



Tereora College Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 5

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Message From The Principal

Mrs. Tania Morgan



Kia orana,

What a great start to the week with an inspirational talk from Dr Yvonne Cagle (NASA Astronaut). Students were able to relate easily to the stories and could make the all-important link between turning the impossible into reality.

Thursday will see the Cook Islands Maori Speech competition – themed Traditional Calendars of My Ancestors held at the new venue of Nikao CICC Hall with six of our students competing in the different categories.

Mid-term progress reports are out this week along with academic transcripts; this is to be followed up with a learning conversation next Thursday, parents/ caregivers are urged to attend with their child.

KIA TOA.



WHATS ON THIS WEEK - TERM 2 WEEK 5

Monday	Dr Cagle—NASA Astronaut 10.40—11.20am
Tuesday	NCEA Evening for parents 5pm
Wednesday	1st XV training 3.15—4.15pm BCI
Thursday	Homework & Chess Club (Tues & Thurs)
Friday	Normal School Day



Astronaut Dr.Yvonne Cagle sharing her stories and experience with our students

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NASA ASTRONAUT

NASA trained Astronaut, medical doctor and retired colonel of the United States Air Force Dr. Yvonne Cagle will be visiting our school today during Interval.

Dr. Cagle has visited New Zealand and is visiting the Cook Islands to highlight opportunities and careers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and the work that NASA does in a range of scientific fields, with the support of the Space & Science Festival and U.S Embassy.

Growing up in California, Dr Cagle received a Bachelor of Arts in Biochemistry from San Francisco State University, and a Doctorate in Medicine from the University of Washington. She also received a Certification in Aerospace Medicine from the School of Aerospace Medicine at Brooks Air Base Texas in 1988. Selected by NASA for the astronaut program in 1996, Cagle reported to NASA's Johnson Space Center, located in Texas. She completed two years of training and evaluation, and is qualified for flight assignments as a mission specialist.

She is also the recipient of numerous awards, including: Outstanding Young Women of America, National Defense Service Medal, Air Force Achievement Medal, U.S Air Force Air staff Exceptional Physician Commendation and the National Technical Association Distinguished Scientist Award.



Dr Yvonne Cagle—NASA Astronaut

DRAMA EVENING

Monday—Queens Birthday will see performances from our Level 1 and Level 2 Drama students.

Students have been in rehearsal mode as build-up for their NCEA performance assessment. Friends and family are more than welcome to attend. Performances will be held in the Seminar room at Tereora—5.00pm—6.00pm.

1ST XV TRAINING

Training for our 1st XV has kicked off on Wednesday afternoons from 3.15—4.15pm at the stadium. Short fitness sessions are also in place during the school day and are an expected part of the boys preparation for the upcoming matches.

OPERA SINGERS TO VISIT TEREORA MUSIC DEPT

Two opera singers Ipu Laga'aia the young NZ Samoan Tenor and William Mataka Vuni of Tongan / Samoan descent will be holding workshops with students from different schools within the Cook Islands. The pair will be visiting Tereora this Thursday morning.



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COOK ISLANDS HEALTH

Several Year 13 Biology students are investigating sugar tax as a way to fight the obesity and type 2 diabetes issue and the immunization program run through the Ministry of Health. To support students with their research Karen Tairea, Health Promotion Manager, Rufina Tutai, Public Health Nurse, and Tania Avare, Health Promotion Officer, sat down with students and provided a Cook Islands perspective on the issues.

The students also had a number of questions to ask the Ministry of Health staff. Students now need to integrate all the information they have collected into a report.



Level 3 student Lisa Oosthuizen pictured with Karen Tairea from Ministry of Health

HEALTH Workshop

Last Monday some of the Tereora PE staff attended a workshop at the Edgewater Resort on Comprehensive Sexuality Education.

The workshop that was run by CIFWA was timed perfectly as we introduced our Relationships Unit with our Year 10 students, all staff found the information and workshop beneficial and we look forward to passing on this new found knowledge to our students at Tereora College. Meitaki ma'ata to Rongo File and presenters for a great workshop.

Mr. Adrian Hopwood
HOF Health & Physical Education



Health & PE Staff from Tereora attend workshop

COOK ISLANDS MAORI SPEECH COMPETITION

The venue for the Cook Islands Maori Speech Competition will now be held at the **NIKAO CICC HALL** 5.00pm on Thursday. **Nicole Mateariki, Purotu Puna, Martha Strickland, Tinapa Vailoa, Mamia Van Dondgen** and **Dawn Teio** will be representing Tereora College in the different categories themed—Traditional Calendars of My Ancestors.



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Julia Marsters performing at Cocoputt last week Thursday

MUSIC PERFORMANCE

Another successful music performance evening was held at Cocoputt on Thursday 24th May. The Level 2 & 3 Music students were given the opportunity to showcase their musical talents through solo and group performances with the potential of gaining a maximum of 10 Level 2 Credits and 12 Level 3 Credits.

One of the most important factors to consider when studying Senior Music at NCEA Level is song choice. The show consisted of a vast range of songs spanning across a multitude of musical genres and arrangements. Vocal abilities were challenged, whilst onlookers of all ages and cultures were mesmerized by dulcet tones and melodic lyrics. An amazing evening enjoyed by all and one that will be remembered and cherished.

A big meitaki to Mo Newport for his expertise and support with the technical side of the evening as well as chef Tuks—owner of CocoPutt for allowing our school event to take place at their intimate venue once again.

NCEA INFORMATION EVENING

An NCEA information evening is set for tonight Tuesday 29 May for parents of students new to NCEA. This will be an opportunity to have parents queries answered. The one-hour session will be held in our seminar room at 5.00pm.

Students are more than welcome to attend with their parents / caregivers.

LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

On Thursday the 7th of June we will be holding the second of our learning conversations for the year. The school sees this as an important part of education and all students will be expected to attend the learning conversations with their parent(s)/caregiver(s). The day will run in two sessions—**10.00am—1.00pm** and **3.00pm—5.00pm**. Conversations will be held with subject teachers on a first come basis. NO appointments are necessary.



SUBJECT FEES

Subject fees are now well overdue and teachers' and administration staff will be actively following these up.

The fees are an integral part of your child's education and support the learning programmes that they are currently undertaking. Invoices will be re-issued for follow up. Meitaki.