

Wellington High School - Te Kura Tuarua o Taraika ki Pukeahu

Whānau Hui: Term 3 Monday 5 August 2019

- Election of Te Whānau a Taraika Board of Trustees representative:
 - One nomination received at hui for Lynda McGregor (parent)
 - Next step is to inform wider school whānau/parents, inviting additional nominees and then proceed to election/confirmation (election TBC)
- Megan Southwell (Deputy Principal) outlined work on a Maori graduate profile, currently in development. Discussed by group. School will continue to develop.
- Kapa Haka:
 - Group participated in recent competition. Scored well and maintained high energy/commitment. Charlene thanked school and whānau for support.
 - Positive feedback from parents/whānau on the group's performance and enjoyment of the experience.
 - Charlene advised that the key ingredient for kapa haka success is more students participating. Currently approx. 20 members, vs ideal 40 students (approx). Other parents involved in kapa haka agreed, explaining that the key to maintaining interest/commitment to kapa haka is opportunities to perform. Further discussed that kapa haka has potential to power other areas of an individual's life (travel, career, general broadening of horizons, etc).
 - Charlene also requests addressing maintenance/toilets.
- Te Wiki O Te Reo Maori 2019 at WHS:
 - Mid September
 - Whakamarurangi reported various events planned for this year, including development and practice of a WHS school haka.
 - School hopes to increase timetable hours for Te Wiki o te Reo Maori this year.
- Wellington High School rebranding:
 - Dominic Killalea (Principal) outlined current project to redesign visual brand of the school; explained the working group identified a desire to see stronger Maori 'presence' in visual representation of brand. Dominic sought thoughts from whānau group: particularly on incorporating Taraika elements/Maori elements. Whānau invited to follow up with Dominic to offer feedback/thoughts.
- Megan introduced proposal to rename 'tukutahi' to 'herengatahi', as latter is more suitable to school/education. Group was supportive of this.
- Megan introduced proposal for 2020 Whānau class. Group discussed and generally supported proposal. Whānau invited to follow up with Megan to offer further feedback/thoughts.
- Term 4 whānau hui **Tuesday 29 October 2019**

Everyone is welcome to attend whānau hui, students, whānau members and staff. If you have any questions about Te Whānau a Taraika, please contact the school office in the first instance.