



Tauranga Youth Development Team

From our GM

Hi everyone

Welcome to our winter newsletter. I trust that you are all keeping warm and well! The health and wellbeing of our young people is always the primary focus of what we do, and I know, what you do. One of the challenges we face is the devastating effect that suicide is having on our nation, on our young people. If you haven't seen the 'Break the Silence' series that the NZ Herald have been featuring, I encourage you to check it out.

<http://www.nzherald.co.nz/tags/Break-the-silence/1504326/>

A key focus of our organisation is to engage young people in the development of their communities. The Bank of Ideas have some amazing engagement resources. On the next page is one that we use in order to enable effective youth participation, its well worth considering if you are going to engage young people in the work you do.

Catch you next time

Regards

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PRINCIPLES TO ENABLE EFFECTIVE youth participation

1. enable fun, challenge and excitement;
2. allow participation by choice;
3. avoid pigeonholing of young men and women and generalising about their behaviour, opinions or ideas;
4. provide information, training, support, resources, time and space;
5. address opportunities, needs and issues that are valued and respected by young people, their peers and the community;
6. start with the talents, capacities, assets and skills of young people, rather than their problems and deficiencies;
7. involve young men and women from the start;
8. create opportunities for young women and men to lead and teach;
9. maximise decision making and accountability by young people;
10. develop young people's awareness of the social, political, economic, cultural and personal aspects of the issues affecting them;
11. make sense of, and demystify adult structures and processes;
12. build active and supportive working relationships between young people and other members of the community;
13. provide opportunities for training and skill development; and
14. encourage opportunities to reflect and analyse their experiences.



Youth Week 2017

In each of the 7 locations we visited we had young people performing – dance and music, assisting us to cook food, run the sound system and provide general support and leadership. This allowed young people to gain confidence, experience and skills and also modelled leadership amongst their peers.

"I love the way you guys engage with youth, It's upbeat, it's positive, it's right up their ally and its current. The dance crew and music is perfect to attract all youth along with the water bottles and the bags. I think you guys are fantastic!" (Volunteer feedback).



Community Notices

Adastra Foundation Scholarships



Applications are now open and we invite pre-elite athletes, performing arts or music students (aged 16-23) who are resident in the Waikato/BOP Regions to apply.

For more information about the criteria please go to our website.

Applications for the 2018 scholarships will close on the 15th September 2017.

Apply online: www.adastra.org.nz



Supporting talented young adults who exhibit dedication towards the development of an exceptional talent, with a focus on sport, performing arts and music.

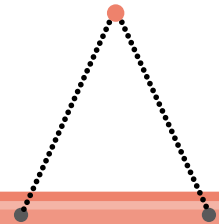


Each year The Adastra Foundation invites talented young people who are dedicated and achieving in music, performing arts and sports to apply for our scholarship awards.

This is a great opportunity for students aged between 16 and 23 years, who are resident in the Waikato, to apply for funding.

For more details about these scholarships and the criteria please visit www.adastra.org.nz

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Whats Happening In Welcome Bay?

Women in Business Luncheon

Friday 15 September, 12:00pm, Welcome Bay Community Centre:

Dynamic guest speakers, fabulous food, great company!

\$15 per head. To register, email: business@welcomebay.org.nz

Fireworks Display for Guy Fawkes

Friday 3 November, Tye Park, Welcome Bay:

A spectacular event for all!! There will be music, food stalls and lots more!

Tye Park Fiesta

Saturday 2 December, Tye Park, Welcome Bay:

An afternoon of fantastic music, food stalls, market stalls, family activities and more!!

Welcome Bay Community Centre

242 Welcome Bay Rd

Tel: 07 544 9774

www.welcomebay.org.nz

Opening Hours: Monday - Thursday 9.30am - 3.00pm

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Date: Wednesday 20th Sep 2017

Time: 10am-12pm

“Synthetics- what are they and why are they still causing trouble?”

Speaker: Nick White- Clinical Lead for the Bay of Plenty Addiction Service (BOPAS), formerly the detox nurse specialist for BOPAS.

Venue: Classic Flyers, 8 Jean Batten Dr, Mount Maunganui, Tauranga 3116

Please RSVP to Sorted@bopdhb.govt.nz

EDUCATION SESSIONS



Checking our Vital Signs®

Have your say

What do you love about your region? What concerns you about your region? It is time to let your views be heard. How do we measure up? What's changed? What hasn't but needs to? You have the opportunity to share your views and contribute to one of the most important conversations that will help shape the future investments in our region.

Vital Signs® is a research tool that takes a look at the Western Bay of Plenty region through the eyes of the people who call it home. It is a community check up that reports on the social, environmental, cultural and economic well-being of our communities, identifying strengths, and areas for improvement. This data can then be used by local councils and funders to prioritise where future investments need to be made.

Anyone can take part and have their views heard by going to <http://keyresearch.co.nz/VitalSigns-Acorn> and following the prompts.

New Board Member Wanted



TYDT TAURANGA YOUTH DEVELOPMENT TEAM

DO YOU HAVE A BACKGROUND IN BOOK KEEPING OR ACCOUNTING? WANT TO BE PART OF OUR ORGANISATION SPECIALISING IN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT?

JOIN OUR BOARD

WE ARE CURRENTLY SEEKING A NEW TREASURER FOR OUR BOARD TO APPLY PLEASE EMAIL: BECKS@TYDT.ORG.NZ



If there's anything you would like to see included in this newsletter, let us know! Send in any articles, photos, opinion pieces or ads for things going on for young people in the Bay. We would love to hear from you! Deadline is 20th of each month. E-mail all submissions to laura@tydt.org.nz

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