

HHT Wins Teen Parent Netball Tournament



HHT competed in the annual lower north island teen parent netball tournament in Palmerston North together with teams from Napier, Masterton and Palmerston North. They were undefeated in their journey to win the tournament and bring home the cup. The last game was hard fought and played in the rain against the Wairarapa TPU. Kohine Balejko and Mel Crombie Burgoyne coached and co-ordinated the team together with assistance from Simone and Tahi from SHIFT. The team was captained by Sam Beattie. A huge thank you to SHIFT who provided invaluable support and helped the team travel to the tournament.



Last term I had the opportunity to attend the World of Wearable Arts dress rehearsals in Wellington. A huge thank you to HHT for giving me the opportunity to attend. It was an amazing show with displays of creative talent presented in a really interesting way. The performers were incredible and I loved the experience of seeing designs that people had worked so hard on.

One piece that stood out for me was very entertaining. Two enormous puppets emerged from the dark, one smaller than the other, almost as if they were mother and child. The child tried hard to reach and jump up to the larger figure. I was also impressed by the Bizarre Bra section and liked the fact that a whole section was dedicated to bras! It was a diverse show with everything from Pacific Island dancing to alien costumes crawling around the stage. I look forward to taking my daughter in the future when she is older so that she can experience the wow that is WOW. Amy Nixey

Getting Together with Upper Hutt TPU



Staff and students got together with Titiro Whakamua recently for a sports exchange and friendship. Students met in Petone and played ten pin bowling in mixed teams followed by an ice cream and a walk on Petone beach. We look forward to further outings.

“Of course you can do it”

A very big thank you to all the public and private donors who have supported us this term. We welcome donations towards the work of the school. Donations to the scholarship fund can be made to the HHT Trust. These are tax deductible and a receipt will be sent to you. Thank you to the Gavith Deans family, RA & HM Bichan, D Gottschalk, the Levin Catholic Women's League and the David Daily Charitable Trust. Thank you also to our knitters who have donated jerseys for our babies. They are very much appreciated.
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Our host school is Wellington East Girls' College - Principal: Sally Haughton

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Cultural and Tourism Camp



On the 1st October, two lucky students went to Waiheke Island for a level 2 and 3 tourism camp. We were given the opportunity to attend after we received a scholarship presented by Brenda Joyce in memory of her husband, Aporo Joyce, our kaumatau. Students came from as far away as the far north to Christchurch in the south. We spent five days on the island staying at Piritahi Marae, a five minute walk from Oneroa village. During the week we participated in theory and practical sessions on a range of topics including waka ama, gathering kai, making fried bread, putting out nets into the moana for fish and laying down a hāngī. Other activities included kapa haka, bush walking, weaving and zip-lining. My favourite one was designing my very own kōauau, an ancient Māori flute. On the fourth day we hosted our very own powhiri to all our teachers and whānau helpers. I was asked to give the karanga or calling people onto the marae. We then said a karakia and performed a bracket of kapa haka followed by a hāngī feast and pudding. Thank you, once again, for giving me such an amazing opportunity.

Nakita Kopua

Photos: Left. Sam Beattie and Nakita Kopua catch the ferry with other students on their way to Waiheke. Right. Nakita with her kōauau or flute.



Women's Words 125 Years of Suffrage

It is not every day that an invitation to Government House arrives in your mail box but arrive it did. Anastasia Turley and Catherine Motusia together with Teacher in Charge, Paula Hay, were invited to Government House to celebrate 125 years of Women's Suffrage with the Governor General, Dame Patsy Reddy, Sir David Gascoigne and their Royal Highnesses, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex. The Duchess gave a speech recognising the role that New Zealand played as the first country in the world to give women the vote and emphasised the importance of "being able to participate in the choices for your future and that of your community, the involvement and voice that allows you to be a part of the very world that you are a part of."

Anastasia described the event as "nerve wracking but very exciting." First impressions of Government House were of a beautiful building in an historic setting. "It was amazing to be in that environment with so many amazing women doing exciting things. It was an honour to represent HHT." She found the speeches empowering, especially Meghan Markle's about women's strength and that of New Zealand's poet laureate, Dame Selina Tusitala Marsh, inspiring. "I left feeling like I could do anything."

Photo: L-R Anastasia Turley, Catherine Motusia and Paula Hay, Teacher in Charge.



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From our Teacher in Charge

Tēnā koutou katoa

As we head into the final term of 2018, I am happy to witness celebrations of success for so many of our students. The celebrations of academic success with course work completed, the success of gaining NCEA Level 1, 2 or 3, the success of gaining a driver's licence, the success of netball victory... the list goes on.

Everyone is on their own individual journey, and everyone can lead towards their own unique success. We will celebrate these with our friends and whānau on Wednesday 5th December at our annual prize giving.

We were honoured to attend the reception for the Duke and Duchess of Sussex, 'Women's Words' where I heard the poem, *Lead*, performed by Dr Selina Tusitala Marsh, and found it resonates with our young parents:

"Lead through uniqueness, your diversity
Lead through leaning, lead through learning
Lead through others, lead by earning

Your own way in the world."

With only one term left until the end of the school year, this time is vitally important to complete work and achieve the personal goals set by our students before we leave for summer holidays. This is a great time to reflect on the purpose of school, and focus on the reasons why we are all coming to He Huarahi Tamariki. Why are you here at HHT? And what are you hoping to achieve by the end of 2018?

There are many changes on our way in 2019. Sadly some familiar faces are departing and a temporary change in venue, due to building remediation, are both events that are going to welcome us back to school in 2019. I am approaching both as opportunities for appreciation of what we have had in 2018, and opening up possibilities for what could be in 2019.

We have finalised dates for the start of the new school year. Students will be able to come in and enrol on Wednesday the 30th and Thursday the 31st January 2019 before we start school with an orientation day on Friday the 1st of February.

Paula Hay



Welcome to our new babies:
Destiny, a boy, Klasik
Christa, a boy, Zion
Pima, a girl, Kylei



Thank you to our Graduate Co Ordinator



We sadly farewelled Glenis Levack in her role as graduate co-ordinator in term 3. This has been a key role in helping students transition from HHT to further study. Glenis kept in touch with our alumni, forwarding the newsletter and getting regular student updates in return. As a result the foyer has a "student wall" with an impressive array of photographs and stories of our HHT family. Fortunately, we will still have Glenis in our lives as she looks after our HHT garden supplying produce and herbs to the kitchen. Thank you Glenis.

Careers



There is nothing like thinking outside the square and Sophie Glendinning and Kristie Whitworth-Chalk are two women who definitely fit into that category. A civil engineer and town planner respectively with Orogen, a land development consultancy, they spoke to the students about their different career choices and how they got there. Volunteer, Judith Billington, co-ordinated the event which was the second in a series of construction career opportunities whereby women in different aspects of the industry talk about their roles. We are grateful to Judith for her input and energy which has brought new career possibilities to HHT. Two students have taken up the opportunity to complete a short course in electrical engineering at Whitireia, another is completing a one-day-a-week-year-long Trades Academy health course and two other students experienced a tourism "taster" when they spent two days at a Wellington hotel. Photo L-R: Zara, Sophie, Kristie, Regis, Judith. Front: Tineka, Nakita.

Waiheke Experience



Above: L-R Students at Piritahi Marae, Waiheke; Sam Beattie and Nakita Kopua in the 'picture frame' overlooking Waiheke; Entrance to Piritahi marae with carved gateway, Sam and Nakita dressed for the ecozip ride.

Puppet Show



Children's theatre show, Little Dog Barking, entertained our children. The puppet, 'Twinkle', helped tell the story of using your imagination. For some of our children it was their first experience of live theatre. Photo: Children seated L-R Wai Yan, Faith, Blake and Linkyn.

