



# Hastings Boys' High School Newsletter



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## 2018 Diary Dates

- 26 June Debating vs NGHS
- 28 June S8 Badminton PN  
Maths Comp Yr12 PN  
Programme Incubator
- 30 June S8 Rugby vs Rotorua BHS  
away
- 2 July S8 Football Hamilton
- 5 July BOP Basketball Trip
- 6 July NZ Kapa Haka Nats PN
- 6 July Term 2 Ends
- 7 July S8 Rugby vs NPBHS Home
- 23 July Term 3 Begins
- 6 August S8 Hockey & B'Ball NP
- 11 August S8 Rugby Final
- 14 August Yr 13 Geo to Rotorua
- 16 August Yr13 Business Studies PN
- 20 August Programme Incubator  
Uni of Canterbury Visit
- 24 August Yr 13 Chemistry Trip



With over half of the school year behind us students need to be reminded that time waits for no-one. Good planning and organisation are the cornerstones to success at school. Senior reports will be posted at the end of the term which will give students an accurate overview of where they are placed.

The Prefects presented a fine overview of what the "Akina Man" digital citizen looks like at our school. The message about what is appropriate to share and post on social media platforms were well received. Simply, if it's hurtful or spiteful don't post and don't share.

The School is excited about an engineering partnership being explored with Patton Engineering. Our senior students will benefit from some of the best training and expertise in the engineering industry.

Winter team sports are well underway and it is great to see the numbers of boys and teams turning out for Hastings Boys' High School. I like to believe every boy understands and upholds our "Playing Code of Ethics" respecting the rules, opposition and the decisions of the referee.

At the end of the term the pavilion will undergo its rebuild with much needed additional changing rooms downstairs and the new Craig Hickson Lounge sitting in pride of place at the top, a welcoming home for the Old Boys of the school. From this vantage point the Old Boys can watch the Saturday sport being accurately updated by our new State-of-the-Art Scoreboard.

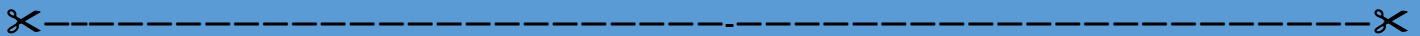
*R G Sturch, B.Ed., Dip.Tchg., M.Ed.Admin.(Hons),  
Headmaster*



Mr Craig Hickson and Mr Sturch  
in front of the new scoreboard



Have your contact details changed? If so please let us know by completing the slip below and returning it to the School asap.



Students Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Caregivers Names \_\_\_\_\_ Best Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ (we will be sending more and more communications via email so it is important we have this up-to-date information)

Emergency Contact Person and Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

## Congratulations to



Dylan Thomas (left)

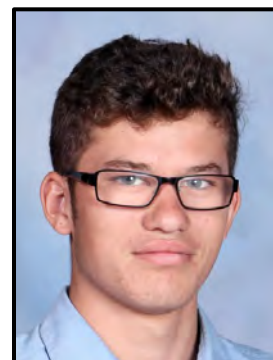
Congratulations to HBHS Old Boy Dylan Thomas who has been selected in the NZ Vantage Black Sticks Men's team to tour Japan and India next month. Dylan is a striker and will be part of the team which will play four matches against Japan and one against Germany in Shiga and Gifu, Japan from 4-15 July.



Congratulations to Jireh Ayre, the recent recipient of the Virgil Troy Scholarship for Karate.



Tom Moffett has had some impressive rowing results in the 2017/2018 season. He won Gold in the Intermediate 8 and Bronze in club 8 at the North Island Championships. Tom also won a silver at nationals in the club 8. Tom has been chosen to hold the stroke seat in each of these boats which means this is the rower closest to the stern of the boat and usually the most competitive in the crew. Everyone follows the "strokes" timing.



## Pink Ribbon Morning



The staff at Hastings Boys' High School organised a Pink Ribbon Morning Tea to raise funds for the Breast Cancer Appeal. A beautiful spread of delightful cakes and savouries adorned the table at interval. Over \$300 was raised for this very worthy cause.



## Science

Year 12 Chemistry Students embarking on their Titration Experiment under the watchful eye of Mr Dentice. The marks from these experiments count towards their NCEA Level 2 Credits.



On Friday the 18th of May I began another stage in my quest to gain the Queen Scout Award. This is the highest award that can be received in the scouting movement. I began by driving to Brookfield camp site in Wainuiomata, Wellington. The occasion was the Cooksey leadership course. Two years earlier I had done the Velocity course which is the introduction to leadership. The course began with a meet and greet of the other venturers who had travelled from around the lower North Island. Then it was a hot drink and biscuit before heading to our bunks anticipating tomorrow's busy schedule.



Saturday we were up at 7am for cereal or spaghetti on toast (nothing fancy here), to prepare ourselves for the start. The weather was overcast and cool but at least no rain. The course involved looking at leadership in a new direction; for example, we looked at how we view situations under pressure from a mixture of caring, aggressive, impromptu or calming. We learnt how all approaches can be useful and how they should be used in different situations, by relating to the Tetramap system. We finished the first day at 9 pm.

Sunday saw us get a lie-in until 8am then another round of activities followed. This was all run by young adults (Rovers) and Leaders, involving a hands on approach, challenging us to for example, build a tower out of tape and popsicle sticks with limited time. We also had to take notes so that we could bring back ideas to our unit.

This was the last overnight course I needed to finish my Queens Scout Award. All that is left is my Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award, and Gold Venturer Award. I plan to have these completed by my 18th birthday.

## Leadership



Head Boy Joey Field and Year 12 student David Yee met with students from Heretaunga Intermediate who are part of the Leadership Group. These four students have enrolled with Hastings Boys' High School next year. The students were very interested in what leadership opportunities were available at HBHS; how to become a prefect, headboy and leader and also the transition from intermediate to high school, and what we thought was one of the most important things about being a year 9 student. We said to get involved as many activities as possible, to create new friendships and better understand your peers.

## HBHS vs HGHS



There has always been a good rapport with the HBHS Prefects and the HGHS Prefects. Every year they get together in friendly rivalry over various activities ranging from netball to general knowledge quizzes. This year the girls won the challenge so it will be up to us to win the coveted trophy back at the next challenge.



On Friday June 8th Arapeta Schnell and Detroit Hale (both Year 12) attended the Economist's Breakfast hosted by the Napier City Council, with the Chief Economist from Westpac Bank speaking on a variety of issues from the effects of minimum wage law reform to the Hawke's Bay housing market. It was a great experience for these students to interact with prominent business people from the region and to put into context the theory they have been learning in class.

Arapeta Schnell (on the left) has also been selected to attend a week long business leadership course aimed at developing entrepreneurial skills in Rangatahi. He will travel to Auckland for the first week of the July school holidays to participate in this.

YES (Young Enterprise Scheme) Pitch Day was held on May 15th. HBHS hosted one of the four rounds of the Dragon's Den style Pitch competition, with three prominent business people judging each group's business plan, marketing, finance, presentation skills and innovation. Teams from Central Hawke's Bay College, Hastings Christian School and Napier Girls' High School joined our 12 groups to present their ideas. Congratulations to the following groups that scored highly from their pitch:

Simply Aotearoa - organic hair products

MW Furniture - upcycled furniture from apple bins

Iron & Vine - upcycled garden decorations from wine barrel rings

## Tim Tipene - Author

Tim Tipene visited Hastings Boys' High School this week to talk to us about how he got into writing and to share some of his wisdom around writing. We were surprised to hear how he started writing which was when he started attending support classes for Maths. Eventually his Maths teacher stopped attending these support lessons, and so Tim entertained himself by writing. He was 12 years old when he started writing. Tim shared lots of stories about his childhood and primary school days. We were captivated by his school stories, and about his teachers and their impact on him. His stories were entertaining but had strong messages for us about overcoming challenges in life.

Tim's book "Kura Toa" is very popular with junior classes and we have all enjoyed reading about Haki's adventures with Buster to stop the development of Māori land. We think Haki sounds like a good Akina man who shows integrity and respect for his culture.

Tim attended Kaipara College and is affiliated to Ngati Kuri and Ngati Whatua. He now lives in Auckland and has two sons.

