



Tauranga Boys' College Newsletter

Friday 5th July 2013

Kia ora Parents, Caregivers, Old Boys and Friends of the College

Academic Success

This morning we acknowledged a large number of Year 13 students who have been studying Waikato University Papers over the last two terms.

All thirty-one students who have undertaken these papers have passed and done so admirably. Over 32 'A' passes were achieved across the three subjects of Chemistry, Economics, Philosophy and Statistics. Congratulations to the following students:

Chemistry:

Kyle Brown, Todd Harris, Philip Kim, Adam Miller, Max Sharpe, Connor Silvester, Neco Wieringa, Michael Wingar

Economics:

Jack Andrews, Andrew Bae, Dylan Bell, Andrew Ede, Berrick Fitzsimons, Todd Harris, Paul Harrison, Denver Hayward, Cameron Hislop, Milo Jensen, Andre Lee, Mungo Mason, Adam Miller, Ben Mountain, Jordan Ramsden, Keaton Taylor, Po-En Tsai, Jacob Williamson

Philosophy:

Craig Barr-Smith, Andrew Ede, Todd Harris, Cameron Hislop, Sioli Kavenga, Philip Kim, Daniel Kulasingham, Andre Lee, Mungo Mason, Adam Miller, Ben Mountain, Robbie O'Hara, Connor Silvester, Kento Stewart.

Statistics:

Jack Andrews, Dylan Bell, Liam Dallas, Andrew Ede, Todd Harris, Cameron Hislop, Sioli Kavenga, Daniel Kulasingham, Ben Mountain, Keaton Taylor, Neco Wieringa, Jacob Williamson.

Todd Harris excels in University Papers

Economics A+, Chemistry A+, Philosophy A+, Statistics A+

Todd achieved 99.1% in the Chemistry exam and was the top student out of all the university students (180) who sat the exam. Todd has been offered a \$5,000 Scholarship to work with Dr Jo Lane (one of the lecturers) in his research lab during the summer holidays.

I would like to acknowledge Miss Ibbitson, Mr Hays and Mr ter Wal, the teachers of these young men, for their dedication and expertise that has significantly contributed to the boys' success.

Pictured below, Robbie O'Hara as Joseph in the Tauranga Boys' College/Tauranga Girls' College Production of 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat'. The show has played to packed houses all this week.





Over the last week the combined Tauranga Boys' College Tauranga Girls' College production of the Andrew Lloyd Webber / Tim Rice musical, **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat** has been performed to packed houses. The show was a clever modern interpretation of the original musical, but remaining true to the music and story.

A show of this magnitude could not be undertaken without the enormous support of a large number of people. To the College Staff, Parents, our Arts Council and Friends of the College, thank you for the many hours of hard work you have given to make the show such a great success.

To our generous sponsors, thank you for investing in our young men and women in allowing them to have an experience of a lifetime. Our grateful thanks goes to our major sponsors, Legacy Trust and Harris-Tate Lawyers, along with Carters Building Supplies, Bay Office Products Depot, Rutherford Signs, More FM, Frank Casey and Tauranga Musical Theatre. To enable these businesses to continue to support the College and the Arts, please consider them in the future.



IMPORTANT DATES for Term 3

JULY	
Monday 29th	Day 1, Term 3
AUGUST	
Thursday 1st	SENIOR REPORT Evening 4.00pm to 7.00pm
Tuesday 6th	BOPSS Table Tennis Senior Champs at Tauranga
Wednesday 7th	JUNIOR REPORT Evening 4.00pm to 7.00pm
Friday 9th	Careers Expo Day for Seniors
Saturday 10th	Super 8 Rugby vs Gisborne at TBC
Tuesday 13th	Open Evening for Parents & Yr 8's
Saturday 24th	School Ball for Year 13s
Monday 26th to Friday 30th	FOOD BANK Appeal Week
SEPTEMBER	
Monday 2nd to Sunday 8th	Winter Tournament Week
Friday 6th	MID TERM BREAK
Thursday 12th	Clay Target at TECT Park
Friday 13th	Old Boys' Sports Day & Dinner
Wednesday 18th to Tuesday 24th	SENIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK
Friday 27th	Talent Quest Last Day of Term 3

Mungo Mason

Our Head Boy, Mungo Mason, is to be a Youth Parliament Representative for MP Simon Bridges. Mungo will travel to Wellington during the July holidays for a real government experience. He will be on the Select Committee for Health, discussing issues like youth substance abuse. Mungo says it will be a great opportunity to see parliament in action!



Well done Mungo in gaining University Papers in Economics and Philosophy.

Mungo has been selected for the Chiefs Under 18 Rugby Squad and will be involved with the squad from the 14th to 18th July (meaning he will miss two days of parliament). He will have one-on-one coaching and be given an insight into the professional game. Later in the second week of the holidays the team will play either the Hurricanes or the Blues.

Reports / Parent Teacher

Teachers of Senior Classes have now completed writing reports, after completing the marking of exams and assessments undertaken during the recent Senior Assessment Week. These Senior Reports will be posted out next week.

An important part of the teaching and learning process is the involvement of parents, caregivers, family and whanau. In order for this to occur we are offering parents the opportunity to meet with your son's subject teachers.

I would encourage all of you to take up this opportunity in order to support your son in his education.

The **Senior Parent Teacher Interviews** (Years 11 to 13) will be held on Thursday 1st August. Interviews will commence at 4.00pm and will be held in the College Gymnasium.

Parents can make bookings online at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

The code for the Senior evening is **VWVZJ**

Junior Reports have already been posted out and the **Junior Parent Teacher Interviews** will be held Wednesday 7th August commencing 4.00pm.

The code for the Junior evening is **493S7**

Or phone the College Office on 578 4029.

OPTION Selection Evening
Years 10, 11 and 12
Wednesday 10th July
from 6.00pm in Gym 1

Attendance Initiative

"THE BIG DAY IN"

10th JUNE To 5th JULY

In my last newsletter I outlined an Attendance Initiative we are involved in along with other local secondary schools and the Ministry of Education Attendance Service. The initiative is to create greater awareness amongst students, parents and community on the importance of being at school every day and to reduce the number of unexplained absences of the boys.

The Big Day In Statistics

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Attendance Rate	92.2%	89.5%	87.9%
Explained Absences	4.6%	5.9%	7.3%
Unexplained Absences	3.2%	3.4%	4.2%

TBC
1st
Place over the
first Week
3 weeks

We are now in our fourth and last week of the competition and are currently placed 1st after the first three weeks. I have been very pleased with the way the boys have worked hard to improve their attendance over the competition. We have seen a slight decline in the weekly attendance rates over the last two weeks due to winter bugs catching up with some of our boys. It is pleasing to see parents getting into the habit of phoning into school when their son is absent. Thank you for your support with this.



Smoke Free Rock Quest Results

1st Place - "The Incline" (pictured from left: Daniel Kulasingham Tauranga Boys' College, Cody Mitchell Mount Maunganui College, Leilani Taula Tauranga Girls' College, and Alex Twidle Tauranga Boys' College)

2nd Place - "RPM" (Ben Guernier Tauranga Boys' College, Rory Priest, Jake Nicholas and Cormac Seymour Mount Maunganui College) Ben is pictured, below,



PTA Meeting

How to Improve your Son's Study:
TUESDAY 9TH July 7.00pm - Staffroom

Congratulations - Students of the Term

Year 13 - Kaha Wihapi

Kaha's Teachers and Tutor have the following comments about his nomination: "Kaha is a hardworking and honest student. He is a solid Merit student and works well individually and in group situations. He readily asks questions to further clarify his understanding. He is a fantastic role model within the class, often going the extra mile without being asked to. A great all-round guy". "Kaha is a true gentleman. He always shows respect for the teacher and others". "He is diligent, humble, hard-working, conscientious, always willing to help others around him and always saying thank you at the end of the lesson. Fantastic and consistent results". Tino pai Kaha!



Kaha Wihapi

Henry Smith

Year 12 - Henry Smith

Henry was nominated as Student of the Term by his Teachers and Tutor because he continually strives for excellence. Henry works hard, responds to teacher feedback and always looks for ways to improve his performance. He contributes positively in all class activities and willingly helps his classmates to lift their game. He is polite and gentlemanly and a role model for our juniors to aspire to. Henry more than ably demonstrates the character qualities of a good man. Well done Henry!



John Lulu

Mitchell Abraham

Year 11 - John Lulu

John's Teachers and Tutor say that John is a polite and respectful student. He consistently applies himself during lessons, asks questions to clarify his understanding and completes all set work. Each activity is performed with diligence and enthusiasm. It is clear that John has a genuine desire to do well. Congratulations John!

Year 10 - Mitchell Abraham

Mitchell's Teachers and Tutor say he has demonstrated an excellent commitment to succeed in all areas in 2013. This has incorporated a diligent and mature work ethic in all subjects. They commend him for his leadership within the class where he has proven to be a great role model for his peers. Mitchell is a highly valuable member of the school who is proof that boys can achieve extraordinarily well if they commit to applying themselves with a "can do" attitude. Well done Mitchell!



Dylan Matten

Year 9 - Dylan Matten

Dylan's teachers describe him as extremely polite, hardworking and diligent in all of his subject areas. He has a real positive attitude to his learning, often willing to put extra time outside of class time to complete projects or to go the extra mile and produce work to the best of his ability. He is very helpful in the classroom, as he often assists his peers with tasks to catch up. Dylan has been described as a 'top young man' and a pleasure to have in the classroom. Congratulations Dylan.

Excellent Reports - Congratulations

To the following junior boys who will be recognised with an "Excellent Report Certificate" and treated to a special morning tea next week:

Year 10

Mitchell Abraham, Connor Bamford-King, Cale Borell, Benjamin Campbell, Lachlan Crane, Maddison Dalton, Nathan Ellison, Benjamin Fazackerley, Benjamin Hamill, Manaia Harawira, John Hewlett, Shafin Khan, Hiranya Khullar, Jordan Krutz, Seth Leetcher, Divanish Naicker, Kaleb Payne, Dhruv Phadnis, James Puchner, Paora Ririnui, Kane Sefton, Codie Simmons, Benjamin Stephen, Mitchell Tane, Brady Thompson, Daniel Tomlinson, Todd Yaxley

Year 9

Cameron Black, Josh Bell, Conner Borell, Daniel Courtis, Ryan Dixon, Andre Dorofaeff, Te Awhina Downs, Daniel Evans, Jackson Filipo, Ryan Forlong, Bryn Fredheim, Ryan Gibbs, Taylor Gordon-Eria, Kyle Hamilton, Lewis Hubbard, Kaine Hyndman, Jimi Kameta, Jordan Kapia, Paulo Leaso, Andrew Mascall, Dylan Matten, Connor McLeod, James Pettitt, Callum Reed, Jordan Rupe, Quintin Short, Jasdeep Singh-Kohu, Strauss Smallman, Jeremiah Wake, Benjamin Whitaker

SPORT - Congratulations

Badminton

1st Place in the BOP Secondary Schools' Junior Division 1 Championships

Alex Revington, Flynn Alexander, Reuben White and Quinn Porteous

1st Place in the BOP Secondary Schools' Junior Division 2 Championships

Dan Song, Ben Stephen, Jacob Forman, Robin Yang and Jonathan Dallas

Special Olympics Football Team

Winning Gold at the Regional Championships in Pukekohe. The team can be very proud of their sportsmanship on and off the field.

Indoor Bowls

BOP Secondary Schools Indoor Bowls Championships:

Division 1. Singles: 1st **Joshua Saywell**, 2nd **Nash Smith**

Division 2. Singles: 1st **Kaine Hyndman**

Division 1. Pairs: 1st **Stefan McCartin & Nathan Arlidge**

2nd **Dylan Matten & Jasdeep Singh-Kohu**

Division 2. Pairs: 2nd **Todd Hemingway & Ricky Gladding**

NZ Under 19 Volleyball

Brad Fullerton has made the New Zealand Under 19 Volleyball team. He will travel with the team to the age group world championships in Portugal next month.

NZ Schools Hockey Challenge Trophy

HockeyNZ in conjunction with Westlake Boys' High School and Tauranga Boys' College has announced the creation of a new "challenge" cup to be played for by Secondary Schools around the country - the Bartholomew Cup.

Essentially the Bartholomew Cup will follow the same rules as Rugby's Ranfurly Shield. There will be a holder - initially Westlake Boys' High - who will accept challenges from schools along with putting the cup on the line in regular school competition matches and the final match of their Hockey NZ Secondary School Tournament.

The inaugural match will be played between Westlake and Tauranga Boys' College on Tuesday 9th July at Westlake Girls' High School, beginning at 11am. This trophy has been named after the Bartholomew family, a famous hockey name around the country and in particular in the North Harbour Region.

Hockey NZ feel it is a fitting tribute for the amount of work the family has done within Hockey.

1st XI Football

The 1st XI have qualified again for the Premier National Football Tournament (Top 16 in NZ) by winning the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Region, going undefeated against St Paul's, Western Heights, Rotorua Boys' High and rounding it off with a 3-2 win over St Peter's Cambridge yesterday. It is the twenty-fourth time in the last twenty-five years that the team has qualified.



TGC vs TBC Prefects Unihoc Match

A closely fought battle between the two schools, with the boys winning by the narrowest of margins - the girls will be looking for revenge in the next encounter!!

Congratulations -

to six of our Old Boys' named in the 2013 BOP Steamers Squad:

Carl Axtens
Sam Cane (pictured)
Nick Ewemy
Josh Hall
Nathan Harris
Steve Honey



Old Boys' News

Thanks to all the Old Boys who came to support our Rugby 1st XV at last Saturday's epic clash with Palmerston North Boys' High School. The team appreciates your support and I would invite you to the future NZ Super Eight Schools' home games.

This Saturday 6th July Hamilton Boys' High School 2nd XV match at 10.30am: 1st XV match at 12.00 noon

Saturday 10th August Gisborne Boys' High at 10.30am and 12.00 noon

TBC Old Boys' Association A G M
MONDAY 5TH AUGUST - 7.00PM STAFFROOM

TBC Old Boys' Association Annual Dinner and Sports Day

This will be held Friday 13th September.

Keep the date free and get a group together

This prestigious event will recognise our Old Boy of the Year.

Tickets will be limited to 200 so get this date in your diaries now and start organising your table for what will be a great night.

For details on the dinner and sports day and on how to become a member go to www.tbcoba.org.nz

House Haka Competition

This event will be held in the College Gymnasium on Friday 12th July, with parents invited to attend. As this is an important part of our House Competition, all boys are required to participate in the event. House Groups have been practicing over the last three weeks to ensure it will be a very competitive and entertaining event. The House Competition is very close at this stage, so the event is sure to be one of the highlights of the year's competition.

