

Why Gymnastic Academy...

- With Marie's knowledge and experience children improve their gymnastic skills and achieve results at an accelerated rate.
- We bring expert coaching and modern equipment to your school at convenient school times...
 - either before school, during lunch time or straight after school.
- Gymnastic Academy gives children the opportunity to reach their potential at an accelerated rate in their comfortable school setting with friends.
- Children & Parents can measure their performance with our unique grading system, certificates are awarded from introduction to double gold standard and training log books provided.

Marie Connolly, Director and Coach established the Gymnastics Academy in 2011. A proud level 10 competitor and medalist for the Bay of Plenty at the New Zealand GymSport Championships 2010.

As a gymnast Marie also represented South West England over a 10 year career, helping teams to win many national titles at British competition and taking individual placing's. Through Sport England Marie coached junior Olympic potentials who went on the represent GB at two Olympic Games and become European champions.

Starting out in NZ Marie was national programme coach to North Harbour & Bay of Plenty teams before establishing the gymnastics academy. With B.A (hons) degree in sport management, post graduate advanced sports coaching and business & I.T diploma. Marie's extensive knowledge & experience inspires many students to follow their dreams and shine. "I am passionate about giving children the opportunity to have a rewarding and positive experience in gymnastics and would like to see more children involved in the sport."

Testimonies:

Rick Peers, Parent

My daughter has been going to Marie's classes for the last couple of years and I have nothing but praise for Marie's methods and the way she works with the children. I can't recommend her enough. So if you have a kiddie cartwheeling around the lounge or garden and want to channel those skills then give her a call.

Gareth Scholes, Sports Co-coordinator, Tauranga Intermediate

Marie has initiated a gymnastics academy at Tauranga Intermediate School in term 1 2010. In excess of 50 students attend these sessions which are highly organized. Parents often attend these sessions to view the progress of their children and Marie is very welcoming. We will continue this partnership as a result of her great work with our students and look forward to following their continued progress.

Bruce Jepsen, Principal, Te Akau Ki School Papamoa

I write this correspondence in reference to the character of Marie. Marie has been operating from our school hall since 2010. She is bright and bubbly and has a great rapport with our learners. This gymnastics training has proved extremely popular with the students and has proved beneficial to the core fitness and development of all participants. The programme is well organised and is operating in an extremely professional manner. We look forward to continuing this partnership in providing healthy educational learning opportunities.

Sarah Barrow 2x Olympic GB Athlete,

"My Early gymnastic training with Marie played a vital role in my transition into diving and helped me to realize what it took to become a world class athlete. After a year of training I was put into the high performance centre, this was because of my background in gymnastics and capability to represent Great Britain. I have achieved 9 British titles and my best international to date was two times European Champion 2012 & 2014 and competing at London Olympics 2012 5th Place & Rio 2016 Olympics.

Picture's Below:

- 1. Marie's bronze medal performance on Bar 2010 NZ Championships
- 2. Challenging students at a lunch time gymnastic session
- 3. Students winning medals at Competition
- 4. Graded certificates students receive at end of each term









Results

International Schools Competition AIMS GAMES

Tauranga Intermediate Schools has taken the Gymsport Cup for four consecutive years.

All children have the option of participating at end of term competitions where they can achieve medals and school trophies.



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