



Newsletter Pānui



Nau mai haere mai and welcome to our third newsletter in what feels like a change in weather and new air of rejuvenation for our school. There is quite a cheerful and happy vibe as the wintry feel begins to end and the season of spring begins.

Another World Champion

A huge congratulations to Eloise Sharpe for her part in winning the U23 Women's Underwater Hockey team which won gold in Sheffield, England last weekend. Eloise is an absolute credit to her school, family, friends and to those who play UWH. To make a national squad takes a huge amount of commitment, training and sacrifice. Eloise is already a very busy Year 13, prefect and role model for our school. We look forward to hearing from Eloise herself when she returns. At the same tournament but in the U19 Women's squad, 2018 Year 13 student, Momo Hongcherdchai was also a gold medal winner and world champ. Congratulations Momo! Thanks to Mrs Keightley and our parents who continue to be passionate supporters of this code.

Big Sing Cadenza success

Congratulations to our Luminosa Armonia Chorale who competed at the Big Sing Cadenza in Rotorua this week. Directed by none other than Ms Geor, our Chorale received an 'Excellence' award. This is a gold standard and the highest accolade for this competition. TGC was the only state school to receive this award. What a superb result for an amazingly talented group. A huge thanks to Ms Geor and the endless hours and passion she gives to enable such success to be achieved.

"It lifts your wairua"

Our TGC/TBC kapa haka roopu Te Tauranga O Ngā Waka performed at our full school assembly this week. It was a performance to be proud of but it was more than a performance. Kapa Haka is, for example, a way of life for many, in the blood, a sense of cultural identity and of course it lifts your wairua. The group is led by head tutor Matua Ed, well known to many of our girls from his time at Tauranga Intermediate School. Congratulations once again.

Supporting the Cancer Society

It's Daffodil Week and in support of the Cancer Society, head students and prefects will be selling daffodils, for a gold coin donation, all the money goes directly to the Society. Please do your part by purchasing a daffodil.

Encouraging the drinking of water

There has been a move to drink only water for some time now. Many schools have already made the switch and no longer sell sugary drinks in their canteen. The College has a number of drinking fountains and many are suitable for filling up your water bottle. Look after your health by drinking water!

Thinking of applying for a leadership position?

Then make sure you are thinking of others by giving your time and support to those in need. Service to others is an important part of building a community of people that notice, care and look after others. Leaders who are community minded are more likely to be tolerant of others, value differences and collaborate to have a

positive impact on our school. All formal leadership roles have an expectation of a commitment to service. To start making a positive difference, join a service group, tutor, coach or volunteer, these are just a few examples.

Have we missed something?

If your daughter is performing or competing in an area for which we have not showcased, please share this with us. We want to celebrate a range of successes and not just podium finishes. Many accomplish so much by being involved, volunteering, coaching or umpiring as well as competing in a broad range of areas both in and out of the sporting arena. Contact our

school office or email us with your news.

Innovate and Initiate Conference

Last week I attended the above conference held at the Wairakei Resort. It was hosted by BOP Principals but also open to Principals from the Central North Island. The conference began with Sir Ray Avery and ended with Dr John McEwan aka Dr Stress.

There is much change in and out of the education sector and it is essential for us to ensure that we are providing pathways for all students to engage effectively beyond school. Conferences like this enable leaders to come to-

gether to share practice, learn about new research and support one. Leaders can another to reflect on their learning contexts and push for innovation, collaboration and opportunities to apply knowledge in authentic ways for their ākonga. Lastly, I want to acknowledge kapa haka students from Taupo-nui-a-tia for their powhiri which began our conference. They too were a credit to their kura.



Tara Kanji

Principal

YIA Awards 2019.



Congratulations to Ella Waterreus. Winner of People's Choice overall and placed 3rd in the Senior section. Ella's innovation was a mechanism for sorting glass into their colours for recycling purposes. Thank you to the support given by her DVC teacher Chris Ferguson. Also thanks to Priority One for providing an opportunity for students to have a platform to be innovative.

The Night is Young

It was a privilege last week to have some of our Dance and Music students perform at The Night is Young at Baycourt Theatre.

This popular event saw students from secondary schools across the Bay of Plenty showcase their remarkable talents across all fields of performing arts – from music to drama, theatre to instrumental – on the Baycourt Stage.

It was lovely to see images of our Dance troupe from 2018 displayed on the screens in the foyer.

Photo credit to Baycourt/Brydie Photography.



Chinese Speech Competition



On 23 August, 5 girls from Junior Chinese classes participated in an inter-schools Chinese speech competition at Toi Ohomai in Rotorua. There were 21 schools participating. Savannah Chase, Pounamu Johnson and Reece Pohatu competed in Year 9 category. Taniqua Whakaari and Shavawn Walker performed a Chinese song.

Savannah Chase won second place in Year 9 category. She proudly brought back a trophy.

BOP Maths Mind Competition



Maths Mind is an annual junior mathematical competition. Schools in the wider Bay of Plenty Region are invited to send teams of Year 9 and Year 10 students.

The Year 10 contest starts first, followed by the Year 9 event.

Each team of 4 has 20 problems to solve in the allocated 45 minutes. With 5 points being awarded for each correct answer, the winners are the teams with the highest number of points.

This year we entered two Year 10 groups and two Year 9 groups. The Year 10 teams began strongly, dealing with some interesting questions that had teachers scratching their heads. The winning team gained 90 points and our top TGC Year 10 team gained 70 points. This was 4 questions fewer than the winning team. One of our Year 9 groups did extremely well, facing stiff competition, to come second in their round. This team got a total of 85 points. The team was made up of from left to right - Lily Crowther, Judy Shin, Bree McTavish-Huriwai, Michelle Clarke all from 9TYL.

Rugby 7 Visit



The Japanese Rugby Girls' U18 Sevens team came to New Zealand to train at the High Performance Centre with the BOP Rugby Union and to experience learning at TGC and living with a New Zealand family. This was a very successful visit and the all girls would like to return to New Zealand in the future. A big thank you to the PE Department who organised their PE lessons.



Badminton

On Friday 23 August our three senior badminton teams went to the QE2 for the BOP secondary schools champs. There were over 100 competitors from schools all over the wider BOP.

Our teams played many long and fierce games. In Division Two our team of Preeti Singh, Cindy Zou, Divya Negi and Eesha Fremantle gained silver medals. They narrowly missed gold after a mere 5 point loss to Edgecumbe. In Division Three we had two teams competing. Our team of Parewai Wehipeihana, Karena Roberts, Panmire Chatiketū and Via Lopez came third. Our other team of Shahlia Hussein, Mannat Dogra, Isabel Baker and Jordan Gilby missed out on a placing, but ironically beat our third place getters in their final match. TGC can be so very proud of these girls. They all showed commitment to improving their skills by attending two practices a week throughout terms two and three. Their fabulous determination and sense of fun made them a pleasure to be around throughout the badminton season.



'Artsfest' Art Exhibition



Our annual Art Exhibition, 'Artsfest' opened on 22 August. The People's Gallery which is within the Historic Village and run by the Incubator provided a brilliant venue for the artwork to be displayed. The opening evening was well attended by both the public and our Tauranga Girls' College community. Helena Wright and Shenazzar Sta Lucia provided entertainment with Helena playing the guitar and Shenazzar singing. Rebecca Kneale represented the school as Visual Arts Perfect hosting the evening. The exhibition is open until 07 September for all to visit.



ARTIST OF THE WEEK

Ruby Handley, Year 10



I decided to take an abstract and funky route with my paintings. To achieve this I used bold, quirky colours in unusual contrasts. I used modelling compound to resemble an abstract take of hills, it created dimension and texture which added an element of difference. I placed the hills on a third to organise balance throughout. The chequered sky organised into a circle is used to attract attention to my focal point in which is the spray painted ombre sun. I used the hot colours against cold to make sure the focal point stands out. To develop my final painting I experimented with different colours and placements, I think my idea development paintings helped gather understanding of placement for my main painting.

Underwater Hockey World Champions

Underwater Hockey has had many successes over the past few weeks during the Age Group World Championships held over August in Sheffield, England. Three Tauranga Girls' College, past and present students were selected for New Zealand's national teams and competed at the Championships. Ariya Momo Hongcherdchai (18 years old), a past student from the class of 2018, was selected for the New Zealand U19 Women's Team and won gold at the Championships.

This U19 team had some quite 'easy-going' round robin games, dominating their grade consistently, but then had a contrasting, nail biting final against Columbia. Fortunately they managed to come away with a 3-2 win. Kirsty Burrows (22 years old), also a past student, from the class of 2015, was selected for the New Zealand U24 Women's Team,



along with current Tauranga Girls' College student, Eloise Sharpe (17 years old). The Women's U24 teams were extremely close in the level of play, with the top four teams only beating each other by 1-2 points during round robin games. The New Zealand U24 Women's team, however, also came away with the gold, after some very close games in their semi final and final. They beat South Africa in their semi final which went into overtime and sudden death and in their final against France, one of the New Zealand players was sent out of the pool because of injury. After a very eventful and hard fought game, New Zealand came away with a 3-1 win. Both U19 and U24 Women's teams brought the cups home to New Zealand, and are back to back winners of the Age Group World Championships.



Kapa Haka

A new beginning arose yesterday as our kapa haka group 'Te Tauranga o Ngā Waka' performed to a full school assembly. To see our rōpū (group) present a 25 minute bracket (that takes 10 months of practice) was an exceptional performance. Matua Ed (tutor) and co have done an amazing job.

What happened after the performance was next level. After the clapping of the crowd fell silent, a strong voice chanted "Tēnā i ruia" (a command to action). Akuira, heeding the call of action for all to join in, to what is called a 'Haka tautoko' (a chant of support) for the kapa haka group. The atmosphere was filled with a 'wairua' (feeling) of love and support with students joining in to support her. It was a really amazing moment. All the best to the kapa haka group who will be getting ready for their national campaign. Kia kaha rā!
He timatanga hou, Tū mai rā wāhine mā!



Calendar

31 August-08 September	Winter Tournament Week
01-07 September	Artsfest Art Exhibition—The People's Gallery, Historic Village
05 September	International Department trip—Auckland
06 September	BoT Student nominations close
06 September	MID TERM BREAK —school closed
10 September	TGC/TBC International Dinner & Dance
16-23 September	Senior Assessment Week

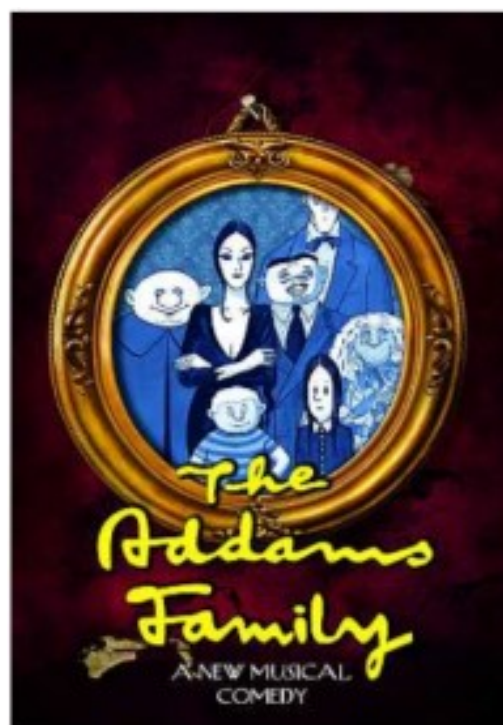
BoP Regional Checker of the Year Competition



Congratulations to Grace Gill who placed 4th in the Foodstuffs Bay of Plenty Regional heat for the North Island Checker of the year competition. There were over 100 competitors involved in finding the top checkout operator. Congratulations also goes to Jessica Butler who was part of the New World Gate Pa team with Grace who won the top scoring store. Congratulations!



TGC/TBC Production 2020 The Addams Family



Dun na na na *snap* *snap* Dun na na na *snap* *snap* Morticia, Gomez, and their children Wednesday and Pugsley are coming to Tauranga! We're super excited to announce the Tauranga Girls' College and Tauranga Boys' College production for 2020 is 'The Addams Family,' the musical. Baycourt is locked and loaded for May.

Watch this space for more details as the machine that this the production team swings into motion. Soon there will be audition, production team and sponsorship information coming your way.

Get excited people; this is going to be great!

Tauranga Girls' College Music

Congratulations to all of the College Music groups that have recently returned from regional and national competitions. The trophy cabinet is bulging with your accolades and as a school we acknowledge the enormous amount of time and effort that each of you has invested in developing your skills and refining your art form. A huge thank you too to the staff who have tutored and accompanied the students in their performances and the parents who have given up their time to look after the girls and let them shine.

Six groups represented Tauranga Girls' at the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Regional Bands and Orchestra Festival in a day long competition that drew in over 70 groups from schools across the region. Ably led by Christine Kim, Helena Wright, and Saki Kawamura, the students came away with the following awards:

Big Band	Gold Award and a Merit award
Guitar Ensemble "Chicks with Picks"	Silver award
Junior Percussion Ensemble "Flying Sticks"	Bronze award
Senior Percussion Ensemble "Bangers and Smash"	Gold award and a Merit award
String Ensemble	Gold Award
Symphonic Band	Gold award, and the award for the Most Outstanding Band of the day

A day later the College's premiere choir "Luminosa Armonia Chorale" travelled to Rotorua to perform at "Cadenza". "Cadenza" follows on from the recent "Big Sing" competition run by the NZ Choral Federation. Adjudicators ranked choirs from around the country and brought together the strongest choirs from around the upper north island to compete in this inaugural event.

"Luminosa Armonia" delivered two stunning performances and carried off one of the three Excellence (Gold) awards given out by the highly-regarded American adjudicator Tim Sharp. He described them as a "Lovely ensemble with an exciting sound! Beautiful literature, a choir that is well-balanced and blended. A beautiful ensemble in so many ways." Well done to you all and a huge thank you to their spectacular Chorale leader, Jessie White for leading the way all along the journey to Cadenza 2019!

International Day

The International Department held their International Day on Monday 26 August where students showcased their culture by either being involved in a Cultural Show that included a quiz on their countries, traditional dancing, solo acts and national anthems. An array of food was also sold from their countries including sandwiches made from homemade German bread, Chinese fried rice and chicken, Japanese curry, Pad Thai, Korean Bulgogi and sausage with rice cake.

\$475.60 was raised and the money is being donated to CanTeen, a not for profit organisation that helps 13 – 24 year olds dealing with cancer get back to living their lives.



Senior Timetable – Benchmark Exams 2019
16 – 20 September

Monday 16 September	Tuesday 17 September	Wednesday 18 September	Thursday 19 September	Friday 20 September	Monday 23 September
AM					
11MAE Pt 1 11MAP 11MAT 12FNU 12PHY 13FNU 13HIS	11ENG 11ENL 11ENP 12HIS 12HTH 13BST 13MAC	11FNU 12CHE 12ECO 13ENG 13ENL	11MAE Pt 2 & 3 12ACC 12CHI 12FRE 12GER 12JAP 12SPA 12TRR 13ACC 13HTH 13TRR	11DNC 12DNC 11GEO 11MUS/11CMS 12BST 13BIO 13GER 13JAP 13FRE	<div>Staff preparation for feedback to senior students</div>
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Information regarding the Benchmark Exams

All Year 11, 12 and 13 students, are on exam leave from Monday 16 September – Tuesday 23 September to sit the Tauranga Girls' College Benchmark examinations. These examinations are a practice for the NZQA External examinations starting on 08 November and, are sometimes referred to as the derived grade examinations. A derived grade is used to support a student who, for reasons beyond her control such as illness or trauma, either cannot sit an NCEA exam or, has their performance impaired during the NCEA examinations. For this reason it is important that students prepare themselves thoroughly for the Benchmark examinations. These examination results will also give students valuable feedback on any gaps in their learning as they prepare for the final examinations in November.

If a student is legitimately unable to attend an assessment (eg due to illness or family bereavement), then please notify Mrs Umbers through the School Office 578-8114, on or before the day of the exam, to organise for the exam to be re-scheduled. Please follow this in writing with a Medical Certificate or a letter from home.

The school follows NZQA examination regulations for the Benchmark examinations and assessment is not rescheduled for any circumstances other than illness or a family crisis.

This is a week that is focussed on learning and the school does not organise co-curricular activity for senior students during this week.

Adventure Teens- School Holiday Camp.

This is our exciting new camp for teenagers 13-16yrs. Come and join our intensive outdoors based activities. This will include bush sleep out, survival skills, rock climbing, challenging tramps and lots more.

Planned and run by teachers to give the best and safest experience!

Monday 30 September - Friday 04 October 2019 \$545

Drop off and pick up points in Auckland, Hamilton and BOP.

More info and book in www.edventure.co.nz, Phone 021 022 41576

Contacting the College 2019

We encourage parents to contact the College (578 8114) for support at any time during the year.
The Pastoral Team includes:

Year 9	Dean:	Mrs Anna Leach	ext 770	Senior Leader:	Mrs Cade	
Year 10	Dean:	Ms Robyn Mankelow:	ext 767	Senior Leader:	Mrs Bird	
Year 11	Dean:	Mrs Fiona Lochhead	ext 766	Senior Leader:	Ms Valentine	
Year 12	Dean:	Mrs Kaye Barnett	ext 768	Senior Leader:	Mrs Ferguson	
Year 13	Deans	Mrs Bridget Prendiville	ext 769	Senior Leader:	Ms Rowlands	
Guidance Counsellors			Ms Judy Burr	ext 728	Ms Sue Ferguson	ext 724
Inclusive Learning Leader			Ms Karen Gilby	ext 740		

College bank account details:

Name of Account	Tauranga Girls' College Board of Trustees				
Name of Bank	ANZ, Tauranga	Account Number	01-0475-0055400-00		

Tauranga Girls' College Values

"empowering tomorrow's women"



RESPECT (Manaakitanga)

- Be positive, caring and encouraging
- Be accepting of difference
- Respect other people's right to learn
- Have good manners and act with integrity

PARTICIPATION (Mahi Tahī)

- Aim high and get involved
- Show leadership
- Meet deadlines and commitments
- Be on time and prepared to learn

PRIDE (Mana Motuhake)

- Be the best we can be
- Be proud of ourselves and of our achievements
- Be proud to be problem solvers and innovators
- Be proud to be a member of our diverse school community

"By encouraging individual responsibility, integrity and respect for the rights of others"



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Positive Behaviour for Learning

Learning Competencies

Managing Self

(Mana Motuhake)

I am organised for learning

This includes:

- Being punctual
- Bringing gear to class
- Completing homework
- Meeting deadlines

Relating to Others

(Manaakitanga)

I show respect for the learning environment

This includes:

- Respecting the teacher
- Respecting my classmates
- Respecting the learning environment

Participating & Contributing (Mahi tahi)

I take part in learning

This includes:

- Working on set tasks
- Contributing positively to learning