

From our Teacher in Charge

Tēnā koutou katoa

Prize giving 2014 was a very special occasion. Thank you to all who joined us in celebrating our students' achievements and in wishing our leavers well. We are already hearing positive reports from our graduates who have also been advocating strongly for their fellow teen parents. Thank you to our scholarship donors who have been so loyal and generous and to Ruth and John McIntyre for hosting Julia Donaldson and gifting a scholarship. We are indebted to all who support us in so many ways.

Altrusa International of Wellington put huge energy into organising an aerobic competition in 2014 and raised money for literacy support for HHT. We now have group sets of 'Mister Pip' by Lloyd Jones, 'Never Fall Down' by Patricia McCormick and 'The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian' by Sherman Alexie. These are all compelling reads.

This term we have welcomed 12 new students, 5 new babies and Helen Bean who has joined our teaching team bringing a wealth of experience. We have farewelled Helen Lewis, now in London, and are soon to wish Melissa Carrère all the best as she goes on maternity leave.

Our school garden is currently rich with newly hatched monarch butterflies. Each butterfly seems to symbolise the transformative power of education and the opportunity to 'take flight' for our students. Last week it was a privilege to attend the graduation at Whitireia and see Sarah Smith receive her Bachelor of Social Work degree. Our congratulations to Sarah on this achievement.

Ngā mihi nui Helen Webber



End of Year Lunch Hosted by the Zonta Club of Mana



Students and staff were guests of the Zonta Club of Mana at an end of year function held at the Roundabout in Tawa. "I felt special," said Lily. "It was a great way to end the year." Members gave a present for each child and a goodie bag to every student. Students enjoyed a delicious lunch and listened to guest speaker, Angela Stone, fashion stylist. Our thanks go to all the Zonta members who made it such a great day for us.

Julia Donaldson presents The Gruffalo and other Stories



St Peter's on Willis Street, Wellington was packed with students, children and their parents to hear Julia Donaldson, author of the Gruffalo, read and perform a number of her stories. She was assisted by members of the audience who dressed up in costume to help bring the 'The Magic Paintbrush', 'What the Ladybird Heard' and other stories to life.

John and Ruth McIntyre of the Kilbirnie Children's Bookshop kindly donated funds of \$1400 from the event to a scholarship for students at He Huarahi Tamariki. Victoria Scheule accepted the award on behalf of the school and spoke about her experiences as a teen parent at HHT and the challenges and demands of studying as a young mother. HHT "took me under their wing," said Victoria. She is now a first year teacher at Avalon Primary. Our thanks go to John and Ruth McIntyre for their very generous gesture and support for HHT. If you would like to hear Victoria speak about her experiences you can listen online at:

<http://www.radionz.co.nz/audio/player/20170614>



Tag Nationals 2015

We are very proud of Isayah O'Neill, who played in the Wellington Open Mixed Grade football tag team at the national tournament in Auckland. The team made it to the quarter finals but were knocked out by the eventual winners, Counties Manakau.

2015 Student Diary

Esta Walker-Visala, Hineora Hodges Mike & Victoria Pikirangi with copies of the new diary. Artwork by Esta (Absolutely Positively Wellington Student Award winner).



Global Mission Visit to HHT



Twelve young people from the Training in Mission team visited He Huarahi Tamariki in November 2014 as part of a global visit to Taiwan, Kiribati and New Zealand. Members of the group came from Guyana, Jamaica, Kiribati, South Korea, Samoa, India, Bangladesh, Botswana, Malawi, Zambia, Madagascar and Papua New Guinea. The group spent ten months together travelling and visiting other cultures and shared stories and experiences with our students including a memorable, impromptu, music and dance session (see photo below). "It was cool to meet people from different countries," said Stephanie, "and learn about their lives. Being a teen parent is very different in other countries. We are very loved in New Zealand."

Captions from left to right: Stephanie Makavalu and Lily Talamaivao talk with Rose from Papua New Guinea and Teitao from Kiribati. Dancing: Shamir from Jamaica on piano, Gwenny from Zambia dancing with Fenosoa from Madagascar.

New Babies

We welcome five new babies: Angie Agudelo Montes -Thomas; Sandra-Jean Graham -Hall -Emma; Allison Yates -Emily; Hinehou Mason -Rinoa, Courtney Warren -Tyler & Susanna Fai -Nirvana.



Teens Can Cook

Chris Fortune, of Teens Can Cook, arrived at HHT with his apron, mobile kitchen and recipes. Chris has been cooking in kitchens around the world for 18 years and now he is taking his kitchen to schools around NZ. As well as demonstrating how to make Apple and Silver Beet Crepes he used the HHT garden as a teaching tool and stirred our silver beet, chard, Italian parsley, zucchini, tomatoes and edible flowers into a pilaf dish. Chris also talked about sugar and how much is in your food with a particular focus on sugary drinks and "diabetes—what is it?" Chris aims to inspire and motivate teens to cook for themselves. Check out Chris' website on: www.kidscancookkitchen.org.nz for more recipes.

Caption: Chris and apprentice chef, Goldie Duncan, preparing pilaf.



Apple and Silverbeet Crepes

Teens Can Cook

Easy to make and fun to eat, great as a snack or a meal, make them up and leave them in the fridge or freezer.

- 125g plain flour
 - 1 1/2 cups of milk
 - 2 eggs
 - apples, grated
 - silverbeet or spinach
1. Mix milk and eggs, whisk into flour and leave to rest for 20 mins. If it is too thick, thin with milk.
 2. Ladle into crepe pan and cook until golden brown, leave to cool.
 3. Mix apple and thinly sliced silver beet together. Roll up into a tight cylinder. Cut into bite size pieces. Serve these hot or cold.

Altrusa Book Donation



Kim Edmonds-Stoneham and Melissa Carrère accept new book titles from Katrina Clokie, President of Altrusa, for the English department and HHT library.