

and Darryl Tapara.

# Academy grows men of valour

Platform to cultivate lifelong learners who are confident in who they are

eading into 2021 with a clear vision, Casey and Darryl Tapara are nourishing a 20-year dream to grow the future men of Ngāti Kahungunu alongside existing community kaitiaki, businesses and whānau alike.

Casey is tumuaki of Te Aratika Academy, and her husband Darryl is pou whenua (development manager).

Together with a supportive board of trustees and experienced staff, these young men have reached some significant milestones to date.

"Developing Men of Valour", a concept created in year one, has seen the taiohi of Te Aratika Academy take light to countries such as France, Italy and Germany to pay homage to both the Pioneer and 28th Māori

Battalion as well as embracing the beauty of Aotearoa in the unprecedented year of 2020, a humble reminder that there is "no place like

Te Aratika Academy collectively pursues academic excellence, life skills and careers.

Some of these young men are about to begin their university journey, follow their vocational pathway dreams or start employment.

Board chairwoman Ronnie Rochel says: "Casey and Darryl are passionate and caring leaders who strive to provide a learning environment that taiohi can call home."

The academy prides itself on working with young people and their whānau to develop individualised learning plans.

They aim to cultivate lifelong

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Some of the young men at Te Aratika Academy.

learners who are confident in who

Learning at the academy is provided through an English and Māori medium environment that acknowledges and celebrates Māori and Pacific heritage

Pacific heritage.

Darryl Tapara says: "It's about providing a platform for change for our

Developing Men of Valour - to be life ready and career ready."

The curriculum is based on Mātauranga Māori and focused on science, technology, engineering, arts and maths (STEAM) and a Hauora programme based on mana whenua, kaitiakitanga or the environment.

attakitanga or the environment. It includes participation ir predominantly Māori sports including waka ama, mau rākau, and ki o rahi. The curriculum also provides business entrepreneurship and vocational pathway options. Students work towards completing their Level 2 Infrastructure Works Certificate.

The academy works closely with Ngāti Kahungunu whānau.

Casey Tapara says: 'It's important for our taiohi to connect and give back to their community through mahi tahi. To develop character and most importantly dare to dream big!"

Te Aratika Academy is a designated character school based in Mangateretere for young men from Year 11-13 (15-18 years) who are passionate about providing positive change opportunities.

Te Aratika welcomes all new taiohi (students) interested in joining the 2021 roll.

For more information contact the academy via email: office@tearatika.

school.nz or call 0800 832 728.

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# **Look close** to home for comfort

Aotearoa is the best place to be

Ngahiwi Tomoana

his new year has started with a hiss and a roar with Covid-19 halting Christmas and New Year celebrations all around the world, except for Aotearoa New Zealand.

All those governments that voted to keep their businesses open and their borders open and their main urban areas open have now shut them tight.

I'm sure they are now regretting their democratic decisions to allow business over the welfare of the people to dominate the democratic processes at national, regional and local levels all around the world.

Even scarier was the response to the recent result in the US elections and the riots

at the Capitol as it was stormed by pro Trump supporters, challenging the biggest dem-ocracy in the world and also diminishing the faith many of us put in democratic pro-

The results will be years in the unwinding and years in the hunt for the guilty but the financial institutions will carry on their dominance around the world.

Here in Aotearoa New Zea land we were able to meet and greet, and hug and love our whānau and friends over Christmas and New Years and I relate this to my own moko-puna coming to visit us over this time period.

Christmas and New Year for us at Paki Paki is a time to revisit our traditional foods which are fish heads, lamb heads, sheep heads, tero tero every other



or the tins and processed and freeze-dried foods that we buy off the supermarket shelf?

cuisine. In our era of growing

up these were our delicacies. However the mokopuna, on

seeing our table set with lamb heads and fish heads on them. neads and fish neads on them, shrieked back with horror and said to their parents, "Why does Namny and Papa have such scary food? Look, the eyes are looking at us! It doesn't matter where we go in the room those sheep heads' eyes keep following me and, look, they're feeding it to my baby sister" who was sucking on the eel head and watercress and taro. "Please, mum," our mokopuna said "Please save my little sister from all that scary food, it will haunt her, it will pollute her, it may infect Please stop them

Mere and I thought he was joking but he was deadly serious and so were his three brothers who were aghast at their young sister eating eel heads and watercress.

And so I relate that to a time and place where our new generation is the X generation or Y generation, the Z generation, and how far we have come from our cultural norms of eating lamb shanks, of eating

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mutton flaps, sheep heads and so forth which we had thought were a delicacy, which top restaurants are now selling around the world and here we are running the other way to supermarket goods, processed foods and tinned food.

Which is scariest? The foods that we think are normal with eyes and heads, that are the most succulent, or the tins and processed and freeze-dried foods that we buy off the supermarket shelf?

This new year will be scary, it will be scary in the international political sense, it will be scary in the international

Covid wellbeing of our people sense and it will be scary if we abandon our cultural norms in terms of cuisine and abandon that for overseas types of foods that were foreign to our parents' generation.

So be alert, be aware. We of Kahungunu should be urging Jacinda to keep our borders closed for another year at least and allow the rahui around Aotearoa to continue to keep our people safe and continue to keep our people healthy and continue to allow us to rediscover our traditonal, cultural values and, in this case, that the scary foods become

normal foods again in the eyes of the next generation. So happy New Year every-body! Look after each other! Kia mataara, Kia kaha, Kia u, kia tupato, kaua e wehi

Be alert, be strong, be stead-fast, be careful but don't be

**Ngahiwi Tomoana** is chairman of Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated







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Aunty Hanui offering PM Jacinda Ardern some vegetables grown at Aunty's Garden at Waipatu in Hastings, Hawke's Bay, during her visit in 2019.

# Aunty's Royal Māori Potato Salad

- Ingredients
   1kg Māori potato
   1 small red onion
- 1 cup of scarlet runner (fresh)
- 4 baby beetroots
- 4 florets of cauliflower
- 1 cup of feta cheese Handful of silverbeet leaves
- Mayonnaise of your choice and
- yoghurt
   Salt and pepper to taste

### Method

Cook potatoes till firm then cool and chunky chop.

Blanch beans and cauliflower and finely slice.

Cook beetroot till soft, remove

skin, cool and dice. Put all ingredients into a bowl, add cheese, mix with mayonnaise and yoghurt.

Lastly add the finely sliced silverbeet and toss into the salad.

# Aunty's accolade 'well deserved'

### **AUNTY'S GARDEN**

**Ruth Wong** 

uring the Christmas New Year Period Aunty Arohanui (Hanui) Lawrence – our very own Aunty's Garden "kuini", was awarded with a Queen's Service Medal (QSM) for her services to Māori and

sustainable food production in

Aunty's Garden.

We at Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi
Incorporated are absolutely thrilled for Aunty Hanui and this acknowledgement. The Queen's Service Medal is a medal awarded by the Government of New Zealand to recognise and reward volunteer service to the community and also public service in elected or appointed public office.

Everyone who has ever met Aunty Hanui will know that this loving, hardworking wahine is very well deserving of this accolade. In an earlier article about Aunty Hanui, she mentioned that she accepted this acknowledgement on behalf of her grandchildren, children, family and her community.

Aunty's Garden has featured in the

Tihei Kahungunu insertion of Hawke's Bay Today since June 2015. Through the years Aunty Hanui has shared a number of recipes and stories, cooking hints, ideas and ways to make exciting dishes using vegetables and fruits from Aunty's Garden. Numerous fans follow her  $articles\, and\, greet\, her\, in\, the\, streets$ in admiration for what she does.

During Covid-19 lockdown last year, Aunty Hanui allowed us to share her recipes on our website as part of a Covid-19 support of hope and TIPS during those uncertain times -Check it out https://www.kahungunu.

iwi.nz/recipes-for-home. She shared with us her love for gardening and cooking, and told us how her parents taught her and her siblings how to work hard for what they had. Similarly, she and her husband George have continued to share these good working ethics and qualities with their children and grandchildren.



Family fun day to mark Waitangi Day

gāti Kahungunu Iwi has organised a fun filled free community Waitangi Day Family Celebration in Hastings at the Mitre 10 Park, formerly known as the Regional Hawke's Bay Sports Park. We are expecting a huge

The purpose of the day is to commemorate the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi between Ngāti Kahungunu chiefs and the crown on June 24, 1840, on board HMS Herald, anchored off Tukituki River in East Clive.

### Sports

Sporting events are run independently and you need to contact the co-ordinator directly.

Touch – Anaru Bartlett anaru@outkasthb.co.nz Netball – Nicki Lugt (hb netball) competitions@hbnetball.co.nz

Kiorahi – Casey Tapara casey. tapara@tearatika.school.nz

3 on 3 basketball – Lillian Bartlett lilly@ebsportsdevelopment.com

Rugby league – Ihaka Waerea ihakawaerea@gmail.com

You can register your stall on the iwi website now https://www. kahungunu.iwi.nz/stall-holdersterms-and-conditions

**Health Village**Waitangi Day Health Promotion aims to support the aspirations of Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated's Te Ara Toiora o Ngāti Kahungunu Wellbeing

### **More information**

- What: Waitangi Day Family Celebration.
- Why: Celebration of nationhood, community and
- Who: Organised by Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi
- When: Saturday, February 6 10am to 4pm. Gates open at 8.00 for Sports.
- Where: Mitre 10 Park, 42 Percival Rd, Hastings
- Cost: Free. Everyone welcome.

Strategy to promote strong vibrant healthy whānau, hapū and iwithrough increased knowledge and understanding of good health and wellbeing. Come along and visit the health village to see what you can learn about your health. The key message for this year is Make Summer Unstoppable which is a campaign to keep Covid-19 at bay!!

### Free Mahons rides

For the past four years the iwi has sponsored free Mahons rides and free bouncy castle rides. We want everyone to come and enjoy our Waitangi Day Family Celebration.

### Food vouchers

Registered Ngāti Kahungunu iwi members will be able to bring their iwi membership cards to get their \$5 food voucher. Nau mai haere mai.

### Water bottles

We will be supplying nice fresh cold water. All you need to do is bring along a bottle to fill up and keep hydrated.

There will be free Mahons rides and free bouncy castle Waitangi Day Celebration.





# U14 Girls Tag Team takes on tournament



### Players impress with teamwork and positive attitudes says team manager

gāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated receives a number of sponsorship applications during the

It is noticeable that our whānau love basketball, waka ama, softball and even hockey. We seem to excel in these areas, whether as individuals or in

Lately however, the pattern has changed and more people are getting involved in Tag Football.

NZ Tag Football officials say it is an exciting safe minimal contact sport for all shapes and sizes, for both male and female players from 5 to 55 years of age, and with any skill and fitness level. The game is similar to Rippa rugby but with stricter rules. It's

layed at national and international level at school in clubs, in the community and in tournaments. Last month six Hawke's Bay

Tag Football teams headed to the Junior Tag Nationals which was held at the Bruce Pulman Park in Auckland. Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated is pleased to have supported the Hawke's Bay U14 Girls team.

In October last year with only eight weeks to prepare for this event, the HB U14 Girls team officials, husband and wife Colin and Ngavero Hokianga and

Daniel de Thierry, took on the opportunity to hold trials, select the team, have training, fundraise and organise accommodation, kai and the road trip for the team.

With great whānau support community help and assistance with the positive attitude and eagerness of the girls themselves, 19 girls attended their first time National Tag Football tournament along with the other five Hawke's Bay teams.

Team manager Ngavero said: "We were dominated by the Auckland teams due to Covid-19, many of the other participating

Tag Football team members at the Junior Tag Nationals.

regions had pulled out. I was very proud of the girls because whether off or on field, they displayed good teamwork and positive attitudes which was highlighted by other participants and competition officials.

In total seven games were played. Four wins, two losses and a draw, making them fifth overall out of 10 teams

Ngavero said the girls came home happy with their experience. "We're now looking to improve and carry on this spor here in Hawke's Bay and involve more families here in the Bay."





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# Seeking trades training manager

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A key part of our initiative is the K3 Apprenticeship programme which aims to ensure that more Māori learners can obtain meaningful qualifications apprenticeships. The end goal is that all participants gain level 4 NZ Apprenticeships/cadetships leading to employment in selected trades and the primary industry sector.

Key to the success of our programme will be our trades training

As trades training manager, you will promote and manage our K3 apprenticeship initiative, providing leadership and support to ensure the objectives of the programme are being met and that students are effectively supported.

The role will include:

■ Leadership – ensuring that we can



Ministers Willie Jackson and Meka Whaitiri with Kahungunu leaders taken at the launch of K3 Kahungunu Property in October 2020 at Scottsdale Construction Factory, Napier

deliver to our objectives

- Communication and Stakeholder Relationships – across various sectors including education, trade, community and professional net-
- Student Recruitment and Support providing advice, and developing/ maintaining systems and processes to support our Apprentices
- Administration and Events manage accurate reporting on our pro-

gramme and organise hui and indus-

try activities.

This is a role where you can make a real difference, providing a platform for our apprentices to gain skills in one of the most in-demand sectors in New Zealand.

We are looking for someone who passionate and will share our

Ideally you will have a variety of skills and experience including:

- Experience delivering educational
- Trades experience ideally with knowledge of NZ Apprenticeships/
- Cadetships

  Knowledge and use of Te reo and tikanga Māori
- Experience in communicating and working with young adults is e tial, in particular Māori
- Ability to build strong relationships and communicate effectively
- Be able to plan, prioritise and deliver to deadlines
- Well-developed digital literacy
   Ability to analyse and solve prob-

If this sounds like you and you want to succeed, we would love to hear from you. For more information or to apply, send your CV and cover letter to martin@engagers.co.nz.

Applications for the role close on Sunday, January 24.



The Flaxmere Christian Fellowship is a local Church which has been operating since 1980. Situated on Flaxmere Avenue it draws people from around the Hastings and Napier area. This Pentecostal Church was birthed out of the Charismatic renewal of the late 1970's. The main meeting is every Sunday morning starting 10:30. A Bible College also operates on Sunday evenings for those serious about advancing their knowledge of the Bible. Different groups run during the weekend which cater to youth ad adults. Children's Sunday school classes run on a fortnightly basis during the Main Sunday service.

The Fellowship aims at reaching people with the Good News of Jesus Christ and the transformational power that message brings. It is involved with different programs in the community to help bring this to pass. The Flaxmere Christian Fellowship is also a strong advocate for the Jewish People's right to exist as an independent and sovereign state on their historial ancient land in Israel.

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### Flaxmere College deputy principal honoured by role

herie Heeney (nee Pohatu) never expected to become a teacher, let alone go into management.

But given that two of her role models are the former principals of Flaxmere College; one during her time as a student, and the other as a colleague, it almost seemed inevit-

Now the former deputy head girl and longstanding teacher at the col-lege has officially been made deputy principal, alongside Shelley Arnold, having been in the role since former principal Louise Anaru left at the end of last year, and deputy principal Jim Hay-Mackenzie took over.

"I'm so honoured to have been given this opportunity and to be able to work with Jim and Shelley," Heeney said.

"It's been a full-on year obviously, but I believe in stepping up when you have to and looking at the core purpose of why we're here and why I'm here is to make a difference for our students and set them up for success.

She says she would not be able to do what she does without the support of her husband and her two young children.

Heeney attended the college from 1995-1999 then gained a degree in Business Studies, before her heart led her to complete her necessary teaching qualifications and go back to where it all began.

Given that she was always on a marae helping rangatahi, the transition was natural. She believes she



ohatu) has been appointed as a new deputy principal.

## l'eacher learned from best

takes after her late grandfather David Pohatu Stone, JP OMNZ, a key figure

"I feel I lead like him; firm but fair and someone who keeps the mana

However, when it comes to teaching, she cites her principal during her time as a student, Richard Schumacher, as a "huge influence" on her life, and Louise Anaru as someone who saw potential in her.

Since starting out as an automotive teacher in 2008, she has taught in a number of areas, before transitioning from middle management to senior management in the last five years. She says it is the whānau environ-

ment, and her desire to see every student who walks through the college's gates succeed, that have kept her at the school for so long.

The Māori proverb "He waka eke noa" (we are all in the waka together) epitomises the staff at the school, she

Her key area as deputy principal will be curriculum and careers and she is looking forward to the chal-

instrumental She was implementing free-lunch gramme with the support of the

Wharariki Trust, before it became government-funded.

She believes the key to ensuring success among students is building relationships and looking at the

student as an individual.

Having spent much of her life in Flaxmere, she hopes her successes, and those of other former students, will show current students they can be successful if they work hard.



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