



## Welcome to the Term Two Bulletin

Tēna koutou katoa



As the Term has now come to an end, we can once again look back and reflect on what has been another busy term. While COVID and Flu have continued to cause disruption, we have been fortunate in the fact that we have not had to cancel anything.

We began the term with the annual Cross-Country race. However, this year the student leaders introduced something a bit different with a Colour Run for those who did not want to run the full Cross Country. This helps everyone meet the school value of involvement, encouraging as many people as possible to participate in these school events.

The following few weeks were full of activities both in and out of school from the Sport and Recreation tramp to the PTA Bingo Night, Industry visits and the Loves Me Not programme, while also supporting Pink Short Day and Gumboot Friday.

I also had the pleasure of going around all our local Primary schools this term along with our student leaders on the Primary Roadshow, showcasing the college to our prospective students. The feedback from the students has been good, but I would encourage any prospective student or whānau member to contact the school if they would like a tour at any time

The term culminated in an extremely busy few days with two days of Production followed closely by the Kuranui Sports Exchange

I am always on awe of the talents of our young people both on stage and behind the scenes and the performance of The Last Gasp Café this year did not disappoint. From The Lomax's to the homeless, everyone played their part in front of very appreciative audiences. A huge congratulations to all the cast and crew and to the Food technology students who prepared café snacks for the intermission.

Finally, over 100 students represented the College in the Kuranui Sports Exchange. This is the 9th year we had held the sports exchange between Tararua College and Kuranui College in Grey Town. This year the exchange was held at the Bush Multisport Centre here in Pahiatua.

The students compete in 8 fixtures over a few sports, namely Hockey, Basketball, Netball Football and Rugby. The result was 4 wins each, however as Tararua College won the trophy outright last year, we hold onto it for another year until we make the trip back down to Greytown in 2023. The sportsmanship and teamwork which were on display during the day was fantastic and I congratulate

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all Participants, winners, and losers alike, for what is always a highlight of the year in our sporting calendar.

This term also saw the first ever public holiday to mark Matariki, the Māori New Year. The College has recognised Matariki for number of years now, and we are very proud of all the community's involvement both in the College and at the Town Marae. Matariki is a very special time of year for us all, and a chance for us to celebrate Māori new year, remember those who have past and set goals for the year to come.

Ma te wheturangi o Matariki,  
e tiaki mai, e manaaki mai i a koe,  
i a koutou ranei, mo te tau e taka mai ana.

May the gentle light of Matariki guide and inspire you all this year.

This term has seen more changes to the staff at Tararua College. To begin with, we said farewell to Gilda McKnight who has been SENCO and LS teacher within the SSC for almost a decade. These rolls have now been filled by Mark and Deanna McKay.

Other departures from Tararua College saw Mr Emery take on a promotion as Assistant Principal at Dannevirke High School. Mr Emery has been a huge part of the College over the past 6 years. From starting at Tararua College as a new teacher, Matt quickly proved himself and was appointed as Dean and eventually HOD Social Studies. He has been a great supporter of many events and sports teams at the College, not least his organisation of the CACTUS programme each year. He will be a great loss from the College, but we wish him well in his promotion.

Also, Mr Cook and Miss Madigan left us at the end of the term to go travelling. Again, they have both been valuable members of the College in their time here and will be hugely missed for their support of the college and involvement in everything we do.

To replace our outgoing staff, we welcomed Miss Wadood into the Social Studies department. from Papatoetoe High School in Auckland. At the start of Term 3 we will also see Mrs Wuts join us as our new music Teacher and Miss McKay as our new teacher of English & Drama.

Finally, our groundsman, Arron Beardmore also moved on, returning to Australia, and we appointed Mrs Andrea Slater as our new Caretaker. Andrea came to us from Pūkaha and we look forward to seeing what she has planned for the College grounds and environmental garden.

I hope you have all had a very restful and enjoyable break, even though the weather has been against us, and I look forward to another busy, but hopefully just as successful, Term 3.

Ngā mihi nui



Iain Anderson  
Tumuaki/Principal

## Dates to Remember

### Teacher Only Day

Term Three Starts  
Sport / Cultural Photos  
Massey Open Day  
Board Meeting  
ProMed Course  
PTA Meeting  
Derived Grade Assessment Week  
Teachers Only Day  
Tournament Week  
PTA Bingo Night  
What Next (Yr12/13)  
Maori Language Week  
Kahui Ako Meeting  
BOT Meeting  
Senior Ball  
Sports Prizegiving  
End of Term

### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> of September  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September  
Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September

New School Bank Account Number:

Tararua College – ASB 12-3211-0033367-00

### New Staff:

We welcome Ayeh Wadood to Tararua College she is our new Social Science Teacher



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## Tararua Sport Awards

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June the Tararua Sports Awards were held. This year they were held virtually but Bush Multisport Park also did have a viewing party which was a great success. Thank you to Sport Manawatu for providing this opportunity for some finalists to come together to celebrate their successes. Firstly, a very big congratulations to all our finalists, this is a great achievement and was great to be recognised on the night for all your hard work throughout the year.

Congratulations to Abby Treder for winning the Junior Sportswomen of the Year Award for 2022. This is an awesome achievement, and we are all very proud of you. Abby also received a highly commended in the Supreme Sportsperson section.

NB: Missing from group photo: Sophie Hunter / Ollie Corbin / Taylor Hall



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## Celebrating our Students' Achievements

Tayla Andrews and Victoria Te Waaka

Two of our student leaders, Head Student Tayla Andrews, and Student Board Rep Victoria Te Waaka, have been selected to take part in the Future Leaders Academy Pacific Student Leaders Programme. This is a weeklong course that will take place in New Caledonia that sees young people from across New Zealand, Australia and the Pacific Islands come together to develop their personal and team leadership skills through fun, unique and hands-on activities. This course accepts only 50 students from across the Pacific and we are so proud that two of our students were selected. We look forward to seeing them develop their leadership skills and bringing those back to share with us at school.



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## Matariki Celebration

This year marked the first year our nation celebrated Matariki as a public holiday, however, we here at TC, have been celebrating Matariki with weeklong celebrations for a while now. This year we ran events and activities over the week that embraced the main themes of Matariki, like coming together and sharing kai, kōrero and knowledge.

We started the week with a beautiful kawē mate ceremony in our whare, Tama Tū Tama Ora, where family members were welcomed in with photos of some of our whanau who have passed in recent years and made significant contributions to our school marae. We had a few activities throughout the week including our Scavenger Hunt for the Matariki stars hidden around school and a short story writing competition. We wrapped the week with an event called Tararua on a Plate, which is a big hākari/feast that brings us all together while also sharing and celebrating the cultures of our school through some dishes from the different ethnic backgrounds and upbringings within our school whanau.

It was a great way to bring in the winter solstice and we can't wait to see how this celebration will grow both at our school and within the community in the coming years.

Mānawatia a Matariki.



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## Year 9 Term Two Option

Our Year 9 students have been creating some wonderful food this term



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# School Board Elections 2022

The triennial board elections will be held in September this year. The Ministry of Education now has an option for online voting using a cloud-based platform. You can read about how the online voting system will work on the [My School Election website](#).

## What are school boards?

All New Zealand's state and state-integrated schools have a school board which is the Crown entity responsible for the governance of the school.

The board:

- ensures every student can reach their highest possible standard in student achievement
- is the employer of all staff in the school
- sets the school's strategic direction in consultation with parents, whānau, staff, students, and the wider school community
- is responsible for overseeing the management of personnel, curriculum, property, finance, and administration

## Board membership

There are three types of representative members who are elected to the board. These "representative" board members are elected by the parent community, staff members and, in the case of schools with students above Year 9, the students.

There are also other types of board members, including the principal, co-opted and appointed board members.

A standard school board's membership includes:

- [parent elected \(or selected\) representatives](#) (usually five)
- the principal of the school
- one [staff-elected representative](#)
- one [student-elected representative](#) (in schools with students above Year 9)
- state integrated schools: four board members appointed by the proprietor

The board can co-opt additional people onto the board for gender, skill or ethnic balance, and the Minister of Education can appoint an additional board member.



# Becoming a Board Member

## Why join a school board?

School board members are active leaders in our schools. They have an important role of supporting strong professional leadership and ensuring effective teaching for all students through informed governance.

Parents/caregivers and people in the wider community can be parent representatives. School boards need to represent the diversity of their school communities to ensure a bright future for all our children.

The school board elections are the opportunity to vote for candidates who will make a positive difference for children's education. We need more people willing to use their skills and experiences for the benefit of students!

## What sort of skills do board members need?

Every board member brings their own unique set of skills and experiences to the board.

As a member of your school's board, you will need to work well in a team and have good communication skills. It can help to have an understanding of the education sector. You may have financial skills and experience in managing people, knowledge and understanding of communities within your school, or experience working within your school and wider communities.

Every school board member can access NZSTA online professional development to learn about governance and upskill in areas of interest.

Kōrari is a set of introduction courses that provide an overview of school governance for people who've never been on a school board.

## How do I become a board member?

Contact Michelle Rankin for information about the school board and upcoming elections. Ask the board chair, Louise Powick, about going along to a board meeting to see how it works. Take the opportunity to ask the board members questions about their role and the board's work at Tararua College.

## Production 2022

Our production of 'The Last Gasp Cafe' by Sarah Delahunty was performed over two nights to sell out audiences. As well as putting on a show, this is the backbone of NCEA credits for our senior Drama students. Our school production provides a real-life context for learning, with real life accountability. Our wonderful senior students are responsible for producing the show, and this year, Year 13 student Hazel Ross also completed her directing standard. Hazel worked with both her peers in Year 13 and directed students from Year 10 -12. Hazel did an incredible job, creating some memorable moments, with complicated staging and many different elements in play. As well as the performers on the stage, other students worked towards performance technology standards for sound and lighting. Our audience was well entertained, and at intermission, were well fed. Again, tying in to NCEA credits in a real-life learning situation, The Year 11 Food Technology class designed a theatre snack, with the Year 13 Drama class as stakeholders, that was served at intermission.



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## Rock Quest

Barney Cook took some of our students to Carterton to attend the rock quest in Carterton. What a wonderful experience for our students.



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## HPA Student Rose Anderson

High Performance Academy student Rose Anderson will be leaving us in Term Four for the adventure of a lifetime. Rose has been accepted into a six-month exchange in Chatellerault, France. During this time, Rose will attend General High School Marcelin Berthelot (Lycée Général Marcelin Berthelot). She has already contacted her host family, has started on her French lessons, and is working towards completing her Level 2 NCEA qualification before she leaves.

Rose is 'excited to make new friends, have new experiences, a second family and to experience a different culture and foods. This experience will be fantastic for Rose for a plethora of reasons, one of the main ones being that she will get to experience some of the culinary arts that she intends to study when she leaves Tararua College. We wish Rose all the best on her adventure and although we are sad to see her leave, we are excited for her return next year. Thank you for everyone who helped support Rose through the raffle and contributed to her exchange. The lucky winner was our administration team member, Shirley Carter.



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## Celebrating our Student Success

Celebrating one of our HPA students, Stella Governor. As part of Eketāhuna's Matariki celebrations, a mural and pou were unveiled at the Eketāhuna Waka Park. Stella has painted nine different panels that represent each of Te Iwa o Matariki. Stella spoke to those who had gathered and explained her process and inspiration behind each panel as they were unveiled. We are very proud of her commitment to her community and cannot wait to see more of her creations in the future. If you would like to see the panels for yourself, they are hanging in the Eketāhuna Waka Park, on Main Street across from the petrol station.



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## Tararua College Umbrella

The PTA have purchased some umbrellas with our TC Logo on them. We are selling them for \$35.00 each. If you are interested in purchasing an umbrella, please contact Kami or Michelle at the College.

We would appreciate your payment before taking your umbrella. Money can be deposited online into our PTA Bank Account 02-0724-0020007-00.

