

TE PUKE HIGH SCHOOL PĀNUI

WHAKATAUKI

Ka mahuta a Matariki i te pae, ka mahuta ō tatou tūmanko ki te tau
When Matariki rises above the horizon, our aspirations rise to the year ahead



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TE KĀRERE - OUR LEARNING MESSAGES

TE KETE MATARIKI - KAPA HAKA UNITES STAFF AND STUDENTS



For the second year our amazing kapa haka roopu joined forces with staff to perform a rousing set at Te Kete Matariki. This was one of several fantastic kapa haka performances from local schools in our Kahui Ako. It was a real challenge for kaiako and support staff to learn new waiata and get to rehearsals but the ākonga were very supportive; working alongside and teaching the staff movements. The outcome on the day was impressive with larger numbers of TPHS performers than last year and a growing sense of ihi (essential force, power). We would like to acknowledge and thank Whaea Deb and Whaea Merania for their leadership and organisation. Ngā mihi nui.

TE KĪWAI MAUĪ - EDUCATIONAL DAY TO CELEBRATE MATARIKI



Recently a handful of Te Puke High School students were selected to be navigators and helpers for some workshops revolving around Matariki. These workshops were run by kaiako from different schools, for the younger

tamariki from local kura around the Te Arawa area. Once all stations were set up we were briefed on the way the day would run including health and safety. Each kura made their way to Jubilee Park and we began the events with a karakia. The workshops included learning how to create stars out of flax, learning waiata, learning about the Red Cross and it's connection with Te Arawa and much more. For the first half of the day we completed two workshops and then welcomed a new roopu. After we were finished with all the workshops we grouped into the marquee to end with a closing karakia. We were given a Mānawatia, a Matariki t-shirt and a block of chocolate as a gift for helping out.

This experience was definitely one I wouldn't miss out on and was the first of its kind to happen in our town. It was amazing working with all the staff and students to provide this experience for the rangatahi. The purpose of doing this was to share the new holiday Matariki with those younger students and support them to understand and learn more about it.

Written by Mya-Rose Wilson

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KAITIAKI PROJECT - GUARDIANS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Throughout Term 2 the Year 10 students have been learning about Kaitiakitanga. Learning has centred around how to look after yourself so you are best prepared to serve and protect others and our communities. On Thursday 30th June our Year 10 students took part in our Kaitiakitanga Day. It was a chance for students to give back to our school and local community to ensure a sustainable future. We had groups offsite helping out at the Paengaroa Community Gardens, Redwood Valley Farms and the Grace Pendegrast Heritage Memorial Park. Those students at school helped to create a second Matariki mural and helped with a school wide clean up.



A huge thanks for all the hard mahi done to organise the day to Mrs Travers and Mr Adams. We are also very grateful to members of our community who hosted our ākonga.

MATARIKI MURAL - A COMMUNITY PROJECT



A new mural on the Tui Street frontage of the Memorial Pool encompasses Te Taiao - honouring our beautiful natural environment and it's connection to Matariki. The painting is an abstract interpretation of the paemaunga (mountain range) that embraces our Te Puke landscape. From Te Rāe o Pāpāmoa, out to Te Pari o te Rāwāwhiria, including Otawa, Otanewainuku and Rangioru. It also depicts the contributory waterways that flow into the Kaituna and out to the moana at Maketū. "We turned it into a paint-by-numbers, so every section was divided up and we matched it with the paint colours that Resene provided for us," said lead teacher, Whaea Shannon. This collaborative mural is a community moment to mark the first ever Matariki public holiday. "We had ringatoi (artists) from a range of kura involved in the making of our mural," said Shannon, including senior art students and leaders from Te Puke High School, children from Fairhaven School's Toitōi Manawa immersion unit, Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Te Matai and Te Puke Intermediate. The mural was the work of the Kāhui Ako and could not have been completed without the support and sponsorship from Mitre 10 Te Puke and Resene. A big mihi from TPHS to Tatai Takuira-Mita for her organisation of many of our Matariki events.

Coming Up:

Tautoko Day Friday 8th July (Seniors at School, Juniors Online).

Term 2 Holiday break begins Monday 11th July.

Kāhui Ako Staff Only Day Monday 18th July.

Return to school for all ākonga Tuesday 19th July.