



Principal's Comment

1 September 2017

Coming Events

Kia ora koutou,

I had the enjoyable experience of spending some time in the Junior school this morning. The students were working in small groups on a number of different books, unpacking meaning, building understanding and writing down responses. The students were engaged in their work, enjoying New Zealand based books. When I spoke to most of them they said that although they may not have chosen the book that they were reading if they had seen it in the library, they were pleased with the choice and were enjoying it.

Enjoying reading is really important. A survey a few years ago in the UK suggested that one of the indicators of happiness and success in later life was if an adult or student read for pleasure. A prominent Doctor of Education, Guy Claxton, has suggested that schools and families can support children developing their reading in one of two ways. They can support students to get better at reading and at the same time encourage them to hate reading. Or, if they are more careful, they can support students to get better at reading and at the same time enjoy reading.

This second approach will not only improve their reading ability but also their appreciation. Have a think about what you can do to support your child to enjoy reading...

On more physical matters, I was excited to watch our basketball teams finals on Friday of last week. Unfortunately our Junior and Senior Boys both went down in the final, our Junior Girls were victorious over Mercury Bay Area School to win the Thames Valley competition. I was particularly pleased with the attitude of all of the teams and although it was disappointing that we didn't win all three, it was great that we had three in the finals. Well done to everyone involved and in particular the adults who have put in an enormous amount of time.

Next week is Tournament Week and we have Thames Valley Rugby, Junior Boys and Girls and Senior Boys Basketball, UNISS netball and various other events going on during the week. I'm looking forward to seeing how everyone gets on.

Nga mihi nui

Doug Black

Fri 1 - Mon 4 September
Jnr Basketball
Tournament

Sun 3- Fri 8 September
UNISS Netball
Tournament

Tues 5 - Fri 8 September
Snr Boys Basketball
Tournament

Mon 11 - Thurs 14 September
Practice Exam Week

Fri 15 September
Golf Tournament

Mon 18 September
Head Student 2018
Applications open

Wed 20 September
Sports Team and Other
Groups Photos

Friday 22 September
Market Day

Tues 26 September
02BIO Kelly Tarltons trip

Tues 26 September
Enviro Schools
Celebration Event

Wed 27 September
Jiading exchange
Leaving for China

Fri 29 September
Head Students 2018
Applications Close

Thurs 19 October
Top Team

Tues 31 October
Sports prizegiving

Apologies

Our apologies to Cameron and Deija for missing them off the list in the last College Comment for the following:

Excellence in level 3
 Statistics, Deija Gray,
 Cameron Keays x 2

Motocross

Friday 18 August 2017

Inter Schools MX at Awakaponga

A very early start to the day. 5am departure. Bikes loaded, gear packed, heads counted, we're off, 9 riders hyped and cheerful. Two hours on the road and we arrive. Spot sorted, tents up, bikes unloaded. Briefing, race order noted, boys geared up and ready. Coffee for the parents, gas for the bikes, lollies for the Team.

We couldn't have got a better day, no rain clouds to be seen. The track was groomed, the boys were ready and their riding went well. Our boys did us proud, we came away with only one casualty for the day, everyone else finished all their races. Awakaponga is an awesome track to ride and Trident High School hosted a great day. Plenty of food to purchase, fantastic spots for viewing the racing and plenty of medics on standby.

Boys, bikes and parents had a great day. Special thanks to Jamo, Mark and Adrian for their time and pit work. The Team of Case, Duncan, Chase, Connor, Blake, Ashton, Campbell, Wade and Rhys did Paeroa College proud and came away with 9th overall in College placings. The boys enjoyed it so much it's a definite for the race calendar next year.



Yiading China Exchange

We recently had 8 students and one teacher arrive to stay with us from Paeroa's sister city in China. They arrived in Paeroa on Saturday night and stayed through to Friday. Over the week they spent a day in Rotorua, Waihi College, HPC, and Paeroa. Thank you to 8 students, Kane Way, Johnson Renata, Sidonie Saxby, Chloe Flemming, Jamie McGahan, Carlee Wilkinson, Luke Parish, Finn Adams and also to Mrs Cox, and their families for showing them some amazing things in such a short time, these include Coromandel town, Hot Water beach, lots of different sports, fishing and many more. All the exchange students enjoyed their time here in our culture with our clean air, and with some of them being able to see stars, rainbows and sunsets for the first time. On Thursday night the Hauraki District Council held a farewell for all the students. The 8 students and one teacher we had looking after the students and accommodating for them look forward to travelling to China at the end of this term.

Maths Week

During week 5 we had Maths week. This is a National event that allows us to run some different activities. We had a daily question, and the winner of the question won a \$5 canteen voucher. An amazing run for the junior school, which was run by Amia, Jeremiah and Montelle. A maths quiz, won by the teachers, with Skye Ashleigh, Cameron and Ruby coming in second by losing from 1 point. We also had a Pi competition, for this you had to remember as many digits of pi as you can, which was won by Aroha, and a guess the amount of lollies in the jar which was won by Aidan. Thank-you to everyone for their participation of maths week.

Rugby

Girls 1st XV rugby- The girls have made an outstanding start to their season with a game on Sunday and played Mercury Bay and won 80-5 and then also played Waihi College 1st XV on Thursday and won with a score of 69-0

Congratulations to the following boys rugby players for being selected in the Thames valley representative rugby teams -

U18

Coel Kerr
Hendrix Beazley
Keanu May-Matafeo

U16

Darion Williams-Oka
Bryson Williams-Oka
Boston Hale
Matthew Charlton
Zinzan Fenton
Nirai McRae

U14

Kyle Parker
Marcus Williams-Oka

Roller Mills

Rimu Alexander

Netball

Fantastic netball results from our 10A netball team. Well done girls we are proud of your success. Thames Valley Secondary Schools 10A won the Thames Valley Year 10 championship. They played Matamata 10A in the final and won 28-27.



Soccer

Boys: Played St. Peters and lost 2-3
Girls 1st XI: Played Huntly College and won 3-2
Girls 2nd XI: Played Frazer High and lost 1-2

Basketball

Well done to our Junior Girls Basketball team for their win on Friday night in the finals against Mercury Bay with a score of 61-29 - Thames Valley Champions! Awesome work this season and amazing support from our community at the finals night. Well done to our Senior and Junior Boys teams for making it to the finals. Great night of basketball. Thanks to all involved in the basketball teams and good luck to Junior boys and girls, and Senior boys next week at Tournament.



Summer Soccer

Open to all ages in Term Four. Wednesdays at Rhodes Park. For registrations and more information contact Elaine 0274068415 or Rechelle 0274398784.

Email thamesjuniorfootball@hotmail.com. This will run depending on numbers.



Food Technology

On the 25th August, our Food Academy had a successful fundraiser at school, by running a pop-up shop during lunchtime. Over the past few weeks they have been making and producing ice cream and cookies. They then sold these products on Friday along with hot chocolates, and coffees. The 14 students in this class raised \$233, they very kindly then donated half the money to the SPCA's Cupcake fundraiser and the other half to Cancer Society's Daffodil Day.

Blue Light Youth Life Skills Camp

Last week Karla, Mihi and Sian had the privilege of going on a Blue Light youth life skills camp down near Taupo. It was a military based camp that focussed on teaching youth a sense of discipline, respect towards others and themselves, and gave youth a sneak peek to what being in the armed forces would be like. On this camp we did marching drills, team building in our sections, played games, did quizzes, went on a high ropes course and had a day out to the Luge and the living Maori village in Rotorua for good behaviour. On the Friday we had a graduation ceremony where we marched out in front of our families, got awards given to us (Karla and Sian got most improved in their respective sections), did different displays in our sections and did a final fall out. All in all, it was an amazing camp (despite the early mornings) and it was worth going. I would recommend this camp for anyone who wants to try something new and get out of their comfort zone.

Sian Hemming.

Junior School Market Day

On 22 September, our junior school are holding a market day and producing some amazing products and selling them. They will be selling pancakes, ice cream sodas, donuts, drink bottle holders, bike chains, hot chips, hangi, pizza, edible slime, throwing darts and balloons and many prizes to be won. Come along and support our amazing kids and buy some of the products.

Hillary Outdoors

If your 14 to 18 years old and looking for some adventure come to the Hillary Outdoor Education program on the 10 to 15 of December, you don't need to be into sport, or very fit, just need to be ready to be challenged and spend plenty of time in the outdoors! For more information go to

<http://www.hillaryoutdoors.co.nz/holiday-programmes/>

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Wednesday 6 September 2017
10.00am to 2.00pm
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Light Lunch provided.

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