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June 2018

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YEAR 13 DEAN
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FORM TEACHERS
Aotea, Mr Pipe
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Tokomaru, Mr Masters



Dear Parents and Whanau,

As we head toward the shortest day of the year and are deep in the winter term it has been great to look at the achievement of our students over the past seven weeks. We are all very proud of the efforts of our students.

We have an incredibly talented student body who achieve amazing things and excel in their areas of interest and passion. We also have amazingly caring students who through their compassion and generosity have made a real difference for one of our parents.

We also acknowledge the hard work and dedication of our teachers and staff who make all this possible every day they come to work. Te Aroha College is very fortunate to have such a strong team of educators who innovate and strive every day to create learning opportunities for all our community students.

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Mayor Jan Barnes presents Civic Awards for Life Saving Actions

Early in the term the quick thinking of three students and a teacher along with our incredible local services, Ambulance, Fire Brigade, Police and the Westpac Helicopter team saved the life of one of our parents who had a major cardiac event at the school gate after school. Congratulations to our civic award recipients - Teacher, Virginia Carney and students Paige Steiner, Tyler Williams-Keene and Katana Ngati along with the local Te Aroha Ambulance service, Fire Brigade and Police representatives and the Westpac Helicopter team.

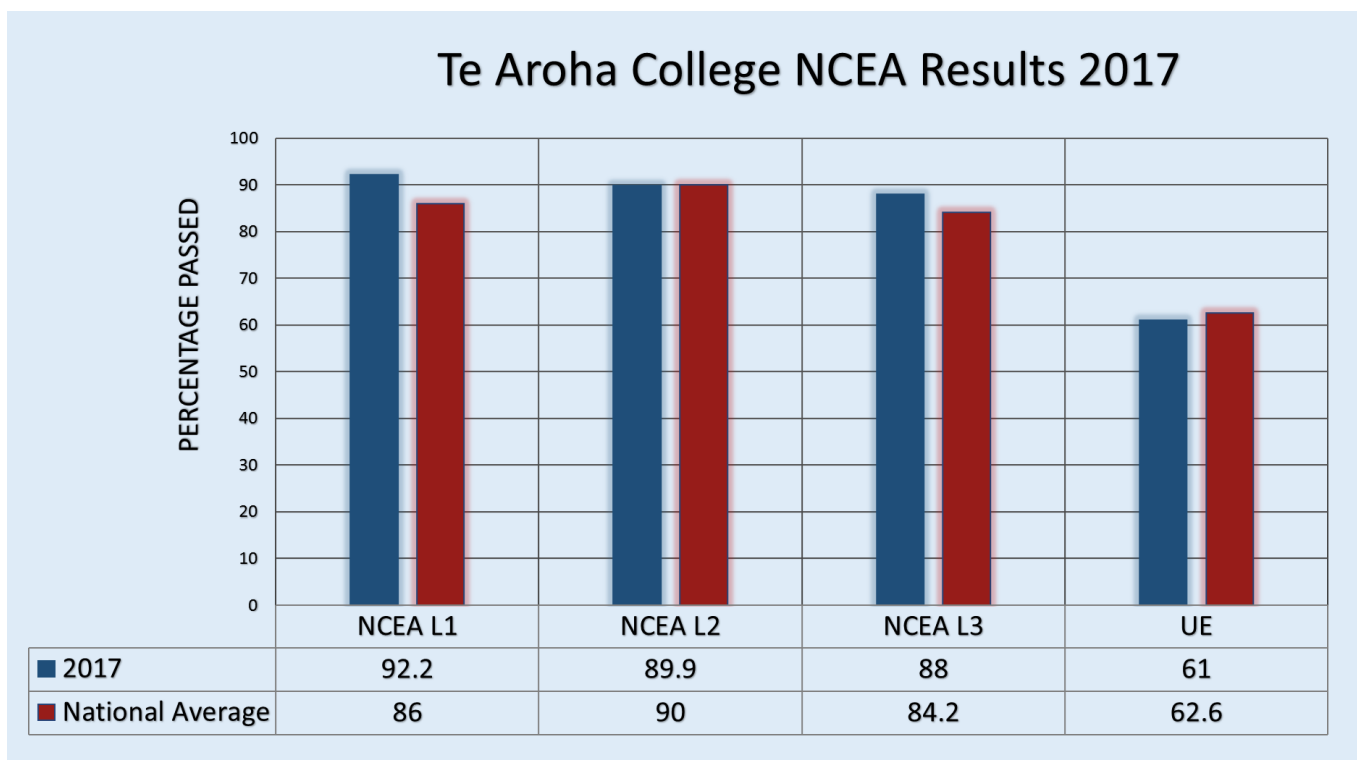
The assembly held to honor the amazing efforts of the group of people was made even more special by the attendance of Mrs Steiner who was able to be present. We were very fortunate to have Mayor Jan Barnes celebrating this event with us and her message of the importance of learning CPR and first aid training resonated with our student community. We also thank our student body for their fundraising efforts in supporting the Steiner family in their time of need. Together we can achieve miracles as this event proved and we are very privileged to have the wonderful volunteers who do such a great job in community every day.





2017 Results for NCEA Confirmed

We have received the final confirmed results for 2017 and would like to celebrate the success of our student body. Our results continue to rise with greater levels of overall success and higher levels of merit and excellence. Our results again show the success of an amazing team of teachers who work tirelessly to help all our student to do their best. We are more than competitive with our larger neighbours and offer a personalised programme where students can grow and excel in their areas of talent and strength. Our future focus has proven its work in increasing overall student success.



Te Aroha College NCEA Percentage Passed Results By Year

2014	73.4	94.7	84.8	58.8
2015	81.9	90.4	87.5	50
2016	76.7	88.7	63.9	43.2
2017	92.2	89.9	88	61
National Average	86	90	84.2	62.6



NCEA Check Points for Senior Students

We are continuing to run NCEA checkpoints every 5 weeks for our senior students. This is a process of collecting information on all our senior students' assessment work focusing on who is keeping up with the work and who has to catch up. We saw significant lifts in overall school results using this process in 2017 and we have advanced this in 2018. Our next checkpoint will be in week 10. Our deans are working hard to meet with the families of all students who need to catch up. Working with you they will provide support for students to get organised and manage the necessary workload to achieve learning success. Please make contact with our Deans' team if you have questions or concerns about your students learning. Their contacts are printed in the newsletter.

Smart Days

As we come to the end of the first clock of Smart Days we can celebrate the amazing variety of learning and engagement that occurs on a Thursday by our students and staff from both the Smart Day and Smart Path Programmes. We have seen real growth in the Smart Path programmes with our seniors progressing very well in Sport and Recreation, Hospitality, Engineering and Agriculture. Our relationship with Toi Ohomai and Taratahi has enabled us to deliver these tertiary level programmes giving students a vocational head start to their possible future career pathways. Our in school Smart Days have engaged students in a wide variety of future career starters from Diving and Flying to creative and innovative arts including the school production, brand design, school magazine and fashion. We covered technical and ICT skills along with study and wellbeing programmes. We have also seen a growth in business and political understanding alongside life skills of drivers education, animal care sustainability and many more. All topics covered fit within the scope of Vocational Pathways and have challenged our learners to step into a future focused way of learning.

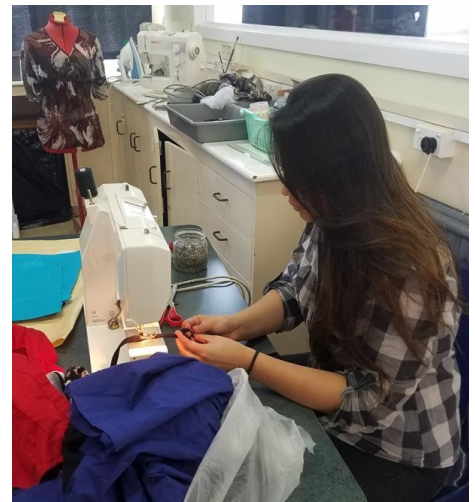
We are asking our parent community to comment on how this programme can continue to grow within our school system.



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Student Governance - Taking Student Voice to a whole new Level

During the Smart Day programme a diverse and politically minded group of students have got together to bring a whole new dimension to 'student voice'. Building on the work on Mt Waverley High School in Melbourne, Australia they are showing us in every session how sharing power with students can help build and grow our school. They have done an amazing job looking into term one's student voice and are planning how they can increase the say of students in making our school a better place for everyone. This term the Governance team have worked to address concerns about our school uniform and are currently surveying the student body on how we can be warmer and dryer in winter. They are then working on getting students to have their say about the Government changes to NCEA. We have been very excited by their commitment and vision for the future of our school. This is the stuff that our future Nation's leaders are made from. Congratulations to Sydney Liddle, Caleb Bayley-Condor, Brodie Waterman, Amber Wi, Aziah Duggan and Bella White for their excellent work in this area.





The Government is making major changes to Education – We need our community voice

The media has been full of the Minister of Education, Chris Hipkins proposed changes to NCEA - our National School Qualification over the last few weeks. Staff and leadership of Te Aroha College have been very pleased to read that the proposed changes align directly to the work we have undertaken over the last three years. As educators we have been very passionate about the need to create a future focused school that meets the needs of today's and tomorrow's learners and it is really heartening to know that nationally we are 'on point' with our directions and focus on learning. Our teaching staff are well placed to implement these changes and we are in the best possible position to capitalise on the direction set and grow the work we have begun. For other traditional schools this will not be so easy.

The Government and Ministry of Education have proposed a series of Educational Principles and Big Ideas that they want all educational communities to consult on by early September 2018. Please take the time to look at the national websites, have your say and talk with us about the future directions of New Zealand Education. See the key points of the National NCEA Review later in the news letter, or use the link: <https://conversation.education.govt.nz>

Kōrero Mātauranga

Me kōrero tātou!

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Education Conversation - Kōrero Mātauranga



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Outward-Bound Taking Opportunity and Running With It

Nick Hagan and Thomas Forrest spent three weeks at Anakiwa Outward Bound earlier in the term. This is a world renowned outdoor education programme run in the beautiful Marlborough Sounds. Taking up the opportunity provided by Mayor Jan Barnes with only two days notice was an incredible challenge. Both students gave an incredible presentation to the whole school recounting their adventures and demonstrated what it was to step up and take the opportunities that come our way. A special thank you to the Mayor for her continued support and the sponsors who made it possible for the students to go.

Open Night and Year 8 Enrolment for 2019

We have completed the first round of school visits to all our contributing primary schools. Open night will be held on 25th July at 7pm. Prospective parents and families (of any aged children) are welcome anytime to come and discuss 2019 and any questions or queries about secondary education at Te Aroha College.

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Te Aroha College Open Evening

All parents and prospective students are invited to attend
Wednesday 25th July 7pm
Te Aroha College School Hall

The flyer features a collage of student activities: students working at tables, a student playing a double bass, a student playing a guitar, a student playing a drum set, and two students in green and blue costumes.



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International Groups Arriving

We have a number of groups and individuals visiting us over the coming weeks from Japan, Korea, Thailand and Taiwan. This is a very important part of our wider curriculum as we get to grow global understanding with our students. Cultural awareness is very important for today's students and being able to relate and appreciate other cultures now is seen as a critical strength in the business world.

We encourage our students to step outside their comfort zones and get to know our visitors and the many similarities and differences they share. There are now a number of student leadership opportunities offered as International Ambassadors within the school and as Buddies for our guests. Thank you to the 15 students who attended recent training. Please see Diana Jager if you want to be part of this programme.

djager@tearohacollege.school.nz

We have also been offered 4 student places to travel to Taiwan in the final weeks of December. If you would like to be considered to part of this two week exchange programme please see Diana Jager.

We give a very big thank you to our hosts who do such a wonderful job at making our guests feel welcome. If you want to host please contact Keri Louw, our Host Coordinator at klouw@tearohacollege.school.nz.



TE AROHA COLLEGE are looking for Hosts for our International Students
\$\$\$ This is a paid arrangement \$\$\$

You supply:

- *A room for boarding
- *x3 meals a day
- *A caring place to stay

We supply:

- *Short term stays (between 1- 3 weeks)
- *Long Term stays (1 term to 1 year)
- *A cultural experience from overseas

Appropriate remuneration is paid - approx \$31 p/night

We welcome your interest and are looking for hosts for throughout the year

Please contact to discuss: Keri – 0275355323;
klouw@tearohacollege.school.nz





Careers and Future Planning

Career Expo for Year 11 students was a great day building on the Toi Ohomai experience. It was great to hear the positive and focused feedback from our students on how worthwhile the day was. Congratulations to Sarah Verran-Tye for her third major event organization (her first was the year 13 visit to the University of Waikato and her second, the senior trip to Wintec). It is great to have Sarah on board as part of the team. Sarah has just completed all the Year 13 individual interviews and is now working through meeting with students who in Year 12 are indicating they are seeking work or apprenticeships. If parents and caregivers would like further support in aiding their students in the challenging process of career planning she is willing and ready to help. Sarah is available for parents and student meetings on future careers and can be contacted by email sverran-tye@tearohacollege.school.nz or phone 07 8848625 .





Gym Completion

We are now in the final few days of the Gym project. Now all the scaffolding and fencing is slowly being taken away we can see the result of all the months of work and sacrifice by the PE team. We are incredibly fortunate to now have a completely renovated and rebuilt healthy Gym that will see us work effectively for the next 15 to 20 years. We are very grateful to the Ministry of Education, our contractor Watts and Hughs, our architects and property Manager Darrington Slater. A special thank you to our Business Manager Sandy Gwynne for her coordination of the project and for the patience of the PE team who have waited so long to get back into their specialist teaching space. We are all very pleased that the injection of \$1.5 million directly from Ministry of Education has made it worth the weight.

The official formal opening will celebrate the renewal of this amazing community facility and we look forward to it again being the sporting heart of our school.





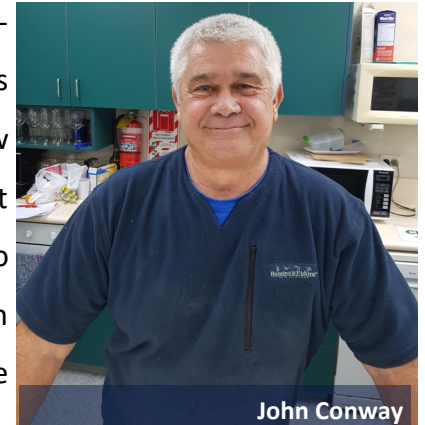
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Staff Changes

We farewelled Graeme Lingard who is moving to the West Coast, South Island. We thank Graeme for his tireless work and contribution in his role as Caretaker for the past 12 years. We welcome to Mr John Conway as our new Caretaker. John joins us with extensive experience and was originally a cabinet maker. John is already making an impact with our students and staff. We also welcome Aletti Van Niekerk to the Maths Department joining us from South Africa. Aletti replaces David Chen who has returned to Christchurch to pursue his national representative climbing passions.



John Conway

Teacher Only Day

We have a Teacher Only day planned for **Thursday the 26 July** The school will be open for instruction and some students will be attending preliminary Smart Day courses that are beginning early.



Hairspray Production 2018



Cross Country 2018



Congratulations to Brooke Sweeney for her amazing efforts at cross country taking out the senior girls local and regional event. Congratulations also goes to our local winners who gave it their all on a rain soaked course around the wetlands. We also acknowledge Greg Stewart and the PE team for their organization of both the local and regional Cross Country event.

Thames Valley results were: Junior Girls - Niketa Ngati 15th, Brooke Carter 19th, Merrill Abapo 25th, Mekayla Knight 30th, Leah Conroy 33rd, Keisha Wootton 35th, 5th in teams; Boys - Cody Durbin 5th, Donovan Bailey 9th, Cody Hannah 12th, Aryan Hogan 16th, Caleb Hazelton 25th, Kyle Young 32nd, 2nd in teams; Intermediate girls - Hayley Robinson 7th, Shana Curtin 12th, Breeje Schuler 14th, Madison Darby 18th, Isla Roos 20th, Cheyenne Hannah 22nd, 2nd in teams; Boys - Lucas Parker 6th, Manaaki Kaumoana 10th, Josh Conroy 12th, Kurtis Large 24th, Julian Davis-Gorrie 27th, Aston Hurd 28th, Jackson Thornton 29th, Travis Hollingsworth 32nd, Faibian Evans 33rd, 3rd in teams; Senior Girls - Brooke Sweeney 1st, Nikia Graham 5th, Megan Cochran 7th, Paige Spooner 13th, Kate Morris 14th, 1st in teams; Boys - Stephan Philpott 8th, Sergio Schuler 9th, Matthew Eagle 11th, James Koch 14th, Alfred Howell 18th, Thomas Forrest 19th, Nicholas Hagan 20th, 3rd in teams.

Te Aroha College were 2nd overall to win the raw points trophy and 1st in the roll trophy



Celebrating the Gymnastics Team Success



Well done and congratulation to the Te Aroha College Gym Team – Jacinda Nicholls, Summa Roskam, Sarah Yetton, Claudia Eagle and Clio McLaren who came away with a significant number of medals from the Gymsport Competition held recently. The variety of sporting opportunity that our students excel at is a credit to the talented coaches and parents who give their all to support our students.

Well done to you all.

Winter Sporting Codes Successes Celebrating our Representative Players

Netball

Brooke Carter - Te Aroha U-15s; Hollie Storey - Te Aroha Under 15s, Te Aroha Umpire; Amber Wi, Madison Darby - Te Aroha U-15s; Sarah Yetton - Te Aroha U-15s, coached Stanley Avenue C team; Samantha Oosthoek – Te Aroha U-15s, Thames Valley U-15s, Te Aroha Umpire; Tyla Burge - U-15s, Thames Valley U-15 Development team, Te Aroha Umpire; Hayley Robinson - Te Aroha U-17s; Letticia Wilson - Te Aroha U-17s; Brooke Sweeney - Te Aroha U-17s; Jaelin Stewart - Te Aroha U-17s; Yolander Mortimer - Te Aroha U-17s; Katelyn Hedley - Te Aroha U-17s, Thames Valley U-17s; Breeje Schuler - Te Aroha U-15s, Thames Valley U-15s.



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Rugby

The Te Aroha College 1st XV enjoyed a night out to watch the chiefs play the crusaders in Hamilton. A very special thank you to First Windows and Doors for providing the tickets

Hockey

Shana Curtin; Brooke Sweeney, Thames Valley U18 team, Coach Te Aroha Yr7/8 team; Oliver Shotton, Thames Valley; Sergio Schuler, U18 Thames Valley team; Julian Davis-Gorrie, referring 6 year old games.

Basketball

Congratulations to Breeje Schuler and Junior De Young who have made it through to the NZ top 25 U15 Basketball squad.

Girls: Breeje Schuler - New Zealand U15s, Rakaipaaka U17s, Waikato U17s; Dejaan Schuler - Waikato U17s; Meesha Ross - Waikato U19s; Te Ana Barrett - Thames Valley U17s; Rowan Carey - Thames Valley U17s; Hollie Storey - Thames Valley U17s; Samantha Oosthoek - Thames Valley U17s;

Boys: Junior De Young - New Zealand U15s, U15s Rakaipaaka team; Waikato U15s; Sergio Schuler, Ethan Bunning, Shontayne Dare-Johnson, Christian Garnier, Manaaki Kaumoana, Jackson Thornton, Leon Van den Heuvel, Nicholas - all Te Aroha U19s; Lewis Elgar - Thames Valley U17s; Kimutahi Allen - Waikato U17s

Football - Amy Shotton, Waikato SJ team, 11th grade coach; Oliver Shotton, 11th grade coach

Volleyball - Congratulations to Dejaan Schuler - top 7 players for Waikato Senior Girls team; Yolander Mortimer Waikato U17 team

Cricket Aston Hurd, Waikato-Valley Yr 9/10 Team

Girls' Rugby Shana Curtin, Thames Valley U17 team

Gymnastics Sarah Yetton Coach for Te Aroha

Term Two Sports Round Up



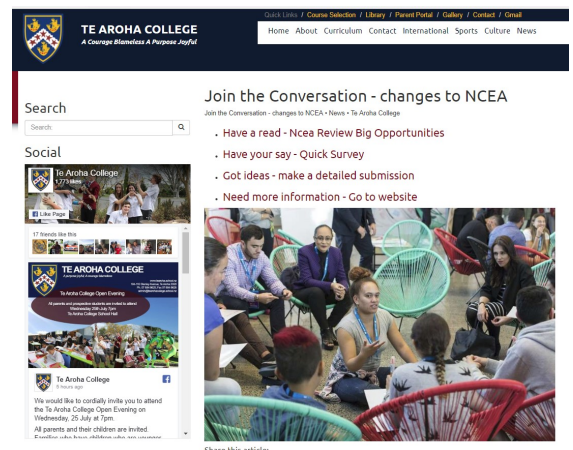
National Education Consultation - Have your say on NCEA

Big Opportunity	In a nutshell
1. Creating space at NCEA Level 1 for powerful learning	<p>What? Rebuild Level 1 as a 40 credit qualification – 20 for literacy and numeracy and 20 for a project.</p> <p>Why? Reduces overall NCEA assessment workload, while giving learners a more engaging, relevant qualification, reflecting vital skills, knowledge, capabilities, and attitudes.</p>
2. Strengthening literacy and numeracy	<p>What? Benchmark literacy and numeracy at the level needed for success in further learning and employment.</p> <p>Why? Gives confidence that every learner with an NCEA has the literacy and numeracy they need to flourish.</p>
3. Ensuring NCEA Levels 2 and 3 support good connections beyond schooling	<p>What? Introduce pathways opportunities to NCEA Levels 2 and 3, giving every young person access to learning relevant to their pathway (e.g., from a community action project, work placement, research essay, or an advanced tertiary course).</p> <p>Why? Helps prepare learners for the transition to work or further education, regardless of their pathway.</p>
4. Making it easier for teachers, schools, and kura to refocus on learning	<p>What? Shift culture from achieving as many credits as possible to encouraging quality teaching and learning.</p> <p>Why? Prioritises courses with deep learning, which help learners develop powerful knowledge, skills and capabilities, and attitudes.</p>
5. Ensuring the Record of Achievement tells us about learners' capabilities	<p>What? Enhance the Record of Achievement with better summary information and space for learners to detail achievements outside of NCEA.</p> <p>Why? Makes the Record of Achievement better at explaining what learners are capable of.</p>
6. Dismantling barriers to NCEA	<p>What? Make NCEA more equitable, starting with making it easier for learners to access Special Assessment Conditions and remove fees to enrol in NCEA.</p> <p>Why? Gives every learner access to NCEA, regardless of their learning support needs or socio-economic status.</p>

Big Opportunities in a Nutshell

To read the Full Article, complete a Survey or make a detailed submission, go to school website for more links:

<https://www.tearoha.school.nz/news/join-conversation-changes-ncea>



For full range of information and resources go to:

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NCEA Have your say

- Get involved today
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The future of NCEA belongs to all New Zealanders



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