



**Tauranga
Girls' College**
The School of Choice for Girls

Newsletter Pānui



Term One has been a dynamic one, full of interest, challenge, diversity and always success. Thank you to everyone for contributing to the positivity and aspiration of being the School of Choice for Girls in the Bay.

Dynamic start

As we reflect on Term One, we remember the collapsing of the timetable with a deliberate plan to build whanaungatanga by building upon the concept of Tūrangawaewae. It was a huge effort led by Deputy Principal, Kylie Valentine and a team of colleagues. The purpose of this plan was to make sure that ākonga (learners) and relationships are central to all that we do. So, we decided to: develop a new three week plan that slowed down the traditional classroom teaching and learning. We chose to focus on getting to know one another, our school and to learn a little more about our local community. We are grateful for the support of the three iwi represented in Tauranga Moana, Ngāti Te Rangī, Ngāti Ranginui and Ngāti Pūkenga. We thank those involved and Whaea Curnow for their expertise during this.

Full of Interest

It was wonderful to begin the term with three hundred and thirty three new enrolments in Year 9, the largest it has been in several years. It paralleled the 'standing room only' numbers that attended the Open Day and the MoE increased staffing based on our March 1 return. Our aspiration to be the 'school of choice for girls in the bay' certainly got off to a positive start but I am the first to admit our mahi has only just begun. It will always take 'a village to raise a child' and we know that we need the input of everyone to realise our aspiration.

Challenges

As the College strengthens its curriculum and pastoral needs, there is always a challenge to meet the needs of all learners, talents and capabilities. There have also been some behaviours that are not becoming of our TGC values and it is unfortunate then, that because of these behaviours, these young women are no longer members of our College. We all make mistakes but the health and well being of everyone is what we all signed up for as members of the TGC

community and our values of respect, pride and participation help to guide us all. A very capable Pastoral Team which includes our Tutors, Deans, Guidance Staff, Careers Advisor and DPs means there are plenty of 'go to' people should your daughter need any additional support in school. However, we expect her to also make good decisions and role model what 'good' looks like and encourage it in others.

Diversity

It will be wonderful to end the term with a full school assembly in which the diversity of our kura will be highlighted and celebrated along with the other successes during the term. Having an empathy for others is critical for our young women as they navigate life beyond school, Tauranga and Aotearoa NZ. Special thanks must also go to our sports teams, coaches and managers who did us proud during the Summer Tournament Week.

Life Long Success

It was wonderful to host our alumnae from 1957-59 last week. They were an amazing group who shared stories, reconnected, and reminisced about

their time as students at Tauranga Girls' College back in the 1950s. There was a lot of lovely chatter and hugs as once familiar friends reconnected again on this day. The 45 women, hosted by Year 13 Ambassadors who took tours around the school, spent the morning looking at archival materials, listening to the Jazz Combo and enjoying a well deserved morning tea from our Food Technology department. Julienne Taylor, former Prefect and House Captain, closed the event which

had been opened by our Deputy Head Girl Lily Alton. Special thanks must go to Mrs Mavis Ollerenshaw, an alumnae herself and current member of staff who did all the important organisation leading up to this day!

Finally, thank you to everyone who made a difference to Tauranga Girls' College this term. It's been another busy one, with lots to celebrate and to reflect upon. With both Easter and AN-ZAC day falling in this holiday period, it is good to stand back

and think about others and be thankful for all that we have and the mahi to be done.

Collectively, we can and will continue to make a difference.



Tara Kanji
Principal

Senior Model United Nations

Tauranga Girls' College had two teams competing at the competition on Saturday 30 March. The competition was held at the Tauranga City Council chambers. Both teams were from Year 11 so it was their first time in the senior competition. Our girls did extremely well and held their own. They suggested and debated changes to the resolution and some of these were passed by the assembly. They spoke with confidence and did TGC proud! Neither team placed in the top three but the girls are building capacity and keen to participate in the next one!

The girls involved were:
Lola Vahey
Bourne
Teia Kahura
Stephanie Austin
Ashlen Kaur,
Nichola Lee,
Mahnoor Qadri.



Young Innovator Awards

On Thursday the 28th of March, the Young Innovator Awards launched the program for 2019. The programme's goal is to expose students to the world of innovation. Students must create an innovative product/ website/ invention to solve a problem that could be something small or in everyday life, looking at sustainability behind their work. YiA have partnered with a range of innovative companies from around the Bay, including BlueLab, Priority 1, and Woods. It is sponsored by Bayfair, Because, Waikato Uni and more, allowing them to offer amazing internships and prizes to participants. In the launch, they announced several new changes, including a new judging process, online entries, and a brand new website. Abbey Crawford, past student at Tauranga Girls' College, who won the senior category with her and Skye Lunson-Storey's innovation "Offkuts", attended, as well as People's Choice Award winner Ella Waterreus, and teachers Ms Gill and Mr Ferguson. The event, held at Beca in town was a successful evening, finishing with food and drink while some of last year's winners mingled with a range of people from the partners of YiA. Registrations are open on www.yia.co.nz and their new video will feature soon too!

Ella Waterreus, Year 13

Back to School

Friday 29th March saw the return to school of 45 enthusiastic students (and a few staff) from the early years of Tauranga Girls' College. Some were "3rd form" students in 1957 (who were still enrolled at what was then the co-educational Tauranga College) - to be taught on the site of TGC by teachers from the old school. The majority of our guests on Friday enrolled or transferred over to the new Tauranga Girls' College from 1958 onwards.



Friendships from many years ago were renewed, stories re-told - and while present-day staff and students were proud to show the way we do things now, we were genuinely inspired by those vibrant and interesting past-pupils who came to join us for the morning.

After meeting in the school library for a welcome by Lily Alton (Deputy Head Girl of Communications and Publicity) and Principal Tara Kanji, our guests had the opportunity of viewing some beautiful student art work, and discussing the display with some of the art students and teacher Megan Johnston (Leader of Learning - Art). The tasselled bookmarks produced from student artwork will be a tangible reminder of their day at school.

A campus tour with student ambassadors was followed by a delicious and superbly-presented morning tea prepared by students from the Technology Department. The Jazz Combo entertained during morning tea, to receive high praise from the alumnae. Thank you to Stephanie Geor (Leader of Learning - Music) & Stephanie O'Sullivan (Leader of Learning - Technology), their respective staff and students.

After their visit, those original students left us feeling as though we had gained as much from the experience as they did. Thank you to all the staff and students involved in the activities.

These are just a few of the comments received in the days following;

"Please pass on a big thank you to all the teams at TGC for putting on a great '57-'59 reunion!! Everything about it was top notch and so well organised!"

"A meeting of old school friends (especially the ones lost touch with), a walk around the new environment that brought back memories, and discoveries, a LOVELY morning tea knowing that present pupils had made it, a soupçon of amazing musical talent, a great bunch of ambassadors who are obviously so proud of their school and a chance to meet with Tara Kanji. All in all...perfect!"

"We didn't expect to be entertained by the School Jazz group and we certainly couldn't fault the morning tea. The students who showed us around did a great job also. I couldn't even visualize what the campus was like in 1957!"

"Your students gave us a very warm welcome and I was most impressed with our two guides. I was particularly interested to see the art folios which were excellent, I thought. The facilities at Tauranga Girls' College impressed me particularly. What lucky girls your students are."

Surf Life Saving Nationals

It was a very successful Surf Life Saving National Championships for the Tauranga Girls' College students. All of the seven TGC students (and one staff member) competing were racing for the Mount Maunganui club, giving us a great advantage, since the competition was at our home beach. To top it off, the surf was pumping! Despite the weather being horrible over the three days of competition, with wind and rain, the girls managed some outstanding results. Congratulations to Charlotte Webb, Hannah Richardson, Olivia Carr-Manoit, Mia Carr-Manoit, Olive Pearce, Lily Pearce, Lily Alton and Kaydi O'Connor for giving their all in every race. Special mention goes to Olive Pearce for being named in the highly prestigious New Zealand Youth Squad. Also, thank you very much to staff members Mrs Bird and Mrs Baxter for officiating at the event and making sure that the weekend ran smoothly.

Olive Pearce:

1st- Rescue tube rescue
 2nd- Board relay
 -Ironperson
 -Surf teams
 3rd- Surf race

Lily Pearce:

2nd- Surf teams
 3rd- Diamond race

Charlotte Webb:

2nd- Surf Teams

Olivia Carr-Manoit:

1st- Board rescue
 2nd- Board relay



Olive Pearce, Charlotte Webb, Lily Pearce

Drama Competition

Recently a Tauranga Girls' College drama group competed in the Sheilah Winn Shakespeare festival. The competition was held at Mount Maunganui Performing Arts Centre and TGC was one of five schools competing in the event. TGC had three pieces entered, one 15 minute teacher-directed piece, and two five minute student directed pieces. The 15 minute piece, directed by Ms Cassells and Ms Offner, involved students of all year groups and all backgrounds. The cast was full of love, support and it was an incredible environment to be in. The two student-directed pieces were led by CJ Dackers and the other was led by Rebecca Eggerslugsz and Courtney Thomas. TGC performed incredibly well and all the students had an amazing experience and can't wait to be involved again next year.

Lily Alton Year 13

International Rugby Match



Tauranga Girls' College welcomed a Canadian rugby team from Vancouver on Monday 18 March. They came to play against our school. The game was a great experience for both teams as it was two countries from across the world playing a memorable game. Tauranga Girls' College won but it was a challenging match, we appreciate this opportunity and hope the best for the Canadian girls.

Cate Belton, Year 13

Rugby Reps Named

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected in the BOP Rugby 7s U16 and U18 teams:

U16

Ayla Bowring
 Puarito Atutahi
 Bethan Adkins

U18

Minardi Daniel
 Caitlin Robb
 Luisa Togotogorua
 Teagan Meyer

They compete in the Northern Regional Tournament on 5 April

Waikato BoP Athletics

Last weekend, on the 23rd of March, 18 Tauranga Girls' College athletes travelled over the Kaimais to compete at the Waikato-Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Track and Field Championships held at Porritt Stadium in Hamilton. The heat of the day meant for an extra challenge (as if the competition wasn't tough enough already), however our girls continued to compete exceptionally well against athletes from all over the Waikato region coming out with amazing results. To even make it to this event is a huge achievement that everyone who attended should be proud of and we had 10 qualifiers through to North Islands in a couple of weeks' time, where they will represent the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Associations' team. These positions are highly contended for and are attained by finishing in the top 3 placings of an event at Waikato.

A massive congratulations to our TGC students who competed at this event!

Results:

Junior Girls

100m: Lily Keogh 2nd

200m: Lily Keogh 1st, Meadow Maharey 3rd

800m: Olivia Hala 1st

1500m: Olivia Hala 1st

4 x 100m Relay: Lily Keogh, Annaya Gould, Cerys Adkins, Meadow Maharey 1st

High Jump: Sunny Davis 3rd

Long Jump: Lily Keogh 3rd

Triple Jump: Ella Vrieze 9th, Sunny Davis 11th

Shot Put: Maia Kahura 5th

Discus: Cerys Adkins 3rd, Maia Kahura 5th

Javelin: Moui Veikoso 6th

Intermediate

100m: Morgan Riley 3rd

3000m: Maia Flint 3rd, Tiarna Allen 4th

Javelin: Mikaela Percival 10th

Senior

100m: Minardi Daniel 3rd

200m: Minardi Daniel 2nd

800m: Abigail Mortimer 3rd

1500m: Abigail Mortimer 2nd

4 x 100m Relay: Minardi Daniel, Kayli Tuiraviravi, Molly Cachemaille, Morgan Riley 2nd

High Jump: Kayli Tuiraviravi 3rd

ARTIST OF THE WEEK

Nichola Li, Year 11



I am a year 11 art student. This artwork is from my first assignment which is called the Zoo in My Room. I have chosen a peacock as one of my zoo animals. I painted the trees using a round thick bristle brush, using a dabbing technique, which gives a 'natural' look to the pine trees. The monochromatic colour I used made it easier painting using a single colour. In the end I dipped a thick bristle brush in white paint and flicked it on the artwork to create snow, making it seem random, but yet natural at the same time. Personally, I still think there is still space for it to be improved, but in art there is no time for perfectionism. I am uncertain if I am going to use peacock as the main subject in my work for the rest of the year.

**SCHOOL
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ELECTIONS**

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2019 Triennial Board of Trustees Elections

The next election is due this year
The Tauranga Girls' College elec-

tion is **Friday 07 June 2019**

NZSTA would like to encourage parent and whānau participation on school boards and will be rolling out the Korari Programme for anyone interested in finding out about standing for the school board elections. More details can be downloaded from our website under Board of Trustees and the NZSTA website.

Summer Tournament Week (25-31 March)

The week saw a number of Tauranga Girls' College sports teams travel around the country to various tournaments, many at a national level where they competed with school pride and determination coming away with amazing results. Special mentions go to the Waka Ama team who competed at Nationals for the first time in 7 years and also to the Futsal team who competed at Nationals for their first time. Not only did our school teams come away with results to be proud of but also with gained experience to apply in the future after competing at such a high level.

Rowing 2019 Aon Maadi Cup

We had a number of girls representing Tauranga Girls' College at the Aon Maadi Cup for Rowing. The rowing nationals was held at Lake Karapiro this year, and was expecting approximately 2000 competitors from over 120 New Zealand schools. In particular Courtney Ryan and Rosie Froom, came first in their U17 and U18 heats and went on to win their quarterfinals and semi finals. They also went on to win gold in U17 girls double receiving the Lawrence 'Jumbo' Jackson Cup. They came 4th in U18 girls double. Post Maadi, both Courtney Ryan and Rosie Froom were offered trials. Rosie was offered a trial for the 2019 New Zealand Juniors rowing squad which will travel overseas to compete. Courtney Ryan was also given the opportunity to trial for the North Island U18 rowing squad for New Zealand. The hard long training season has finally paid off for all the rowing girls after Aon Maadi. Congratulations to all the rowing girls for their accomplishments and thank you to their coaches and families who have made it all possible.



Triathlon

NZSS Triathlon Nationals, New Plymouth

The Secondary Schools Triathlon Nationals was held in New Plymouth. The two day event consisted of the individual triathlon as well as a transition and tag team relay, and finished with the opportunity for school athletes to watch an elite world cup whereby top athletes from all around the world came to the venue to compete.

Abbie Mortimer finished in 5th place in the U19 division for the individual triathlon after racing in the chase pack on the bike and trying to catch the leaders on the run. The event was an amazing opportunity, especially with the chance to watch the elites race at the utmost level of the sport, providing an unforgettable experience.

Futsal

Secondary Schools Futsal Champs, Wellington TGC -19th overall



Basketball

Secondary Schools 3x3 National Championships
TGC 1 - 2nd place, TGC 2 - 11th place



We had two teams representing our school in the senior open grade. Throughout the tournament Tauranga Girls' 1 managed to take out top in their pool, advancing to the quarterfinals. Here they won against Nga Taiatea Wharekura 15 - 11, again allowing them into the semi finals. On the second day they had semi finals against Saint Peters (Cambridge), in which they won by 1 point, in a close game 8-9. As a result they gained entry into the grand finals against Westlake Girls'. Up the whole game, in the last minute it fell to a tie, which resulted in overtime. Unfortunately Westlake Girls' was the first to make two points, meaning they were officially the winners of the nationals. Despite the tough loss the girls enjoyed the experiences and we're still proud to represent our school and to be runners up in a National tournament. Well done to the girls representing our school, in particular Kaitlyn Morrell, Maioha Haimona-Ngawharau, Honey Cooney and Maia Chandler.

Golf

BOP Secondary Schools Championships

This competition was against all other high school teams within the BOP district, with the winning school earning a spot in the National Secondary School Champs held at Cromwell Golf Course in November. The team who competed included Georgia Kaye, Judy Shin and Caitlin Maurice. It was a tough day in the conditions with wind and rain, but as a team pulled through strongly shooting scores of 96, 93 and 72 finishing 5th.

Volleyball

NZ Secondary Schools Volleyball Champs,
Palmerston North
TGC A - 6th place, TGC B - 15th place



We started off the week with winning the majority of our games making it into the top 16. We then went on to winning our next few games giving us a place in the top 8. Unfortunately we lost our quarter final against Trident meaning our next game was against Aorere which we won, putting us into the 5th and 6th play off which we unfortunately lost. We gained a final placing of 6th. For most of the girls in the team it was their last school nationals and we had an awesome trip.

Waka Ama U19s Team-



National Secondary Schools Waka Ama Championships, Lake Tikitapu

- 11th in the plate semi-final for W12 250m sprint alongside Tauranga Boys' College
- 8th in plate semi-final for W6 500m turns race
- 3rd in plate semi-final for W6 250m sprint
- 10th in plate finals for W6 250m sprint
- Te Rina Leubert placed 10th in champ finals for

Rugby 7s

North Islands, Arataki Park

The TGC U19 and U15 sevens team competed at the NISS Sevens tournament, held at Arataki Park. Our U19 team did well and finished 2nd in the open U19 girls' grade, while the U15 team finished an impressive 2nd in the U15 development grade. Both of these teams are relatively new, so this tournament was a promising start to our season and we look forward to working towards nationals at the end of the year.



The Art of Ukulele Exhibition



Over 80 painted ukuleles were on display during February and March at the Historic Village, including two by students Rebecca Kneale and Hayley Tanner (both in Year 13). Held by the Incubator Creative Hub team, the call for registrations of interest went out in December, allowing two months for the artists to complete their designs. Artists paid a small entry fee and base ukulele, and given the opportunity to sell their ukulele at the exhibition. Each ukulele arrived as a kit, with the body, neck and pegs

as separate parts. As part of the terms and conditions, all of the ukuleles had to be assembled, with particular attention paid to the neck, making sure it was glued well to the body. They then had to be painted or transformed into an art work. The event was a great way to meet other artists and explore the world outside of school. It is expected to be running for years to come, with an opportunity for budding artists.



Hayley Tanner



Rebecca Kneale



Request from New World, Gate Pa

We have been requested by New World to remind students and parents about the use of facilities in the Gate Pa Shopping Centre. Years 9 to 12 students are not permitted to leave school grounds without permission during school hours. New World have reported students visiting their store during the day and TGC approves that they refuse entry to students who are not in Year 13 between 8.30am and 3.20pm.

The store has also asked that students do not congregate in their foyer, block doorways or use the foyer as a thoroughfare. This fits in with our value Manākitanga (Respect) for our community.

Please note that the New World carparks opposite the busbay are for New World staff and not public carparks.

Coming Up

08-11 April	Race Unity Speech Competition
08 April	Teddy Bears' Picnic
12 April	10MAT trip
12 April	Last day of Term 1
13 April	Tauranga Girls' College Ball
29 April	Start of Term 2 TEACHER ONLY DAY
01 May	Scholarship Evening
02 May	Victoria University Liaison Visit
02 May	Board of Trustees Meeting

Teacher Only Day
29 April 2019

Vacancies

Exam Centre Manager

Tauranga Girls' College is seeking an Exam Centre Manager to lead the running of NCEA and NZ Scholarship examinations in November 2019. While you will be an employee of NZQA, pending a Police Vet, your appointment will be based on the school's recommendation.

The position requires you to work for the entire examination period (Friday 8 November to Tuesday 3 December). You must attend two days of training with NZQA in August/September (dates tbc). Following this you can fit in the planning and preparation for your exam centre to suit you.

Ensuring the smooth and successful running of an exam centre is important for our students. You should be highly organised, confident leading people of all ages and be skilled in using a computer.

For further information, please email growlands@tgc.school.nz

Please send your CV and cover letter to Glenda Rowlands : growlands@tgc.school.nz

Applications close Friday 3 May 2019

Assistant Caretaker

A part time position of Assistant Caretaker has arisen at Tauranga Girls' College. This role involves taking responsibility for the safety and good order of the grounds and property of Tauranga Girls' College.

The ideal candidate would have the following attributes:

- Experience in gardening, grounds maintenance and property maintenance.
- Ability to multitask and prioritise
- Flexibility and a positive 'can-do' approach
- Be able to work within a team and independently
- Knowledge of Health and Safety requirements
- A good communicator

This is a permanent part time role and the hours are 20 per week. Tauranga Girls' College values are Respect, Pride and Participation.

To apply, please send a covering letter and CV to principal@tgc.school.nz

Applications close 26 April 2019

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: Ms Caroline Gill (Term 1)	ext 768	Senior Leader:	Mrs Ferguson
	Dean: Mrs Kaye Barnett (Term 2)	ext 768		
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		
Brand and Communications Leader	Kaydi O'Connor, koconnor@tgc.school.nz			

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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empowering tomorrow's women



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 tahī)

I take part in learning

This includes:

- Working on set tasks
- Contributing positively to learning