

TE PUKE HIGH SCHOOL PĀNUI

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TE KĀRERE - OUR LEARNING MESSAGES

BATTLE OF THE HOUSES

On Friday the 13th TPHS had their annual Battle of the Houses competition. Battle of the Houses is a round robin tournament that has the Ngā Puna competing against one another for prizes and house points. The competition consisted of both wet and dry events, such as the van push, dizzy basketball, horizontal bungee and slip and slide kickball. We would like to give a massive congratulations to Ngata for winning the competition and to Morihana for winning the house chant off.

Cool upcoming events to look out for are the Can Drive which will be running from week 5 until week 8 and Spirit week with a Matariki twist in week 8.



ARTS WALL OF FAME

Celebrating the successes of arts alumni is the motivation of a new project being undertaken at Te Puke High School. This will acknowledge the pathways, successes and memorabilia from productions and the arts in the school's history.

Issac Gunson is being recognised for his successes in journalism and says "My time in the arts shaped me - as an artist, sure, but as a person too, and refined my passion to chase what's important, and that's the stories of everyday people. Journalism is in many ways it's own art form, and my journey to pursue it started here". The project was the dream of ex teachers Chris Pointon and Allan 'Frizby' Smith, and will be named in their honour. Teacher in charge, Shannon Armstrong said "We see this as a legacy of past and present students, and the on-going guardianship and celebration of the successes in the arts".

We are looking for musicians, dancers, actors, directors, producers, artists, curators, journalists, and other creatives who have either had excellent success or have had ongoing positive influences from the learning they had in the arts. Nominations are now open and enquiries can be sent to shannon.armstrong@tepuke.school.nz

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WHAKATAUKI

Kia maumahara ki tōu mana āhau ake
Cherish your absolute uniqueness

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CULTURAL STUDENT LEADERS SHINE

Last Monday Te Puke High School held its first Cultural Celebration Assembly. The purpose of this event was to announce and celebrate our new Cultural Council Leaders. It was great to have whānau attend and present their child with their badge.

The leaders have been selected because they have portrayed the qualities of responsibility, respect and honour throughout their years at Te Puke High School. They have also been chosen to represent, celebrate and educate others in an effort to improve school culture overall, where diversity is respected and understood.

Māori Council:

Faith Eru
Achaia Smith
Kiriliana Takuirā-Mita
Evie Gibney
Terri-ann Barker
Louie Te Hiini
Curtis Williams

Pasifika Council:

Takabwebwe Kabuati
Packson Moutu
Leleai Titi
Pelea Langley
Junior Taumata
Kingking Koubwere
Tabokori Rimon

Indian Council:

Jasrose Kaur Mallhi
Raman Toor
Harry Singh
Navleen Kaur
Armeet Kaur
Harsimran Kaur
Ekkjot Mallhi
Sukhnoor Kaur

And Kapa Haka Leaders, Marereirāteheketua Wilson and Harata Heyblom



SCHOOL TAKES A STAND



This year's Pink Shirt Day was held recently in support of the Mental Health Foundation to raise awareness of the negative impacts bullying can have in all facets of society. It was a special day celebrated by the combined Kahui Ako schools as they promoted the cause. This year Te Puke High Schools LGBTQI committee organised a dress up day with fun activities students could engage in during their lunch break. A good number of students participated in the entertainment on offer. Big crowds to the school hall to guess how many lollies were in the jar, 240 to be exact! The photo booth proved popular as the students flocked to be immortalised in some impressive costumes and pink outfits. One of our big winners was Navaya Webb in a pink pyjama ensemble catching the judge's eye and taking out the prize for best dressed in theme. Overall, the LGBTQI committee were impressed with the immense support shown and the diverse cross section of students backing such an important and worthwhile cause.

**SPEAK UP
STAND
TOGETHER
STOP BULLYING**



Te Puke High School stands up as an antiracist school - fighting against inequities, injustices and those structures or individuals which/who perpetuate power-over tactics over others, because of their ethnicity.

ANTIRACISM