

IMPORTANT DATES:

JULY 2017

- NACA arrives
Wednesday 28 June
- TG TG
Thursday 29 June
- Yr 10 Space Centre Visit 9-12pm
Friday 30 June
- Yr 12 and 13 Noho (on Site)
Wednesday 5 July
- Ngā Manu Kōrero Regional competition
Last Day of Term 2 - Friday 7 July
- Rugby League Training Camp at TWTT -
Thursday 20 July
- Issac Luke Cup Wanganui
Saturday 22 July
- First Day Term 3
Monday 24 July
- Term 3 Wk 2. Whānau hui and parent
interviews 4-5.30pm
Thursday 3 August 5.30-7pm.
 - NCEA, ITLP progression (MD and 2x
taiohi to facilitate), PBL (JW) and Term
planners (TW), Kaitiaki will be in Ako
studio (All kaitiaki).
 - Rotating workshops.
- Enrolment dates
Opens 27 June
- Reports (sent home in Term 3, wk 1)
Tuesday 25 July
- School finish date for the term 2
Friday 7 July
- Term 3 start date
Monday 24 July
- Ngā Manu Kōrero Regionals
Friday 7 July



TOBY WESTRUPP TŪMUAKI

Tēna koutou e aku rangatira

E te Paki o Matariki, maranga mai, e tū.
As the term draws to a close in symphony
with the rising of Matariki provides a time for
reflection. A reflection of a period of time, our
highs and lows, our challenges and successes.
Reflections that will enable us to regroup and
re-focus for the remainder of the year.

One of our guiding principles under Kia Ora is Whānau Ora. Tai Wānanga
recognising 'the importance of relationships particularly whānau support with
the education of our taiohi and it's impact on achievement and happiness'.
Together we can make a difference. If there are areas we can provide better
support or improved outcomes for our taiohi please let us know.

'Ko te mauri ka tū, ko te mauri ka ora'

Naku noa
T.Westrupp(Tumuaki)

ERO

In recent weeks we were subject to an Evaluation Review by the Education
Review Office. The agreed evaluative review question was 'How well do
students demonstrate Kia Tū, Kia Ora, Kia Māori?' In producing our preliminary
report the reviewers gathered data and feedback from staff, taiohi and whānau.
Comments from the preliminary report include:

*'Taiohi are confident and competent leaders of their own learning with a
growing confidence in Te Aō Māori'*

*'Taiohi are highly engaged in their learning and believe in their ability to achieve'
'Kaitiaki ensure the holistic well-being of taiohi is supported so that learning is
optimised'*

*'Taiohi know their capability as learners, know where they are going and how
they will get there'*

*'Staff demonstrate commitment, passion, and professional capability to provide
quality education for taiohi'*

The preliminary report is very positive and will also include some Key Next
Steps for our organisation which is in the process of ratification. Once we
receive our confirmed report this will be circulated to all whānau

2018 Enrolments

2018 Enrolment Information, share this
information with your friends and whānau
who may be interested in enrolling their
child into Tai Wānanga in 2018. Please
make note of the timeframes.

[Click here to apply for 2018
Enrolments](#)



MERE DAVIS

SITE LEADER

Kia ora koutou,

Term 2 has proven to be a big Term with Kapa Haka, ERO, Te Moana, Winter Sports, PBLs, Innovation Time and NACA, being some of the big kaupapa.

We are happy with the progressions that we are making with our Hotaka (our Teaching and Learning Framework). Our Juniors have had enriching experiences organised for them by our Kaitiaki and our Senior's are being navigated through their NCEA programmes.

We very much appreciate your support in helping us to improve our Attendance processes so far this Term. We believe that overall 'productivity' is still very much a work in progress and we will be meeting in holidays to work through some better solutions for this.

We still seem to be facing an uphill battle with clothes and shoes being left around the whare. We are very grateful to our whānau who have volunteered their time so far to collect and wash gear. However, each time this is done the mahi is huge. If you have any solutions around this, we would love to hear about them.

We are looking forward to the opportunity to have some time to rest and reflect over the coming holidays. In Week 2, Term 3, we will be holding a Whānau evening of workshops around NCEA, ITLPs, Term Planners and PBLs, this same evening will also be an opportunity to collect and meet with Kaitiaki (Rōpū and Learning Area) about the Mid - Year Report. We hope to see all of you at this evening.

Year 12 & 13 Leadership Noho

On Wednesday July 5, our Manu Tai Prefects have planned a Leadership Noho for all Yr 12 and 13 Taiohi. The focus of this Noho will be on extending taiohi leadership capacity. Panui for this went out on Friday 23 June, if you require a Panui still, contact the office. The cost of this Noho is \$10 and this is being asked to be paid in cash to the office, so that kai can be purchased for everyone on Wednesday evening. This evening begins at 4.30pm and goes through until the following morning during conditioning. After conditioning, Thursday's programme will continue on as per normal. If you have any questions about this Noho, please contact Whaea Mere, she will be the Kaitiaki who will be leading this Noho, there will be other Kaitiaki assisting the entire time, as well. The expectation is that all Yr 12 and Yr 13 taiohi make an effort to attend this Noho. If there are sports trainings or games on, they can attend directly after these are finished. We have invited TW Taiohi Graduates a long for a portion of this Noho, between 6.30pm and 8pm, our Graduates will be running workshops for our taiohi. We believe that this kaupapa will be important for progressing our vision of Kia Tū, Kai Ora, Kia Māori.

Lateness

Lateness is justified (coded as "J") only if the parent/caregiver notifies the kura that the taiohi is late due to taiohi attending tangihanga, serious illness of a close relative, attending an unveiling, attending doctors or dentist appointments or involvement in Court Proceedings. This may also include unplanned justified lateness such as the breakdown of the bus, accidents, road closure, extreme weather conditions etc.

Unjustified lateness (coded as "L" on our system) is lateness of taiohi due to sleeping in, missing the bus or ride, catching a late arriving bus, attending a birthday or shopping expedition etc, tiredness from conditioning/sports tournaments, catching up with visiting family, or looking after younger siblings.

If taiohi are marked late, three times in one term, they will be expected to attend an afterschool consequence.

[Click here to view the lateness policy.](#)

Kura to Career (K2C)

Our kura has been approached by Waikato-Tainui Raupatu Lands Trust and Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) to partner in a kaupapa called Kura to Career (K2C).

K2C aims to raise achievement rates of Māori school leavers from Level 2 to at least a Level 4 qualification within 3 years of leaving school.

In Term 3, Year 10-Year 13 taiohi will commence in a mentoring programme that supports their educational and career aspirations and goals. The mentoring programme involves monthly meetings with a mentor and also participating in workshops that enhance their study and/or life skills.

The K2C project will be externally reviewed. This will involve interviews and/or surveys with taiohi, kaitiaki and possibly whānau members. The purpose of the external review is to evaluate the effectiveness of the project and if successful, TEC will look at ways to roll-out the K2C model across other kura.

Mentoring will be held within the normal school hours. All mentors will be trained and have gone through Police vetting.

We are excited about the K2C project as we see real benefits for our taiohi receiving support to reach their goals.




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FUTURE PATHWAYS

Nāku te rourou, nāu te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi!
With your food basket and my food basket everybody will flourish!

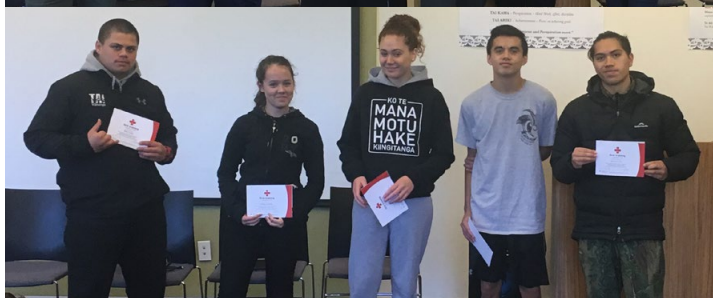
E ngā mātua nei ra ka mihi,

Over the past few weeks as I sit in morning karakia every morning listening to our taiohi share their career aspirations I have heard a number of them change direction over time. Personally, I see this as a very positive thing! We should expect our taiohi to change career aspirations during their time here at Tai Wānanga this just means they are getting closer to thing we call 'My Career Aspiration' which then leads to more clarity around their Exit Strategy. The changes mentioned can come from a number of places, for instance: Gateway/STAR Courses, Shadow days, Internships and Work Experience. For our Yr13 cohort the focus has been centered around them finding work placement for Term 2 and 3. We still have around 50% of this cohort not taking up this opportunity to be mentored. One day of the week has been dedicated for this purpose (Thursdays). So Please whānau if you have any contacts /networks in the following Industries:

- Building and Construction, trades etc
- Health - doctors, nursing, chiropractic, physio etc

First Aid and Workplace Health & Safety Certificates

I would like to congratulate a number of our taiohi who successfully completed these courses in Term 1 and 2. This makes a great addition to a C.V.



Driver's Licensing

Learners License - We now have Road Codes available to all taiohi located in the Careers Corner. Also a programme has come available in the holidays check out our FB page for more details.

Restricted and Full license - The benefits of having a license is a huge advantage to our taiohi. We are happy support our taiohi financially by contributing to the education programmes such as Defensive Driving Courses and Driving lessons (conditions apply). Please talk to Matua Dan for further information.

Music Programme

We recognise here at Tai Wānanga that we have an abundance of naturally talented musicians. Complementing these natural skills with the theory component transforms this passion and interest into a feasible Future Pathway. The theory component is a prerequisite for any tertiary provider or professional musician. Currently tutorials are taking place every Thursday morning for 1 hour where our junior cohort alternate between keyboard and ukulele lessons with the aim of working towards the production 'Māui Te Tupua' and prize giving at the end of year. In the very near future we also look forward to growing this programme to include our senior taiohi introducing them to new instruments such as Brass instruments in Term 3. Watch this space!

Facebook

We have set up a page on facebook called 'Tai Wānanga Future Pathways' I encourage all taiohi and whānau to join this page as I am constantly posting up opportunities.

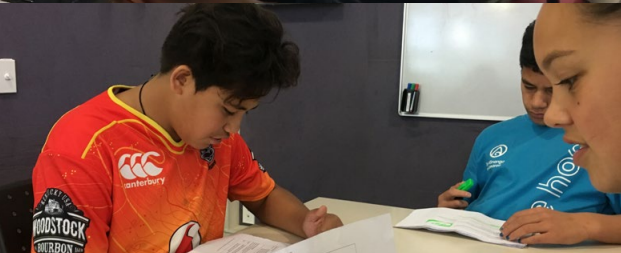
[Click here to go to the page.](#)

Tai Wānanga Graduate

We were recently visited by Raumati Nahi-Rawiri (2016 TW Graduate) during panui time where he shared his Navy experiences with kaitiaki and taiohi. Raumati's korero was very inspirational, he shared his journey at TW, that helped him get to his Exit Strategy of joining the Navy and he also shared what his Navy experience has been so far and how his TW experiences assisted him with facing the initial challenges of his 18 week basic training. His message was very well received by both taiohi and kaitiaki. We look forward to having more of our TW Graduates come visit and share with us. We have invited a number of them to come and present their experiences at our up and coming Yr 12 and Yr 13 Leadership Noho on Wednesday 5 July (refer to above panui).



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PROJECT BASED LEARNING

“Advancing Māori success as Māori through Project Based Learning”

Term 1 Junior PBL

The debut of 'Te Moana' our Junior PBL short film was an absolute success. Taiohi endeavoured to experience first hand the making of a short film from planning, production and final presentation. Whaea Hinewirangi Kohu Morgan was a wonderful ambassador, fronting our film with professionalism and grace. Thank you to the many individuals who made this project a success.

Term 2 Junior PBL Update

Our taiohi are in full swing with our Term 2/3, Junior PBL. The kaupapa for this Kaitiaki-led project is centred around a theatre production called 'Māui - Te Tupua'. Taiohi are facilitated by kaitiaki and external experts in various areas and contribute to the final product which is the theatre production. Every Wednesday and Thursday morning taiohi are involved in one of the following areas:

- Acting
- Kapa haka / dance ensemble
- Music - Ukulele and keyboard lessons; band; sound scaping
- Prop making and set design; Technical stage lighting & sound
- Marketing

The taiohi have made really good progress to date and they are enthusiastic about the project. We are grateful for the support from the Future pathways gateway programme to support itinerant music lessons to take place for our junior taiohi (see Future Pathways section for more information). Also, Maioha Panapa, a past taiohi and current Waikato University student, has been lending a helping hand with the actors and actresses. We have also had Whaea Tuihana Ohia-Papa teach the kapa haka / dance ensemble some zumba dance moves. All in all, the external support is very welcomed and is adding great value to the learning experiences of our taiohi. Leading up to the show in Term 3 (show dates to be confirmed), we will need some support with the sewing of costumes. If you are available to help with sewing or in another way toward this project, please contact Whaea Tiria (t.waitai@taiwananga.co.nz).

Round 2 Senior PBL

We are now into round 2 of senior PBL which has been developed and improved based on a taiohi led feedback forum. Much of the feedback centred around the importance of the following:

- Passion and student ownership
- Importance of understanding money
- More structure
- Competition

We hope that the new and improved focus will engage taiohi to succeed. However, this would require them to be present on Thursday. We have noticed that for some taiohi staying home on a Thursday is happening on a regular basis. If this pattern continues we will make with whānau and a hui will take place to work together with whānau, taiohi and kaitiaki to make this successful for taiohi. You can see your child's progress in this terms PBL by viewing the spreadsheet below and by asking them to show you there Senior PBL classroom.

[Click here to view the spreadsheet](#)

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KIA ORA 2017

Conditioning

The chilly winter is now upon us and we have started to see the impact it is having on taiohi and kaitiaki. In preparation for keeping healthy and warm this winter come to kura prepared with training shoes, thermal and wet weather training gears, gloves and warm hats if necessary. A water bottle with freshly sliced lemon and honey will also help.

If taiohi are sick this is a friendly reminder that they must have a signed note from parents excusing them from training. This is to be given to Whaea Meads at conditioning. Please also note if taiohi arrive late to conditioning they are also required to sign in at the office.

Issac Luke Cup:

The Isaac Luke Cup is a one day Schools Rugby League tournament that is held in Wanganui on Saturday 22 July. The teams that make finals are the teams that become eligible to complete that the NZ Secondary Schools National RL Tournament in Auckland on 4-8 September. Players involved will leave for Tai Wānanga Tūtoa on Thursday 20 July to participate in a training camp before the tournament. Click the link for the the Permission slip due before the end of this Term.

[Click here for the permission slip](#)

Mana Whānau State of Origin

A follow on from our Mana Wahine and Mana Tane days our Mana Whanau State of Origin was an opportunity to invite our wider whanau whanui to join us for some fun rugby league themed conditioning WODS. While the TW grounds were flooded by QLD supporters it was the humble few NSW fans that had the round one bragging rights. Watch this space for more Mana Whanau themed conditioning invitations.

Tough Guy Tough Gal

On Thursday 29th June 19 taiohi will take part in the Secondary Schools Tough Guy Gal event in Auckland. Competing against Auckland schools in a fierce, muddy, 6km adventurous terrain loaded with obstacles, ponds and hills. The cost for this event is \$50.00 and due immediately. Please see permission slip attached. Taiohi who are involved with this will need to be at Kura on Thursday 29 June at 7.30am.

[Click here for the permission slip](#)

Netball

Both the Tuakana and Whanake teams have just completed grading games and heading into the first round in their newly appointed grades. Congratulations to the Whanake Team who also placed runners up in the Minogue Netball Tournament for the junior section.

Touch, Tuakana Netball and Samoa Senior Achievers

Both the Tai Wānanga Touch and Tuakana Netball teams have joined forces with the Samoa Senior Achievers to do a combined fundraiser and they are seeking support from our TW whanau and the wider community. On Thursday 6 July they are hosting a BATONS UP and HANGI.

Taiohi Representatives

Congratulations to our taiohi excelling in sport for term 2. For photo profiles please visit our Tai Wānanga Sport Updates Facebook Page:

Sheldon Rogers:

Sheldon returns to us from the Sydney Roosters U18 team and has officially signed with the NZ Warriors U20s team. He has also been selected for the NZ RL U18 wider training squad who have fixtures in September against an Australian team.

Turangawaewae Te Koi:

Turangawaewae was recently selected in the U17 Waikato Maori Rugby League team that placed runners up at the annual NZ Maori Rugby League Tournament. He was also named in the NZ U17 Maori Rugby League Tournament Team.

Matariki Wara, Te Whetumarama Nuku & Jayda Beazley:

All represented the U17 Waikato Maori Rugby League team who claimed the championship title for their age group at the NZ Maori Rugby League Tournament.

Bailey Mclean:

Represented the U15 Tuhoe Maori Rugby League team at the NZ Maori Rugby League Tournament.

Tumatauenga Te Koi:

Represented the U15 Waikato Maori Rugby League team that placed runners up for their age group at the NZ Maori Rugby League Tournament.

Hiran Greening & Anaru Joseph-Turangi:

were selected to represent the U17B Waikato Basketball team.

KIA MĀORI 2017

Kapa Haka Update

Nei rā te whakamihi o te ngākau ki a koutou e te whānau whānui i tautoko mai i a tātou nei taiohi i ā rātou e whakaharatau ana i mua i te whakataetae, tae noa ki te wā i eke rātou ki runga i te papawhakatuwaewae. Tokomaha koutou i tohatoha mai o pūkenga maha pērā i te mahi tunu kai, te tito waiata, te whakapai kākahu, te whakapai whare, aha rānei. Kāore i ārikarika te tuku mihi ki a koutou ngā ringa hāpai. Ahakoa kāore te rōpū i eke ki ngā whiringa whaiti, arā te whakataetae kura tuarua ā-mōtu, e tū whakahihī ana mātou i ngā taiohi me ā rātou tino kaha ki te whakatutuki i ngā whāinga o te kura me te whakatinana i te kaupapa o 'Kia Tū, Kia Ora, Kia Māori'.

We would like to thank all of our whānau for the tremendous support in the lead up to the Waikato Secondary School Kapa Haka regionals. We are extremely proud of our taiohi. Their performance was heartfelt, powerful, well-executed and compelling.

While we had a lot of help in this campaign, we extend our special thanks to Whaea Talei Morrison for her devoted support to elevate the level of kapa haka at Tai Wānanga and for continuing to share her expertise with our taiohi. We are very grateful for your commitment, passion and aroha for our taiohi. We also pay thanks to our Tū Toa whānau, Pā Tipene Waihi and Whaea Te Ana Waihi for their commitment and dedication to bring through their taiohi from Palmerston North, weekend after weekend. We are glad to have forged strong cultural connections with our Tū Toa whānau and look forward to strengthening our bond in the near future.

All of our taiohi who performed at the regionals achieved 10 Level 3 Māori Performing Arts credits (if they had not achieved these prior) and our Year 11 to Year 13 kapa haka taiohi are able to achieve 45-47 Level 4 MPA credits at the completion of the theory component. We aim to complete the theory to the Level 4 standards during Term 3 over a weekend wānanga (date to be confirmed).

Ngā mihi

Nā Whaea Tiria rāua ko Matua Dan

Kapa haka performances

In recent weeks, our kapa haka group has performed twice for The Chiefs. The recent performance was at the press conference on Sunday 18th June whereby the Chiefs and Lions teams were announced. Please follow the link to watch the performance: [Here](#). Following both performances it has been recognised by The Chiefs management, support staff and players that our taiohi are something special and they have extended their desire to want to collaborate more in the future. In the meantime, we are happy to be their neighbours and continue to be inspired by them.



Ngā Manu Kōrero

Taiohi are currently presenting their speeches at kura in preparation for the annual Waikato-Tainui Ngā Manu Kōrero regional competition. Each year our participation in Ngā Manu Kōrero grows and grows and we are humbled by the calibre of speeches delivered by our taiohi to date. We know that Tai Wānanga will again be represented very well at the regional competition which will be held at Te Wharekura o Te Kaokaoroa o Pātetere in Pūtaruru on Friday 7th July. We will be able to confirm our four representative speakers during this week. At the regional Ngā Manu Kōrero, our taiohi will compete against the other kura from our rohe where it will be decided who will represent the Waikato-Tainui region at the National Ngā Manu Kōrero competition in September 20th - 22nd, New Plymouth. The four categories include:

Senior Māori - Pei Te Hurinui Jones

Senior English - Korimako

Junior Māori - Te Rāwhiti Ihaka

Junior English - Sir Turi Carroll

We wish all of our kaikōrero the best!

Native American Community Academy

Tai Wānanga is delighted to announce that on Wednesday 28th- Friday 30th June 2017 we have the privilege of hosting NACA (Native American Community Academy) at Tai Wānanga. This is their 3rd visit within 6 years to Aotearoa and Tai Wānanga as part of a Partnership and collaborative approach towards experiencing cultural richness and diversity from our First Nations whanau.

The programme will include an exchange educational activities and workshops including;

- Customary practices & Cultural exchange
- Mt Pirongia Visit
- Indigenous games,
- Mau rākau,
- Waiata,
- Taonga pūoro
- Indigenous dance

FINANCE

FINANCE & ACCOUNTS - APRIL/MAY/JUNE

I encourage you to contact me via accounts@taiwananga.co.nz should you have any queries in regards your son's or daughter's account, as I normally reply within a timely manner or depending on the query I will advise if I require more time to investigate.

April Monthly Statements, 24% of Whānau did not receive monthly statements for the month of April, this is highly due to incorrect email details. Most of these areas have been updated since and we should see an improvement in this area. Remember to check in your SPAM or JUNK mail as that is common for emails to end up there.

May Monthly Statements 5% of Whānau did not receive monthly Whānau statements for the month of May, and contact to these Whānau will be made to update details.

Monthly statements are sent out on the 5th of every month and sent to you by email. Please contact accounts@taiwananga.co.nz if you are not receiving statements or prefer an alternative way to receive these.

OVERDUE ACCOUNTS Term 1 Student levy is now overdue for payment. Each term is \$250 and annually \$1000 and is part of our Special Character of providing good nutritional kai for breakfast and lunch. Please ensure payments are made by end of June for Term 1.

If you would like to organise a payment plan to start making regular payments I encourage you to make contact with me.

Tai Wānanga Student Levy Account - BNZ 02 0316 0421557 03 Reference: (First initial, Surname) eg T Wymer Particulars: Levy Code: 0223
Ngā mihi Whaea Tineka

WEBSITE IS NOW LIVE!!!

CHECK IT OUT AT www.taiwananga.co.nz

ADMINISTRATION

TEAM

Current Details

Do we have your correct details? Please update your email, phone numbers, postal and physical addresses. By completing this google form Link [Change of Contact Information](#) or contact n.raumati@taiwananga.co.nz or info@taiwananga.co.nz to update your personal information.

Absent or Lateness

Please ensure if your son/daughter is going to be absent, that you make contact the Office or your Rōpū Kaitiaki,
Phone: 078530035, Text: 0226579322, Email: attendance@taiwananga.co.nz

Sign In/Sign Out

If your son/daughter is arriving late/leaving early, Your Rōpū Kaitiaki needs to be informed by email/text or phone. Once confirmed, they are required to sign in and sign out at reception.

Other important emails

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