

2019: THE YEAR THAT WAS



Kia ora e te whānau

This year we celebrated the success of our students as well as the school turning 100. Our Centenary was held on Labour Weekend and provided an opportunity for current and past students and teachers to connect. Our current students enjoyed spending time listening and learning about the history of the school. Approximately 900 people attended our Centenary and it was lovely to be able to play host and showcase the school.

Hāwera High School

Term 4 always gives an opportunity to acknowledge the hard work students have put into their learning through our prize giving ceremonies. We are incredibly proud of all our students and prizegiving's are a wonderful way to end our school year.

At this time of the year we farewell many students as they head to tertiary study or into the work force. We are incredibly lucky that they have had such a positive impact on our school. We look forward to hearing about their successes in the future as they journey through life. We are also looking forward to welcoming back our returning students as well as our new Year 9 students at the beginning of 2020.

Enjoy reading through our end of year newsletter as you start to unwind for the year. We hope that you all have a wonderful break over the Christmas and New Year period.

Kia kaha, te awhina - strength through caring

Rachel Williams - Principal

JANUARY

Te Wera programme launch

- Our newly introduced Te Wera programme has been a huge success this year, with current students all opting in to study in this project-based learning format again in 2020.

FEBRUARY

Swimming Sports and Athletics

- Even more records fell at our annual swimming and athletics sports. Every year our students get better and better!

- Te Wera students host evening for family and friends to showcase their learning plans

Young Enterprise Kick Start

- Our Young Enterprise classes take the opportunity to pitch their business ideas to mentors and industry experts.

MARCH

Cricket Champs

Hawera High School 1st XI the Taranaki winners of the Ross Taylor T20 Trophy Festival Day. Hawera played Inglewood High School 1st XI in the final at Manukoriki Park, Waitara.



School comes together after Christchurch shootings

- Members of the community joined with us at a public assembly in the Hub following this tragic event. For some time after, our students laid flowers, wreaths, and paper crane chains around the community. Balloons adorned the school gate containing messages of hope for those affected. We also held a Colour your Day mufti event and raised over \$1000 for the impacted Muslim communities.

Volleyballers Nationals bound

- Our HHS Girls Volleyball team travelled the road to Nationals, with a great win against Whanganui High School 3-1 in a pre-Nationals friendly match at the Hub. They then fought their best fight at the NZSS Nationals tournament held in Palmerston North, March 25-29, 2019. News of the girls' presentation of white feathers to their Cantabrian opponents at Nationals was the talking point of the tournament.



Outdoor Recreation



The Year 13 Outdoor Recreation class had a great few days up the mountain preparing for a summit climb at the end of the term. They finished with a climb to Fantham's Peak. The class enjoyed many real life outdoor education experiences throughout the year.

Former student addresses future leaders

- 2018 HHS Graduate Tenniele Crump-Conchie was guest speaker to several Year 12 students attending the Massey University Young Women in Leadership Workshop. Tenniele was the regional Young Enterprise Scheme winner last year and gave an inspirational message.

APRIL

Relay for Life

- Our annual Relay for Life participation displayed sheer determination from our staff and students. Deputy Head Boy Ben Smythe walked for seven hours non stop to raise money for the Cancer Society.
- Fundraising efforts this year have been outstanding, with our school and many external organisations being supported through mufti days and other events.



Glad rags and Gumboots

Staff and students got right into Gumboot Day to raise awareness for kids' mental health. Pictured are Teachers Angela McAlpine, Hayati Abdullah and Susan Hopkins.

Thanks to all who supported and donated to this great cause.

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32 students and parents travelled to South East Asia for the history trip of a lifetime.

Medals galore

- Our Wrestling team took out second place in the National Championships held in Hawera, and our athletes once again prove themselves to be one of the leading Taranaki schools in their sport, with a massive haul of placings at North Island Champs.

Golf Croquet accolades

- Year 12 student Te Kiri King received an invitation from Howick Croquet Club to compete in the singles section of their Golf Croquet Tournament and was fortunate enough to win the tournament and received the Gordon Smith Tankard and NZCC Pennants title.

He and pairs partner Isabelle Tong went on later in the year to National Championships and have been once again named in New Zealand representative teams, along with Joel Steele who has been included in the Youth squad.



ANZAC Commemorations

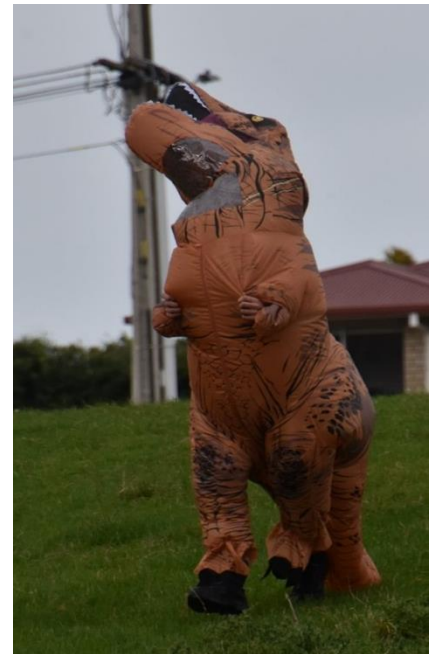
A wonderful photo of our 2016 Head Boy, Nathan Carroll-Fearnley captured at the ANZAC Dawn Service in Wellington. Hawera High School students represented us around the district at ANZAC Services in Hawera, Manaia, Patea and Alton. Student Leaders Georgia, Ben, Briar and Jorja were privileged to be able to speak at Manaia and Hawera services. Many more of our students attended these events in various capacities. Thank you to all who supported our ANZACs.



MAY

Cross Country with a difference

- This year's Cross Country included the addition of a colour run, which was a huge hit with students.



Pedal Power

- Students volunteered their time to be part of the community Pedal-Powered project as part of the Mayor's Taskforce for jobs.

Rock Quest success

- HHS band Mama's Boyz places second in the Taranaki Regional Smokefree Rockquest competition.

Teachers take strike action

- Our teaching staff were involved in industrial action in May. Thankfully, their contract negotiations were finalised later in the year.



SADD team highlights driving dangers

- Our SADD (Students Against Dangerous Driving) students joined a nationwide effort to highlight the danger of being distracted by technology while driving.

The team assisted at a police checkpoint, and also went without their phones for 48 hours during the week.

Board of Trustees elections

- Voting for the Hawera High School Board of Trustees closed in June, and as a result we welcomed almost an entirely new group of Trustees to the table. Our sincere thanks to go to the former Trustees who stepped down this year.

JUNE

Musical showcases

- Many of our staff, students and school families were involved in the fabulous production of Annie, put on by the Hawera Repertory Society.
- The Hawera High School Welsh McCarthy Junior Music Awards once again displayed the amazing talent of our students, as did the Halliwells and Lynette Morris Senior Music Awards later in the year.

Field trips full of learning

- As always, the field trips on offer to students as part of their various programmes of learning enabled hands on learning and experiences at many locations around the country.



Prom Fever

- Our Senior Prom lived up to the hype once again. We were lucky to have a full page spread of glamorous photos in the Stratford Press. Thanks to everyone involved in organisation and sponsorship of this memorable night for our students.

Pae Rangitahi

- Hawera High School Kapa Haka students competed at the annual Pae Rangitahi competition, finishing a credible fourth.



Centenary hype

- Leading up to our much-anticipated Centenary celebrations, we featured Friday Flashbacks on our school Facebook page, showing photos and memories from across the decades. We are thrilled at the amount of enjoyment these archives brought.

Industry visits

- A huge thank you to the many businesses, organisations and individuals who have supported our student's pathways through work experience and industry visits this year. We couldn't offer such engaging and well-rounded learning programmes without you.

AUGUST

Young Enterprise

- This year, Young Enterprise once again saw huge success with teams marketing their products and services at pop up shops and markets, being invited to annual Business Showcases and winning regional income awards. Our YES teacher Diana Reid, who leaves us at the end of the year to fill her position on the South Taranaki District Council, was also recognised with a 20 year service award to Young Enterprise.

Finals goals

- Netball at Hawera High School celebrated many victories and achievements this year with all teams achieving their season goals including finals matches.

Academics on show

- Students showed off their maths, science and literary skills at various competitions in Taranaki.
- 19 of our Year 10 students competed at the BP Business Challenge, with one of our teams coming out on top. Awesome job!



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SEPTEMBER



Youth to Work awards

- Several of our students scooped awards at the Mayors Task Force for Jobs Youth to Work awards. Plus, the logo for the event was designed by one of our Young Enterprise students.

World Geography Olympiad

Year 12 student Sam Landers will travel with three other New Zealand students to Turkey in August 2020 to compete in the World Geography Olympiad as part of the national team.

OCTOBER

Club Coach of the Year

- Our very own Rugby coach and Teacher in Charge Kris Campbell was recognised as the Club Coach of the Year at the Taranaki Rugby Awards.

It took a week bit of trickery from his family to get him to the event where he received his unexpected award. Thanks for all you do for Rugby in our school, Mr Campbell.



100 years of Hawera High School

- After years of planning from a dedicated committee, we celebrated 100 years of education at Hawera High School on Labour Weekend. Reunions, stories, and memories – both old and new – were enjoyed by over 1000 people. Donations to our Alumni fund are still being taken, with each donation over \$50 receiving a celebratory commemorative coin. These are available from the school office so please get in touch with us if you wish to own one.

Thank you to everyone involved with our Centenary celebrations.

HAWERA HIGH SCHOOL



Student awarded top literary honour for third year

- Deputy Head Girl Sasha Finer took out the poetry and short story sections of the Ronald Hugh Morrieson Literary Awards for the third year in a row. A commemorative book collated by Sasha, and including hers and other students' work, is available for purchase from our school office.

NOVEMBER

2020 Head Students named

The 2020 Head students enjoyed recreating the antics of their predecessors after the Year 12 prize giving.



Congratulations to our 2020 student leadership team. Further prefects and ambassadors will be named in Term 1 2020.

Dux and runner up Dux were Yani Remoto and Faith Araba.

2020 Head Students



Niall Clancy
Head Boy



Kate Mackay
Head Girl



Sam Landers
Deputy Head Boy



Isabelle Tong
Deputy Head Girl

Our Hawera High School family lost far too many members this year. Our thoughts are still with those who lost loved ones. They are forever in our hearts.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE HAWERA HIGH SCHOOL STAFF
AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

CENTENARY SNAPSHOTS

