



# Tauranga Boys' College Newsletter

Friday 29 August 2014

Dear Parents, Caregivers  
& Friends of the College

## Year 13 Ball

Parents of Year 13 boys who attended our annual ball, which was held on Saturday evening at Mills Reef, should be very proud of the manner in which the boys conducted themselves. All of them behaved in a gentlemanly and mature manner, enjoying a great evening beginning with a meal before the dancing began. The evening was very successful and enjoyed by all who attended. My thanks go to the Ball Committee and Assistant Principal, Mr Leyton Watson, assisted by Ms Rhian Elmes and Ms Brenda Oakley for their organization of the evening.

## Advance Notice

### Mid-Term Break:

Friday 5th September

### Senior Assessment dates:

Wednesday 17th September to Tuesday  
23rd September

### End of Term

Friday 26th September

## Tournament Week

Good luck to all the sportsmen representing the College over the next week. Over 160 boys will compete at various venues around the country in regional and national tournaments. I am confident they will represent themselves and the College with pride. I look forward to acknowledging the successes in my next newsletter. Teams competing are:

Basketball Senior A, Captain Connor Johnston, Regional Tournament at ASB Arena, Mt Maunganui  
Basketball Junior A, Captain Mikaere Leef, Junior Premierships Zone 1 & 2, ASB Arena, " " "  
Football 1st XI, Captain Robbie Parekowhai-Gudex, NZSS Tournament, Napier  
Football Development Team, Captain Campbell Blennerhasset, Jim Wishart Tournament, Whangarei  
Hockey 1st XI, Captain Hamish McGeorge, NZSS Rankin Cup, Palmerston North  
Hockey 2nd XI, Captain Caven Lane, NZSS Galletly Cup, Auckland  
Hockey TBC White, Captain Luke Hama, NZSS Tanner Cup, Hamilton  
Indoor Bowls, Captain Nash Smith, NZSS Championships, Wellington  
Rugby U15A, Captain Flynn Kelly, National Tournament, Palmerston North  
Rugby U14A, Captains Louie McLeod and Dion Keogh, Colquhoun Tournament, Hastings  
Underwater Hockey, Captain Ben Richards, NZSS Championships, Rotorua

## Tauranga Boys' College Old Boys' Association

**An invitation is extended to the following Old Boys'  
Functions:**

### Old Boys' Sports Day -

3.00pm Friday 19th September  
(Nicholson Field, Hockey Turf, Southey Field and  
Gymnasium) Old Boys' Versus Tauranga Boys'  
College First Teams - Rugby, Football, Hockey,  
Basketball

### Old Boys' Dinner -

Friday 19th September at 6.00pm.  
Acclaimed New Zealand Artist, Nigel Brown, will be  
acknowledged as "Old Boy of the Year". Guest Speaker  
will be Old Boy, Ryan Johnson, marine biologist and  
explorer. His expert knowledge of great white shark  
biology and behavior has led to him presenting a  
number of specialist TV productions by National  
Geographic, The Discovery Channel and more.

Tickets are \$65pp for members and guests of members,  
\$75pp for non-members. To book please contact Mrs  
Susan Dibley at the school office on 578 4029.

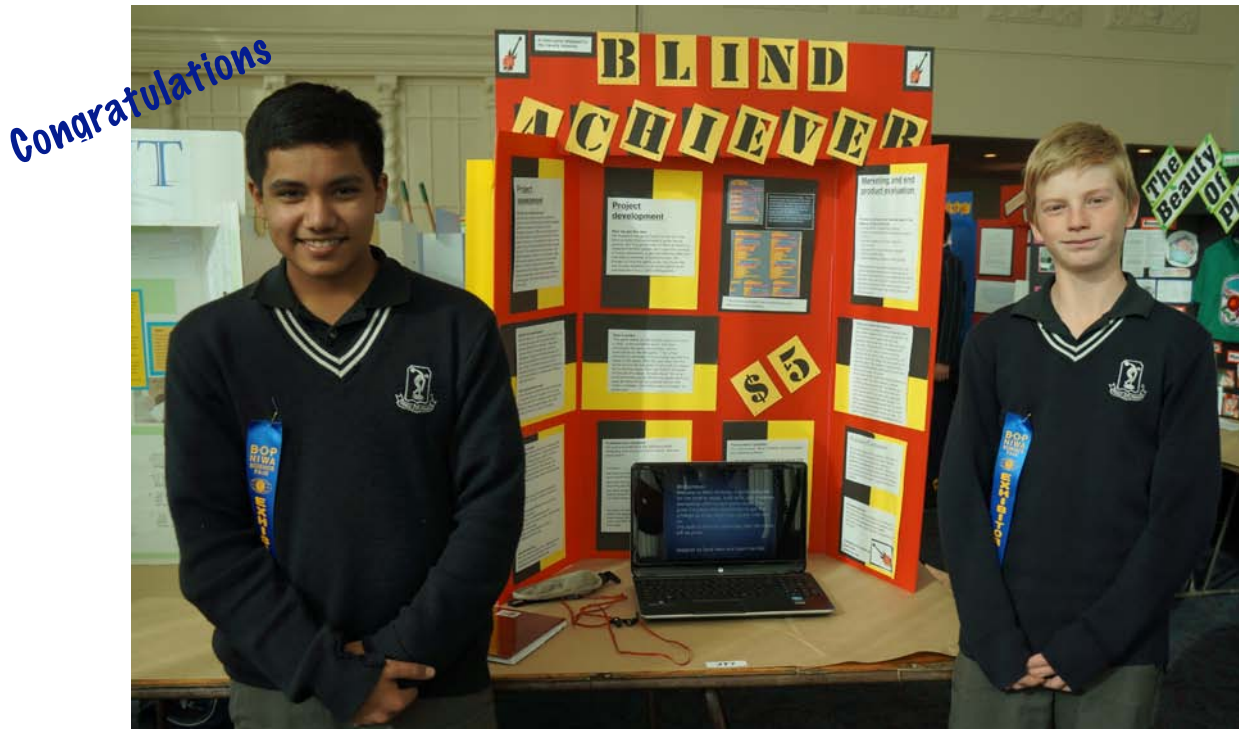
## Mid Term Break

**The College will be closed FRIDAY 5th September for Mid Term Break.**

## NIWA BOP SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FAIR

Tauranga Boys' College met with good success at the recent NIWA Bay of Plenty Science & Technology Fair held at the Rotorua Convention Centre. Syed Islam and Adam Van Klei (Year 9) gained 1st in Junior Secondary Technology with "Blind Achiever". Adam Hitchener and Fraser Blakeway (Year 9) were 2nd in Junior Secondary Technology with "Butter Stick". Ryan Holt (Year 9) also received a Highly Commended award in Junior Secondary Science for "Killer Joules".

*Pictured below are Syed Islam and Adam Van Klei with their winning display.*



## UNSW GLOBAL AUSTRALIA 2014 – INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE COMPETITION AND ASSESSMENT FOR SCHOOLS

High Distinction Certificates (Top 1%) awarded to:  
Marcel Collett & Ryan Holt of Year 9

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| Distinction<br>Certificates (Top<br>10%) were<br>awarded to:   | Year 9<br>Fraser Blakeway<br>Matthew Brittain<br>Finlay Burke<br>Andrew De Wet                                  |
| Year 10<br>Flynn Alexander<br>Matthew Anderson<br>Jonathon Barnett<br>Alex Blakeway<br>Blake Elliott<br>Jordan Ralph | Jaamin Fuller<br>Adam Hitchhiker<br>Eddie Johnson<br>Mark Miller<br>Alfred Shum<br>Matthew Taylor<br>Jacob Topp |

## BOPSS MATHSMIND

Congratulations to the following boys who took part in the Bay of Plenty Maths Mind Competition

Year 9 Team - Runners Up out of 37 teams from throughout the Bay:  
Matthew Brittain  
Scott Ellerington  
Mathew Taylor  
Mitchell White

Jacob Forward, Adam Hitchiner, Euan McNaught and Josh Stewart were 6th in the Year 9 Teams event.

Year 10 Team - Winners out of 35 teams from throughout the Bay:  
James Hitchiner  
Henry (Jooyong) Kim  
Matthew Rea  
Samuel Smith  
Matthew Anderson, Blake Elliot, Jackson Filipo and Robin Yang were 15th in the Year 10 Teams event.

A big THANK YOU to BREAKERS CAFE, 290 Maunganui Road, Mount Maunganui, for supporting Tauranga Boys' College with Achievement Awards to recognize student achievement.



## Sport - Congratulations

To **Henry Smith** (pictured right) gaining 1st place overall at the NZ Secondary Schools Gymnastic Championships - Pommel, High Bar, Parallel Bars, Rings, Floor and Vault.

To our **Rugby U15s**, winning the **BOPSS U15 Title**, defeating Rotorua Boys' High School 31-17 in the Baywide Final.

To our **Rugby 5th XV**, winning the **BOPSS 2nd XV Competition**, defeating Opotiki College 2nd XV 49-15 in the Baywide Final.

To our **Senior B Basketball Team**, with a win against Te Puke High School.

To our **Junior A Basketball Team**, successfully defending their BOPSS Title with a 69-52 win over Otumoetai College.

### Bay of Plenty Secondary School Table Tennis Championships

Seniors:

**Isaac Sidebottom, Henry Smith and Michael Ellerington** made up a 3-man team that placed runner-up

Juniors:

**Josiah Albert, Kody Gorst, Adam Hitchiner** also made up a 3 man team that placed runner-up on count back.



## Arts - Congratulations

### Tauranga Boys' College 2014 Talent Quest

Congratulations to **Scott Murray Cors**, Year 9, overall winner of Ngata House. Other competitors were Seth Kirdy, Khan Kirkpatrick, Tristan Martin, Fletcher Oxford and Henry Smith.

In the Group Event, the following placings were recorded:

Rutherford 1st  
Ngata 2nd  
Ngarimu 3rd  
Hillary 4th  
Freyberg 5th  
Halberg 6th

Well done to all boys who participated in this very successful and enjoyable event!

## An Invitation to Parents Speech Finals

You are warmly invited to attend the Tauranga Boys' College Speech Finals to be held Thursday 25th September at 6.30pm in the College Staff Room.

To **Carlos Levao** (pictured right) who was a member of the ID CO Mega Crew, the current World Silver Medallists in Hip Hop. Carlos and his fellow crew members competed against 45 Crews from around the world in Las Vegas, Nevada.



## House Calendar of Events 2014 - LATEST RESULTS - TERM 3

| House Event      | Freyberg    | Halberg     | Hillary   | Ngarimu     | Ngata       | Rutherford  |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                  |             |             | TERM 3    |             |             |             |
| Rowing           | 2           | 3.5         | 3.5       | 1           | 5           | 6           |
| <b>Sub-Total</b> | <b>30.5</b> | <b>16.5</b> | <b>23</b> | <b>23.5</b> | <b>29.5</b> | <b>24</b>   |
| Placing          | 1st         | 6th         | 5th       | 4th         | 2nd         | 3rd         |
| Talent Quest     | 1           | 2           | 3         | 4           | 5.5         | 5.5         |
| <b>Sub-Total</b> | <b>31.5</b> | <b>18.5</b> | <b>26</b> | <b>27.5</b> | <b>35</b>   | <b>29.5</b> |
| Placing          | 2nd         | 6th         | 5th       | 4th         | 1st         | 3rd         |

The recent Talent Quest has seen change in overall points, and Ngata House take the lead for the first time in the history of the House Competition. The focus for the House Competition in Week 8 is Foodbank. Your support of this is greatly appreciated.

## An Invitation to Parents - Opening of New Technology Block

You are warmly invited to attend the opening of our new Technology Block on Monday 8th September at 4.00pm.

### Service - Congratulations

To **Ben Richards**, (pictured right) finalist in the TrustPower Service to the Community Youth Awards.

Ben was nominated by the College. He has a real passion for protecting the environment and invests a lot of his time into looking after local wildlife. This has seen him dedicate big hours to the rescue and conservation of penguins and grey faced petrels in the Bay of Plenty since intermediate school.

His skills were especially valuable following the Rena oil crisis, as Ben was one of the first responders on the night of the rescue and he personally saved over 100 birds over the course of 2 months. Since then he has continued to monitor penguin around Mauao, Leisure Island and Rabbit Island, and as a member of the Ornithological Society twice yearly participates in the shore bird wader count.

Ben was one of 50 students chosen to attend the 2013 Sir Peter Blake Youth Environmental Leaders' Forum and the Young Blake Expedition to the Southern Ocean and Sub-Antarctic.



### FoodBank

The week Monday 8th to Friday 12th September is our Inter-House FoodBank Competition. Undoubtedly your sons will have asked if they can contribute an item from home. Any support in this regard will be greatly appreciated, however we do understand this may be difficult in some circumstances and do not want to place unreasonable demands on your resources. Previously the support has been outstanding and we have been very pleased with the support given by our community to this worthy cause. Thank you for any contributions you can made to this very worthy cause.

