

## TE KĀRERE - OUR LEARNING MESSAGES

### Hands on construction experience for Year 13 ākonga

This year, for the first time ever, our Year 13 ākonga are learning to build a house through a brand new course.

As an experience of a future career in Building and Construction (BCOI), Te Puke High School ākonga now have the opportunity to build a fully insulated, lined and wired sleepout. This sleepout is built to the exacting standards as houses, and so the skillset is the same.

Our ākonga have been extremely fortunate and grateful to receive incredibly generous community support from Caroline Sanders, Manager at Bunnings Te Puke and Nathan Miller, Manager at Pukepine Sawmill. Nathan kindly organised to supply our timber at no cost, and Caroline has worked tirelessly to supply our ākonga with a number of sponsored tools, shirts and hats.

Once our ākonga leave school and enter the building trade, they will already be familiar with most tools and processes, meaning that their transition into a career will be a lot more seamless and comfortable.

Ākonga, whānau and community members, you are warmly invited to enter our 'Beneath the Surface' Art Exhibition via the facebook page @tepukehighschool



**Student Leadership Councils announced for 2021**  
Last year, the TPHS Māori, Indian and Pasifika Student Leadership Councils were established for the first time and the cohort for 2021 is again a group of passionate, dynamic and enthusiastic ākonga.

Having been chosen for their ability to be positive role models in our school and/or their communities, the councils will allow them a platform to each develop their leadership skills through scoping directions for their respective councils, in order to carry out school activities and service projects. Te Puke High School's student leaders value their kura and they know that their role is to care for the school, the whenua and tangata. This is the leader's vision because they believe in the power of manaaki, aroha and whanaungatanga. Together they will plan cultural events that contribute to our school spirit in celebrating and educating others about their cultures and diversity.

If you are part of a cultural group in our community and wish to make a connection with any of the cultural student councils, please email us at [cultural.committee@tepuke.nz](mailto:cultural.committee@tepuke.nz).



**Indian Leadership Council:**  
L-R Dhruv Modgil, Arshdeep Kaur, Kim Kaur, Rajat Chauhan, Gaganjot Kaur, Raman Toor and Karamjot Singh. (Absent) Baljot Kaur and Ramanjot Singh.

**Māori Leadership Council:**  
L-R Faith Eru, Achaia Smith, Te Mote Marsh, Ngatuputupu Origas and Kiri Foulis.



**Pasifika Leadership Council:**  
L-R Leleai Timi, Akeia Ngaraa, Tekabu Taraua and Liani Saufatu. (Absent) Taka Kabuati, Teibwa Takamaiti, Brayden Cresswell and Max Remon.



## Innovation Week - A Hit!

TPHS has just held it's first Innovation Week organised by Enterprise kaiako Mrs Steph Davids. "Exploring innovation is more than creating new products

or services, it allows students to be creative, think outside the box and develop their problem-solving skills".

Year 9 students had the opportunity to submit their ideas to the Young Innovator Awards with a chance to win some amazing prizes organised through Priority One. The Year 11 Enterprise Students completed their Market Day with "Daddy's Donuts" making over \$300 profit. All business groups decided to donate some of their money towards the school's Breakfast Club as a part of their corporate social responsibility.

Year 12 and 13 Enterprise Students competed Scheme Pitches which was an opportunity to showcase their ideas with Bay of Plenty based entrepreneurs. "It was a 'real-world experience' that we will never forget; to receive validation from business professionals was amazing"  
 Miah Hammond (CEO/Candle Aura).



To complete the week, Year 11 Students went over to Waikato University Tauranga Campus and Toi Ohomai to explore future opportunities and participate in Workshops.

## It's all go for the Arts: And "Grease" is the word!

This year we bring a fan favourite to the stage with our interpretation of "Grease". Join the cast as they navigate the rocky emotions between the jocks, the innocent, and the populars. Cast members have commented on "Grease" as 'cool to see how people got together without technology - drive in movies were an actual thing' and 'I love the colourful outfits and hair... so much effort was put into their presentation.' It seems not many students get to reflect on the past; to resonate and feel deeply about experiences past family members had. "Grease" opens with a Gala Night on Tuesday the 29th June at 6:30 pm - a fun-filled evening of amazing entertainment and food. Regular seating is available on Wednesday 30th June to Friday the 2nd July. Tickets are priced at \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and \$6 for children. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Book at the TPHS office, 07 573 9769.

## Round Up: With the Board of Trustees

Our strategic focus in our charter is engagement. Engage the student, engage the staff, engage the whānau, engage iwi, engage the community.

As part of this, the Board's plan is to connect and we are looking at ways of having simple communication to ensure we know what our community want in our school. Please take the opportunities as they arise. We will have a presence at existing events that happen within the school calendar over the next three months, such as the Production, Year 8 Open Night, the Multicultural Performance Evening, Subject Selection, and Learning Conferences. Keep a look out, 'WE ARE BOARD, TALK TO US!'

The Board recently welcomed Jim Smith. Jim previously served on the Te Puke Primary BOT for six years, so is a great addition to the team.

The trustee of the month is Braden Hungerford: Braden joined us in mid 2019 with a background in the kiwifruit industry.

- ✦ I am on the Board because we all need to contribute in some way to our kids schooling.
- ✦ The high school I attended was Te Puke & Putaruru.
- ✦ One thing I remember about my school days is detention day one at TPHS but it got better from there.
- ✦ My interests and hobbies are being with family, growing stuff and aviation.
- ✦ My super power is the ability to keep looking up. But please don't ask me to read the fine print

