

Principal's Panui

Our Head Students were formally presented at a whole school assembly on Tuesday morning. This is always an enjoyable and important occasion in the life of our school, not least because of the support their fellow students show. Well done.

Congratulations to Head Boy Manaaki Kaukau-Troughton, Head Girl Kathy Kopa and Deputies Carym Wharerau, Aimee Walden and Aroha King-Puru.

Nga Wheinga a Rahiri - Kapa Haka Roopu

Our kapa haka roopu have already started practicing hard for this year's Te Tai Tokerau Secondary Schools Kapa Haka Festival being held at Bream Bay College on Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 April 2017.

We are holding lunchtime practices every Tuesday and Friday. We will also be holding an after school practice every Wednesday from 3.30pm – 6.00pm. If your student cannot make the practices, it is important that they let the tutor or Whaea Ngawini know. Once they sign up for the roopu, we expect them to be committed and make the right choices.

We always need (and appreciate) parental support, particularly for the Wednesday evenings and noho. Please let Ngawini know if you will be available. Dates for any noho will be advised, by letter, closer to the time.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Class and Portrait Photos

Our annual Class and Portrait Photo Day is being held on 7 March 2017. Order forms are being distributed to all students on Monday so keep an eye out for these. Order forms and money must be back in by 3 March 2017.

Any questions see Mr Tom Davison (phone extension 704) or Mrs Jenny Couchman (phone extension 700).

2016 School Magazine

There are a few 2016 school magazines left for sale. \$15.00 each from the Main Office. We also have very limited stock of previous year's magazines, if you would like a back-dated copy, just ask and we can check our stock.

TeenAg Group

The TeenAg group was created a few years ago by Ms Alvina Brown, and encompasses students who are eligible to compete in both the TeenAg and AgriKids Competitions. Following Ms Brown's departure towards the end of last year, Mrs Karen Campbell and Mrs Jenny Couchman have taken up the reins to ensure that we still have a TeenAg Group.

The following is taken from the TeenAg and AgriKids website, and gives a good idea of what is involved:

AgriKidsNZ is for primary school aged students aged 8-13. Membership is free and participation is largely based in the annual fun-filled competition series which runs alongside the TeenAg Competitions and FMG Young Farmer Contest. The aim is to promote the fun side of agriculture while children develop valuable skills and make lifelong friendships. Members don't need to come off a farm, they just need to have a love of the land and be keen to get their hands a bit dirty!

TeenAg aims to introduce and promote a positive picture about agriculture and agricultural careers from an early age. The goal is to show the stimulating and fun side of agriculture to students from all walks of life, you don't need to be off a farm, you just need to have a love of the land and be keen to get your hands dirty. Participants can become members of a TeenAg Club through their school or can join when they compete in the TeenAg Competitions.

Our group has already had their first practice of the year in preparation for the upcoming Northland Regional Competition, and this was the Junior Master Chef Challenge. Nineteen students met in the Hospitality Room on Monday after school and cooked in groups of 3-4 making a lasagne from scratch as well as some date or sultana scones. All groups worked really well together and their final products were outstanding. It was great to see older students leading their younger counterparts and being great role models. Students have been asked to keep an eye on the Daily Notices for their next challenge which will probably be in Week 6.

College Calendar

Wednesday 1 March

- Senior Curriculum Day Line 3

Tuesday 7 March

- Class Photo Day

Thursday 9 March

- Level 2 Biology Opito Bay Trip

Thursday 16 March

- Senior Curriculum Day Line 5

- Year 11 RYDA Programme

NCEA Level 1 Science Trip

On Wednesday 1 March, all Year 11 students will be participating in a field trip to visit the Waihou Valley (a limestone cliff), Manginangina Forest Reserve, Ohaeawai and Ngawha. They will visit sites relevant to their most recent topic of study and is compulsory.

Letters have been given out to all students. The EOTC Forms needed to be returned to the Student Centre by 22 February. The cost is \$10, but many students paid this with their course fees at the beginning of the year.

Level 2 Biology Trip

Mrs Jane Williamson's Level 2 Biology class are heading out to Opito Bay on Thursday 9 March for their annual study on the Rocky Shore Community. Students have all been given letters and EOTC forms; these EOTC forms (and \$5) need to be returned to the Student Centre by Tuesday 28 February.

Student ID Cards

All Okaihau College students are eligible to have an ID card confirming that they are a current student. This can have significant benefits if students are travelling on public transport, going to movies etc (especially for students in Years 12 and 13 when they go on the Auckland Career's Trips).

See Mrs Couchman at the Main Office to purchase one; \$9 each and they last for the year.

Please Name Uniform!

Please can all uniform, especially jackets and jerseys be clearly named. We have had several junior students who have lost items already and it is extremely hard to track and/or identify jackets etc. for them if they are not named.

All students should put their jackets and jerseys **inside** their bags if they take them off during the day, including when they get changed for PE.



OKAIHAU COLLEGE SWIMMING SPORTS 2017

The 2017 Annual Okaihau College Swimming sports was held on the 14th of February. Congratulations to our Year level Champions - some of the results were very close. Some great swimming saw each participant earn house points.

Special mention to Laura Walker Year 7, Tessa Flood Year 9, Tane Johnston Year 10 and Zoe Harrison Year 10 for winning all their races earning maximum points for their houses. Big congratulations to Kauri - special note they won all the relays.

It was great to see two parents join the teachers to make up two teams to race against the Seniors in the relay - thank you Chris and Tanya. Also a big thank you to the Year 13 PE students for helping run the event.

OKAIHAU COLLEGE SWIMMING SPORTS CHAMPIONS 2017

Year 7 Girls

| | | |
|-----------------|----------------|-----------|
| 1 st | Laura Walker | Kauri 35 |
| 2 nd | Charlee Littin | Kauri 29 |
| 3 rd | Pimiro Marino | Totara 15 |

Year 7 Boys

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1 st | Roma Edwards | Puriri 19 |
| 2 nd | Tyreece Tangira | Totara 17 |
| 3 rd = | Lyracai Chapman | Puriri 15 |
| 3 rd = | Jamie Claydon | Puriri 15 |

Year 8 Girls

| | | |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1 st | Bebe McGregor | Rimu 28 |
| 2 nd | Shannon O'Connor | Kauri 19 |
| 3 rd = | Kowhai Harris | Totara 17 |
| 3 rd = | Chanelle Watson | Totara 17 |

Year 8 Boys

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| 1 st | Nick Harrison | Rimu 26 |
| 2 nd = | Jack Johnston | Kauri 18 |
| 2 nd = | Terri Walker-Masters | Puriri 18 |
| 3 | Moeke Williams-Cooper | Totara 13 |

Year 9 Girls

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| 1 st | Tessa Flood | Kauri 35 |
| 2 nd | Taaria Ngawai-Ora | Totara 19 |
| 3 rd | Lavinia Abraham | Kauri 18 |

Year 9 Boys

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| 1 st | Kainganoho Marino | Totara 31 |
| 2 nd | Jake Harrison | Kauri 27 |
| 3 rd | Malachi Poihipi | Kauri 26 |

Year 10 Girls

| | | |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1 st | Zoe Harrison | Kauri 35 |
| 2 nd | Victoria Mane | Rimu 22 |
| 3 rd | Mackenzie Adkins | Puriri 20 |

Year 10 Boys

| | | |
|-----------------|----------------------|----------|
| 1 st | Tane Johnston | Kauri 35 |
| 2 nd | Harry Harrison | Rimu 30 |
| 3 rd | Akaperepere Marsters | Kauri 10 |

Senior Girls

| | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| 1 st | Phoenix Littin | Kauri 31 |
| 2 nd | Jayden Edmonds | Totara 30 |
| 3 rd | Sienna Munford-Stokes | Totara 27 |

Senior Boys

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1 st | Conor Bolton | Rimu 28 |
| 2 nd | Jackson Haynes | Puriri 25 |
| 3 rd = | Thomas Bolton | Rimu 23 |
| 3 rd = | Abraham Latimer | Puriri 23 |

Final House Points

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|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| 1 st | Kauri | 625 |
| 2 nd | Rimu | 455 |
| 3 rd | Puriri | 430 |
| 4 th | Totara | 404 |

