Students supported the school community with a large collection of cans for the local Food Bank, mufti days and as participants in the "Wearable Arts Competition" in Rotorua. Aaron Gott achieved a top award for music in his Cambridge music exams.

Our Whanau continues to meet every Thursday as "BIG TUTOR" where all six tutor groups come together. Student uniforms were always of a very high standard with the majority of students in their classes focused on their learning. The library reports that FORTITUDO was always the whanau group that had the lowest number of outstanding books!

FORTITUDO has always been a large group, starting the year with seven tutor groups however, Term Three saw a rationalisation under six tutors. I would like to thank our tutors for their continued support and guidance of their students and myself during the year. For the first half of Term Three, Mrs Tucker stood in as Dean, having an impact of her own.

My thanks go to our tutors – Mrs Tucker, Mr Cassidy, Mr Hamman, Ms Merrylees, Mrs Phillips and Mr Phayer for all their efforts with our students. Thanks must also go to Mrs Evans for the guidance she provides for students.

During the year I have had interaction with a wide range of students from timetables, to a simple chat. It has been a pleasure to be involved with such a good-natured group of students.

Murray Olsen Dean 2011



MUSIC



Virtuosity Concert



On the 29th and 30th of August, our senior music students performed their Eclectic Collection concert as part of their NCEA assessment – their second concert of the year.

ECLECTIC COLLECTION

This was a collection of pieces that the students chose to perform in consultation with their itinerant teachers and Mr Baker.

This was another opportunity to show their families and friends what they have been up to for the past 10 weeks, and as expected, the standard of performances rose again.

We had a number of standout vocal performances starting with Te Aonui McKenzie performing Drops Of Jupiter by Train. From our level 1 students, Jerreau Tonge performing "Halo" by Beyonce and also teaming up with Sinoti Tavier Levao to perform "Choose You" by Stan Walker. Gabrielle Mapstone accompanied by Timote Turu was confident in her performance of "These Words" by Natasha Bedding Field, Curtis Karepe gave a strong rendition of "So High" by John Legend, and Sinoti Tavier Levao teamed up with Taylah Paul-Kaponga to deliver a convincing performance of "When You Believe" by Mariah Carey and Whitney Houston.

Our senior instrumentalists didn't disappoint either, with Aaron Gott performing one of his grade 8 piano examination pieces "1st Movement Sonata in E Major Opus 12" by Beethoven and his final guitar piece "Mood For A Day" by Steve Howe. Hayley Bason delivered a fierce rendition of "Eat My Ferrari" from the Rock School collection, Sharnice completing her solo performances with "Bouree" by Bach played on guitar, and Freedom Saolotoga tackling two solo drum pieces "Chop Suey" by System Of A Down, and "In The Bag" from the Rockschooll collection.

We also had performances from a number of groups, some of the most memorable included "Scar Tissue" by The Red Hot Chilli Peppers performed by "Te Aonui McKenzie (vocals), Aaron Gott (guitar), Hayley Bason (bass), Gideon Letoga (drums), and "Who I Am" by Nic Jonas performed by Te Aonui McKenzie (vocals), Curtis Karepe (guitar), Gideon Letoga (bass), Peter Letoga (drums).

This was also the first time that we had a student on the mixing desk and Jayden-Lee Slater did a fantastic job of it.

It is awesome to see the music students continuing to challenge themselves in the pieces that they are choosing. It is through challenging ourselves that we become better at what we do.

On the 23rd and 24th of May our senior music students performed their Virtuosity concert as part of their NCEA assesment. This was a collection of pieces originally composed and performed by well-know virtuoso musicians throughout history. 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 saw many of our students achieve their solo and group performance credits.

One of the standout performers was Year 13 Aaron Gott who performed on piano (Aaron's first instrument) "Vals" by Chopin and "Dance in G Minor" by Khachaturian. Aaron followed this with two guitar pieces (Aaron's 2nd instrument) "Sunsets of Disire" composed by our itinerant guitar tutor Scott Cranwell and received a standing ovation for his rendition of "Drifting" by Andy McKee.

Another note worthy performer was Year 13 Hayley Bason who continues to develop into an outstanding bass guitarist. Hayley performed two pieces "Bass Romance" by Richard Prowse and "The Trooper" by Iron Maiden.

From Year 12, Taylah Paul-Kaponga earned her solo performance credits with thoroughly convincing performances of "At Last" by Beyonce Knowles and was joined by Alia Cowley (also Year 12) to sing "Angel Eyes" by Paul Ini.

This year also joining our Year 12 class was Year 10 student Sandra Huang, a very talented pianist who notably performed "In Spain" by Christopher Norton.

Our Year 11 students didn't disappoint either, clearly the strongest vocal group Tokoroa High has seen for some time. Some of the performances included De-Arna Henderson singing "Arms of an Angel" by Sarah McLaughlan and Warwick Avenue by Duffy, Sinoti Tavier-Levao sing "Slow Motion" by Carina Patterson and then teaming up with Jasmine Hoani to perform "I Know Where I've Been" from Hairspray. Gabrielle Mapstone also performed well singing "Dear Mr President" by Pink and teaming up with her band Samantha Tere, Te Maapii Te Amotahi and Curtis Karepe to perform "Valerie" by Amy Winehouse.

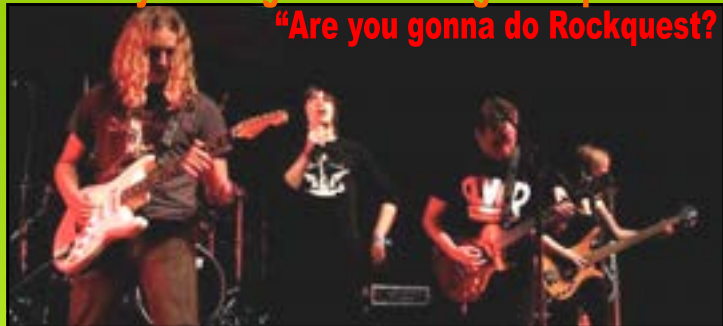
This was a challenging topic for many of our students but it showed just how versatile and technically competent our young musicians are becoming.

It was great to see so many of our parents, families, friends and members of the wider community coming in to watch and support our young developing musicians. It makes all the weeks of preparation and rehearsal worth the effort.

ROCKQUEST

"Have you thought about doing Rockquest?"

"Are you gonna do Rockquest?"



So began the endless torrent of enquiries from Mr. Maea. After a month of such treatment, we decided that we might as well give Rockquest a go, more to shut Mr. Maea up than anything else. So I wrote a song, and the dream team was assembled: Teaonui on vocals, Gideon on drums, Hayley on bass, Matt on rhythm guitar and me on lead guitar. Then came the hard part: a month of rehearsing 3-4 times a week. Yes it was tough; but it was a labour of love, so we sacrificed any last vestige of a personal life and struggled on. Finally, the day arrived: we loaded up all the guitars into the van and set off for our first gig in Vegas! Rotovegas, that is. We arrived at the venue and checked out some of the other

performances. We were up against some stiff competition, that was for sure; but we were confident that we could give a performance to rival the best of them. After a few hours of waiting, the time had come. We tuned up, had one last practise, and then headed backstage. We performed the best we could, and even though we didn't make it through, we enjoyed performing and felt proud of what we had achieved. On behalf of the group, I'd like to say a big thank you to Mr. Maea, firstly for encouraging us and getting us to do it, and secondly for arranging transport and being there to help us every step of the way. Rock on!!!!

Aaron Gott

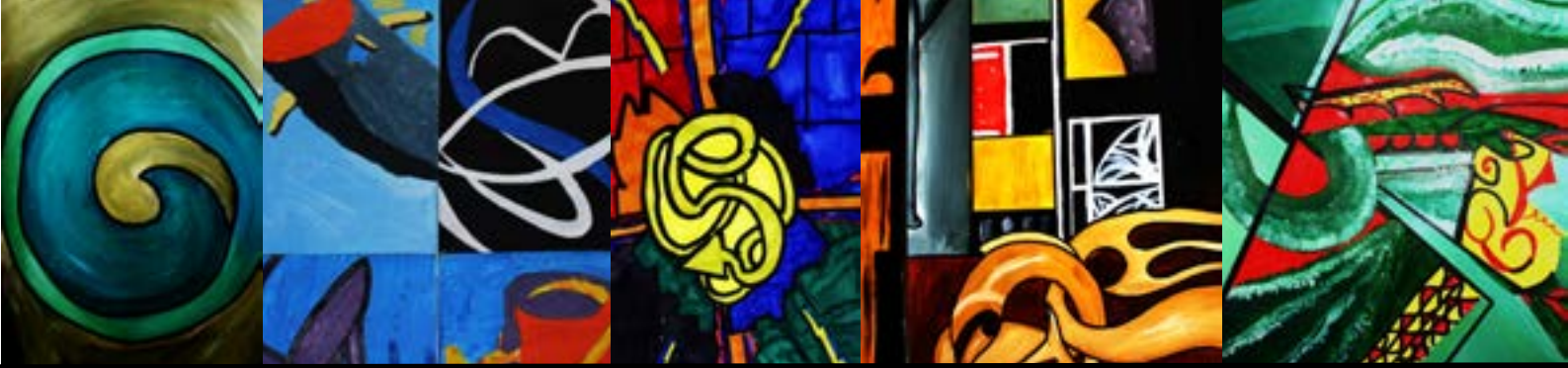


CHOIR

This year the choir has gained a few new members from year 9 and senior students. We have learn't a number of songs ranging from 'I believe I can fly' to our most recent performances of 'Valarie', 'You will know' and an african chant from the Soweto Gospel choir 'Bayete'. Next year we hope we will grow more in numbers and be able to attend the Maori and P.I Choir concert, supposedly happening next year.

On behalf of the choir, we would like to thank our choir teacher Ms Vai for all that she has done this year and we look forward to 2012.

By Jerreau 'Jay'



VISUAL ARTS



2011 has been an exciting year for Visual Arts at Tokoroa High School. There has been a huge development of artistic skills and the standard of work of particularly the senior students has improved beyond expectations.

Currently the Year 11 students are completing very effective woodcuts based on Maori and Polynesian designs. Much of their other painting work has been based on landscape themes here in Tokoroa.

Our senior students are covering a wide range of themes from figurative life studies inspired by contemporary artists and others are working with landscapes combined with traditional Maori themes.

Our Year 10 students are concentrating on Street Art themes and it is planned that we complete murals which will be placed outdoors.

Year 9 students are working on a range of activities that will prepare them for 2012.

This year the Visual Arts department was very involved with the Wearable Arts Competition and our students performed well.

The Art department in conjunction with computing is hoping move into Digital Photography and we plan to enter into competitions in 2012

John Hoby



THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS UGLY IN ART

TECHNOLOGY

2012 have seen more growth in our department with 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 2012.

Graphics

The students worked hard at their designing, sketching and drafting skills and the results were good, with some innovative and interesting projects produced by the students. We encourage more students to take graphics as it is an excellent subject for pursuing any technology qualification as well as gaining university entrance. Graphics will be offered from Year 10 to Level 3 in 2012

Hard Materials

The technology curriculum is changing to an Achievement Standard course that will require a higher academic standard, especially for the theoretical component of technology. We will be offering a multi-materials course including wood and metal.

Trades Training

2011 saw the much awaited BCAT (Building and Allied Trades) course for pre-apprentice training begin. This course is accepted by 16 different building related trades. The students received theoretical and practical training.

We did practical building projects such as making picnic tables for the school and next year we want to expand the program and build decks, pergolas etc. Practical work experience is available through the Gateway programme.

Soft Materials

Mrs Lotter joined our department this year, offering Hospitality and Fabrics technology. Due to the success of the courses we will be offering food and fabric technology again next year.

Computing

It has been another awesome year in the computing department. Student's enjoy this subject and this is reflected in the results they have achieved.

This year, our main focus area within the senior school has been on design, layout and formatting. It is pleasing to see how many students are now interested in the area of media-design.

Next year will see the junior school focusing on Digital Citizenship—a must have in this computer based world we now live in plus we will also focus more on movie making. Year 10's at present are making for a movie for Te Kahui Whetu students .

A big thanks must go to the teaching staff. Mr Rothman, Mrs Crate, Mr Kiss and Mrs Tucker. Without your help and support, this department would not be so successful and one of the main hubs of the school.

To the departing Year 13,s, it has been mostly a pleasure guiding you over the last 5 years. Best of luck for the future and may your dreams come true. Everyone have a great break, enjoy your xmas holidays and stay safe.

See you next year
Ms Miller



English



Ms Cherie Merrylees.

I love language in all its various forms and relish the opportunity to share that everyday with my students, particularly if it is from a New Zealand or Pasifika writer, director or context. I would encourage all of our students to take up reading as a pastime as it really is food for the soul!

The only boundaries to creativity are the ones you place upon yourself. Language is limitless – Ms ML



Darnel Manu

Writing allows me to express myself creatively. I like the rhythm that you can create when you write. I know it sounds weird, but once you get going, it's hard to put the pen down! I love sharing this passion with my students and am currently working with my Level Two media studies class.

Just remember, the pen is mightier than the sword!



Keinan Ngapo

This is my fourth year at this school and the third in the English Department.. This year has been a highlight with our speeches and debating students who always make me proud. I love what can be done in English, the practicality of the subject and the quality work that students contribute.



Miss Karen Krause

I'm an old girl from Tokoroa High School. I'm fiercely proud of this school, our town and our community. English skills I learned YEARS ago through my teachers, Mr Robyns and Mr Tolovae, have taken me further than I imagined! The same can happen for you! To me, ENGLISH isn't just important. Its' damned important!

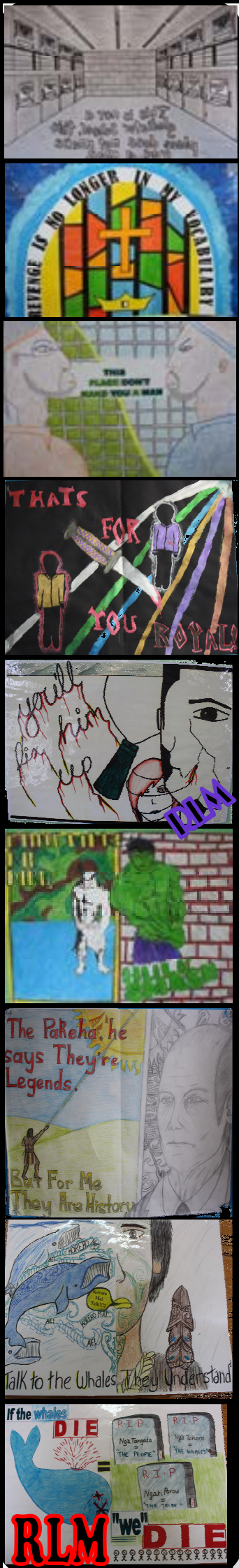


Mr Jason Jowett

I have a passion for teaching English, particularly in the areas of poetry and creative writing. I have been influenced by many writers over the years, but my passion lies within the words of New Zealand and Pacific authors. I believe my passion for English can have a positive effect on the learning and enjoyment of English amongst our students. A quote that I live by in terms of teaching is, "If students can't learn the way you teach, then teach the way they learn." In the words of Apirana Ngata,

"E tipu. E rea." Grow and stretch forth.

Expressive
Knowledge
Ground Breaking
Life Long Learning
Inventive
Supercharged
Hallowed



Social Sciences



2011 has been another exciting year for the most experienced (old + grey haired!) department in the school. With two "Baby Boomers" leading the way in Dr Bentley and Mr Olsen, the wealth of knowledge and expertise is a definite asset to the school. Mr Olsen, in particular, has done his part in improving the Tourism course by taking off a record amount of time to travel overseas and gain valuable "resources" for our students, particularly from the Las Vegas casinos! The booming numbers taking Tourism suggest that the course is becoming increasingly popular, or there was nothing else on at that time in the timetable!

The senior History courses continue to look back and try and make sense of the world we live in today, by examining things from the past. Dr Bentley once had a dream about inspiring passion for History and his students now know more about Pakeha/ Maori relations than Tama Iti and Hone Harawira combined. When asked about how he would reward his top

students Dr Bentley replied "Let them eat cake." The Geography (or common sense) classes have also experienced a population explosion, with two NCEA Level One classes for the first time and a large Level Three class exploring the relationship between People and the Environment. Despite Mr Tereu suffering from Déjà vu on many occasions the level of knowledge and understanding has been impressive. It was particularly impressive when a brand new igneous (volcanic) rock called Poo Miss (Pumice!) was discovered.

The department continues to offer exciting and thought provoking courses that challenge students academically. The use of new technology such as Smartboards, and in Mr Olsens case electricity, has allowed B Block to become the place where people like Beyonce and Shakira want to come and hang out. Waka Waka!

D Tereu

Things to Ponder

- **Are there any places left for Mr Olsen to visit next year?**
- **Should New Zealand have 10 million people living here like the experts suggest?**
- **Is Europe a ticking time bomb ready to explode in a fireball of pent up racial tension?**
- **Will China become the most powerful country in the world and what will this mean for New Zealand?**
- **Since February 6 1840, have we learnt anything about cultural interaction?**

Languages

Cook Island Maori

Kia Orana tatou | te aroa maata o to tatou Atu ko Iesu Mesia.

Greetings to us all, I am always honoured by those who learn a second language, especially our Cook Islands Maori Language. On my return from my year away, I am thankful for the things I have learnt and the things I have seen.

"Kia Orana week was awesome, with the Cook Islands classes having a market day where they got to make a product and sell it. Big Ups to Norah Poko and Chloe Herman for the best entrepreneurs, Caroline and Hope for being Culturally Innovative, the Team for spending less and making more has to go to the game masters Montell, Toru-Atua, Joshua, Matthew, Rueben, and all the other boys in P4.

In that week we also had a Peretoka (Island Draughts) Competition. Our Peretoka Champion who took home the Milky Bar was Tamaru Tereu.

Te Reo Maori

"Ehara taku Toa i te toa takitahi, he toa takitini taku Toa"

This year has been a steady year for the Reo Maaori programme with obvious highlights being young year nine student Turoa Pana winning the Maaori junior section in the Tainui Manu Korero speech competition held earlier this year. Also the big numbers in our year nine class this year, fifty students in all has boosted our overall numbers and seeing the inclusion of Mrs Tereap'i Solomon who teaches our History section in the year nine programme.

Another highlight is our good number of year 12 students which should see us have a separate year 13 class next year. Our year 10 students have had a solid year completing the Te Reo taketake programme and also managing to pull off two good feasts. Our year 11s however lead all classes with NCEA achievements.

An obvious challenge this year is teaching our Mao 2 class which has 4 levels in the one class including 1 level 1, 12 level 2s 4 level 3s and 2 Te Reo Rangatira students. I am glad to report that we have our own Te Reo Maaori Kapa Haka made up of all the classes I teach about 100 students in total and I can't wait to see them in action in Term Four.

Naku noa

Billy Maea

Japanese

日本人の日に 行きました。生花と えんそうと ぶんさいもみしました。きものも きて 見ました。とても おもかったです。きれいでした。

いろいろな たべものも あって、 たのしかったです。らいねんも 行きたいです。

Translation The Senior Japanese class students went to Auckland to take part in the Japanese day. We saw, Japanese style flower arrangements, bonsai, Japanese traditional drum performance and also we tried to wear Kimono (traditional Japanese costume). It was very heavy but beautiful. There were various Japanese food and goods, it was very interesting. We all want to come again next year.

Bonsai with Hannah

How to play Peretoka (Playing Stones)

Equipment: A Peretoka board
10 stones per player.

Each player lines there ten stones on opposite ends of the board including the edge and corners.

The aim is to get your players to the opposing side and to take your oppositions stones off the board by jumping them.

You can only move one space along a line, you can not move backwards. You can jump the opposing player if there is a clear space to jump into after your jump. If you get a stone to the opposing end, it becomes a king and can move as many places in one direction and jump places from any distant along a line.



Mathematics

Ms Johnson was away on study leave and Mr Phayer took over as acting head of department for most of the year.

This year saw Year 13 Maths with Calculus being taught again at Tokoroa High School. Students started the year by being shown "proof" that two can equal one. Of course they worked out it was a clever trick, but it got them thinking about how important the number 1 is and the many forms that it can take. We spent some time working with imaginary numbers moving on to complex numbers and once again proved why you cannot divide by zero, unless we accept that two equals one.

The highlight of the year 13 maths with statistics class must have been the bacon and egg sandwiches. There was no point wasting the eggs that were used to develop a formula for the mass of an egg.

Year 12 maths took part in Ms Johnson's research project and learnt how they can improve their grades by understanding how and what they are going to be assessed on. The skills learnt are transferrable to all their school subjects and future lifelong learning.

This year in Trade Maths with Mrs Solomon the focus was on relating basic maths skills to real life. An example of this is the Networks unit standard. This involved taking a process and breaking it up into organised tasks that could be completed by a number of people. The classes went down to the Wharekai and organised a group breakfast - a real life situation to apply skills learnt in the classroom about scheduling tasks. Let's just say that real life that day tasted pretty good, with scrambled eggs, bacon, sausages, toast, pancakes, ice-cream and chocolate cake!

This year the Mathematics department also introduced a new course called Pre-Apprenticeship Mathematics (PAM) in Year 11. This is basically a numeracy course which leads on to Trade Maths at Year 12.

A highlight in Year 9 maths was the auction run by Mr Kiss: "To make it as realistic as possible we needed to involve money, so we started early in the term for students to build up their earnings. They had many opportunities to earn money in and out of class. By being prepared for class and making an honest effort regularly they could already earn their basic income of \$5 each lesson, plus extra for completing homework or making an excellent effort in class. By the end of term some students had over \$200. When the auction day came they received their earnings in play-money and we had a loud and energetic auction. "It was a real joy to see their involvement and how students used their creativity and mathematical thinking by forming groups and combining their money instead of bidding alone. Well done Year 9s, looking forward to the next challenge."



"Math is easy because it's so logical.
2 + 2 obviously equals 22."

Science

CAMPS This year, the science department continued to place a high value on the benefit of education outside classroom.

At the start of the year science staff attended the Year 9 adventure camp, and with the help of mentors ran sessions which included use of microscopes, electrical circuits and camp fire chemistry!

During Term 2, our senior Biology students attended a week long camp as part of their Level 2 Biology course. Students had first hand experience of science in the outdoors which was considered by most students to be the best way to learn.

CLASSES Throughout the year the Science department has had a particular focus on

- The Nature of Science strand of the curriculum
- Science Literacy and
- Key Competences for science

Nature of Science:

Junior students are tested each term using the NZCER (New Zealand Council for Educational Research) *'Thinking with Evidence'* tests. These provide rich data from which staff are able to modify their teaching programme to meet emerging gaps in student understanding

Science Literacy:

Early in the year, science staff agreed which literacy learning strands are most appropriate to our science teaching and appropriate e-aTTle tests have been created. All Year 9's have been tested and an analysis of the results helped to identify areas for professional development priorities.

Text books appropriate to the revised curriculum (particularly the additional Nature of Science Strand) were purchased early in the year. These text books present challenges to the reading abilities of some of our Y9 students and so we have used professional development time to share reading strategies.

Key Competences: Another NZCER resource *'KEY COMPETENCES The Water Cycle A Science Journey,'* has been a significant focus for science staff and selected peer support mentors.





2011 Sports ROUND-UP

What a fantastic year!

Firstly I want to start by saying:

- * Thank you to every student who turned up to training. Your coach appreciated it every time!
- * Thank you to those who helped with getting gear out and in for training! You made your coach's job easier every time.
- * Thank you for turning up to every game! Playing one person down makes it hard on your team mates.
- * Thank you to those who got injured training or playing! You showed just how hard you were willing to try.
- * Thank you coaches! In every way this just doesn't happen without you. Your dedication to helping our players is inspirational and needs recognition. We wish we could do more but your jackets and the dinner will have to do for now.
- * Thank you Mr Ford for allowing so much to happen for our students and always being ready to lend support in any way possible!
- * Thank you parents! Weekends and nights spent all over the district transporting, supporting and often feeding our players!

What we have seen this year is a committed group of people who have made the possibility of playing and doing well in sport into a fantastic reality for many. Our 1st 13 league team is an inspiration to all players of any code as they were so successful in an arena dominated by large city schools. This team has shown us all that being from Tokoroa never has to stop us from reaching heights many never expect. The boys showed a pride that reflects how well many of the same players have shown in the 1st XV rugby team that was in the Waikato division 1 for the first time in many years. Never once did the 1st XV back down or not show their true heart to anyone who watched them play.

It was always enjoyable to watch the netball teams in action. Such skill and dedication will never go unnoticed and the excellent results the teams gained were a reflection of this. Our senior teams have all benefitted in one way or another from the inclusion of talented junior players and this is how Tokoroa High School develops skills and players for the future.

Our mixed hockey team entered territory where none have gone before by being the only mixed team ever to play in Rotorua B grade boys hockey. The team made the most of the opportunity and finished a very good 3rd in the competition. The improvement shown by the team was also reflected in their success at national tournament where they improved their placing to 9th out of 15 teams.

All players have shown a commitment to their sport and many individuals have shone out. Not just the representative players but students who have been player managers and coaches as well. The whole of sport in Tokoroa benefits from the efforts you have made and I have been pleased to be able to assist in making it all work.

Next year will be better than ever as our systems and players develop even more!



Mr Mutch
Head of Sport



TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY 2011

An unforgettable day unfolded as Tokoroa High School held their annual athletics day last Wednesday. The day was full of good behaviour, excitement and great enthusiasm shown by all. The sun was beaming down, allowing a great day for families to turn out and support their children.

The Tokoroa High School students arrived to school in their three house colours and plenty of face paint. The day started with all three hefty houses (Kauri, Kowhai & Totara) blowing their lungs out trying to impress their fellow peers with their own house chants. This was a great opportunity to see the houses strut their stuff. The entire school body then came to a halt and paid their tributes with a minute silence for the Christchurch Earthquake.

Every student emerged as overall winners on the day by participating and trying to guarantee that their house would come home with the trophy. Many of the students rocked the track and field events including four exceptional students standing out each breaking a record.

Kavari Hartwell smashed the junior boy's javelin record beating the previous one by 8 metres.

- Toru-atua Teoroa-natua broke the junior boys 200m sprint record.
- Dion Treadaway broke the junior girls 100m sprint record
- And finally Axl Kingi broke the 100m senior boys sprint with a time of 11.5sec

Tokoroa High School Athletics day 2011 was a memorable day with positive attitudes shown by all. This was well appreciated as everyone enjoyed their time and we look forward to next year.

Written by Dane Clark

OFFICIAL RESULTS

Girls Champion

Dionne Treadaway broke a record for the 100m - 13.54sec

Junior Boys

Toru-Atua Natua

Intermediate Girls

Mereana Poko

Intermediate Boys

Denzil Manu

Senior Girls

Taylah Kaponga

Senior Boys

Axl Kingi - broke the record for the 100m - 11.50sec

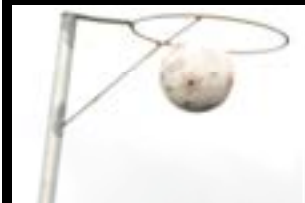
Kavari Hartwell broke the record for the Jnr Boys Javalin -39.40m

Students who competed at the Waikato/BOP Secondary Schools in Hamilton in March were - Shaylyn Whetu, Dionne Treadaway, Sheree Treadaway Hale, Keegan Willis, Chantae Wilson-Jenkins, Kavari Hartwell, Toru-Atua Teoroa-Natua and Sinoti Taviera Levao.

Students who went on to represent the Waikato/BOP team in Hamilton were Sinoti Taviera Levao, Kavari Hartwell and Dionne Treadaway.



Athletics



TEACHERS VS STUDENTS

The annual teachers versus students sports tournament was played in week four of term two this year. Unlike the previous three years since the tournament began, this year the competition was one sided as the teachers cruised to an easy victory in all the events.

On the Monday the teachers were missing key players in the netball game, Mrs. Manu, Miss Tarai and Miss Krause however through the attacking prowess of the Manu cousins Mr. Nooroo Manu (*H.O.D. P.E*) and Mr. Mattie Manu (*Service Academy Director*) the teachers were unstoppable. This year the teachers unleashed Hungarian superstar Mr. Kiss who teamed up with Waikato legend Mr. McCurran who were devastating in the mid court. The teachers also had a defensive edge with the tallest defence ever to take a netball court, Mr. Baker (6ft 4) Mr. Mutch (6ft 6) Mr. Jowett (6ft 8).

On the Tuesday the teachers played both the junior and senior soccer teams winning with a combined score of three goals to two. On the Wednesday the teachers wiped the floor with the students in basketball again with the Manu cousins dominating the attack with Hungarian superstar Mr. Kiss showing his superior fitness and the triple towers at the back on defence.

Thursdays touch game was called off due to bad weather which was good for the students because the teachers secret weapon Mr Beau Tahau was ready to unleash havoc. Finally on the Friday the teachers led by Mr Butch Rothman sustained a very, very easy victory in the Badminton.

All in all teachers won their fourth consecutive victory with ease begging the question when will you give us some competition students? See you next year.





KI-O-RAHI

On May 25th 2011 at short notice Tokoroa High School entered a team for a Ki-O-Rahi and Tapu Wai competition. With none of us having any experience playing together and most of us had never played the game before, we did exceptionally well, going up against schools that always played the game such as Te kaokaoroa O Pata-tere, Putaruru and Cambridge High School. We only lost one game that whole day against Cambridge. At the end of the day we had a play-off against Cambridge and we beat them, which meant we are Ki-O-Rahi Champs for 2011. Mr Tito was extremely proud of us without him I don't think we would have won.



CROSS COUNTRY



Cross Country- Held on the second week of term two in cool but sunny conditions at Lake Moana-Nui.

Attendance was small but enthusiastic.

Some students made their way to the lake but did not run, others didn't make it to the lake.

Keegan Willis broke the junior boy's record by 15 seconds.

The service academy fronted with their usual discipline and energy.

Thanks to the staff members who showed up to support for the event,

And a big mention for the students that stood at the check points and who helped with the timekeeping.



- Tiana Hill**
2nd 50 free 31.28
2nd 50 fly 34.91
4th 100IM 1.19.47
- Melissa Henry**
9th 100 back 1.36.76
12th 50 back 45.00
13th 100 free 1.20.27
- James Loveday**
5th 50 breast 38.34
6th 100 breast 1.24.84
6th 100 free 1.05.96

Mixed Touch TEAM!

Starting a team from scratch and three weeks out before the Touch Regional's in Hamilton was something that we thought wouldn't be able to be done, however with Coach's who put a lot of effort into the team, training them while they had the time, the result was amazing. Our school team had a lot of talent which showed on the field. Warm up games were set before the tournament to ensure that the team had got in a few team runs before they went out and tried to gain a spot in the next tournament after zones. Although the team wasn't able to achieve a good outcome (after the tournament with strong teams that had been together for a while,) the team was happy knowing that they came out of the tournament with friends but to them they were like a family.



School Touch

Anxious little kids waiting for the whistle to blow as they stand on half way, scoping out the defence seeing which way they would go. With looks and words going around the team like they're playing like there's no tomorrow. During Term Three we had a group of students attend a refereeing course at Tokoroa North School. This refereeing was carried out for most of the term. The students were great and learned how to deal with situations as well as they could. Over all the students were pleased that they got the opportunity to do something for the community.

North



HOCKEY

My last year of hockey 2011 of was like having my very own hockey family. I enjoyed the season, It involved making new friends, Laughter and team bonding. Hockey rocks my socks... **Tearaara**

Being my first season and definitely not my last I was proud to be part of the T.H.S mixed hockey team. Not just because of the on field talent, but it was like my second family. It will be sad to see the team break up and some of the players leave... **Keegan**

Hockey has been great this year. It has been a great experience, We have had heaps of ups and downs, But it has been a great time and I cant wait for next year... **Callum**

Hockey Nationals 2011 has been a good experience, making memories that we will carry for life, experiencing new things also gaining new friends and bonding like a family... **Rebecca**

Hockey this year has been the best. Great team, great wins, great support and great coach. Good luck to the team next year without me!... **Matt**

2011 Hockey season, the only mixed team ever to be put up in the Rotorua Thursday night hockey competition, out come coming third !! Wooooo. Hockey National in Ngatea was fun, our out come 9th out of 15 teams. Hockey was a great an a fun experience... **Whetu**

This year has been great playing with everyone. There has been some great moments that I will remember for a long time an I cant wait to play again next year... **Dean**

The only mix team in the Rotorua comp (B grade)!! Coming third yay!. Hockey nationals 2011 in Nagtea was a good experience. Woo hoo ... **Kumeroa**

Thursday hockey was awesome. Awesome coach and awesome support by the parents. Thanks... **Angel**

I enjoyed the Thursday night hockey with this team and got to play b grade, I learnt skills and bonded mean! I especially liked the Mc Donald's every Thursday night... **Mere**

I enjoyed both times we went to the Nats it was awesome hope to do it again next year... **Jayden**

My second year of hockey, this year has been great. Thanks to coach and Mutchy for your awesome support through out the year and Nickles for the burnt lasagne. This team has been like my family, sad to see some people leave. Cant wait till next year... **Hitro**

This year, my first year playing hockey it has been mean as. We achieved well and it has been good bonding with the team making new friends and gaining a new family. Cant wait till next year I hope we do as well as we have done. Thank you to coach and Mr Mutch for everything.... Still in the shower... **Jerreau**

My first year of hockey 2011, I have enjoyed myself, making new friends , and the team has bonded like a family. I will be back next year!!!!... **Danni**

Yea it was a good season, I was proud to be captain of the team at Nats and stuff. Thursday night, MAKKAS was all goods all the team talks, that we had. Big ups to coach and the parents who came along to the game... **Damon**



Junior Boys Cricket

The Boys Cricket team this year was thrown together at the last minute for the Gillette Cup Tournament. We were to face Taupo-Nui-A-Tia in the morning, with the boys bowling fairly well. However, having had no practices, this really told as the team were bundled out for below fifty. We then played Forest View in the afternoon, who were earlier upset by Putaruru College. The boys bowled extremely well and bowled Forest View out for below fifty. We batted a lot better in this game and won convincingly.

However, Forest View were resting their main players, so a rematch with both the best line-ups was inevitable. The re-match took place two weeks later at Forest View High School. Forest View batted and made 86, with only 40 runs coming off the bat as too many of our boy's bowled wides and no balls. The boys batted very well, with a great contribution from Weyan Hewitt. It came down to the last over, needing 14 to win.

Unfortunately, we could only manage 12, and Forest View won by two runs. With a bit of practice, this team will be a very capable one by the end of the season and in years to come. Stand-out players for the season were young guns Daisho Wright, Joseph Manu, Manu Alaelua, Freedom Saolotoga, Weyan Hewitt, as well as rookie Troy Winter and seasoned veteran Raniera Coxhead.

MIXED MARTIAL ARTS

He Ara tika was a good experience for me because it gave me a chance to do something that I have never done before during school hours. Not only did it help us kids in the programme stay in class, but it also helped us perform better in the class room as well. Being apart of this programme helped me keep my fitness level up and it also made me stronger. I really enjoyed this programme it was fun learning new moves every week. I feel as if this programme is a good way of bringing people together as a team. At the start of the programme we all started off as individuals, or friends in little groups of the class. But by the end of this year we all became one group. Ronnie, Anaru, Tairi, Kate and some of Ronnie's boys were really good teachers. I would just like to give them a big shout out and I hope this program carries on through the years.

Dremon Matthews-ford



One Step Ahead



Five eight League player Axl Kingi is the face of the 1st XII League team for Tokoroa High School.

The biggest achievement for this eighteen year old, is being named in the New Zealand Under 18 league squad and the New Zealand Secondary Schools' team.

Axl has shown interest for the game for thirteen years and says, "I pretty much eat, breathe and sleep rugby league."

Even though league is a tough game Axl has only walked off the field with a few minor injuries.

Whilst the talented player also plays Union and Touch, Axl prefers to play league. "I get to direct everything a bit more," he says.

In his spare time he plays league for the Pacific Sharks or he is doing personal training of his own.

In the future Axl sees himself playing league for a career and is already in talks with professional clubs. He believes that his league career has made him fitter, faster and stronger. Axl shows us that if you work hard for what you want you will achieve your goals.

Malcolm Paulo

Waikatāz

Makaia Te Kanawa, Jasmine Hoani, Rebecca Hoani and Sinoti Levao

were lucky enough to be selected to represent their school, town and region through the 2011 Waikato Secondary Girls Rugby team.

Makaia was selected as wing, Jasmine as fullback, Rebecca as halfback and Sinoti as a prop. The trials were full on. Having to compete against other players from all over Hamilton and the Waikato region made it really hard and difficult for them to get selected.

Winger Makaia Te Kanawa says "When I was selected to play for Waikatāz I was in shock like every other girl would be. Inside I was abit scared because I had never played rugby at that level before. I also enjoyed learning more about the game and meeting new people. I wouldn't mind trailing again next year, and hopefully making it in as well."

So in reality, these four girls were very fortunate to make the team. Especially because they were up against girls who had been in the team in previous years and had more experience about the game.

Making the Waikato team was the highlight of the year for these four girls. They were able to learn and gain many more skills and techniques.

Prop player Sinoti Levao says "I was shocked and surprised. I didn't think I'd make it in but was happy when I found out that I did. Making the team was a solid and mean experience I had heaps of fun mingling with the other girls in the team and learning new skills."

The girls were able to take part in a three weekend tournaments. Where they had to travel to Auckland to compete. They came up against teams they had never seen before like teams Auckland A & B, Northland and Bay of Plenty.

The girls season ended with the game against Auckland B which unfortunately they lost. "Waikatāz on three, One, Two, Three." "Waikatāz (clap clap) Yee Yah."



Rebecca Hoani

TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB REDWOOD FOREST TRIP



Throughout Term One, staff and students had been regularly mountain bike riding at Cougar Park in Tokoroa, for both enjoyment and fitness, and also working towards NCEA credits. Part of the assessment is a time trial in Rotorua. On Saturday morning three Staff, eight students and four parents headed off at 8.00am for the Redwood Mountain bike park in Rotorua.

First order of the day was to ride the time trial track to familiarise ourselves with it. All students passed the Level Two Physical Education Standard worth five credits. Earl Needham got an 'excellence' and the others an 'achieved'.

The riders from last year rode it to see who was the fastest in the school and Nic Flutey, mountain biker extraordinaire, had the fastest time of the day at six minutes and 44 seconds.

Once the formal time trial was over the students had time to complete part of another Unit Standard and they were able to ride for the next couple of hours exploring the vast forest.

I would like to thank staff Mrs Poko (Camera), Mr Kiss (Speedster) and parents Mrs Sawford, Mr Loveday and

Mr and Mrs Reid for supporting the students with transport.

The riders for the school are Nic Flutey, James Loveday, Matthew Broman, Callum Gott, Earl Needham, Jayden Sawford and Pete Robb.

Earl, Jayden and Callum completed a mixture of four achievement and Unit Standards to give them a total of nine credits across levels one, two and three.

Congratulations must also go out to Nic Flutey who became a sponsored rider for 'Jamis' this year in both road and mountain bike racing.

Brian Reid



NETBALL

MAINE MA

Maine Ma means "The Girls", it has an island flavour, because our team is made up of girls from the Pacific. Our defence line up is: Samantha as GK, Tamaru as GD. Rotating through the mid court we have Marina, Munokoa, Rayna, Naomi and leading the mid court has been our loyal and faithful centre Timote. Unfortunately, at the beginning of the season our captain Aroa Turia was laid off due to a knee injury which left our shooting circle vulnerable. However, Maggie in GA, and our GS Sinoti led our team to the grand final where we ended the season as runner-up for the B-grade.



We as a team want to take the opportunity to thank Mrs Manu for getting our new uniforms ready, they made us look really sharp, except when they were adjusted, it made the girls look tight ... too tight! Naomi spent more time holding her skirt down than getting on with the business of playing netball.

I remember a training where we went through some drills and then our faithful sideline supporter Ms Tuaine Turu showed up and wanted to teach the girls some drills, haha, the girls ended up doing an extra 45 minutes on fitness.

I thank the girls for their efforts for the season and regardless of not being able to give my inspirational speech at our final game, I might be able to deliver it next year to whoever makes it into THS Maine Ma 2012.

JUNIOR B

The Tokoroa High School B netball team has represented the school well in both the Saturday netball competition and at the Kurungaituku tournament.

Dionne Treadaway, Braiden Allen-Vano, Makaia Riki Te Kanawa, Faith Tai, Zsalia Ihaka, Chantae Jenkins, Trena Hunapo, Paris John and Morgan Hayes were coached by Maria Te Kanawa and managed by Caroline Morunga.

The girls got runners-up in the Tokoroa competition in A grade losing narrowly to Putaruru College's A team made up of mainly seniors. So it was a great effort for the THS B as the team was made up of year 9 and 10 students.

In late August, the team played at the Kurungaituku tournament held in Rotorua, where both NZ and Australian school students participated. The girls got away with great wins against teams like Western Heights High and Drury. By the end of the two day tournament the girls came home with great results, winning 7 and only drawing one game. Unfortunately, the draw didn't give them enough points to make the final. The team would like to thank Sharday Te Kanawa for stepping up and playing at the tournament.

Near the end of the season many girls trialed for the Tokoroa U15 squad. Congratulations to Faith Tai, Dionne Treadaway, Chantae Jenkins, Zsalia Ihaka, Morgan Hayes, Makaia Riki Te Kanawa, Jardayne Poko and Tiare Tereu for making the squad.

We also congratulate Makaia for making the Tainui Waka Under 13 team and then making the Under 13 tournament team at the nationals.

By Dionne Treadaway



JUNIOR A SENIOR A



GIRLS SOCCER

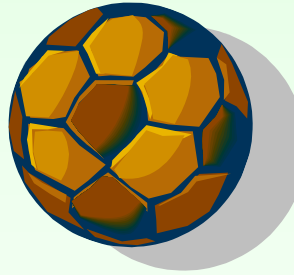
Our girls football team had a very good season winning all played games. This placed the girls 1st in their division in the Waikato Secondary Football Association. The girls had a great season this year with good team members that were committed and full of enthusiasm. Taara Vavia, who scored a massive goal from half way was amazing to see, shot Taara. New comer Ahere Hapi, was amazing and so funny, she would zoom around the field from one side to the other. It was funny how she could run with the ball or chase after it and laugh at the same time. Devon Morris and Ariana Hawker shared the goalies position, unfortunately towards the end of the season Ariana broke her leg. Annie helped out in the goal for one game and managed to save the goals. Tamara and Rebecca shared the corner kick as they both had big boots.

The Five-a-Side Tournament in Hamilton was great. The team was Nicky Proffitt, Taara Vavia, Cheyenne Uerata-Tangiharae, Rebecca Tremain, Melandi Appel, Melissa Appel, Tamara Thorn and Kayla Gubb and our Mascot Annie Kata-Joseph. Thanks to these girls for their time and commitment. They came 3rd in the competition which was great! They were named the Tok Forward Pack as all the members in the five-a-side team were forwards.

We would like to thank
Allan (Coach who unfortunately broke his ankle part way through the season)
Mike Gubb (Coach)
Ms Merrylees (Manager)
Mr McCurren (Sports Coordinator)

Also all the other parents and caregivers that helped with transport, organising food for our home games and helping organise the five-a-side tournament.

By Kayla Gubb



BOYS SOCCER

This year the boys were keen to get the season on its way. We started training early this year with our new coach ALLAN, all the way from Liverpool. As the weeks went past leading up to our first game our coach ripped his Achilles tendon. We had the help also from Mr Mutch and Mr Tereu. Desmond put his hand up to train us. The boys really enjoyed this year, we all had our ups and downs. Thanks to the parents who took up there time to take us to our away games. Also, a big thanks to Mamma Willis who organised our team. We look forward to seeing new faces in the team next year.

By Hitro Ale



COACHES HONOURED

Tokoroa High School has had two sports coaches recognised with regional and national awards. Tama Teakura was named as the most outstanding coach at the Secondary Schools' Rugby League Nationals held in Auckland. Tournament officials said taking the team from eleventh place in 2010 to the semi-finals this year was an achievement that could not be overlooked. The school's second accolade went to Nooroa Manu at the Waikato Rugby Union's Awards Ceremony for the Most Outstanding Waikato Secondary School Coach. Mr Manu took the honour after his team played their way into the Premier Division of the Waikato Secondary Schools' competition.

Both coaches were humble about their achievements saying there was a team of coaches who all deserved to be recognised.

These awards highlight the depth of coaching at Tokoroa High in all of our sporting codes. The time that has been given by our coaches to making our teams so competitive is very much appreciated.

The school recognised all of its coaches at the annual Sports Coaches dinner at the end of Term Three. Coaches and managers were treated to a buffet meal and waited upon by the Junior Services Academy.

The guest speaker was Jarrad Gallagher, IRB's General Manager for Asia, who entertained the audience with anecdotes about sports in Asia. He also highlighted the point that for many people in China, sports is a ticket to a better life, but one wrong move or one dropped ball can sometimes be the end of the dream for these athletes.





The Giant Killers for 2011

Fullback	Marco Tetevano
Wingers	Justice Riki-Hamana
	Montell Maea
Centres	Denzil Manu
	Joseph Manu
Centre	Isaiah Cooper
Wing	Yannis Mea (co- captain)
Stand off	Axl Kingi
Half	Opeta Utanga
Props	Reginald Matekahi
	Sisa Manu (co-captain)
	Aiden Te Kanawa
Hookers	Rapana Heretini
	Kardas Kaea
Props	Christopher Bishop
	Caleb Wetini
	Mana Te Pana
2nd Row	Pasqualle Dunn
	Peter Letoga
	Danny Mateara
Last man	James Horn

When David slew Goliath he had no idea that his heroism would inspire generations of people from all over the globe throughout history. The Tokoroa High School Rugby League Team was no exception. They would be known as **'THE GIANT KILLERS'** at this years National Secondary Schools Rugby League Tournament held in Auckland from 22nd to 26th of September 2011.

What the Tokoroa High School League team lacked in size, they made up with good old fashioned Tokoroa heart. This heart would win the respect of players, coaches and officials of the tournament. It would also see the team qualify for the top four in the nation.

The team was coached by legends of both footie codes including Kiwis trainer and Principal Mr Willy Ford and New Zealand Secondary Schools representative Mr Nooroa Manu. Local league legend Tama Teaukura would complete the coaching 'Holy Trinity'. The management staff was completed with financial and logistical manager Kerry Horn and Matua Billy Maea who was the team cultural advisor and hydration technician (*waterboy*). Of Course there were the players themselves, the 'Giant Killers'.

Under the expert guidance of the coaching staff, the Giant Killers prepared well for the tournament including warm up matches

against local premier teams. The team even went to watch ex Tokoroa High School player Zane Tetevano play for Newcastle Knights against the Warriors premier side, what an inspiration!

The Giant Killers played three other teams in pool play. In their first game the team thrashed Rangitoto College 60 points to 6 delighting all our supporters and attracting the attention of NRL scouts and even the Warriors premier team who were attending the event that day. On Day two the Giant Killers came face to face with old rivals Southern Cross College who had thrashed them the previous year on home soil. This game however saw our boys beat these hulking giants 25 points to 24 with a last minute drop goal by Axl Kingi. This win sent a sockwave out to the other giants of the tournament that Tokoroa High School meant business.

With their confidence up the Giant Killers faced the biggest team of the tournament on their third day,

Tangaroa College. Trailing by 12 points in the last five minutes the Giant Killers managed to get two late tries in both corners and a penalty kick in the last second of the game. This would give Tokoroa a miracle draw, 20 all which was enough for Tokoroa High School to win their pool and qualify for the Championship round and the semi-finals.

The Giant Killers played last years champions St Pauls College in the semi-finals. Unfortunately the Giant Killers lost but they won the respect of all the teams of the tournament. They were the only team outside Auckland to make the semi-finals which was a huge achievement considering that the team came last place last year. St Pauls admitted that Tokoroa High School was the toughest team they played in the tournament. St Pauls would lose the finals to Otahuhu College.

Axl Kingi made the tournament team and was named Most Valuable Player. Tama Teaukura was named Coach of the tournament.

Thanks to all our coaches, sponsors, family, supporters and school for your help and support. Finally thanks to the Giant Killers for keeping the mana of our school alive!

THE GIANT KILLERS





Girls Rugby

"Sisters on three."

"One Two Three Sisters."

With that the girls are hyped and ready to rock some team's world.

With the team supported by Coach Regina Sheck, Captain Mereana Poko (Open-side Flanker) and Vice Samone Henderson (1st Five), we went through the season motivated and hungry for the ball.

With five wins to Sacred Heart, Te Awamutu, Huntly, Fairfield and our rival team Forest View. The girls thought we were surely on our way to the top, until being beaten by Hamilton Girls High School who knocked us down to second place. Blind side flanker, Shaquille Kaea says

"In a way I felt really gutted because our team could have done better, but then we were up against the best team in the Waikato region, so it wasn't a surprise that we were beaten by that much"

However while being beaten by a school like that, we still managed to qualify for semis which we closely lost to Fairfield College by only a conversion, knocking us out of the competition and rating us 3rd overall.

Vice Captain Samone Henderson says "I felt proud of the girls for carving up on the field, seeing it was our first year together as a team. The girls were able to make friendships that would last a life time and by the end of the season we were all a family".

This was the first time in five years that Tokoroa High School had entered a Girls Rugby Team into the competition, which turned out to be a great success for all the girls, allowing them to be confident in themselves and about the game.

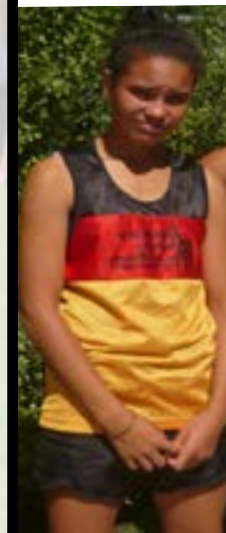
Three cheers for Tok High.

**Ana hi,
ana hi,
Ana,hi ha!**

Written by Rebecca Hoani



Sporting Achievement



Tokoroa High School has had many students achieving further in their sports with the help of their teachers, coaches and families.

One particular student who reached Waikato and National levels at the age of 13 years was Dionne Treadaway.

Dionne is a young and talented year nine student aiming to at least make finals for N.Z secondary school National competition at the end of this year.

Dionne started track running after she participated in the school athletics day at the beginning of the year.

A typical training week for Dionne is:

- Monday building up speed and learning to pace herself
- Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday are netball days,
- Wednesday 40 minute run,
- Sunday fitness training
- and Friday she has a break.

Dionne says 'I have had so many support from my family and the help of Mr Manu, when I had no coach. Dionne is now coached by Chris Williams who also coached Monique William his daughter and also a role model to Dionne.

Dionne is also apart of the school senior B netball team and the school mixed touch team. She tries her best at everything she does.

Dionne says ...

'If I don't get anywhere then it doesn't matter, I will just try my best next time'.

Written by Johanna Hunia



**2011
UNDER 14'S**



Under 14s



Captained by **Ezekiel Cooper** and **Tipene Hansen** the Under 14's Rugby team had an awesome season this year. With perseverance and effort from all the boys they ended up winning seven out of ten games. This is a finish that coaches and parents are very proud of. The teams season was particularly successful due to using the strengths of each individual and having a clear strategy to win each game.

At this time I would like to congratulate the following boys who, due to their natural rugby talents and skills were selected to represent Tokoroa High School in the Tritons Under 14's Rugby team;

Jayden Tau, Sydney Davies, Fredrick Turner, Ezekiel Cooper, Tipene Hansen and Kavari Hartnel

Congratulations also goes to students who were rewarded at the Tokoroa High School Sports prize giving for their efforts this season, they are:

- **Ezekiel Cooper – Most outstanding**
- **Tipene Hansen – Surf Trophy**
- **Javaryn Adams-Watson – Most committed**
- **Pete Robb – Most improved**



The team worked hard on and off the field throughout the season, they were expected to help fundraise, keep up fitness levels and maintain a good level of academic work. They were able to work alongside the under 15's Rugby team to fundraise for new sports bags and tracksuits. A huge thank you must go to Mr Jowett for organising multiple fundraisers.

I would like to personally thank all the parents of our team of boys. Without your support we would not have been able to perform and manage to the level that we have. Your support and efforts are appreciated and have not gone unnoticed.

Finally, a huge thank you to **Ariana Adams** for managing our team this season. You have been an integral part of the coaching team and have done an excellent job.

Beau Tahau



good squad and we won games against Morrinsville, Te Awamutu, Cambridge, Matamata and Fraser, as well as suffering very narrow losses to Hamilton Boys High and St Peters. The boys ended up in third spot after the round robin, which saw us travel to St Peters for our semi-final.

The game was a chance to avenge our narrow loss during the regular season, and to complete a goal that the boys had set at the start of the year of making the final of the competition. The game was an extremely evenly matched contest. Going into the last five minutes, Tokoroa High was down 8-0. However, Te Waiata Anderson scored four minutes remaining to make the score 8-5 with just two minutes left on the clock. Chevas Matangi then stole a lineout ball off the St Peters throw (a reflection of our dominant lineout) and it was game on as the clock ran down.

Our boys threw everything they had at the St Peters team and travelled from our own half to ten metres out from the St Peters line. Te Waiata Anderson broke away from the maul and appeared to have scored a legitimate try in the corner.

However, the referee (who was in no position to see) ruled that he had put a foot in touch. We felt robbed, but the boys hung their heads high and can be proud of a great season held. Special mentions must be made to manager Louise Hewett for all her hard work this season in helping with fundraising efforts, organizing jerseys and the lollies for halftime! Big thanks to Tu Maea for all his help with loading the boys into the DTR van and carting them to our away games.



Under 15s

The year started off with the boys all rearing to go. It took a little while to get into our stride, with a draw and a narrow win in pre-season games against Hamilton Boys High Black and Cambridge High School respectively.

At the start of the year, the boys set two goals – to make the final of this competition and to have the best line-out in the competition. During the season, the boys developed into a very



Bring on next season in the Under 16 competition boys!

1st XV 2011



The 1st XV made history after making the A grade for the first time in 12 years. We had to win our three grading games to earn a spot in the 1st division.

Our first win against Fraser High gave us a bit of confidence going into our second game against Forest View High School. The boys couldn't wait for this game and neither could some of the supporters. It was a local derby and everyone was out to win, our boys showed we wanted it more and came up with a victory. We were too strong in our attack with Tokoroa winning 31-15. Mr Manu was really proud of the boys who adapted their mental application and tactics. Our last game of the grading round was against Hillcrest high which we won convincingly.

Winning all three of our grading games gave us the opportunity to play in the first division. The boys were over the moon with this achievement and so were many of the school staff, including our manager and Principal Mr Ford.

The big shift from 2nd to 1st division was a tough challenge. We were playing the best teams in the Waikato such as St Pauls, Cambridge High, St Johns, Hamilton Boys and St Peters.

The highlight of the season was when we beat Hamilton Boys this was our only game we won. This game was held at home. The forwards out muscled their opponents and our swift running backs scored some excellent tries.

We have had an incredible year in which so many boys improved and really became big game players. I can congratulate Matt Broman for doing a great job joining the team. Sean Farrar who improved his rugby skills and developed to be a great player. Our consistent players of Sisa, Denzil were great to watch this year. Our young gun Joseph Manu really improved with his skills. I was really impressed with the talent of Axl Kingi with his ability to beat players with ease. Our strong lineout really improved with Aiden, Reginald and Dremon carving up the teams with our jumps. The future looks bright with Malcom in the forward pack a tough customer in the physical side of things. Justus made some unbelievable runs off the ruck.

Our First XV is so grateful to have Shilo Hamana and Keith Kaea and Ms Miller who braved the rain for all the photo's. We love you and express our gratitude for your time. Our Biggest gratitude goes to the hard work of our Principal Manager Mr Willie Ford. He and Jasmin organised our transport as well as our aftermatch meals which are famous in the FIRST XV Division. All teams wanted to play away and enjoy our huge feeds. Thanks for all the Ford, Manu, Maea, Vano, Dunn and the Tok High Family.

This year has been a year of remembrance in which we dedicate all our memories of our brother Rangi Wilson who was tragically taken from us this year. You are always in our team and whenever we play we feel of our brotherhood. Our aroha goes to Fred, Karen and all the family. Rangi is our brother and we are family. Till we meet again.

The Team

Marco "Random Comments" Tetevano

Rangi "Team Player" Wilson

Joseph "Sonny Bill" Manu

Isaiah "Forest View Assassin" Cooper

Denzil "Elbows" Manu

Axl "South Central" Kingi

Kardas "Tarzan" Kaea

Paz "England Machine" Dunn

George "Cook Island Warden" Rikiau

Dremon "Te Ara Tika" Mathews Ford

Malcom "Babysitter" Paulo

Gideon "The Samoan Hands" Letoga

Justus "50/50 Ringaringas" Riki Hamana

Hayden "Mr. am I playing" Bonnar

Sam "Tongan Cushion" Taufalele

Sisa "The Prop" Manu

Aiden "PEX" Te Kanawa

Ivan "Kareva" Te Kanawa

Caleb "The Lover Boy" Wetini

Peter "Son of INA BUSH" Letoga

Reginald "Handles" Matekohi

Jayden "Talal" Watene

Sean "Fafa" Farrar

Danny "Pay" John

Matt "The Transporter" Broman

Billy "Mell" Maea

Nooroa "OH? ??? ?" Manu

Willie "For Prime Minister" Ford



Be True, Be Humble, Be Grateful and Be Smart.



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Julius Daniels-Mata

A word to the wise ain't necessary - it's the stupid ones that need the advice. - Bill Cosby

Teahlie Maraku likes this.



Teahlie Maraku Of course I'm crazy but that doesn't mean I'm wrong.



Melissa Appel

What we do in life echoes in eternity.

Marina Areai likes this.



Marina Areai One day your life will flash before your eyes. Make sure it's worth watching. - Anonymous



Gideon Letoga

Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead, where there is no path and leave a trail.

Mikimiki Ngata likes this.



Mikimiki Ngata There is no telling how many miles you will have to run while chasing a dream... - Anonymous



Nikki Reid

If you get knocked off your horse, you get right back in the saddle. - Anonymous

Aroa Turia and 2 others like this.



Aroa Turia Failure is simply the opportunity to begin again, this time more intelligently. - Henry Ford



Matthew Broman Losers quit when they're tired, winners quit when they've won. - Anonymous



Heaven-Lee Proebstel Tahere Defeat is not the worst of failures. Not to have tried is the true failure. - George E. Woodberry



Tearaara Tangimataiti

Action may not always bring happiness; but there is no happiness without action.

Rayna Takiri likes this.



Rayna Takiri You can never cross the ocean unless you have the courage to lose sight of the shore. - Christopher Columbus



Zivanna Ormsby

I learned just enough in school to figure out that everything is not all there is to know. - Ernest

Manuia Vaevae and 2 others like this.



Manuia Vaevae "I say what I want to say and do what I want to do. There's no in between. People will either love you for it or hate you for it." - Eminem



Heath Taylor

The future is not some place we are going to, but one we are creating. The paths are not to be found, but made, and the activity of making them, changes both the maker and the destination.

Kumeroa White and 3 others like this.



Kumeroa White "We should all start to live before we get too old. Fear is stupid. So are regrets." - Marilyn Monroe

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- Hayley Bason
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- Theophita Matangi
- Christopher Bishop
- Zoe Hare
- Luke Hutcheson
- Axl Kingi
- Damon McGuire
- Kasper Nooyen
- Zivanna Ormsby
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- Desmond Phillips
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- Christina Black



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Once upon a time....



2007 – THE YEAR THAT WAS...

WE WILL NEVER BE THE SAME AGAIN!

2007 started off with a hiss and a roar for the newbies to Tokoroa High. Within the first week they were off to the STARS camp for some fun and adventure, bruises, battered egos, and fulfilled memories- not to mention the cross dressing HELGA. After camp, it was into the fray of having 5 different classes as well as 5 different teachers EVERY day!

Our fearless leader gracefully bowed out mid term two, as Mr Smith left for something a little closer to home, which left us with the new dean on the block – Ms MB.

Since then, change has been the spice of the year nines life.

Mr Rikona took on 9MB and moulded them into the ever faithful 9RI.

Not too long after, Mr Rikona's lovely wife had a baby boy; and so 9RI became 9MA when Mr Maea took over these poor lost lambs.

Ms Miller needed release on a temporary basis, so 9MI became 9VA with our newest edition to the team Mrs Van Impe – however the are about to become 9MI all over again!

The ever constant Mr Nair and 9NA are the only mainstream year nine group left untouched by teacher change.

Te Rito and Te Manava Pasifika are thriving with the next generation of Puna Waiora and Puna Vaiora with Ms Chung and Mr Wong-see to guide them.



The STARS mentors have been an absolute asset to the Year nine group, and the tutors, I am sure, have appreciated their input. The rollercoaster ride that the tutors, teachers, mentors and students of this year nine group shall continue on for the next four or so years, so with that in mind, I ask you to consider this... Whaia te pai tawhiti, tae noa ki te rama roa.

Pursue that which is beyond the horizon, for there lies the infinite light.

All the best for 2008 and beyond

Naku noa

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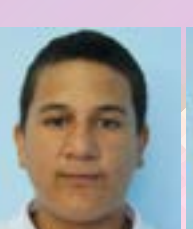
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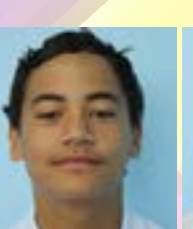
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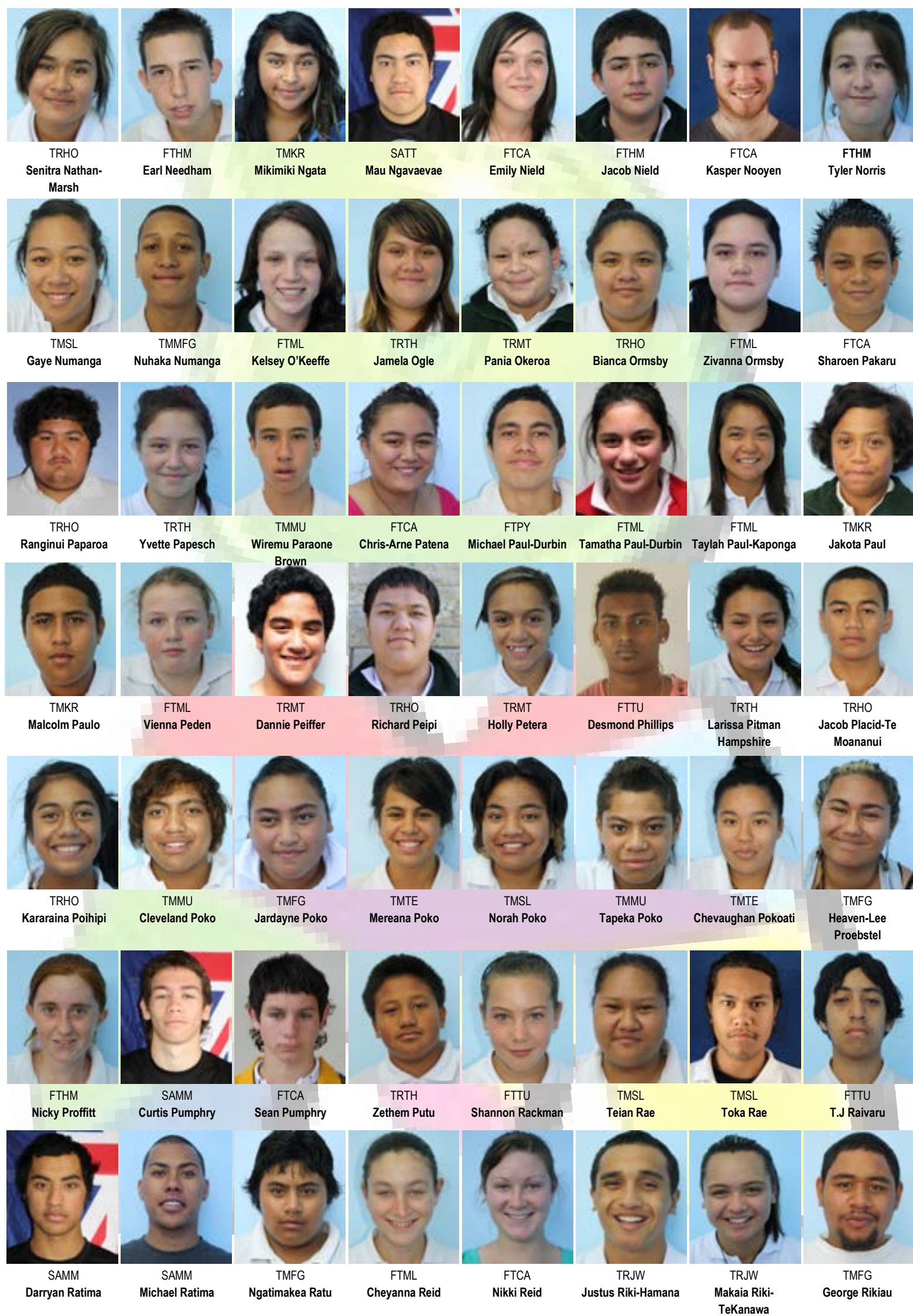
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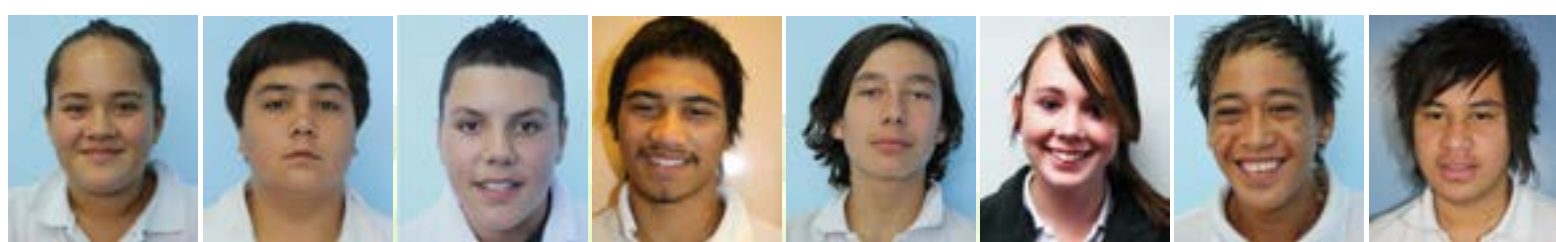
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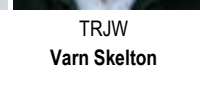
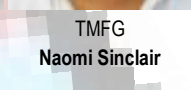
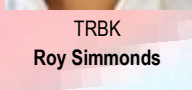
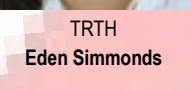
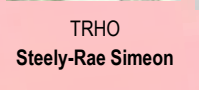
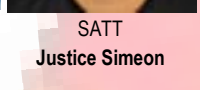
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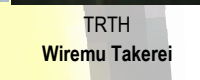
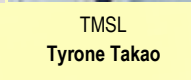
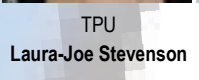
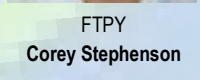
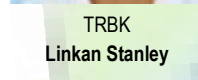
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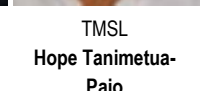
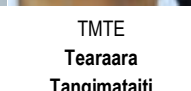
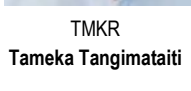
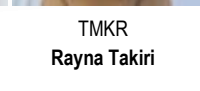
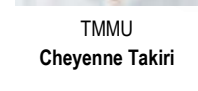
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SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

YEAR 11 SUBJECT AWARDS

Wen Nan Wu	Mathematics NCEA	Dean Smith-Holly	Mathematics with Statistics
Mereana Poko	Science	Manisha Saini	Geography
Darlene Westlake	Technology - Fabrics	Isaiah Cooper	Rugby League Pathways
Kayla Dewhurst	Japanese	De-Arna Henderson	Music Performance
Toka Rae	Te Kahui Whetu achievement	Tamara Thorn	Speech competition for Oratory
Timoti Turu	Communication English	Mathew Short	Electronics
Sheldon McLean	Electronics	Justus Riki Hamana	Physical Education
Chevaugh Pokoati	Cook Island Maori	Kuramaeva Sema	Mathematics with Applications (PAM)
Rebecca Tremain	English History	Joshua Brown	Graphics Art
Anisa Gardiner	Te Reo Hospitality	Liam Hawkins	Biology English
Jerreau Tonge	Music Computing		
Bianca Tito	Student Council cup for effort and involvement across all subjects and has not gained a first place in any subject		

YEAR 12 SUBJECT AWARDS

Denzil Manu	Rugby League Pathways	Lions Club of Tokoroa City
Dremon Mathews-Ford	National Certificate in Sport – Level 2	
Samone Henderson	Art	Impact Photographic Voucher
Noami Sinclair	Technology - Fabrics	
Ann-Marina Kata-Joseph	Technology - Fabrics	
Cassandra France	Communication English	South Waikato News Trophy
Te Aroha Dehar	Travel and Tourism	South Waikato News Trophy
Rebecca Hoani	J Plessius Cup for the most improved student for Year 12 Computing Electronics	Ngapo-Lipscombe Law
Sean-Luke Woonton	Most improved student in Years 11-13	ORRS trophy
Jayden Sawford	Building Construction - Practical	
Earl Needham	Building Construction - Theory	
Avian Uerata	Technology – Hard Materials	Bunnings Warehouse
Kayla Gubb	Trade Mathematics	Ryans Plant and Flower Shop
Mereana Poko	Physical Education	Ngapo-Lipscombe Law
Caleb Wetini	Sports Academy 2	Barry Preece Glass
Bernard Vavia	Cook Island Maori	
Tashyna Maki-Rota	Effort and involvement across all subjects and has not gained a first place in any subject	Lions Club of Tokoroa District Cup
James Loveday	Chemistry	Watch from Thomas Jewellers Ngapo Cup for year 12 Oratory
Devon Morris	Computing Hospitality	Digital camera from Canon
Te Aonui McKenzie	Music Music Performance Te Reo	SW District Council Award Newbrook cup for best all round student in year 12
Hannah Dewhurst	Biology English Mathematics – NCEA Japanese Media Studies	BNZ Trophy Watch from Thomas Jewellers

YEAR 13 SUBJECT AWARDS

Mathew Broman	Physical Education Sports Academy 3	SW District Council Award
Manuia Vaevae	Communication English	AFS Central Plateau
Kasper Nooyen	Te Kahui Whetu Achievement	
Axl Kingi	Rugby League Pathways	Holster Supply Company
Heath Taylor	Effort and involvement across all subjects and has not gained a first place in any subject	Milne Cup for Mathematics Student council cup Warehouse Award
Christina Black	Physics	National Bank Award
Whetu White	National Certificate in Sport Level 3	Tokoroa Locksmiths
Marco Tetevano	Technology - Hard Materials	South Waikato News Award
Aaron Gott	Music Performance	
Gideon Letoga	Senior Oratory Cup	
Chris-Arne Patena	Fabrics	Mitchell cup for best practical work in Fabrics
	Tourism	
Luke Hutchenson	Computing	Tokoroa Clothing Company
	Computing and Media Design	
James Loveday	Maths with Statistics	Elder Cup for Science
	Geography	
Christopher Bishop	Te Reo	SW District Council Award
	Services Academy	
	Cook Island Maori	
Sharnice Birch	Art	French Cup for top student in Year 13 Art
	English	SW District Council Award
	History	Creative Arts Cup
Hayley Bason	Biology	Waikato Graduate Women Charitable Trust Award
	Music	
	Science	
	Double Happy cup for top achievement other than Dux or Proxime Accessit	
Julius Daniels Mata	Maths with Calculus	Howard Rota Memorial Trophy for top Pacific Island Student in year 13 Mathematics MAEA cup for academic excellence by a Cook Island Student Tere Mana Ariki Tangaroa Memorial Trophy for best all round performance by a senior Pacific Island student

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

Sisa Manu	Maggie Mataiti	Heath Taylor	Hitro Ale	Jasmine Hoani	Jerreau Tonge	Denzil Manu	Cassandra France
Timote Turu	Jayden Lee Slater	Shaquille Kaea	Duane Turia	Justus Riki Hamana	Mana Tepana	Jacob Placid-Te Moananui	
Jerreau Tonge		THS Trophy for Special Achievement in Year 11			THS Trophy		
Heath Taylor		Extra curricular drama			Trebilcock performing arts cup		
Aaron Gott		Music			The Lawry Brothers cup for outstanding all round contribution to Music		
Christopher Bishop		Contribution to Puna Vai Ora Outstanding contribution to the school community Communication and co-operation Year 13			Stavert Trophy Foote's Carpet and Upholstery Centre Carter Holt Harvey Scholarship		
Aroa Turia		Outstanding contribution to the school community Communication and co-operation Year 13			Radio Forestland Classic Hits Award		
Hitro Ale		Services to the Library					
Melissa Appel		Integrity and positive role modelling to other students Outstanding contribution to the school community			Diana and Jim Ryan Family Trophy The Hendra Trophy		
Julius Daniels Mata		Contribution to Te Manava Excellence and contribution to the school community Outstanding contribution to the school community Student Council cup for the most dedicated councillor			Utanga Family Memorial Trophy for contribution to Te Manava The Kelly Cup The Hendra Trophy .Lois Dear Memorial Scholarship		
Aidan Te Kanawa		Contribution to Puna Wai Ora Communication and co-operation Year 13			Nigel Stuart Memorial Trophy for Contribution to Puna Wai Ora		
Churches Trust Scholarship for deserving students returning to school next year							
Hitro Ale	Rebecca Hoani	Stacey King		Tashyna Maki-Rota	Nicky Proffitt	Naomi Sinclair	
Tearaara Tangimataiti		Communication and co-operation Year 13		Head Girl Medal			
Gideon Letoga		Communication and co-operation Year 13 Rotary Club Scholarship		Head Boy Medal			

Congratulations

James Loveday



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RSA CUP

PROXIMA ACCESSIT MEDAL

GEOFF BURRIDGE MEMORIAL

LIONS CLUB OF TOKORO A CITY SCHOLARSHIP

Julius Daniels Mata



Dux

DC LANE TROPHY

DUX MEDAL

TOKORO A HOST LIONS CLUB AWARD

TOKORO A CLUB - EW EVANS MEMORIAL

SCHOLARSHIP

Sports Prizegiving Supreme Awards

**Te Kahui Whetu For Most
Outstanding Athlete**

ROY SIMMONDS

**THS Trophy for Most Outstanding
Achievement in Sport**

AXL KINGI

**Max Kuka Memorial Trophy for Most
Outstanding Rugby Player of the Year**

Nominees:

Denzil Manu,
Axl Kingi,
Sisa Manu,
Jasmine Hoani,
Mereana Poko

WINNER

SISA MANU

Ryan Trophy for Best Contribution to Sport

Nominees:

Damon McQuire,
Chris Bishop,
Denzil Manu,
Sisa Manu,
Jasmine Hoani,
Hitro Ale,
Simone Henderson,
Mereana Poko,
Kayla Gubb

WINNER

CHRIS BISHOP

**Cowley and Morrissey Trophy for
All-Round Sportswoman of the Year**

Nominees:

Jasmine Hoani,
Mereana Poko,
Makaia Riki-Te Kanawa,
Mikimiki Ngata,
Dionne Treadaway,
Taylah Paul Kaponga

WINNER

MIKIMIKI NGATA

**Newbrook Trophy for All-Round
Sportsman of the Year**

Nominees:

Denzil Manu,
Axl Kingi,
Chris Bishop

WINNER

AXL KINGI

Sports Team of the Year

Nominees:

Girls Soccer Team,
Rugby League Team,
Hockey Mixed Team

WINNER

**RUGBY LEAGUE
TEAM**

WHANAU TROPHY:

Kauri

BASKETBALL

Senior Girls

Tokoroa Sports World Trophy for Most Outstanding Girls Basketball Player: *Mikimiki Ngata*

Senior Boys

J M Watts Cup for the Most Outstanding Basketball Player: *Denzil Manu*

Junior Boys

Manu 5 Trophy for Player with the Most Potential: *Montell Maea*
Manu 5 Trophy for the Most Outstanding Junior Boys Basketball Player: *Joseph Manu*

Senior Boys

E Winder Cup for the Player with the Most Potential: *Jardayne Poko*

GOLF

Coach: **Mr Maea**

B Paltridge Trophy for Golf Player of the Year: *Nathaniel Cassidy*

CHESS

Coach: **Mr Maea**

Player of the year: *Nicholas Hunia*

ATHLETICS

THS Student Council Trophy for Junior Girls Champion: *Dionne Treadaway*
THS Student Council Trophy for Junior Boys Champion: *Toru Atua Natua*
G.H.McEwen Cup for Intermediate Girls Champion: *Mereana Poko*
L.H Riley Trophy for Intermediate Boys Champion: *Denzil Manu*
G Wilson Cup for Senior Girls Champion: *Taylah Paul kaponga*
L.H Riley Trophy for Senior Boys Champion: *Axl Kingi*
who set a new Senior Boys 100m record

Waikato Team

Sinoti Levao, Dionne Treadaway and Kavari Hartwell - who set a new T.H.S Junior Boys Javelin record

CROSS COUNTRY

P. Barrett trophy for Junior Girls Champion: *Natalya Short*
THS Sport trophy for Junior Boys Champion: *Keegan Willis*
who set a new school record
THS Student Council Trophy for Intermediate Girls Champion: *Monique Shaw*
R.W.I.H.A Cup for Intermediate Boys Champion: *Dremon Matthews Ford*
McNeil Cup for Senior Girls Champion: *Casey-Marie Uerata*
MacMillan Cup for Senior Boys Champion: *Nic Flutey*

SWIMMING

Francis Cup for Junior Girls Champion: *Tiana Hill*
Tiana also placed 8th in the final of the 100m backstroke and 7th in the final of the 200m backstroke at the NZ sec schools Nationals
Tiana broke seven T.H.S records for Junior Girls
THS Student Council Trophy for Intermediate Girls Champion: *Ariana Hawker*
Marama Lyon Trophy for Intermediate Boys Champion: *James Loveday*
G Francis Cup for Senior Girls Champion: *Bianca Ormsby*

INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL HONOURS

RUGBY LEAGUE:

New Zealand
Secondary Schools
Team
Axl Kingi

**NETBALL-MAORI
NATIONAL
TOURNAMENT U13
SIDE:
Makaia Riki-Te
Kanawa**

REGIONAL HONOURS

RUGBY

U18 WAIKATO CHIEFS RUGBY TRIAL:
Denzil Manu

U16 WAIKATO BOYS RUGBY:
Denzil Manu, Joseph Manu

WAIKATO SEC SCHOOL COACH OF THE YEAR
Mr N Manu

U15 WAIKATO TRAINING CAMP
Weyan Hewett, Timothy Tekotia, Ozias Vae Vae, Joseph Manu

U14 WAIKATO TRAINING CAMP
Tipene Hansen, Jayden Tau

WAIKATO GIRLS SEC SCHOOL RUGBY:
Makaia Riki-Te Kanawa, Jasmine Hoani, Rebecca Hoani, Sinoti Levao

U15 TRITONS RUGBY:
Shaye Hill, Weyan Hewett, Joseph Manu, Ozias VaeVae, Kurt Jackson, Montell Maea, Malik Vano, Israel Vano-Storer, Timmy Tekotia, Te-maapi Teamothi

U14 TRITONS RUGBY:
Kavari Hartwell, Ezekeil Cooper, Tipene Hansen, Jayden Tau, Cheva Matangi

GOLF U16 BOYS

WAIKATO TEAM-Nathaniel Cassidy

RUGBY LEAGUE

WAIKOABAY U17 RUGBY LEAGUE TEAM:
Axl Kingi, Sisa Manu, Kardas Kaea

WAIKOABAY U15 RUGBY LEAGUE TEAM:
Te Waiata Anderson, Brian Turia, Mau Nga-vaevae

NETBALL

U15 TOKOROA REPS:
Dionne Treadaway, Faith Tai, Zsalia Ihaka, Makaia Riki-Te Kanawa, Morgan Hayes, Chantae Wilson Jenkins, Tiare-Taina Tereu, Jardayne Poko

GIRLS SOCCER

Coach: Mr Gubb

Manager: Ms Merrylees

Molleman Cup for the Most Improved Soccer Player:

Ahere Hapi

THS Sport Trophy for Girls Leading Goal Scorer:

Nicky Proffit

THS Student Council Trophy for Contribution to Soccer:

Kayla Gubb

THS Trophy Girls Player of the Year:

Melissa Appel

BOYS SOCCER

Coach: Mr Tereu / Desmond Phillips

Manager: Mrs Willis

Tereu Trophy - Most Promising Player:

Keegan Willis

Kerbers Trophy - Best contribution to Team:

Desmond Phillips

Most Committed: *Jerreau Tonge*

Player of the Year: *Desmond Phillips*

MIXED HOCKEY TEAM

Coach: Mrs Sawford

Manager: Mr Mutch

Most Improved Girl: *Danni Vi*

Most Improved Boy: *Jerreau Tonge*

Contribution to Hockey: *Jayden Sawford*

Most Committed: *Damon McGuire*

Graham Cup for Most Outstanding Girl:

Rebecca Tremain

Tokoroa Club Trophy for Most Outstanding Boys:

Jayden Sawford

Keegan Willis

CRICKET

Coach: Mr Jowett

Junior Boys All-rounder: *Daisho Wright*

Gosnell Bat Award for player of the year:

Freedom Saolotoga

MOUNTAIN BIKING

Coach: Mr Reid

Manager: Mrs Poko

Most Promising: *Jayden Sawford*

Most Committed: *James Loveday*

THS Trophy Champion: *Nic Fluety*

LUNCHTIME BADMINTON

Teacher in Charge: Mrs Mutter

Trophy for Most Improved Player:

Roy Simmonds

Trophy for Most Valuable Players:

Ann-Marina Kata-Joseph,

Naomi Sinclair

NETBALL

Senior A

Coach: Ms Tahere

Moeroa Maea Trophy for the Most Improved Player in

the A team: *Heaven-Lee Proebstel Tahere*

L Reid Trophy for Most Outstanding Year 10 Netballer:

Tiare-Taina Tereu

Lani Daniel Senior A Trophy for Player of the Year:

Mikimiki Ngata

T.H.S.B

Coach: Mrs Riki Te Kanawa

Most Improved Player: *Faith Tai*

Most Committed Player: *Dionne Treadaway*

Ngaio Reeves Trophy for Most Promising Year 9

Players: *Makaia Riki Te Kanawa,*

Dionne Treadaway

Junior A

Coach: Anne Hewitt

Most Improved Player: *Hannah Farrar*

Most Committed Player: *Holly Petera*

T.H.S. Player of the Year:

Sheree Treadaway Hale

Maine Ma

Coach: Ms Tarai

Most Improved: *Marina Areai*

Most Committed Player: *Samantha Tere*

Player of the Year: *Timote Turu*

Condors

Coach: Mrs Selwyn

Most Improved Player: *Hope Tangimetua-Paio*

Most Committed Player: *Tameka Tangimataiti*

THS Trophy for Most Outstanding Player:

Adelle Turu

Overall winner of the Kopu Trophy for Excellence and

Committed to Netball: *Makaia Riki-Te Kanawa*

MIXED TOUCH

Coaches: Mr Matt Manu / Mr Tahau

Most Improved Female: *Dionne Treadaway*

Most Improved Male: *Weyan Hewett*

Outstanding Female: *Jasmine Hoani*

Outstanding Male: *Marco Tetevano*

RUGBY

1st XV

Coach: Mr Manu

Managers: Mr Ford / Mr Riki Hamana / Mr Kaea

Most Promising: *Joseph Manu*

Grant Robinson Memorial Trophy for most outstanding

1st XV player: *Axl Kingi*

T.H.S. Player of the Year: *Denzil Manu*

Under 15's

Coach: Mr Jowett

Manager: Mrs Hewett

Most Improved Player: *Chevas Matangi*

Most Committed Player: *Shaye Hill*

Surf Rugby Club Most Valuable Player:

Ozias Vaevae

Tera Family Trophy Most Outstanding Attitude and

Commitment to Rugby: *Weyan Hewett*

Under 14's

Coaches: Mr Tahau / Mr Stanley

Manager: Mrs Adams Watson

Most Improved Player: *Pete Robb*

Most Committed Player: *Javaryn Adams-Watson*

Surf Player of the Year: *Tipene Hansen*

T.H.S Trophy for Most Outstanding Player:

Ezekiel Cooper

Girls

Coach: Regina Sheck

Manager: Janita Poko

Puke Transport Trophy for Girls Forward of the Year:

Kuramaeva Sema

Oil Jet Hydraulics Trophy for Girls Back of the Year:

Braiden Allen-Vano

THS Trophy for Girls most Outstanding Player:

Mereana Poko

RUGBY LEAGUE

Coaches: Mr Ford / Tama Teakura / Mr Manu

Managers: Mr Manu / Mrs Horn

Most Promising: *Joseph Manu*

Newcastle Knights Award:

Joe Horn Memorial Trophy:

Chris Bishop

Ford Trophy for Player of the Year:

Axl Kingi

THE LAST WORD

THE INTRODUCTION

A long long time ago, way way back in the year 1970, the school yearbook was named 'TAHI' for the very first time.

THE QUESTION

1971 saw folks asking "WHY?" This question is still being asked today!

THE ANSWER

"The name for our magazine is retained for a second year largely because nobody could think of a better one! It is a good name because as well as being the Maori word for 'one', this also means 'one-ness'. And therefore is very appropriate when applied to a multi-racial community such as ours.

One could also claim that it stands for

'Tok High'. "

*Author Unknown.
Tahi, Tokoroa High School, 1971*

We hope that you enjoy this year's edition of 'Tahi'. Through our time of frustration the result, a fairly descent and awesome yearbook has been produced. The pages I have created took a while, just when you think you may have finished you get the NO from Ms Miller and have to make a few more changes. Draft after draft after draft. Gladly I didn't get left alone, it is a huge mission to take on, even doing only ten or so pages.



The cover design for this year, is based on the different cultures of our school and colourful characters we have. I wish you all the best for next year!

Jerreau Tonge

Given this chance to help and create pages of my own in this years Tahi magazine was a wonderful and great experience. I was able to learn many things, especially how to edit and design pages that are worthy enough to be displayed in the magazine.



I would like to thank Ms Miller for giving me this opportunity to show and prove to her and the school that I am capable of many things such as this.

I personally look forward again next year to giving Ms Miller a hand in helping and designing pages for the school's magazine.

Rebecca Hoani

Being a part of the team that brings the yearbook to life is a great experience and is fun, although at times you might get a little frustrated with a few things, the final outcome of your work is awesome. For myself doing the I.D pages was something I thought would have been easy, but boy was I wrong - it was challenging. Overall I'm glad to be a part of this years team, and hope continue next year too.



Devon Morris.

At the beginning of the year, I decided it was time to hand Tahi over to some new talent. Fresh ideas, new layouts and a challenge they will never forget. However, no one wanted the job! So here I am again, eight years later still nagging folks to hand articles in on-time, racing around taking as many photos as I can so that deadline's can be meet. As per usual, I am still waiting on articles to come in and this is due to the printers in 12 hours time! Happens every year. After saying all this, I still love the challenge of creating memories.

I was fortunate to have three wonderful students come on-board this year who understood deadlines and showed a willingness to learn and were not upset when they discovered that Ms wanted things changed, again and again and again!

Kudos must go to Jerreau Tonge, Rebecca Hoani, Devon Morris and Luke Hutcheson. A job well done guys and girls. I am extremely proud of what you have achieved. You met the deadlines and saved this teacher from a whole lot of stress. Big thanks must also go to Dr Trevor Bentley and Ms Margot Crate for the editing.

So from me for 2011:

**Kia Kaha, Stay Safe and
MORNING**



In Spe Fortitudo

I roto I te humarie - ko to kaha ki te Ao

Tei te ngakau au e te maru toou matutu

O le Fa'autauta lelei a fa'atupu ai lou Malosi

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In Quiet Confidence Lies Your Strength

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