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Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa

"Without change there is no innovation, creativity, or incentive for improvement. Those who initiate change will have a better opportunity to manage the change that is inevitable"

William Pollard (1828-1893)

There have been many changes over the past three years at Tararua College, not least my recent appointment as permanent Principal at the end of Term three.

It is with great pride and honour that I take up this post at the start of next term and I look forward to the challenges and opportunities which lie ahead.

The changes and improvements which I have either led, or been involved in, in recent years have seen the College improve its standing locally, regionally and nationally and I aim to continue with these improvements into the future.

Over the past term I have encouraged all our students to exhibit the three school values of Respect, Involvement and Excellence in everything they do. I firmly believe that by living up to these, our students can develop into upstanding, successful and active participants in their local community.

This term has seen huge successes from sports to kapa haka, speech making to essay writing. Celebrating these successes has been an important part of recognising these



achievements. School assemblies and Facebook posts have seen these students receiving accolades for their efforts, and this will continue into term 4 with the upcoming Sports Awards evening, Senior Prizegiving and Junior Prizegiving.

These academic, sporting and cultural achievements are what makes Tararua College such an exciting place to be part of, but these are only part of what makes the College. There have been countless other activities and events which occur throughout the school year that often go unnoticed or unrecognised.

House activities such as volleyball, tug of war and the kapa haka competition have continued to build house identity in the College. I hope that we can preserve the proud history of the College and strengthen this over the years to come to develop a House system which our students are honoured to be part of.

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Principal's message contd...

School groups, such as the SADD committee, have continued to provide events and opportunities for our students to experience and learn from. These sort of activities help develop a sense of responsibility and participation in our students and, again, I hope to see these continue and develop in the future.

Finally, the senior students are coming towards the end of their courses with exams looming within the next month or so. Most students are on track to achieve their goals and we are hoping for another excellent result in the achievement of our students. However, it is worth pointing out to everyone that high levels of attendance and commitment to their studies are vital to ensure good pass rates and high achievement.

So, as I now formally move into the position of Principal of Tararua College, I am looking forward to working with the staff, students and the community of the Tararua district to make Tararua College the excellent school we all know it can be.

My aim is to continue to improve the College as we move forward, but remember, improvement and innovation can only happen with change. Change is not always easy to accept, but as long as we all embrace it and see the benefit of it, we can all help to shape the way we develop and improve. "Tūngia te ururua, kia tupu whakaritorito te tupu o te harakeke"

"Set the overgrown bush alight, and the new flax shoots will spring up"

"In order to change, we may need to leave some ways behind in order to do things differently"

Ngā mihi nui Iain Anderson Principal/Tumuaki

SPORTS AWARDS EVENING THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER 7PM

Get your tickets now.

Further to the emails sent to sporting students.

After our successful Sports & Cultural Awards evening last year, we are running a similar event again this year with some improvements, and we will see the return of the cultural awards to our Academic Prizegivings.

We have limited space available, so students who are involved in sport will be allocated 2 people each (as will coaches & managers), and then depending on numbers, there may be limited tickets available.

Entry will be ticket only.

The evening will begin at 7pm. We ask that people be seated by 6.45pm.

The seating arrangement is more informal than for a prizegiving ceremony, with the expectation that groups will sit around tables according to their activities.

To ensure we have enough seating, we ask that you RSVP confirming your attendance for the evening by October 18th, to the college office. Further tickets may be made available on Monday 21st October, on a first in first served basis.

There will be non-alcoholic drinks, and nibbles available.

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Business Manager's Report - Phil Marsh.

The winter term is now over and we are heading into summer months and the end of another school year. As I sit in my office and look at the absolutely magnificent blossom on the cherry trees in front of school, the kōwhai trees in full flower and tui singing their welcome to all into the school grounds, I am reminded how special this place is to all our whānau that make up Tararua College.



The grounds and admin team have been very busy over the last term and I take this opportunity to thank them all for their hard work. The college and grounds look great, is welcoming and everyone is settled in their roles.

The 25th of September saw the launch of Tararua College becoming an Enviroschool. The Enviroschool movement is a nationwide programme supported by the Toimata Foundation and is supported in this region by Horizons Regional Council, Manawatu District Council, Palmerston North City Council, Tararua District Council, Rangitikei District Council, Ruapehu District Council, Wanganui Distrcit Council and Ruahine Kindergartens. The by-line for Enviroschools is "we are creating a sustainable future'.

So, what are we doing? – this last term we have completed our project of changing all our lighting throughout the school to LED's. This will ensure a huge reduction in our electricity usage and cost. We have resurrected the old orchard, by pruning the old fruit trees. We have shifted the garden beds and tunnel houses into the old orchard location and planted them with veges and strawberries for use in the college café or for sale. 11 fruit trees have been added, sourced from Massey University, to supply fruit for the students and staff during the season. We sourced 15 native trees, free, as a result of our recycling paper and cardboard through the 'Paper for Trees' nation-wide project, these were planted around the school grounds. We have changed to using carbon neutral paper at the college, over a 12 month period this will offset 2.5 tonnes of CO2 emissions or is equivalent to reducing usage of 1,049 litres of petrol. I have changed the cleaners to be using a Bio-Zyme cleaner which also has the Environmental Choice tick. Compost bins and a worm farm have also been established. These are only small steps already taken, the great advantage to the college will be in the new year when the Enviroschools program will be built into the Year 9 & 10 curriculum, where students can learn and be hands on with all things sustainable.

Thank you to everyone that has helped with the launch of Tararua College as an Enviroschool, the local support has been fantastic. If you have a desire to be involved, there are plenty of things that can be done, just contact the College, we would love to have you on board.



Pictures from the Enviroschool launch.



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Showcase

Tararua College Showcase was held on Wednesday 18th September. This was a celebration of the many and varied talents of our students at Tararua College. There were examples of performance coursework from Drama, Music and Māori Performing Arts classes, and an Art exhibit showcasing many of the Art folio boards created by our students.

Many of the new Junior collaborative programs had samples of their work, such as Greek masks from 'Polis', flax weaving and traditional medicine from 'Putaiao' and a very entertaining video from the 'Survivor' collaborative group (PE and English).

There were static displays from the technology department, including food displays, mini motorbikes and furniture, and an interactive Science and Primary Industries exhibit, which even included a very friendly pet lamb.

We had some very talented students showcasing dance from their extracurricular lives outside of school.

Supper was provided once again by the tireless Samoa elective, and all proceeds raised went towards this trip which is a culmination of the 'Survivor' collaboration.

Bringing all of these together was a real joy. As our new Principal Iain Anderson said in his address to the school, it is events like these that make us get out of bed and come to school everyday. We were immensely proud to be able to pull together a show of this calibre from the mahi that our dedicated staff and students do everyday here.

Emily Look Head of Arts



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Equestrian Team Does it Again!

Our Tararua College Equestrian Team competed in the annual Solway Inter-School Dressage Event in Masterton.

Our senior team riders this year were Jess Schnell, Grace Croasdale, Ashley Morrison and Ella Rankin. These four competitors were among 135 riders who travelled from all over the lower North Island.

The team prepared their ponies, who looked fantastic, and headed out to the warm up arena before each rider rode the first of two tests. They all produced great tests, one rider after the other. Brooklyn Rankin (Ella's younger sister), competed her pony in the junior individual class.

Prizegiving time arrived and the Senior Team Award was announced. Tararua College came second to Nga Tawa. They were a meniscal 0.02% behind the winning team. This is no mean feat as Nga Tawa has their own on-site equestrian academy.

Brooklyn Rankin was awarded 2nd place in her class.

Congratulations to all the girls, ponies and support team for once again achieving an outstanding result for Equestrian with Tararua College.

By Jennifer Cummins, TIC Equestrian.







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Girls Hockey - by Bridget Bailey.

Our girls 1st XI went away on Secondary Schools Winter Tournament week to Wanganui in the 1st week of September. The girls all had a great week away and represented TC with such pride – they all played some amazing hockey but unfortunately narrowly lost 2 of their pool games which pushed them to the bottom 8 teams but they bounced back and won the next 4 games convincingly.

The team ended up being placed 9th position out of 16 teams and were in 3rd place for overall goals scored in the whole tournament.

Congratulations also to Abby Treder for being the top goal scorer from all the teams – this is a huge achievement. Well done Abby.

Thank you to our coach Janelle Toheriri, manager Bridget Bailey and mother helps Kami Flitten, Bex Monk and Roanna Sutton for all your help with the girls for the week.

We would also like to say a huge thankyou to our sponsors:

Tararua Shearing Ltd for the team hoodies and use of their vans,

Farm Source for the drink bottles and Fonterra for the chocolate milk after all the games.

This tournament followed a fantastic season of hockey played by the girls, winning the Manawatu Secondary School Division 2 competition final against St Peter's College, winning the game by shoot outs. Well done girls.



Junior Netball

Two TC netball teams entered in the Manawatu Junior Netball Tournament a couple of weeks ago. It was a really cold day, not made any better by the rain we had for most of the afternoon. It was a fun day though, and a great way to finish off the season.

Thanks to all our supporters who came to watch over the last couple of months.



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Girls' Basketball qualify for Nationals

TC girls came third at the 1A North Isalnd Premiership Qualifying Tournament in September. They have now qualified for the 1A National Secondary Schools National Tournament, which is on September 30 - October 4. Thanks to our sponsors, Property Brokers and Mr Seafood.

Results from Nationals: Fourth place in the Schick A Secondary Schools Nationals. We are so proud of you.

Leah Powick was selected in the tournament team. This is a big achievement to be named as one of the top 10 players at Nationals.



Boys' Hockey Road Trip

The boys' hockey team fought hard in the finals, and the game ended in a draw of 1 all, meaning they were 3rd equal in the Boys 2nd Division for 2019!

A very big thank you to coach Andrew Wylie, Managers Karen Belcher and Becky Anderson for all your help with this team.

The Boys went on a road trip to finish a great season of hockey. They played Wellington High, winning 3 - 0, and Otaki College and won 11-0. They finished the tour on a high with Daniel and Jamie scoring their first goals of the season.

Thanks to Higgins for sponsoring our hoodies and to all our supporters.











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Duathlon

We have our annual community duathlon coming up on Saturday 19th October to be held at the Bush Multisport Park starting at 9.00am (registration from 8.00am). This is the 7th year our sports coordinator and sports leaders have run this event and proves very popular in the community. It has grown from just 30 competitors to last year having over 100 competing.

This event is open to the wider community, encouraging participants from a wide variety of ages, from pre-schoolers through to adults. Our aim is to promote physical activity within our community.

The course distances and prices are as follows: Race 1: (9.00am) 500m run / 1km bike \$5.00 Race 2: (9.30am) 1km run / 1.8km bike \$5.00 Event 3: (10.00am) 1km run / 5km bike / 1km run \$5.00 Event 4: (10.30am) 5km run / 10km bike / 1km run \$10.00 Event 5: (11.00am) 5km run / 20km bike / 1km run \$15.00 Our PTA this year will be selling yummy sausages and gourmet steak sandwiches and also selling raffle tickets so please bring some extra cash along to support them.

Get your family and friends together and have a fun morning out and also doing some exercise at the same time. HEAPS of spot prizes.



Entry forms are available from the Tararua College School Office, Laskeys, Pahiatua Paper Plus or email our sports coordinator <u>sportscoord@tararuacollege.</u> <u>school.nz</u>

or you can also visit our facebook page: 'Tararua College Community Duathlon'.

This year you can also register online with the following link: <u>https://docs.google.com/form-</u> <u>s/d/1jy_Fk6BhTE1MZMrwLNMsy-</u> <u>pONsmhaCnIdTiJH68zAlQ4/edit</u>

See you on Sat 19th October.

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UCOL Secondary Schools' Hospitality Competition

This year 2019 has been a very successful year in hospitality. A group of us Grace Croasdale, Abbey Gunn, Tayelah Ireland-Walls, Jaymi Bradnock, Teiana Lewer and Simone Ellison-Henderson represented our school in the UCOL Secondary Schools Hospitality Competition in Masterton at the Wairarapa Campus on the 30th of August. The day aimed to give students experience in competing in a professional environment and cooking in an industry-standard kitchen. The competition works off the World Association of Chefs Society protocols – this means competitors have 100 points and can lose marks, so it means competitors are competing against other people but also competing against themselves.

We had students competing in most classes; the static class, live kitchen classes and live restaurant classes. All students who attended thoroughly enjoyed the day and represented our school extremely well and should be very proud of their efforts. This competition gave us all insights of what it's like in the hospitality industry, and to further skills to help us follow our passion within hospitality.

The results are as follows: STATIC CLASS: CUPCAKES Abbey Gunn - Silver, Grace Croasdale - Silver, Tayelah Ireland-Walls - Bronz<u>e</u>

LIVE KITCHEN CLASSES: WOODHAVEN GARDENS INSPIRED OMELETTE Abbey Gunn & Grace Croasdale - Silver - Winners of Class

PASTA DISH Abbey Gunn - Silver

LIVE RESTAURANT CLASSES: BARISTA Jaymi Bradnock - Silver - Winner of Class, Teiana Lewer - Bronze

NON-ALCOHOLIC MOCKTAIL Simone Ellison-Henderson - Silver - Winner of Class



Written by Grace Croasdale Food Technology Captain 2019









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Tama Tū Tama Ora

This term, this whole year actually, has been very busy for our kapa haka group Tama Tū Tama Ora. As well as supporting both our school and town marae with any events, we have taken part in many kaupapa within the school and community to strengthen and grow our culture and our language here in Tararua.

As was the case, in our favourite week of the year Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori. There were many events and activities that took place at the college to promote our beautiful language, including a school wide Ki-o-rahi tournament, kapa haka performances by St Anthony's and Wharetītī and waiata challenges with the staff, all of which Tama Tū was there to support. The week then ended with one of our biggest events of the year, our return to the annual Tamaki Nui A Rua Kapa Haka Festival held in Dannevirke. It was a brilliant day that celebrated our people, our language and our culture as well as the hard work of all of the rangatahi and their whānau who worked to get them on stage.

Tama Tū was lucky enough to come away with the prizes for Kaitātaki Tāne (Male Leader), Kaitātaki Kotiro (Female Leader), Kakahu (Best Uniform), Te Reo and the Overall winners of the Secondary School section on the day. Our students stood proudly and represented our school and community with mana.

Nei rā te mihi manahau ki ō tātou nei whānau whānui kua roa nei e manaaki, e tautoko ana i a mātou. Ki te kore ko koutou, kua kore hoki ko tātou.

Whaea Jordan



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Wairarapa Intercollegiate Speech Competition 2019

On Thursday 12th September the Tararua College English Department hosted the annual Wairarapa Intercollegiate Speech Competition. We were fortunate enough to have a range of adjudicators from the community and we send our thanks to those involved. The event was also successfully chaired by Tararua College's Student Leaders. Participating schools involved St Matthew's Collegiate, Tararua College, Wairarapa College, Chanel College, 'Kuranui College, Solway College, Dannevirke High School and Rathkeale College.

The night involved three competitions. The Year 9 Competition was won by Rathkeale's Edward Rice. Edward Rice spoke on Terrorism and made many thought provoking points. Tararua College placed third in this competition with Samuel Mabey's entertaining speech on 'Paddock Cars'. Rathkeale also secured first place in the Year 10 Competition with Straun Mitchell's speech on 'Generation Z'. First place in the Senior Competition remained with Tararua College with Tewairehu Hauraki keeping his winning title from last year. This year, Tewairehu spoke passionately on the importance of role models.

The English Department would like to thank all the wonderful supporters and entrants for an outstanding night. We look forward to attending the event next year. Thanks to Trust House for sponsoring this event. written by Miss Holly Madigan.



Pictured above: The placegetters. Picture below: TC's competitiors - Tewairehu, Emma and Sam.



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We recently held our House Kapa Haka Competition. This year's winners were Kōwhai. The friendly rivalry almost brought the house down. The passion was truly alive. We thank our judges who certainly had a difficult job this year, and Kapa Haka was the winner on the day.



Kōwhai House's winning performance



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TC Students to Learn from the best!

Meghan Ironmonger-Whyte and Jasmin Bills are currently away for 6 days of musical theatre and dance at the Christchurch International Musical Theatre Summer School over the holidays (CIMTSS).

They will be tutored by people from Broadway, Westend and Sydney theatre companies. *Pictured L to R: Jasmin and Meghan.*





We passed! Recently as part of our Gateway programme students were taken to have driver licence training and all successfully passed their learners licences. Pictured left: Students with their L Plates





Intercollegiate Mathematic Competition Superstars

We congratulate our TC Maths team on their participation at the Intercollegiate Mathematics Competition held at Wairarapa College on the 14th August. The team comprised of Emma, Eve, Zara, Kathrin, Ellie, Joel and Kaleb.

There were around 150 competitors making 50 teams from all the colleges in the Wairarapa including Tararua College. The competition was in three rounds with an individual round followed by two team based rounds. We are very proud of the success of Joel, Kaleb and Ellie who took first place in round 2. We would also like to recognise Zara as a year 9 who took up the challenge to participate at the year 10 level.

Great practice for next year! Check out these action shots!-pictured on the right. Written by Clive Bickerstaff.

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Rugby Development Team

The boys brought home the Viking Shield after a 60 - 12 win against St Peter's. Well done to all of you all but a special mention to our year 13 boys who played their last game for TC. We are very proud of you all.



New Student Board of Trustees Representative

We recently held our BOT Student Rep Elections, and are pleased to introduce Leeroy Harris as our student rep on the Board of Trustees for next year.

Tewairehu Hauraki has been our BOT rep for this year, and will continue to support Leeroy until the end of the year.



TC Chess Champion

Isabella Malton-Lardelli from 9BF participated in the Wairarapa School Pupil Chess Championship 2019 on the 13th September.

Isabella came first out of 70 plus students, winning the competition.



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In Memory of Ronald Joseph Yorke aka our College Drum Tutor.

Our school has been very fortunate to have had the services of a dedicated and talented drum tutor for the last 25 plus years. Prior to tutoring in schools, Ron trained as a printer and served in the Merchant Navy. He also sat in on drums during the heyday of the "British Invasion" music period when British music was dominant worldwide. He played with "The Dave Clark" and "Dusty Springfield" just to name a couple, but contributed to a number of other groups through this period too.

Unfortunately, Ron recently passed away, but we have faith that he has kindled a fire and passion for drumming with a number of past and present students that will continue for them. During almost 3 decades, Ron has tutored at a wide range of schools in the wider Manawatu and Tararua regions, but always spoke of Tararua College as his favourite school. This, he said was due to the attitude of the students and their respect for the opportunities they had on offer and embraced here. Perhaps it was also from his experience of his own children coming to Tararua College. He always spoke highly of the support and attention they received during their schooling.

Ron Yorke will be missed but fondly remembered.

By Warrick Greaves



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Winning Words

Sophey Jenkins has been named as the Year 11-13 winner of the Paul Seideman Prize for 2019. Sophey was asked to write a 1000 word essay on the following topic: *The impact of the Holocaust was felt globally. Explain how Holocaust survivors adapted to life after the liberation and describe the contribuions they have made to the post- Holocaust world.*

Paul Seideman is a Holocaust survivor. Paul established a competition for students at New Zealand secondary schools where the Holocaust is part of the curriculum. As a young Jewish boy, Paul suffered enormously but managed to survive for several years in Nazi German concentration and labour camps during World War II. After liberation, Paul emigrated to Australia and then New Zealand. He now lives in a Wellington Retirement home. Paul has funded this annual competition to commemorate the liberation of Auschwitz- Birkenau by the Soviet Army on the 27th January 1945.

Sophey will travel to Wellington in January next year and read her essay to Members of Parliament and other dignitaries at the United Nations International Holocaust Reememerbeance Day function which will be held at Parliament.

Well Done Sophey, your essay has acknowledged the phenomenal contributions of Holocaust survivors and we know you will be a wonderful ambassador for our college.

By Matt Emery, HOD Social Sciences.



Calendar Term 4 2019		
Monday 14 Oct	First day of Term 4	
Saturday 19 Oct	Duathlon	
Thursday 24th Oct	Sports Awards evening, 7pm	
Friday 1 Nov	Leavers' Dinner	
Tuesday 5 Nov	Senior Academic Prizegiving, 7pm	
Thursday 7 Nov	NCEA exams start	
Monday 25 Nov	Junior Prizegiving, 6pm	
3 Dec-6 Dec	Junior Electives	

Enrolments 2020

Enrolments are due now.

Please get your enrolment forms back to the college, either in the postage paid envelope, or pop it in to the college office.

Transition to College interviews and Year 8 testing are held in Term Four 2019. To allocate interview times to parents and caregivers, it is essential that enrolment forms are completed as soon as possible.

If you require an enrolment pack, please phone the office on 376 8344, or email: <u>*admin@tararuacollege.school.nz*</u>

Confidential Financial Assistance for families in need.

We are a caring community of teachers, support staff and counsellors at TC who often support struggling families and college students by providing financial support and assistance to remove any barriers.

This work is done quietly and in a confidential way that does not create embarrassment or identify students and families being supported in this way.

Please contact me for a confidential discussion if we can help.

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