



## Pānui nā te Tūmuaki o Ngā Taiātea

He hōnore, he korōria ki te Atua

He maungarongo ki te whenua

He whakaaro pai ki ngā tāngata katoa

Koia tēnei te mihi ki tō tātou Kīngi a Tūheitia, rātou ko te whare Kāhui Ariki whānui tonu.

E mihi ana ki ō tātou tini mate kua ngaro nei i te tirohanga kanohi, moe mai rā koutou. Huri kau ana ki a tātou nga urupā o ratou mā, nei ra te mihi. Tēnā koutou katoa e te whānau whānui e hāpai nei, e tautoko nei i tō tātou kaupapa. Ki te kore ko koutou, e kore tēnei o ngā kaupapa e puāwai.

Congratulations to our year 9 students and our other new students who have started here at Nga Taiatea.

Nau mau piki mai koutou katoa ki runga i te waka o Nga Taiatea

Tēnā koutou katoa e te whānau

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### *Wāhanga 1:*

Kamehameha Maui visit	Thursday 23 March
Canadian Rugby team visit	Friday 24 March
NZSS Waka Ama National Competition – Rotorua	Tuesday 28 – Friday 31 March
Full school photos	Wednesday 5 April
Poukai – Te Papa o Rotu	Monday 10 April
Rautaki Ako conversations with teachers and whānau	Wednesday 12 April
End of Term 1	Thursday 13 April

#### *Wāhanga 2:*

Term 2 commences	Monday 1 May
Tainui waka Secondary School Kapa haka regionals	Saturday 6 May
Kāhui Kapa Haka Competition	Wednesday 5 July
End of Term 2	Thursday 6 July

#### **Hui Rautaki Ako**

This is a very important hui for all whānau and students. The goal is for all students to have their whānau come and listen to them present their Rautaki Ako about their passions, their goals and their plan to achieve this year. Our rangatahi are working on their Rautaki Ako (learning plan) at the

moment and the hope is that they discuss their goals, passions, plan and subjects etc with you, between now and when you come to support your child on 12 April 2017.

Date: Wednesday 12 April 2017

Time: 1pm to 6pm

Where: Nga Taiatea Wharekura (In your child's whanau class)

Your child's kaiarahi will contact you by email or phone to arrange an appointment time. The appointments may take up to 30 minutes per student.

We look forward to seeing you all here.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's Kaiarahi or Whaea Michelle Ohia on [michelle.treadaway-ohia@taiatea.school.nz](mailto:michelle.treadaway-ohia@taiatea.school.nz)

### Part-time Gardener position

We are seeking a keen enthusiastic experienced gardener for part-time work for approximately 10-16 hours per week. This is only a fixed term position, to help our school develop its grounds. If you are interested please email: [info@taiatea.school.nz](mailto:info@taiatea.school.nz) before 13 April 2017.

### Grey & black skirts (new style) have arrived

For those that have prepaid the skirts – these have been distributed to your daughters. It is expected that all year 9 girls are wearing their grey skirts by Monday 27 March 2017 at the latest. Thank you for your co-operation & patience.

### PE Uniform reminder

As you are aware, the PE Uniform is compulsory. Students need to be wearing the PE uniform by Friday 24 March 2017. The only exception to the rule would be, if we do not have the students size in stock. A list of these students names will be kept in the office. For students that have yet to purchase, they will need to ensure that they are sized for uniform by Wednesday 22 March 2017. Sizing is done by the office staff.



**Student ID card:** Student ID cards have been issued. The cost is \$10.00. Please organise payment as soon as possible. If there are any issues please contact Amiria Ph: (07) 850-6358 extn: 735

**Pick Up/Drop off students:** There is a pick up/drop off area by the buses. For the safety of our student, would you please use this area.

**Studying in the USA - reminder:** There is a hui for interested whanau with Katie Sleeman the Education USA Advisor from the US Consulate to help students and parents get a better understanding of the process of applying to study in the USA. Monday 27 March 7pm, Functions Room, St Peter's School, Cambridge

## **Mahinga Wheako mo te Kura Tuakana**

**31 Haratua – 2 Pipiri 2017**

Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou,

In the kura tuakana our ākonga move outside of the Wharekura into the real world and learn by doing hands-on work through Mahinga Wheako (Work Experience). This year Ākonga are expected to attend their Mahinga Wheako workplace for 3 days, from 21<sup>st</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June. This is week 5 in Term 2. **It is compulsory for all Tau 12 and 13 ākonga, and some Tau 11 taura will have the opportunity to participate as well.**

If a student is participating in the WINTEC Trades Academy or the Taratahi PITA course, this will not count as their Mahinga Wheako, though if one of the days wed-fri is their normal course day, they will be expected to attend that as per usual and do their Mahinga Wheako on the other 2 days.

They will need to wear the appropriate clothing for the workplace as discussed with their mentor and workplace. While neither the Kaiārahi nor other Wharekura personnel are present with the ākonga at these sites, the Kaiārahi will be actively involved through direct contact with the mentor and visits to the site where possible.

On the three days they have Mahinga Wheako, ākonga should go straight to the workplace. They do not need to come to Wharekura. To get to these work sites, they may walk or travel in personal vehicles or via public transportation. Parental/Guardian assistance may be needed to ensure your child has transport to their Mahinga Wheako.

This is different from traditional Wharekura settings where, during the day, ākonga stay within the Wharekura grounds or travel only on planned field trips. If they are going to be absent from the workplace, both the mentor and the kura must be informed first thing in the morning.

To effect this kind of education, the Wharekura has strict processes to be followed. The Agreement Forms must be fully completed before your child can go on to their Mahinga Wheako, and signed by the Mentor, Whanau, Kaiarahi and student. Ākonga will be expected to do presentations and evaluations of their Mahinga Wheako and upload them to their Rautaki Ako.

**If you have any questions or concerns, or would like to offer a Work Experience placement for our students, please call the Wharekura and ask to speak with Whaea Mel Veituna (Kaihautū Takere Hapori) or email her on [mel.veituna@taiatea.school.nz](mailto:mel.veituna@taiatea.school.nz)**

# Community Notices

## **Whanake Te Toi**

Whanake Te Toi is a unique talent quest for Waikato-Tainui members to showcase their passion for Te Reo Maaori and will be held [on Saturday 13 May, 2017](#) at Tuurangawaewae Marae, Kimiora Dining hall, [6pm - 9pm](#).

Key information about this event is as follows:

- Taonga and puutea will be presented to the top 3 performances;
- Any age group can enter - however, every participant must be a registered Waikato-Tainui tribal member;
- Registrations close 24 MARCH as per the following link:  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeF2x4MHCvj88LNYf3MuNAkTN8hkkJRSpAlq0fYS2QpCJ3nMA/viewform>
- Auditions will be held on 6 APRIL, Te Whakakitenga chambers, Hopuhopu;
- The event will be judged by a suite of tribal exponents in performing arts.

## **Te Reo o te Pā Harakeke – Call for Participants**

Please see the poster on the following page for full details. If you and your whānau meet the criteria required and would like to be involved, please see the office for an Expression of Interest form, otherwise please email Whaea Nellie, [Nellie.Johnstone@taiatea.school.nz](mailto:Nellie.Johnstone@taiatea.school.nz) for an electronic version.

As per the information sheet, **the Expression of Interest forms need to be received by Te Ipukarea – Department of Māori Studies at AUT by Monday 27<sup>th</sup> of March**, so please get this form back by Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> of March.



## Te Reo o te Pā Harakeke Call for Participants

*Tuia te rangi e tū nei  
Tuia te papa e takoto nei  
Tuia ngā muka tāngata o te motu  
Hei whītau mō te whāriki o Hine-te-iwaiwa*

Te IpuKarea, the National Māori Language Institute, invites expressions of interest from potential participants in a research project, Te Reo o te Pā Harakeke.

### He Ariā

Te Reo o te Pā Harakeke is a three year research project that seeks to understand the factors that contribute to the **successful intergenerational transmission of te reo Māori in the home**. The project will focus on the most effective strategies, methods, and resources in establishing and maintaining the Māori language as the first language in the home with the intention of raising Māori speaking children, and providing evidence on the various challenges and barriers that exist while ensuring that the Māori language retains its prominent place in the homes of Māori-speaking parents.

### Ngā Paearu

- The participants must live between Te Hiku o Te Ika and Taupō
- Te reo Māori must be the sole language of communication between the participants and their children, and the primary, dominant language of the home
- 2x highly proficient parents/guardians/primary caregivers from the same household; 'Highly proficient' refers to the ability to speak te reo Māori to a level where they can sustain it in an immersion context
- Prioritising parents of young children, including those parents that are currently hapū
- Participants must be committed for the duration of the project (3x years, 5x weekend wānanga over that time, 2x online surveys per year, active participation in the project multi-media platforms)

### Ngā Hua ki ngā Kaiuru

- 5x free weekend wānanga (Friday evening – Sunday afternoon) including accommodation and kai
- Free travel expenses (to and from the wānanga)
- Childcare provided at the first wānanga and by prior arrangement at subsequent wānanga
- Workshops facilitated by the project mentors, who are experts in language revitalisation in the home, including the lead mentors, Scotty and Stacey Morrison
- All of the resources that will be prepared for this project
- A community of like-minded parents

### Tono Mai

If you would like to participate, please fill in the attached Expression of Interest form and send to Dr Dean Mahuta [dmahuta@aut.ac.nz](mailto:dmahuta@aut.ac.nz) by Monday 27 March 2017.



This is a Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga funded project