

Pānui nā te Tūmuaki o Ngā Taiātea

He hōnora, 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.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Wāhanga 3:

End of Term 3	Friday 29 September
Basketball Nationals	Sunday 1 October to 5 October

Wāhanga 4:

Term 4 commences	Monday 16 October
Learning Conversations (Yr 11, 12 & 13)	Thursday 19 October
NCEA exams begin	Thursday 9 November
Senior Prize-giving and Graduation	Friday 17 November
Year 9-10 Kaupapa Ariā	Friday 4 December to 8 December
Year 9-10 Prize-giving	Monday 11 December

Kia hiwa rā! Kia hiwa rā! He wānanga! He wānanga!

Kia maumahara noa e te whānau, hei te wiki tuatahi o te wāhanga tuawhā tū ai ngā hui-ā-whānau (tuākana) – mō te ako te take. Kotahi nahe te maruahiahi – Taite, 19 Oketopa, 4pm-7pm.

Ka rere ngā ripoata ki a koutou hei te wiki whakamutunga o tēnei wāhanga, hoi, ka whakairi mātou i aua pūrongo rā ki te ipurangi-ā-kura, ka tuku mā runga īmēra anō hoki. **Ahakoā ēnei whakaritenga, ki te hiahia koutou ki te whakarite hui ki te taha o ngā kaiako o tāu tamaiti, tēnā, haere tōtika ki te pae tukutuku nei: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz, whakamahia te tohu muna nei - 9mxzp – whāia ngā tohutohu.**

Just a friendly reminder that learning conversations for seniors (year's 11-13) are being held on the first Thursday of next term – 19 October 2017 from 4pm to 7pm.

Reports were posted yesterday, will be available via the web portal on the school website, and also emailed to whanau for who we have email addresses. **You do not need to wait for a report to arrive if you want to see your child's teacher.**

Go to: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz, enter the code – 9mxzp – and follow the instructions.

This term's reports have a comment from each of the student's subject teachers and their kaiārahi. Grades will be entered for assessments that have been completed in the various subjects.

Learning conversations are an incredibly important part of teaching & learning at Ngā Taiātea. It gives parents/caregivers and teachers an opportunity to acknowledge and discuss the learning journeys of students at our kura.

Winter Tournament Update: Congratulations to our Senior Boys Basketball, Senior Girls Basketball, Junior Boys Basketball, Senior A Netball & Ultimate Frisbee that participated in the winter tournaments during week 7.

Senior Boys Team to Nationals: Our senior boys' basketball team qualified for the National in Palmerston North next week. We are excited about the possibilities for this team, in this very competitive and tough competition.

Ball 2017: On Saturday night we had the combined Rakaumanga, Nga Taiatea, Tai Wananga ball. Thank you to the students who led the organisation of the ball which was well supported by our year 12 & 13 students.

Manu Korero 2017: Congratulations to Hamiora Renata who came third in the Manu Korero National Speech Competition in Taranaki last week. He has done extremely well as a year 11 student in the senior Reo Maori section.

Pu Korero 2017: Congratulations also to our two Pu Korero speakers who were in the national competition. Congratulations to Rico who came 1st equal in the senior boys section & to Roimata who came 1st in the senior girls section. Thank you also to the Whatawhata branch of the Maori Women's Welfare League for the amazing support that they give to our rangatahi.

NCEA Update: Next term is very important in regards to NCEA and our students finishing their internal assessments and preparing for their exams during the first four weeks of term 4. On the following page are the statistics in regards to how our students are progressing towards NCEA. This being their first year, our Year 11 do not have many credits but all going well in their assessment in term 3 (yet to be marked) and term 4, the vast majority should gain NCEA level 1.

Our students need at least 80 credits to gain NCEA at the targeted level. In general, Year 11 students are aiming to gain NCEA level 1, Year 12 students are aiming to gain NCEA level 2, and Year 13 are aiming to gain NCEA level 3. The statistics below show the percentage of students who have 60 of the required 80 credits as of week 8 of this term. The term 3 assessments have yet to be marked as well as the term 4 assessments and external exam credits. However, the data below gives us an indication.

	Mid Term 2, 2016 - 60+ credits	Mid Term 3 2017 - 60+ credits
Y11: L1	60%	59%
Y12: L2	82%	93%
Y13: L3	78%	92%

Key points: Term 2, 2017 update after term 2 assessments were marked, moderated and marks entered into our kamar system are stated in the "Term 2 2017 60+ credits" column. Key point is that the percentage of students who have 60+ of the required 80 credits for NCEA at the cohort level which are; Year 11 (59%), Year 12 (93%), Year 13 (92%).

Hei Whakakapi: Koia tēnei te mihi ki a koutou katoa e ngā rangatira, tae atu ki te whānau whānui o Ngā Taiātea Wharekura. Paimārire.