



Thursday, 1 November 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers

It was a privilege to attend the Takapuna Grammar 2018 senior prizegiving yesterday and witness a number of ex-Hauraki students receive awards.

Congratulations to ex students Madeleine Malone, Wilson Li, Amy Pullen-Burry and Eva Steedman who are TGS prefects for 2019. We are particularly proud of ex-student, Carina Oliver who has been appointed Head Girl of Takapuna Grammar. She has always fully embraced all aspects of school life and gained much pleasure and success because of it. We look forward to her sharing her leadership qualities with our new year 6's next year.

I am especially proud of Carina given that she also happens to be my niece!



Above: Amy Pullen-Burry and Carina Oliver

ATHLETICS SPORTS

You are all invited to our annual athletics sports day is on **Tuesday 13 November** for year 3-6 students i.e. rooms 8-18. Junior Sports are **Thursday 15 November** at 1.30pm.

All children are expected to participate. House t-shirts, school hats and sun screen is to be worn.

Programme for Tuesday 13 November 9am – 10.55am.

Girls will begin with 60, 100, 200 metre heats for 7 year olds, followed by 8, 9, 10 and 11 year olds.

Boys will begin field events, 7year olds and 10 year olds long jump, 9 and 11 year olds softball throw, and 8 year olds high jump.

10.55 – 11.10am Morning tea

11.10am – 12.55pm

Boys track 60m, 100m, 200m, heats and finals.

Girls rotation of field events.

Sprint finals will follow and conclude with a house relay.

2.30pm Certificates presented.

KEY DATES

Wednesday 7 November

Takapuna Football Field day

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Gymnastics Competition Year 3/4

Thursday 8 November

Gymnastics Competition Year 5/6

Tuesday 13 November

Middle and Senior Annual Athletics Day 9am – 1pm

Thursday 15 November

Junior Annual Athletics Sports Day 1.30pm

Friday 7 December 9.30am

Junior Christmas Concert

Wednesday 12 December 9.30am

Final assembly Middle and Senior School only attending. All parents welcome.

Friday 14 December 12.30pm

End of term 4. School closes for the year.



Takapuna Grammar entertaining our students with a taste of Sessal

CUPS/TROPHIES

Just a reminder that as the end of year is looming we now need these back please within the next week. If you have one at home from last year or know of someone who does we would be grateful if you could please pass this message on.

CHANCE TO LEAVE BEHIND A LEGACY

You may have noticed when passing the hall foyer the tree with birds. This sculpture serves as a reminder for future generations of all the generous donors who helped build the hall. It was originally designed by a parent in 2002. Today it is an ongoing fundraiser but perhaps more importantly an opportunity for children and families particularly those who end their primary education at Hauraki this year a chance to leave behind their legacy. The value of birds is outlined below. Do let us know if you would like to be part of the tree.

Pohutukawa Flower \$100 Fantail \$250 Tui \$650 Lizard \$800 Wood Pigeon \$1000

SCHOLASTIC BOOKS

Scholastic books make great Christmas presents. This will be the last order for the year. You can order online or put your order form with cash or cheque, made out to Scholastic NZ, in the box in the office foyer. Please make sure your child's name and room number is clearly written on the front of the form and that you have added the total correctly. Orders will close Friday 9 November.

MESSAGE FROM JUNIOR KAPA HAKA LEADERS

Kia ora e te whānau

Thank you for all the effort you and your children have put in getting your tamariki to kapa haka and for contributing to different events during the year.

Given a variety of events that are on both in our family and school lives we will have the last kapa haka for the year on **Friday 16th November at 8am** as usual.

We will be doing a 'handover' of our Year 3 students to Mr Ashley, have a short waiata and then have a shared morning tea. It would be great if parents and other family want to join us. If you are able to bring a plate of food in to share with everyone that would be greatly appreciated.

Jo Hikaka and Ally Gamby

TANKA WRITTEN BY YEAR 6 STUDENT AIDAN CLARKE

 <p>Snowflakes land softly Kissing my freezing cold face Wonderful winter Beautiful but still deadly The home of my happiness</p>	 <p>The beautiful field Ridiculed by the mountains What a strange strange place it shouldn't be possible But amazingly it is</p>
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SPORTS

Congratulations to Nina Holbrook who competed in the Auckland Primary schools ski champs at Snow Planet. She did well and was placed 2nd in the Year 5/6 girls.

Touch Rugby 29 October

Hauraki Thunder v Vauxhall Dragonflies 7-1 win

Hockey 29 October

Hauraki Hawks v Albany – 8-0 win

Basketball

Week 1:

Hauraki Flames BYE
Hauraki Falcons VS Bayfield 14:17 (loss)

Week 2:

Hauraki Flames VS Sunnybrae 4:18 (loss)
Hauraki Falcons VS Verran Tigers 6:8 (loss)

STRIKE ACTION

Teacher strike action is again planned, this time on **Monday 12 November**. **Hauraki School will be closed on this day.**

While teachers do not like to restrict children's access to education they are serious about ensuring quality education and a sustainable teaching workforce.

As mentioned previously the teaching profession is dwindling. Over the past 6 years there have been a 40% drop-off in those training to teach in a climate of growing student numbers. Statistics indicate that 40% of new teachers leave the profession in the first 5 years. 35% of our experienced teachers will be eligible to retire during the next 10 years and many are leaving early. A bold solution is needed to address this crisis.

Thank you for reading this newsletter.

Sincerely,

Clarinda Franklin
Princip

COMMUNITY NOTICES

We're working together to grow great kids



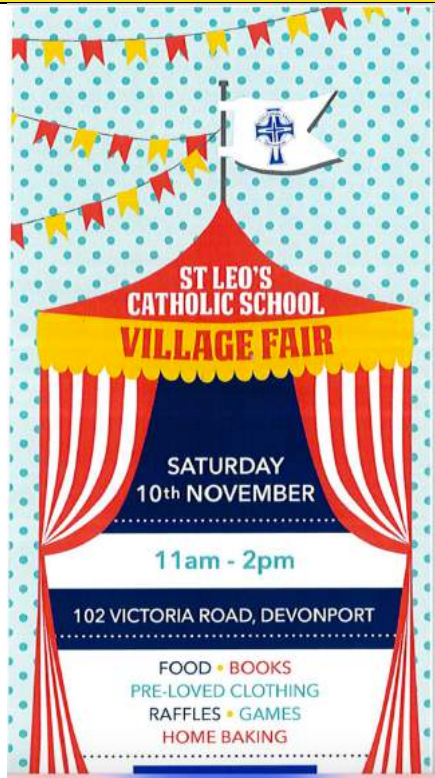
counsellors, assessment services, sports, preschools, before & after school care, vision and hearing, tutors, play therapists, extra-curricular activities, osteopaths, dentists, teen careers & motivation, psychologists, in-home childcare, OT's, speech language therapists, under 5's activities, chiropractors, baby specialists, dyslexia specialists, dieticians, physiotherapists, holiday programmes, driving instructors, dance & drama, self confidence, parent education...



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Term 4 Value:
Respect



Hauraki School

- 5 weekly sessions
- Starts: Tuesday 13th Nov
- Time: 3.10-3.55pm
- Venue: School Field
- Cost: \$59 per child
\$29 per extra sibling



Host Families Wanted

Looking for short/long term homestays for Japanese high school/university students. homestayakl@okcnz.com or text: 022 475 7072



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