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First Feature Film Debut



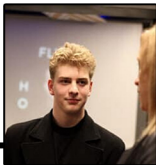
Enviro Committee News

The Te Puke High School Enviro Committee is made up of young environmentally conscious enthusiasts who want to reduce the carbon footprint of the school. The students have already been successful in winning funding for new Solar Panels which now sit on the roof of the Performing Arts block. The Solar Panels will provide approximately 10,000 KWhs a year, equivalent to two average Te Puke houses, or the carbon equivalent of taking 3 petrol cars off the road. The school also relies on a lot of gas heating, which the Enviro Committee would like to replace with heat pumps. Carbon zero is a long way off, but the school has plenty of roof space to go around! They are also looking at improving recycling and electricity waste. Te Puke High School would like to thank and acknowledge TECT and the Bay of Plenty Regional Council who provided the funding for hot water timing switches and solar panels recently installed at school. Students interested in joining the group, should contact Ms Jamieson.

One of our very own Te Puke High School Year 13 students, Sam Tomaszuk is co-directing and heading up production for his first feature film called 'The Man She Weeps'. Sam said that the concept for the script was thought up about a year ago but it was during lockdown that he and the other co-director Paige Jessie, developed **their ideas further**. The film set to release in Mid 2021, with filming commencing in October.

The film follows Victoria who was once joyful about her life who is now struggling with the death of her father. One day Victoria meets the Commentor who takes Victoria into an out of world experience, but over time Victoria realises that all isn't well for the world she has been placed in and that La Reine the queen is **suppressing** her people and causing mischief in the lands.

Mayor Tenby Powell has congratulated the team for writing a full film over a Zoom call amid the Covid-19 lockdown back in March. "This is a really important industry for the Bay of Plenty," says Powell. "Around New Zealand, the film industry generates about 3 billion dollars." Powell describes how good it would be to bring in 5% of that revenue from the film industry for the Bay and give jobs to many local talents.



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