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Term 3, No. 2

Napier Boys' High School

Newsletter

Ball 2017



Cyber Safety Information Evening



Digital Citizens or Screenagers?

*Wednesday 20 September
at 7pm in the School Hall*

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From The Headmaster's Office

Dear parents, caregivers and friends of the school

The term is well underway and most winter sports codes have finished for the year with the exception of the teams currently at national tournaments – we wish them well for their week and you can follow their progress via the school's Facebook. From hockey in Hamilton to rugby in Rongotai, our teams – both 1st sides and U15 selections – are at events throughout the North Island; the chance to compete at the highest level nationally is a huge opportunity which is not afforded all schools. While we hope for great results, we know too that our teams are being tested by the best and with that comes the chance to vie for national selection as well. It is one

of the strengths of being a large boys' school.

A little over a week ago, we celebrated the senior ball at the Old Church. Our young men were impeccably groomed and excellent hosts for their partners. Not all schools have balls and there is a huge responsibility on each senior year group to honour the special nature of the event and ensure its continuation. I congratulate those who attended this year on rising to the occasion as we expected and making it memorable for all who attended. Thanks must go, as always, to Ms Faulkner and her team of volunteers for this event.

Academically, our boys have excelled recently in the Hawke's Bay Science Fair quiz with the senior teams finishing 3rd

From The Headmaster's Office



Back Row: Mr T Wyatt (Coach), S Mathers, B Ellison, J Vella, J Shaw, C McAulay, S Strong

Front Row: B Mattson, J Cooper, M Curran, T Wyatt, D Dewes

Absent: J Hutchinson, A Cardno, J Ralph, E Wright, S Shaw

and 12th from over 50 teams, while the juniors went one better claiming 2nd and 4th places from over 60 entries; this followed hard on the heels of the geographers in Year 11 claiming the Maatangi Whenua geography quiz competition for the region. Great efforts all! Further Hawke's Bay success came at the weekend with our shooters claiming the Hawke's Bay Clay Target title yet again. Add in a scintillating Cornford Cup race, won by Oliver Marshall in year 10 and the success of our badminton players at the Hawkes Bay competitions (both single and

double) and you see there is much to celebrate.

As these festivities and tournaments wind down, the school turns into examination mode ahead of the Benchmark Exams in week 10. Considerable effort has gone into ensuring the boys have study timetables and are prepared ahead of time for these; please discuss this with your sons. We have also been monitoring those who may be on the borderline when it comes to completing their NCEA this year and

several interventions are planned over the next month to keep these young men on track to pass. If you have concerns regarding your son's progress, please contact their Dean in the first instance.

I wish all the boys and staff a well-earned mid-term break this coming weekend.

Matt Bertram - Headmaster



Cyber Safety Information Evening Digital Citizens or Screenagers?



and the safe online – what we can do to support our young men as they navigate challenges and complexities online.

Netsafe is an organisation which provides specialist support for schools, educators and school communities around digital citizenship, responding to online incidents and other online safety issues.

The session will run for an hour and includes a question and answer opportunity, followed by supper provided by the Parents League.

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at 7pm in the school Hall**

This evening will provide Parents and Caregivers information to assist with the balancing act between the social

Cornford Cup Road Race



Sam Elliott

A beautiful day in the Bay and the whole school lined up along Te Awa Avenue ready to start the annual school road race. The Year 12 and 13's start at Te Awa School, the Year 11's half way down the school fields, the Year 10's at the blue and white school gates and the Year 9's at the end of the school grounds.

The banter and speculation had been rife in the week leading up to the race. Would Bradley Christison Year 13, school senior 3000m record breaker, be able to catch the talented Year 10 duo of Max Taylor and Oliver Marshall who was second in the New Zealand Year 9 Road Race at the end of 2016 and won the Super 8 Junior Cross Country title this year? Add into the mix Sam Elliott who was third in the Year 9 Super 8 Cross Country Race and all was set for a very fast race.

The race had added significance as it would decide the inter house sports for the year with Scinde and Napier House separated by only 25 points and this event being worth 100 points.

The gun goes and the leading contenders are flying down Te Awa Ave. Oliver and Max catch Sam in the first kilometre and run 3 minutes for the first km. That is an amazing start but can they keep it up. Meanwhile further back in the field Brad has caught and passed all of the Year 11 students.

Into Kenny Road and Oliver and Max have hit the lead they run the second km in 3:05 mins. Brad is passing the



Bradley Christison



Max Taylor

Year 10's but still has ten of them and some of the Year 9 field to run through.

Into Eriksen Road Oliver has pulled away from Max and is running solo, Max is holding second they are followed by Sam, Ethan Green Year 10, Josh Abel Year 10, Hugo Lynch Year 10 Tim LeCheminant-Reid and Jamie Denton



Ethan Green, Jacob Barber, Jamie Deton, Timothy Le Cheminant-Reid



Oliver Marshall

both Year 9, then Brad, who can see the leaders and is trying to catch them. Right behind them is Jacob Barber Year 13 who has run a great race to be catching all of these talented junior athletes.

The final sprint down Chambers street and into the school at the hall gates and onto the field and the finishing chute. Oliver has run so fast clocking personal best times over 2k and 3k that Brad is still over 100 metres behind him at the finish. Max has maintained his speed and also beats Brad for second. Brad finishes third with Sam Elliott the Year 9 running a great race to hold fourth while Jacob Barber Year 13 and Clyde House captain powers his way through the field to finish fifth.

So to the House results. Oliver - Napier, Max - Napier, Brad - Scinde, Jacob - Clyde. So it was going to be close.

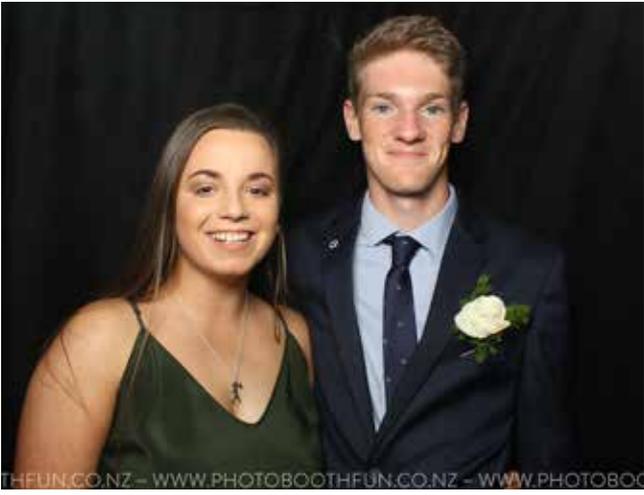
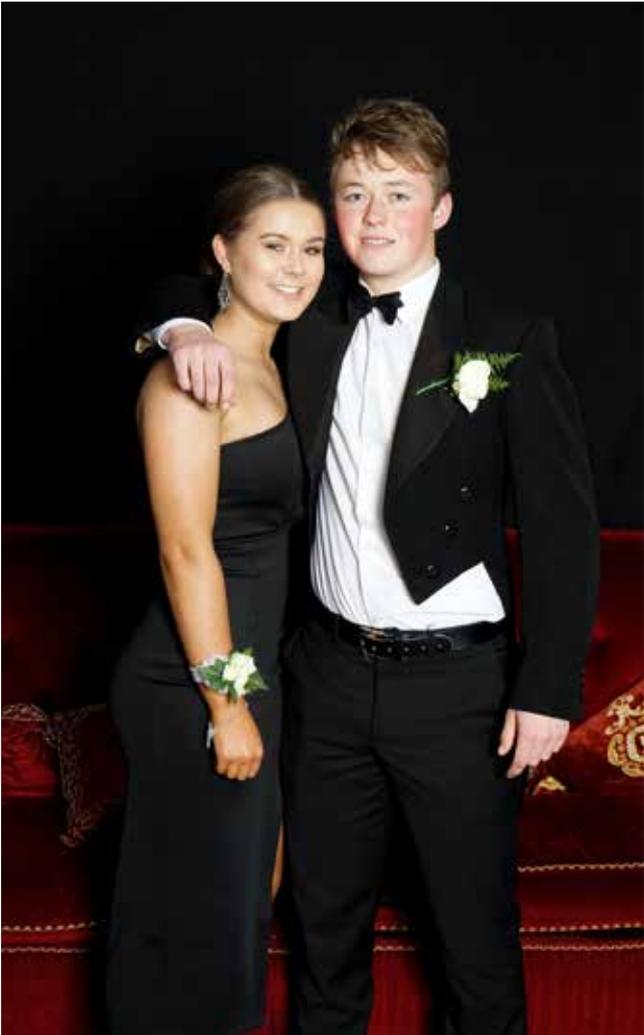
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NAPIER - 1310
SCINDE - 1678

Great Gatsby Ball 2017

On Saturday, 26 August, the Great Gatsby Ball was held at The Old Church in Meeanee. Students were greeted by fire-eaters as they queued at the entrance to introduce their dates to Mr and Mrs Bertram and head boy Harry Averill and his guest for the evening, Taylor Hill.

Entertained by Auckland band Ammo Nation, headlined by DJ Raiza Biza, students partied the night away with dancing, further entertainment provided by Corporate Casino, and plenty of photography time with the photographer and photobooths.





Citizenship Ceremony

On Tuesday 22nd of August, a small group of Kapa Haka boys were invited to attend a local Citizenship Ceremony held by the Napier City Council at the MTG Century Theatre and perform a couple of items. The boys enjoyed partaking in their share of community service, and also upholding local tikanga and kawa to welcome visitors. The performance was led by Tomairangi Henare and Harris Gannaway. Autaia rā kōrua!



Porritt School Visit



Shortly after our visit from Poukawa School, our Year 11 Te reo Māori Class chose to visit Porritt School in Tamatea to again workshop with some of their classes around Matariki, and further develop their tuakana-taina skills. We taught some traditional Māori games, showcased some colourful images of the nine Matariki Stars, and shared stories, practiced waiata and haka. Wetiweti kē mai nei!

Te Reo ki Tua Language Revitalization Symposium

A group of 40 Napier Boys High School students were chosen to attend the Te Reo ki Tua Language Revitalization Symposium, hosted by Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated in Hastings on the 24th and 25th August. This symposium showcased some of nation's leading experts in the field of both language revitalisation and also language reclamation. The symposium aimed to inspire second language learners like many of our students by hearing first hand of the trials and tribulations faced by these language exponents when trying to master the language as second language learners themselves. Our



students enjoyed listening to an array of second language learners who have made careers out of their passion and dedication to the revitalization of te reo Māori. It is hoped the symposium inspired these boys, their peers and

others around him to continue the battle to save our indigenous language from the brink of extinction.

Whakaaweawetia te hunga whakaaweawe – Inspire the inspirers

National Poetry Day

Friday 25 August was the 20th anniversary of Phantom Billstickers National Poetry Day. To celebrate, Napier C.A.N. Live Poets held a celebration at the Napier Cathedral. It opened with a few readings by local poet and teacher, Marty Smith. After walking the 'pillars of poems', some fourteen local poets shared their reflections and experiences including two writers from 9JA: Joe Robertshaw and Charlie Sanderson-Dollery. Topics ranged from war, to cricket to unwanted cats.

Miss K Wilson



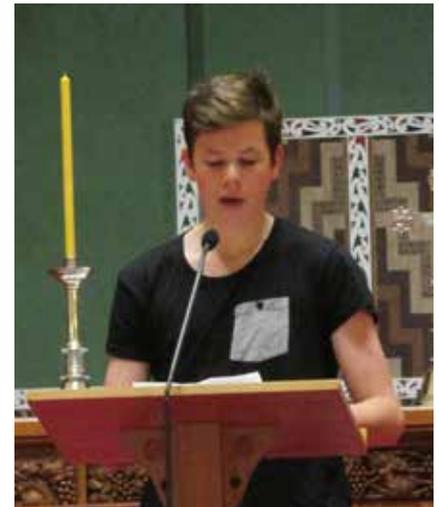
Ode To My Cricket Bat

Oh cricket bat!
How I love you dearly,
Your green handle and tan face
gleam bright in the sun.

The thwack as you connect with the
hard leather
filing me with joy as the ball races
off the face
bobbing ever so slightly before
vaulting the boundary rope.

Your weight, just perfect in my arms
My cricket bat, ready to hit the ball
My cricket bat, hand-made from
laver and wood
My cricket bat, with me until you
snap.

Charlie Sanderson-Dollery



Charlie Sanderson-Dollery



Joe Robertshaw

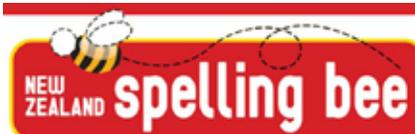
New Zealand Spelling Bee Semi-Finalist

In June, 9JA took part in the 2017 New Zealand Spelling Bee. A written test comprised of 50 words from a previously seen 100-word wordlist and 50 words that had not been seen. The word categories included: English, Te Reo, Latin, Greek, Science, castles and knights, government and politics, music and art, interesting nouns and fabulous adjectives. At this stage, one speller in New Zealand correctly spelled all the words in the 2017 New Zealand Spelling Bee Test and another got 99. About two thirds of the spellers got between 71-79 and just under a third got between 80-90 words correct.

Jonnie Moffett's efforts that day earned him a spot at the semi-final held in Hamilton in August. In this round, he was given a new set of 100 words to learn and the test comprised of written as well as verbal components. Unfortunately, he did not progress any further on this occasion but remains within the country's top 200 spellers.



Jonnie Moffett'



Bereaved

A small glint of light,
On the hill catches my eye,
Then a crack rings out.

A crack that means death,
That means another man down,
Another widow.

A barrage begins.
A barrage of pain and death.
But then comes the gas.

Men scream hoarsely, their
Lungs corrupted by poison.
All slowly dying,

But all they think of,
Are their bereaved wives,
At home, crying.

Joe Robertshaw

Badminton

HBSS Badminton Individual Championship (Thursday 24/8/17)

C Grade

- 2nd Michael Young
- 3rd Logan Stevenson

D Grade

- 1st Clive Hook-Pomare
- 2nd Ivan Wu

HBSS Badminton Doubles Tournament (Thursday 31/8/17)

A Grade

- 1st Davyon Trainor-Lesa and William Hollis
- 2nd Edmund Huang and Leeam Tang

C Grade

- 2nd Ricky Losauro and Alex Niederer
- 3rd Michael Young and Logan Stevenson

D Grade

- 1st Yon van Raders and Blake Bell
- 2nd Clive Hook-Pomare and Ivan Wu



Back: Mr B Vyle (Manager), A Wilson
Front L Tang, J Mizzi, E Huang (Captain)
Absent: W Hollis, D Trainor-Lesa

Dental Care



It's Free Until Your 18th Birthday

Dental care is free for adolescents up to the age of 18 years, even if you don't go to school! It's important to see your dentist to make sure your teeth are fit and healthy. Are you new to Hawkes Bay or just haven't been for a few years? It's not too late, if you need some help finding a dentist or want more information then

- **Ring the Adolescent Dental Co-ordinator : Phone 8788109 ext 5766**
- **www.letstalkteeth.co.nz or 0800825583**
- **Yellow pages or ask family and friends who they go to**

Ethan Martin

I have recently been named as part of the New Zealand Under 18s Men's Futsal team. This is an honour and privilege and something I have been working extremely hard towards for the last couple of years. Being named in this team has come off the back of being captain of both the Napier Boys' team which placed second in New Zealand and the Hawke's Bay Under 19s' team which won the National Tournament. I am one of two players from the Hawke's Bay to be named in this team. This team will involve several training camps on weekends in the upcoming weeks with the OFC Futsal Youth Tournament being held in Auckland on the 4th to 7th of October. We will be in a round robin draw with the Under 18s teams from American Samoa, New Caledonia, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, and Vanuatu. The winner of this tournament will have qualified for the Youth Olympics next year to be held in Argentina. I have high expectations of our team and we hope to qualify. This will be an extraordinary experience to perform on an international stage and to represent my family, school, and country.



Futsal



NBHS present and past students combined in the Central Regions Under 19 team to take out the National under 19 Futsal Championship in Palmerston North recently. Ethan Martin (capt), Josh

Bowie, Daniel Robinson, Max Simcox and 2016 leaver Ben Lack were victorious in the championship under coach Tai Barham (NBHS 2010) Further to the tournament Ethan has been selected for the National Under 18

team to play in the Oceania qualifiers being hosted in Auckland in early October this year with a place at the World Youth Games up for grabs. We wish him well.

Junior Basketball Division 3 Champions 2017



Our NBHS 10C Basketball team became champions this year with a 47 – 38 win in the final over a big, strong and athletic Te Ara Hau team at Centennial Hall on Monday 28th August. The team lost twice this year to Karamu and Te Ara Hau during the regular season, but when it came to the business end of the competition, they beat Karamu in the semi-final 61 – 49 and took out the final. In the other semi-final, Te Ara Hau just pipped our NBHS 10B team by 2 points. The team had a strong team unity and brotherhood all season and their win in the final came down to hunger and great scrappy defence. The team was Kiahn Rota (captain), Tasman Faasao, Ethyn Martin, Tyrell Nukunuku, Mana Singh-Kohu and Semiti Korosigasiga. Well done men!! Thanks too to their coaches Mr Harrison and Mr Ball.



Table Top Games

About 200 people from the Central North Island gathered in the school hall for a 'Board Games Convention' during the weekend 27-27 August. Not only 'Snakes and Ladders' and 'Monopoly' but there were also games called 'Samurai', 'Snake Oil', 'Diplomacy', 'Sails of Glory', 'Risk', and so on.

Undoubtedly the games are a good way of acquiring the skills of patience and

the understanding of the role of chance in our lives. They are also a great social activity. Partly sponsored by Jambo Hobbies in Napier, and supported by the Japan Society of Hawkes Bay, the convention made a donation of \$300 to the NBHS Japan Tour group for next year's trip to Japan.



Please refrain from driving into the main visitors carpark to pick up/drop-off your son before or after school, due to traffic congestion. The main carpark is for visitors to the school only.

HBSS Chess Championships



The HBSS Chess event was, as always, held at the Hastings Sports Centre. Napier Boys' High took along four strong teams but, unfortunately, our opposition was down this year. Consequently, we occupied all three places on the

dais and brought home every medal. Even so, the A team of Charlie Li, Seb Ayson Macfarlane, Daniel Lim and Harry Champion was particularly powerful, with every member winning every game. They now head to the New Zealand Championships at the end of

the term. We would like to thank Napier Central Store for their sponsorship to help us get there.

WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM

Thank you to parents/caregivers who had our students organized into winter school uniform. Both uniform shops are open consistently during the term in an attempt to avoid queuing during uniform changeovers. Caps are now back in stock.

SHOP OPENING HOURS:

TUESDAY 3 – 4.30pm

THURSDAY 1.10 – 2.10pm (student lunch hour)

Please name uniform (especially jackets/jersies for winter) – if it is found, named and handed in to the office, it is returned asap.



WINTER UNIFORM PRICE LIST 2017

ITEM	SIZE	PRICE
Winter Shirts	All sizes	\$51
Winter Shorts (lined)	All sizes	\$51
Senior Shirts - Yrs 12 & 13 (Optional) (Must have Deans' slip)	All sizes	\$45
Jerseys	2XS - 7XL	\$95
Socks	Shoe size	\$14
School Jacket		\$90
P.E. Shorts		\$33
P.E. Shirts		\$38
Rugby Jerseys		\$80
Rugby Socks		\$18
Hockey/Football Socks		\$18
Football Shorts		\$40
Scarves		\$20
YEARS 12 & 13 only (Optional)		
Grey Trousers		\$58
White Shirts		\$45
Ties		\$25

Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

ASB lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. To be eligible for this donation your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between 1 January 2017 and 30 June 2017. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property provided to ASB. This home loan offer is only available on loans secured by an owner-occupied residential property. Only one donation will be given per customer. Donations will be made by ASB on behalf of the customer to the chosen school upon full draw down of the new home loan. This offer excludes loans for business purposes and bridging.

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NAPIER BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

Term Three 2017

Week Eight

M	11	Sept	MID-TERM BREAK
W	13		SPORTS AWARDS DINNER
Th	14		Junior Social (NGHS)
Th	14		HBSS Badminton Doubles champs
F	15		Colours assembly
Su	17		Clay target Shooting round 6

Week Nine

Tu	19		Year 11, 12 and 13 Music Exam and competition Evening in NBHS Hall
W	20		Parents League - Netsafe on line safety evening at 7pm @ in NBHS Hall
W-Th	20-21		Barbershop Nationals - Wellington
Th	21		Senior Exams start

Week Ten

M-F	25-29	Sept	Senior Exams continue
M-W	25-27		North Island Snow Boarding
Th	28		Sports and Cultural Prize giving nominations due.
Th	28		USA History trip
F	29		END OF TERM
F-M	29-2	Oct	NI and NZSS Claytarget Championships - Waikato



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