

# 2018 Haurakian

Whakaaro  
Matatau

Collaborative  
Mahitahi

Māia

Courageous  
Critical

Creative  
Mahi Auaha

Curious  
Whakaaro Mahira

Communicative  
Connected

Whakauihi-Whakaaro

Tūhononga

Respect

Others

Learning

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# Principals Speech Senior Prizegiving

He mihi nui ki a kotou I tenei wa  
Tena koutou katoa!

Tonight we have some real highlights from 2018 to celebrate at the end of this, the 139th year of operation for Thames High School, and of course, we will acknowledge the outstanding academic endeavours of our year 11, 12 and 13 students. Congratulations to all of you who are receiving awards tonight.

In particular, congratulations to those students whose academic achievement and potential has been recognised by a range of universities and other organisations through the award of scholarships to support your tertiary studies in 2019 and beyond. It is wonderful that your hard work, achievement and potential has been recognised in this way. It is a source of real pride for our school community that so many of you are being supported as you move on to further study or training.

This year has seen a range of achievements across the spectrum of activities that our students have engaged in. The success of our kapa haka group at the Hauraki Festival last term was a real highlight. This term we have had Creativity Evening where we celebrated the creative endeavours of students across all curriculum areas, but with a focus on visual and performing arts. Last week we celebrated the sporting achievements of our students at our annual sports awards.

Tonight it's the turn of our 'academic stars' to shine, and for our school community to applaud their success. We will also honour students for their services to our school and wider communities. In addition, I'd like to acknowledge the positive and active leadership shown by this year's head students, led by Vincent Lee and Sophie Clarke.

We began this year with the opening of the Jack McLean Community Recreation Centre. After many years of dreaming and planning, and almost a year of construction, we are delighted with the result. The quality of the building and the way in which it is being used by both the school and the community is exactly as was envisaged. The benefits to both our students, and the wider community, are obvious and significant. The partnership between the Thames Coromandel District Council and the Thames High School Board of Trustees which has enabled the establishment of the Jack McLean Centre is a model for other communities and I congratulate all those involved on the success of this venture.

A flow-on from the construction of the Jack McLean Centre was a rationalisation of prefab buildings in that corner of our school site. Two of the rooms that were relocated are currently being refurbished, and they will continue to be used for distance education and our international department.

Distance education uses digital technology to enable students to participate in virtual classrooms. A lesson that is being taught in another part of the country can be accessed by students from a range of different schools, and this allows our students to access a wider range of subject options. This isn't new, but developments in digital technology now mean that it is a much more straightforward and cost effective way of accessing learning than it has been in the past.

Our international department is steadily growing and it introduces a multicultural dimension to our school. It also is the biggest source of locally raised funds for the school. Students predominantly from Europe and Asia come here to experience an education system which is quite different from theirs, usually with the goal of improving their English or experiencing a different way of life at the other end of the world. The support of the wider community is instrumental in hosting these students and making them feel welcome, and I'd like to express my gratitude to our community for your support of this programme.

We recently had a visit from the Education Review Office, and one of the things they looked at was the junior curriculum that we have in place – what and how we teach our year 9 and 10 students.

The reviewers visited a number of classes and, based on their observations, commented positively on the levels of student engagement (how interested and involved in their learning), the range and effectiveness of classroom behaviour management strategies that teachers were using, the curriculum innovations that they saw, the integration of digital technologies into the learning programme, and the quality of the relationships between teachers and students.

In our junior curriculum we have moved on from the paradigm of teaching content on the off-chance that it might be needed at a later date, in favour of teaching students how to learn, and developing the learning dispositions that will serve them in their future.

For example, one of the things that I memorised when I was at school was the formula for solving quadratic equations. I memorised it because it was going to be in the exam, and because my teacher told me to. My teacher must have been



particularly convincing, because I memorised it so well that I can recite it today (without notes):

When  $ax^2+bx+c=0$ ,  $x=(-b\pm\sqrt{b^2-4ac})/2a$

It annoys me that something I have committed to my long-term memory hasn't been of any use to me beyond that particular exam. Although I memorised the equation, I didn't have any real understanding of what it means or how it could be useful to me.

Education today is moving beyond mastery of a set body of content – content which is growing so rapidly in this age of information – to being skilful as a learner, and being able to seek out and apply information in a range of contexts. And so the learning dispositions of critical thinking, creativity, curiosity, communication, courage, connectedness and collaboration are what we need to teach alongside content knowledge, as we seek to prepare our students for their future – which will be a lot different than our past.

During the recent school holiday break we learned that a highly respected teacher, colleague and friend had passed away. Ali Chivers had been unwell with cancer, which was diagnosed earlier in the year. While we knew that she was unwell, it came as a shock to us all to learn of her passing. Ali's association with Thames High School spanned 30 years, a remarkable period of service and loyalty to our school, during which time she taught in a variety of subjects and roles. As a digital technologies teacher she was renowned for being at, and staying at, the cutting edge. She worked incredibly hard to advantage her students by being as up-to-date as she could, in an ever-changing subject area. Her students will remember her as a teacher who cared about them as people, but who also cared that they performed to the best of their ability. She will be sorely missed.

I would like to acknowledge this evening Mr Don Lynch, who is retiring from teaching at the end of this year after a teaching career spanning 37 years. Mr Lynch has filled the role of Head of Technology at Thames High School since the start of 2004, during which time he has overseen a number of positive changes and developments. His skill and hard work in managing a large and diverse department, as well as his genuine care for his students, will be missed. Mr Lynch's role as TIC Golf is another area where he has made a significant contribution to our students, and I am sure that next year will give him the opportunity to work on getting his handicap down.

Any organisation is only as effective as its staff, and I would like to acknowledge this evening the wonderful work that all of our staff, teaching and non-teaching, carry out on a daily basis. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated and committed group working for the benefit of our students.

Finally, to our departing students: It has been our aim during your time at Thames High School to do all that we can to prepare you for the exciting and difficult times and decisions that lie ahead, to bring out the attributes that will help you to live happily and productively, and to develop in you the skills and desire to learn throughout your lives.

Kia toa	Be brave
Kia kaha	Be strong
Ka nui te wai marie	Good luck
No reira, kia ora koutou katoa.	

Dave Sim  
Principal

## Scholarship Recipients

Our students this year were recognised by Universities and Outside Trust Funds in excess of \$150,000 to attend tertiary studies. This included the top academic Tier 1 Scholarship to Auckland University and two top Waikato University Outstanding Academic Excellence Scholarships



# Senior Prizegiving Speech

I'm sure you've been told that education is a partnership between students, teachers and whanau. And that this partnership results in better outcomes for students. This evening I want to talk to the parents in the audience about that partnership.

Parents set the foundation for healthy learning relationships between students and teachers. As a parent, you were the first teacher your child ever had. You taught them how to feed themselves, how to dress themselves and maybe even how to ride a bike. But most importantly, they learned from you how to relate to adults. You showed your child what was ok and what was not. You taught your child what it means to show respect.

Respect is one of the core values of our school. Respect for others, respect for learning, respect for the environment, and respect for self. Students are expected to demonstrate these values every day.

Lack of respect is one of the biggest challenges in our school. It undermines students' ability not only to learn but also to feel good about themselves, it undermines the ability of others to learn around them, and it undermines the ability of teachers to be effective and have a rewarding job. Ultimately, lack of respect gets right to the heart of schooling - it leads to poor academic performance and students not achieving their potential.

For many of us, teaching our toddlers to feed and dress themselves was easy compared with parenting an adolescent. All of a sudden, they think of nothing but themselves, they know everything and think that the world owes them. As they get more lippy, more rebellious and even downright belligerent, it's easy to step back, give in, and take the path of least resistance. Sometimes, we forget that we are still their parents and it's our job to teach them. The job of teaching them how to relate to others with respect is ours.

From time to time, the board disciplinary committee has to meet with students who have been suspended and make a decision about whether they can come back to school. It's a job we don't take lightly. More often than not, the student has been suspended because they've become too hard to deal with in the classroom. The official Ministry of Education term is "continued disobedience". The student usually comes with a parent who is there to support them. But time and time again, we see the suspended student disrespecting their parent in the discipline meeting. We see the helpless browbeaten parent, who the student clearly runs rings around at home, doing the same in front of the board.

So here's my message. If your teenager is not showing you respect at home, it's likely they're not showing respect to their teachers at school.

I know I'm an old fashioned parent. Two out of my three children are teenagers who are still growing up and still learning what it is to be the best they can be. The oldest is all grown up. The younger two have boundaries and rules. They're aren't my friends. So I don't have to worry about them liking me. We have expectations that they not only do their homework but that they also do chores - we call it "family contribution" and participate in family activities. We have limits on screen time and expectations on when they go out and when they need to be home. They are not angels but they know where the line is and they know if they cross it there will be consequences.

So parent to parent, I'm giving you to permission to be a bit old fashioned as well. Don't be afraid to parent your teenager. Take back the control in your house. Show them what you expect. Show them what it means to respect others and themselves. If your teenager respects you they won't always like you. But they will be better prepared to respect others. And if they respect their teachers, they will learn more and grow into the best person that they can be. Isn't that all we want for them?

Our school mission is to inspire lifelong learners who actively build a diverse, just, and sustainable society. It all starts with respect.

Let me end with this Maori proverb or Whakatauki:

Tangata ako ana i te whare, te turanga ki te marae, tau ana

A child who is given proper values at home and cherished within his family, will not only behave well amongst the family but also within society and throughout his life.

Mary Hamilton, BOT Chairperson



# Te Mata Rangatira

Te Mata Rangatira (TMR) as a collective won the Tu Rangatira mo te Ora award from the Public Health Association of New Zealand. There were over 40 nominations from all over the country and this award is given annually to those who have shown exemplary commitment to making a difference locally, regionally and nationally. TMR were Nominated by TCDC Councillor Sally Christie and Former Green MP Catherine Delahunty. The award was recognition for Te Mata Rangatira's focus on empowering Rangatahi Leadership and action.

The award ceremony was held in Parnell on the 11th of October and Te Mata Rangatira took a representative group of 21 whānau from Hauraki in support, which two of our taiohi Isla Anderson and Paige Rauaroa Pakinga attended the award ceremony on behalf of THS Te Mata Rangatira.





## Economics

In Term 3 our Level 2 and 3 Economics students participated in the 2018 New Zealand Economics Competition run by the Department of Economics of the Business School, University of Auckland (venue of the Ceremony on Tuesday night - photos). 89 schools and nearly 3000 students participated nationally. Of our 18 students who entered, 2 earned High Distinction (top 5% nationally) and 2 earned Distinction (next 15% nationally) and 5 earned Credit (next 30% nationally) - so they did very well. The photos are of our 2 High Distinction winners at the Award Ceremony - Sophie Clarke (Division 1 - Level 3) and Hamish Steadman (Division 2 - Level 2).



## Waikato Culinary Fair

This is a two day competition held at Wintec School of Hospitality. It provides a platform for Waikato Secondary School, tertiary students and junior hospitality professionals to demonstrate their practical skills and knowledge in a competitive setting. It is a huge competition with more than 500 participants.

I am very proud of our students who showcased their skills, knowledge, creative flair and professional attitudes. This year they competed in the live barista, competition, cold deserts, cafe cake and cupcakes static events.

Congratulations to Farren, Sheyanne, Zara, Jelena, Leo, Aaliyah, Leaf, Naiomi, Jovarn and Gabriel.







## Mooting Team 2018

The 2018 team of assiduous legal minds proved their analytical skills by reaching the national semi – finals of the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Mooting Competition, held annually by Waikato University Law School. Ably assisted by an ex- Thames High School student Claire Poulgrain, the team : senior counsel Genovevea Reverte – Neal, junior counsel Luciana Quinn and research counsel Hamish Steadman presented a convincing case. Preparation involved many hours of reading and discussion of case law and the Education Act. The team wrote a written submission and then presented their case in front of opposing counsel and a judge.



## Hillary Challenge

Week 2 of this term saw eight hardy Thames High School students travel down to Tongariro National Park to compete against eleven of the best Adventure Racing schools in NZ, in the renowned Hillary Challenge Final. This grueling week includes both mental and physical challenges that push teams to their limits.

With a largely new team this year, the week was filled with lots of new experiences and learning. Some fantastic navigating in the 2 day Rogaine expedition and a huge team effort on the final 50+ km multi-sport day, helped to earn the team a respectable 7th place this year. We look forward to returning next year and building on our performance this year. The team would like to kindly thank all our generous sponsors who helped us get to the final. Your support is hugely appreciated!

Our Hillary Challenge Team members:

Angela Napier, Jess Hayes, Tegan Foster, Marisa Dehar, Dalton Broughton, Luke Chambers, Ryan Danby and Mohjo Saunders-Thomsen.





# Gold Coast Netball Tournament

On Thursday 5 July, after months of fundraising and preparation, the Thames High School Senior Netball Touring Team flew out to compete in the Gold Coast Netball Carnival held in Southport Australia. We played 15 games over four days, winning 10 games, 1 draw and 4 losses. The girls had to adapt to the heat, different style of play from the Australian teams and the umpire calls. They did this in style, finishing the carnival as the top New Zealand team and in 5th place overall, only 1 point separated us from 4th place.

We also participated in the "Beach Games" where all the netball teams and rugby teams met up and mingled throughout the morning, with a rousing haka performed at the end. We went to a league game and met the great Alfie Langer and of course, visited the Theme Parks.

The team had amazing support from ex-Thames High School students now living on the Gold Coast, they came and cheered the girls on "Thames High Till We Die" was strong. If it was not for the support of Mandy Rohrlach, Jennie Gibson & Rochelle de Groen-Sawyer, the girls would have been eating spaghetti on toast. This was avoided by these ladies cooking all the meals and cleaning up so the girls could rest for the next day.

Overall it was an amazing experience for all of the girls, many new friendships were made with other teams, a lot of firsts were experienced and this will be something for them to talk about for many years to come.

A big thank you to Richardsons Real Estate for our smart uniforms, and all of our other wonderful supporters.





# Furniture Level 1, 2 & 3



## FUR301 and Te Tonga O Hoterini Kōhanga Reo

At the start of term two this year a group of year 13 students made contact with a local pre-school with a view to using their skills to make some equipment for the pre-schoolers to use.

Damien Law, Tai Anderson-Wakahoehoe, Ra Mahal and Frhee Pennell walked down to Te Tonga O Hoterini Kōhanga Reo in Thames, to see how they could help. As it turned out some play equipment was required. The boys came back to school buzzing with ideas and set to work planning and building the kind of things that Kathleen Cox (from the Kohanga Reo) had described.

Two terms later, the finished equipment was delivered by Damien and the FUR301 teacher Mr Lynch. The pre-schoolers were immediately excited putting the pieces together and crawling and walking all over them. We hope they enjoy their new toys for a long time.





# Get 2 Go Year 9 & 10 Adventure Racing Day

We are so proud of our Get2Go adventure racing teams who competed at today's event in Cambridge. Throughout the wind, rain, mud and cold they kept pushing and smiling. They even had time to help other teams and make friends. Results are released in a few days. Thanks Vita Dryden and Mohjo Saunders-Thomsen for accompanying the teams.





# Girls Hockey

This has been my fifth and final year of playing hockey for Thames High School, and I am privileged to have been able to play with such a great group of girls and such a dedicated team of parents and sideline supporters. A special thanks needs to be said to our coach, Mr Mackie and our manager Megan Russek. Without all of these people, this year wouldn't have been possible. I leave our team as the captain in the perfectly capable hands of our vice-captain, Nicole Russek, and I know next year will be just as great as this year has been.

In spite of having good numbers at the beginning of the season, it was a struggle getting a full team at times, and it is a credit to our girls that they were still prepared to turn up with positive attitudes and determination. The newcomers to the team (Oceana Gage, Kyla Kenny, Willow Mobberley, Emma Fogg, and Stella Hamilton) fitted in well, and to have Caillee Dollard score a goal after 2 years of playing was wonderful. By far and away, the top goal scorer was Tiana Russek, while on defense, Isla Anderson often put her body on the line with numerous bruises. Maia Yates and Isobel Cameron did a great job working with Isla on defence, and Bonnie Whitehead returned to the team playing strongly up front. Eva Sorenson ran and ran and ran in her position as centre mid-field.

I am especially proud of our team for receiving the Thames Valley Umpires Trophy this year awarded for best sportsmanship as voted by the umpires themselves, out of all the other teams in Thames Valley. I will miss playing hockey with these girls and I look forward to the years ahead of hockey at Thames High. - Katie Grant-Mackie (captain)





# Hauraki Cultural Festival

## Te Puna o Te Pito Mata

What a year it has been for the THS Kapa Haka rōpū (Te Puna o Te Pito Mata). Our goal was to compete at the Hauraki Cultural Festival again in 2018 as we had done in the previous year, and to improve on our performance and placing.

With the festival being brought forward meant that practices went into overdrive, from twice a week to once a week and every weekend for six weeks. Taiohi and tutors went into noho on a Friday at 6pm and were released on Sunday 3pm. This was a huge commitment for taiohi, tutors and whānau to make, one that reaped the rewards at the other end. As a result, THS Kapa rōpū placed 1st in the Hauraki Intermediate Section and 3rd in the Open Section

These are the items and each is marked individually out of 100 points

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|-----|----------------|-------|--------|--|
| 1.  | Whakaeke       | (1st) | 97/100 | Entrance   |
| 2.  | Whaikōrero     | (1st) | 95/100 | PJs Korero   |
| 3.  | Mōteatea       | (1st) | 98/100 |  |
| 4.  | Waiata-Ā-ringā | (1st) | 98/100 | Action Song  |
| 5.  | Poi            | (1st) | 97/100 | Poi Song   |
| 6.  | Haka           | (1st) | 95/100 | Haka   |
| 7.  | Te Reo         | (1st) | 95/100 | Correct pronunciation of the reo used throughout the bracket |
| 8.  | Whakawatea     | (1st) | 98/100 | Exit song  |
| 9.  | Waiata Tira    | (1st) | 97/100 | Choral   |
| 10. | Kākahu         | (1st) | 98/100 | Dress  |
| 11. | Kaitātaki Tane | (1st) | 97/100 | Peter Jack – Leadership                                      |



Whaea Miranda Kini (Kaiako), Izon Pakinga-Huriwai, Alex O'Grady, Tumanako Ihaia, Joe Timothy (Guiatrist), Isla Anderson, Starion Timothy, Mary Wiki, Cairo Timothy, Matiu Morunga-Hutchinson, P J McLean (Kaitātaki Tane), Hinewairua Reynolds-Kokiri, Whaea Jenny Tumai (Kaiako), Whaea Bridget Pakinga (Kaiako), Helena Mayer, Hinewairangi Heemi, Riley Elliot-Hogg, Lillian Balfour, Ella Liddell, Kia-Leisha Turoa, Precious Kingi, Jazmin Davies, Bonnie Whitehead, Ihaia Reidy, Pounamu Kini-Connor, Paige Short, Tahjonelle Kaitamaki-Topia (Kaitātaki Wahine), Whaea Maria Baird (Kaitiaki), Whaea Kylie Turoa (Kaiawhina)







# Queensland All Schools Touch Tournament, Australia

Monday 8 October – Monday 15 October 2018

On Sunday 7th October 2018 at 1pm the THS Senior Mixed Touch Touring team assembled at school for an overnight noho and dinner with whānau before heading to Brisbane. On arrival we had two days of settling in and familiarizing ourselves with surroundings, checking out the venue and getting in training time.

The tournament commenced on Wednesday 10th October with our first game being played at 9am and the second at 11am. Winning both games gave the team a boost of confidence and put them in good stead for what was to be an awesome tournament for THS. Our first game up on Thursday against Faith Lutheran was proven to be our toughest game by far going down 7 - 4. However, the team played with mana right to the final whistle. The second game against St Patrick's (Gympie) was the game we let slip away having a penalty in our favour overturned allowing St Patrick's to score in the last few seconds with a final score of 6 - 5 to them. Although the result was not in our favour the team came away knowing they had put everything out on the field and they could be proud of their efforts. This was not the end though as they had three more games to play in the pool round and were still in contention for top 16. The last game on Thursday evening and the two games on Friday gave us the wins. With 5 wins and 2 losses meant that we went into our bye on Saturday sitting 2nd in our pool next to Faith Lutheran. However, that could all change as St Patrick's who were sitting 3rd but still had two games to play. If they were to win those two games then they and Faith Lutheran would finish 1st and 2nd in our pool and progressing to top 16 and finals. However, if they were to lose one of those games then THS would progress as the 2nd team in our pool based on tries for and against. Unfortunately, we would not know what the outcome would be as the tournament was cancelled due to poor weather with the fields being under water and thunder, rain and lightning. That meant play for Saturday and Sunday would not go ahead and progression to top 16 and finals did not go ahead. Our final games and scores for the tournament were as follows:

Wednesday 10th October	9.00am	THS vs Brisbane Adventist College	5 - 4 win
	11.00am	THS vs Redeemer Lutheran	7 - 0 win
Thursday 11th October	8.00am	THS vs Faith Lutheran	7 - 4 loss
	10.30am	THS vs St Patrick's	6 - 5 loss
	6.00pm	THS vs Genesis CC	10 - 3 win
Friday 12th October	8.30am	THS vs Dalby CC	10 - 1 win
	10.30am	THS vs Matthew Finders AC	4 - 3 win
Saturday 13th October	BYE (Rest of pool games were cancelled)		
Sunday 14th October	Playoffs for top 16, progression to finals (Games cancelled)		

Despite there being no playoffs or finals, this tournament was a success and the exposure and experience was at another level. The team represented Thames High School with mana and integrity and the leadership of the more experience students both on and off the field was outstanding. This could not have happened without the leadership and guidance of the management team. Because the tournament was cut short the event organisers and committee have given the teams priority entry into the 2019 tournament only. As much as this is an inviting invitation it is my recommendation that we look at attending the QLD World All Schools in 2020.









## Junior Boys Football

For the Thames High School junior boys soccer team, it has been a very successful season. With a close points differential between them and the first place division winners, they took home a second placing. It was great to watch the team improving their skills every training and throughout the season, working together more and more as a team every game. The team could not have had such a successful season without the great help from their manager Fiona Sayer, organizing all of the transportation and being there and supporting them for every game. The players also want to show their gratitude towards their coach Philip Higson, who gave up his time to train the team and improve their skills and cooperation during the season and for his amazing sideline support. What a great season it has been!



## Girls Football Tournament Week

Our Senior Girls team had a great week in Wanganui competing in the Grant Jarvis Tournament. The competition was fierce with our girls being drawn against some Wellington Premier Division sides. This provided us with an awesome learning experience and gave the girls the opportunity to test themselves against some of the best teams in the country.

Our girls competed really well playing two games a day, and came together really well as a team as the tournament progressed. We were involved in a couple of thrilling penalty shoot outs, losing the first but winning our second, and finished the competition with a convincing 3-1 win over Solway to claim 21st place. Playing the game with smiles on their faces and helping create the party atmosphere that was on display, as well as making new friends from other teams were the highlights of the week.





## Senior Girls Blue Football

This year my football team, Senior Girls Blue, had an amazing season. We took part in the WSSFA league as well as Knockout cup, the Thames Valley tournament, Tournament Week and 5-a-side.

As last year we were playing in divisions five and four, we had a big change this year to division three in the WSSFA football league. Yet we stepped up to this level and achieved second in division three. This was an amazing result that proved the dedication and improvement of all the girls in my team. 60% of our games we beat the other team by 3 or more goals. The games we had against St. Peter's and Waihi who came 3rd and 4th in our division were some of our best games. In our home and away games with St. Peter's we beat them 4-0 and 5-0. We first beat Waihi 6-1 in an away game, then later 7-0 at home. Both these teams were very good and it was mind blowing that all our hard work actually paid off to achieve this final score. Our final game was against Rototuna and it was very close. Sadly they beat us by 2-1 and won the division.

In round one of the Knockout Cup we were unlucky as we had to play the team we lost 6-0 to in the finals last year, Hillcrest. It was a very hard fought game with a tied score as whistle was blown at full time. Because of this, we then had to go into extra time which ended with a loss. This, however, was a huge improvement from last year's final. Hillcrest then went away to eventually win the cup. The intensity and skill shown in this game was impressive and we wish it had once again been the final.



I'm very proud of how much my team improved this year. We showed ourselves that we can be great footballers. We had such a great season and couldn't have done it without our manager Helen, teacher in charge Mrs Curnow, and of course our coach Andy. Thank you all so much for all the time you put into us we really appreciate it. - Tash Wilder

## Senior Girls Gold Football

This year I felt like doing something a bit different for a winter sport so after a bit of encouragement from my friends I decided I would give football a go, and I'm so glad I did. I couldn't have had a better introduction to the sport thanks to the girls in my team and our awesome coach, Andy McInnes. We were all at different skill levels but as the season progressed, we grew in confidence, gelled more as a team and we surprised ourselves at how skilful we had become. We had a great season winning the majority of our games and we're really proud to have finished 3rd in our league.

A big thank you to our manager, Susan Hinds, who always made sure we were at the right place at the right time, organised the food and took care of everything in between. We really appreciate you giving up your time to manage and look after us so well, thank you. Also, thank you to all of our other supporters who come along to watch our games and cheer us on. It makes a big difference to our games having a fan club on the sideline and we are very grateful for everything else you do.

Our biggest thank you goes to our coach, Andy 'quick chat' McInnes. Thames High School is so fortunate to have a coach like Andy. Andy has taught us so much, he is always kind, encouraging and finds the positive in every game even if the score doesn't go our way. Thank you for giving up so much of your time for both football teams for after school training, weekend games and tournaments. We realise what a big ask this is and our team are hugely grateful, thank you, Andy.

For someone who knew nothing about soccer, I have learnt so much and had a blast on and off the field and I'm already looking forward to next season. - Mackenzie Ayrtton





# Boys Football Tournament Week

Thames High Schools Senior Boys 1st XI made the long trip down to Palmerston North for the '2018 NZSS Boys Trident' Football Tournament where they played out a total of 8 hard fought games. Finishing 18th, the boys were put up against some of the country's biggest schools from all over the North Island. Accommodated in Feilding, just outside of Palmerston North, we were all bunked in a 18 sleeper room but had the sneaky inclusion of a PS4 we were all kept entertained at the end of each day. Of course though, sufficient homework had to be completed by everyone in order for permission to be granted for the beloved Playstation. The week wouldn't have been a success with Matt Juby our tolerant and awesome coach who has stuck by us for the past two years. We also had our very own amazing chef - Anna Juby with excellent sous chef Fleur Danby. We can't forget the highest quality dishwashers out - Rex Danby & Mike Veal. Thank you very much!

Starting our tournament off by Scoring 3 against one of the competitions best teams certainly sent a message that THS were a force to be reckoned with. While games were a challenge for everyone, the tournament gave the team a new set of areas to work on and learn from. The quality of opposition schools we faced was incredible, constantly putting up excellent performances and testing our ability. The experienced gained from the entire tournament was invaluable to each player, and a huge benchmark for and gave us tips towards preparing the team for next year's competitions. The boys were also greeted with the dreaded hot and cold pool treatment after each days games. The torture of which was organized by the wonderful Kiryn Curnow. Sitting for 2 minutes at a time in the ice water and then into the hot. This then repeated twice again was a harsh but an effective way to make sure the boys were fit for the full week.

Both the boys and girls met up in central Palmerston North to enjoy a range of laser tag activities and sharing stories from the week so far were discussed over a dinner together at Breakers. With the opportunity to go shopping afterwards, everyone took the opportunity to make the most of the central city. Although by the last few days, the team was hit by a flourish of injuries, only just being able to field a team for the final match of the tournament. Sadly, due to exhaustion, THS lost on penalties after a wild battle on the pitch, with both teams giving it their all. The highlight of the week would have to have been the huge 3-1 over private school Strathallan on the Thursday, a much needed and well deserved victory for the boys in yellow and blue.



Jordan and Caleb both received MVP awards for their outstanding and consistent performances throughout the entire week. Jordan as always, star of the show. And Caleb our consistent and reliable left-back letting no one past his flanks. Also we'd like to extend a huge Thank You to all of our sponsors and support crew who made the trek down with us.

What a week! - Matthew Burchell



## Just like that, they are all grown up

With another season of football at Thames High School finished, it marks the end of an era for four of our stars on the footballing scene. Creighton Brown, Caleb Mikaere, Reggae Ngahooro, and the 2018 captain and golden boot winner, Jordan Tukuitoga. The four of these players have shown their abilities to lead by example and to play excellent football. Showing the upcoming younger players in the team what it takes to confirm a spot in the 1st XI. To step up where need be, and to put in the extra yards for the benefit

of others, showing commitment and unshakable team spirit. The four of them will not be forgotten for their efforts and dedication to Thames High School Football, but will be hugely missed next year as we strive to build on the 2018 season. They have steadily built their way up from playing in the secondary school Waikato leagues, to performing at a national level in both the 2017 and 2018 tournament week competitions across the country. The boys efforts reflected on the final outcome of placing 2nd in the Waikato league in 2017 and 4th this year in division 4. Four footballers, four stars, and four hard working players that will be sorely missed. The rest of the boys and everyone involved with Thames High School Football would like to thank you for leaving behind a legacy and showing true Thames High Spirit while playing your heart out for the blue and gold. THS! Again, as a team, and as a school, we Thank You, and wish you all the best where ever life takes you.





## THS 1st XI Senior Football Season

The Thames High School Senior Boys Football team had an outstanding and successful season together, building chemistry and progressing together as a unit. The boys played many games over the year and had the opportunity to play schools from all over the country. From the Thames Valley area competition, to the Waikato region season, and also teams from around New Zealand at the national stage in the Palmerston North annual trident competition.

2018 Thames High School Senior Boys Football Squad: Jordan Tukuitoga – Captain, Mitesh Patel – Vice-Captain, Matthew Burchell – Goal Keeper, Creighton Brown, Hugo Bruce, Ryan Danby, Sam Green, Jacob James, Alex Juby, Adam McCullough, Caleb Mikaere, Reggae Ngahoro, Callen Nisbet, Sam Oxford, Clark Veal

### Thames Valley Senior Boys Football

Competing in the 2018 Thames Valley Secondary Schools Football competition as runners up for both the 2017 and 2016 competition, the team knew they had to fight hard once again to make it to the finals for a third time. With the first game bringing tough competition in the form of Waihi, the boys managed to hold the division 2 side out until the last five minutes but unluckily conceded a goal ending the game as a 1-0 loss. This was no set back though, as the boys performed in classical THS style and fought back hard, securing a semifinal position after knocking out both Mercury Bay and Hauraki Plains with very convincingly high scoring results! Facing the top rated team in the competition for a spot in the 2019 finals was a hard fought battle. Knowing the level of football Katikati bring to the pitch, THS prepared for the most important game of the day. Approaching the match with a mixture of nerves and underdog confidence the boys certainly gave the opposition a run for their money. Katikati though, setting the bar high and showing footballing class to end our win streak. Leaving us with a deserving final podium placing of 3rd place.

Though finishing the day just a place lower than the previous 2 years, nothing but our all and THS pride was left on the pitch, proud and once again enjoying yet another great Thames Valley tournament.

### Waikato Knockout Cup (Senior Boys)

The Knockout Cup has always been an unpredictable tournament with unexpected results and team progressions. With massive uplifts and massive upsets, the Senior Boys Football managed to make it all the way to quarter-finals of the 'WSSFA Senior Boys Knockout Cup A Grade Competition'. Losing however to an ever unpredictable Hamilton Boys High School team, the boys went out knowing they couldn't deliver anymore to the pitch, but were both disappointed and content to be knocked out in such a fashion. With a high level of football shown by both sides, the game was forced into the dreaded penalty shootout after such an exciting and tight game... Opening the score sheet with a spectacular free kick, Thames took lead of the game early and was just enough to hold the Hamilton Boys team out until the last ten minutes of normal time. Sadly though, the game was tied up at 1-1 at full time after being on the receiving end of yet another spectacular freekick.

With extra time in play, Thames went down 3-1 to trail Hamilton boys after 2 sloppy goals were conceded. However with only 15 minutes left to play, the Thames boys reinstated hope and showed unbelievable strength to bring the game back to yet another level score of 3-3 after 100 minutes of play. A penalty shootout was the only way to decide a winner between the two teams. With Thames unluckily losing the penalty shootout 4-2, our knockout cup run was ended, but what a game that was! Thrilling to say the least, ask any of the supporters as it was certainly one the team, management, and supporters won't forget.

### Northcote Senior Boys Football

Thames High Schools Senior Boys 1st XI football team travelled up to Northcote College on the 25th of September to compete in the annual sports exchange. The history of sports meetings between our 2 schools stretches back many years with an abundance of sports competitions and incredible display of young talent. The football rivalry has always been a tough challenge for us as Northcote pride themselves on excellent football. But fresh and improved from tournament week. the THS boys were prepared and ready to show our talent. Taking the lead early on from a wonder goal from our very own Ryan Danby (who then went on to score a hat trick), we were off on the front foot, going into the second half 2-1 up, our spirits and belief were sky high. Sadly conceding to 3 unlucky goals and only scoring 1 of our own, we took the 5-3 loss as a huge positive! Thus being the closest and most impressive performance in years. Congratulated hugely on our improvements, we left impressed with our final game of 2018.





# Art





# Formal Ball

Thames High School Ball 2018- so proud of our senior students who planned and organised the Midnight Bloom themed ball this year. Our students are to be congratulated on the event, for the decorations, meal, photo booths , backdrops and the excellent time held by all. WE are so proud of our youngsters

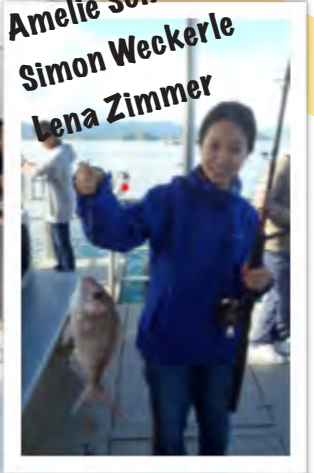




**International Leavers Have been, made a positive difference,  
and are now gone**



**From Germany**  
**Torben Andrews-Snellink**  
**Lydia Costalas**  
**Vanya Gauch**  
**Hannah Meurisse**  
**Amelie Schoeninger**  
**Simon Weckerle**  
**Iena Zimmer**



**From Cambodia**  
**Sokchou Lim**

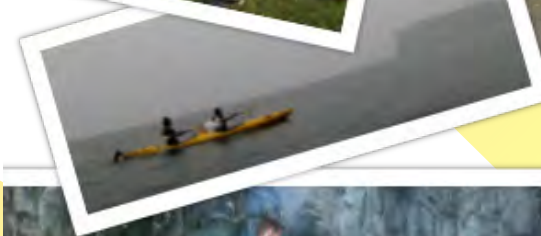
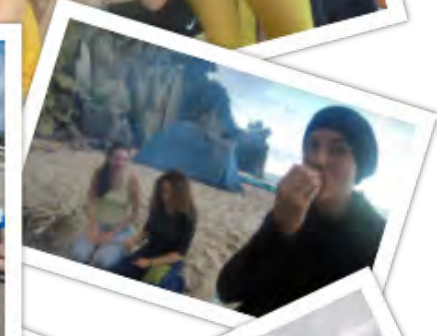
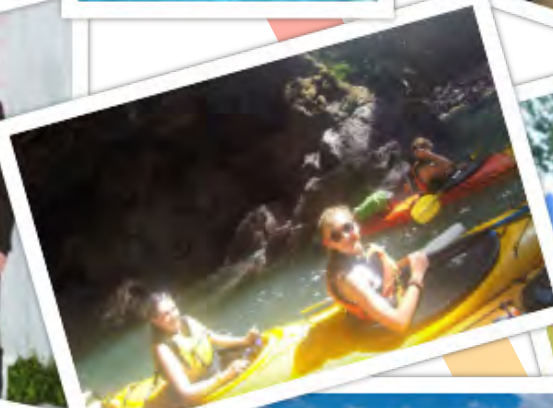
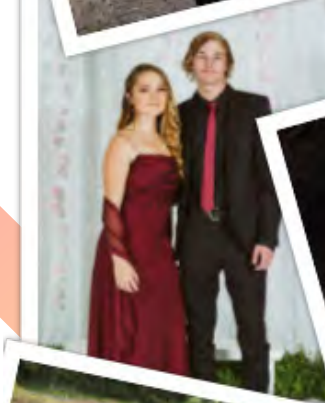


**Memory Making**



## From Switzerland

- Lina Boos
- Jelena Hufschmid
- Anouk Unger



- ## From Japan
- Minori Hayakawa
  - Sayaka Kiyomoto
  - Shiori Nakano
  - Shizuki Okumura





# EARS Camp

During the first term, 20 EARS students spent two days at Matai Whetu Marae on the annual training camp. Over the 2 days they participated in team bonding activities and had various guest speakers provide some invaluable information. We also had our trip to Miranda Hot Pools which is always a highlight. The calibre of students this year is very high and it was impressive to see them work so well as a team. We are looking forward to what should be an amazing year for EARS.



## What is it like to be a member of EARS?

I have been a member of EARS for three years now, and each year, I learn more about the student body at our school and how best we can help them when they come to us needing help. Whether it be needing an ear to listen to them, needing support or needing help from a larger organisation dedicated to helping young adults with family and personal issues which we can help them get in contact with.

I am very thankful to have known the group of amazing students who have been involved in EARS this year and am especially thankful to our guidance counsellor, Susan. She has a big part of our supervision sessions held fortnightly and our trainings. You can tell who an EARS student is by the fact that they will be wearing a badge on their shirt with their name and the EARS logo on it. We are a friendly group of people who are always willing to listen, so don't be afraid to approach any of us, we'll be glad to have a chat with you. - Katie Grant-Mackie,





# Embrace it Campaign

In Term 3, the launch of the Embrace It Campaign in the school followed by a community launch at the Thames Youth Centre. The campaign has been initiated by some EARS students and supported by Kate Coatesworth, Thames Youth Centre; Lauren Cowgill, HFVIN and Susan McInnes, Guidance Counsellor. Here is the speech by Luci Quinn that was part of the presentation. You can view the video on our Facebook page (Thames High School Events and Celebrations).

"There have been many anti bullying campaigns in the past that usually say the basic 'stop bullying', unfortunately this statement has been said over and over again and is no longer effective. The truth is, the statement might not work but we all understand that there is a problem, we can see it happening around us and we know that we need to make a change. Many of us have either been bullied, known someone that has been bullied, or been a bully ourselves, especially in High School. The amount of rumours that go around, people saying awful things behind others backs, and simply wanting to appear better than someone else by putting them down is quite frankly disappointing. Now, it may have worked with Dora and her Swiper no swiping, but simply saying "stop bullying" is not going to work. So we wanted to look at it differently and instead, 'Embrace It.'

Now this is not embrace being bullied, or accepting it as a part of life that you are just going to have to deal with and get over, because it is not, and should not be viewed like that. Instead, we want you to embrace yourself. Embrace your flaws and imperfections; embrace everything that makes you unique and different. Embrace the labels and the stereotypes because why the hell does it matter if your hair is blonde anyway.

In our 'dictionary definition' of Embrace It, it says: 1. The process of removing the power that stereotypes have over others and everyone and 2. The ability to cherish yourself and others regardless of differences. These two points are hugely important to what we want to achieve and how we believe people should live. If we remove the power that stereotypes have over us by instead embracing them, being told that we can't do something or we have to be a certain way or do a certain thing because of the way we look or where we are from or what we believe in, we will realise that those things don't really matter and that they hold no power in dictating how we live our lives.

You being you does not impact or affect any other person, nor does any other person being themselves impact or affect you. So what if they are different, they come from somewhere different, or they look different, or they act differently, or they believe something different. We are all the same in the fact that we are all different. So why don't we instead cherish that difference, surely it's not that hard to recognize that we are all still just people trying to survive the world around us and tearing each other down is just going to make it harder for everyone"

Now, this is just the beginning. Honestly it's pretty rough foundations but it is definitely a start to something that could potentially be greatness. We want to be able to help you learn to love yourself and others for our flaws and for our differences, we want to help you grow resilience so you can take on the world and anyone who tells you not to, we want you to be able to say 'so what' to anyone and everyone that has an issue with who you are, and most importantly we want you to 'Embrace It.'



## Anti-Bullying Campaign 'Embrace It'

Over the past few years Thames High School has been part of multiple anti-bullying campaigns, but when talk of this year's campaign began a select group of EARS students, with the support of the school's guidance counselor Susan McInnes, Kate Coatsworth manager of Thames youth centre and Lauren Cowgill the Hauraki Family Violence Intervention Network co-ordinator, they decided that Thames High School needed to do something different. From this short meeting 'Embrace It' was born. The group built the campaign around the fact that people should embrace their differences and their flaws taking the power away from bullies, instead of simply saying stop bullying. The Embrace It team created a logo, slogan, t-shirts, and video, keeping everything very quiet until the school and community launch days held late in August. Following the launch days, the campaign attracted a great deal of positive attention with articles in the Hauraki Herald, Waikato Times, Education Gazette, Stuff. com, and a radio interview on Coromandel FM. The campaign was also noticed by the Secretary for Education with the students receiving a letter from her. Although the school year is coming to an end, this campaign is not. The group has many plans for next year so keep a lookout for their progress and remember to embrace your own flaws and differences and always be kind. - Luciana Quinn







## Snippets ..

Thames High students helped Parawai School complete their bouldering wall. With skills borrowed from Outdoor Education and Technology they set 4 routes going around the new wall.

Loving our new billboard outside the pool embracing the 7 C's from our junior curriculum.

We are lucky to have the Thames Police at Thames High School today to launch the Loves Me Not Programme. This is a 'whole-school approach' to prevent abusive behaviour in relationships. The Year 12 students undertake an inquiry process, where students take action to prevent harm from relationship abuse.



## Thames High School Events and Celebrations

Hamish Steadman was presented with his KiwiSport Community Leader certificate at assembly.

Graffiti....but in a good way

Very proud of our 2018 David Johnstone scholarship recipients- Morgan Darrah who will study a Bachelor Of Occupational Therapy at WINTEC and Bailey Edwards who will study Teaching at Waikato University.

A great day kayaking out with the Voyage of Discovery. Wind, rain and thunder, but a lot of fun had by all.

The Level 1 Outdoor Education class spent 3 days last week on a mountain experience camp. This involved tramping into the Tongariro National Park and building and sleeping in a snow cave. Some of the learning included 'don't over pack or over think' and 'take more than enough food and socks'

The Junior Volleyball Teams competed in Katikati today. It was many students first time competing and our confidence was boosted by some early wins. The boys came 3rd overall and the girls 4th.

Heather Underwood Represented Thames High at the Mounted Games today. She placed 1st in the 14yrs and under division. Congratulations Heather!

Congratulations to Jayden Edwards who has been selected to attend the Chiefs Under 17s Development day at the beginning of Decem-

The Embrace It campaign continues to grow and share it's inspirational message. This is a credit to the awesome students who initiated the campaign.

Thames High Football rocks! They are up against premier teams and playing great at the Football Tournament week competition.



## Snippets ..

Celebrating and fundraising for Daffodil Day

Our library was alive with students and grey tech people learning how to learn about their smart technology.

Day 1 UNISS Netball at Harbourside Netball Centre Mt Maunganui

Two Wins ☺  
28-31 vs Sancta Maria  
21-34 vs Waihi

Congratulations girls great start to the tournament, week keep up the hard work

Georgia Robcke played in the NZ squash champs last weekend and won the under 17 age group. She was also a member of the Waikato team that won the NZ junior title which hasn't been done since 1982. Congratulations Georgia!

The Level 1 Outdoor Education class returned from a 3 day mountain camp exploring the Mangetepopo Valley and Mt Ruapehu. Some of the students highlights were: 'waking up to watch the sunrise', 'making friends with the exchange students' and 'being yourself because it makes it 3x better'.

THS Health Fair - we are seeking any businesses in the Waikato area to contribute to our health fair! It's a great chance to build relationships in the community, provide students with practical strategies to reduce some of the issues highlighted by our community and reduce some of the stresses on young people (bullying, stress, mental health, nutrition, drugs & alcohol)!



Year 12 Geography studying Urban Patterns and Facilities in Auckland.

Congratulations to Jack Lee's. Silver medal in the mens 16yrs 50m Freestyle at NZ short course champs this morning.

All the best to two of our senior students who are shaving their heads to raise money for a fellow student's father's cancer illness and also for Prostate Cancer awareness. Another way that our students support each other. You can also be a part of this by visiting the Givealittle site.

CONGRATULATIONS THS Senior A Netball Winners of the Collegiate Netball League

30-29 over Hauraki Plains College?? what an awesome game

This morning we had a visit from Jay Jay Feeney while on her 5000 selfies roadtrip.

Boomerang Bags being made by these awesome people in our sewing room.

## Snippets ..



Awesome news ... our Kapa Haka rōpū, Te Puna o te Pito Mata placed first in the Hauraki section and 3rd in the open section... we need another trophy cabinet.

The Year 9/10 Natural Highs in Thames option project set up a Flying Kiwi in the William Hall Arboretum. It was a great way to mix history, nature, team work and fun.

Thames High School Teachers art exhibition opens tonight at Sola Cafe at 6.30pm. Come along to see their hidden talents.

Day3 of touch tournament gave us two wins. 10-1 and 4-3 great competition, great team, great management team, great team spirit. Now waiting to see if we have made the finals on Sunday

we had the great pleasure of Black Sticks and Midlands Hockey players Shiloh Gloyn, Reiner Vellinga and Kim Tanner come and take a training session with our Girls Hockey team.

Junior debating team winners!! Convincing win against Northcote. Well Done Katya, Stella and Ka-in

## Snippets ..

Today we're hosting the Thames Valley Senior Badminton competition!

Come on down to Danby Field from 1pm today for the THS Football Colour Rush Fundraiser There is food, drinks, raffles, music and fun times!!!

Hey the Health Fair is happening tomorrow in the Jack McLean Recreation Centre and THS Gym 10am - 2pm.

Having a great time at National Athletics and Road Race Championships. Junior Girls Road Race Team placed 3rd in their event this morning.

The Level 2 Health students took action in our community by visiting The Booms rest home and spending time with the elderly each week in term 2. This small gesture had big outcomes for those who hardly get visitors.

NZSS Swimming is underway this weekend. Jack and Jade are smashing their personal best times. Great to catch up with Reid, even though he's swimming for PNBH.



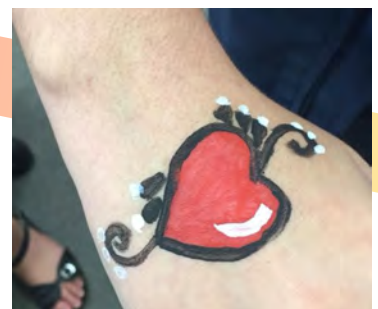
Thames High School Events and Celebrations





## Year 10 Small Business

Thames Markets were filled with enterprising Year 10 students selling their products. They had lovely big avocados, dog toys, plants, key holders, baking, macrame plant hangers, candle holders, bath bombs, tie-dyed garments, face-painting and beautifully made bunting and wheatie bags.





## Tertiary Planning

This is an important part of career planning at our school . Today Waikato University hosted us on campus to look at accommodation, course and scholarship information. Awesome bumping into some familiar faces and hearing about their positive experiences

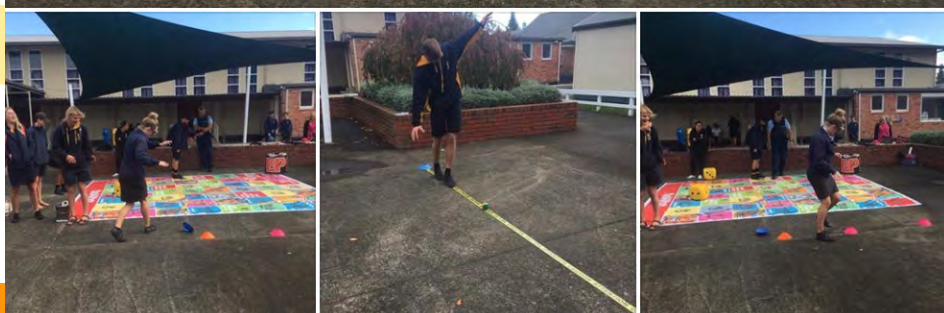


Always great to see our ex students back at school. Today Charlotte, Elsie and Jess came and talked to year 13 in Tertiary Planning about their first year experiences , so far , at University. Thank you for sharing your words of wisdom.



## Drink Driving Awareness

Local police visited Thames High today to reinforce road safety. Giant Snakes and ladders and vision impairment goggles were tested out by students to create an awareness of making positive decisions to reduce drink driving in our community.







## TGTG

Great day at the Tough Guy, Tough Gal competition in Ngaruawahia. Congratulations to Mohjo Saunders - Thomsen and Vita Dryden for achieving 1st places in their gruelling 12km run!





# The Grand Opening of the Jack McLean Community Recreation Centre. A Thames High School and Community memory to cherish.



## Borneo Expedition



A team of students in Borneo - the purpose of the team is to carry out a community project - The Thames High School team will be working with the community in Tuba, located at Simunjan district, Sarawak. The small, remote village has a population of approximately 160 people, making up 34 families. The main focus of the teams' project will be to build an accommodation hut, so that the local families can earn some extra money by hosting hikers and tourists.

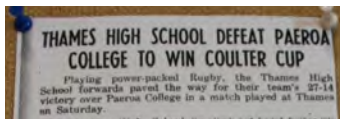
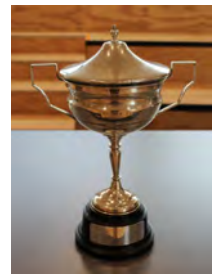
Thus far, the Team has visited Orangutan sanctuary. Where they saw at three adult females, with their babies clinging to them, climbing and feeding. They are now on their way to the project village after just stopping for an amazing lunch.





# 1968 Coulter Cup Win Celebrated Once Again

Thames High School 1st XV 1968 reunited to celebrate winning the Coulter Cup 50 years ago. A tour of the Jack McLean Community Recreation Centre, photo boards showing newspaper clippings of their wins then off to drinks and dinner and loads of stories.



## My Code is Broke

- ♥ We make a perfect team
- ♥ We back each other when we need it
- ♥ We tell half truths about our whereabouts when we need space from all the requests
- ♥ We sort out the end of term brain-drain teaching at the beginning of every term
- ♥ You stretch my creative brain to make it logical
- ♥ Making me realise that sometimes a creative brain needs to read the manual at some point
- ♥ Making me understand C# is not a musical note and Python is not just a snake
- ♥ We did teacher stuff for each other without thinking
- ♥ 23 years of working together seems to have gone so quick
- ♥ And now I feel my Code is Broke...no one is here to help me debug it.

All my Love forever  
Carolyn



**"Some say a GOOD EDUCATION can change your path in life  
But I say a GOOD TEACHER can put you on that path"**

Izzy Joe (Software Engineer/ex-THS Student/Student of Ali Chivers)



## Pink Shirt Day

Thames High School supported Bullying Free Week and Pink Shirt Day. Throughout the week there were activities and anti-bullying messages. Our 10A netball team dressed in pink for their netball game on the Wednesday evening and collected donations. Pink Shirt Day on Friday the 18th of May was very successful and a total of \$646 was raised for the Mental Health Foundation.

We would like to say a big thank you to Harcourts Thames who provided the pink paint for our pink hand banner, Pak n Save and Hauraki PHO for their donations toward the sausage sizzle, and Duffin Landscaping for their generous donation. We would also like to acknowledge Kate Coatesworth from the Thames Youth Centre, Lauren Cowgill, and Hauraki Family Violence Intervention Network for their support throughout the week. It was great to see the community and school stand together against bullying.



10A netball team supporting Bullying Free NZ Week by dressing in pink last night at netball. A big thank you to Duffin Landscaping for the very generous donation toward Pink Shirt Day.





# International Department

## Masaki Visit

Our sister town Masaki in Northern Japan sent over 10 students, and 3 accompanying adults to stay with us for a week (July 29th to August 6th). This is an annual visit of 13-15 year old Japanese students want to experience life in our district, town and school. We buddied them up with our wonderful Year 10 student volunteers, who helped them experience a typical Thames High School week of excellent education. A common comment on the feedback that these visiting students gave us is how friendly and helpful their buddies, home-stay parents, and teachers are. Our classroom learning environments are very different from those in Japan. We tend to be much more student focused with our students being more in charge of their own learning with the teacher being a guide on the side. The timing of their visit trip also coincided with the ending of the Thames Goldfields 150 year's celebrations. This was very poignant, given that last years Masaki group were here for the beginning of these celebrations. You may have seen the photo in the August 3rd Hau-raki Herald of this years group being welcomed by Sally Christie in the TCDC Council Chambers. As you can see from the photos below they had a busy and varied week and were sad to say goodbye to all their new kiwi friends.



## Chinese Year 9 Group Visit

Fourteen Year 10 students (12 males & only 2 females!) from Beijing spent the first 4 ½ weeks of Term 3 with us.

Our Year 9 buddies did a great job of keeping this energetic group in line and in their classes. Brian, their accompanying teacher, was very impressed with the professionalism of the teachers and the willingness of our students to mix

with his group. A big thank-you to our Year 9 student, Marshall Paul, and his teammates who organised our Junior Boys Basketball team to play against this Chinese group. Their sportsmanship was exemplary. Another big thanks also to Mrs. Baker and Ms. Berridge for sorting the venue, scoreboard, and the referees. This group also got the opportunity to travel to a formal a mayoral reception in the Hamilton Gardens which was a lot of fun. The farewell speeches made by the visitors all praised their homestays, buddies and teachers for making their visit such a memorable experience.

## Korean Group

Our 5 wonderful South Korean students that we hosted for most of Term 3 have departed. Did you know that Koreans are considered to be 1 year old at birth. That's why they seemed young in their Year 11 classes - because they were!!!

They had many great experiences but one of the highlights was kiwi fish and chips, steamed mussels all washed down with L&P - World Famous in Thames!!





**Great day at Cooks Beach  
Swim, Bike, Run ...  
Thames Valley Triathlon**



**Welcome to  
Te Kura Tuarua o Hotereni**







# #thameshightilidie



**Thames High School - 2018**  
Year 13



Back Row: Michael de Laborde, Keenan Majurey, Crystal Te Moananui, Kate Sayer, Georgia Hands, Tiana Smallfield, Baylee Edwards, Alice Lane, Anouk Unger, Kitana Sands-Gage, Caleb Mikaere, Kayeon Kim  
 4th Row: Abby Rohrlach, Ember Gunn, Farren Nell, Kopai Morunga, Jackson Hare, Callan Muir, P J McLean, Frhee Pennell, Matthew Boersen, Mohjo Saunders-Thomsen, Josh Sainty, Jordan Tukuitoga, Kendall Ogilvie  
 3rd Row: Tash Cook, Reggae Ngahooro, Ra Mahal, Sage Conner-Smith, Tai Anderson-Wakahoe, Daniel Knox, Cade Eliot, Adam Duncel, Damian Law, Justin Roberts, Thomas Raynel, Crieghton Brown, Mr David Harrison (Year 13 Dean)  
 2nd Row: Salma Dennis, Alexandra Hollis, Sophie McCoid, Roslyn Ngaruhe, Sheyanne Lile-Andrews, Aimee-Rose Wood, Zaria Ellis, Cheyenne Te Huia, Nerissa Mercer, Brooke Stephenson, Lizzy Kerr, Katie Grant-Mackie, Tara Raymond  
 Front Row: Brianna James, Richard Ear, Aroha-Jean Waata-Park, Absalom Turoa, Sophie Clarke, Vincent Lee, Jessica Hayes, Kianu Harris, Tahjonelle Kaitamaki-Topia, James Harris, Geneveva Reverte Neal



**PERFECT team building time for Year 13  
to connect at the start of their final year.**



**Making Memories before  
they venture out into the  
world**

**Year 13  
Camp & Leavers Dinner**





# Rōpū Day Out

Thames High School  
Te Kura Tuarua o Horowhenua  
**7C's**



**The best way to start  
Thames High School**

Courageous  
Māia

creative  
mīti-whaka

Curious  
Whakaaro Mahira

School  
Hotereri

Critical  
Whakaaro Matata

Collaborative  
Mahitahi



# Sports Prize List

## AMP TROPHY

Sayer, Kate

Best All Round Contribution to Thames High School Sport

## ADVENTURE RACING

Napier, Angela

Saunders-Thomsen, Mohjo

Adventure Racing Most Improved

Full Colour: Tough Guy 2nd Overall, For most valuable team member demonstrating outstanding commitment, skills and support as chosen by the Hillary Adventure Racing Team

Contribution to the sport, enabling and inspiring those around them

Hayes, Jessica

## MARTIAL ARTS

Elliot-Hogg, Riley

Wood, Grace

Smith, Claire

Sayer, Bradley

McMillan, Rata

Cuttriss, Mikayla

Fowler-Reynolds, Peytyn

Patel, Mitesh

Half Colour: Kiaido Ryu

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## TOUCH

Lee, Vincent

TV U21 Mixed Touch Team

## ATHLETICS

Moleta, Reegan

Junior Boys Champion, Junior Boys 1500m Champion

Junior Girls Champion

Junior Girls Athletics Runner Up Junior Girls

300m Champion

Junior Boys Athletics Runner Up, Junior Boys

800m Champion

Intermediate Girls Runner Up

Intermediate Girls Champion

Intermediate Boys Champion

Senior Girls Runner Up

Intermediate Boys Athletics Runner Up, Intermediate

Boys 1500m Champion, Intermediate Boys

800m Champion

Senior Boys 3000m Champion, Senior Boys

1500m Champion

Senior Boys Champion, Senior Boys 800m Champion

Senior Boys Runner up, Senior Boys Sprint

100m & 200m

Senior Girls Champion

Senior Girls Sprint Champion

Saunders-Thomsen, Mohjo

Lee, Vincent

Conner-Smith, Sage

Hayes, Jessica

Wood, Aimee-Rose

## SWIMMING

Davies, Mason

Hall, Sienna

Green, Sam

de Groen, Caitlyn

Green, Chloe

Lees, Jack

Junior Boys Champion

Junior Girls Champion

Intermediate Boys Champion

Intermediate Girls Champion

Senior Girls Champion

Full Colour: NZ Swimming, Senior Boys Champion

Senior Girls Champion

Cook, Tash

## MULTISPORT

Davies, Mason

de Groen, Caitlyn

Robcke, Georgia

Junior Boys Triathlon Champion

Intermediate Girls Triathlon Champion

Senior Girls Triathlon Champion

## CROSS COUNTRY

Moleta, Reegan

Paletthorpe, Jade

Rohrlach, Ashleigh

Foster, Tegan

Danby, Ryan

Saunders-Thomsen, Mohjo

Junior Boys Champion

Junior Girls Champion

Intermediate Girls Champion

Senior Girls Champion

Intermediate Boys Champion

Senior Boys Champion

## CRICKET

Fox, Luca

Dhall, Yash

Clarke, Sophie

Lee, Vincent

Best All Round Junior Cricketer

Best Senior Cricket Player

Contribution to Girls Cricket

Most Improved Senior Cricketer

## BADMINTON

Johnston, Wil

Senior Boys Single Champion, Senior Boys Doubles Champions

Sportsperson of the Year for Badminton, Senior

Girls Singles Champion, Senior Girls Doubles

Champions, Open Mixed Doubles Champions

Open Mixed Doubles Champions

Senior Girls Doubles Champions

Senior Boys Doubles Champions

Fraei, Anita

Broughton, Dalton

Thompson, Rosie

Harris, James

## SQUASH

Robcke, Georgia

NZ U17 Champion

## BASKETBALL

Duffin, Logan

Reid, Nicole

Paul, Marshall

Kini-Connor, Pounamu

Fraser, Cyris

Keyte, Jenna

Hinds-Senior, Emma

Most Improved Junior Boy

Most Improved Junior Girl

Most Valuable Junior Boy

Most Valuable Junior Girl

Most Valuable Junior Boy

Most Improved Senior Girl

Half Colour - TV U17 Basketball, Most Valuable

Senior Girl

Most Improved Senior Boy

Most Valuable Senior Boy

Kerr, Brock

Dunckel, Adam

## HOCKEY

Hamilton, Stella

Russek, Tiana

Anderson, Isla

Dollard, Cailee

Grant-Mackie, Katie

Half Colour - TV Hockey

Half Colour - TV Hockey

Fairplay and Services to Hockey

Most Improved Girls Player

Half Colour - TV Hockey, Most Valuable Girls

Player

## RUGBY

McKee, Damian

Turoa, Elijah

Mizuguchi, Asahi

Dix-Taylor, Riley

Development Player of the Year

Most Conscientious Development Grade Player

Most Conscientious Development Grade Player

Half Colour - Rugby, Development Player of the

Year

Half Colour - Rugby

Half Colour - Rugby

Half Colour - Rugby

Most Promising 1st XV Member

Half Colour - Rugby

Half Colour - Rugby, Most Improved Rugby

Player, Most Dedicated 1st XV Member

Half Colour - Rugby, Most Dedicated 1st XV

Member

1st XV Top Try Scorer

Half Colour - Rugby, 1st XV Player of the Year

Half Colour - Rugby

Edwards, Jayden

Broughton, Dalton

Chambers, Luke

Boersen, Matthew

Eliot, Cade

McLean, P J

Lee, Vincent

Conner-Smith, Sage

Edwards, Baylee

Knox, Daniel

## NETBALL

Reid, Nicole

Kopa, Kabree

Services to Netball Umpiring

Best Year 9A All Rounder - Improvement,

Attitude & Commitment to team, coach and her netball team

Most Promising Year 9 Player

Most Promising Year 10 Player

Half Colour - TV Netball

Junior Girls Most Improved

Best Development All Rounder, Half Colour - TV Netball

Most Improved Senior A Player

All Round Excellence in Senior A Netball

Half Colour - TV Netball

Fox, Izzy

Kini-Connor, Pounamu

Rohrlach, Courtney

Paletthorpe, Jade

Wiperi-Karauria, Chanele

Rohrlach, Ashleigh

Aitken, Taryn

Foster, Tegan





Reverte Neal, Genoveva  
Court, Maddison  
Darrah, Morgan

Hayes, Jessica  
Ellis, Zaria

#### FOOTBALL

Nankivell, Joshua  
Burchell, Ashlee  
Wenzlick, Amber  
Sayer, Bradley  
Hinds-Senior, Emma  
Veal, Clark  
Burchell, Matthew  
Danby, Ryan  
Clarke, Sophie  
Mikaere, Caleb  
Ngahooro, Reggae  
Tukuitoga, Jordan

McNab, Ariel

#### GOLF

Johnston, Wil  
Harris, James

Most Promising Development Player  
Most Valuable Player  
Team Spirit Award for Tournament Week -  
Player with the best attitude, motivates the  
team, shows leadership and happiness no  
matter what  
Half Colour - TV Netball  
Most Valuable Player

Most Improved Junior Boy  
Most Improved Junior Girl  
Best All Round Junior Girl  
Best All Round Junior Boy  
Most Improved Senior Girl  
New Zealand U15 Non Traveling Reserve  
Te Aroha Mens A Grade Football  
Te Aroha Mens A Grade Football  
Excellence in Senior Girls  
Most Improved Senior Boy  
Best All Round Senior Boy  
1st XI Football Golden Boot Trophy, Te  
Aroha Mens A Grade Football  
1st XI Football Golden Boot Trophy

Golf Champion - Nett  
Golf Champion - Gross



**"Gold medals aren't really  
made of gold.  
They are made of sweat,  
determination and a hard-  
to-find alloy called guts."  
Dan Gable**



## Thames High School - 2018 Staff



Back Row: Alan Hartley, Jane Stove, Ruth Howes, Leanne Donovan, Anna Perry, Michele Scoggins, Sally Berridge, Juliette Emery, Dianna Phillips, David Salisbury  
3rd Row: Jacqui Hammond, Donna Sawyer, Carolyn Green, Michelle Sim, Debbie Driver, Ewan Grant-Mackie, Adrienne Uerata, Raewyn Grey, Trafim Sitnikoff, Teresa Allen, Annemarie Hartley, Yana Silva, Hinu Abraham  
2nd Row: Alison Drury, Petro Jager, Coralie Hurley, Kieran Taylor, Ian Drury, Liz Muirhead, David Harrison, Jamie Wickham, Clive Nixon, Vita Dryden, Kiryn Curnow, Chloe Ferguson, Susan McInnes  
Front Row: Jen Fletcher, Zac Rutledge, Don Lynch, Simon Rogers, Maria Baird, David Sim, Sue Baker, Malcolm Belton, Stuart Du Preez, Allen Paora-Quirk, Natalie O'Neil  
Absent: Sharyn Baker, Sonya Brown, Pauline Carter, Frances Crooymans, Victoria Cullen, Wendy Des Baux, Craig Dobson, Selina Eagle, James Elder, Siobhan Flanigan, Cheryl Garrett, Jennifer Glenn, John Jamieson, Vel Kopa, Jill MacGregor, Linnea McDonald, Rawinia McLean, Chris Meadows, Donna Mills, Alana Salisbury, Mary Sorby, Paul Te Raki-Coleman, Carolina Tornero, Joanne Willetts, Vanessa Williams



# Outdoor Education Memoments

## Snow Cave Trip Favourite Moments

- "How to snowboard going from the heels to toes and turning"
- "When me and Trif slid in together and handshaked"
- "Going down the mountain without falling over"
- "Touching snow for the first time"
- "Going fast as"
- "Standing up for the first time"
- "To not be scared at all and doing the best I can"
- "Full send"
- "I learnt that sunscreen is important"



## Bush survival Trip Favourite Moments

- "When my shelter was water proof when it rained"
- "Everyone around the fire talking"
- "Enjoying the peace on the river"
- "When we were rafting as a big group"
- "Having lots of creative freedom to research and discover what worked for us"
- "The Waikato"
- "Surviving"



## Heroines Journey Favourite Moments

- "Finding empowerment in each and ourselves"
- "Learning to not overthink things"
- "All the mysterys that were in the camp"
- "It was all super hands on, do-it-yourself kinda stuff"
- "I learnt that you don't need men to adventure"
- "Abseiling and becoming a better person"
- "I'm trying to focus on what my gut/soul says and we talked a little about that which was cool"

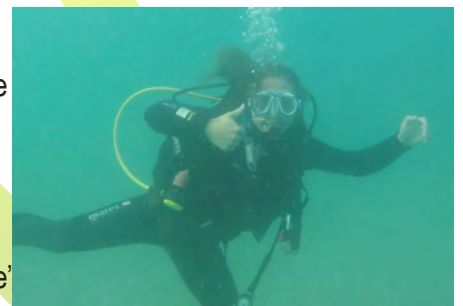
## Heroes Journey Favourite Moments

- "The swimming to the hot pools"
- "That we were isolated from roads and music and were physically a part of the journey there"
- "The Unknown"
- "The friendships and bonds formed are awesome"
- "Enjoying the nice sunset"
- "How fun it is to get away from everyday life"
- "to live in the moment and not stress about things that cannot be fixed in the present"



## Scuba diving TRIP Favourite Moments

- "Thinking that I couldn't do it but overcoming it because I pushed myself and with the help of others eg, students and teacher"
- "Diving is AWESOME and to just face something I'm not sure about"
- "Sitting underwater 6-7m under and feeding fishes and just looking up at the top"
- "Jamming to the music on the boat"
- "In the boat dive there were so many fish, I had to give way to a school of demoiselle"
- "When I made friends with a leatherjacket and he let me pat him"



## White Water Trip Favourite Moments

- "Not waking up to the mist"
- "Being in a tent with heaps of friends"
- "Getting over the fear throughout the whole camp and getting in there and doing it!"
- "When we all were talking about exploding apples"
- "Seeing Eden and Ashlea do the grade 2+"
- "Going down the big rapids and not caking it"













# Senior Academic Prize List

## YEAR 11 1ST IN SUBJECT

Mackenzie Ayrton	Drama
Chloe Bailey	Outdoor Education, Statistics
Hugo Bruce	Art
Yash Dhall	Physical Education
Monika Hammond	1st=English, Geography
Bronte Hemmings	History
Kalem Knight	Furniture
Harriet Marshall	1st=English, Fabric & Design, 1st=Science
Heather McInnes	1st=Science
Rata McMillan	Music
Hayden Moxsom	Economics, Mathematics, Mechanical Engineering
Saiyan Nelson	Fitness
Blake Scott	Digital Applications
Cavhyon Tokoa	Living Science
Kirsten White	Food & Hospitality, Health

## YEAR 11 DISTINCTION

Mackenzie Ayrton	Art, English, Mathematics
Chloe Bailey	Geography
Amelie Ballantyne	English, Mathematics
David Brockbank	Furniture, Mathematics, Outdoor Education, Science
Hugo Bruce	Mathematics, Outdoor Education, Science
Hannah Cook	English, Outdoor Education, Physical Education
Kendall Court	English, Geography, Mathematics, Science
Avelon Daniels	Music
Yash Dhall	Mathematics
Eve Gibson	History
Sam Green	Outdoor Education
Monika Hammond	Distance Learning French, History, Mathematics
Kacy Kotahitanga Harris	Health, Mechanical Engineering
Lucy Harrison-Purdie	English, History
Bronte Hemmings	English, Geography, Science
Emma Hinds-Senior	Physical Education
Alyssa Joe	Economics
Kalem Knight	Statistics
Maia Lundon	Fitness
Mali Mahal,	English
Te Katea Marriner	Fitness
Harriet Marshall	Drama
Hayden Moxsom	Science
Saiyan Nelson	Physical Education
Sam Oxford	Furniture
Angelle Stevenson	Living Science
Ella Steward	Level 2 Digital Technologies - Programming
Sharnay Taylor	English, Spanish
Mata Topia	Physical Education
Kirsten White	Statistics
Chanele Wiperi-Karauria	Food & Hospitality
Collette Wise	Fabric & Design
Keelan Young	Food & Hospitality

## THE EDWIN BROWN TROPHY

Heather McInnes (Top Girl in Year 11 Physical Education)

## THE JACK PRICE TROPHY

Yash Dhall (Top Boy in Year 11 Physical Education)

## THE W H BAKER CUP

Hayden Moxsom (Top Performance of a Yr11 in Mathematics & Science)

## THE TUROA-TUAITI TROPHY

Mali Mahal (Excellence in English by a Maori Student)

Harriet Marshall (Winner of the Year 11 Speech Contest)

## THE RICOH PRIZE & THE 1955 PUPILS' 75TH ANNIVERSARY CUP FOR SCHOLASTIC EXCELLENCE IN YEAR 11

Monika Hammond

## YEAR 12 FIRST IN SUBJECT

Fiona Balfour	Geography
Kelly Chang	Art
Ahi Garrick	1st=Economics
Wil Johnston	Digital Technologies - Programming
Nicholas Jones	Furniture
Leonie Kingi	Living Science
Jack Lees	Outdoor Education
Xinqi Mao	EL (English Language)
Max Nankivell	Level 3 Calculus, 1st=Physics
Jovarn Othman-Saia	Food & Hospitality
Mitesh Patel	Physical Education
Lily Pennell	General Science
Paige Short	Health
Eva Sorensen	Biology, Level 3 Digital Technologies - Programming, English, Visual Art Design

Hamish Steadman	1st=Chemistry, 1st=Economics, History
Ethan Taylor -Evans	Mechanical Engineering
Rosie Thompson	Photography
Laithy Vroege	1st=Fabric & Design
Xzaiya Vroege	1st=Fabric & Design
Bethany Wakelin	Digital Applications, Statistics
Tash Wilder	1st=Chemistry, Mathematics, 1st=Physics
Maia Yates	Music
Gabriel Yeates	Drama

## YEAR 12 DISTINCTION

Taryn Aitken	Chemistry
Isla Anderson	Statistics
Mark Anderson	Furniture
Kayla Arbury	English, History, Statistics
Matthew Arden	Fitness
Fiona Balfour	Art, English
Matthew Burchell	Physical Education
Kelly Chang	Chemistry, English, Mathematics
Jazmin Davies	General Science
Caitlyn de Groen	Photography, Physical Education, Statistics
Marisa Dehar	Outdoor Education
Larissa Deverill	Living Science
Cailee Dollard	Biology, Chemistry, English, Statistics
Oceana Gage	Living Science
Ahi Garrick	English, Mathematics, Physics
Chloe Green	Physical Education
Maya Jacobi	Music
Wil Johnston	Economics, Mathematics
Alex Juby	Digital Technologies - Programming
James Jury	Mechanical Engineering
Jack Lees	General Science
Xinqi Mao	Fitness
Caitlyn Marshall	Distance Learning Tourism
Daniel Mita-Makiri	Fitness
Willow Mobberley	English, Statistics, Visual Art Design
Max Nankivell	Distance Learning Chemistry, English
Angela Napier	History
Mitesh Pate	Chemistry
Hannah Prout	Digital Applications, Drama
Luci Quinn	Biology, English, Mathematics
Ashleigh Rohrlach	Geography
Jess Ross	Gateway
Nicole Russek	English
Eva Sorensen	Distance Learning Chemistry, Yr 13 Calculus
Hamish Steadman	Biology, English, Mathematics
Jerry Stowe	History
Ethan Taylor -Evans	Outdoor Education
Rosie Thompson	Fabric & Design
Gemma Tucker	Health, Living Science
Caitlin Turley	Gateway
Bethany Wakelin	English



# Senior Academic Prize List (Cont)

Callum Wenzlick Gateway  
Bonnie Whitehead Te Reo Maori  
Tash Wilder Biology, English  
Leaf Wolfe Food & Hospitality  
Jim Yan Furniture  
Maia Yates Statistics

## THAMES HIGH SCHOOL PE TROPHY

Tash Wilder (Top Girl in Year 12 Physical Education)

## THAMES HIGH SCHOOL PE TROPHY

Mitesh Patel (Top Boy in Year 12 Physical Education)

## THE NEW ZEALAND GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY CUP

Fiona Balfour (First in Geography)

## THE MILLENNIUM CUP

Hamish Steadman (Winner of the Year 12 Speech Contest)

## THE RICOH PRIZE & THE POULGRAIN CUP FOR SCHOLASTIC EXCELLENCE IN YEAR 12

Eva Sorensen

## YEAR 13 FIRST IN SUBJECT

Sophie Clarke Biology, Economics  
Baylee Edwards Fitness  
Ember Gunn English, Statistics  
James Harris Physics  
Brianna James Health, Science  
Nur Lajunen-Tal Chemistry, Music  
Alice Lane History  
Tas Larden Geography  
Vincent Lee Physical Education  
Claudia Long Art, Photography, Visual Art Design  
Farren Nell Gateway  
Thomas Raynel Food & Hospitality  
Genoveva Reverte Neal Drama  
Abby Rohrlach Fabric & Design  
Josh Sainty Furniture  
Mohjo Saunders-Thomsen Outdoor Education

## YEAR 13 DISTINCTION

Sophie Clarke Physics  
Tash Cook English, Physical Education  
Maddison Court Geography  
Morgan Darrah Geography, Science  
Adam Dunckel English, Science  
Zaria Ellis Fitness  
James Harris Calculus, Chemistry  
Jessica Hayes Biology, English, History  
Lizzy Kerr English  
Nur Lajunen-Tal Biology, English, Statistics  
Alice Lane Geography  
Damian Law Furniture  
Sokchou Lim Economics, Visual Art Design  
Keenan Majurey Gateway  
Sophie McCoid Drama  
Fergus McMillan Outdoor Education  
Nerissa Mercer Digital Technologies - Programming, English, History  
Shiori Nakano EL (English Language)  
Roslyn Ngaruhe Health  
Tara Raymond Outdoor Education  
Thomas Raynel English  
Ihaia Reidy Furniture  
Genoveva Reverte Neal Music  
Mohjo Saunders-Thomsen Science  
Kate Sayer Photography  
Tiana Smallfield Art, Science  
Ryan Sorensen English  
Bethany Steward Health  
Cheyenne Te Huia English, Statistics

## THE SIR GEORGE FINLAY ORATORY CUP

Aroha-Jean Waata-Park (Winner of the Year 13 Speech Contest)

## THE SIR WALTER SCOTT LODGE PRIZE

James Harris (Top Year 13 Mathematics Student)

## THE TAYLOR-BELTON COMMERCE CUP

Sophie Clarke (Top Student in Economics)

## THE BOYCE CUP

Sophie Clarke (For top Science student)

## THE KELLY CUP

Brianna James (For Top Level 3 Health Student)

## THE THAMES HIGH SCHOOL CUP

Alice Lane (Excellence in Social Sciences)

## THE WINTEC ADVENTURER'S CUP

Mohjo Saunders-Thomsen (For Excellence in Outdoor Pursuits)

## THE RAY GARRETT TROPHY

Vincent Lee (First in Physical Education Year 13)

## THE FURTH CUP FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Nur Lajunen-Talr (Joint Winner for Achievement in Musical Performance - First in Music)

## THE FURTH CUP FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Genoveva Reverte Neal (Joint Winner for Achievement in Musical Performance - First in Drama)

## BOOTS N ALL CUP

Tas Larden (Excellence in Geography)

## SENIOR SERVICE AWARD 2018

Year 13 students for dedicated service to both school & community  
Crieghton Brown, Tash Cook, Katie Grant-Mackie, Ember Gunn, Georgia Hands, Nur Lajunen-Tal, Fergus McMillan, Ariel McNab, Kendall Ogilvie, Ihaia Reidy, Mohjo Saunders-Thomsen, Kate Sayer

## ROMOLA M CATRAN CUP

Genoveva Reverte Neal (Most Valuable Senior Debater)

## THE ITED PRIZE

Katie Grant-Mackie (Willingness to assist in School and Community beyond expectations)

## ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

Maddison Court, Morgan Darrah, Baylee Edwards, Cheyenne Te Huia, Katie Grant-Mackie, Jessica Hayes, Brianna James, Nur Lajunen-Tal, Alice Lane, Tas Larden, Vincent Lee, Claudia Long, Nerissa Mercer, Thomas Raynel, Genoveva Reverte Neal, Daniel Knox, Cade Eliot

## THE H G LAING MEMORIAL CUP

Alex Juby (Top Student in Engineering)

## THE BOWATER CUP

Michael de Laborde (For Creative Excellence in Science)

## THE TE RANGATAHI E RANGA I NGA TIRA AWARD

Tahjonelle Kaitamaki-Topia (For a Maori Student Who Has Shown Leadership Within and Contributed to the Maori Student Community of Thames High School and/or the Wider Maori Community of Thames or Hauraki)

## THE CLASS OF 1992 LEAVERS CUP

Michael de Laborde (Awarded to the student who has made significant contribution to the school and community)

## The Business One Trophy

Jessica Hayes (For outstanding dedication and commitment in any field)

## THE HETHERINGTON CUP

Michael de Laborde, Kate Sayer (For Citizenship)

## THE MAUREEN COAKLEY CUP

Tegan Foster (Best All Round Girl in Sport)

## THE MCCONNELL CUP

Sage Conner-Smith (The Best All Round Boy in Sport)

## THE MACKWELL OVATION TROPHY

Sam Oxford (Outstanding Contribution to The Performing Arts)

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE 2018

Jovarn Othman-Saia

## THE STEVEN HADLEY AWARD

Georgia Robcke (Most Outstanding Sporting Achievement)





**THE THAMES HIGH SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL CUP**

Anouk Unger (Most Integrated International Student)

**THE RAYMOND NUTTER SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

Angela Napier, Hamish Steadman

**THE HOUSE SHIELD WINNING HOUSE**

Rudman

**DORRINGTON HOUSE LEADERS** - Sheyanne Lile-Andrews, P J McLean, Tara Raymond, Mohjo Saunders-Thomsen

**ADAMS HOUSE LEADERS** - Matthew Boersen, Karma Bond, Cade Eliot, Kendall Ogilvie

**RUDMAN HOUSE LEADERS** - Crieghton Brown, Tash Cook, Charlee Lyndon, allan Muir

**HOULT HOUSE LEADERS** - Sage Conner-Smith, Maddison Court, Morgan Darrah, Baylee Edwards



**DEPUTY HEAD STUDENT - SPORT**

Jessica Hayes, Absalom Turoa

**DEPUTY HEAD STUDENT - ACADEMIC**

James Harris, Brianna James

**DEPUTY HEAD STUDENT - STUDENT WELFARE**

Richard Ear, Aroha-Jean Waata-Park

**DEPUTY HEAD STUDENT - CULTURAL**

Kianu Harris, Genoveva Reverte Neal

**DEPUTY HEAD STUDENT - KAIARAH**

Tahjonelle Kaitamaki-Topia

**HEAD GIRL 2018**

Sophie Clarke (The Lioness Club of Thames Head Girl Trophy)

**HEAD BOY 2018**

Vincent Lee (The Thames Lions Club Head Boy Trophy)



**THE BRUCE BELK MEMORIAL CUP**

Genoveva Reverte Neal (For Outstanding Academic, Cultural and Sporting success during the year)

**THE TOYOTA SCHOLARSHIP**

Ember Gunn

**THE STEPHEN BOWATER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Sophie Clarke

**PROXIME ACCESSIT TO DUX**

Claudia Long

(Winner of the Westpac Bank Award)

**THAMES HIGH SCHOOL DUX**

Nur Lajunen-Tal

(The Winner of the Pak'nSave Award)















## Book Stack Challenge

Our library offered a challenge to roopu/whanau to read a stack of books as tall as the tallest person in the class. The winners would have a delicious reward (Anne-Marie is a fabulous cupcake maker). These are our winners!



## Community Art

We are very proud of our junior students who have given back to the community. The Seagull Centre asked students to create a large scale mural for the centre. The group spent a lot of time designing, collaborating, being creative, communicating and connecting to create a very striking piece of art for all to enjoy.

Well done particularly to Amelia, Tiana, Helena, Lillian, Ana, and Alex and all the other students who lent a hand.

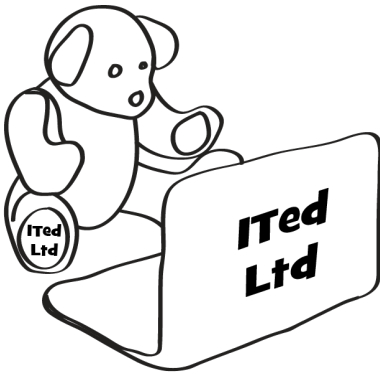






*Fairy* Godmother  
**Fairy Godmothers Closet**  
We are setting up a closet to make the THS ball more accessible to everyone.  
If you have any unwanted Dresses, Suits, shoes, accessories etc, we are now taking donations for 2019.





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To all the local business that have  
assisted our students to

**“Make Memories”**

at

**Thames High School  
Te Kura Tuarua o Hotereni  
in 2018 we**

**Thank You  
Mauri Ora**





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