

Principal's Panui

Tena koutou katoa,

Today we celebrated the students who were elected on to our new Student Committees. Each committee has responsibility for an area of school life - Academic, Sport, Cultural, and Service. They are made up of a mixture of junior and senior students and will be responsible for organising events related to their area throughout the year that will count for roopu points. They will also introduce different initiatives that promote participation and excellence in each of the four areas. The leaders of each of the committees, along with our student leaders and Student representatives on the Board of Trustees, will form a student executive which will meet with the Senior Leadership Team to have input on decisions about the school's direction. I am really excited about the number of Year 7 students who have had the confidence to participate in these committees and look forward to seeing them and the other students have a positive impact on our kura this year and beyond. The student Committees for 2021 are:

Academic

Leader - Ingeborg Rodger

Charlyse Tansey, Osgar Gilbert, Shannon Chambers, Zoe Heads, Petra Choice, John Higgins, Hayley Bradley, Anthony Liefing, Madelene Clunie, Samuel Williams.

Cultural

Leader - Nadia Job

Paige Williams-Cooper, Nicole Moon, Mia-Rose Ogle, Haylee Sutherland, Ayesha Neeley, Tyler-Jade Pedro, Savhana Taylor, Magic Matenga-Henare, Tohu Harris.

Service

Leader - Chanelle Watson

Te Wairua Loft, Sofia Le Noel, Qtee O'Brien, Bohemia Sanders, Jackie Wingrove, Sophie Groves, Tiana Leef, Charlie Foster, Grace Hamlin.

Sports

Leader - Natalia Coppins

Te Rina Waterhouse, Kiana Barber, Erana Koroj, Cody Ott, Felise Sanders, Charlee Littin, Jacob Kake, Tamyrah Ihaka, Elsie Quarrie, Tessa Flood.

ID Cards

All students are being issued with a Student ID Card which is designed to last them for the year (it expires in March 2022). If students lose their cards, they will need to purchase a new one from the Main Office for \$5. The card includes students' NSN number as well as their bus route.



College Calendar

Monday 12 April

- Year 9 Hearing & Vision Testing

Friday 16 April

- Last Day of Term 1

Wednesday 21 – 23 April

- NZSS Ki-o-rahi Championships

Monday 3 May

- First Day of Term 2

“Ka Kata Ngā Pūriri o Taiamai”

Good news of the week

Whakarongorua Certificates went to:

7KP Caleb Myers, Jayden Blakeborough

7JD Maximus Miers, Joe Thomas

Also: Ariana Craig, Saylor O'Donnell, Felise Sanders, Te Arairangi Whiu, Hayley Vaka.

7CP Gaia Boserup

8ML Mitchel Barlow, Max Dryden

8PZ Christina Morunga, Hunter Garrett-King

9MD Maddison Van Rooyen,

Ben Quarrie

9MH Isaac Quarrie, Blake Rameka

9DA Magic Matenga-Henare,

Beau Edwards

10PA Edward Kim

10XX Connagh Ward, Max Penney

11LF Drezique Moeau, Max Thomas

11AC Paige Smith, Perapuna Mutu

11KK Huia Clarke, Tiana Leef

12NF David Griffin, Mia Pihema

12SB Anahera Beckham

13PW Lloyd Murray, Turoa Moki-Rice

13BP Emma Aukett, Julia Chase

Rangimarie Zionti Haddon,

Shyanne MacLennan

Pouherenga Acknowledgements

Ngaruroa 11AC Bohemia Sanders

Ngarunui 11LF Paige Williams-Cooper

Girls Fun Football Festival

Okaihau College entered three teams in the Girls Fun Football Festival run by Northland Football at Bay Sport Waipapa. All the girls had a great time and started to develop their skills. Short passing was the name of the game on the small fields with some great goals scored. A big thank you to Mr Whitaker for organising the teams.

NZ Secondary Schools Ki o rahi Championships

21 -23 April 2021
Te Tii Marae Waitangi

We are excited to be attending the NZSS tournament for the second time after qualifying at the Northland Secondary Schools event. Our squad has been training hard and, whilst it is a relatively young team, they are looking forward to the event. Unfortunately, last year's event was unable to be held due to Covid, so the organising committee is full steam ahead.

We are lucky to have experienced coach KC Maaka from Ngati Hine coaching the team. The games start on Thursday 22 April, with finals on Friday. We would love to see plenty of supporters for our team. Ki o rahi is a very exciting game to watch. Please follow the College PE and Sport Facebook page to see the game times.

National Songwriting Competition

Ka pai to Gaia Boserup, Holiday Gillespie, Felise Sanders, and Bohemia Sanders for writing and entering their own songs into the Hook, Line and Sing-A-Long national songwriting competition. These students spent some lunchtimes getting their songs ready for entry and got a small taste of what it's like to be in a recording studio.



Behaviour on Buses

In a recent newsletter, Okaihau Primary School shared some great tips for keeping safe on buses. Many thanks to the school (and especially Ms Banks who put this together) for letting us share their korero.

Students who travel on a bus may continue to do so while they behave in a safe and reasonable manner. The following behaviour is expected of students using buses to help make sure the bus is a safe place for everyone:

1. *Seated passengers sit down straight away and remain in their seats for the whole journey.*
2. *Standing passengers stay behind the driver at all times, stand quietly and do not push or move around the bus.*
3. *Passengers do not eat or drink on the bus.*
4. *Passengers do not throw objects inside or out of the bus.*
5. *Passengers use socially acceptable language when talking to the driver and / or other students, and speak quietly so that they do not distract the driver.*
6. *Passengers respect the bus operator's property at all times (e.g. refrain from standing on the seats or vandalising the bus in any way).*
7. *Passengers do not harass, bully or abuse other passengers or the driver in any way, whether verbal or physical.*
8. *Passengers respect others' property and do not interfere with it in any way.*
9. *Passengers listen to and follow the instructions of the bus driver and the teacher/son duty at all times.*
10. *Passengers do not engage in any behaviour which could put other passengers, the driver, or themselves at risk.*

Please note that students who choose to behave in an unsafe or unacceptable manner risk losing their place on the school bus.

Year 12 Auckland Trip

Mrs Kitchingman, Mr Whitaker and Mrs Rumble had an amazing time with a group of our lovely Year 12 students in Auckland last week. They are now pros at catching the train, can negotiate themselves around the city and have learnt heaps about being not just a "city kid" but a "big city kid"!

They were surprised with a trip to the All Blacks Experience which was awesome! It's extremely well put together with powerful messages around mahitahi, resilience, focus, hard work and being part of a legacy. These messages translate so well to life as a student and how behaviour and attitude is the key to success.



The group also caught up a quite a few people with connections to Okaihau. One we bumped into was Daejarn who taught some of our students how to mix mocktails at New Zealand Management Academies... No alcohol was involved!



It's great to see ex-Okaihau College students giving back to their peers.

After a hiatus last year, it has reminded us of the importance of continuing the legacy of the Year 12 and 13 tertiary and urban camps to Auckland to see what possibilities are out there beyond Okaihau College. Students had tertiary taster courses at South Seas School of Film, NZ School of Tourism, Cut Above, New Zealand Management Academies, AUT and YooBee IT School. We also visited the NIWA Aquaculture Centre at Ruakaka on the way home.

Our Year 12 students made us very proud throughout the week.



Brush teeth with fluoride toothpaste for two minutes, twice a day

Taitaia ōu niho ki te pēniho pūkōwhai mō te 2 miniti e rua ngā wā ia rā

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