



# Hāwera High School

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Kia ora e te whanau

We are now into our second week of timetabled classes and we nearly have class sizes settled. This weekend there will be a few more minor changes to accommodate some of the senior classes. These classes either started below 15 students and have risen, or started above 15 students and have dropped in numbers. This year we made the decision to allocate some of our Year 12 and 13 classes, that have fewer than 15 students, three hours per week instead of four hours per week teacher time. During the fourth hour students are to work independently at school on tasks set by their teachers. It has been exciting to see many of our students also taking the opportunity to learn via the Virtual Learning Network (VLN), this option has been so popular to students we have now had to close entry to this course.

Over the last week we have finalised our prefects for 2021. I would like to personally congratulate these students, not only for the leadership they have shown this year, but throughout their time at Hawera High School. We will be recognising these students in our next whole school assembly, to be held on Friday 12 March, at 12:40pm in the Hub. We would love to have as many members of our school community there as possible to be part of this celebration. During this assembly students who excelled in Level 1 and 2 NCEA last year will also be recognised.

Unfortunately, COVID-19 has already had an effect on our school plans for the year. Our Year 9 and 13 whanau BBQ that was to be held on Monday night had to be postponed. Now we have returned to Level 1 the BBQ will be held this Monday, 22 February, from 4:30pm to 6pm. I would also like to thank everyone in our school community who has taken sensible steps of staying at home when they have not been well and have followed Ministry of Health advice. We will update you as soon as possible about whether events, sports and trips are happening, but hopefully there hasn't been too much disruption to our calendar. We will continue to follow Ministry of Health guidance, as a school, to ensure the safety of our students.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, we are very appreciative of the efforts from families to ensure students are in correct uniform and have the correct stationery and equipment.

We would like to thank The Warehouse, Hawera, for their continued support of Hawera High School and our students.

Nga mihi  
Rachel Williams  
Principal

### Year 9 and 13 Whanau BBQ

All students and their families are welcome to attend, this is an opportunity for our Year 9 students and their parents to meet Year 13 students and parents, staff and BoT members. The pool will also be open from 4.30 - 6pm for those wanting to swim. If you are new to Hawera High School, we would love to see you there!

## Prefects 2021

|                                 |                      |                                  |                            |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Head Boy</b>                 | Noah Hunt            | <b>Blue House Leader</b>         | Te Poutokomanawa Kupe-King |
| <b>Head Girl</b>                | Shalwi Kumar         | <b>Blue House Leader</b>         | Sativa Dwyer               |
| <b>Deputy Head Boy</b>          | Josh Bird            | <b>Gold House Leader</b>         | Christian Kennett          |
| <b>Deputy Head Girl</b>         | Madeline Pick        | <b>Gold House Leader</b>         | Amelia Parata              |
| <b>Achievement Leader</b>       | Madison Landsborough | <b>Green House Leader</b>        | Liam Cadman                |
| <b>Achievement Leader</b>       | Michelle Farmer      | <b>Green House Leader</b>        | Jewel Te Wiki              |
| <b>Student Council</b>          | Grace Coogan         | <b>Red House Leader</b>          | Kaylee Mihaljevich         |
| <b>Student Council</b>          | Seree Coombe         | <b>Red House Leader</b>          | Tait Scott                 |
| <b>Arts and Cultural Leader</b> | Angelisa Hanikawhe   | <b>Deputy Blue House Leader</b>  | Cullun Wallis              |
| <b>Arts and Cultural Leader</b> | Jemma Ogden          | <b>Deputy Blue House Leader</b>  | Lara Hockly                |
| <b>SADD Leader</b>              | Xarah Kempton        | <b>Deputy Gold House Leader</b>  | Jackson Clement            |
| <b>Environment</b>              | Liam Finer           | <b>Deputy Gold House Leader</b>  | Brooke Brommers            |
| <b>Environment</b>              | Mikayla Gavin        | <b>Deputy Green House Leader</b> | Conal Soothill             |
| <b>PB4L</b>                     | Shruti Reddy         | <b>Deputy Green House Leader</b> | Riley Fevre                |
| <b>PB4L</b>                     | Samuel Snow          | <b>Deputy Red House Leader</b>   | Georgia Maxwell            |
|                                 |                      | <b>Deputy Red House Leader</b>   | Zoe Campbell               |

## Reports 2021

We are in the process of changing some of our reports this year to make them more user friendly for parents and the wider community. We will no longer be sending weekly engagement reports home, instead focusing on a more meaningful report once a term, in either Week 5 or 6. These reports will be based on the employability skills identified by careers New Zealand.

Students will be graded according to how well they demonstrate these skills in class. They will receive one of the following grades:

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Not yet meeting expectations | Student cannot yet demonstrate the skills consistently. |
| Meeting expectations         | Student can demonstrate the skill consistently.         |
| Exceeding expectations       | Student can demonstrate the skills exceptionally well.  |

The seven skills can be seen in this matrix with slightly different criteria being expected of Junior students (Y9 & 10) to Senior students (Y11-13).

| Year 9 & 10 Skills                             |   |   |  |   |  |   |
|--|---|---|--|---|--|---|
| Positive Attitude                              | Communication   | Teamwork  | Self-management  | Willingness to learn  | Thinking skills<br>(problem solving and decision making) | Resilience  |
| I attempt all my tasks that I am set.          | I listen to the ideas of others.                              | I can work well with others on projects.                        | I arrive at class on time, with appropriate equipment to complete my schoolwork. | I like learning new skills and trying new tasks.                  | I consider different ideas before I make a decision.     | I can handle different situations I am placed in. |
| I display our school values.                   | I ask questions of my teachers and peers I do not understand. | I can come up with new ideas.                                   | I understand that my own words, actions and behaviours influence others.         | I am curious and enthusiastic about learning.                     | I recognise problems and can find solutions.             | I handle challenges without giving up.            |
| I am happy, friendly and enthusiastic.         | I can communicate effectively with peers and staff.           | I can work well with a variety of people (not just my friends). | I am committed to my learning in class.  | I look for ways to improve my skills.                             | I think about our school values before I act.            | I ask for help when needed.                       |
| I am willing to work hard to achieve my goals. | I speak, listen and share ideas with peers and teachers.      | I respect peers and staff and follow directions.                | I am responsible around the school.  | I accept advice and learn from feedback given by peers and staff. | I recognise when I need to help from peers and staff.    | I learn from my mistakes.                         |
|  |   |   | I follow instructions in class and complete my work.                             |   |  |   |
|  |   |   | I look after my own Hauora.  |   |  |   |
|  |   |   | I follow instructions at school in order to stay safe.                           |   |  |   |

| Year 11, 12 & 13 Skills                       |  |  |   |   |  |   |
|---|--|--|---|---|--|---|
| Positive Attitude                             | Communication  | Teamwork   | Self-management   | Willingness to learn  | Thinking skills<br>(problem solving and decision making)     | Resilience  |
| I am positive and have a “can do” attitude.   | I understand, and reflect on, the way I communicate and how it affects others. | I work well with others to complete tasks and meet goals.              | I arrive at class on time, with appropriate equipment to complete my schoolwork.                | I am willing to learn new tasks, skills and information.          | I identify and assess options before making a decision.      | I adapt and am flexible in new and changing situations.   |
| I am optimistic, honest and show respect.     | I ask questions when unsure or unclear.  | I contribute to developing new ideas or approaches.                    | I understand, and reflect on, my own words, actions and behaviour, and how these affect others. | I am curious and enthusiastic about learning.                     | I recognise problems and can find solutions.                 | I handle challenges and setbacks and do not give up.      |
| I am happy, friendly and enthusiastic.        | I can communicate effectively with peers and staff.                            | I work well with others of different genders, cultures or beliefs.     | I show commitment and responsibility.   | I look for opportunities to work more effectively.                | I think about consequences before I act.                     | I can seek support and help when needed.                  |
| I am motivated to work hard towards my goals. | I speak, listen and share ideas appropriately.                                 | I recognise the need to respect peers and staff and follow directions. | I am dependable, follow instructions and complete assigned tasks.                               | I accept advice and learn from feedback given by peers and staff. | I recognise when I need to seek advice from peers and staff. | I recognise and accept mistakes made and learn from them. |
|   |  |  | I am responsible for my own Hauora.   |   |  |   |
|   |  |  | I follow instructions at school in order to stay safe.  |   |  |   |

Our intention is to have these reports available in Week 6 of this term, the week starting 8<sup>th</sup> March. We have given ourselves a short turn around as we are booked in with our student management system provider (KAMAR) for Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February for alterations to be made to our report set up, as this was the first date they were able to give us. We will keep you posted if we need to delay sending out this first round of reports.

### Student Contact Details

Please ensure you inform the school office of any changes in contact details for your students. These can also be updated through Parent Portal. [Parent Portal Link](#)

Usernames and passwords for Parent Portal have been emailed out to parents. If you are unsure please contact [enquiries@hawerahs.school.nz](mailto:enquiries@hawerahs.school.nz) and we can let you know your login details.

### Hawera High School Bank Account Details

If you are making a payment to the school using on-line banking please use the following bank account details:

**Hawera High School**

**TSB: 15-3950-0470595-00**

Due to changes in our banking system, we require all bank payments made to the school to be in the following format:

**Particulars:** (Student Surname and Initial of first name) i.e. BLOGGS J

**Code:** (Student ID number) i.e. 123455

**Reference:** School Costs

If you are unsure of your Student ID number, please contact the school office to assist you.

If you currently have an automatic payment set up with the school can you please review your bank details to reflect the above.

### Healthy School Lunches

We have met with potential vendors over the last week and have made some decisions, paperwork is now with the Ministry team. We will share arrangements for school lunches once everything has been signed off by the Ministry. We are hopeful that we will have school lunches starting in the first few weeks of March. Our form teachers have been busy collecting dietary information from students, please check with your student that they have given this information to their form teacher.

## Swimming Sport Arrangements

Since we are now at alert level 1 swimming sports, next Friday, will go ahead as planned. We will let you know if there are any changes to these arrangements.

## Device Reminder

Could parents please remind students to charge their devices overnight, ready for school the next day. The expectation is that all students have a suitable device for learning purposes at school each day. A phone is not a suitable device.

## Containers Please

A request from the Hospitality/Food Technology department for any spare ice cream containers and lids or any other takeaway containers for our students take home food products.

## School Tennis Championship Results

**Junior Boys Champion** – Reece Holmes; **Runner-up** – Felix Butler

**Junior Girls Champion** – Niamh Clancy; **Runner-up** – Charlotte Tippet

**Senior Boys Champion** – Lachlan Tong; **Runner-up** – Te Poutokomanawa Kupe-King

**Senior Girls Champion** – Kayla Ryan; **Runner-up** – Lara Hockly

**Junior Boys Doubles Champions** – Reece Holmes, Ryan Hockly  
**Runner-up** – Jaxon Steele, Sha-meel Chengan

**Junior Girls Doubles Champions** – Charlotte Tippet, Niamh Clancy  
**Runner-up** – Tial Te Wiki, Summer Hortillosa

**Senior Boys Doubles Champions** – Lachlan Tong, Ethan McDonald  
**Runner-up** – Te Poutokomanawa Kupe-King

**Senior Girls Doubles Champions** – Kayla Ryan, Lara Hockly  
**Runner-up** – Seree Coombe, Michelle Farmer



56 students participated in the HHS Tennis Champs on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March. Awesome to see so many students giving this event a go!



## Upcoming Calendar Events

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| 19 February, Friday    | NZCT Year 9-10 Cricket  |
| 19 February, Friday    | Ambassador applications due   |
| 22 February, Monday    | Gillette Cup – Junior Boys  |
| 24 February, Wednesday | School Golf Champs  |
| 24 February, Wednesday | Gateway Student Induction   |
| 25 February, Thursday  | ID Photo – catch ups  |
| 26 February, Friday    | School Swimming Sports  |
| 2 March, Tuesday       | Planning Successful Pathways Interviews – School finishes at 1:30pm – Interviews start at 2pm – 7pm and are held in students Form Classes |
| 2 March, Tuesday       | Ross Taylor – Cricket Boys  |
| 4 March, Thursday      | Planning Successful Pathways Interviews – School finishes at 1:30pm – Interviews start at 2pm – 7pm and are held in students Form Classes |
| 4 March, Thursday      | Gillette Venus – Cricket Girls  |
| 11 March, Thursday     | School Athletics Day  |
| 12 March, Friday       | Whole School Assembly – 12:40pm in the Hub  |
| 16 March, Tuesday      | Whanganui Cricket Exchange (In Whanganui)   |
| 17 March, Wednesday    | AUT Liaison Visit – 9am   |
| 19 March, Friday       | Waikato University Liaison Visit – 12:30pm  |
| 23 March, Tuesday      | School Triathlon  |
| 26 March, Friday       | Massey University Liaison Visit – 12:30pm   |
| 31 March, Wednesday    | NCEA Information Evening  |
| 2 April – 6 April      | Easter Holidays   |
| 14 April, Wednesday    | Canterbury University Liaison Visit – 10am  |
| 16 April, Friday       | Whole School Assembly – 12:40pm in the Hub  |

## Upcoming TSSSA Events

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| 21 February, Sunday | Beach Volleyball                           |
| 22 February, Monday | Senior Futsal / Orienteering Series (SHGC) |
| 1 March, Monday     | Golf Croquet – South Taranaki Muster       |
| 3 March, Wednesday  | Rogaine                                    |
| 10 March, Wednesday | Golf Croquet – South Taranaki              |
| 14 March, Sunday    | Mountain Biking                            |
| 15 March, Monday    | Orienteering Series (Stratford Primary)    |
| 17 March, Wednesday | Golf Croquet – North vs South Taranaki     |
| 18 March, Thursday  | Athletics                                  |
| 28 March, Sunday    | Triathlon                                  |
| 30 March, Tuesday   | Road Cycling                               |
| 11 April, Sunday    | MotoCross                                  |
| 13 April, Tuesday   | Competitive Golf                           |

Contact our Sports Co-ordinator, Marsha Collingwood for more information on TSSSA Events.

[m.collingwood@hawerahs.school.nz](mailto:m.collingwood@hawerahs.school.nz)

Calendar events can also be viewed through Parent Portal [Parent Portal Link](#)

If you have any student achievement news to share, please email us at [enquiries@hawerahs.school.nz](mailto:enquiries@hawerahs.school.nz) so we can share this with the school community in our next newsletter.

## Golf Croquet - That's How We Roll

- Do you like strategy games?
- Do you like sports such as pool, snooker, lawn bowls or mini putt?
- Do you like activities that aren't always serious and where you can have a laugh at yourself and others when things don't go to plan?
- Are you thinking of trying a new sport this year that is based on skill rather than physical prowess?



Well there is a sport that has elements of all the above - it's called GOLF CROQUET! It's the fast and furious version of croquet the equivalent of 7's and T20 in Rugby and Cricket. It's also free and equipment will be provided, so what's the harm in giving it a go? You never know, after trying it once, you might get hooked for life!

After school coaching is available at the Park Croquet Club, (by The Warehouse, beyond the Hawera Park Bowling Club), on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays - 3.30pm-5pm, and Twilight Play starts at 6pm on the same days. Parents/Caregivers are also welcome to come and have a hit around with your child.

If you are feeling intrigued, or would like more details contact Mr Pintor, TiC of Golf Croquet via email:

[r.pintor@hawerahs.school.nz](mailto:r.pintor@hawerahs.school.nz)

## TSSSA Golf Croquet

This year, Park Croquet Club on behalf of Croquet South Taranaki will be hosting the TSSSA Golf Croquet (South). This is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 10 March. Students interested in representing Hawera High School at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Golf Croquet Championships in Hawkes Bay during Winter Tournament Week (Friday 3 September - Sunday 5 September) must have participated in this event, on this day, to qualify. Students from Stratford High School, Opunake High School and Patea Area School will also be involved.

Croquet South Taranaki realises that not all students have heard about, let alone know how to play Golf Croquet, and has scheduled a 'Have A Go' afternoon on Monday 1 March for students at Park Croquet Club. **This is a great opportunity to play Golf Croquet whether your child is an experienced player, or someone who hasn't played the sport before.**

There will be a free sausage sizzle around 4.30pm and current and former Hawera High School students will demonstrate a full game of Golf Croquet at this time. Parents/Caregivers are welcome to come along and 'Have A Go' themselves from 4.30pm as well as have a sausage with your child.

Following the 'Have A Go' afternoon, Hawera High School students will need to register their interest to participate in the TSSSA Golf Croquet (South) event by Friday 5 March with the Sports Coordinator Mrs Collingwood.



Last weekend current HHS Year 12 student, Ethan McDonald, and former HHS student, Joel Steele (Year 12, 2019) participated in the Handicapped Singles Competition at the Jane Winstone sponsored Golf Croquet Tournament, in Whanganui. Both are members of Park Croquet Club, and each won their respective division (Ethan – Div 2 and Joel – Div 1). Ethan also partnered up with his grandfather, Malcolm McDonald, on the Sunday, in the Handicapped Doubles Competition and got second place in the top division to Hawera Croquet Club members, and current HHS Year 11 student, Ashton Sharp, who partnered up with Sue Williams. Ashton also recently competed against his grandmother, Heather Sturgeon in the Edith Spackman Tournament in Masterton with Ashton winning the competition.