

Okaihau Breeze

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The Okaihau College Newsletter

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Principal's Panui

Our Senior Examinations start on 4 September. That means our students have less than 15 periods of class time in each subject. Although they are 'practice' exams they are important for a variety of reasons and our students must be well prepared for them. They provide an indication as to how well a student is likely to perform in the real thing, the NCEA Exams in early November. If for some reason a student is unable to sit 1 of the NCEA Exams they may, under some conditions apply for an assessed mark; that mark will be based on the result achieved in the practice exam so it is vital to achieve as high a result as possible in these exams.

College Calendar

Monday 14 August

- SPCA Cupcake Stall

Tuesday 15 August

- Year 7 Boostrix Vaccinations
- BoT Meeting 6.00 p.m.

Thursday 17 August

- Year 13 University of Auckland Course Planning

Friday 25 August

- NZQA Fees Due

Monday 28 August

- Year 9 Vision and Hearing Testing

Saturday 2 September

- University of Auckland Open Day

Monday 4 – 8 September

- Senior Exams

Wednesday 20 September

- Okaihau College Open Day

Moturoa Island Working Week July 2017

For the eighth consecutive Year 13 students from Okaihau College have worked on Moturoa Island for a week carrying out "wildlife and conservation work". Caretaker Linda Crothers sent us this report.



This year there were five girls very keen to work on Moturoa Island (Dayna Leef, Rebekah Clunie, Olivia Walden, Caroline Turner and Amiee Walden) and an email from Paul Asquith confirmed we would take all five as hard workers are not always that easy to come by.



Smiles on their faces - off to work we go!

The girls worked extremely well as a team and it was noticed that they were all very supportive of each other, used a lot of their own initiative to see tasks were completed and worked well independently.

This year as in previous years the focus during the week was planting out approx. 300 native plants (seedlings collected from previous years on island), releasing previous planted plants from overgrown grass etc, track work and other maintenance tasks. Below is the work the girls helped to carry out .

- Boatshed Triangle: Released and planted
- Farm Face: Released and planted
- Kauri Enclosure: Released and planted
- Ponga Pines: Planted and some Tobacco plant removed
- Long Beach wetlands: Released.
- The following tracks were cleared of debris, overgrown plants, steps made or tidied (Ponga West top and bottom, Ponga Loop, South Face East, Orchard walk)
- Weed removal of some Mothplant around the Generator shed and a lot of Tobacco plant at Alcatraz Face.
- Cleaned in shadehouse and potted up some plants taken from South face.

Okaihau College supplied us with a group of students that they again can be proud of. The girls immediately showed what their work ethics and personalities were to be throughout the whole week. We would like to thank the girls for their hard work on the island and wish them all the best for the rest year and future adventures.

NZQA FEES

The cost for NCEA this year is \$76.70 plus \$30 for each scholarship subject Financial Assistance will be available to those with limited incomes and details of eligibility was posted to parents of senior students with the NCEA invoices. For those eligible for assistance the fee will be \$20 per student or \$30 per family.

Payment and financial assistance applications are due by Friday 25th August 2017

Please contact Mrs Campbell or Beth at the Student Centre if you have not received your NZQA mail or cannot make payment by this date.

Okaihau College 2018 Open Day

Wednesday 20 September 2017
11.30 am - 1.00 pm
and 5.30 pm – 6.30 pm

Prospective students and their parents / caregivers are invited to attend our Open Day. Each session begins with a welcome in the Hall after which our junior students will give tours of the school.

If you are unable to attend the Open Day, or have any enquiries about enrolments, contact Deputy Principal, Karen Campbell on extension 706.

SPCA Cupcake Stall Monday 14th August



Mrs Morgan's Year 8 Food Tech group will be making and selling cupcakes to raise money for the SPCA on the 14th of August. However, you may like to make a donation to the cause without purchasing a cupcake, or just because you would like to donate.

The Year 8s thank you for your support.

<https://spcacupcakeday.gofundraise.co.nz/page/SarahMorgan3>

Northland Secondary Schools Basketball Division One Champions

Congratulations to the Okaihau College Senior Boys Basketball Team who won the Northland Secondary Schools Division One Championships held at Kensington Stadium Whangarei . After finishing 2nd in our pool the boys met the Tall Timber of Whangarei Boys High School in the Semi Finals. Not to be daunted the boys played their hearts out to win 32-29. They then played Te Kapehu Whetu in the finals taking out the game and the Championship 51-33. This is the teams first time in Division One.



The Team is coached by Mel Rameka with the majority of players being in the College team which plays in the Mid North United Sports Basketball Competition at BaySport Waipapa each week.

Two players Jhontae Rameka and Tu Kaha Cooper have recently returned after a trip to Las Vegas with the Capital City Under 16 team.

Photo: Izzy Rameka (Assistant Coach) L to R - Ammon Tipoki, Tu Kaha Cooper, Tomas Grant, Jhontae Rameka, Tupari Cowan, Chance Loft, Aparahama Cooper, Mel Rameka (Coach). In front - Abraham Latimer Siakini Taulangau.

OKAIHAU COLLEGE 2018 ENROLMENTS

The board invites applications from parents and caregivers who wish to enrol their student at Okaihau College next year.

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the Main Office. Pre-Enrolment Forms have been distributed to local primary schools, and are also available from the Main Office.

The deadline for receipt of applications for out of zone places is Wednesday 27 September 2017. Parents of students who live within the home zone should also apply by this date to assist the school to plan appropriately for next year. *Students who live in the home zone are entitled to enrol at the school.* The Board has determined the number of places likely to be available for out of zone students next year. This is approximately:

- 10 places at Year 7
- 2 places at Year 8
- 5 places at Year 9
- 5 places at Year 10
- 5 places at Year 11
- 5 places at Year 12
- 5 places at Year 13

The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone. The school operates an approved special programme for students with special needs and expects that there will be approximately two places available in the programme for out of zone students next year.

Applications from out of zone students will be processed in the following order of priority:

- First priority will be given to students who have been accepted for enrolment in an approved special programme.*
- Second priority will be given to applicants who are siblings of current students.*
- Third priority will be given to applicants who are siblings of former students.*
- Fourth priority will be given to applicants who are children of former students of the school.*
- Fifth priority will be given to applicants who are children of board employees or a child of a member of the board of the school.*
- Sixth priority will be given to all other applicants.*

If the number of out-of-zone applications exceed the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot (except in the case of special programmes where the criteria in the enrolment scheme apply). If a ballot is required it will be held on Wednesday 18 October 2017. Parents will be informed in writing of the outcome of the ballot within three working days of the ballot being held.

TUCKSHOP FOOD PRICES - Term 3

HOT FOOD

Mince Pie	\$3.50
Mince/Cheese Pie	\$3.50
Steak Pie	\$3.50
Steak/Cheese Pie	\$3.50
Butter Chicken Pie	\$4.00
Potato Top Pie	\$4.00
Quiche	\$4.50
Sausage Roll-Large	\$2.50
Sausage Roll-Small	\$1.00
Spaghetti/Ham/Cheese Bun	\$1.50
Hotdog – Cheese, Sauce	\$2.50
Spring Rolls - mini	.40
Spring Rolls – mini	4 for \$1.00
Hot Chips – pottle	\$3.50
Burger – Bacon/Egg/Sauce	\$3.50
Mixed Savouries	\$1.00

COLD FOOD

Filled Rolls	Ham	\$4.00
	Chicken	\$4.00
Cakes	Caramel Slice	\$2.50
	Apple Shortcake	\$2.50
	Banana Cake	\$3.50
	Chocolate Cake	\$3.50
	Carrot Cake	\$3.50
Muffins	Blueberry	\$2.50
	Chocolate	\$2.50

DRINKS

Water	1.5L	\$2.50
	Sipper 750ml	\$2.00
Primo: Lime, Banana, Chocolate, Strawberry		
	Large	\$4.00
	Small	\$2.50

FRUIT

Apple	\$1.00
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Some food items are subject to change according to availability.

Some food items may contain the following allergens:

Dairy, egg, peanut, tree nuts, soy, wheat.