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Week 13
Date: 23rd May, 2019

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Dear Parents/Guardians
Tēnā rā koutou katoa

Mai ee te tipua, Mai ee te tawhito
Mai ee te kāhui o ngā Ariki, Mai ee i te kuititanga o taku manawa,
ki te nehenehenui o taku ngākau
Kia tupu-a-nuku, kia tupu-a-rangi, Kia tupu whakaritorito
kia pūāwai noa, Hui te marama, hui te ora
Whiria ngā taura here kia mau, kia ita!
Haumi ee, hui ee, tāiki ee!



Tena ra koutou katoa

Last week the government announced a change package for NCEA with 7 major changes.

1. Make NCEA more accessible
2. Mana ōrite mo te mātauranga Maori.
3. Strengthen literacy and numeracy requirements
4. Have fewer, larger standards
5. Simplify NCEA's structure
6. Show clearer pathways to further education and employment
7. Keep NCEA Level 1 as an optional level.

Talking with other colleagues and Principals' there are varying opinions of these changes, but there is general agreement that changes were needed to the present system.

To me, the changes are being made to make NCEA clearer, easier to access, understand and deliver but providing rigor in learning. It also allows flexibility for schools to deliver relevant teaching programmes to suit their school.

Major changes include:

- Each level of NCEA will be 60 credit qualification;
- Maximum credits achievable per field or subject is 20
- 50/50 split of internal and external credits.
- External credits will include other forms of assessment including portfolios
- Fewer achievement standards covering a broader range of knowledge.
- Strengthen industry-derived standards
- Increase emphasis on literacy and numeracy with increase credit from 10 to 20,
- Students will be able to meet the standard whenever they are ready, which may be as early as Year 7
- A single common benchmark will be set to assess a student's literacy and numeracy skills and will be externally graded.
- The new literacy and numeracy requirement will be a co-requisite to NCEA
- Equal value placed on Mātauranga Māori, te ao Māori and te reo Māori

Some of these changes will be phased in over a period of time, others will be immediate. One of the immediate change is end of NCEA fees, including NZ scholarship. That is, from this year, student do not have to pay to sit an NCEA exam.

A full description of changes can be found at:

<https://conversation.education.govt.nz/assets/NCEA/NCEA-Change-Package-2019-Web.pdf>



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PINK SHIRT DAY—ANTI- BULLYING

Whakaiti, te kaitangata o te wairua
To belittle is to kill the spirit

Last Friday we supported the Anti Bullying campaign by being involved with Pink Shirt day. It was good to see many staff and students supporting this kaupapa.

Being a community with a diverse range of students the issue of bullying is constant. In my teaching career I have seen the effects bullying has had on students from trying to ignore it, to being so overwhelmed that suicide was the only way out.

At our assembly on Friday I challenged the students to step in if they see instances of bullying, to say stop to the bully, to remove the person being bullied to a safe place and to tell someone.

The school will not tolerate instances of bullying. Parents will be called in if students are proven to be bullying other students.

WINTER SPORTS

Ko te amorangi ki mua, ko te hāpai ō ki muri.
The leader in the front, followers behind
(Everyone plays an important part in the development of a child)

Winter sports are now in full swing and our school have teams in all of the traditional sports. Every afternoon our fields are being used by varying sports; with hockey on the astro turf and soccer and rugby teams using the field for practice or games. Thursday afternoon is the busiest as our astro turf is full of junior hockey players and their parents.

A big thank you to all those people who are volunteering their time to coach, manage or support all our sports and it is very true to say that without your time and effort, our students would not be able to participate and in many cases, succeed in the sports they play.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Whāia te iti kahurangi, ki te tuohu koe me maunga teitei.
Pursue that which is precious and do not be deterred by anything less than a lofty mountain.

A huge congratulations to Linnie Lim who was recognised at Monday's assembly, even though she was absent, with a certificate from the Language teachers of Te Kura (Correspondence School) for gaining NCEA Level 2 Chinese endorsed with Excellence.

It is also timely to recognize our students from the 2018 NCEA exams who also achieved endorsement of excellence in other subject areas. Well deserved accolades to our Physical Education programme where six out of the 10 excellence endorsements were achieved in their subject.

Level 1 Endorsed with Excellence

Taylor Allen for Physical Education
Sam Meads English and Physical Education

Level 2 Endorsed with Excellence

Katie Corbett Painting
Sam Hamilton English
David Henderson Physical Education
Samantha Kelly Physical Education
Mikayla King Physical Education

L3 Endorsed with Excellence

Sam Hamilton Physical Education
Katie Joyes Photography
Maiji Stephens Photography

No reira

Turuturu ō whiti whakamaui kia tina! Tina!
Haumi ē, Hui ē, Taiki ē

Papa Thomas Tumai
Tumuaki of Te Kura Tuarua of Te Kuiti



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HOME ECONOMICS & TECHNOLOGY

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Learning area: Technology and Home Economics
Subjects Taught: Hospitality, Food and Nutrition, Food Technology, Digital Technology, Digital Design Technology, Metal Technology, Engineering, Wood Technology, Carpentry

We have been busy planning and creating many different products this year. Through the development of many skills and techniques in each subject area, junior students are given a taster as to which pathway they wish to develop, and seniors are given opportunities to experience industry and 'ready for trade' learning programmes. Students also develop key life skills which set them up for when they leave school. Through the department, Gate-way, industry placements and work experience many of our students have gone onto further their studies through tertiary providers such as PIHMS, BCITO, WINTEC, and apprenticeships both locally and nationally. If you are passionate about any of our subjects and want to know more about working in the industry or what you need regarding career advice, come and see one of the team.

*Each is given a bag of tools, a shapeless mass,
A book of rules; and each must make -
Ere life is flown—A stumbling block or a steppingstone.*

Extract from R. L. Sharpe



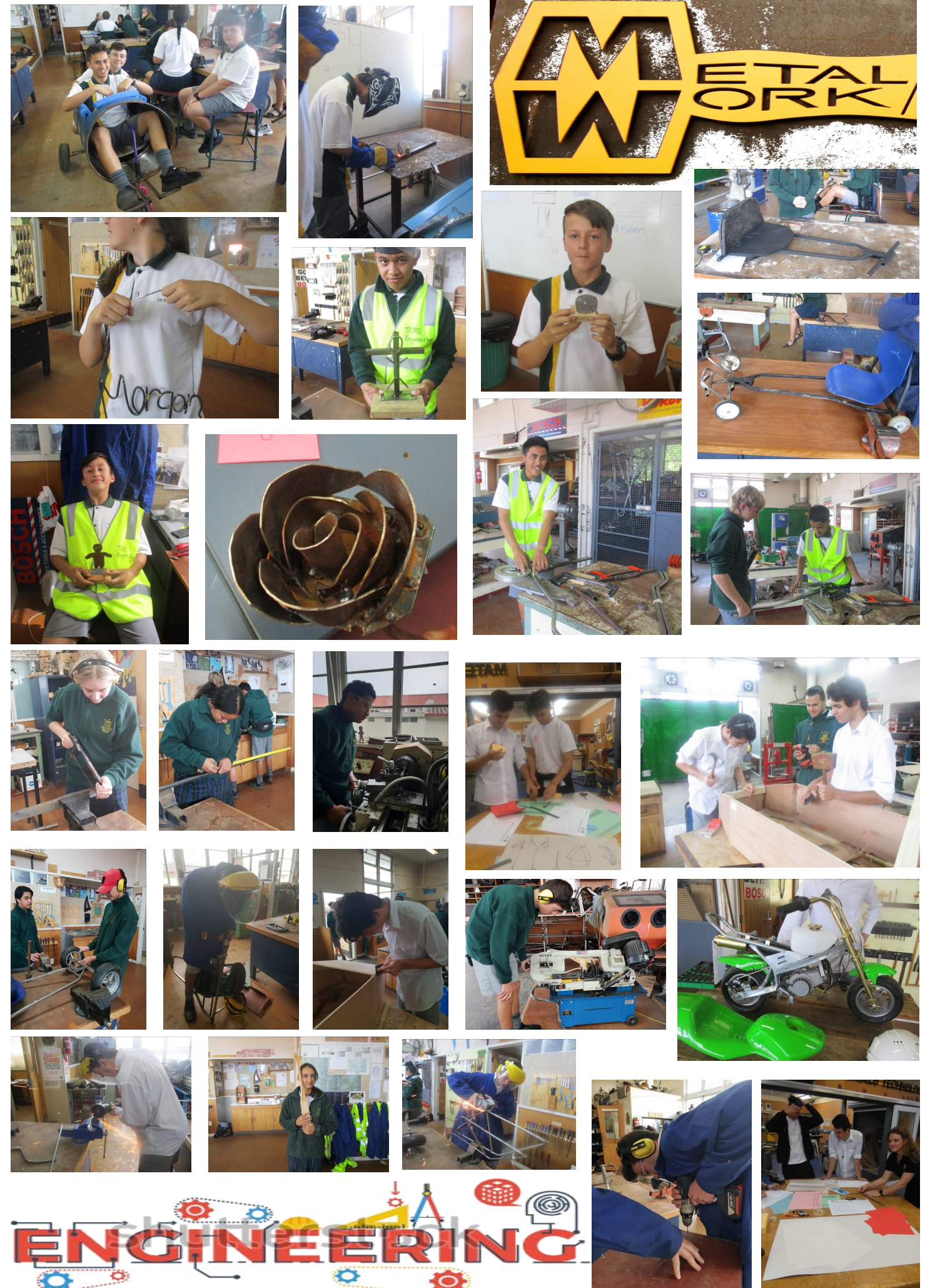
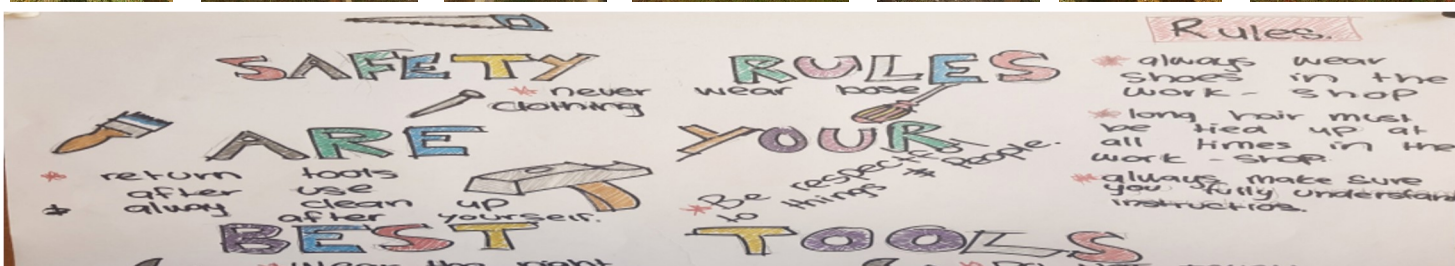
MEET THE TEAM...

Mr Glen Bailey, Miss Bobbie-Dee Kearins, Miss Kristen Joyes, Mrs Lou Fielder, Mr RayTuck



THE NEWEST ADDITION OF OUR TEAM....
MRS WHITE & BABY LAINEY

CARPENTRY





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WOOD TECHNOLOGY



TKHS CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

Individual Grade Champions

Junior Girls	Morgan Hussey	Maniapoto
Junior Boys	Che'dyn Heta-Cloke	Rora
Intermediate Girls	*Morgan Cryer	Wahanui
Intermediate Boys	Patrick Hedley	Rora
Senior Girls	Samantha Corbett	Tawhana
Senior Boys	Caleb Davey	Maniapoto

*did not enter competitive

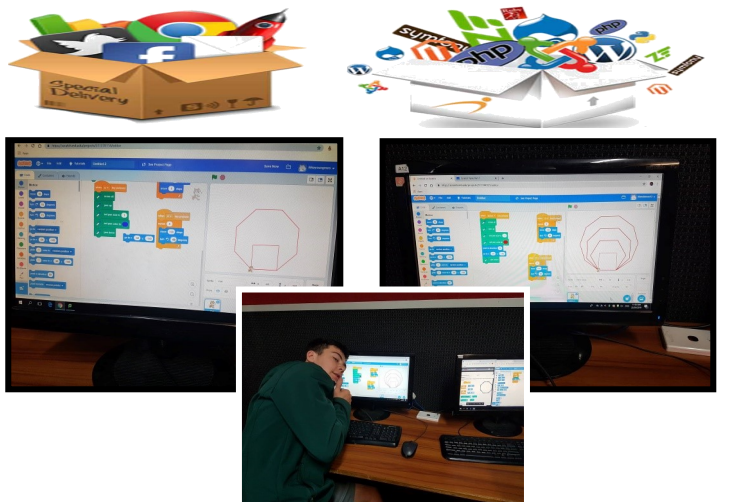


FOOD TECHNOLOGY

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DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY





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SCHOOL CLOSURE

Te Kūiti High School will be closed for instruction on Wednesday, 29th May as PPTA and NZEI members of our staff will be taking a one day strike action. Non- PPTA and NZEI members will be at school from 8.30am to 3.15pm to supervise those students who turn up to school. There will be no teaching involved and no buses running on that day.

INTERNET HEALTH AND WELLBEING PRESENTATION

On Friday, 24th March in our school hall, there will be a presentation focusing on Internet Health and Wellbeing – keeping children safe online.

From 1.00pm to 1.55pm, the presentation will be to Primary school students from Te Kūiti. From 2.00pm to 3.00pm, the presentation will be to our students. **STUDENTS WILL BE FREE TO GO HOME AFTER THE PRESENTATION.**

WINTER SPORTS FEES

Rugby, Netball, Soccer, Basketball & Hockey

A total of **\$60.00** per person for each sport code is required. Please pay at the Student Admin Centre. Financial assistance is available. Please contact the school for further information. **FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE!**

GECKO AND SKINKS VISIT

Mr and Mrs Bazeley kindly came in to teach some of our students about New Zealand's endemic Geckos and Skinks.



WINTER SCHOOL JACKETS

\$80.00

If you have put your name to purchase and have expressed interest, you can now pay at Student Admin Centre. Any queries, please contact Pania 07 878 6292 ext 853.

UPDATE FROM ROTARY EXCHANGE

STUDENT—Maija Stephens

I was so very excited when I finally arrived to my new home in the village of Egg, Vorarlberg. I am living in a 150 year old farmhouse that my host parents had been renovating over the years. Three months in, I have developed a strong bond with my host parents. My host mother and I can spend hours talking about our different cultures, ways of life, history - anything! I think we have an amazing connection. While my host father doesn't speak English, I think that there is an understanding between us that doesn't need words to make this known. I look forward to the day that I can converse with him in German.

I have been attending the Borg Egg Schuler, where I have been fortunate enough to join the Arts stream. I have also been lucky enough to join a class with the friendliest bunch of students. They have been so helpful and supportive of me and I have already made a few good friends. Each day, I go home for lunch (as I live near the school) where my host father will have cooked a delicious meal. Some school days end at lunch time, others don't finish until around five in the afternoon. The classes are okay - at the moment, I don't understand much but I am usually able to figure out what is going on or what is being taught. I do enjoy the Art classes though as this is something I love exploring. I spent two weeks in a town called Altmünster for a German Language Course/camp. This was where I met the rest of the new inbound exchange students from Australia, Brazil and Columbia. We had six hours of learning every day, plus an hour of study each night. I learnt an incredible amount and we had great teachers.

This course has helped me immensely and I can honestly say that my understanding and speaking of the language has improved compared to what it was two weeks before. I have since begun attending another German Course in a nearby city. This takes place in the afternoons, three or four times a week. It's tiring going from school in the mornings to the course in the afternoons but it is keeping me focused and teaching me more and more everyday.

I couldn't be happier with my new living situation. I am loving my family, the culture, the FOOD, music and art history! Next up, I have a ski week in Schladming. There I will be meeting the rest of the exchange students from around the globe and learning how to ski. It should be super fun.

Maija Stephens



Hauora Ākonga—Services available at TKHS

"Take care of our children. Take care of what they **hear**, take care of what they **see**, take care of what they **feel**.
For how the children grow, so will be the shape of Aotearoa." Dame Whina Cooper

MONDAY

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE: Vicki Kelly

9:00am - 3:00pm, Atrium

MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT AT THE FRONT OFFICE with MRS STEPHENS

WAITOMO ATTENDANCE OFFICER: Miss Sydney Karaitiana

9:00am - 2:00pm, Student Admin Centre

MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT AT THE STUDENT ADMIN CENTRE

DRUG AND ALCOHOL COUNSELLOR: Youth Intact
FOR AN APPOINTMENT SEE YOUR MANUKURA

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TUESDAY

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE: Vicki Kelly

9:00am - 3:00pm, Atrium

MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT AT THE FRONT OFFICE with MRS STEPHENS

DOCTOR: Amy Kempthorne

12.30pm - 2.30pm, Atrium

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ABSENTEE PROCEDURE REMINDER: Any absentees or lateness, please contact the school either by phone—878 6292 ext 822 or leave a message on the answer machine before 9.00am or email text@tkhs.school.nz. If your child is going to be absent for three days or longer, please contact the school.



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