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## SCHOOL COMMUNITY

## From the Principal

#### Tēnā koutou katoa

As we close the chapter on another remarkable school year, we reflect on the myriad of experiences, achievements, and growth that have defined our journey. This year has been a tapestry of learning, resilience, and school spirit, woven together by the dedication of our ākonga, staff, whānau and families, and School Board.

Our students have once again demonstrated exceptional academic achievement and progress. From showing significant improvement in standardised tests which help us track their progress in numeracy and literacy, to winning university scholarships, their hard work and determination have been truly inspiring. We celebrated numerous achievements, and our annual senior and junior prizegivings allow us to recognise the work and talents of many.

Beyond the classroom, our students have excelled in various extracurricular activities. Our sports teams have had an outstanding year, and I have lost count of the number of teams that made the Taranaki finals for their grade and sport. The results at regional and national level have been outstanding with students winning national titles, and teams performing at their peak during Winter Tournament Week. The Premier A Netball team deserve special recognition, as they were the only North Island team from outside of Auckland or

Wellington to qualify. We would like to extend a huge thanks to all parents, whānau, and supporters of NPGHS who have given so much of their time to ensure that students have the opportunity to enjoy sport. Your help as managers, coaches, chauffeurs and positive sideline supporters is amazing. As I travelled to Hamilton, Napier, and Palmerston North during tournament week it was clear to see that there was significant support for the teams on the turf or court and that parents had taken a lot of annual leave that week!

We also supported from afar as Alumni Mackenzie Barry (Football), Michaela Blyde (Rugby 7s) and Zoe Hobbs (Athletics) competed at the Paris Olympics. The sense of connection and pride we felt made these events all the more special and we wonder who will be the next NPGHS Olympian.

The arts have flourished as well, with our music groups leaving audiences spellbound. The Jubilate choir continued the strong tradition of qualifying for the regional Cadenza, and gained a much coveted silver award. At the MusicWorks Ensemble Festival Aotearoa, held in Wellington, the jazz band received a welldeserved silver award and gold awards went to the orchestra, concert band and barbershop chorus. The annual student art exhibition at The Collaboration showcased the incredible talent of our students, with pieces that were both thought-provoking and visually stunning. I saw several 'sold dots' added to student work and hope that all enjoyed this opportunity to share their art in this way.

Our Pasifika group experienced great success at the Pasifika Fusion festival in Palmerston North in July. The group were awarded the inaugural Spirit of Pasifika Fusion Award for the school that best represents the values of Pasifika Fusion. We could not be prouder of the way these students, while small in number, feel



You will read about all of these accomplishments and more in this 2024 edition of Te Henui and, while students are the stars, very few of these achievements would have been possible without the unwavering support and dedication of our staff. Our teachers have gone above and beyond, adapting to new requirements and ensuring that every student receives the support they need. Their passion for education and commitment to student success have been the cornerstone of our school's achievements.

We also extend our gratitude to the non-teaching staff, whose behind-thescenes efforts keep our school running smoothly. From organising events to maintaining our facilities, and making sure the bills are paid, their hard work is often not highly visible but is deeply appreciated. Similarly, our School Board members, with Chair Kelly Marriner, work tirelessly to support the school. Most of their work is unseen but supports everything that the school does day to day. We are very fortunate to have such an engaged and responsive group of parents willing to serve the school in this way and we express our gratitude.



After the publication of the 2023 version of Te Henui, teachers Anton Bendt, Cameron McHugh, Gilly Osmond, and Rebecca Prestidge, Myken Rowland and support staff team member Katie Deller left NPGHS for new opportunities. While we were sorry to see them leave, we know that they are enjoying new experiences, and we were thrilled to welcome new staff to NPGHS. At a time when teaching positions are increasingly difficult to fill, we secured top class teachers and started 2024 fully staffed. At the beginning of the year we welcomed an amazing group of teachers, teacher aides, and non-teaching staff – Jesiree Bicknell, Kat Bolton, Matt Coleman, Katie Connor, Juliet Farquhar, Louise Gillum, Oliver Harris, Alana Kane, Sheryll Martin, Julia McNeil, Madison Parsons, Charlotte Plant, Fiona Plumtree, Tash Pringle, Tonia Rabe, Lucinda Rawlins, Tenaya Richardson, Carol-Lyn Rios, Rosa Scaffidi, Deb Smith, Craig Thomas, Bridget Harkness-West. We also welcomed back Sally Ann James, Sandra Rutherford, Sophie Lamb, Maggie Verry and Sarah Dally from leave. As 2024 progressed, we also welcomed Megan O'Reilly to the teaching staff, and Michael Young to the support staff team. We have also been very lucky to appoint Melanie Christensen, Mary-Ann Beukes, and Jansen Sumalag as Teacher Aides throughout the year.

In the hostel, our catering staff moved to employment with CaterPlus. We welcomed Kaitlin Carey, and Sandy O'Brien as supervisors and farewelled Rose Hogwood. Changes in people's lives and circumstances do mean that large schools like ours are always places where personnel change. We value the contributions that each person makes, no matter the length of their stay with us. We would like to thank and acknowledge Sharon Church, Monique Boddy, Julia McNeil, Louise Gillum, Angela Roberts, Urmila Singh, and Oliver Harris who have left the school during or at the end of 2024.

We would particularly like to thank Shirley McVicar for the individualised

support she has provided as Head of Awhina and SENCO over 14 years at NPGHS. This is an important role within our school and Shirley has provided support and guidance to help personalise the schooling experience for many students. We wish Shirley all the very best as she leaves teaching after a long career of service.

Although we are very sad to be saying goodbye to Josie Cleaver at the end of this school year, we recognise that after teaching at NPGHS for 44 years she has earned the right to do something different! Josie's contribution to the school as a Physical Education teacher, and as Director of Sport has been enormous. She has always found the perfect balance between inspiring students to have fun and be active and encouraging sporting excellence. There are literally thousands of people who have experienced Josie's teaching or encouraging words, and we thank her for the positive impact she has had on so many. Josie's connections to sport around the region mean that we still expect to see her on the sidelines at many events in the future.

Our parents and whānau have been invaluable partners in our educational journey. Your involvement

in school activities, from volunteering with groups to participating in parent-teacher conferences, has greatly enriched our school community. We are grateful for your trust and collaboration, which has been vital in creating a supportive and nurturing environment for all.

To our students, thank you for your hard work, enthusiasm, and resilience. You are the heart of our school, and your achievements make us proud every day. To our staff, thank you for your dedication, passion, and unwavering commitment

to education. Your efforts have made a lasting impact on our students' lives. To our parents and community members, thank you for your support and partnership. Together, we have created a vibrant and thriving school community. I have a print in my office which says "Nau te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi" (with your food basket and my food basket, the people will thrive). For me, this emphasises the importance of collaboration and community as it is by combining our resources and efforts that we achieve greater success and wellbeing for everyone.

As we turn the page to a new chapter, I hope we will carry forward the lessons learned, the friendships forged, and the memories made. If you are leaving New Plymouth Girls' High School, we hope you take these strengths with you too. Wherever you find yourself in 2025, I know we can all look forward to another year of growth, learning, and success!

Ngā mihi mahana

Jacoui Brown

Principal



## Board Report



#### From the Chair: Reflections and Gratitude as We Begin Our Third Year

Tēnā koutou katoa,

As we step into the third year of this board's term, it is a time for reflection, forward planning and a time to celebrate accomplishments. We have embraced the new planning and reporting requirements, and we are committed to using these frameworks to continue evaluating our performance and ensuring the best outcomes for our students.

One of the visible achievements this year, was using the sale proceeds from a small piece of land, which not only assisted the local council with a cycle way but provided funding to install new chairs in the school hall enhancing both comfort and function for school events.

Our property programme has seen some changes with new classroom furniture, classroom lighting upgraded to energy-efficient LED lights, introduction of audio/visual technology in the hall, a new phone system, roofing, cladding and weather tightness work, and the installation of a building management system for heating.

The Board would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the incredible work

being done by our Principal, the Student Leadership Team and the Staff. Your hard work, passion, and commitment to nurturing and educating our students continue to inspire us all. Together, as a school community, we are making strides, and we are confident that we will continue to grow and achieve great things in the year ahead.

The annual student trustee election saw us farewell Nataya Lumluksanaphaiboon, who has provided valuable insights and a strong voice for the student body during our discussions.

To those who are finishing their journey with us, whether they are students moving on to new challenges, or staff leaving for new opportunities, we offer our best wishes for the future. Your contributions have left a lasting impact, and we are grateful that you have been party of our school's story.

As we look ahead, we do so with excitement and confidence, knowing that we are poised to achieve even greater things in the coming year. We wish all our students and staff a restful and enjoyable summer break, ready to return refreshed and recharged for another successful year ahead.

Nāku iti noa, nā

#### Kelly Marriner

Presiding member, NPGHS Board

#### Board of Trustees Students

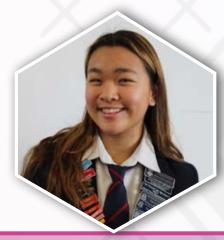
Reflecting on my last year at NPGHS, it has been an absolute privilege to serve as your Student Representative on the Board of Trustees for 2024.

My role has offered me a frontrow seat to the inner workings of our school and the incredible opportunity to represent the student body while working alongside those who govern our school. The experience I have had in this leadership position has been very valuable as it has equipped me with a skill set that will help me succeed in many areas of my life beyond high school.

Through this role, I have had the opportunity to delve into the decision making and strategic planning of our school. While familiarising myself with the professional environment of the board, I was able to actively provide the student perspective on the implementation of the new government phone policy, closing down of the school pool and the installation of new hall chairs. This offered me a new perspective on all the hard work which goes on behind the scenes to ensure for the smooth running of our school. Part of my duty as the student representative was to bridge the governance of the school and the study body - this was accomplished through providing a student report at our meetings. It was incredible to be able to highlight all the fun events which have gone on within our school and to fill out all the names of students who have accomplished great successes. It made feel very proud to be part of such a talented and diverse school community.

I would like to thank Ms Brown and Kelly Marriner for welcoming me onto the Board and for guiding me through this role. It has been incredible to work within such a dedicated and dynamic team who all have the common goal of achieving what is best for the students. I am deeply appreciative of the board for accepting me into your circle, and to every member for sharing your wisdom and knowledge.

### Mataya Lumluksanaphaiboon



## STAFF LIST

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Waka Amo (Waka Dean)

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Waka Amo (Waka Dean)

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## A D T E H J J A

#### Kia Ora all,

Looking back through my high school years, there was not a moment where red wasn't on top. Aotea is known for its winning streak over a long period of time, but more importantly, we are the Waka that is deeply connected through a strong sense of unity and spirit. A tight-knit group that supports and uplifts each other through every challenge and celebration.

From the moment I was in Aotea, alongside my older sister, I could feel the pride and determination that comes with being part of such a powerful house. It wasn't just about the victories in the various Waka competitions, but the sense of belonging and teamwork. As Waka leader, I now carry the responsibility of continuing this legacy that the past leaders have set, ensuring that the next generation feels the same connection to Aotea that I always have.

Leadership in Aotea isn't about being the loudest voice in the room but about creating a space where every member feels valued. It's about organizing events, encouraging participation, and pushing for excellence while upholding relationships within the team. In the background, Matua and Mrs Crowe have been a great blanket of support for Emmerson, Ashleigh and I. There are scenes that go by unseen by many but are very much appreciated by us leaders.

We have aimed to create a culture where everyone feels they can contribute, no matter their strengths. There are various events from swimming to athletics, house singing and fun run, all of which can bring out everyone's unique strength. Staring off strong, Year 9 tabloids! An afternoon in the sun with friendly competition. A first for both year groups, our Year 9s first day of high school and our Year 13s first taste of leadership. A day to make a new friend or get out of your comfort zone for both the



**Hayley Tewhata** Aotea Leader



**Emmerson Jones** Aotea Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader



Ashleigh Blume Aotea Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

youngsters in the school and the almost adults. As our precious time and events slipped through our fingers, our bonds and interaction became second nature. Putting up a good fight at every challenge thrown at us, not making the victory an easy task for the other Wakas. To get on top, you must fight through the burning flame of AOTEA.

Being Waka leader has been one of the most rewarding roles in my school life. Thank you to everyone who is part of this Waka. As I prepare to leave school, I hope to leave behind a legacy where Aotea continues to thrive, not just in competitions, but as a community that values each students' unique contributions. Witnessing each of you bring your unique energy and talents to make Aotea what it is today, is very special to me. Being part of this Waka has shown me the power of teamwork, resilience, and the bonds we've built. I couldn't be prouder of what we've accomplished, and I know Aotea will continue to thrive in the years to come. Thank you for making this journey unforgettable, I'm incredibly grateful to have been your 2024 Waka Huia leader.

Ngā Mihi

### Hayley Tewhata











# H J I F F

Leading Kurahaupo in 2024 has been an absolute honour, a challenge, and an amazing opportunity.

This year for Kurahaupo has been a wild adventure with many challenges. At the beginning of the year, we gathered around and discussed goals and how to organize Swimming Sports. We quickly decided our main goal was to get everyone involved and to have a good time doing it.

At the beginning of the year, we went straight into having early morning practices for the synchronized swimming before school, trying to perfect the routine, before the big day. Swimming Sports ended up being pushed back into the same week as Athletics, which gave us more time to practice the routine, yet it created a mad rush to organize the relay teams for Athletics day.

The 2024 Swimming Sports was held at New Plymouth Boys' High School as our pool was not functioning. Everyone turned up in their blue, as well as some police hats and black and white striped tops as our theme for 2024 was cops and robbers. We gave it our all for the synchronized swimming, even though we didn't have the turnout we had hoped for we couldn't be prouder of the girls in the team. The dedication they had was admirable!!

Next up we had athletics, we couldn't be prouder of the turnout with the costumes. It was amazing to see all the different police costumes and the sea of blue arise again. For athletics we had to create a banner for our waka. We pulled a team together to create the banner, which took a lot of time and dedication so a massive thank you to those who helped with that as well! As well as the great turnout of costumes we had results from all the different areas in athletics, that being from sprints to high jump.



**Amber Storer** Kurahaupo Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

**Katie Clement** Kurahaupo Leader

**Meg Newland** Kurahaupo Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

In the middle of the year, we had Waka Films come up. This year for the Waka Films we chose the film travel guides and mixed it up to be "Travel Guides- Girls' High Get Away" it was awesome to see such a dedicated bunch of students put in the time and effort for this film. This was another cool highlight as it wasn't only good to see the dedication from the team but to also see the other students enjoy watching it too was a great feeling!

Throughout the year we had a series of different Waka Huia assemblies to acknowledge those with achievements, to hand out and present all the different awards including Kawai Huia representatives was an amazing feeling.

None of this would have been possible without the help from our deans, Waka Kaitiaki Ms. Mischefski and Waka Amo Mrs. Parsons and of course the Kurahaupo students which we are so proud of for getting involved this year and giving everything a go.

#### Katie Clement

Year 13





## TRIN HUIA

Leading Tainui in our last year of high school has been an absolute honour. It has been a privilege to connect with each of you in this waka and to grow alongside each other. Truly a time to remember.

Our first event of the year was Athletics day. It was a bit of a rough start for the waka; however we knew that from there, the only way was up!

We did have a couple of successes to get us kicked off, including placing 2nd in the banner competition (which we still think was 1st place material) and great support for our competing team members. Liv, our mascot, was hard at work throughout the day in her inflatable dinosaur costume, rallying team spirit and looking fabulous.

Then came the tragedy of the leaky pool, putting some strain on our swimming sports plans (shout out NPBHS for lending us theirs). Despite the uncertainty of whether it would go ahead or not, we started creating our (super professional) synchronized swimming routine.

A 6am start to our day was mandatory for the month leading up to swimming sports, after all, we had to blow the judges out of the water (no pun intended) with our crazy skills. Our Year 13 pool entrance - decked out in green complete with a home-made UFO - and our strong determination set the tone for the rest of swimming sports. The Waka spirit was high, and so were our egos by the end of the day as the victories just kept piling in. We may have lost our voices, but we certainly didn't lose the day. Tainui ended up winning what felt like every single event, including the relays, synchro, and the pool entry. We could begin to see Tainui's future and let me tell you, it was looking good.

In Term 2, Tainui made their appearance on the Hollywood big screen



Laura Pickles Tainui Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

**Rujula Chitnis** Tainui Leader

**Thea Betts** Tainui Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

for their role in the Waka Plays, taking home the Oscar, awarded for winning 1st place. Whether it was Jenna teaching us aerobics, Sarah taking us through nature or Zoe professing her love in the rain, our star-studded cast of students from Years 9-13 worked hard to create something fun and silly to blow away the rest of the wakas.

Now, with the Fun Run and Waka singing just around the corner, we are determined to continue this win streak and take home the trophy that is rightfully ours. The overwhelming energy, enthusiasm, and team spirit that we carry has pushed us through this year, and we are all so proud of how far we've come.

From dressing up as aliens to being carried out in a UFO, running events or dancing in front of the school we have loved every second of being your Waka L eaders. We will forever remember the moments spent and victories won with our waka. The endless support from the Year 13s, Waka Deans and our whole team has been so amazing, we couldn't have done it without each and every one of you. So, although our time as your Waka Leaders is almost up, we will forever cherish this experience.

Rujula, Laura, and Thea signing out!

#### Rujula Chitnis





## TOKOPPRU DI HUIPAAA

Having the opportunity of being Tokomaru's leaders was an unforgettable experience for all of us, one that we will cherish for years to come. The past leaders had really shaped our experience being within Tokomaru and helped us have a lot of Tokomaru spirit.

Our roles allowed us to truly be ourselves, showcasing the energy and enthusiasm we have for our Waka. Leading the chants and rallying everyone with encouragement became some of the most memorable moments of the year. Cheering on our girls, celebrating their victories, and lifting each other up created a strong sense of unity and spirit among us. Working together has been an amazing experience. Each of us brought unique ideas and perspectives that enriched our efforts and contributed significantly to Tokomaru this year. We learned to support one another and use our individual strengths. Tokomaru feels like a true family, where we uplift one another and celebrate our unique differences and achievements. Together, we have created a supportive environment that fosters both personal growth and collective success.

Our first big event was Athletics Day, and Tokomaru really shone brightly. The effort from everyone was remarkable, the stands being almost empty throughout the events really showed everyone's participation. Our chants were sung loudly and with pride with all the girls screaming it. Tokomaru won Athletics Day overall which is a wonderful achievement!

Next up was Swimming Sports. It was a day to remember, filled with excitement, sunburn, and the thrill of racing through the water. The day kicked off with a display from the Year 13s, who created a spectacular banana boat then carried it into the arena on their



**Ranui Rodger** Tokomaru Leader

**Amy Vickers** Tokomaru Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader



**Cara Hollard** Tokomaru Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

shoulders. Ranui was proudly on top of the banana boat as Tokomaru leaders, dressed up as Gru. The entrance show took a dramatic turn when Victor jumped from the audience, with a "OH YEAHHH". Then Victor and Gru fought a splash fight which ended in the pool. The early morning starts and the screaming at each other during synchronised swimming was all worth it in the end. The hard work made the entire year both enjoyable and fulfilling. Seeing all our efforts come to life and contribute to our team's success filled us with so much pride.

The year isn't over just yet, and with us being second on the leaderboard has been a fantastic achievement. It's tough to see ourselves recently drop to third place. However, we still have the Fun Run and Waka singing ahead of us, and these events give us the perfect opportunity to make a final push and show what we're truly capable of. Tokomaru leaders have what it takes to push the Waka in the final events.

We owe many thanks to the amazing support we've received from our deans and all the Tokomaru girls, especially the Year 13s. Their encouragement has been invaluable. We truly believe that Tokomaru has what it takes to reach the top, and we wish the future leaders all the best and hope that they continue the legacy left by Ranui, Amy and Cara.

#### Ranui Rodger











## SCOTLANDS HOSTEL

## 2024: A Year to Remember at Scotlands Hostel!

As we close the chapter on an incredible year, we're excited to reflect on the special moments and achievements that have shaped our community at Scotlands Hostel.

#### **Welcoming New Faces**

We kicked off the year with our enthusiastic Year 13s welcoming our new Year 9s. The Year 13s took on the role of 'big sisters,' guiding the newcomers through the ins and outs of hostel life, helping them navigate their journey towards greater independence.

#### Leadership Development

Head Boarder Anna Francis and Manaakitanga Leader Grace Ruben attended the National Boarding Schools Association Student Leadership Course in Christchurch. They returned with invaluable skills and connections, quickly implementing their learnings by collaborating with leaders from local boarding schools. Together, they organized a fantastic lineup of activities, including dinner swaps, socials, BBQ pool parties, multisport events, and quiz nights with NPBHS and SHGC.

#### **Celebrating Diversity**

Our new catering team, Cater Plus, hosted a lively Pink Party for Pink Shirt

Day, where we dressed in pink, enjoyed a make-yourown cupcake competition, and captured memories in a fun photo booth—definitely a highlight of the year!

In addition, Grace organised an International Dinner, allowing our international students from Germany, Japan, and the Solomon Islands to showcase their cuisines. It was a wonderful opportunity for everyone to sample flavours from around the world and celebrate our diverse community.









#### **Active Engagement**

Thanks to funding from Tū Manawa Active Aotearoa through Sport Taranaki, we introduced a variety of activities designed to keep our boarders active and engaged. From yoga, cross fit, aqua fit, box fit and surfing, everyone had the chance to try something new and exciting!

## Dancing with the Boarders

Our second year of "Dancing with the Boarders" was a hit! Each week, teams choreographed dances based on fun themes, culminating in a grand finale where Year 9s Lilah Eagar and Kate Muller took home the title. The surprise bonus dance from the Year 13s added an extra touch of excitement!

#### **Pre-Ball Celebration**

For our Year 13s, the Ball is a highlight of the school year. We hosted a lovely Pre-Ball gathering for boarders, their dates, and parents, providing an opportunity to enjoy drinks and nibbles while capturing precious memories.

#### JKR Fun

This year's JKR was filled with creativity and laughter. Themes included a night at grandparents' house, a night at the rugby, a night in hospital, a night in space, and a night on a plane. The Year 9s won with their "Night on a Plane" theme, with Year 11 close behind with their "Night in Hospital."

## Celebrating Achievements

As exams approach and we look toward the end of the school year, we're excited to plan our High Tea, where we will celebrate our Year 13s and reflect on all our achievements throughout 2024. We'll dress up, enjoy a fancy feast with special guests, and create more memories through photos.



#### A Year of Connection

2024 has been a remarkable year of connections and amazing relationships. To all our departing Year 13s, we wish you the best of luck in your future adventures. You will be greatly missed, and we can't wait to hear your stories when you come back to visit!



#### Hostel Manager







## Scotlands Hostel Head Boarder

Wow... what an amazing year. I am so grateful and lucky to have been given the opportunity to lead the hostel alongside Grace. We had a goal this year of making sure the girls have something to look forward to whether that be dinner swaps, multi sports, little activity's, sports on the court, Justin kitchen rules, or dancing with the boarders. The aim is that there is something that every girl can get involved in. The boarders are such a competitive group of girls, always looking to win and putting in their all by chanting and singing for the whole way.

Chant offs and relays with the Day girls are what we give our all in every year. With our chants taking most of the time, smoking the Day girls at the running relay was a highlight to then miss out on the swimming by a few seconds. Leaving a legacy for the younger girls to grow into things is important such as the Boarder's Hockey every Tuesday where we have a run around on the turf. It's never that serious, always laughing, with a few of us getting sent off but not really knowing what for but on the off chance we win a few and celebrate as though we've won the world cup (even if we stay out to late and get gated the next day). Creating Year 13 leavers gear was something special to remember the hostel with alongside the memories of so many late nights talking and laughing, poking light-hearted fun at one another getting into trouble and then having to face the matrons scolding when they find out. The memory jar filled with fun and embarrassing times, all of it has been something that many of the girls will cherish forever and something for the younger girls to look forward to.

This year has been a challenging one, but it was so much fun. I'm looking forward to seeing what the next chapter holds and how next year's leader will expand on what we have developed. I



wish the girls the best for their further years at Scotlands Hostel and to Mrs Wright. I would like to say thank you for your guidance and for supporting us through the year and to all the Year 13s in the hostel, you have made the place one I've enjoyed. A massive thank you. I have enjoyed the joy and humour you have bought to this year helping us along the way. The hostel will always be a part of my life, and I will cherish the memories for ever.

Anna-Victoria Francis

Year 13

#### Scotlands Hostel Manaakitanga Leader

What is Manaakitanga? Manaakitanga refers to the practice of showing hospitality, support, generosity, aroha, and encouragement.

I have thoroughly enjoyed being the Manaakitanga leader for Scotland's Hostel 2024. This role has enabled me to step up, support, and care for my fellow boarders. What I have loved most about having this position is not only making connections with girls living at hostel but also forming connections with the international girls who come and spend weeks or months with us, learning about their cultures, and tasting

their home snacks. As a hostel, we have all been a part of creating an inclusive and welcoming community through the friendships we have built between our year groups.

Alongside Anna, I have enjoyed planning activities within the hostel and bringing the year groups together. These activities included Dancing With The Boarders, inter-year group multi-sports, International dinners, socials and dinner swaps with Sacred Heart and Boys' High, dodgeball games against the day girls and even having our own boarders Hockey team!

To help our Year 9s settle in and feel comfortable living in our hostel environment, we have had "Big Sister Little Sister" activities, where the Year 13s each have a "little sister" from Year 9. We have had quiz nights, made friendship bracelets and roses, and have had other activities that have strengthened our relationships.

I am so thankful for this role and the opportunities that have come with it. Moving away from home in Vanuatu back in 2020 to living the past five years at Scotland's Hostel, New Zealand, I have learned and grown so much, and the hostel has been such a big part of that. I will surely miss the bonds I have formed, especially with my Year 13 whānau.

Thank yu tumas!

Grace Ruben





## SCOTLANDS HOSTEL

Back Row: Kaityn Perrett, Sophie Perrett, Gemma Wicksteed, Paxton Burke, Alara Reeve, Koco Karsten-Berg, Alexia Clement, Hayley McLean, Leanne Coetzee, Cardin Harvey, Ruby Flutey, Ellie Morgan, Kaitlin Pennington, Lucy Honeyfield, Paige Manning, Anahera Stirling, Chasca Ripo, Laila Pease 5th Row: Mackenna King, Harriet Muller, Frankie Walker, Tayah Gopperth, Carla Zirngibl, Millah Keller, Isabella Harvie, Tegan Crowe, Nakai Mei, Molly Fletcher, Eden Wiseman, Georgie Oliiver, Marley Sampson, Annelie Hellinger, Georgia MacRae, Tori Bayley, Scarlet

3rd Row: Addison Hill, Gemma Warren, Kahurangi Perawiti, Molly Rukuwai, Ruby Horgan, Leilani Rova, Macy Death, Sydnee Coomey, Marama Turner, Ngahuia Salmond, Billie-Unique Whaitiri, Summah Ritchie, Aria Ashby, Emily Cleaver, Gemma McNulty, Jule 4th Row: Bella Ormsby, Taya Harvey-Smith, Rimi Yoshida, Kate Muller, Dannielle Caskey, Rania Pickens, Sophie Irons, Ashleigh Mutch, Lydia Helms, Brodie Colson, Chloe Hotter, Eliza Kahui, Greer Guthrie, Emily Hagan, Peyton Tai, Bethan Mulliss, Grace Clough Ditges, Mahalia Ripo

**2nd Row:** Harriet MacRae. Isla Mutch, Annabel Jeyes, Holly Gulliver, Morgan Rawlinson, Emily Levings, Kayla Hori, Jasmine Stone, Selma Vermaaten, Charlotte Isaacs, Addy Rabone, Waimiria Willison, Kaya Whitaker, Xanthe Smith, Ruby Murdoch, Bailee Egan-Gray, Queenie McClutchie, Maika Rauputu

Frant Row: Pamela Sargent (Staff), Kate Clarke, Jayda Neustroski, Kate Pease, Fern Jones, Tihema Maniapoto-Berntsen, Hannah Worthington, Grace Ruben (Manaakitanga Leader), Cimone Wright (Hostel Manager), Anna-Victoria Francis (Head Boarder), Abby Smith, Lana Tucker, Reese Brodét Bernadette Sulu, Mia Stevenson, Elliot Theyers, Rachael Aplin (Staff)

## MANU TAIK HEAD GIRL

#### Kia Ora koutou katoa nau mai heare mai!

Oh my gosh I don't even know where to start. This year has been such a life changing experience that I'm not quite ready to let go of. It has been my biggest priveledge to lead this kura as the Manu Tāiko for this year. Having been blessed with the korowai at the start of this journey, I have truly come to know what it means to be a leader for the people.

My focus for this year was to lead with mana. To stay true to who I am and help other wāhine find their passions. As a very proud South African wāhine myself, I have made it my mission to show others that anything is possible when you put your mind to it. I feel so much pride seeing the people of this kura standing up for what they believe in.

I have made so many connections that I will forever cherish. Starting the year with tabloid sports and Year 9 camps gave me a glimpse into what the future of girls high would look like. Each junior showed immense bravery and courage, giving things a go and making new friendships in the midst of the unknown. Whether that was with white water rafting or dance battles in the middle of the day. You have shown me the importance of laughter and friendships.

I certainly took the laughter bit seriously, dressing up as the iconic Chicken during every waka event. This year has been my year of 'giving things a go'. I have felt so much joy competing alongside my fellow Aotea students. Even though speed walking during Athletics was not my best performance, I most certainly took the win for best manu at swimming sports lol.

During the course of this year, I have had the opportunity to play and lead our Premier Netball team. I just want to give a special mention to these girls for their determination, hard work and willingness to play for each other. Nationals here we

come!!

As I reflect on the culture of our kura, I immediately think about our diversity. Sounds simple, I know. But, our ability to unite as a people despite our varying beliefs and opinions shows me that this kura is far more than just a school. We will forever share this crazy experience called high school and I am so excited to see where the future takes you all. I already know each and every one of you will achieve greatness.

#### "He hono tangata e kore e motu; ka pa he taura waka e motu"

Unlike a canoe rope, a human bond cannot be severed.

To Charlotte and Mollie, you are both such incredible woman. Your love for people, genuine hearts and down to earth natures continually shine through in your leadership styles. I would not have been able to go through this year without you. One day we will all meet in Greece and rein act our legendary Danni and the dynamos performance. But for now, I am so happy to do life with you by my side. Love you both.

To Mr. McFarlane and Ms. Brown, thank you for your guidance and wisdom throughout this year. You are both such amazing people and your love for teaching and making a difference does not go unnoticed. Without your help, I'm pretty sure I would've lost the plot a long time ago. May you both continue your journeys at Girls' High with great success and joy.

To Mātua Rihari, Andy, Ms. Brons and so many other legendary teachers, thank you for your immense impact on this kura. Without you, I most certainly would not be where I am today.



As this chapter of my life comes to a close, I am saddened and excited at the same time. I am content knowing that this special part of my life will forever be with me. I will soon hand over my korowai to next year's head girl and I am full of confidence that she will lead with the same mana and strength as all those before her. The kura is in great hands. As I say my final farewells, I want to leave this final whakatauki with you: "E rere te hauta, kapohia!" which means, make the most of every opportunity.

happy journeys. "Waiho i te toipoto, kaua

i te toiroa"- let us keep close together and

Ngā Mihi nui

not far apart.

Danielle Learay du Buisson



# KAITIRINA DEPUTY HEAD GIRL

High school is the place where you truly find yourself. It is the place where you redefine your capabilities, test your limits and pursue your passions.

This year has been filled with moments of pure joy. Rafting, climbing and swimming with our Year 9 students on the first few weeks was definitely a highlight. I watched on as new connections were formed- students helped their peers out of their comfort zones and up over climbing walls. These first friendships are ones to be treasured. I feel so privileged to experience the start of your NPGHS journeys as mine comes to a close.

We have seen immense passion and unity as our school came together to help communities larger than our own. At the Relay For Life we walked for those affected by cancer, raising the second highest total for Taranaki schools. Takitahi days saw us wearing pink accessories in a stand against bullying and donating to charities such as the Mental Health Foundation. We used our own strength to be the voices and hope for people that struggled to have their own. Our school is proof that success stems from collaboration- striving for a common goal.

Being part of the Head Girl team also allowed me to have many other memorable experiences. In March, the three of us travelled to Wellington to attend the GRIP Leadership Conference. Surrounded by capable leaders and inspiring speakers, we learnt many valuable lessons. On the side, we also got to enjoy the great food and shopping that the Capital offers. Danielle, Mollie and I were also lucky enough to attend another conference lead by Sir John Kirwan on resilience, giving us tools to persevere when things got tough. With all that we learnt, we were able

hold some leadership forums of our own for our Kawai Huia and Year 13 leaders. Knowledge is a powerful tool, one that can be passed down to future generations. We learnt from those before us, and we hope, to inspire those after us.

I am a true believer in learning something small from everyone that surrounds you. Every person brings a different perspective, knowledge and strength that when combined, is so very powerful.

Throughout my leadership journey, I have learned from you all. The person I am today is a product of the advice, laughs and tears we have shared. I will truly be grateful for you being a part of my journey, and I am forever blessed to be a part of yours. Leadership is a legacy that lives on far beyond those that showed it. This year, Danielle, Mollie and I promised to prioritise the people. And therefore, our leadership lives on in you.

To my fellow Year 13 leaders, the hard work and passion you have displayed has been nothing short of amazing. The committees and groups you have run have helped students discover passions and find their place within our kura. We have seen the success of writing and drawing groups, lunchtime karaoke and Zumba, and even a schoolwide thrift shop.

To BMC and Ms Brown, we are so grateful for your wisdom, timelines and invaluable advice. Our Monday and Friday lunchtimes have consisted of a lot of productivity but just as many laughs. Thank you for showing us that we are not alone.

To Danielle and Mollie, wow what a year it has been. Together we have faced the biggest highs and lows of our high school journeys. You both have inspired me to be better, and work harder, every day. You are beautiful people with limitless potential.



Thank you for showing me how to lead with love.

To the Year 13s, the last five years have been crazy. From the Year 9s that were afraid to step foot in the classroom to the independent people that are all pursuing different paths. I could not have walked this road without you. Thank you for your unwavering support and the best memories. I am so proud to have watched you all grow into incredible young people. The world is yours to seize.

And to those we leave behind, treasure every moment of your high school journey. It really does go by so quickly. Find the things you enjoy, and chase them. Find the things that challenge you, and chase them too. You have the capacity to achieve anything that you aspire to.

Lead selflessly, love wholeheartedly and live unapologetically.

#### Charlotte Butler



## KAITIRINA -DEPUTY HEAD GIRL

Reflecting on these last years at NPGHS, I have realized just how much I have grown. The steps I have taken, often without even noticing, have slowly built up to where I am now.

The people I have surrounded myself with have continuously pushed me to be better, to grow. E kore au e ngaro, he kakano ahau I ruia mai I rangiatea—I shall never be lost, for I am a seed born of greatness. This whakataukī is one I trust and is why I also put it in my speech when applying for this role, reminding me of the strength and resilience that comes from my roots, the support of my whānau, and the guidance of those who helped my growth. It is not just for me but reminding others that we all have greatness and have the potential to grow into, this is the approach I aimed to bring to the role of kaitiriwa-deputy head girl; to encourage those to strive and find their greatness. And this is something I believe our head girl team encapsulated.

At the end of last year, we didn't know each other that well, but today, I say that they are the best, strongest team I have ever worked with. Each of us brings something unique to the table, like each piece of harakeke woven together, and tied tightly we helped each other push through as one, we have faced challenges, celebrated our accomplishments, and supported one another through it all.

When we travelled to Wellington for the GRIP Leadership Conference, Dani, Charlotte, and I had a big shopping day. Now, I'll admit, shopping isn't exactly my idea of a good time, but we compromised. They agreed to get up early the next morning to go for a run with me. At first, I'm sure they weren't exactly thrilled with the idea, but by the end of it, we were all buzzing with energy. That run left us feeling accomplished, refreshed, and

ready to tackle the big day ahead. It was one of those moments that showed how well we balanced each other—supporting our individuality, but still coming together as a team.

Dani, you have taught me to be open and confident always and to not doubt myself. Charlotte, you have taught me to have fun in stressful situations, to trust myself and that there are spelling mistakes in everything you just have to search for them.

"Don't limit your challenges; challenge your limits." As I balanced the demands of schoolwork, sports, and my head girl responsibilities, I often found myself stretched to my limits and so this resonated with me this year. However, this year revealed a strength I didn't know I had. I discovered that I was capable of more than I had imagined. Each challenge helped me grow—not only in confidence but also in my ability to work effectively as part of a team and lead with purpose. It was through pushing myself beyond what I thought possible that I gained skills in resilience, adaptability, and leadership.

And to our other very important team members...

BMC—what an absolute legend!
Our Monday meetings were always a
highlight of my week. No matter how
stressed we were, you always have
a way of lightening the mood. Our
conversations may have gone off on
tangents sometimes, but those moments
were the most fun.

Ms Brown, thank you for your always positive chats, I will forever appreciate your wise and kind words of wisdom and I will always remember to squeeze my butt cheeks if I'm going to cry.

As I look back on this journey, I am filled with so much gratitude. The experiences, challenges, and



the incredible people I've had by my side have shaped me into the leader I am today. I am forever thankful for the opportunities NPGHS has given me. It has been an honour to serve as Kaitiriwa, and I will carry these lessons and friendships with me always – Chur

Mollie Tipene



## NUSIC LEADER

There is so much to celebrate in the Music department! I am immensely proud of everyone who has got involved in music this year. It has been a privilege to be able to play alongside, support and lead musical events throughout the year amongst such dedicated and talented musicians.

Highlights from this my role this year have been Arts Week, where we had fun doing musical chairs, a finish the lyrics quiz, and a jam session in the old gym. I have also had the joy of running Karaoke group on Friday lunchtimes. It started as an activity in the old gym while the music block was being renovated. This was a major challenge, which Mrs Woller managed superbly. However, Karaoke has since moved to the library – noise that has been gladly welcomed! It has been awesome to see how that and Ukulele group have enabled people to enjoy music in low pressure, beginner - friendly positive environments.

Congratulations to those who performed at the regional Rockquest, Chamber Music and Big Sing competitions, as well as at the Jazz Club, we always have a huge cohort of students participating in these epic events. Other notable highlights have been the music assembly, which was a great way to showcase the variety of musical groups at our Kura. I also had the privilege of participating in the Chamber Music N.Z "The Big I" workshop at Waimarie. Music students worked with our Waimarie students in creating and exploring the world of music. It was a great way to connect, and everyone was able to come away with a positive experience from this workshop.

Other events include the Talent Show, which is a fun way to enable people to share their unique talents. There is



also the MusicWorks
Ensemble Festival
Aotearoa Festival trip
to Wellington, involving
the Barbershop Chorus,
Orchestra, combined
NPGHS/NPBHS Concert
Band and the Jazz
Band. This exciting
event brings together a
large part of our music
department, and is
bound to be an amazing
experience for all those
involved.

I sincerely believe everyone is impacted by music – whether musicians or listeners. It is the beauty and excitement of it that brings us together. NPGHS always has and will continue to have a thriving music department that has given me great joy since I started at NPGHS. This is thanks to the wonderful dedication of students, directors and teachers alike. I encourage

everyone to give music a go – for it is so rewarding.

Zoe Magnussen



## VISUAL ARTS LEADER



As the Visual Arts Leader, it has been absolutely incredible being able to contribute to such a creative community. I have felt so grateful to share my own passion for the Visual Arts within our Kura. The opportunity to inspire the next generation of upcoming artists and creatives has been so fulfilling and exciting. In this position, I've had the chance to run many activities and clubs, and watching the creativity light up students faces has been incredibly rewarding for me. Art, for me, is about expressing yourself, even if you think you don't have an artistic side. Everyone has creativity within them; it's all about finding your voice and sharing your passion with others in your own unique way.

It has been amazing being able to collaborate with the school to bring art into different areas. One highlight of my role was Arts Week where I was so amazed at the involvement and excitement towards the activities. This energy continued through into the Artist Talks and Visual Arts Committee which makes me excited for the future of Visual Arts at NPGHS. Another exciting moment for me this year was restarting the Drawing Club. It has been super awesome seeing the members of this club unlock their creative potential and share their individual talents. The abundance of imagination and innovation is truly evident within our school, and I'm grateful for the chance to help unleash it.

I have trust in our school that the passion for Visual Arts will be kept alive

from what I have seen this year. The sense of community within this sector of the school is strong, and I want students to know their creativity and ideas matter.

#### Greer Upson

Year 13





## PERFORMING PRTS LEPDER DRPPA

Hi everyone, my name is Hana, and I was the Drama Leader for 2024! This year I have had the privilege of working closely with our performing arts students in Shakespeare Festival, Arts Week, and the new addition of our Musical Theatre Club. Outside of school I take drama classes, am an active member of the New Plymouth Operatic Society and try to see as many shows in our local community as possible. I encourage everyone to find a community where they feel welcomed and have lots of fun, as I have had the privilege to do!!



Hana Barton

## PERFORMING PRTS LEPDER DPNGE

#### Being the Performing Arts Dance leader this year has been an experience I will truly never forget!

Seeing everyone push their limits and embrace new opportunities was so inspiring, and learning how to guide and teach students helped me grow as an individual as well as a leader, and I'm so grateful for the connections I've made! We set a new school record of 80 students from all different year levels joining our Dance Committee and diving into various workshops, the night of dance, and our NPGHS Talent Show. I'm especially proud of our courageous Year 9s who stepped up to teach workshops, showcasing their impressive leadership potential. Our Night of Dance was one of my main highlights, where performers displayed the high level of dance talent at our school. The NPGHS Talent Show was so fun to organise with our other Performing Arts leaders and get involved with. Last but not least, as dance leader I had the absolute honour of creating the Year 13 ball routine and that was my favourite time of the year by far.

Thank you all for your hard-work, dedication, and love while I was your leader, I can't wait to see Dance at NPGHS continue to grow.

#### Kalissa Giddy

Year 13



## TÜHONOHONO GO-LERDERS



## Kia ora! We are Macey and Tāmara, and we are deeply honoured to serve as the Tūhonohono leaders for 2024.

As Tūhonohono leaders, our role is to not only embrace and uphold our rich Māori culture but also to inspire and empower our rangatahi to take pride in their heritage and identity. Throughout our journey in this role, we have been privileged to guide and educate our peers on the significance of Matariki—a time of reflection, renewal, and unity. We've had the incredible opportunity to lead our school in coming together to sing the waiata, Te mātahi o te tau (Matariki), fostering a sense of connection and shared cultural pride.

Our goal and aspirations as
Tuhonohono leader is to not only teach
and include the Māori culture into our
Kura, but to also cultivate the feeling of
our belonging and to walk our journeys
confidentially unafraid to show our
cultural identity. We are passionate to
creating a comfortable environment
where all rangatahi feel connected and
valued as a whānau.

As we continue to navigate this role, we have a strong goal of ensuring that the legacy of our tūpuna is respected and that the voice of our rangatahi are heard and celebrated.

#### "E tū kaha, e tū māia, mō tātou iwi"

Stay strong, stay brave for our people

We created this whakatauki to implement the intention of standing strong as Māori for one another and to push through the hardest of times. Being your 2024 Tühonohono leaders has really given us the opportunity to strive for our culture and to find who we are as leaders.

He mihi nui,

Macey Austin and Tāmara Te Waaka

## PASIFIKA LEADER



My highlight this year was definitely getting to perform at Fusion.

What I have accomplished while being leader:

- Leading the girls by coaching/ teaching them the dances and songs.
- Assisting the girls with anything they need support and assistance with and supervising them throughout practices.
- Hosting fiafia night and inviting Boys' High as our guest performers.
- Acquiring new cultural idea while educating the girls about it.
- Gaining the courage to speak in front of an audience and using dance to demonstrate to others how we appreciate our culture.
- Working as a team with the girls and motivating them to take pride in their culture and have more confidence.

I want to express my gratitude to Mrs. Crewe and the parents for aiding me in my role as leader and for their consistent support in helping us with everything from apparel to fundraising and motivating us ladies. Most of all I would like to thank the girls for putting in the effort during practices and showing good fellowship.

Fiapito Seufale

Year 13

ACADENIC LEADER
- TRADITIONAL
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Being selected for Traditional Sciences leader this year has been a major highlight of Year 13, giving me a chance to connect with younger students, engage with STEM events throughout the year, and of course, promote my evil agenda of making maths and science fun!

The highlight of the year was, as always, Maths and Science Week, with the revival of old favourites such as the forensic science investigation (for those of you that missed out, Mr. Brown did it) and new additions such as a maths-themed escape room, Maths and Science karaoke run by our excellent music leader Zoë, and Gartic Phone. A standout event was our NPGHS Maths Spectacular, modelled on the Methanex Maths Quiz which took place this year for the first time since 2019, and where Risha Nath and I had the pleasure of being judges. Not to brag, but I think our version was even better than the original, with great turnout and awesome prizes



from Methanex (pictured are our happy prizewinners)!

Another initiative this year was separate Maths and Science badges, which I hope to see many students receiving; it's been great to see so many students participating in events such as the NZ Engineering Science Competition, ICAS Maths and Science competitions, NZPMC, OUJMC, AMC and more - the 2024 WITT Science Fair was particularly successful, with NPGHS students taking out some top prizes such as first place for water rockets, advertising poster, junior photograph, and Maddi Hopkins with the senior scientific investigation. Congratulations to all our prizewinners and participants!

I would also like to extend a massive thank you to the Maths and Science faculty, particularly Mr Bone, Mr Chubb, and Ms Stephens, whose continued support and organisation have made these opportunities possible.

Varya Kern

## ACADENIC LEADER -TRADITIONAL ARTS



2024 has been a great year for the traditional arts at NPGHS! Through Ngamotu MUN, traditional arts week activities, a writing competition, Spanish language club and UN club, there was plenty to get involved in!

We where fortunate to have hosted a Ngamotu MUN event at our school this year were students took part in a simplified simulation of what a United Nations meeting may look like. Each student was given a country to represent. Thank you to Mrs Crowe for making this happen!

The annual Traditional Arts Week happened near the end of Term Three where each lunchtime consisted of an activity to cover different subjects. It was awesome to see students getting involved and having some lunchtime fun. A highlight was having the talented local author, Jacqueline Bublitz visit us for a Q&A style chat. Many students participated in asking her questions about her books, and she quickly became an inspiration to us all. She encouraged us each to write our own book and let our imagination come to life!

During this week, there was a 100word writing competition where the writing talent was truly showcased. Students were given the challenge to write a creative story only using 100 words! Mrs Gunn and Mrs McNeil had a hard time judging. The hallways were decorated with the different stories that were written!

Throughout the year on Wednesday lunchtimes, Spanish language club took place where we did a variety of Spanish theme activities including number bingo, kahoots, movies and poster making!

Another regular activity was Model UN club that met fortnightly on Thursday lunchtimes where students participated in fun debates with a range of topics.

Overall, it was a successful year, and I was so happy to see students involved in a variety of activities under the traditional arts!

Matilde Silva

Year 13

## TECHNOLOGY LEADER



With the hall being renovated and therefore out of commission for over a term at the start of the year, we had to adapt to using the stadium for school assemblies. Though unconventional, we learnt a karaoke box works wonders for an impromptu sound system! When we finally got use of the hall back, we had to quickly learn the ins and outs of the new tech to run assemblies. Fortunately,

it was nowhere near as complicated as the previous setup, so we were able to figure it out quickly, despite the different technical issues that came with the new system.

Gaming club continued to be a success, with almost all seats taken up every week as we all got together to play Valorant. It was a safe space to hang out with everyone, but it wasn't particularly quiet! Unfortunately, we weren't able to compete in TSSSA e-sports this year, but we did manage to get one step closer so hopefully next years leaders have more luck. We were fortunate enough to host our own competition within the gaming club though, a mock Valorant tournament to close out the year.

Despite hitting a few road bumps, this was an incredibly fun role to take on this year. Huge thanks to my wonderful tech team, Evan and Linda, I couldn't have done it without you. Good luck to next year's Technology Leaders who have already been helping to set up and run assemblies, we hope you enjoy it as much as we did, and we know you'll do great.



## HAJORA GO-LEADERS



This year has been filled with exciting activities for us as the Hauora co-leaders, and it's been wonderful to see students from all year groups getting involved. We kicked off with Pink Shirt Day, supporting anti-bullying awareness, and it was amazing to see everyone wearing pink and supporting the cause. Next, we had the 40-hour challenge, with our school team raising an impressive \$2,825! This year's 40-hour challenge theme was climate change, focusing on its impact on countries like Timor-Leste. As part of our fundraising, we also hosted a quiz night, raising an additional \$488! The enthusiasm and involvement from everyone, including those who donated prizes, was truly inspiring.

Although our blood drive was unfortunately cancelled this year, an event we know many staff and students look forward to, we were thrilled to continue the legacy by starting the breakfast club in Term 3. Despite the delays in starting due to the hall construction, it has since become a popular Tuesday morning event, with Milo and Nutella on toast being fan favourites.

Among all these activities, the highlight for us was undoubtedly Happy Week. Each day featured a lunchtime activity, with a slight hiccup due to rain on Monday. Tuesday's library karaoke showcased incredible talent, with solos and duets filling the room with an amazing atmosphere. Wednesday brought Taki Tahi day with lunchtime chalk art, and on Thursday, staff and



students competed in a multi-sport competition, with the staff clinching the win. The week concluded with a funfilled Friday afternoon of food trucks and activities, making for the perfect ending.

Overall, this year has been fantastic, not only because of the events but also due to the engagement and relationships we've built with the students. It's been a truly rewarding experience!



Gabrielle Siraa and Eve Tohnson



## SPORTS CO-CAPTAINS

As one of your Sports Co-Captains for 2024 it has been such an amazing opportunity to continue to build connections with the students at the school but also introduce new and fun initiatives to improve sport around the school. A highlight of this has been the introduction of the Friday lunchtime games, these are run every Friday in the stadium and is open for anyone to come and get involved. On the Friday we play some classic PE games but also add in some of the favorites like just dance. These games have been a highlight for Bella and me as we have been able to form connections with the younger students and watch

them create new friendships with each other. It was so awesome seeing everyone show up each Friday to get involved, it was a great way to end each week! Being your Sports Co-Captain for 2024 has been such a fulfilling experience seeing the involvement of sport increase throughout the school and we hope the new Sports Co-Captains carry this on into 2025!!

#### Olivia Earl

Year 13



It has been a privilege to be

Co-Sports Captain this year at New

this with loud, fun music and by creating a high energy vibe. Olivia and I have had great feedback from these sport activities, which was awesome!

Bella Wansbrough

### DUTDOOR EDUCATION Calleadere



Being the 2024 Outdoor Education Co-Leaders has been a blast for us and we have enjoyed interacting with a range of year levels while pushing our limits and having fun along the way! Our favourite Outdoor Education experience this year was at the start of Term One when we helped organise and attended the Year 9 TOPEC week.

Term One TOPEC week was a fantastic way for the Year 13 Leaders to get to know the new students attending our school. This facilitated meaningful conversations and gave the Year 9's a chance to ask all their burning questions



about NPGHS life, as well as having the opportunity to complete activities with them. This was an awesome experience as we were able to give a helping hand in forming relationships with their new peers and teachers and we were able to bring students out of their comfort zone, which was really rewarding to see others loving the outdoors as much as we do.

Alongside Term One TOPEC week we also attended the extra-curricular Year 9 and 10 TOPEC camp where we tramped up to Maketawa and Waingongoro Hut for a night, where we hiked, played cards, learnt how to use a spondonicle (camping pot handle), a portable gas cooker and had the immense fun of using a mountain

long drop which was a new experience for some as they had never encountered a non-flushing toilet.

Participating in these activities was a fantastic way to embrace the outdoors and create an unforgettable experience that you might not have the chance to enjoy after high school.

A special thanks to Miss Watton, Mr Robinson, and all the parents who helped throughout the week to make it all possible. We look forward to the end of year activities for Years 9 and 10 students which will give them the opportunity to get their hands dirty and get out and about in the outdoors. Also, they will be able to create unforgettable experiences that will stay with them thoughout their journey at New Plymouth Girls' High School.

Charlotte Bull and Tessica Whalley

Year 13

### ENVIRONMENT GO-LEADERS

2024 has been such a successful year for us Environmental Co-Leaders, with so many students getting involved to help mother nature.

Our first Environmental committee in Term 1 was such a success that we had over 100 applicants sign up with hopes of getting involved with their community and Kura this year.

We started the year off with Waste Free Period Product, where heathy and productive conversations were had about the waste and cost that these products create for us wahine. Free reusable products were given out, with the entire study full of students eager to learn how they can make a difference when it comes to period product waste.

On the 10th of April ten students and teacher Miss Kane visited the local Green School for the 2024 COP Symposium, a day where schools from all over the region come together and attend sustainable workshops and listen to environmentally passionate speakers. Students got to choose 3-4 activities, some choosing to make DIY school stationery, and others learning about "Teaspoons of Change", little things that we can all do to make a huge difference.

Term 3 led Stuti and I to organise New Plymouth Girls' High School's first ever Thrift Store. We spent two weeks gathering clothes outside of the hall, with students helping to organize and fold over 200 clothing items. On the day the hall foyer was packed with girls and





Environment Group

teachers keen for a purchase. We ended up raising over 200 dollars!

Several beach clean ups and plantings have taken place, with students attending Rapid Reforestation tree plantings.

Overall, this has been such a great year for our green team, and we'd like to thank everyone who joined us this year. Another special thank you Mr Forest

and Miss Kane who helped with all the organizing and were a great support system for Stuti and Sophie.

Sophie Thomas and Stuti Tiwari

Year 13

#### NPGHS Environment Group

Eight students volunteered their time to help with tree planting at Omata. Monique Camden, Penny Dixon, Gaganpreet Kaur, Arashpreet Kaur, Risha Nath and Sophie Thomas assisted with the planting of 330 trees organized by Rapid Reforestation – a community group based in Taranaki who are rapidly reforesting marginal land to absorb carbon emissions and increase native biodiversity.

### LIBRARY

It's been an absolute pleasure to take on the role of Library Leader for 2024! Our library has been buzzing with creativity, thanks to the incredible displays that have been set up throughout the space. I want to extend my gratitude to Mrs. Gunn for her tireless efforts in keeping our library running smoothly - her dedication is truly appreciated. Additionally, I'd also like to thank Jill for her remarkable art skills, which have brought so much visual appeal to our displays.

Library Week, held in May, was a huge success, and showcased the unity of our student librarians as they worked together to bring new and exciting activities to life. This year's highlights included a poetry slam, "Count the Books" (a creative twist on the traditional jelly bean jar contest), and engaging Kahoots/ book quiz sessions. But the fun didn't stop there! Our library has continued to host lively activities like karaoke and music sessions during lunchtimes, fostering a welcoming atmosphere for all. We've also had the pleasure of collaborating with student(s) from Waimarie, making this year's library experience a truly special and welcoming

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atmosphere. Thank you again to Mrs. Gunn and our talented student librarians for making it all possible!

Sievra Robinson

Year 13



#### STUDENT LIBRARIANS

**Back Row:** Charlotte Wischnowsky, Hannah Wilkinson, Kyla Baker, Juliet Solomons, Bella Lorth, Caitlin Crowe, Ramaya Ram

**3rd Row:** Joshaun Scheepers, Lia Barton, Kaitlyn Theobald, Sierra Robinson, Kainana Anterea, Diya Barthi, Rivani Arunachellam, Chloe Allerton

**2nd Row:** Lily Watchorn, Claire Feltoe, Hannah Willemen, Margot Harrison, Lily Powell, Kaylee Rutherford, Sophie Dodunski, Sue Gunn (Librarian)

**Front Row:** Aisha Gemala, Alyssa Khay, Crystal Ammundsen, Mikaela Tice, Marie Wilkinson, Kayje Lal, Harshal Nand, Risha Nath

Absent: Molly Armstrong, Reese Brodie, Rachel Gammon, Madelyn Gunn, Miri Sandbrook, Gabrielle Siraa, Alizae Takerei

### INTERNATIONAL AND GLOBAL PERPECTIVES LEADER

International Leader was great opportunity to experience this year. New Plymouth Girls' High School has long history of participating in international exchanges. This year as a school we hosted students from Japan, Germany, Soloman Islands and many more. This not only opened a pathway those international students but also connected them to Aotearoa and our own school. This role allowed me to connect with many students from different backgrounds and cultures as well as learn more about the diversity we have within our Kura. I believe that

it is important to promote the various cultures that we are so privileged to have at New Plymouth Girls' High School. I really enjoyed this role as it gave me the chance to better understand the world around me as well as help others do the same. I hope that New Plymouth Girls' High School is able to host many other schools and strengthen the existing friendships and help build many more.

Mahika Maidoo

Year 13



### SCHOOL COUNCIL SECRETARY



As School Council Secretary, I've enjoyed working with students from all different year groups and other leaders to bring in new initiatives.

This year as a student council we wanted to continue some of the work from last years student council by finalising the process for the new student recognition system, Eke Panuku. This system was created to recognise student achievements which previously weren't celebrated or recognised, as they weren't eligible for Honours or Iti Rearea.

At the beginning of the year, we decided as a council that to get around the one Taki Tahi Day per term we would also incorporate one awareness day per term. This meant that students could wear a corresponding accessory

with their uniform, in order to raise awareness for more important charities. This year our Taki Tahi Days supported Star Jam, Kids Can, and the Mental Health Foundation, raising over \$900 for each charity, and bought awareness to organisations such as Pink Shirt Day.

This year the Student Council also took on board the responsibility of producing the monthly issue of the Pānui. Producing the Pānui was a great way to recognise events going on within the

school as well as introduce our student leaders and new teachers.

Some of the highlights of this role for me was being able to support the head girls and work with a variety of students from different year groups, organising student volunteers for Daffodil day as well as taking photos for the Pānui.

Aimee Oakey

Year 13



SCHOOL COUNCIL

**Back Row:** Nataya Lumluksanaphaiboon, Aimee Oakey, Abigail Williamson, Lili Herbert, Freya Kleinsorge, Aanvi Ram

**2nd Row:** Hannah Oke, Amber Storer, Sophie Thomas, Hayley Tewhata, Danielle du Buisson, Mollie Tipene, Ranui Rodger

**Front Row:** Rujula Chitnis, Anneleen Lingenfelder, Charlotte Butler, Katie Clement, Anna-Victoria Francis, Harriet Muller

Absent: Macey Austin, Eve Johnson, Gabrielle Siraa, Tamara Te Waaka

## LEPDERS 2024



**3rd Row:** Greer Upson, Thea Betts, Emmerson Jones, Jessica Whalley, Katie Clement, Ranui Rodger, Tamara Te Waaka, Kalissa Giddy, Grace Ruben Back Rows. Aimee Oakey, Zoe Magnussen, Sierra Robinson, Meg Newland, Anna-Victoria Francis, Macey Austin, Matilde Silva, Olivia Earl

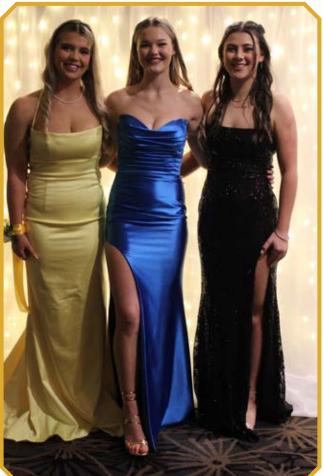
2nd Row: Mahika Naidoo, Laura Pickles, Bella Wansbrough, Hayley Tewhata, Amy Vickers, Ashleigh Blume, Eve Johnson, Sophie Thomas, Brett McFarlane (Deputy Principal)

Frant Row: Nataya Lumluksanaphaiboon, Charlotte Bull, Cara Hollard, Mollie Tipene, Danielle du Buisson, Charlotte Butler, Hana Barton, Rujula Chitnis, Amber Storer

Absent: Varya Kern, Fiapito Seufale, Gabrielle Siraa, Sophia Wischnowsky

# SCHOOL BALL

The Year 13 Ball, a long-anticipated event since Year 9, shone with its "Class of 24K" theme on the 21st of June at the Plymouth International Hotel. Paying homage to the leaving Class of 2024, the night was infused with gold, glitz, and glamour.



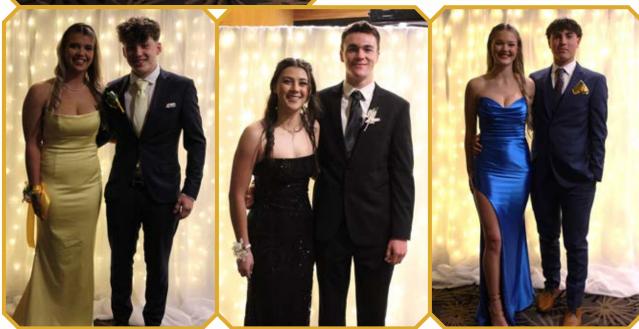
The venue sparkled thanks to the Ball Committee's hard work. A golden birdcage, mirrors, angel wings and sparkling lights transformed the space into an enchanting scene, setting the scene for an unforgettable night. The carefully curated decor provided the perfect backdrop for capturing memories of the special event. Having a professional photographer and photo booth on hand ensured that the stunning looks and fun times would not be forgotten.

Throughout the evening, prizes highlighted standout moments. Rujula Chitnis won Best Dressed while Portia Plumtree and Eden Fairweather were our princesses of the ball. One of the night's most exciting moments came when Head Girls, Danielle du Buisson, Mollie Tipene, and Charlotte Butler, performed a dance with their ball dates. Later, the Heads of Houses and Hostel Leaders joined them for another group performance. The grand finale was a combined dance by all Year 13 students, a tribute to their final year.

This event was a celebration of friendships, memories, and the journey we've shared since Year 9. It was an unforgettable part in the final chapter of our high school journey, a night where we could simply have fun and create memories that will last long after graduation. The "Class of 24K" truly made the night shine – a golden send-off for a class nearing the end of their high school years.

Sophie Thomas and Greer Upson

Year 13









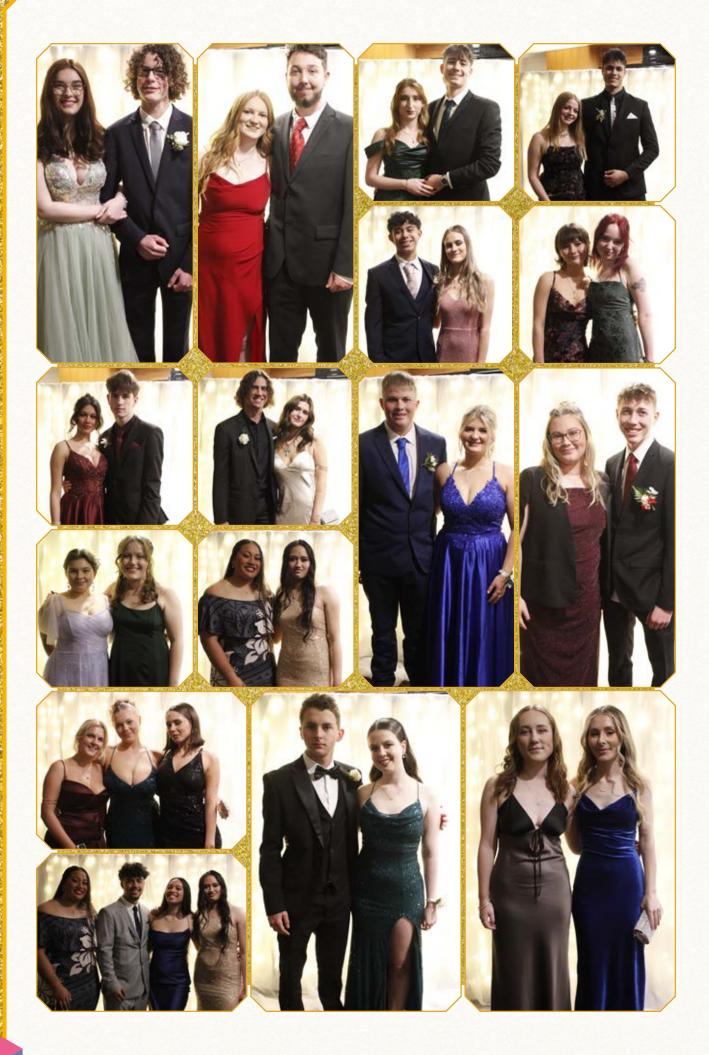












### NORLO VISION HOHR CHALLENGE

# This year, NPGHS partook once again in fundraising for the 40-hour challenge, raising the phenomenal amount of \$2823.30!!

The theme this year was climate change. The focus was looking at its impact on countries, specifically Timor-Leste that has been badly hit by floods and cyclones. It followed the story of a girl named Pasquela whose family's crops had been destroyed by the harsh and wet weather conditions. This not only impacted their food supply, but their entire livelihood as they lost their income and had to forfeit their education. Pasquela's family is just one of many.

As part of our fundraising campaign, our school's 40-hour Challenge Committee decided to run a quiz night. This took place on the 27th of June in the Year 13 Study, and the committee worked hard all afternoon cleaning,

setting up and decorating it in the world vision colours of orange, white and black - some of the Year 13s may have noticed some evidence of this the next week! This was a long day for all the girls (and Mrs Bellas!) involved, with being at school for about 12 hours this day. A big thank you to all of them!

We had five groups partake in the quiz night, and it was amazing to see all the involvement, enthusiasm and teamwork displayed by everyone as they tried their best to win the amazing prizes that were up for grabs. Altogether, with the entry fee, donations and money from our bake sale, we managed to raise \$488 from this event alone!

A huge thank you to PaknSave, New World, Be Ba Bo Hair salon and Footloose shoes for donating all the amazing prizes – we couldn't have done it without them!!

On top of this, we also had the many amazing girls who, either with friends or



by themselves, took up the challenge of participating in the 40-hour challenge. Whether you went 40 hours without technology, furniture or completed a 40km bike ride, you are amazing, and the money you raised will be a game changer for many families like Pasquela's. Ka Pai!

It was wonderful to see NPGHS continue to contribute to such a worthy cause, and I challenge you all to get involved in next year's 40-hour challenge!

Gabrielle Siraa

Year 13

### SFDD

Students Against Dangerous Driving (SADD) is a student-led organisation dedicated to promoting road safety and empowering young people to make informed choices on New Zealand roads. Whether you're a driver, pedestrian, cyclist, motorist, or passenger, road safety impacts us all. The decisions made while driving can change lives in an instant.

At New Plymouth Girls' High School, we've enjoyed an exciting range of events in 2024 designed to engage students in discussions about road safety and enhance their leadership skills. These activities include workshops, presentations, and interactive games. Year 13 students Tahlia Camden, Meg Newland, and Thea Betts also attended a three-day SADD conference in Wellington, where they connected with like-minded students and significantly improved their coordination skills.

I've had the privilege of serving as a national leader for SADD in 2024,



2024 Wellington conference

alongside ten other students from across New Zealand. In this role, I've advocated for safety on New Zealand roads and represented SADD on both national and international stages. Meeting a diverse range of students has enriched my experience, helping me gain invaluable skills in advocacy and public speaking. I encourage every student to consider getting involved in SADD, as it's a fantastic opportunity to make a meaningful impact while developing as a leader.

Being part of SADD goes beyond road safety; it's a chance to connect with likeminded people, enhance your leadership abilities and positively influence our communities. Keep an eye on notices from the NPGHS SADD committee to discover how you can get involved and make a difference in our school!

Congratulations to Year 12 student Lily Powell, who will take on the role of a national leader for 2025.

Thea Betts

Year 13

### UN YOUTH REGIONAL EVENT

On the 23rd of August, students from across Taranaki gathered for the annual Model United Nations held in our Year 13 study.

The event was a day filled with engaging debates on the right to freedom of information. Each student took on the role of a delegate, representing different countries in a simulation of a real United Nations conference. This experience encouraged participants to adopt new perspectives and develop critical thinking skills. Year 13 student Nataya Lumluksanaphaiboon shared her excitement, stating, "I had so much fun debating and representing Gabon in the 2024 New Plymouth Model UN. It was a great experience, and I would recommend anyone to try it out!"

The event provided a fantastic opportunity for NPGHS students to act as global citizens, enhancing our understanding of international relations and diplomacy. Delegates boosted their networking and public speaking skills by presenting their positions on relevant issues, drawing on research about their assigned country's policies. We learned how to articulate our arguments clearly, with some advocating for greater transparency in government, while others focused on the potential risks of unrestricted information access. We are grateful to UN Youth for hosting such an impactful event at New Plymouth Girls'





High. It has inspired the next generation of leaders to reflect on the challenges our world faces today.

Thea Betts

Year 13

### Student Volunteer Army

Our Student Volunteer Army contributed to Youth Volunteer Week. Volunteering efforts included baking for Te Rangimarie Hospice, beach clean-ups and knitting for the Neonatal Ward and Little Fighters Trust. Wonderful mahi and teamwork.





## PRIZE-GIVING

### New Zealand Scholarships 2023

#### **Awarded Outstanding Scholarship**

Ruby Hales	
Photography	Year 13
Awarded Scholarship	
<b>Hana Barton</b> English	Year 12
<b>Molly Cameron</b> Photography	Year 12
<b>Libby Clegg</b> Photography	Year 13
<b>Amani Colgan</b> Photography	Year 13
<b>Holly Dixon</b> Biology	Year 13
<b>Natasha Forest</b> Geography	Year 12
<b>Aaliyah Green</b> Photography	Year 12
<b>Arwen Hobson</b> Sculpture	Year 13
<b>Larni Horgan</b> Photography	Year 13
<b>Varya Kern</b> Chemistry	Year 12
<b>Varya Kern</b> Physics	Year 12
<b>Varya Kern</b> Music	Year 12
<b>Jazelle Peters</b> Photography	Year 13
<b>Grace Ruben</b> Photography	Year 12
Nancy Yu	

Music

### Senior Prize-giving 2024

### Sports Awards

#### Heidi ALBON

Hockey Distinction
The McCluggage Trophy for Excellence in Hockey

#### Kahsia BAILEY-NOWELL

Basketball Distinction
The Cleaver Cup for Excellence in
Basketball

#### Charlotte BLACKMORE

Cricket Distinction

#### Matilda BUBLITZ

Basketball Distinction

#### Charlotte BUTLER

Cricket Distinction The Vikki Corlett Trophy for Most Valuable Player 1st XI Cricket Team

#### Katie CLOUGH

Football Merit

The O'Keefe Trophy for the Most Valuable Team Member for All-Round Contribution to 1st XI Soccer

#### Leah DALLINGER-MOSS

Basketball Merit Rugby Distinction

#### Macy DEATH

Basketball Merit

The Toni Roberts Cup for Most Valuable Senior Player

#### Janelle DHEDADIG

Rugby Distinction
The Carrie Lobb Cup for Most
Improved Player

#### Lilly DOWSING

Year 12

Football Distinction
The McInally Cup for Excellence in Soccer

#### Casey DRAKE

Hockey Distinction The Kirsty Grieve Cup for Leadership in Hockey

#### Meike DRINKWATER

Golf Distinction

#### Charlize DUNCAN

Athletics Merit Track & Field Merit The Intermediate Championship Cup Hockey Distinction

#### **Amy ELLIS**

Athletics - Track & Field Distinction

#### Keziah FAKAVAMOEANGA

**Rugby Distinction** 

#### Phoenix FRASER

Rugby Distinction

#### **Ebonee GOOD**

Netball Distinction The Most Outstanding Senior Netballer Cup (Shared)

#### **Lucy HATCHARD**

Badminton Distinction

#### Stella HENWOOD

**Netball Distinction** 

#### Keira HIDE

Hockey Distinction

#### Madeline HOBO

Swimming Distinction Runner Up to Intermediate Swimming Champion

#### Petra HOFMANS

Adventure Racing Distinction The Fleming/Paterson Cup for Outstanding Performance in Adventure Racing

#### Cara HOLLARD

Cricket Distinction
The McDonalds Cup for Cricketer of the Year

#### Meisha HOPKINSON

Indoor Volleyball Distinction
The Cup for Most Improved Senior

#### **Emma JAMIESON**

Athletics - Cross Country Runner Up to Senior Champion

#### Arabella JONES

Netball Umpiring Senior Game Official of the Year Cup for Netball Umpiring

#### Jasmin KEMSLEY

**Rugby Distinction** 

#### Jacquelyn KOWALEWSKI

Adventure Racing Distinction
Athletics - Cross Country Distinction
The Sonia Barry Trophy for Senior
Cross Country Champion
Athletics - Track & Field Distinction
The Senior Champion Cup
Hockey Merit

#### **Charley LAHMERT**

**Rugby Distinction** 

#### Milla LASH

Hockey Distinction

#### Harper LEATUAFI

**Netball Distinction** 

#### Faith LOKENI

Rugby Merit

The Kendra Cocksedge Trophy for the Most Dedicated New Player

#### Sophia LOUIS

**Netball Distinction** 

The Carolyn Phear Trophy for Leadership, Outstanding Performance and Commitment to Premier 1 Team (Shared)

#### Georgia LUSCOMBE

Trophy Hockey Distinction

The Deborah Armstrong Trophy for Outstanding Contribution to 1st XI Hockey

#### Laura MCNEIL

Equestrian

The TOPS Cup for the highest aggregate points

Equestrian

The Elizabeth Matthews-Benny Cup for the highest scoring Show Jumper

#### Diya MENON

Cricket Distinction

#### Zoe MILLER

Cricket Distinction

#### **Estelle MONK**

Adventure Racing Distinction Hockey Merit

#### Iveti NAU

**Netball Distinction** 

#### Darcy O'SULLIVAN

Adventure Racing Distinction Hockey Merit

#### **Aria PACK**

Football Distinction

#### Mia PADRUTT

Hockey Merit

The Hodge Cup for Most Improved Hockey Player

#### **Zoe PARR**

Skiing

The Sally and Katie Wolfe Cup for Best All-Round Skier

#### Sasha RASMUSSEN

Football Distinction

#### Isabelle (Izzy) ROBINSON

Golf Distinction

#### Kaylee RUTHERFORD

**Badminton Distinction** 

#### Marley SAMPSON

Athletics - Track & Field Runner Up to Intermediate Champion

#### Jordi SANDS

Basketball Distinction

#### Addison (Addi) SCHWIRTLICH

Indoor Volleyball Distinction The Dickson Trophy for Outstanding Player

#### Anika SCOTT

Cricket Distinction Sutherland Sports World Trophy for Most Promising Player

#### Eva SCOTT

**Badminton Distinction** 

#### Chanya SEASTRAND

Badminton Distinction

The Badminton Cup for Excellence, Achievement and Attitude

#### Martha SIMON

Badminton Distinction

#### Aarnya SIMPSON

Rugby Distinction Trophy Touch Rugby The Conal Grant Trophy for Most Outstanding Touch Player

#### Santina SNOOKS

Basketball Distinction

#### Ella STAPLES

Football Distinction

#### Amber STORER

Rugby Distinction

#### **Hayley STORER**

Rugby Distinction The Carrie Lobb Cup for Most Valuable Player

#### Jayda STRUTHERS

Hockey Distinction

#### Hayley TEWHATA

Athletics - Track & Field
Runner Up to Senior Champion
Netball Distinction
The Most Outstanding Senior
Netballer Cup (Shared)

#### Georgia THEODORE

**Hockey Distinction** 

#### Ella THIRD

Football Distinction

#### **Erica THOMPSON**

Indoor Volleyball Distinction The Edmund Poh Cup for the Most Valuable Senior Player

#### Amy VICKERS

**Netball Distinction** 

The Jamilah Gupwell Trophy for Most Promising Senior Netball Player The Carolyn Phear Trophy for Leadership, Outstanding Performance and Commitment to Premier 1 Team (Shared)

#### **Bella WANSBROUGH**

Swimming Merit The Senior Champion Cup

#### **Natalie WITHERS**

**Hockey Distinction** 

### Sports Special **Awards**

Oliver Trophy for House Swimming Tainui

Miss Stevens Memorial Cup for House **Athletics** 

#### Tokomaru

NPGHS PE & Sport Department's Team of the Year Cup

**FOOTBALL 1ST XI** 

### Year 11 Diligence **Awards**

Millah ADAM, Karin (Ellie) ATKINS, Kyla BAKER, Lia BARTON, Victoria (Tori) BAYLEY, Ella BECK, Lucy CHRISTIAN, Rachael CHRISTIAN, Olivia CORIN, Caitlin CROWE, Imogen DEN-MCKAY, Sophie DODUNSKI, Charlize DUNCAN, Jasmyn ENGERT, Claire FELTOE, Annie FISHER, Cian FLANNAGAN, Molly FLETCHER, Amelia FOREST, Georgia FOX, Melody GORDON, Emma HALE, Ashlee HAY, Scarlet HELMS, Sophia HOLDER, Madelyn (Maddy) HOUGHTON, Princess Rica (Rica) JAGMIS, Jasmin KEMSLEY, Shanzey KHAN, Alyssa KHAY, Ally (Pixie) LAURSEN, Casey MAGON, Emily MATTHEWS, Emma MUIR, Bethan MULLISS, Darcy O'SULLIVAN, Aria PACK, Zoe PHILLIMORE, Kaylee POLLOCK, Addison PRYCE, Beatrice (Beattie) RILEY, Jaya ROBINSON, Oralee RODGER, Joshaun SCHEEPERS, Pearl SHEARER, Portia SOLOMONS, Ruby STRINGER, Rebecca SURGENOR, Grace THOMAS, Mikaela TICE, Sabine WAKEMAN, Tait WEBBY, Hannah WILLEMEN, Samara (Sammy) WOLFE

### Year 11 Academic **Awards**

#### Crystal AMMUNDSEN

Mrs Bruning's Memorial Prize for Achievement in Art

#### Aaliyah ANAHA

First in Te Reo Māori

#### Karin (Ellie) ATKINS

First in Spanish (Shared)

#### Kvla BAKER

First in Food and Nutrition

#### Mireille BAKER

First in French

#### Tahlia BELCHAMBER

First in Health (Shared)

#### Matilda BUBLITZ

The Cup for First in Sports Science and Physical Education (Shared)

#### Mikayla BURNS

First in Hospitality

#### Lucy CHRISTIAN

First in Geography First in Science

First in Social Studies

The Special Magazine Prize for Short Story

#### Olivia CORIN

First in Chemistry - Level 2 (Achieved as a Year 11)

#### Sophie DODUNSKI

Cup The Hadden Cup for Year 11 Speech

#### Jasmyn ENGERT

First in Drama

#### Cian FLANNAGAN

The Gower Cup for Food and Nutrition

#### Amelia FOREST

#### First in History

The Christine Harris Cup for Piano and One Other Instrument

#### Melody GORDON

First in Music and The Oswald Mills Rosebowl for Music

#### Scarlet HELMS

The Cup for First in Sports Science and Physical Education (Shared)

#### Princess Rica (Rica) JAGMIS

First in Design & Visual Communication

#### Jasmin KEMSLEY

First in Textiles Technology

#### Alyssa KHAY

First in Digital Technology The Helen Thomson Prize for Mathematics

#### Celine MAXWELL

First in Dance

#### **Estelle MONK**

First in Health (Shared)

#### **Emma MUIR**

Trophy The Practical Sewing Award

#### Aria PACK

First in English

#### Ava PARKES

The Marion Ruscoe Memorial Tray for Practical Cookery

#### Poppy (Luka) PHILLIPS

First in Digital Visual Arts

#### Kaylee POLLOCK

First in Music - Level 2 and The Kerry Christiansen Cup (Achieved as a Year

#### Neomi Estephanie (Neomi) QUINDO

First in English Language

#### Jaya ROBINSON

First in Animal and Plant Science

#### Joshaun SCHEEPERS

First in Design Technology and The Clelands Design Award

#### **Heather SMALE**

First in Commerce First in Spanish (Shared)

#### Allison VAN ZYL

First in Visual Arts

#### **Hollie WEBSTER**

First in Māori Performing Arts

### Top Overall Scholars Year 11

Lia BARTON

Olivia CORIN

Sophie DODUNSKI

Jasmyn ENGERT

Amelia FOREST

Jasmin KEMSLEY

Darcy O'SULLIVAN

Kaylee POLLOCK

Heather SMALE

Portia SOLOMONS

### YEAR 11 Special Awards

#### Aliyah MAAKA

The Waimarie Award

To the student who aspires to summit their own Maunga

#### Charlize DUNCAN

Josie Cleaver Cup

For High Performance in Sport - Year 11

#### Taya HARVEY-SMITH

The Elsie Andrews Memorial Prize

For Positive Attitude and Diligence

#### Nang (Lily) KHAM

The Bay of Plenty Old Girls' Association Prize

For Greatest Improvement Under Difficulties

#### Maia HORI

The Old Girls' Scotlands Hostel Award and The Whakamua Prize

For Oral Māori

#### Amelia FOREST

Whiting Cup

For General Excellence in Year 11

### Year 12 Diligence Awards

Maya ANNANE, Paige ANSLEY, Hannah ARMSTRONG, Isabella BARRETT, Aleigha BIGHAM-SMITH, Charlotte BRADBURN, Monique CAMDEN, Jorja CASTLES, Tahlia CHIAN, Kayley CLARK, Lila CORRAL, Penelope (Penny) DIXON, Casey DRAKE, Emma EAGAR, Aisha GEMALA, Sienna HAMANN, Joanna HARRISON, Ava HASHEMI, Neve HUDSON, Jade HUFFAM, Lara IPPEL, Sophie IRONS, Arabella JONES, Alexandria (Alex) JUFFERMANS, Yusong (Rayna) KIM, Naomi LANDRETH, Lili LAY, Harper LEATUAFI, Anneleen LINGENFELDER, Faith LOKENI, Georgia LUSCOMBE, Coco MARSHALL-KIRBY, Lucy MARTIN, Laura MCNEIL, Samantha MCNEIL, Diya MENON, Lihini MORATUWAGE, Harriet MULLER, Nor ayni NASYRE, Risha NATH, Alice OBREJA-DAMIAN, Lily POWELL, Zoe RAWLES, Madelaine (Madge) RILEY, Wanganui WILLIE

PENI (SEUFALE), Edie SHEPLEY, Skye SIMPHALIVANH, Isabelle THEOBALD, Kaitlin TIPPETT, Emily VAN DAM, Danielle VICKERS, Amy WATSON, Emma WESTBURY, Brooke WOODHEAD, Shiyi (Grace) YANG

### Year 12 Academic Awards

#### Felicity AISH

The Enterprise Studies Cup

#### Hannah ARMSTRONG

First in Biology - Level 3 (Achieved as a Year 12)

#### Dana BAKER

First in Classical Studies

#### Aleigha BIGHAM-SMITH

First in Food and Nutrition First in Health

#### Jorja CASTLES

First in Tourism Overall Excellence in STAR -Classroom Vocational Training

#### Tahlia CHIAN

First in Economics First in History First in Mathematics

#### Penelope (Penny) DIXON

First in Design & Visual Communication First in Photography

#### Sienna HAMANN

First in Enterprise Studies The Lauren Tennent Cup for Business Studies

#### Joanna HARRISON

First in Accounting

#### Maleah HETA

Overall Excellence in Gateway -Workplace Vocational Training

#### Madeleine (Maddi) HOPKINS

First in Drama

#### Kierah HOSKING

First in Art Design

#### **Neve HUDSON**

Mrs Bruning's Memorial Prize for Achievement in Art

#### Jade HUFFAM

The Magazine Prize for Creative Writing

#### Hailey JOHNSON

First in Shape Your Future

#### Arabella JONES

First in Hospitality

#### Alexandria (Alex) JUFFERMANS

The Instrumental Music Cup

#### Yusong (Rayna) KIM

First in Calculus - Level 3 (Achieved as a Year 12)

The Doone Smeaton Cup for General Excellence in Level 3 Sciences -Chemistry, Biology and Physics -Level 3 (Achieved as a Year 12)

#### Jacquelyn KOWALEWSKI

First in Sports Science and Physical Education

#### Lili LAY

The Hamerton Wilson Prize for Botany

#### Madeleine LEEKS

First in Textiles Technology

#### **Lucy MARTIN**

First in Geography

#### Pippa MCEWEN

First in Science Internal

#### Sineade MCGRATH

First in Mathematics with Statistics The Magazine Prize - Runner Up

#### Diya MENON

First in Physics (Prize presented by NZ Institute of Physics)
First in Social Studies

#### Chloe MUIR

First in Spanish The Outstanding Shakespearian Performance Cup

#### Nor ayni NASYRE

First in English Language

#### Alice OBREJA-DAMIAN

First in Music - Level 3 (Achieved as a Year 12)

Mrs Bruning's Memorial Prize for Achievement in Art History

The Doris Veale Cup for General Excellence in Music

The George Thomas Hooper Scholarship for Violin

#### Lulu PARKINSON

First in Digital Technology

#### Oracle RANGI

Overall Excellence in Trades Academy

#### Madelaine (Madge) RILEY

First in Art History

#### Isabelle (Izzy) ROBINSON

First in Media Studies

#### **Eizra SAUNDERS**

First in Māori Performing Arts

#### Martha SIMON

First in Biology

#### Isabelle THEOBALD

First in English and The Kate Fletcher Cup for English - Level 3 (Achieved as a Year 12)

First in Te Reo Māori First in Visual Arts

#### **Zoey VERSTER**

First in Animal and Plant Science

#### **Amy WATSON**

First in English Mr. Hatherley's Prize for Strings

#### Jessa WELLS

First in Dance

#### **Brooke WOODHEAD**

First in Design Technology

### Top Overall Scholars Year 12

#### Hannah ARMSTRONG

Monique CAMDEN

Tahlia CHIAN

Aisha GEMALA

Yusong (Rayna) KIM

Diya MENON

Alice OBREJA-DAMIAN

Isabelle THEOBALD

**Amy WATSON** 

### Year 12 Special Awards

#### Chadelle BASCARA

The Barry Marnoch Cup

For High Performance in a Chosen Sport

#### Jacquelyn KOWALEWSKI

The Wendy Morgan Memorial Cup

For Sportsmanship, Leadership and Service in Sport Cup

#### Harriet MULLER

The Rebecca, Courtney & Olivia Eaton Cup

For Leadership, Sports & Academic Excellence

#### McKenzie ROWLANDS

The Clarice Douglas Memorial Prize For Positive Attitude and Diligence

#### Kainana ANTEREA

The Barbara Harrison Memorial Cup

For Courage and Perseverance in the Face of Adversity (Shared)

#### Yusong (Rayna) KIM

Aderman Cup

For General Excellence in Year 12

### Year 13 Diligence Awards

Molly ARMSTRONG, Hana BARTON, Courtney BEATTIE, Sydney BECKER, Leila BENTON, Thea MACDONALD-BETTS (BETTS), Ashleigh BLUME, Charlotte BULL, Charlotte BUTLER, Caitlin CHAMBERLAIN, Rujula CHITNIS, Yeha (Scarlett) CHOI, Louise CLARKE, Grace CLEMENT, Katie CLOUGH, Mia COOPER, Abbie DAKEN, Danielle DU BUISSON, Amy ELLIS, Jayde ENGERT, Hui Yi FONG, Natasha (Tasha) FOREST, Tara GREINER, Kailey HASTIE, Nicole HODSON, Sharna HOLLWAY, Joseph HOWARD, Emma JAMIESON, Arashpreet KAUR, Lauren KEIGHLEY, Gabrielle KEITH, Varvara (Varya) KERN, Cerys LEWIS, Nataya LUMLUKSANAPHAIBOON, Aliyah MAAKA, Zoe MAGNUSSEN, Agnus MARTIN, Jayda NEUSTROSKI, Meg NEWLAND, Grace O'DOWDA, Elsie PALMER, Neve POST, Linda RITTISAT, Grace RUBEN, Patricia (Isa) SAULON, Anika SCOTT, Jamie SHERIDAN, Matilde SILVA SAINZ (SILVA), Gabrielle SIRAA, Amber STORER, Bernadette SULU, Isabel THOMAS, Sophie THOMAS, Erica THOMPSON, Hayley TIPPETT, Ellazae TOLHOPF, Isabella TREADWAY, Greer UPSON, Amy VAN ZYL, Jasmine WATSON, Sophia WISCHNOWSKY, Nishita YADAV, Yanmeng (Nancy) YU

# Year 13 Service to the School & Academic Awards

#### Ella ACE

First in Dance

#### Caitlin ADAMSON

First in Fitness and Recreation First in Tourism

Overall Excellence in Gateway -Workplace Vocational Training

#### Macey AUSTIN

Service to the School - Honohono Co-Leader

#### Hana BARTON

Service to the School - Performing Arts Leader (Drama)

The Bayly Cup for Outstanding Service to Drama

The Gaskin English Prize

The Gaskin Shakespeare Prize

#### Courtney BEATTIE

The Photolife Studios Certificate

For Recognition of Achievement in Visual Art

#### Sydney BECKER

The Nicola Morine Passion for the Performing Arts Cup

#### Leila BENTON

First in Accounting and The Gemma Tennent Cup for Accounting

The Biological Science Prize presented by L A Alexander Trust for Diligence in Level 3 Animal and Plant Science

The Washer Cup for Agriculture and Horticulture

### Thea MACDONALD-BETTS (BETTS)

Service to the School - Tainui Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

#### Ashleigh BLUME

Service to the School - Aotea Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

#### Charlotte BULL

Service to the School - Outdoor Education Co-Leader

#### Charlotte BUTLER

Service to the School - Kaitiriwā (Deputy Head Girl)

The Taylor Cup for Kaitiriwa

#### **Molly CAMERON**

The Julie Chadwick Prize for Drama

#### Rujula CHITNIS

First in Printmaking

Service to the School - Tainui Waka Huia Leader

#### Yeha (Scarlett) CHOI

First in Economics and The Lyndsay Patten Cup

First in Social Studies and The John Walmsley Cup for Social Studies

#### Katie CLEMENT

Service to the School - Kurahaupo Waka Huia Leader

#### Katie CLOUGH

First in Food and Nutrition First in Sports Science and Physical Education (Shared)

First in Statistics Internal

#### Mia COOPER

First in Geography and The Pamela Hine Geography Prize

#### Ava DAVIDSON

First in Biology Internal

#### Danielle DU BUISSON

Service to the School - Manu Tāiko (Head Girl)

The W H Jones Memorial Cup for Manu Taiko

#### Olivia EARL

Service to the School - School Sports Co-Captain

The Special Memorial Prize for School Sports Co-Captain (Prize presented by Mrs McCarthy) (Shared)

The Stella McAuley Cup for School Sports Co-Captain (Shared)

#### Eden FAIRWEATHER

The Louise Duckmanton Cup for Achievement at Awhina

#### Hui Yi FONG

Mrs Bruning's Memorial Prize for Achievement in Art

#### Natasha (Tasha) FOREST

The Georgina McMullan Prize for Mathematics

#### Anna-Victoria (Anna) FRANCIS

Service to the School - Scotlands Hostel Head Boarder

The Molly Wills Rosebowl for the Head Girl of Scotlands

#### Catherine FREW

The Port Nicholson Band Trust Cup for Brass

#### Kalissa GIDDY

Service to the School - Performing Arts Leader (Dance)

The Suzee Freeman 'Spirit of the Dance' Award for All Round Contribution to Dance

#### Kailev HASTIE

First in Animal and Plant Science and The Biological Science Prize

#### **Devon HEREMAIA**

The Photolife Photography Award

#### Nicole HODSON

First in Digital Technology

#### Cara HOLLARD

Service to the School - Tokomaru Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader The Annual Award for Singing

#### Sharna HOLLWAY

First in Art Design

#### Keisha HOUPAPA

First in Māori Performing Arts

#### Emma JAMIESON

First in Chemistry and The Keith Sewell Memorial Cup for Chemistry First in Sports Science and Physical Education (Shared)

#### **Eve JOHNSON**

Service to the School - Hauora Co-Leader

#### **Emmerson JONES**

Service to the School - Aotea Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

#### Varvara (Varya) KERN

First in Classical Studies

Service to the School - Academic Leader (Traditional Sciences)

The NZ Institute Physics Prize for Practical Work

#### Cerys LEWIS

First in Textiles Technology

#### Nataya LUMLUKSANAPHAIBOON

First in History and The Gaskin History Prize

Overall Excellence in STAR -University Courses

Service to the School - Board of Trustees Student Trustee

The NPGHS Board of Trustees Prize for the Student Trustee

#### **Zoe MAGNUSSEN**

Service to the School - Performing Arts Leader (Music)

The Barbara Morrison Memorial Cup for Services to School Music

The St Cecelia Award for Music

#### Kennedy MAY

Overall Excellence in 3+2 Career Training

#### Georgia MUMBY

Overall Excellence in STAR - Classroom Vocational Training

#### Kingslee MUNRO-NEAL

Overall Excellence in Trades Academy Vocational Programme

#### Mahika NAIDOO

Mrs Bruning's Memorial Prize for Achievement in Art History

Service to the School - International and Global Perspectives Leader

#### Meg NEWLAND

Service to the School - Kurahaupo Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

#### Aimee OAKEY

Service to the School - School Council Secretary

The Karilyn Findlay Cup for the most conscientious student in Food and Nutrition

#### Grace O'DOWD

The Joanna Harrison Cup for English Essay

#### **Elsie PALMER**

The Daily News Centenary Literary Prize

The Mahy Prize for Woodwind

#### Laura PICKLES

First in Drama

Service to the School - Tainui Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

The Mary Rush Vase for Excellence in Drama

#### **Neve POST**

First in Te Reo Māori

#### Linda RITTISAT

First in Statistics External

#### Sierra ROBINSON

First in English Internal Service to the School - Library Leader The A & K Scanlon Memorial Prize for Writing

#### Ranui RODGER

Service to the School - Tokomaru Waka Huia Leader

#### Laura ROSS

First in Shape Your Future

#### **Grace RUBEN**

Service to the School - Scotlands Hostel Manaakitanga Leader

#### Patricia (Isa) SAULON

The Photolife Studios Certificate for Recognition of Achievement in Digital Media

#### Fiapito WILLIE PENI (SEUFALE)

Service to the School - Pasifika Leader

#### Matilde SILVA SAINZ (SILVA)

Service to the School - Academic Leader (Traditional Arts) The Burgess Trophy for Senior Speech

#### Gabrielle SIRAA First in Health

Service to the School - Hauora Co-Leader

#### Kunkunsiri (Karla) SRITUM

First in English Language

#### **Emily STEELE**

First in Design Technology

#### **Amber STORER**

Service to the School - Kurahaupo Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

#### Hayley TEWHATA

Service to the School - Aotea Waka Huia Leader

#### Tamara TE WAAKA

Service to the School - Honohono Co-Leader

#### Sophie THOMAS

First in Design & Visual Communication

First in Media Studies

Service to the School - Environment Co-Leader

The Most Significant Contribution to Health, Safety and the Environment Cup - Environment Leader

#### Mollie TIPENE

Service to the School - Kaitiriwā (Deputy Head Girl)

The Brooke Muggeridge Cup for Kaitiriwā

#### Amélie TIPPETT

The Diane Eagles Memorial Cup for Music and Drama

The Featherstone Cup for Choral Music

#### Isabella TREADWAY

The AICA NZ Prize Awarded to the Most Improved Year 13 Student in Level 3 Chemistry

#### Freyja TYLER-CASSATT

First in Sculpture

#### **Greer UPSON**

First in Art History

First in Painting

Service to the School - Visual Arts Leader

#### **Amy VAN ZYL**

First in Photography

#### **Amy VICKERS**

Service to the School - Tokomaru Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

#### **Bella WANSBROUGH**

Service to the School - School Sports Co-Captain

The Special Memorial Prize for School Sports Co-Captain (Prize presented by Mrs McCarthy) (Shared)

The Stella McAuley Cup for School Sports Co-Captain (Shared)

#### Jessica WHALLEY

Service to the School - Outdoor Education Co-Leader

#### Sophia WISCHNOWSKY

Service to the School - Technology Leader

#### Yanmeng (Nancy) YU

First in Physics

### Top Overall Scholars

#### Charlotte BUTLER

Natasha (Tasha) FOREST

**Emma JAMIESON** 

Varvara (Varya) KERN

Nataya LUMLUKSANAPHAIBOON

Linda RITTISAT

Yanmeng (Nancy) YU

### University Passes

#### Hana BARTON

University of Massey

Half year paper Introduction to English Literature

#### University of Massey

Half year paper Prize Winning Fiction

#### Charlotte BUTLER

#### University of Victoria

Half year paper Introduction to Global Studies: Collaboration in Global Contexts

#### University of Massey

Half year paper Introductory Mathematics for Science

#### Rujula CHITNIS

#### University of Waikato

Half year paper Climate Change

### Natasha (Tasha) FOREST

#### **University of Canterbury**

Full year paper AIMS -Advancing in Mathematical Science

#### University of Waikato

Half year paper Climate Change

#### University of Massey

Half year paper Our Dynamic Earth

#### Varvara (Varya) KERN

University of Canterbury

Full year paper AIMS -Advancing in Mathematical Science

#### University of Canterbury

Half year paper The Cosmos: Birth & Evolution

#### Nataya LUMLUKSANAPHAIBOON University of Waikato

Half year paper Economics for Business & Management

#### University of Waikato

Half year paper Introduction to Leadership

#### University of Waikato

Half year paper Forensic & Criminological Psychology

#### **Erica THOMPSON**

#### University of Canterbury

Half year paper Introductory Psychology - Brain, Behaviour & Cognition

#### University of Canterbury

Half year paper Introductory Psychology Social, Personality & Developmental

#### Isabella TREADWAY

#### University of Canterbury

Half year paper The Cosmos: Birth & Evolution

#### University of Massey

Half year paper Our Dynamic Earth

#### Natasha (Tasha) FOREST

Overall Excellence in University Courses

### University Scholarship Awards 2024

#### Hana BARTON

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

#### Leila BENTON

First Foundation Scholarship

**Massey University** - First Year Student Bachelor of Agribusiness Scholarship

### Thea MACDONALD-BETTS (BETTS)

Taranaki Careers & Training Expo Scholarship

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

**University of Canterbury** -Outstanding Impact Scholarship

University of Otago - Leaders of Tomorrow Entrance Scholarship

#### Reese BRODIE

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

**University of Auckland** - Vaka Moana Scholarship

#### Charlotte BULL

Taranaki Careers & Training Expo Scholarship

#### Caitlin CHAMBERLAIN

Massey University Undergraduate First Year Scholarship - School Leavers

Taranaki Careers & Training Expo Scholarship

#### Rujula CHITNIS

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

**University of Otago** - Academic Excellence Entrance Scholarship

#### **Grace CLEMENT**

University of Otago - Māori Entrance

#### Mia COOPER

Massey University - Outstanding Social Sciences Excellence Award

#### Gemma FEEK

**University of Otago** - 150th Entrance Scholarship

#### Kailey HASTIE

Massey University Undergraduate First Year Scholarship - School Leavers

Taranaki Careers & Training Expo Scholarship

#### **Emma JAMIESON**

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

#### Lauren KEIGHLEY

Wellington Global Exchange Grant Wellington International Experience Grant

#### Varvara (Varya) KERN

Helen Macmillan Brown Bursary

Massey University - Outstanding Humanities Excellence Award

TAIT Foundation WiE CAN Scholarship

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

**University of Canterbury** - Go Waitaha Canterbury

#### Nataya LUMLUKSANAPHAIBOON

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

**University of Otago** - Academic Excellence Entrance Scholarship

**University of Waikato** - "Ko Te Tangata" Scholarship

#### Zoe MAGNUSSEN

Tangiwai Excellence Scholarship

#### Meg NEWLAND

**University of Waikato** - Scholarship for Outstanding Academic Achievement

#### **Elsie PALMER**

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

**University of Otago** - Academic Excellence Entrance Scholarship

#### Laura PICKLES

**University of Otago** - Performance Entrance Scholarship

#### **Neve POST**

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

**University of Otago** - Academic Excellence Entrance Scholarship

#### Linda RITTISAT

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

#### **Grace RUBEN**

**University of Auckland** - Top Achiever Scholarship

**University Of Auckland** - Vaka Moana Scholarship

#### **Anika SCOTT**

**University of Otago** - Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship

#### Eva SCOTT

First Foundation Scholarship

#### Matilde SILVA SAINZ (SILVA)

**University of Waikato** - Ko Te Tangata

#### Gabrielle SIRAA

**University of Waikato** - Ko te Tangata School Leaver Scholarship

#### **Emily STEELE**

Wellington International Experience Grant

#### **Amber STORER**

**University of Waikato** - Ko te Tangata School Leaver Scholarship

#### **Greer UPSON**

Tangiwai Excellence Scholarship

#### Milla VAN BEERS

**University of Otago** - 150th Entrance Scholarship

#### **Annah WATSON**

**University of Otago** - 150th Entrance Scholarship

#### Jasmine WATSON

**University of Waikato** - Ko te Tangata School Leaver Scholarship

#### Nishita YADAV

**University of Otago** - 150th Entrance Scholarship

#### Yanmeng (Nancy) YU

**University of Otago** - Performance Entrance Scholarship

#### Otago University

Priscilla Sandys Wunsch Trust Scholarships - 4 confidential recipients

**TOTAL VALUE \$811,500** 

# Year 13 Special Awards

#### Tainui

The Top Waka Huia Shield donated by the late Dr Adams-Smith

For the Highest Score in Activities, Sports and Academic Endeavours

#### Day Girls

The Edna Barker Cup

For Day Girls V Boarders Competition

#### **Elsie PALMER**

Excellence in Youth Leadership (Prize presented by YMCA)

#### **Amy ELLIS**

The Liam O'Neill Prize

For Tenacity

#### Keisha HOUPAPA

The Barbara Harrison Memorial Cup

For Courage and Perseverance in the Face of Adversity (Shared)

#### Sophie THOMAS

The Rebecca Crofskey Memorial Trophy

For Friendship (as voted by the Year 13s)

#### The Penny Butt Cup

For Promotion of School Spirit

### Thea MACDONALD-BETTS (BETTS)

The Spotswood Centennial Award

For Outstanding Service to the School

#### Zoe MAGNUSSEN

The Spotswood Centennial Award

For Outstanding Service to the School

#### Rujula CHITNIS

The Naomi McKean Cup

For Friendship, Courage and Wisdom

#### Katie CLOUGH

Et Comitate, Et Virtute, Et Sapientia

The Toni Street Cup

For Support of the Manu Taiko (Head Girl)

#### Macey AUSTIN

The Tu Tama Wahine Trophy

#### **Zoe MAGNUSSEN**

The Belle Moller Award

For Outstanding Service to the School

#### Varvara (Varya) KERN

Doc & Lorna Riddle Memorial Prize Celebrating Achievement in Science and Arts

#### Charlotte BUTLER

The Excellence in Work and Sport Cup

#### **Elsie PALMER**

The Joanne Murphy Cup

For Excellence in Work and Performing Arts

#### (Yanmeng) Nancy YU

The Year 13 Diligence Prize

#### **Greer UPSON**

The Excellence in Work Cup

#### Nataya LUMLUKSANAPHAIBOON

The Vernon Parkinson Cup

For General Excellence in Year 13

### NPGHS Scholar Awards

These students have been awarded Top Overall Scholar Badges in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024.

#### Charlotte Butler and Nataya Lumluksanaphaiboon

### The Cup for Runner Up to Dux Ludorum

This award is presented to the second highest ranking Year 13 student in sporting endeavours

#### **Amy VICKERS**

#### The Excellence in Sports Cup for Dux Ludorum

This award is presented to the highest-ranking Year 13 student in sporting endeavours. Prize Presented by The Waikato Branch of The Old Girls' Association.

#### Bella WANSBROUGH

### The Chloe Muggeridge Cup for Proxime Accessit

This award is presented to the runner up to Dux Literati and is the second highest academic award. The Helen Thompson Memorial Scholarship presented by the New Plymouth Old Girls' Association and The Chloe Muggeridge Cup for Proxime Accessit

#### Natasha (Tasha) FOREST

The Dux Ring for Dux Literati
This award is presented to the
highest-ranking Year 13 student in
academic endeavours.

The Helen Thompson Memorial Scholarship presented by the New Plymouth Old Girls' Association and The Dux Ring for Dux Literati

Varvara (Varya) KERN



### Junior Prize-giving 2023

### Sports Awards

**Certificates of Merit** 

Aaliyah ANAHA

Netball

Kiana BREWER

Adventure Racing

Myana BUCKA-CHRISTENSEN

Hockey

Sophia DRAKE

Hockey

Milla ELLIS

**BMX** 

**Elle GARDINER** 

Rugby

**Melody GORDON** 

Cricket

Emma HALE

Netball, Volleyball

Lucy HONEYFIELD

Football

**Ella JAMES** 

Hockey

Naavah JORDAN

Football

Millah KELLER

Hockey

Zoey KEMP

Basketball

Freya KLEINSORGE

Hockey

Sierra LEE

Football, Futsal

Caitlyn LUCMAYON

Volleyball

Leah LUSCOMBE

Hockey

Mischa LYES

Hockey

Portia MASON

Adventure Racing

Chloe MCGREGOR

**Futsal** 

Hazel MCLEOD

Volleyball

**Bethan MULLISS** 

Adventure Racing, Athletics - Cross Country, Hockey

**Lilly NAUGHTON** 

Basketball

Kaley STOCKWELL

Athletics - Track & Field

Harper SUTHERLAND

Basketball

**Lucy SWAN** 

Football

Coco TIHEMA-WALSH

Rugby

Lexi WHITE

Hockey

**Taylor WILSON** 

Hockey

Millie WOLFE

Hockey

Samara (Sammy) WOLFE

Adventure Racing

Paige WOODHEAD

Hockey

Year 9 Top Overall Scholar Awards

Sarah ANGLESEY

Hannah DUNNET

Esha EUSTACE

Jessica FIELD

Claire FREW

Grace HOOPER

Azra KHAN

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Issabella (Bella) LORTH

Aamna MEMON

Gemma WEBBY

Year 9 Special Prizes

Sarah ANGLESEY

The Helen Riley Cup for Year 9 Drama AND The Lumley Cup for Year 9 Music

**Charlotte ROACH** 

The Magazine Prize - Runner Up

**Emilee VENABLES-ZHOU** 

The Magazine Prize for Short Story

Marie WILKINSON

The Ian Menzies Memorial Prize for Year 9 Music

Claire FREW

The Ian Menzies Memorial Prize for Junior Band

Azra KHAN

The Taranaki Mathematics and Statistics Teachers Association Prize

Elizabeth CATTY

The Junior Cup for Year 9 Speech Competition

Esha EUSTACE

The Karen Fox Cup for Junior Orchestra

Ayana JOHNSON

The 9PR 2010 Cup for Most Improved Year 9 Mathematics AND Top Overall Awhina Award

**Isobel BOUTEREY** 

The Whakamua Prize for Oral Māori

Aamna MEMON

The Courtney Muggeridge Cup for General Excellence in Year 9

Year 9 Overall Diligence Awards

Itrat AFROZ, Scarlet-Rose (Scarlet)
AITKEN, Sarah ANGLESEY, Tessa
AUSTIN, Bliss BAIRD, Elena BARRON,
Taya BENCE-SCULPHER (BENCE),
Tanana BOUEKA, Isobel BOUTEREY,
Kiana BREWER, Pippa GROTRIAN
(BROOKE), Paxton BURKE, Elizabeth
CATTY, Neela CORKIN, Neive DAVISON,
Hannah DUNNET, Mikayla EAGLES,
Mishka EDNEY-PITTWOOD, Esha
EUSTACE, Devaux FABISH JONES,
Jessica FIELD, Claire FREW, Maddi
GOODCHAP, Katie GORRIE, Holly
GREGORY, Vivienne (Viv) SHERWOOD-

HALE (HALE), Charlotte HASKELL, Lola (Skye) HEPBURN, Addison HILL, Grace HOOPER, Neha HURBUNS, Abby HURLEY, Ella INGLE, Brooke JACKSON, Azra KHAN, Sara KRAAYENHOF, Sierra LEE, Issabella (Bella) LORTH, Leah LUSCOMBE, Katie MARTIN, Portia MASON, Hazel MCLEOD, Gemma MCNULTY, Maheli MEDAGEDARA, Aamna MEMON, Harshal NAND, Demi NEWLAND, Thai (Miu Miu) NGUYEN, Alexi O'BYRNE, Amelia PRESTIDGE, Olivia (Olive) PRESTIDGE, Maika RAUPUTU, Isla REID, Trelise RIDDELL, Bena RIDDICK, Charlotte ROACH, Samantha ROACH, Holly ROBERTSON, Catherine (Cate) ROCK, Anouk ROOD, Kaelynn ROSS, Lily SARSFIELD, Kiara SCOTT, Juliet SOLOMONS, Eve STEVENSON, Jayla STONE, Lucy SWAN, Kaitlyn THEOBALD, Charlotte TURNER, Elizabeth TURNER, Sophie VAN DEN BRAND, Emilee VENABLES-ZHOU, Emma WARREN, Lily WATCHORN, Gemma WEBBY, Hannah WEST, Hannah WILKINSON, Marie WILKINSON, Jade WILLANS, Orenia WILLIAMS, Charlotte WISCHNOWSKY, Eden WISEMAN

### Year 9 Subject Prizes

#### **Itrat AFROZ**

Nature of Technology

#### Scarlet-Rose (Scarlet) AITKEN

Design Technology, English, Food & Nutrition, Music, Physical Education, Visual Arts

#### Sarah ANGLESEY

Design Technology, Digital Technology, Drama, English, Mathematics, Nature of Technology, Te Reo Māori, Spanish

#### Tessa AUSTIN

English, Nature of Technology, Physical Education

#### Taya BAILEY

Te Reo Māori

#### Elena BARRON

Food & Nutrition, Physical Education

#### Taya BENCE-SCULPHER (BENCE)

Nature of Technology

#### **Molly BERNDT**

Science, Te Reo Māori, Visual Arts

#### Makita BOON

Food & Nutrition

#### Isabella (Bella) BRAGGINS

Visual Arts

#### Kiana BREWER

Design & Visual Communication, Digital Technology, Drama

#### Pippa GROTRIAN (BROOKE)

Food & Nutrition, Nature of Technology, Te Reo Māori

#### Sophie BUNN

Nature of Technology, Te Reo Māori

#### Elizabeth CATTY

Visual Arts

#### **Alexia CLEMENT**

Design Technology, Te Reo Māori

#### Neela CORKIN

Digital Technology, Food & Nutrition

#### Shyla DAVIES

Te Reo Māori

#### **Emma DAVIS**

Physical Education

#### **Neive DAVISON**

Food & Nutrition, Te Reo Māori

#### Hannah DUNNET

Design & Visual Communication, English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science

#### Mikayla EAGLES

Design & Visual Communication, Digital Technology, Food & Nutrition, Spanish

#### Esha EUSTACE

Mathematics, Robotics, Science

#### Jessica FIELD

Design Technology, Drama, English, French, Mathematics, Science, Social Science

#### Charlise FISHER

Drama

#### Claire FREW

English, Food & Nutrition, Mathematics, Music, Science

#### Sophie FREYRIA

French

#### Maddi GOODCHAP

Te Reo Māori

#### Katie GORRIE

Textiles Technology

#### **Holly GREGORY**

Food & Nutrition

#### Lainey HANCOCK

Physical Education

#### Peyton HANCOCK

Physical Education

#### **Blake HARDY**

Te Reo Māori

#### Charlotte HASKELL

Food & Nutrition

#### Natalee HESSELL

English

#### Lucy HONEYFIELD

Physical Education

#### **Grace HOOPER**

Design Technology, Drama, English, Mathematics, Music, Science, Spanish

#### **Ruby HORGAN**

Physical Education

#### **Ella INGLE**

Te Reo Māori

#### **Brooke JACKSON**

Nature of Technology, Textiles Technology

#### Camdyn (Cammie) JOHNSON

Digital Technology, Drama

#### **Zaria JONES**

Food & Nutrition

#### **Azra KHAN**

Digital Technology, English, Science, Spanish

#### Sara KRAAYENHOF

French

#### Kayje LAL

Nature of Technology, Robotics

#### Elise LAWRENCE

Physical Education

#### Emma LEE

Physical Education

Alexis LIND

Dance

Issabella (Bella) LORTH

English, French, Social Science

Caitlyn LUCMAYON

Design & Visual Communication

Holle MARRINER

Physical Education

Katie MARTIN

English, Science

**Grace MATAAFA** 

Spanish

Hazel MCLEOD

English

Maheli MEDAGEDARA

Design & Visual Communication, Visual Arts

Aamna MEMON

English, Mathematics, Nature of Technology, Science, Social Science

Isla MUTCH

Physical Education

Harshal NAND

Visual Arts

Demi NEWLAND

English, Mathematics

Thai (Miu Miu) NGUYEN

Design & Visual Communication, Food & Nutrition, Mathematics, Nature of Technology, Science

Hannah OKE

Dance

Elliott O'KEEFE

Mathematics, Spanish

**Esther POCHING** 

Te Reo Māori

Amelia PRESTIDGE

Design & Visual Communication, Digital Visual Art

Olivia (Olive) PRESTIDGE

Design Technology, Nature of Technology, Robotics

Maika RAUPUTU

Digital Visual Art

Morgan RAWLINSON

Physical Education

Isla REID

Drama, Spanish, Visual Arts

Serena RITTISAT

Design & Visual Communication

Charlotte ROACH

Spanish

Samantha ROACH

Te Reo Māori

Holly ROBERTSON

Dance, Design & Visual Communication, Food & Nutrition, Mathematics

**Anouk ROOD** 

Digital Technology

Kaelynn ROSS

Textiles Technology

Molly RUKUWAI

Physical Education

Kiara SCOTT

Social Science

Aisha SCRIVENER

Physical Education

Olivia SIFA

Physical Education

Xanthe SMITH

Te Reo Māori

Juliet SOLOMONS

Food & Nutrition, Mathematics, Science

**Eve STEVENSON** 

Social Science, Visual Arts

**Lucy SWAN** 

Te Reo Māori

Autumn FELSTEAD (TE WHATA-FELSTEAD)

Dance

Kaitlyn THEOBALD

Design & Visual Communication, Design Technology

Coco TIHEMA-WALSH

Nature of Technology

Reija TREACY WOLNIK

Physical Education, Textiles Technology

Sophie VAN DEN BRAND

Design & Visual Communication, English, Textiles Technology

**Emilee VENABLES-ZHOU** 

Digital Visual Art, Physical Education

**Emma WARREN** 

Music

**Lily WATCHORN** 

Nature of Technology

Gemma WEBBY

Design & Visual Communication, English, Food & Nutrition, Mathematics, Science, Visual Arts

Hannah WEST

Drama, Nature of Technology

Hannah WILKINSON

French, Mathematics

Marie WILKINSON

Mathematics, Music, Science, Social Science, Visual Arts

Jade WILLANS

Textiles Technology

Orenia WILLIAMS

Visual Arts

**Charlotte WISCHNOWSKY** 

Design & Visual Communication, English, Mathematics, Nature of Technology, Te Reo Māori

### Year 10 Top Overall Scholar Awards

Olivia CORIN

Jasmyn ENGERT

Amelia FOREST

**Emaan MALIK** 

**Estelle MONK** 

Emma MUIR

Bethan MULLISS

Darcy O'SULLIVAN

Kaylee POLLOCK

Portia SOLOMONS

### Year 10 Special Prizes

#### Allison VAN ZYL

The Magazine Prize

For Creative Writing

#### Emma MUIR

The Helen Thompson Prize

For Mathematics

#### **Cahill SIEBERT-WHITE**

The Marion Ruscoe Memorial Tray

For Practical Cookery

#### **Emaan MALIK**

The Jean Sowry Memorial Prize

For Practical Sewing

#### **Grace KING**

The Taranaki Mathematics and Statistics Teachers Association Prize

#### Sophie DODUNSKI

The Prentice Cup

For Year 10 Speech Competition

The Ngaire Riley Cup

For Year 10 Drama

#### Kaylee POLLOCK

The Rachel Olsen Cup

For Year 10 Music

#### Wenarata TEEPA

The Whakamua Prize

For Oral Māori

#### Kahsia BAILEY-NOWELL

The Stewart Cup

For Best All-Round Junior Sportsperson

#### Hannah WILLEMEN

The Rod Duncan Memorial Cup

In recognition of Persistence and Strength of Spirit

#### Kaitlyn PERKINS

The Oonagh Ogle Memorial Cup

Awarded to a Year 10 student who has a good attitude and is hard working.

#### Kaylee POLLOCK

The Paige Muggeridge Cup

For General Excellence in Year 10

### Year 10 Overall Diligence

Jasmine ABERDEIN, Merope (Miro) AMOORE, Karin (Ellie) ATKINS, Teghan AUSTIN-THOMPSON, Kyla BAKER, Diya BARTHI, Lia BARTON, Victoria (Tori) BAYLEY, Ella BECK, Asha BENCE-SCULPHER (BENCE), Samantha BENTALL, Claudia BROCK, Matilda BUBLITZ, Enya BURGER, Emily CLARKE, Rhiannon COLLINS, Olivia CORIN, Caitlin CROWE, Liané DE BRUYN, Imogen DEN-MCKAY, Maia DINNISON, Sophie DODUNSKI, Charlize DUNCAN, Sarah DUNCAN, Jasmyn ENGERT, Claire FELTOE, Molly FLETCHER, Amelia FOREST, Melody GORDON, Deborah GRAHAM, Emma HALE, Chloe HALGRYN, Janell HALGRYN, Taya HARVEY-SMITH, Chloe HATCH, Ashlee HAY, Scarlet HELMS, Sophie HUNT, Princess Rica (Rica) JAGMIS, Vrinda JAUHARI, Millah KELLER, Jasmin KEMSLEY, Disha KHANOLKAR, Grace KING, Freya KLEINSORGE, Milla LASH, Casey MAGON, Emaan MALIK, Emily MATTHEWS, Queenie MCCLUTCHIE, Estelle MONK, Emma MUIR, Bethan MULLISS, Darcy O'SULLIVAN, Aria PACK, Ava PARKES, Kaitlyn PERKINS, Zoe PHILLIMORE, Kaylee POLLOCK, Addison PRYCE, Laya RAJANEESH, Tazanna REDDY, Beattie RILEY, Jaya ROBINSON, Ellie ROGERS, Pearl SHEARER, Cahill SIEBERT-WHITE,

Heather SMALE, Portia SOLOMONS, Rebecca SURGENOR, Georgia TELFER, Grace THOMAS, Sienna TOGHILL, Allison VAN ZYL, Charlotte WATKINS, Tait WEBBY, Hannah WILLEMEN, Lily WILSON-PAGE, Samara (Sammy) WOLFE

### Year 10 Subject Prizes

#### Keira ADAMS

Te Reo Māori

#### Sydney AINSWORTH

Design & Visual Communication

#### Karin (Ellie) ATKINS

Physical Education

#### Mireille BAKER

French

#### Lia BARTON

Animal & Plant Science, Drama

#### **Shiloh BAYLIS**

Te Reo Māori

#### Ella BECK

Digital Visual Arts

#### Tahlia BELCHAMBER

Digital Technology

#### Samantha BENTALL

Food & Nutrition

#### Matilda BUBLITZ

Physical Education, Te Reo Māori

#### **Enya BURGER**

Digital Visual Arts

#### **Lucy CHRISTIAN**

Mathematics, Science

#### **Emily CLARKE**

Mathematics

#### **Grace CLOUGH**

Physical Education

#### Olivia CORIN

English, Mathematics, Social Science, Visual Arts

#### Rylei-Jay (Rylei) DELLOW

Physical Education

#### Imogen DEN-MCKAY

English

#### Maia DINNISON

Science, Sports Education

#### Sophie DODUNSKI

Drama, English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science

#### Sophia DRAKE

Mathematics

#### Charlize DUNCAN

Physical Education, Social Science, Sports Education

#### Alexis (Lexi) ELEMAM

Physical Education

#### **Ruby EVANS**

Physical Education, Sports Education

#### Cian FLANNAGAN

Mathematics, Social Science, Te Reo Māori

#### Molly FLETCHER

Sports Education

#### Amelia FOREST

Social Science, Te Reo Māori, Textiles Technology, Visual Arts

#### Dahntay FRIEDRICH

Physical Education

#### **Melody GORDON**

English

#### Deborah GRAHAM

Mathematics

#### **Emma HALE**

English, Food & Nutrition, Physical Education, Science

#### Janell HALGRYN

English, Visual Arts

#### Scarlet HELMS

Food & Nutrition, Mathematics, Physical Education, Social Science

#### Bianca HOFFMANN

Dance

#### Te Aho HOPE

Te Reo Māori

#### Vrinda JAUHARI

English

#### Holly JOHNSON

Physical Education

#### Grace KING

Digital Visual Arts, Science

#### Freya KLEINSORGE

Physical Education

#### Milla LASH

Physical Education

#### Casey MAGON

English

#### **Emaan MALIK**

Business Studies, Mathematics, Visual Arts

#### **Estelle MONK**

English, Sports Education

#### Annabelle MOORE

Visual Arts

#### **Emma MUIR**

Design Technology, English, Science, Textiles Technology

#### **Bethan MULLISS**

Physical Education, Science

#### Darcy O'SULLIVAN

Design & Visual Communication, English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Sports Education

#### Aria PACK

Science, Spanish

#### Zoe PHILLIMORE

Visual Arts

#### Yelena POCHING

Physical Education

#### Kaylee POLLOCK

Animal & Plant Science, Business Studies, Music

#### Laya RAJANEESH

Animal & Plant Science, Digital Technology

#### Ellie ROGERS

English, Visual Arts

#### Kaylee RUTHERFORD

Business Studies, Physical Education

#### Pearl SHEARER

Food & Nutrition, Sports Education

#### Nala SINGH

Mathematics

#### Heather SMALE

English, Science

#### **Amber SMITH**

Physical Education

#### Santina SNOOKS

Visual Arts

#### Portia SOLOMONS

English, Mathematics, Science

#### Myah STOLTE

Physical Education

#### Rebecca SURGENOR

Drama

#### **Libby TITO**

Physical Education

#### Sienna TOGHILL

English, Music, Science, Spanish

#### Imogen WEBBER

Textiles Technology

#### Lexi WHITE

Physical Education

#### Paige WILSON

Visual Arts

#### Natalie WITHERS

Physical Education

#### Samara (Sammy) WOLFE

Social Science

### First in Subject -Level 1 Subjects

#### Jasmyn ENGERT

First in English - Level 1 (Achieved as a Year 10)

#### Amelia FOREST

First in Mathematics with Algebra and Statistics - Level 1 (Achieved as a Year 10) AND First in Science - Level 1 (Achieved as a Year 10)

# THE ARTS

### VISUAL ARTS AND ART HISTORY

There has been so much to celebrate and be proud of after a year of creativity in very productive learning spaces. We began the year celebrating the success of our ākonga in last year's Visual Arts NCEA external and Scholarship examinations.

Congratulations to the following ākonga who received a New Zealand Scholarship: Sculpture - Arwen Hobson; Photography - Libby Clegg, Amani Colgan, Lani Horgan, Jazelle Peters, Grace Ruben (Year 12), Aaliyah Green (Year 12), Molly Cameron (Year 12) and to Ruby Hale who gained an Outstanding Scholarship in Photography. Ruby's Photography portfolio was also selected to tour the country in the NZQA Top Art exhibition. Ka pai!

With the Visual Arts rooms a hive of art making, the study of Art History continued to enrich our ākonga to become curious about the world prior to their existence and the change in art and society to help develop their understanding of the world. Many artists and artworks were discussed, critiqued and analysed from 19th-century French Art, Italian Renaissance and European Modernism. I say to you all, "travel the world".

There was excitement in getting our bi-annual Sydney Biennale trip up and running again. The last trip was pre COVID back in 2018. It was an absolute joy for Bridget Wright and me to take 24 students to experience a range of historic and contemporary art practice from around the world exhibited throughout Sydney. The 2024 Taranaki Foundation Emergence Art Awards was held this year at the Percy Thomson Gallery in Stratford, and we had many students from Years 9 -13 submit work. Huge congratulations to Rujula Chitnis who won the overall Supreme Award for her artwork and \$2000. Her artwork titled

Dancers captured the beauty of Indian dance forms such as Bharatnatyam, where each movement tells a story. Congratulations to Amelia Prestidge, Year 10, who was judged second overall, and Kaelynn Ross, Year 10, was third. Congratulations to Greer Upson, Year 13 who won the Secondary School Award, with Natalie Dahl Barry, Year 9 gaining second, Addison Schwirtlich, Year 13 third and Celina Ramsdale, Year 13 and Rebekah Cleary, Year 9 gaining Merit. Greer Lock, Year 12 won a Special Award, First time exhibitor.

Further highlights this year were:

- Arts Week celebrated many ākonga who got involved in lunchtime activities; Pavement Art, Wearable Arts, and the ever-popular Avant-Garde Hair Art.
- Three established New Zealand Artists gave lunchtime talks during Terms 1 – 3. These were well attended and inspiring for Visual Arts ākonga
- Taranaki Schools Exhibition was held at The Collaboration on Devon Street. The opening night was pure celebration of the talent we have at Girls' High. Years 9-13 ākonga exhibited artwork with some selling their work
- Drawing Club was a new initiative that Visual Arts Leader Greer Upson led. Fortnightly throughout Terms 2-3 at lunchtime, ākonga would turn up to draw, collaborate and laugh through their imagination
- Level 3 portfolios were on showcase in our library on the last day for seniors. This is always a rewarding showcase of creativity when ākonga can put their work on a portfolio and celebrate what they have accomplished. Ka pai to you all!
- Many ākonga joined the Visual Arts Committee led by our wonderful Visual Arts Leader Greer Upson. I want to thank Greer for being an

incredibly supportive and highly organised leader who encouraged students to get involved in Visual Arts initiatives. Congratulations to those who gained a Visual Arts Badge!

We farewelled Tanya Mercer at the end of 2023. Tanya was a dedicated Kaiako to her ākonga. She has been passionate in teaching Visual Arts and instrumental to so many programmes we offer including Level 2 Art History. Her supportive and caring nature empowered students to explore rich concepts that connected with who they are. Tanya will be dearly missed by our Kaiako and ākonga in Visual Arts and Art History. With Tanya's departure we welcomed Juliet Farquhar to our team. Juliet taught in the department before starting a family and brings a wealth of knowledge, expertise and enthusiasm to the team. Juliet has embraced her position and her ākonga have enjoyed their learning. I would like to express an enormous thank you to my Kaiako, Bridget Wright, Andrea Fanshawe, Megan Maton, Juliet Farquhar, Nick Bouterey and Katie Smith for their passionate delivery of Visual Arts, loyalty, professionalism, and commitment to our TEAM and the relentless dedication to ākonga achievement.

Kirsty Grieve

HoD Visual Arts / Art History

























### FUSIC

2024 started off a bit differently than other years as the Music Department needed a new roof and the exterior painted so we moved everything into the Old Gym.

The acoustics in that building are pretty great, making choirs and instrumental groups sound amazing but teaching in that space certainly had its challenges and we ended up in there for most of Term 1. Itinerant Lessons were also in odd places including the Exercise Room off the Old Gym and the Bouncy Room which is as the name suggests is bouncy, well some of the floor is anyway. Everyone handled the disruption well and we got through it and came out the other side relatively unscathed!

Orchestra Day this year was at Inglewood High School, and we played a great programme of four works: Romeo and Juliet, Go West (a medley of Western movie theme tunes), Best of Bruno Mars (which Year 13 student, Elsie Palmer, conducted), and The Magic of Harry Potter.

Chamber Music had loads of groups again this year with Elsie, Varya, Nancy, Kaylee and Zoe winning with their awesome flute group.

Rockquest was quieter this year with only three band entries, so we'd love to see more soloists get involved. The bands had a great time and sounded awesome too!

African Drumming was a new initiative that has really taken off along with Karaoke in the library! The talent show was outstanding and the support from the audience really showed what makes NPGHS so great.

The choir, Jubilate, took out the Taranaki regional of the Big Sing and made it to the Lower North Island Cadenza in Hamilton with a composition by Mrs Woller, I'll Cut My Heart, and a composition by Matua Rihari, Maumaharatanga. We also sang a lovely version of True Colours but the real crowd pleaser was Apple Tree by Aurora which had body percussion and percussion accompaniment. They gained Silver at Cadenza. Well done!

The NPBHS/NPGHS Stage Band went to Hamilton and gained Silver at the Waikato Bands Festival and then also made it to the finals of the Jazz Band-it Competition held in Wellington where they played brilliantly.

The NPGHS Jazz Band performed at the Taranaki Secondary Schools Jazz Day at the Jazz Club and did a stunning job. This was great preparation for going to MEFA.

On the 24-26 September, Mrs Woller, Mr Ray Farrow, Mr Robert Greenfield and Mrs Krissy Jackson took the Orchestra (Gold Award), Concert Band (Gold Award), Jazz Band (Silver Award) and Barbershop Chorus (Gold Award) to Wellington to the MusicWorks Ensemble Festival Aotearoa where they not only performed but also participated in a variety of workshops and massed groups. It was an amazing time had by all.

On an individual basis, Melody and Claire both made it into the NZSSBB and Catherine and Paige got into the Development Band. Varya made it into the NZYSW. Elsie, Nancy, Alice and Rayna were soloists in the Student Stars Concert with the TSO. Elsie came second in the senior section of the IRMT Young Musician, with Cici winning the Junior Section and Esha coming third. Amazing!

What was a true highlight of the year was the music department collaborating with both NZ Chamber Music and Waimarie and Awhina in the "Big I" workshop. An empowering day of music making occurred where mainstream students teamed up with students from Waimarie and Awhina to make music together. This is a moving experience for all, breaking down barriers and forming beautiful connections.



**HoD Music** 



#### ORCHESTRA

**Back Row:** Olivia Corin, Amelia Forest, Lucy Swan, Sarah Anglesey, Juliet Solomons, Claire Frew, Esha Eustace, Melody Gordon

**3rd Row:** Paige Chatterton, Imogen Sargent, Rujula Chitnis, Meike Drinkwater, Catherine Frew, Lucy Martin, Neve Post, Imogen Den-McKay, Kayje Lal **2nd Row:** Caitlin Crowe, Mia Padrutt, Sharmaine Manaena, Ellie Rogers, Nancy Yu, Orenia Williams, Grace Hooper, Katie Martin, Sophie Dodunski, Niky Brackstone

**Front Row:** Zoey Verster, Rayna Kim, Zoe Magnussen, Elsie Palmer, Alex Juffermans, Laura Pickles, Amy Watson, Amy Ellis, Natalie Bailey

**Absent:** Chloe Hatch, Varya Kern, Alice Obreja-Damian, Kaylee Pollock, Gabrielle Siraa, Emma Warren, Grace Warren, Marie Wilkinson



#### JUBILATE CHOIR

**Back Row:** Imogen Den-McKay, Hannah West, Diya Barthi, Ellie Jackson **3rd Row:** Esha Eustace, Bridgett Corbett, Sophie Dodunski, Sarah Anglesey, Jenna

Biddle

**2nd Row:** Waimiria Willison, Felicity Aish, Amélie Tippett, Hannah Willemen, Lily Powell, Sophie Thomas, Domini Gilliver

**Front Row:** Neve Post, Rayna Kim, Amy Ellis, Elsie Palmer, Niky Brackstone, Zoe Magnussen, Cara Hollard

**Absent:** Lara Ippel, Nina Manderson, Amarlia Morehu, Linda Rittisat, Helena Rollins, Kshipra Swamy



#### JAZZ BAND

**Back Row:** Lucy Swan, Tonia Almano, Alex Juffermans, Niky Brackstone, Sarah Anglesey

**Front Row:** Lujain Alaswad, Esha Eustace, Melody Gordon, Katie Martin, Claire Frew, Zoey Verster

Absent: Neve Hudson, Varya Kern, Kaylee Pollock



#### **CHAMBER MUSIC**

**Back Row:** Lujain Alaswad, Imogen Den-McKay, Greer Parkes, Paige Chatterton **3rd Row:** Marie Wilkinson, Izzy Robinson, Esha Eustace, Grace Clough, Melody Gordon

**2nd Row:** Sharmaine Manaena, Elsie Palmer, Nancy Yu, Laura Pickles, Alex Juffermans, Jenna Riddle, Felicity Aish

**Front Row:** Neve Post, Zoe Magnussen, Rayna Kim, Amy Ellis, Anandhi Saravanan, Cara Hollard, Zoey Verster

**Absent:** Jade Bjorklund, Dannielle Caskey, Isabel Fearns, Mahina Fore, Neve Hudson, Varya Kern, Amarlia Morehu, Valorien Motilal, Alice Obreja-Damian, Kaylee Pollock, Beattie Riley, Victorhea Tongi, Grace Warren, Emma Warring, Orenia Williams



#### **CONCERT BAND**

**Back Row:** Melody Gordon, Marie Wilkinson, Amelia Forest, Chloe Hotter, Claire Frew, Esha Eustace

**2nd Row:** Paige Chatterton, Lucy Martin, Katie Martin, Alex Juffermans, Orenia Williams, Catherine Frew, Imogen Den-McKay

**Front Row:** Zoey Verster, Zoe Magnussen, Laura Pickles, Elsie Palmer, Niky Brackstone, Natalie Bailey

**Absent:** Molly Berndt, Hazel McLeod, Kaylee Pollock, Emma Warren, Grace Warren, Nancy Yu



#### **UKELELE GROUP**

**Back Row:** Amy Watson, Lily Watchorn, Sarah Anglesey, Olivia Cavey **2nd Row:** Olivia Symon-Byrne, Thea Betts, Laura Pickles, Sophie Thomas, Mahika
Naidan

**Front Row:** Cara Hollard, Rayna Kim, Amélie Tippett, Jade Huffam, Elsie Palmer, Zoe Magnussen



#### SMOKEFREE ROCKQUEST

**Back Row:** Edie Rhodes, Alice Maycock, Maggie Chapman, Briar Price, Felicity Aish, lenna Riddle

**Front Row:** Lujain Alaswad, Anandhi Saravanan, Alex Juffermans, Izzy Robinson, Zoey Verster

**Absent:** Diya Barthi, Niky Brackstone, Grace Clough, Neve Hudson, Greer Parkes, Kaylee Pollock



2024 has been another dynamic enjoyable year in the Drama Department. It has been characterised by dedicated, enthusiastic students who have supported each other and approached their learning with enthusiasm.

Special mention goes to the 1DRA class who have worked really hard as we have come to grips with the requirements of the new NCEA level 1 standards- there could not have been a better bunch of students to journey with on this new path. They truly embody manaakitanga and whanaungatanga. Ka rawe koutou.

The department staff this year included Mrs Lisa Simpson as HOD and Mrs. Abigail McCrae as a capable sidekick.

We were fortunate to have amazing students at all levels- with many continuing their studies from previous years, some returning after a year away from Drama and realising the gap this had left in their lives! We also welcomed students new to the school who shared their talents with us, especially those new to Aotearoa who were experiencing

learning in Drama for the first time.

Class productions were again the highlight of the year for many students. This was challenging at times as the hall was out of action for the first half of the year. As was access to many costumes and props in storage. However, we are really enjoying the warmer building and the upgraded lighting and sound systems following the renovations.

Year 13 performed Bruce Mason's iconic New Zealand play The End of the Golden Weather and explored and performed scenes from A Midsummer Night's Dream and The Taming of the Shrew in the Taranaki Regional Shakespeare Festival. A number of Year 13s also participated int eh Egmont Lion's Clubs Maize Maze Fright Night as a fundraiser for the department, which enabled to class to go and see 4th Wall Theatre's excellent production of the musical Urinetown. The funds also subsidised the purchase of an iPad for the department, which will assist with recording and editing digital evidence for assessment.

Year 12 students studied the playwrights Bertolt Brecht and Thornton Wilder, performing scenes from Brecht's The Caucasian Chalk Circle and producing a standout version of Wilder's Our Town.

The 1DRA class explored scenes from two New Zealand playwrights as part of their classwork. One was Paolo Rotondo and Rob Mokaraka's Strange Resting Places and the other was Gary Henderson's The Big Blue Planet Earth Show. This class was also lucky enough to go to the TSB Showplace to watch Red Leap Theatre's fantastically physical production of Dakota of the White Flats.

The 10DRA class made their first public appearances on the school stage, performing School Under Seige about an experiment with potato growing that goes terribly wrong. They we supported by two self-directed works; a Year 9 and 12 extra-curricular production of one act play called Mr Stink and the Musical Theatre Club who shared a vivacious and polished number.

We would like to thank all our audiences. It felt great to share our work with you.

All the class productions and performances have been lively, showing



#### TARANAKI REGIONAL SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Back Row: Lujain Alaswad, Imogen Den-McKay, Zoey Niederberger, Laya Rajaneesh, Marley Mcdowell, Sian O'Mara 3rd Row: Natalie Bailey, Olivia Moorhead, Kyla Baker, Maddi Hopkins, Esha Eustace, Daina Thorpe, Amy Watson

2nd Row: Monique Camden, Zelma Garner, Ryann Windley, Ayda Mills, Evie Smith, Taryn Jackson, Briar Price, Sarah Anglesey, Claire Feltoe, Lisa Simpson (Teacher)

Front Row: Meg Newland, Chloe Muir, Hana Barton, Sydney Becker, Margot Harrison, Laura Pickles, Matilde Silva, Olivia Symon-Byrne, Kainana Anterea

Absent: Dana Baker, Briar Cooper, Camdyn Johnson, Valorien Motilal

wonderful ensemble work. It is always a huge effort to produce a play or complete an internal assessment and we are always pleased with the commitment, hard work and team spirit displayed by our students.

Extracurricular activities were able to proceed with few modifications this year. Arts week saw students participating in extreme charades and improvisation games. The Regional Shakespeare Festival saw over 60 students entered and performing to a high standard. Congratulations go to Sydney Becker and Laura Pickles who were selected to perform at the National Festival that was held in Wellington over King's Birthday weekend. It was especially wonderful to see students who had not performed on stage before working with friends to give something new a go.

Special mention to the Level 3 class of 2024. Many of you have taken Drama since Year 9 and very much a part of the DR1 furniture now. We wish you all well with your future endeavours and look forward to you popping in to say hi from time to time.

Also, much deserving of thanks are the grounds staff, Andy, Mike, and Bob who tirelessly get set pieces and staging out for us, set it up and then break it down again after each production, as well as making set items and props for us when required. Their energy, kindness and skill are much appreciated.

Mors Lisa Simpson

**HOD Drama** 















# ARTS DEEK

























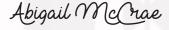


# PANGE

2024 has been an exciting and eventful year for the Dance department. Four Year 11 students had the privilege of working with the talented artist Rei, who performed at WOMAD. Rei led a captivating workshop at Spotswood College, where students learned dances and songs that beautifully integrated Te Reo Māori into their performances.

A unique addition to this year's curriculum was the collaboration between the Year 10 Dance and Spanish classes. Over the course of a week, students were introduced to the paso doble, a vibrant and flamboyant Spanish dance. The students embraced the challenge, performing with enthusiasm and confidence for both classes.

I have also had the great fortune to work closely with our Dance leader, Kalissa Giddy. Kalissa's dedication, hard work, and approachable nature have been invaluable to the department. She has played a key role in organizing and contributing to Arts Week, The Talent Show, The Night of Dance, and ongoing dance workshops throughout the year. Kalissa has truly been an asset to the department, and her efforts have fostered a thriving dance community at NPGHS. Watching our students excel in these extracurricular activities has been inspiring, and it's clear we have a wealth of talent at our school.



#### TiC Dance











# APORI PERFORATNO ARTS

#### Korero for MPA

Ko to mihi tuatahi ki te Atua Nāna te timatanga, nāna te whakamutunga Nāna nei ngā mea katoa E ngā mate o te wā Moe mai i roto i te korowai aroha o te Atua Koutou ki a koutou Tātou ki a tātou Kia ora huihui mai tātou katoa

#### My pepeha

Hurihia te reo pakeha

Ko Taupiri me Tararua ngā maunga Ko Waikato me Ōtaki ngā awa Ko Tainui toku waka Ko Ngāti Raukawa toku iwi Ko Ngāti Pare, Ngāti Naho me Ngāti tipa ngā hapū Ko Ngaa tai e rua me Raukawa ngā marae Ko Puke Wara toku pāpā Ko Caryn Wara toku māmā Ko Unity Wara toku ingoa Toru oku tama, Ko Kalin, ko Elijah, ko Hendrix No reira tēna koutou tēna koutou tēna koutou katoa He kaiako, he mama, he kaiwaiata ōku mahi

Kia ora e te Whānau, 2024 has seen the beginning of something new, Te Ao Haka. We introduced this subject within the Māori performing arts class this year. Te Ao Haka is a new performance-based subject. It provides opportunities for ākonga to engage in Māori culture, language, and traditional practice.

Ākonga learn their whakapapa, history, and language through the

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medium of haka, a powerful bridge between the past and the present. Te Ao Haka is not just about tradition, it's about the living, breathing culture that is Māori, combining the best of traditional and contemporary culture.

Ākonga can use Te Ao Haka credits towards NCEA and University Entrance (UE). There are also opportunities that Te Ao Haka is offering scholarships in Te Ao Haka. Level 1,2 and 3 are allocated 20 credits per level.

This year we had 29 students, including Japanese students on exchange. The kotiro embraced their cultures, and became well connected within the class, with a performance and the opportunity for the Japanese girls to experience Māori kākahu and perform in a roopu.

This was exciting for me as 30 years ago, at the tender age of 16, I was a performing arts student at Whitireia Performing Arts, performing worldwide in Hong Kong, Germany, and Japan. I was able to experience Japanese culture by being dressed by my homestay whānau in a kimono in 1994, so 2024 allowed me to give back the opportunity. The manaakitanga our girls gave was beautiful, and on the poroporoaki of the girls leaving for Japan, it was a lovely and moving experience as the class had grown fond of each other's culture and way of life.

Currently, the girls are ending their assessments, practising for a performance in the last term, and preparing for next year's Paerangatahi. Māori Performing Arts is growing and there is undoubtedly more mana enhancing with changing to Te Ao Haka.

We aim to provide an inclusive, fun, mana-enhancing, creative and inspiring

environment and encourage. I look forward to seeing what becomes of this class and how we can grow and flourish as a roopu, holding on to our taonga tuku iho and carrying the taonga from our tupuna.

Mana wāhine are growing and finding their wings in a safe







space to make mistakes and to see the future pathways that Te Ao Haka offers.

Here is a Whakatauki from my tupuna:

"Mehemea ka moemoea ahau, ko au anake,

mehemea ka moemoea tātou, ka taea e tātou."

"If I dream, I dream alone, if we dream together, we will achieve" – Princess Te Puea

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou

Whaea Unity Wara



#### **MAORI PERFORMING ARTS**

Back Row: Talanoa Fakavamoeanga, Lautaimi Sifa, Sharmaine Manaena, Dayna-Jane Adamson, Macey Austin, Waimiria Willison, Marley Sutherland

2nd Row: Keziah Fakavamoeanga, Leilani Rova, Phoenix Fraser, Mia Taitoko, Tonia Almano, Keisha Houpapa, Unity Wara (Teacher)

Front Row: Payton Matenga, Eizra Saunders, Aarnya Simpson, Tusi Faoagali, Niky Brackstone, Nakai Mei, Hollie Webster

Absent: Giuliana Gavisan-Moratti, Mia Waruhia, Kingslee Munro-Neal, Mya Bridger, Natahsha Aldridge, Oracle Rangi, Raehina Bullock, Aaliyah Read, Ruby Pratt



#### KAPA HAKA

Back Row: Ramaya Ram, Hollie Webster, Marley Sutherland

2nd Row: Niky Brackstone, Hannah Willemen, Jaya Robinson, Tonia Almano, Rebecca Surgenor, Taelyn McLachlan, Unity Wara (Teacher)

Front Row: Keira McGrath, Anna Evans, Macey Austin, Keisha Houpapa, Ruby Tipene, Onaleah Zandbergen, Isobel Bouterey

# PASIFIKA

## Pasifika Fusion

This was the second time in recent years that a group of 21 students, parents and teachers travelled to Palmerston North to participate in Pasifika Fusion. The theme for the 20th Fusion Anniversary was, Remembering the Legacy of the Dawn Raids.

This year we had the invaluable guidance of tutors Tapai and Aso. Their passion, commitment and knowledge shaped our experience and successes. The support of the Pasifika Leader, Fiapito Seufale, was also invaluable in organization, communication and commitment.

The students learnt from their experience in 2023, and as a result entered more categories. Lautaimi Sifa and Sharmaine Manaena entered beautiful pieces in the Wearable Arts Section; Tusi Faoagali and Iveti Nau were their models. Faith Lokeni and Lautaimi Sifa both spoke strongly about the impacts of the Dawn Raids in the Speech Competition in English, with Faith being asked to deliver her speech on Friday night in front of a large audience, before winning this competition. Anastacia Fidow spoke confidently in Samoan about the impacts of the Dawn Raids on her family. Many students entered the Art and Photography Categories, including Faipito Seufale, Reese Brodie, Grace Ruben, Victorhea Tongi and Wanganui Seufale. Special thanks to the NPGHS Visual Arts Department for their support, in particular, to Kirsty Grieve.

In the Talent Section, we had a strong group singing performance led by Tusi Faoagali which included ten students, and an individual singing performance by Fiaptio Seufale. Our Quiz Team were once again very competitive, and we were unlucky not to be placed. The team

included Fiapito Seufale, Grace Ruben, Wanganui Seufale, Marley Sutherland and Grace Seufale.

The greatest success was awarded at the end of the event on Thursday night, when the students won the inaugural Spirit of Pasifika Fusion award. This was awarded to the school that showed the greatest 'spirit' in terms of attitude, support and performances. Faith Lokeni accepted this award on behalf of NPGHS and the beautiful trophy stands proudly in our school's office. Faith Lokeni also shared one of three Youth Awards at the prestigious New Plymouth District Council Awards, for her commitment to her community. Uale Lokeni had to accept the award for her, because Faith was in Samoa at a Leadership Event.

Special thanks to Uale and Angelina Lokeni, who travelled with students to the event and organized and prepared food; they were wonderful support to staff and students. Special thanks also to Theresa Tongi for travelling down to deliver delicious meals that kept us very well fed. There were many parents involved in fundraising, costumes, accessories, and our Fiafia night, which helped us to achieve our fundraising goals and showcased the students' many talents to the community. This year this was combined with NPBHS and really was a special event. Pasifika Fusion was a team effort, and all the help was very much appreciated.

Thanks to all the students who





participated and contributed so much to the time in Palmerston North and to the Pasifika Group in general. It is a learning experience, and we will all work to make it even better next year. It is with much sadness but also excitement for their time ahead, that we bid farewell to our Year 13 students who will be leaving NPGHS and the Pasifika Group at the end of the year. Thanks to Fiapito Seufale, Grace Ruben, Reese Brodie, Bernadette Sulu and Janelle Dhedadig for all you have done for our group.

"O lupe sa vao ese'ese, ae ua fuifui





faatasi." "We are all from different parts of the forest but connected in one cause." We are all working together to raise the opportunities for our Pasifika students at New Plymouth 'High School.

Till Crewe

TiC Pasifika





#### **PASIFIKA**

Back Row: Marley Sutherland, Reese Brodie, Lautaimi Sifa, Iveti Nau, Talanoa Fakavamoeanga, Faith Lokeni, Mere Raniu
2nd Row: Bernadette Sulu, Grace Ruben, Dayna-Jane Adamson, Janelle Dhedadig, Sharmaine Manaena, Victorhea Tongi, Jill Crewe (Teacher)
Front Row: Wanganui Seufale, Anastacia Fidow, Jorja Wilson, Fiapito Seufale, Angelina Paese, Tusi Faoagali, Grace Seufale
Absent: Giuliana Gavisan-Moratti

# GREATIVE URITING

## Para Siempre

It wasn't what I expected. A small rundown casa in the middle of Mexico City. I pulled my black hood back over my head and trudged through the door. "Hello Mija!" Mami cheerfully called to me. I muttered a response and plodded down the hallway. As I walked, I glanced at my Abuela's altar, a Day of the Dead tradition to honour ancestors and saw her cheerful face smiling up at me from the photo. All her favourite items were displayed. Her bible, a family photo, her childhood bear and hundreds of marigold petals. A sheen of tears clouded my vision, and I ran into my room and slammed the door.

Being here brought it back. Being here in her house. Being here on la Dia de los Muertos. It was all too real. Tears streamed down my face. This time last year she had been here with us. Laughing, celebrating. I flopped onto my bed and laid there for what felt like an eternity, just thinking. The moon rose into the boundless blue sky and that's when I noticed it. A small ball of light just hovering outside my window. Puzzled, I groggily sat up in the creaky old bed and rubbed my eyes, but it was still there. "Hello?" I said in a croaky voice but there was no reply. As I stood up and tiptoed over to the window the ball of light slowly dawdled away from me down the dirt pathway. I snatched my phone off the wooden side table and climbed out of my window. As I reached the main road the festivities were in full swing with colours as bright as the stars, and delicious smells wafting in the air. People of all ages, shapes and sizes chatted, drank and danced together. I kept walking and found myself alone in the middle of the city square. An elderly woman sat on the side of the side of the pueblo's beloved fountain. She had beautiful long white hair and a frail stature. But most of all she looked lonely. I slowly approached her and spoke in my rusty Spanish. "Hola, feliz Dia de los Muertos." She looked up at me and smiled softly. I gasped and stumbled backwards. "Abuela?" I shakily

breathed. She looked up at me with her kind eyes that I thought I would never see again, and I sobbed, collapsing to the ground. "How?" I stuttered. "I do not have long but I need you to go on without me." she spoke. "I know my death changed you, but you must keep living, do you understand? She walked over and took my face in her hands. "I will always be with you, my love. Para siempre. For forever. I am here on this day because you remember me and every year I will be because I know that you always will." Then, she was gone. But I was going to be okay. She would always be with me. Para siempre. For forever.

Abigail Williamson

Year 9

## Unknown Surfer

It was not what I expected. Blazing sun, warm water, and perfect surf conditions. This is better than I could have imagined. The sun starts to warmly greet me through the trees as my feet meet the welcoming sand. My face lights up as I notice the waves are feeling generous. I'm starting to get impatient and ready to take on the waves. I leap towards the ocean, gripping my board. I take my eyes down to the beach to find a tall, long-haired, tan surfer sprinting alongside me about 8 meters away. I take a glance but I'm too focused on these impressive waves to care about who exactly they are.

My feet hit the warm water, and I suddenly remembered I'm not alone, I take another glance at this unknown surfer. She has light blonde hair that would stand out from a mile away. I fixed my eyes back towards the full enormous waves that were meant to be my priority. I switch back on, and I rip through the water to get to the glowing waves. The unknown surfer starts to speed up and I'm filled with determination to get there before her. She gives me a long stare from afar, she has now made it known to

me that she's trying to steal my waves. I'm out of breath seated on my board. There is nothing, where did the waves go?

It's still now. It's like time has frozen. I dip my long fragile fingers into the hushed water to remind myself it's not going to be quiet for long. I don't get it, where did all the waves go? All my excitement has been flooded with confusion. I picked up my hunched back and looked towards the unknown surfer to find her sitting there with a grin. I recognize that grin, it's so familiar but I just cannot seem to put the pieces together. My face scrunches as my eyes drift away into the warm sapphire water.

Suddenly, I spring with excitement, I am on the edge of my board. It's no longer soundless and still. I searched out to find a gorgeous 6-foot wave starting to build. This is the moment I have been anticipating. My cold arms start to rip through the water as I notice the unknown surfer trying to compete with me for this stunner of a wave. This is my wave, there is no way I am giving this up. I'm now turning in the air losing my sense of direction, I'm out of energy and there's a huge smile visible from ear to ear. I grounded back on to the wave to realize that I did it; I have caught the wave of the year! As I soar across the beach there's still one thing in the back of my mind. Who is this unknown surfer?

As I carry my feet towards the dry sand, I hear a familiar voice. I stand there in disbelief and out of energy, but I can still bring myself to look up one more time. A warm mutual smile appears on both of our faces. I walk towards her as she exclaims, "that should have been my wave!" It turns out that the unknown surfer sleeps only across the hallway from me

Peyton Tai

# The Reincarnated Princess

Tears of pain streamed down her cheeks as the gunshot echoed throughout the air. Betrayal was written all over Violet's face. Her body collapsed to the ground and a pool of blood formed from beneath her. Violet's trusted best friend just fired at her, the bullet hole punctured right in her heart causing her to black out unconscious and bleed out. This was the end for her... at least she thought.

Everything was dark for Violet. She thought she was dead, until suddenly she felt a warm and comfortable feeling. She opened her eyes to an elegantly decorated bedroom. The sunlight filtered across the room creating a sense of relaxation and a warm glow onto the bedroom. Her body was enclosed in plush pillows and blankets. Although Violet's daze was quickly interrupted by a loud male voice calling out... to her? "Princess Violet wake up! The folk festival is starting today, remember? Your favorite time of the year apart from Christmas of course!" Shouted the mystery man. Violet flinched as a tall man pushed the doors open entering the bedroom. Her eyes glistened with surprise and love. This man was her type. His luscious hair and strong features caught Violet's attention.

Violet snapped out of it and sat up, getting out of bed. "Where am I?" she asked confusedly. The unknown man seemed even more confused at Violets words. "Did you hit your head, your majesty?" The man asked seeming more concerned. "It's me, Knight Elias?" He spoke. Violet repeated in her head 'knight?' Suddenly the pieces connected, and she realized she had been reincarnated into another dimension. "A-ah yes I remember you, Elias!" She lied through her teeth. "I think my mind was somewhere else..." She cleared her throat still bewildered at everything. "Well come on let's go to the folk festival, shall we Princess Violet?" exclaimed Elias. Violet nodded her head "You can just call me Violet" she smiled at him warmly. Elias's

eyes widened slightly, and a hint of blush spread across his cheeks.

The two headed to the folk festival in town just outside the castle gate. It was a pleasant atmosphere with balloons and banners hanging across from house to house. There was music playing and rows of stalls selling all kinds of different items. Plenty of people came from all around just to see the folk festival. Violet was amazed with the lovely decorations around the whole town. It was very different compared to her past life of cities full of buildings as tall as skyscrapers and bustling with blaring cars. And she thought it was nice for a change.

In the corner of Violet's eye, she noticed a small pen full of baby animals. Its purpose was for little kids, but Violet didn't care. She dashed towards the petting zoo leaving Elias behind her. She crouched down and petted the mini head of a baby goat. Elias's eyes widened, and he sprinted after Violet, wanting to stay by her side to protect her. He stood towering over her back making sure no one would bring harm to her way. Unexpectedly there was an ear deafening scream from a lady. 'THEY'RE HERE! IT'S A RAID!" screamed one of the townspeople at the top of her lungs for everyone to hear. Elias went into full protection mode, yanking Violet up with the arm. "We have to go, NOW!" he called.

Thundering footsteps were heard approaching the town fast. It was the enemy, here for bloodshed. Every townsperson was screaming and running in different directions. This enemy must have been terrifying for everyone to act like this. Elias dragged Violet away as fast as he could to the nearest hidden area. He found a small alley between two houses and tugged her in there. They both hid in the middle of the alley with Elias in front of Violet. He wielded his sword from its sheathe and held it up in front of him. What the two didn't know was that the alley had two entrances.

Violet suddenly felt a cold sharp pain in her abdomen. She looked down to see a silver blade pierced through her body. Her eyes widened, and she looked behind her to see an enemy soldier that snuck up behind them from the other alley entrance. Violet's body was trembling with pain, as she reached out her hand with all her strength to tap on Elias's shoulder. "Elias... they got me..." she muttered under her breath before her legs felt weak and she suddenly dropped to the ground. Elias turned around with utter shock at the sight of a sword penetrating through her abdomen. "Princess NO!" he called out, falling to her side with tears welling in his eyes.

"No no no this can't be happening... I failed at my job to protect you..." he cried out while holding Violet's body close to his chest. Violet swallowed the aching lump in her throat before cupping Elias's cheek. "I need to tell you something... really important" she whispered. Her breathing was falling uneven from the hole through her body. "What... what is it?" Elias asked desperately for some sort of miracle to happen right now. "The truth is...-" Violet choked out some blood. "-I am not really a princess... for I am just some reincarnation that has been brought to this dimension" she finally spilled the truth. Elias's eyes widened and his ears perked up. "W-what? That can't be possible..." he responded, questioning everything. "It is possible, and it is the truth... I am sorry Elias. I am no princess." she muttered with tears in

Suddenly, Violet's body started fading like a pile of dust being blown away. "What is happening... no... but Violet!" he wailed in despair. "Goodbye Elias. Stay strong..." were the last words that left her mouth before her body completely vanished. Violet opened her eyes rubbing them confusedly as to where she was. She looked around and realized she was back in her past life. Alive? She sat up trying to take in everything that had happened in the past day. It didn't make sense why she was sent to another dimension as a reincarnation, but there was nothing she could do except move on with her life. As much as she wanted to go back somehow, Violet rose to her feet.

A couple weeks later everything eventually went back to normal for Violet. She went to work, made money, and ate food. Everything was normal. Except for the massive lingering thought of that one day that changed her life. Of Elias. She missed him, missed that world that seemed like a fantasy. But there was nothing she could do to go back to that world. This was her true ending.

Yuki Wada-Butcher

Year 9

## The Prehistoric Murder

"Keep quiet and follow my lead," whispered James as he, Lily, and Ravi slipped through the broken window, their footsteps barely audible against the marble floor. The dim light of their flashlights swept across the darkened dinosaur exhibits, casting eerie, bony shadows as they moved silently each breath held as if the very air might betray them.

In the hidden alcove behind a towering statue, the trio set down their bags; the only sounds in the vast, silent museum were the soft rustling of fabric and the faint clink of metal. Lily unrolled a worn sleeping bag, smoothing it out over the cold floor. Ravi pulled out a small lantern, it's light dim enough to avoid detection, yet bright enough to illuminate their makeshift camp. James laid out cans of food, a bottle of water, and knife and sighed "Ok this will keep us safe from the police until the morning." Lily followed as she settled in and said "Let's get some rest. We will need our strength tomorrow." The other two nodded, settled in and prepared for an uneasy sleep in the heart of the museum.

But before they could even rest their heads, a deep guttural roar echoed through the darkened halls, freezing them in place. The sound was unmistakable – the kind of bone chilling roar that could only belong to a creature long extinct. "D-Did you h-hear that? Ravi stuttered as his face had formed a worrisome expression. The silence filled the distance. "You guys stay here; I'll check it out." Lily orders as she grabs a knife and flashlight.

After Lily went, Ravi and James disobeyed her order and went scavenging, leaving their hideout. "I wonder where that sound came from. It could just be from a speaker to scare people when they visit the exhibits," James whispered.

As the two walked, they passed through a malodorous stench. "Eww, what's that foul smell?" Ravi questioned, pinching his nose shut to block out the odour. As the smell grew worse, Ravi felt his footsteps into something wet. But it wasn't water, nor was it mud. It was blood.

Ravi looked down and froze, his eyes locking onto the blood-stained puddle beneath him. James, too, froze, gasping in shock. His eyes drifted to an object not far from the puddle—Lily's T-shirt, ripped up and soaked in blood.

Tears welled up in James's eyes as he fell to his knees, the reality crashing down on him. His only sister was dead. Memories of the joyful times they had shared flooded his mind; moments he had taken for granted.

Ravi, sensing the urgency, knelt beside him. "We need to get out of here now!" he urged.

Summoning his strength, James stood up, wiping away his tears. He grabbed a large, strong bone from a dinosaur's leg, while Ravi pulled out his pocketknife. Armed and determined, they steeled themselves for what lay ahead, and their journey began.

They rummaged frantically through the exhibits, desperately searching for anything that could help them. Shadows danced across the walls as they rushed through the darkened rooms, hearts pounding, until they froze in their tracks. A massive shadow loomed behind them. Terrified, they turned slowly, their pupils shrinking in horror.

A T-Rex stood there, drool dripping from its gaping jaws, its yellowishgreen eyes gleaming with a bloodthirsty hunger. The only thought that flashed through Ravi and James's minds was to run. Without another word, they bolted—jogging, sprinting, tearing through the dark, crumbling halls, with the T-Rex thundering after them, its heavy footsteps shaking the ground. "We're going to die!" Ravi screamed, panic choking his voice.

"NO! We're not—we're going to make it, okay?" James shouted back, determination and fear battling in his voice.

When they finally lost the T-Rex, they collapsed behind a shattered Pterodactyl exhibit, gasping for breath. "We'll be safe here," James whispered, his voice barely above a breathless rasp.

But as they tried to steady themselves, a sharp crack and snap echoed through the silence. They spun around, and there, staring into their eyes, was a Pterodactyl, its gaze locked onto them.

James reacted instantly, diving behind a tattered curtain and yelling for Ravi to follow. But Ravi stood frozen, as if fear had turned his blood to ice. Before he could move, the Pterodactyl lunged, its talons wrapping around his neck. With a screech, it lifted him off the ground, dragging him toward an open window.

James could only watch in horror as Ravi was carried away, the Pterodactyl disappearing into the night sky, leaving behind only the echoes of his fading scream.

James stumbled through the dark, the roars of the dinosaur growing louder behind him. Cornered with nowhere left to run, he pressed his back against the cold stone wall, heart pounding with the weight of two losses already too great to bear.

As the creature's breath seared the air, James closed his eyes, the faces of his loved ones flashing before him. "I'm sorry," he whispered, just before the beast lunged. In the next heartbeat, everything went silent.

Wareesha Ali

## Mr. Ted

Growing up can suck. I don't experience it of course but I see it around me all the time. Nostalgic objects, smells and locations that transport you to another place or time. For me, it is my miss-matched buttons that replace the various missing ones, the dark stains marking my coat with a faint tang and the loose threads unravelling, slowly pulling me apart. I was not always like this. I was once a brand-new bear.

It was a vibrant aisle, filled with porcelain dolls, knitted blankets and stuffed animals of all shapes and sizes. Day to day, people would walk past me bored and uninterested, but she was different. With eager eyes, she galloped toward me and gave a toasty embrace. After the brief battle of her pleading, it was no surprise I was soon brought back with them. When I saw the old cottage with a white picket fence, I knew it was my forever home. It was a fairytale, and she was the 5-year-old heroine rescuing me.

Adventures were a daily occurrence. Road trips where we ate snacks in the back, rides to school for class sharing when everyone gawked in awe at the sight of me dressed in a ruffled tulle dress, and best of all the tea parties! Inside, we would dine for hours in cushioned chairs, sipping on tea and nibbling on tiny treats with posh etiquette. Outside it was a different story. We sat on long grass, damp from morning dew, with daisy chains in our hair as we guzzled glasses of mud and ate leafy meals. The day was always tiring with mum constantly appalled at the sight of mud caked on us and I usually ended up taking a trip to the washing machine.

There were many changes as she grew up. The crush she had on the boy at school that would leave her staring at the ceiling and kicking her legs, holding her heart tight. The screeching and hollering that filled the halls with arguments over rebellious activities. Sometimes she ignored or hid me away, but it didn't matter to me because she was always nearby. Her emotions constantly

switched. Her face would flush scarlet with embarrassment, chalk with horror, stone with loneliness and stormy when tears threatened to spill from her eyes. We would hug through the difficult times and sometimes I would be thrown across the room in fury but together we survived those pesky teenage years.

I was ecstatic when bags were getting packed and loaded into the car. A road trip adventure didn't happen as often anymore. She shuffled up to me, staring at the ground.

"Goodbye Mr. Ted," she whispered.

Tears cascaded down her face, mum and dad even had glassy eyes. The car started venturing off and I was left behind. A week later, mum and dad returned with an empty car.

Now, I lie stiffly on her abandoned bed, the musty smell of stale air and thick dust coating the room. The door rarely opens now she's left. Deserted in silence with nothing but my thoughts to hear, all I can think is that I yearn for her return because this house was never my home. She was my home all along.

Tade Huffam

Year 12

## Hiraeth

n. (Welsh) A spiritual longing for a home which maybe never was. A deep, inborn sense for a home, a feeling, a place or a person that is beyond this plane of existence.

"Home. Your creative pieces will be on the topic of home. You will have two weeks..."

Mrs Hansell's words start fading away as Liera turns her face towards the window, getting lost in her thoughts.

What is home to her? Is it her family? Or the house in which she dwells?

Both her family and house have made her feel comfort, security, and love, but not home. Not as much as this feeling of a place she can sense in her soul. A place she vividly envisions herself in daily. A place... that does not exist. But how can one even feel longing for a place that doesn't exist? Am I delusional?

The moment Liera arrives at her house, she tosses her bag and shoes on the grass as she strolls towards the lake, not so far to the back. The feeling of soft, fresh meadow under her feet is refreshing, connecting Liera to the nature around her. She reaches the lake's edge and sits down to dip her feet in the cool water. She breathes in the crisp, clean air as her eyelids flutter closed. She opens her eyes as she exhales, letting go of all the tension she's been feeling throughout the day. Liera pans her vision slowly as she takes in the divinity around her, surveying every detail. The lake stretches out for at least 700 metres, daisies adding colour to the bright green grass surrounding it. Tall trees edge the other half of the lake opposite to her, concealing half of the snow-capped mountain behind. The sky is a pale purple as the sun started to set, little to no clouds, revealing the moon ready to shine through another blissful night. She leans back on her elbows, gazing at the sky as she listens to her favourite song - the song of nature. The buzzing of cicadas and crickets, the light wind swaying the trees, the birds that sweetly chirp in them, and the soft ripples of water as Liera moves her feet in the water. There is nowhere else in the world that could give Liera this peace, making her feel this type of serenity. This place, this moment, brings peace to her soul. Her thoughts stop rushing and she can let go and drift

Yet here I am. Stuck in a classroom writing a story about home - about a girl who finds her home, while I dream of finding mine. Dreaming of finding my peace, my tranquillity in the same way Liera found hers. This story of a girl that I made up, who finds her peace in the place I've created for her, the place I feel a deep, spiritual longing for, like a tug on my heart. This place that I feel Hiraeth towards — my home.

Angelina Paese

# How did we get here?

Millenia ago, the humid cretaceous ecosystem thrums with life. Archaic conifers reach up to touch the sky and offer nourishment to an enormous titanosaurus. There is a fresh, earthy smell as if it has just rained. Drip. From the leafy treetops, raindrops patter onto the undergrowth, but overhead the brilliant golden sunlight yields the promise of a fine day. A plethora of marine reptiles - mauisaurus and moanasaurus – roam the temperate open ocean. A thin layer of iridium above the cretaceous sediments marks the cataclysmic disaster that leaves the land barren.

As the climate cools, the sweet melody of birdsong now fills the forest. Nestled in a nook of branches, an orange-throttled huia sings into the crisp winter air. Beneath her, in an interwoven tapestry of twigs nestles a clutch of eggs, a bubbling mountain brook winding its way through a shimmering array of ferns below. Crack. The first tree topples over. As habitats are plundered and native bush is ruined – all at the fault of Man – the birdsong slowly goes quiet, and the huia sings no more.

As I stand here now, a concrete wasteland bustles around me. Once untouched mountain streams are now choked by pollution and smog is pumped ruthlessly into the atmosphere. Invasive plant growth decimates the once thriving native populations. Drop. A water droplet splatters beside my shoes, and as I prop up my umbrella, the rain begins bucketing down. A wall of thunderous black clouds roars overhead - a warning of the turbulent storm on the horizon. Now, the frothing, white-capped seas are acidified. The reek of diesel washes over me as multiple industrial vehicles below past, each splashing a tidal wave of dirty rainwater onto the pavement. I look up towards the sky and wonder: How did we get here?

Slowly, slowly, the rumbling clouds roll over. In their wake, a thin shaft of light cascades onto the earth. Illuminated by this shaft of light, a young kauri sapling peaks out from beneath the underbrush, tiny arms climbing up towards the sky. This little ray of hope paves the way for a brighter future. Maybe, maybe if we make a change, the world could become a better place.

Lucy Christian

Year 11

## One Lonely Home

I stand tall on the corner, silently watching the neighborhood. My old bones creak and groan from heavy rain and fierce winds. The deafening raindrops echo like a drumbeat through my rooms. However, inside, I am filled with warmth and laughter. Herbal aromas flow through my hallways as the night grows darker. A burst of steam escapes from my oven as it is opened, revealing a tender chicken, its crispy skin glistening in the light. Everyone gathers in my kitchen as the laughter is replaced by chewing and the clanging of utensils. It is only once the night is old and the fireplace flickers out that silence fills me once again. While my family rests, I wrap them in warmth, protecting and sheltering them. My walls keep out the night, as though embracing my family in a hug. I am their home.

As the sun rises, my family follows. My curtains are drawn allowing the early morning light to flood my rooms, casting a golden glow over me. Condensation drips down my windowpanes creating small puddles on my windowsills. The familiar hum of the kettle fills my kitchen, mixing with the scent of freshly brewed coffee and morning dew. A faint growling grows louder as a moving truck approaches. Its grumbling comes to a halt outside. The engine echoes with ache. My family begins packing memories into boxes, carefully wrapping pieces of

their lives. Sadness courses through my veins as realization sets in. My family is leaving me. With every item torn out of me, I feel less and less like myself. The worn sofa which once held joyous movie nights is now being uplifted from its roots and fed to the hungry moving truck. The once lively dining table follows. I watch helplessly as I recall the countless meals and celebrations, the laughter and tears shared around the old table. The sun climbs higher, casting long shadows over my almost empty rooms. My floorboards creak in protest as the last boxes of belongings are ripped from me. As the front door slams for the final time, I feel an overwhelming emptiness settle within my walls, a silence that echoes the absence of the laughter and love that once filled my rooms. My family looks back one final time, observing my familiar porch and chipped paint. Their gazes linger on my crooked mailbox in which they will never use again, as they say their final goodbyes. Tears fill their eyes, their sorrow mirroring mine.

An emptiness settles over me, like dust into every corner of my rooms.

Memories of my family are now only found etched deep into my foundations.

My once cluttered walls now stand bare, stripped of the photos and art which decorated me. All that they have left me are the echoes of footsteps on my floorboards and the remnants of the laughter that was once within me. I long for my family to be back. I long for the way they brought me to life, the way they made me a home. But now, I am just a house, empty and lonely.

Sinead McGrath

# ENGLIGH

#### Staffing

We welcomed Ms Plant to the department this year as well as Mr Cochrane who was covering Ms Mumby while she was on parental leave. Ms Kinnell joined us to teach junior English and we welcomed Ms James back from refreshment leave. Mr Harris was Acting DP in Term 3 and we were so very grateful to Ms Lamb for returning to take his classes.

#### **Highlights**

Jake Bailey

Jake first caused a global sensation aged 18, when his prize-giving speech as head boy at Christchurch Boys' High School went viral. A week before this speech, Jake was diagnosed with the most aggressive form of cancer known to man and given two weeks to live if this went untreated. Jake persevered to give his speech from a wheelchair, the video of which went on to touch the hearts of tens of millions and draw praise from across the globe.

Once in remission, Jake's experience left him with questions: what exactly enables people to overcome adversity? Are we born with these skills, or are they trainable? And if so, what does it take to create people able to not only recover, but to grow from immense setbacks?

Jake is the author of the #1 bestselling book 'What Cancer Taught Me', the subject of the documentary 'The Common Touch', and an official ambassador for two charities: the Maia Health Foundation

Jake Bailey

in New Zealand and Tour de Cure in Australia.

#### Race Unity Speech Awards:

Matilde Silva's performance at the recent Race Unity Speech Awards was described by adjudicators as "captivating". In her eight-minute speech on the topic of Te Taura Tangata: The Rope of Unity, Matilde spoke with unfaltering confidence, engaging her audience in an insightful exploration of racial tensions and the path to unity. Speaking with pride of her own heritage, Matilde encouraged us to celebrate the blending of cultures and to make space for all people. She truly commanded the stage.

#### LIT QUIZ:

We had two teams at lit quiz and they were up against nine other schools. Our Junior team came first, followed by Sacred Heart who came second and third. Our Senior team came fourth.

Students had to answer a preliminary round of 50 questions on Who/What Am I, Facts and Figures, Characterisation, Structure and Design and Themes and Purpose.

There were 10 questions per category and it was noted that after 17 years of running the challenge this was the first time a team got 10 out of 10 for a category.

Students won prizes with quick fire

questions at the end of each session and our girls picked up at least four books as prizes.

**Winning junior team** – Kayja, Bella, Portia, Mikaela

#### **Speech Competitions**

The Senior Speech Competition took place on the 23rd of September. The winner was Matilde Silva

And second equal went to Sophie Dodunski and Nishita Yadav.

The Junior Speech Competitions happened on the 25th September and the winners were:

**Year 9 1st place:** Harper Lazel and Year 10 1st place: Sacha Aves

#### **Achievements**

**Neve Post** - Writing - Liam & Frankie Davison Award for Outstanding achievement in literary writing on Women's Health

**Hana Barton** - Writing – Selected for publication for Re-Draft National Writing Competition

We were also very proud of Hana Barton who achieved a Scholarship for English in 2023.

## Gill McMeill

### **HoD English**



Lit Quiz winning Junior Team

In 2024 our language lessons have been more than just a place where students learn new languages; they have been a gateway to understanding diverse cultures, fostering global connections, and developing essential communication skills. We have integrated technology through language learning apps and online resources, which allowed our students to practise their skills anytime, anywhere.

Sadly, for our students studying French there was disappointing news as the visit from New Caledonian students had to be cancelled due to ongoing issues in their region. Despite this, we have maintained our connection through pen pal letters and eagerly await the day we can welcome them to our school.

Throughout the year, we also hosted a weekly lunchtime language club, led by senior language students. This club aimed to immerse students in the traditions, cuisine, and customs of various countries, making language learning a holistic and enriching experience. Additionally, the Languages and Dance Departments collaborated, bringing together a Year 10 Spanish class and a Year 10 Dance class to explore the Pasa Doble. This collaboration resulted in an incredibly enjoyable and fascinating few hours, filled with some fantastic dancing!

We look forward to engaging in more activities like these next year to further enhance our students' learning experiences.

Yomi Williams

**HoD Languages** 



# Te Reo Māori Trip to Rarotonga

Eleven students and two teachers, Alana Kane and Matua Rihari travelled to Rarotonga in the October holidays on a Te Reo Māori trip.

Tauira took part in cultural activities and learnt about their shared history with tangata moana. They enjoyed the natural landscape, snorkelling and visiting local landmarks, including where the great waka migration left Rarotonga for Aotearoa.

It was a wonderful trip and an awesome experience for everyone involved!!





# GAREERS

It has been another busy year for the Careers Department providing opportunities for students at all levels. NPGHS has been fortunate to be selected for the pilot test of the Tahatū, a careers platform for 2024/25. This programme provides a great opportunity for the Careers Team to continue to create awareness around students' pathways once they leave NPGHS.

We are nearing the end of a really great year for Gateway with a total of 51 students opting in, including 24 participating in the Red Shirts Programme. During 2024 it was really pleasing to see a number of students doing Gateway placements in the more traditionally male dominated areas of infrastructure, and the trades, with placements in electrical, plumbing and automotive. These sectors are crying out for more female employees, so the experience and opportunity offered by Gateway placements is invaluable. We were also able to offer placements in ECE/Primary Teaching, real estate, hairdressing/beauty, nursing/healthcare, agriculture and vet nursing/animal care.

The Red Shirts Programme gives students the opportunity to achieve some very valuable retail experience, 23 Level 2 credits and, in many cases, the offer of part time or even full-time employment.

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all of our employers for the invaluable opportunity and experience they offer our students by becoming involved with the Gateway Programme.

Our PITO, TOPEC and WITT (Trades and 3+2) classes continue to be a popular subject choice for over 50 of our students' providing a clear pathway postsecondary school. Courses picked up this year by our students included Agriculture, Barbering, Beauty & Make Up, Sport &



Exercise, Outdoor Adventure, Cookery, Hairdressing, Build a Bach, Joinery, Restaurant Service, Build a Bridge, Hauora, Digital Media, Engineering, Electrical, Policing & Uniformed Services, Build a Trailer.

The Whyora programme continues to grow in numbers, providing opportunities for senior Māori students to explore career options within the health sector. Students were fortunate to have health professionals present and share their pathways into their chosen vocations, from secondary school to employment.

Furthermore, the Putaiao Science expo at the Pukekura Raceway Centre on Thursday 15th August provided an opportunity for our junior Māori students to explore science related career opportunities.

Also, it was pleasing to see nine students embrace the challenge of taking on university papers whilst still in Year 13, providing these students with a head start before embarking on further study at university, post-secondary school.

Looking forward to 2025 to assist students in their career pathways.



**HoD Careers** 





# ANHINA LEARNING CENTRE

2024 has been a year of progressive change and development for the Awhina Learning Support Department. In 2021 our new principal, Jacqui Brown, commissioned a review of Learning Support at New Plymouth Girls' High School with the aim of improving the services offered by the department and increasing the number of students that could access these services. To achieve these aims, at the end of 2023, Shirley McVicar, Head of the Awhina Learning Support Department, was given the additional role of fulltime **SENCO (Special Educational** Needs Co Ordinator) and Kim Cribb, the Learning Support teacher, the role of Co SENCO.

Two other major changes have allowed the Learning Support
Department to achieve these aims. These were the creation of small groups of mainstream students who are taught by our experienced teacher aides in C2 and the creation of the Awhina Focussed Learning class (AFL).

The Awhina Focused Learning classroom (AFL) is a home room environment for students from Year 9 to Year 13 which supports students who are working at Level Three of the curriculum or below. Programmes are fully individualised and aim to improve literacy and numeracy levels while also developing social, emotional and life skills. The students in the AFL class are fortunate to have tuition from our Wai Ora (counselling) staff each spell five to help them learn to deal with emotional regulation, as well as friendship and social issues. Because the goal is for the AFL students to be in mainstream classes, the number of students in the

AFL class varies during the year. Currently there are fifteen students in this class and the maximum roll is twenty.

Kat Bolton is our AFL teacher, and it is her creativity and expertise that shapes the individualised learning programmes for each of the AFL students. She leads a team of four outstanding teacher aides from diverse backgrounds - Bridget Harkness West, Tash Pringle, Tenaya Richardson, and Jansen Sumalag. Melanie Christensen ably supports the AFL team as a relief teacher aide.

The creation of small groups which are taught by our expert team of C2 teacher aides has allowed us to increase the number of mainstream students that we work with. Kim Cribb, our dedicated and knowledgeable Learning Support teacher, provides work based on the C2TIME student's literacy or numeracy needs and she oversees each student's individual progress. Other students are on individualised programmes which support their literacy and numeracy, and these programmes are overseen by the assigned teacher aides and by Kim Cribb. The very committed and experienced teacher aide team that continues to effectively support our students during their C2TIME are MaryAnn Beukes,

Jill Chamberlain, Vicki Holder, Kerry Johansen, Sheryll Martin, Kirsten Probyn, and Leanne Joe West. The C2 team is also fortunate to have Marcelina Belarmino and Louise Gillum as relief teacher aides.

Currently we have 210 students on the Awhina Learning Support Register which is an increase of fifty students from the 160 students on the register in 2023. This increase is due to the hard work and dedication of our capable team at the Awhina Learning Centre who have worked tirelessly to improve the learning outcomes of all the students on the Learning Support Register.

In closing, I want to thank you to every one of the amazing Awhina teachers, Awhina teacher aides and Awhina students, and the deans, teachers, and senior managements teams I have had the pleasure and privilege to work with over the last fourteen years. I wish you all well with your future endeavours.

Kia kaha

# Shirley Mc Vicar

### HoD Awhina Learning Centre









# DAIDARIE

2024 saw two new students' join the Waimarie class. We now have a class of eight students with multiple and profound disabilities. Three of our students are wheelchair users, five have significant visual impairment, most have autism, global developmental delay and rare genetic conditions, many have hearing loss, ADHD, anxiety and the majority of the class are nonspeaking. Despite these challenges they are the nicest, most genuine people you could meet. They are keen learners, and we have loads of fun at school.

The Waimarie crew receive a holistic education in our purpose-built space. They are looked after by a highly skilled team of dedicated teacher aides and specialist teachers. All curriculum levels can be covered in-house, and our students thrive with bespoke, individual learning programs that cater specifically to their varying needs. We include lots of group work, coming together for music, drama, dance, cooking, art, and communication focussed sessions. Students may also enjoy getting out to some mainstream classes that fit-in with their interests or strengths. We have felt especially welcomed and accommodated in PE, Art, Dance and Māori Performing Arts. We have valued authentic connections with the AOGRO Kawhai Huia class and the Year 10 Business Studies market day. These mainstream staff and students have created welcoming atmospheres, which in turn results in a positive impact on the lives and mindsets of everyone involved.

A highlight this year was a New Zealand Chamber Music workshop that involved two professional musicians and contemporary dance teachers joining us for a full-day project called 'The Big I'. This intensive full-day workshop combined students with disabilities and additional learning needs from Waimarie and Awhina, as well as mainstream music students. They came together to listen, explore and create their own unique music through playing, listening and technology. The "I" in Big I stands for Improvisation. With the guidance of the expert tutors, the students participated in and experienced the joy and connection of live music. There was a focus on removing the barriers that can prevent meaningful interaction between mainstream and 'very high needs' young people, by creating new friendships and experiences through the language of music.

It was a rewarding experience for everyone. There were so many special moments, with happy tears shed and lumps in throats felt, as multiple poignant experiences evolved over the day. Our senior Music students were not only impressive with their musical talents, but they were generous with their empathy and were open to making genuine emotional connections with our Waimarie and Awhina students. The professional development that our staff absorbed in the



workshop will also have a lasting impact on our ongoing approach to Arts learning and teaching.

Our Puanga Matariki (Māori New Year) celebrations continue to provide us with a season of learning and cultural enrichment that occupies us for weeks. We use multi-sensory ways to continue learning about the Matariki cluster and the relevance each individual star has with our daily lives. Our staff and students engaged in korero (discussion) about the stars with the incredibly knowledgeable Whaea Jo, adding greater depth and self-awareness to our new year reflections. We love hosting our whānau, friends and school community, together with our Māori Performing Arts (MPA) class for a special winter feast. Our students make hearty winter soups and bake lots of delicious treats to share. We must acknowledge "Aunty Leanne" from Awhina, who generously helped with a stunning array of baking this year. The MPA class performed with a real sense of joy and enthusiasm for our audience. Whaea Unity continues to pave a unifying path of acceptance and mana enhancing relationships that connects the MPA girls with our Waimarie students.

We love to focus on connecting with nature during Puanga Matariki. Each student was involved in constructing timber planter boxes featuring New Zealand inspired flora and fauna painted panels and then they filled these with a mix of flowering and edible plants to gift to whānau. We also embarked on a hikoi (walk) that connected maunga (mountain), awa (river) and moana (ocean), while also caring for our environment, collecting rubbish along the way. Our enthusiasm for gardening and growing lots of kai (food) in our garden is a key feature of our program and we use our homegrown fruit and veges in our weekly cooking.

With seven out of our eight students unable to speak, our staff continue to focus on extending their skills to model and teach a variety of alternative communication systems. We get expert support from Speech/Language and

Occupational Therapists from the Talk Link Trust with this work. It has been immensely rewarding to witness students genuinely "finding their voice" and managing to express themselves effectively using "talking" iPads. The impact this has on learning outcomes, autonomy and self esteem is massive. We also receive excellent professional support and specialist advice from BLENNZ Resource Teachers of Vision and our MOE Physiotherapist and Occupational Therapist.

We are appreciative of our schoolwide and community connections that provide valuable extension opportunities. 'Cross-over' lessons with Awhina Learning Centre students and staff are highly valued. Ms Kim Cribb continues to be a major contributor to this success. Ms McCrae's 'Inclusive Dance' class is a much-loved mainstay of our program. We are privileged to receive weekly sessions with Conductive Education's TOI funded 'Rehabilitative Gaming Sessions'. Mrs Woller's unwavering support allows us to work with the exceptionally talented itinerant music teacher Julian Raphael. His sessions are genuinely therapeutic. RDA and Sport Taranaki gym lessons both provide great services. The 'All Abilities' TSSSA events enabled us to take risks and 'show off' at the Boccia and Gymnastics days. Getting to participate alongside students with disabilities from all over Taranaki is an empowering experience. With the Careers department's help, the WITT Skills for Living Star course has provided an essential pathway for a student transitioning towards further education. We would also like to acknowledge Mr McFarlane for his ongoing leadership support and regular compliments shared about our cooking prowess!

We farewell our graduate Molly Armstrong this year. We will miss her clever wit, wide general knowledge, incredible memory, infectious laugh, and magical imagination. Molly had an amazing experience at the school ball, made even more special when our inclusive Year 13 leaders awarded Molly and her friends Eden and Portia with 'Princess of the Ball' awards.

Final gratitude's extend to the Waimarie staff. What a gorgeous bunch of people! They exemplify a supportive team, and they are deeply committed to our students. This team continually face new challenges with a positive mindset and strive to keep learning. They celebrate all the big and little wins our students make and focus on empowering them. It is not always easy work – but they approach their work with good-humour, integrity, big hearts, and expertise. Such legends.

# Sarah Sampson

#### **HoD Waimarie**







# SHAPE YOUR FUTURE

Shape Your Future establishes projects around ākonga passions and interests and this is exciting for Kaiako who facilitate teaching and learning to support ākonga agency and self-efficacy. Project frameworks harness our learning environment.

Establishing relationships is key, so shaping our beginning with the project framework 'Who am I' is perfect. Following this we branch into Future Design, Refunctioning or Re-recognising, Making it Visible or Heard and individual Passion projects. Many students embrace two projects at once so they can learn to grow through the dispositions of imagination, communication and collaboration, persistence, thinking and curiosity.

The evidence that our ākonga produce in their projects is rich, engaging, often personal and rewarding. Evidence is measured against NCEA standards and ākonga are supported to gain UE Literacy. Frameworks have enabled our ākonga to express views on topics that are of interest to them, and these have been expressed, but not limited to through the spoken word, image and text,

moving image, artistic projects, Shape market and the written word. We had guest speakers talk to our ākonga that were positioned to specific frameworks. Janeen Page, a local ceramist and artist delivered a presentation on her creativity and exhibiting your practice during our Refunctioning or Re-recognising framework and a field trip to the Govett Brewster Art Gallery offered inspiration for that framework.

Establishing whanaungatanga (relationships) is priority before learning can begin. My Kaiako have been highly supportive towards this through the teaching of our ākonga, and I thank Katie Smith, Callum Harris, and Judith Lamb (who taught our Shape ākonga for

Term 3 while Callum was Acting Deputy Principal) for their commitment towards the programme and delivery passion. We have also appreciated the wider support of Gill McNeil, and Bevan Holloway (Smata).

## Kirsty Grieve

#### TiC Shape Your Future







Tessa Stone, Year 12

Ashley Goodin, Year 13



Erica Yokomatsu, Year 12



Gabrielle Keith, Year 13

# MATHEMATICS

2024 has been another exciting and productive year for our Mathematics Department. Once again, I would like to thank each member of the maths team for their on-going commitment, passion, and positivity. Despite facing a new set of challenges, the team has remained consistent in their approach to teaching.

This year we were delighted to welcome two new permanent teachers to the department. Madison Parsons joined us from Hamilton Girls' and Matt Coleman returned to the teaching profession. We are lucky to have such experienced professionals join the team, and they have proven to be real assets to the department. We also welcomed back Mrs Rutherford, seamlessly returning to the department having taken a twoyear maternity break. Once again, Mrs McRae-Plumtree re-joined the team, teaching two junior classes. We were also fortunate to have Chevonne Hendrickse add her knowledge and skills to the teaching of junior maths. I hope she won't mind me saying, she has enjoyed herself so much she wants to do it all again next year!

2024 saw the biggest changes to the teaching of Year 11 maths since NCEA was introduced. The previous 12 Achievement Standards have been amalgamated into just 4 Achievement Standards. This has proven to be a major challenge, not just to the Mathematics Department, but to all Level 1 subjects. The dedication, collegiality and desire of the teachers to give the students the best possible education has been a source of pride to me personally.

The annual Maths and Science week was a huge success. Varya Kern, our Science and Mathematics leader, did a fantastic job of organising her team and presented a fun week of dynamic and interesting activities for budding mathematicians and scientists. It is always a great opportunity for students

to engage in a range of activities in their own time. In particular, the maths quiz showed just how enterprising our students can be. Varya and her team have set a high bar for the 2025 leaders.

In 2014 the Mathematics Badge was initiated by Mr. Bone and in 2017 the Science Department joined us making it the Maths & Science Badge. This year thanks to the initiative of Varya, we now have both the Mathematics Badge and Science Badge available for students to earn. Well done to the 16 students whose dedication and resilience meant they earned their Mathematics badge.

# Below is a summary of some of the key mathematics events and competitions from 2024.

Mr. Bone wants to thank all those who have participated in the various events and competitions throughout the year. It is seeing them engaged and enjoying the challenges that makes offering these events so rewarding. Starting with the Solvemoji Competition in Term 1 and then the inaugural year for a regular Maths Club (alternating every Monday lunchtime with the Science Club) which kicked off in Term Two. Attendees get free membership to an awesome site called Brilliant.org which has a variety of Maths and Science courses available for students to explore together or individually. Full access to these courses outside of an academic membership usually would require payment of individual subscriptions. During Term Three, Varya Kern submitted answers to some preliminary problems for the New Zealand Maths Olympiad (NXMO) trials and based on her responses was invited to sit the challenging entrance examination for a possible place in the NZMO training squad. It will be a significant achievement if Varya is invited to attend the squad training camp in January. We will have to wait and see.

## Otago University Junior Mathematics Competition (OUJMC)

It is great to see students taking part in problem-solving competitions, where they are competing against others of their same year group around New Zealand. The OUJMC is for Year 9 to 11 students and is the precursor to the Senior Maths Competition.

Congratulations to Ellie Jackson, Zara Kahn and Abigail Williamson for earning a Merit in Year 9, and Kshipra Swamy who earned a Distinction, placing her in the top 15% nationwide. In Year 10 Charlotte Wischnowsky earned a Merit award.

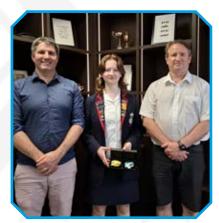
Amelia Forest earned a Merit in the Year 11 level of the competition.

### Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC)

The AMC is the longest-running Mathematics competition in the Australasian region. It covers all the year levels from 9 to 13 and it is good to see students regularly return to compete each year. Congratulations to Emily Hagan (Year 9) for earning Proficiency; Hannah Dunnet, Elliott O'Keefe and Charlotte Wischnowsky (Year 10) for earning Credit; Monique Camden (Year 12) for gaining Proficiency; and Tasha Forest and Varya Kern (Year 13) for gaining Credit.

International Competition and Assessment for Schools (ICAS) is an Australian-based organisation that runs competitions in a variety of curriculum areas. The ICAS Maths Competition lets students see their progress against their peers in their country of participation. Many of the students involved have been participating in the ICAS system even before coming to our school.

Congratulations to Hannah Dunnet and Elliott O'Keefe (Year 10) who both earned Credit awards and special congratulations to Varya Kern (Year 13) earned a High Distinction, placing her in the top 1% of Year 13 NZ students who took part in the competition. An amazing



Mr Chubb, Varya Kern and Andrew Bone

achievement, which she also managed in the ICAS Science competition!

#### Senior Maths Competition

This competition has changed its format recently and now allows students to work individually or in teams of up to 3 students. It is specifically aimed at those studying Level 2 or 3 Mathematics but is now open to students from any year level to have a go. This year we

had 10 students competing in 5 teams and it looked like they all enjoyed the 90-minute competition. Nationwide results are still pending.

### Methanex Maths Challenge

This event run by the Taranaki Mathematics and Statistics Teachers Association (TMSTA) has been missing from our calendars since 2019. This quiz evening was always associated with the Methanex Maths Spectacular. After a pandemic-induced hiatus of a few years the quiz event has returned with a new format, more action and larger prizes. We entered a team for both the Year 9 and 10 levels, who had a great time competing. The teams consisted of Keira Adjani, Emily Hagan, Ellie Jackson and Abigail Williamson in Year 9 and Hannah Dunnet, Elliot O'Keefe and Charlotte Wischnowsky in Year 10. We certainly hope to field two teams at each year

level next year and possibly bring home a trophy!

A big thank you to Mrs Hofmans and Mr Bone, who yet again put in many additional voluntary hours to support those students who attempt Statistics and Calculus Scholarships respectively.

Once again, I would like to say a special thank you to the Assistant Heads of Department; Andrew Bone and Tanya Harris, who continue doing a fantastic job of stepping up to do whatever is needed to get the job done.

Have a great summer everyone and we look forward to 2025 and the exciting opportunities it brings.

Tonathan Faulkner

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# HEALTH & HOFE ECONDAIGS

# Health & Food and NutritionFood

and wonderful year in the Health and Food and Nutrition department. We have had some influential kaiako join our team this year. Alana Kane has brought a wealth of knowledge and energy to the Health classrooms and Megan O'Reily has come with great food industry knowledge that our students will hugely benefit from. Both are new teachers to the profession, and we are so excited to have them onboard.

It was fantastic to commence the year having learned of some exceptional NCEA External results gained by 2023's Level 1, 2 and 3 students in both Health and Food and Nutrition. This year we have four senior Health classes at level 1, three classes at Level 2 and three classes at Level 3, and one class at each Level in Food and Nutrition. The department is flourishing in rich learning experiences, and we continue to develop and design programs that engage and inspire young minds.

#### **Food and Nutrition**

With Jo MacCallum at the helm, the food department offers a learning environment where students can develop their enthusiasm and passion for food and are provided with opportunities to deliver tantalizing dishes and apply nutritional knowledge. The dynamic teaching team working along aside Jo includes Angela Whitehead, Megan O'Reilly and Maggie Verry. This fantastic bunch of Kaiako deliver lessons where students can develop health enhancing attitudes with Kai.



In the junior programme, "Healthy eating habits last a lifetime" is the focus for all Year 9 students who have one spell each week. It is always wonderful to observe these students work as a team, gaining confidence and skills in the preparation of kai. Year 10 students gain skills in applying their nutritional knowledge to meet the needs of their whanua and themselves.

The senior Food and Nutrition students explore the nutritional issues facing various groups in society and developed health enhancing strategies to address them. Students gain insight into the personal, interpersonal, and societal influences on food choices and the impact on wellbeing. Food safety practices are challenged, and strategies are developed to address food handling issues in the community. Students in Hospitality classes have shown some great skills in their practical lessons, preparing, and presenting a variety of dishes show casing their skills learnt on how to improve flavours, and a wide range of cooking methods. With this practical-based programme, the students can feel prepared that they have developed essential skills to apply to any areas of hospitality.

From high teas, to Mexican meals, designer smoothies to meals for charity - our students are on an exciting food and nutrition journey!

### **Health Department**

Mā te whakarongo, ka mōhio, through listening, comes knowledge

Mā te mōhio, ka mārama, through knowledge, comes understanding

Mā to Mārama, ka matau, though understanding, comes wisdom

Mā te matau, ka ora, through wisdom, comes wellbeing

We have a fantastic bunch of Kaiako within our Health Department who work collectively to deliver relevant and relatable content to students across all year levels. Ms Shanelle Smart, Miss Emma Doherty, Ms Alana Kane, Mrs Megan O'Reilly and Mrs Verry (myself) are so passionate about our subject and truly believe that the skills and knowledge developed in our curriculum area can really make a difference now and in the future. We work arduously to deliver relevant, relatable content, ensuring students are equipped with the skills to deal with the many pressures they are faced with in today's world. Mental health, building resilience, pressures of online activity and social media, sexuality, peer pressure and bullying are just some of the integral topics at the forefront of teaching and learning programme. The one hour we get with our junior student each week tends to be jammed packed full of insightful and engaging activities to support their well-being.

Recently we consulted with our school community around our Junior

Health programme and had some really positive feedback from this. This indicates that our focus and direction of what we teach is supported by students and whanau. Our main goal is to ensure students are equipped with the skills they need to deal with the many pressures they are faced with in today's world with relation to their well-being and know where they can go for support should they need it. Our senior health programme continues to be popular with great class numbers and engagement. With the recent curriculum changes we have developed a revamped programme at Level 1 and are looking forward to revitalising our Level 2 and 3 programmes in the coming years.

To our Level 3 students who are leaving us, whether it be to go university, a gap year or into the workforce – take care, and we wish you all the best. To all those students returning to us in 2025, have wonderful break and we will see you soon.

# Maggie Verry

# HoD of Health & Food and Nutrition





# PHYSICAL EDUCATION

# Physical Education

A big thank you to the PE & Sport Science Department staff for your continued effort as you put a lot of time into our students academically including extra-curricular. This year's school-based waka sporting events have been awesome and participation numbers in our school sports days continue to be outstanding. Thank you to Patrick and Mel for supporting those events on behalf of the Sports department.

The department enjoys a high participation rate in its courses and our emphasis on 100% practical sessions allows our students to challenge themselves in different activities throughout the year.

The philosophy of our junior program is to continue the physical skill development, provide exercise and fitness opportunities and promote lifelong participation in physical activity. All our juniors have untaken run assessments, and our overall results show like many other teenagers around New Zealand that students need to get a little more active in their own time.

The department enjoys seeing all our PE and Sport Science students involved in school and community activities. We have talented athletes who participate in a wide range of activities at many levels from social right up to national and international level.

Unfortunately, our school pool is not repairable in its current state and the school board are looking for an individual or group of benefactors who might be able to assist with the serious financial equity to build a new pool. The pools closure was a massive lost to our school and students this year. We transported as many students as possible to the

Aquatic centre for a few pool visits. The history and stunning location of the pool will bring back many memories for current and past students and staff.

Our Level 3 Sport Science class carried out their paddle boarding at Ngamotu beach including a seal watch outside the break water. They started cautiously at Lake Rotomanu and by the end of the course they were very skilled and competent in the water. A big thanks to Spencer at Windsurf Taranaki. Our two Level 2 Sport Science students attended a two-day caving camp run by Topec. The limestone caves around North Awakino provided a great challenge for the students and staff. Thanks to Ms Stewart who continues to promote outdoor opportunities in a time when these experiences are dwindling across the country. A big thanks to the staff out at Topec for their professional instructing.

Thank you to Ms Watton for her work with junior outdoor education and taking her junior PE classes and stepping up to take a senior sport science class. She has coped brilliantly considering some injuries that plagued her winter months. Congratulations getting married late this year and enjoy the break. Mr Graham had both Y9 and Y10 PE classes and continued to develop his drill knowledge and can

be seen constantly walking around with his laptop open which makes an unusual umbrella some days. Thank you for your continued enthusiasm, Jim!

Thank you to the ground staff who continue to do an exceptional job supporting our programmes and preparing areas for any physical activity required.

Not only have we lost the historic Girls' High pool but at the end of this year we farewell Josie Cleaver. After 44 years of teaching at NPGHS she is retiring to her garden and ever-growing band of grandchildren. We wish Mrs Cleaver all the best with her next life adventure as she takes time to reflect on a stella career teaching, mentoring and caring for multitudes of students that have been in her classes and teams over the years. We will miss her humour, knowledge and calm nature! Look out for her at a café near you or wandering around our province's gardens and parks. Enjoy your retirement Josie and thank you for all you have done for our school and community.

On behalf of the PE dept stay active!

### Brendan Dickson

## **HoD Physical Education**



## Outdoor Education

Outdoor Education gives our students unique opportunities to challenge themselves physically and mentally while building confidence, relationships, and leadership in a diverse range of environments throughout New Zealand. 2024 was a year of wild weather, which made for muddier mud runs and roaring rivers. Perfect for playing in!

December 2023 saw Years 9 and 10 students wrap up a great year with End of Year activities around the motu. Day trips included working with horses, stand-up paddleboarding and kayaking, surfing with New Plymouth Surf school, climbing at the YMCA and more. Adventures further afield included Raglan and, Rotorua Adventures with Rafting, Mountain-biking in the Redwoods and the highly competitive luge. Closer to home students hiked and stayed at Waingongoro huts and others took part in a visit to Lake Rotokare where at least one student got see Kiwi up close, but the ensuing scream meant that others didn't.

Year 9 Camp this year was held at Taranaki Outdoor Pursuits and Education Cantre - TOPEC and was a great success, with almost every Year 9 students attending and participating in the large range of activities that were provided. One focus for this camp was for students to be able to make connections with their peers and teachers to help nestle them into the NPGHS whanau, all while being in an environment that encouraged students to step outside their comfort zone and to challenge themselves. Through this, students were able to try out activities they had not done before, develop new skills, and accept challenges that were thrown at them as a group to form a bond with each other.

Highlights that were reported

throughout the camp were, learning water safety and rafting, rigging their mates up and making them fly into the sky on the flying kiwi, rock climbing, going bush to light fires and hit some tracks, and of course the mouthwatering food prepared by Mrs Wootton and the Year 13 leaders.

A huge thank you to all that helped, from home baking to students/parents for much needed energy hits, the Outdoor Education Leaders Charlotte Bull and Jessica Whalley, and school Leaders including our Mānu Taiko (Head Girl) and Kaitiriwā (Deputy Head Girls) for taking the time out of your schooling and evening schedules to be with us throughout the whole week. Thanks to for the encouragement needed during students' times of uncertainty, implementing strong leadership, and bringing the hype in all the activities you helped facilitate.

Level 2SPC class also attended TOPEC as part of their course, to be challenged by the outdoor activities and to make use of each student's own risk management strategies, to overcome any risks or hazards they may encounter. The activities included caving, which for many students required them to overcome the challenges of being in the dark, being around insects like cave wetas and claustrophobia, while also being challenged to walk through an environment that had variations in height, while traversing ledges, scrambling over wet rocks and slippery terrain. TOPEC itself, provided challenges while preparing for caving and then by doing advanced Adventure Based Learning activities, which pitted groups against each other or against themselves. Always, when students return from TOPEC, they have created lifelong memories and mostly they feel exhilarated because they have overcome their own personal challenges, while keeping safe.

Taranaki Outdoor Pursuits and Education Centre (TOPEC) continues to provide exceptional support for New Plymouth Girls' High, providing weeklong courses for nearly 30 Year 9 and 30 Year 10 students each during Term 3. This year's activities included river safety skills, rafting, climbing, bush craft, and ropes courses as well as the famous flying kiwi.

In Term 3 both Year 9 and Year 10 Groups attended the weeklong camps at TOPEC, having had a taste of adventure on the camp at the beginning of the year. These students were ready for anything, which was lucky for the Year 10s and four Year 11 exchange students had a fantastic time. After River and High Rope activities they split into groups and spent a night at Maketawa Hut and the others at Waingongoro Hut. The Year 9 camp was wet wet which meant the mud run was muddier and the river was pumping and of course the big yellow rubber duck suits came out, so the ropes, mountain trips and mealtimes continued busy and loud and maybe even more adventurous than usual. The Year 9 students embraced the elements squeezing tonnes of fun out of the week. Everyone who completes these weeks leaves a little tired, much more confident and resilient as well as having new friends and a great experience to look back on.

## Grant Robinson

#### TiC Outdoor Education





# 5 G I E N G E

It has been another exciting and successful year for the science team, though not without its challenges. Et comitate, et virtute, et sapinetia - friendship, courage and wisdom were certainly fitting values throughout the year for our team.

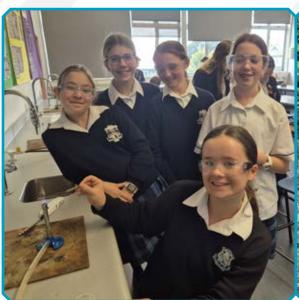
We farewelled Claire Hodson at the end of 2024 as she took on a new role at Sacred Heart Girls' College. Although mixed with sadness, this was an exciting time for Claire, and we wished her well on her new adventure. Athol Hockey also decided to make a change, hanging up the lab coat and white board pens in N2 for the last time and shift to a new role as a relief teacher. We have been very grateful to Athol for all the cover he has done this year for the Science Department and enjoy hearing about his adventures over a Wednesday morning tea. Our muchloved science technician Vicki Bearman and her husband decided that although they did enjoy being home, Australia was again calling so they decided to return to Canberra. It was not long before Vicki was snapped up by a new school, we wished her all the best. Our newest member to teaching, Rebecca Prestidge, with her new teacher registration decided it was time to move to the East coast. We know she'll be achieving amazing things for her students in Napier.

With the departure of team members brings the excitement of new people arriving in the department. We were very pleased to welcome Tonia Rabe, our science technician and lynch pin of the department. She came to us from a dual role at Spotswood College and Francis Douglas Memorial College. We also welcomed two new biologists, Lucinda Rawlins from Stratford High School and Katie Connor from Avondale College. Finally, we welcomed Oliver Harris our newest chemist from sunny Australia. It has been a wonderful injection of new ideas, perspectives and athleticism with the addition of our newest members.

A big thank you to Mrs Donna Ainsworth for organising our students and their entries in the Elemental Group Taranaki Science and Technology Fair 2024. It was a spectacular showcase of innovation, creativity, and scientific curiosity. The fair, which has been a staple in the Taranaki community for years, aims to inspire and nurture the next generation of scientists, engineers, and technologists. The Elemental Group, along with other local businesses and organisations, provided funding and prizes to ensure the event's success. Their commitment to fostering a culture of innovation and learning in Taranaki is truly commendable.

Many NPGHS students celebrated success this year. Some of the standout projects were by Ellie Jackson, Edie Rhodes and Abigail Williamson, Hannah Dunnet, Elliott O'Keefe, Claire Frew, Catherine Frew, Risha Nath, Isabella Treadway and Tasha Forest. Maddi Hopkins gained Best in Fair, First in Category and three special prizes. The 2024 Fair served as a reminder of the incredible potential that lies within our youth and the importance of providing them with opportunities to explore, experiment, and innovate. Our Year 10 Quiz team gained 3rd place which was fantastic. Congratulations again to all the participants.

Mr Warwick Barker our Teacher in Charge of Animal and Plant Science organised two trips for our lucky students this year. One was to Massey University, to expose students to a future in Agriculture/Horticulture. The second was the ever-popular trip to the Field Days. Thank you to Mr Warwick Barker and a very special thank you to the LA Alexander Trust for their continued support and generous contribution to the Animal and Plant Science team. This includes allowing Mr Ross Redpath to teach the Level 3 class once per cycle, which has been a wonderful support for Mr Warwick Barker and a great experience for our students. Without the Trust's generosity many of the amazing projects and experiences would not happen for our students.





The physics team were also out and about in 2024. Mr Andrew Chubb our Teacher in Charge of Physics took a group of students to Auckland to complete in the International Young Physicists' Tournament. Students worked hard to prepare for the competition and battle it out in the physics ring. Our team of three. Varya Kern (Captain), Stuti Tiwari and Rayna Kim came in 9th overall which is an amazing achievement.

The annual Engineering competition organised by Auckland University was yet again another great success with a bumper crop of ten teams competing this year. Thanks to Mr Andrew Forest, Mr Andrew Chubb and Mr Andrew Bone for organising and supervising the students on the busy Saturday. We await the results with eager anticipation!

A huge thank you to the Level 1 Science teachers for their continual agile and responsive facilitation of learning this year. We are excited about the new direction for Level 1 Science with the addition of and change to the Achievement Standards. I really appreciate the continual tenacity of the team as we move in the realm of the unknown. All the Level 1 Science students again experienced science education outside the classroom with the trip to Lake Rotokare. This is an inclusive and 'real-life' experience for students to understand the effects of society on our natural world. This also allows students to see firsthand the response and care from scientists to mitigate the effects and shape the future in a positive and sustainable way.

Next year I'm sure Level 1 Science will bring new challenges however each year we are feeling more and more confident as we add experience to our tool belts.

The Science and Maths week was another roaring success for 2024. Our science student leader, Varya Kern, organised an awesome week with the new addition of the crime scene mystery which was a very humorous and quirky addition to the week. Throughout the year Varya has organised quizzes in

the student notices and has done an outstanding job of promoting and representing Science in our school. A big thank you to Varya. Congratulations to the students that completed the required hours and were awarded their science badge this year, well done and keep up the great work.

As we near the end of another busy, productive and fun year in Science, I want to thank the entire team for their hard work and dedication to their students, as well as ensuring science remains an achievable, relevant and fun opportunity in school life. It is rewarding to reflect on the vast achievements of our students from Year 9 Science through to our senior Animal and Plant, Biology, Chemistry, Science and Physics classes.

As we face many challenges as a community and society it is a relief to know that so many of our students have developed a passion and appreciation for science. We are very proud of what our students have achieved at school, and what they go on to achieve beyond their five years with us.

Lastly a big thank you to our colleagues, the senior leadership team and the board of trustees for your ongoing support, including our parents and whānau for continuing to trust in us to provide your young people with an excellent science education.

Tulia Stephens













# United Space School

Kia Ora,

My name is Jessa Wells, and I am a Year 12 student who this year had the incredible opportunity to represent New Plymouth Girls' High School and New Zealand at the United Space School in Houston, Texas. This 18-day programme was run by the Foundation for International Space Education which brought together NASA employees and experts from around the world, who provided us with incredible knowledge and skills. This school gave attendees the chance to collaborate on planning a hypothetical and intricate mission to Mars.

Forty-four students from 24 different countries attended the school, and we were divided into five groups, each represented by a distinct colour. These colours symbolised key aspects of our mission: Green for Habitat, Blue for Exploration and Experiments, Red for the Transit Vehicle, Yellow for Communication and Budgeting and my group, Maroon, focused on the landing and take-off from the Martian surface. We carefully considered every aspect of the process, from design to construction and expansive testing. We had to achieve the set parameters and guidelines while still creating a unique design.

Throughout the programme, we were privileged to hear from incredible guest speakers, including the man who trained the Apollo 13 astronauts, world renowned astronomers and top scientists in the space field. We got their opinions on our projects and heard all about the advancements that are happening in getting humans to Mars, and the massive challenges that we have to overcome to make a safe manned mission. My team also consulted with an engineer from Austria who had many specialised skills that aligned with our aspect of the mission.

In addition to the work, we had the chance to explore local museums and tour around NASA's facilities, where we

saw many incredible things like rockets, mission control and a replica of the International Space Station. One of the trip's highlights was going to a Houston Astros vs LA Dodgers baseball game. With over 40,000 people there it was an unbelievable atmosphere with a lot of singing and chanting. We also got the unique experience of walking onto a soccer field before a game where we were given the responsibility of being the flag bearers.

During my stay, I lived with a host family and another girl from Mexico.
Outside of school, we enjoyed fun activities like virtual reality experiences, pool parties, movie nights and line dancing. We tried many American restaurants which were mainly fast food chains, Dairy Queen being a personal favourite. The best part about being at United Space School was I got to meet so many incredible people and experience how other cultures live. Many friendships were formed over the 18 days, and it is so cool to come home and have connections with people all around the world.

At the end of our 2 weeks there, we presented our projects to a panel of NASA engineers and scientists, who analysed it and provided feedback. We were asked questions about each step of the mission on how everything will work together to make a successful outcome. My role in the team was to communicate

and organise, and this involved a lot of public speaking. The final thing we did was graduation. This happened on the last night and was filled with many laughs as we all attempted karaoke. We were presented with certificates from the board members before saying goodbye to catch our flights the next day.

I want to thank the TOI Foundation, Worley, and New Plymouth Girls' High School for the support they have given me to participate in this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. I learnt so many invaluable things and had the most incredible experience.

Tessa Wells









# SOCIAL SCIENCE

# Reflecting on a Year of Growth and Achievement in Social Sciences

As we look back over the past year, three words stand out in the journey of our Social Science department: adaptability, teamwork, and resilience. These qualities have defined the successes and challenges we've encountered, both for our dedicated teachers and our enthusiastic students.

The beginning of the year brought its share of nerves—not only for new students but also for our Level One teachers, who faced the start of a revised curriculum with limited guidance from the Ministry. Despite these uncertainties, our team rose to the occasion with remarkable dedication.

We were thrilled to welcome Mr. Dougal Hanam as a new member of our team. Although it was his first year of teaching, he contributed with the expertise of a seasoned professional. As the year progressed, we also bid farewell to Mrs. Urmila Singh, who left for a permanent position in Auckland. In her place, we welcomed Mrs. Angela Roberts and Mrs. Megan Bendickson to our department, enriching our team with their expertise.

The 2023 NCEA results were once again gratifying, guiding us in making decisions to further enhance our students' outcomes. We are particularly proud of Tasha Forrest, who achieved a Geography Scholarship—a remarkable accomplishment, especially for a Year 12 student.

A significant focus this year was the implementation of a new curriculum and adapting to ongoing updates from NZQA. This challenge presented considerable workload issues, and I commend our teachers for their resilience and professionalism in managing these changes without compromising our students' education. Through collaborative efforts, last-minute adjustments, and innovative solutions, our students successfully completed a full 20-credit course in Level One.

Our department remains committed to providing diverse learning opportunities across the nine subjects offered in the senior school. We organized enriching trips, including the Model UN in Wellington, an exploration of the Great Barrier Reef in Cairns, and local events such as the Model EU and Social Action Inquiry. A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the staff who made these experiences possible. Your dedication in managing the logistics and planning for these events is greatly appreciated.

Our Traditional Arts Student Leader, Matilde Silva, worked tirelessly with her team to promote Traditional Arts within the school, including the successful Social Science Week. Thank you, Matilde, for turning this vision into reality. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours.

As we close the year, we reflect with pride on our efforts to educate future global citizens. The world continues to evolve, with new challenges such as climate change, health concerns, and more. Yet, the keys to success remain unchanged: diligence, focus, collaboration, critical thinking, and sustainable resource use. Moving forward, we must continue to improve student attendance, resilience, and their appreciation for education.

The role of a teacher in the 2020s is increasingly demanding, but our team remains steadfast and committed. We have confidence that the values we instil and the skills we teach in Social Sciences will become even more vital in the future.

A huge thank you to our Social Science teachers, whose tireless efforts have enabled students to achieve beyond expectations despite the challenges of recent years. Your collaborative spirit ensures positive outcomes for our learners, and we are grateful for your dedication.

Eddie Brown

**HoD Social Sciences** 

#### Market Day - 10BSS

New Plymouth Girls' High School's Market Day 2024 was a resounding success, showcasing the entrepreneurial spirit and creativity of its students. With 38 stalls set up by 128 students, the event was filled with a variety of handmade and unique products. Popular items on sale included cakes, cookies, candy floss, sherberts, and fudges, which attracted a steady stream of eager buyers. For those with a sweet tooth, the ice cream stall was a huge hit, and students were especially drawn to the colorful slime.

Beyond sweets, students also displayed their talents in creating accessories like handmade bracelets, which proved to be a popular purchase. The stalls offered something for everyone, with students demonstrating both their business acumen and artistic skills.











The 10BSS students were joined in the event by the Waimarie students who sampled the market as well as hosting their own Cupcake stall.

The atmosphere was lively throughout the lunchtime event, as students engaged with customers, managed transactions, and promoted their products. It was clear that the girls had put significant effort into their stalls, from product presentation to customer service. With a variety of goods and strong participation, Market Day 2024 was not only a memorable event but also a valuable learning experience in business and teamwork.

The success of the day highlighted the creativity and enthusiasm of New Plymouth Girls' High School students.

### 1Geo Great Barrier Reef Trip

Twenty students and two teachers in July were lucky enough to spend nine days in Cairns, Australia exploring the land and sea, experiencing new places and making incredible memories.

The array of activities that we did include an overnight stay on a boat anchored on the Great Barrier Reef where we went snorkelling and scuba diving with turtles, beautiful parrot fish and other unique reef marine life. We had a lecture at the James Cook University about Australia's most venomous creatures, met the turtles at Fitzroy Island and spent a night staying in the world's oldest rainforest, the Daintree.

Some of our favourite parts of the trip were swimming with turtles out on the reef, viewing the viciousness of the saltwater crocodiles and seeing everyone freak out over the massive black and yellow striped Orb web spiders in the Daintree.

These adventures gave us all an insight into the challenges, pressures and opportunities that tourism brings to one of the most amazing ecosystems in the world. We learned about sustainable tourism by hearing from people involved in many different aspects of the industry as well as experiencing it all for ourselves. This gave us a new appreciation for tropical far north Queensland.

By the end of the trip, we were all exhausted but thrilled with the quality adventures now behind us. It was an amazing opportunity that pushed us out of our comfort zones and challenged us in many fun and exciting ways. The Great Barrier Reef was unforgettable.

Sophia Holder and Emily Matthews









# TECHNOLOGY

# Digital Technologies

2024 has been a yet another busy year and our digital technology students have continued to create amazing outcomes across all levels of the subject.

The Year 13 students undertook an independent project to generate a digital media outcome. This has resulted in variety of projects such as an app for a community pantry to a old school point and click game that gives the player a sense of what it like to have a mental illness.

Year 12 students also undertook independent projects that also saw a variety of outcomes from prototypes realised in VR, an app to link students to school-based study groups to a website that creates a random bike ride route based on how long you want to ride for.

Year 11 students started out the year focused on developing a program in python and finished the year with a major website project that involved designing and developing the website using HTML+CSS and a sprinkle of Al.

Year 10 have been studying a broad range of subjects which started with developing a website from scratch coding with HTML and CSS. This was followed by a 3D sculpting project of mythological creatures and characters. Student also coded an old school text-based pick a path adventure game using python. And in Term Four they were introduced to movie making which included learning about and creating special effects.

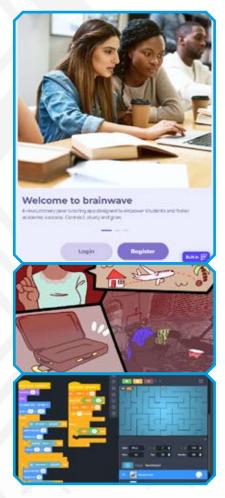
Year 9 students undertake Digital T112 Technologies as one of the core Technology subjects. This 'taster' course runs for approximately 10 weeks and provides students with the opportunity to develop their skills. This year they have been learning about correct procedures and conventions associated with file

management, basic networking, IP addresses, tools and skills in image creation/manipulation with collage and they have been working either solo or collaboratively creating a game in Scratch.

## Mick Bouterey

#### TiC Digital Technologies





# **Textiles** Technology

There was a riot of colour and pattern in the Textiles Technology room this year when Year 9 students started designing and making their own patchwork cushions. Students rose to the challenge of learning to use the sewing machine, and applying their newfound sewing skills, to create unique and beautiful

cushion covers to take home to decorate their rooms. Thanks to Megan Maton and Sally Laing for sharing their expertise and skills to start many students on their sewing journey.

Year 10 students grew their sewing skills by completing sewing challenges and projects. Term One and Two involved making themselves a Sewing Bag and Pyjamas. The Term 3 and 4 project involved showing skill and creativity to create a Sweatshirt featuring an applied design. The students practiced screen printing, applique and embroidery. Hand embroidery proved a popular technique for creating some exquisite designs for decorating their sweatshirts.

Senior Textile students rose to the challenge of designing and making textile items to meet a specific need. The Year 11 students experimented with materials to create functional storage items such as cosmetic bags, laptop cases and tote bags. They then tested and applied a range of techniques to achieve fitfor-purpose clothing for an authentic context. A beautiful array of skirts, dresses, pants and tops were created.

The Year 12 students mastered the tailoring techniques required to make a timeless shirt and then endeavoured to produce sustainable textile items. They prototyped their finished outcomes in a range of locations eg workplace, beach, walkway, family social events. Their final challenge was to adapt a basic pattern to achieve their own conceptual designs for a skirt or pants.

Year 13 students began the year by





crafting a custom made and designed pair of pants generated from their own personal body measurements. Other Level 3 creations included a tailored corduroy jacket, quilted and bound jacket, jeans, formal dresses and hooded sweatshirt jacket with applied design.

Cerys Lewis entered the Hokonui Fashion Awards in the School Glamour section, and her dress looked stunning on the runway at this prestigious event.

As always, I am very proud of the determination, commitment and perseverance shown by all the Textiles Technology students this year to develop their skills and use their time and materials responsibly and sustainably.



TiC Textiles Technology

# Hard-Materials Technology

This year has seen Ms Sally Laing take over as the design technology teacher with the retirement of Mr Marnoch. She brings a wealth of experience and expertise to the role, with her background in light metalworking and jewelry design, having taught in schools throughout Taranaki and the Wellington region. Assisted by Mr Thomas, the new Head of Technology, she has brought her own style and creativity to the project work and activities.



Year 9 has seen the students experiment with materials and the understanding of basic procedures and techniques in the hard materials workshop. Small projects typically covered jewelry and small container designs, including a BBQ tote box. This







practical work was supported by a mini portfolio of design and project planning.

The full Year 10 option has allowed the students to get a greater depth of understanding with project development and the experimentation with materials, tools and techniques. The combination of materials and assembly techniques challenged the students whilst allowing them to show their creativity in the design and development of the projects.

The Level 1 students have used the new achievement standards to create individual project outcomes. These have emphasised recycling, materials selection and the environmental impact of our choices. A range of individual outcomes showcased the student's creativity in making customised projects that were often gifts for friends and Whānau.

The Levels 2 and 3 course gave students the opportunity to develop outcomes using the context of metals or furniture making. The students enjoyed experimenting and making choices that related to real opportunities for their product designs. Advanced procedures were trialed and used to create jewelry, adornments, and furniture for interior and exterior use. The Level 2, folddown chairs were particularly well crafted and will be put to good use this summer.

# Design and Visual Communication (DVC)

The arrival of Mr Thomas from NPBHS as the new head of technology has seen him bring his enthusiasm and experience to the teaching of DVC. Teaching of 3D computer modelling through the SketchUp Pro application has seen DVC students from Years 9 -13 gain another visual communication tool for their techniques-toolbox to help with their designing and project outcome presentations. Design and Visual Communication (DVC) is about communicating the design of our threedimensional world. We focus on product design, the tangible items that we use in everyday life, and Spatial design which is about the designing of spaces and buildings that we occupy.

The Year 9 experience has continued with the teaching of foundational drawing, sketching and rendering skills of three-dimensional forms along with the computer modelling of their own room design.





The Year 10 students delved into more in-depth visual communication experiences, learning about design heritages and a spatial design project where they designed their own tinytrailer-home. We also experimented with designing packaging for cupcakes which involved some product testing at the end of the topic.

The Level 1 students used the new NCEA assessment standards for the designing of outdoor seating for our students use, influenced from a Te ao Māori starting point and the school's values. A second project had them design a small cabin for their own backyard which was modelled and communicated with SketchUp as their external project.

The large Level 2 class had talented students engaging in a project where they designed a new Year 13 study for the common lawn. This spatial design project was influenced by a design movement or design heritage of their choice with the style reflected in the project outcome.

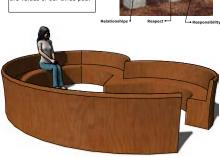
The Level 3 class also had a new spatial design project where they reinterpreted the classic kiwi Bach into a modern holiday home for a cliff-top location at the end of Ahu Ahu Road. Very creative thinking saw a range of solutions being produced and communicated to a very high standard, including a student choosing to submit her portfolio for DVC scholarship assessment.

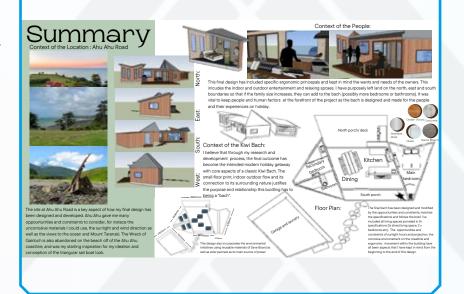
# Craig Thomas

# **HoD Technology**



Ideation





# TRACK AND FIELD

# CHPMPIONSHIPS PSBS

# TRACK & FIELD RESULTS 2024

## JUNIOR CHAMPION:

1st - Naavah Jordan

2nd - Sevana Commerer

3rd - Amber Williams

## **INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION:**

1st - Charlize Duncan

2nd - Marley Sampson

3rd - Molly Rukuwai

## **SENIOR CHAMPION:**

1st - Jacquelyn Kowalewski

2nd - Hayley Tewhata

3rd - Kasey Gooch

## DAY GIRLS vs BOARDERS RELAY:

**Boarders** 

## **WAKA HUIA RESULTS**

## WAKA HUIA RELAYS JUNIOR:

1st Tokomaru 2nd Aotea 3rd Kurahaupo 4th Tainui

## WAKA HUIA RELAYS INTERMEDIATE:

1st Kurahaupo 2nd Aotea 3rd Tokomaru 4th Tainui

## WAKA HUIA RELAYS SENIOR:

1st Tokomaru 2nd Kurahaupo 3rd Aotea 4th Tainui













# Cricket

## Cricket 1st X1

Lead by captain Charlotte Butler, vice-captain Cara Hollard and experienced senior player Anika Scott, the 1st XI Cricket team had a very successful season.

The NPGHS team competed in the Timberco Junior Secondary School competition in both Term 4 2023 and Term 1 2024. In the Term 4 competition, after winning every game, we tied with Te paepae O Aotea in the final. In the Term 1 competition, NPGHS was set to face Inglewood High School in the final after only conceding one loss, however the fixture was abandoned due to rain. Throughout this division we also saw some incredible individual performances.

Congratulations to Charlotte Butler for two consecutive centuries 112\* off 73 balls and 103\* off 72 balls. Charlotte also made a half-century, scoring 55 against FDMC Blue.

Congratulations also to Cara Hollard who had an amazing season with the bat and ball. Cara claimed two 5 wicket bags, as well as scoring 60 off 48 balls in an interschool match with Sacred Heart.

In February, the NPGHS team challenged Sacred Heart Girls' College at the regional qualifiers for Gillette Cup. Played at Pukekura Park, our girls had an incredible match, bowling Sacred Heart out for only 55 runs. Diya Menon claimed 3 wickets in this innings. Our opening batters Cara Hollard and Zoe Miller chased this total down without loss, with Cara on an impressive 42\*.

Winning this match qualified our team for the Central Districts Qualifiers played in March. After a tough first loss to Palmerston North Girls' High School, we were unable to qualify for the national tournament held later this year. However, in our second game against Woodford House 1st XI, NPGHS proved that our

determination runs deep. In only 20 overs, we set a total of 200 runs, with Charlotte Butler top scoring on 93\* off 53 balls, and Cara Hollard on 40 off 37 balls. Our strong batting effort was backed up with the ball, as NPGHS bowled Woodford out for 124, winning by 76 runs.

Our girls continued their sporting success out of the NPGHS uniform.

Selections into Taranaki Age Group Representative teams: Charlotte Butler, Cara Hollard, Anika Scott, Diya Menon, Charlotte Blackmore, Kiara Scott, Alexi O'Byrne, Zoe Miller and Bailee Egan-Gray.

Taranaki Women's Representative Team: Charlotte Butler, Cara Hollard and Anika Scott.

A big congratulations also to our Central Districts Representatives. Cara Hollard was selected into the U19 Central Districts team, and Charlotte Butler and Anika Scott were selected into the U18 Central Districts team.

National tournament representing Central Districts, Cara Hollard was the highest wicket taker of the entire tournament. This incredible achievement, alongside Cara's skills with the bat and in the field also lead her to be selected as a reserve for the New Zealand U19s Cricket team.

Charlotte Butler

112 runs not out

Whilst we farewell our seniors Cara Hollard, Charlotte Butler and Anika Scott at the end of this year, the some competent younger players. A big thank you to Diana Hollard for her



After winning Regional Qualifiers for Gillette Cup.

Back (from left to right): Kiara Scott, Melody Gordon, Alexi O'Byrne, Christabel Chatonzwa (Coach), Maddie Mackenzie, Charlotte Blackmore, Greer Parkes, Zoe Miller.

Front Row: Bailee Egan-Gray, Diya Menon, Anika Scott, Charlotte Butler, Cara Hollard



## CRICKET 1ST XI

Back Row: Melody Gordon, Zoe Miller, Charlotte Blackmore, Alexi O'Byrne, Greer Parkes, Diya Menon

Front Row: Bailee Egan-Gray, Cara Hollard, Charlotte Butler, Anika Scott, Kiara Scott

Absent: Maddie MacKenzie, Christabel Chatonzwa (Coach)

incredible efforts behind the scenes, organising gear lists, coping with uniform malfunctions and scoring games. A big thank you also to coach Christabel Chatonzwa. Your insight, skills and knowledge are greatly appreciated. And to all the parents, thank you for supporting us. No matter

the outcome, you brought positivity and encouragement- sticking with us for the whole 4-hour games.

Charlotte Butler



NPGHS with Sacred Heart after qualifying for the Central Districts

# SUIDING CHAPTONSHIPS 2024 5PORTS

## NPGHS SWIMMING SPORTS RESULTS - 2024

## JUNIOR CHAMPION:

1st - Camdyn Johnson (44 points)

## **RUNNERS-UP:**

2nd - Ella Rauputu (26 points) 3rd= Trelise Riddell, Ali Eustace (22points)

## **INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION:**

1st - Emma Iceton (50 points)

## **RUNNERS-UP:**

2nd - Madeline Hobo (48 points) 3rd - Claudia Brock (28 points)

## SENIOR CHAMPION:

1st - Bella Wansborough (60 points)

## DAY GIRLS vs BOARDERS RELAY:

Day Girls

## **WAKA HUIA RESULTS**

## WAKA HUIA ENTRY TO THE POOL:

1st Tainui 2nd Tokomaru 3rd Kurahaupo 4th Aotea

## WAKA HUIA TUBE RELAY:

1st Tainui 2nd Kurahaupo 3rd Tokomaru 4th Aotea

## WAKA HUIA SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING:

1st Tainui 2nd Aotea 3rd Kurahaupo 4th Tokomaru

## CHANT

1st Aotea 2nd Tokomaru 3rd Kurahaupo 4th Tainui

## WAKA HUIA RELAYS JUNIOR:

1st Kurahaupo 2nd Tainui 3rd Aotea 4th Tokomaru

## WAKA HUIA RELAYS INTERMEDIATE:

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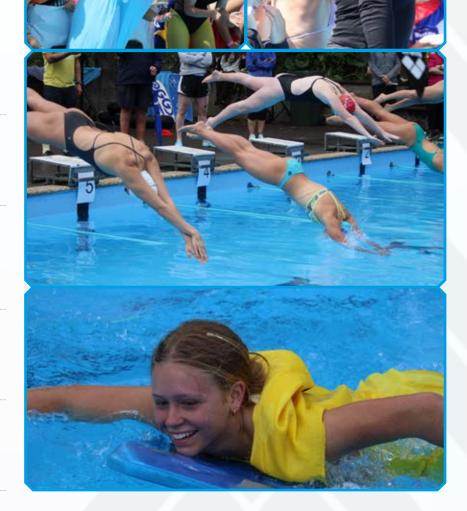
## WAKA HUIA RELAYS SENIOR:

1st Tainui 2nd Tokomaru 3rd Aotea 4th Kurahaupo

## FINAL WAKA HUIA RESULTS:

1st Tainui 2nd Aotea 3rd Tokomaru 4th Kurahaupo





# **Swimming**

Our first Secondary School competition was the NZSS Open Water Swimming Champs in Rotorua at the Blue Lake. Madeline Hobo was the only competitor from NPGHS. She finished 14th in the 14-15yr old female division for the 3.5km event. She was the first Nonwetsuit female home.

Our zonal Secondary Schools Swimming Championship was next held at Mount Maunganui. This is a competition where the country is divided up into 4 zones. We lie in the Aquaknights zone which consists of the Waikato, Taranaki, Bay of Plenty and Hawkes Bay Poverty Bay Regions. Madeline Hobo came 6th in the 14-15yr old female 2.8km

Emma Iceton was our sole representative from NPGHS at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Swimming



NZSS Open Water Champs 2024





Champs in Auckland in July. She swam extremely well against some tough competition and came away with five personal best times.

A big thank you to the parents who took time to support their children swimming at these competitions.



# **TIC Swimming**



Madeline Hobo



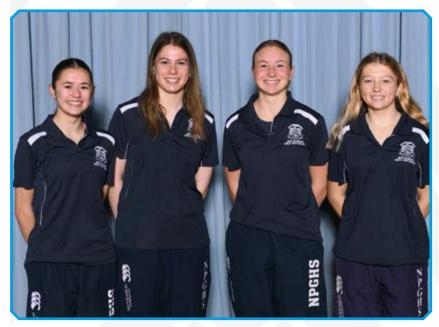
Emma Iceton NZSS Champs 2024

# TSSSA Surfing

The TSSSA Surfing event was a fun day this year. Doing the sport we all love as well as enjoying it with everyone from all the schools around the region gave us the opportunity to compete. It was also a great way to share our interests with one another, while also giving it our best shot. It was tough surfing conditions for part of the event, but it was still a good day, and a great time. Excited for next year!

Zoey Verster

Year 12



Present: Hannah Armstrong, Lily Freeman, Mia Padrutt, Zoey Verster

Absent: Isabelle Ashman, Kaelana Blain, Alice Butler, Ava Lind-Mitchell, Darcy O'Sullivan, Macy Rowson



# Surf Life Saving

# Australian Surf Life Saving Championships

Earlier this year from the 12th to the 14th of April, I competed in the Australia Surf Life Saving Youth Championships, where I competed in beach sprints and beach flags for Under 15s. The weekend of events was held in Mooloolaba. Sunshine Coast where it was sun all day round, making it challenging to compete in such hot conditions. This was the first time I was competing overseas, and I was excited and keen to see how I would go against the Aussies. We went to Aussie for the exposure and experience of competing for higher stakes however I was not expecting the unexpected. Coming 1st in Beach Flags and 3rd in Sprints was the definite highlight of the championships and my surf lifesaving season. As I crossed the line in my sprint final, I knew that I gave it my all. As I saw my name beside 3rd for the final, I felt overjoyed and accomplished. I thought right away that coming 3rd would be the highlight of the weekend. Coming into the championships I thought flags was my weakness however I learnt from this to never underestimate yourself. After I dove alongside my opposition from North Cronulla and had the last flag in my own hand, I could not believe it and could not stop smiling. During the weekend, I would continuously receive compliments and good lucks from other people. It made me realize the support I had not only in New Zealand. The championship was an unforgettable experience where I would come back home to not one but two medals.

# Charlize Duncan



# Volleyball Senior A

This season has truly been a standout, showcasing not just our team's skills but the enormous growth we've experienced together.

As the captain, I had the privilege of leading a group of incredibly dedicated and passionate girls, who each shared a passion for the sport and a relentless commitment to improving. Our journey began over the summer, where we trained in the old gym, focused on preparing for our first competitive games of the season, at regionals. Trying to gain as much competitive game play as we could, we not only travelled to play game against Inglewood but we also had a highly competitive training environment. At regionals our efforts paid off in the best way possible, winning every game and securing the first-place title. It positioned us as the number one Taranaki seed going into nationals. The hard work didn't stop there. Mr. D continued to work us hard in training, pushing ourselves to be the strongest, most cohesive team we could be. By the time March arrived, we were more than ready for nationals and as we travelled to Palmerston North, the excitement was high. The five-day competition was a true test of our skills, resilience, and unity as a team. In the first four days, we went on a seven-game winning streak, and the energy within the team energy was high going into the semi-finals. We fought hard, leaving everything on the court, but in the end, we fell just short and took a loss. We played for 3rd and 4th in our division and came out with a bronze medal. Despite losing out on the silver, our team was extremely proud of our efforts and the work we put in paying off. Extreme thanks to Mr D who dedicated a lot of his time to coach us, I know we all learnt so much and are very grateful. Also thank you to Hayley who has been our manager and part-time coach. The effort you have put into the team over the years



## **VOLLEYBALL - SENIOR PREMIER**

Back Row: Melanie Avery, Alexa Hale, Ava Topping, Lila Corral, Enya Burger, Brendan Dickson (Coach)
Front Row: Madeleine Leeks, Addi Schwirtlich, Erica Thompson, Kayla McGlashan, Meisha Hopkinson

has shaped us as a team. My last year in this amazing team has been very bittersweet however, I am very confident in the Year 12s and am looking forward to hearing what the team gets up to next year.







## Tennis

This year saw a lot of new players entering the TSSSA tennis tournament. The players got lucky and got to play in the beautiful sun surrounded by the beautiful nature of the Huatoki and Pukekura club courts. It was awesome to see so much enthusiasm from beginning players, especially from NPGHS. The goal was not to win in the social section of the competition held at Huatoki Tennis Club. Instead, the girls had heaps of fun and made new memories with their friends. Hopefully they will use this as a starting point to build their skills in this new sport. It was played in a round-robin style competition, meaning everyone got the chance to play people of all levels. Even though the social grade was not played with a goal of winning, Thea Betts from NPGHS came out with the most games won.

While there were no school exchanges played for tennis this year, the TSSSA event was an exciting opportunity for new and advanced players to enjoy. The competitive side of the tournament took place at the Pukekura Tennis Courts, with students from Girls' High School, Boys' High School, Spotswood College, Taranaki Diocesan and Sacred Heart all competing against each other. Mr. Parker was placed in charge of looking after five NPGHS students who all had a chance to display their tennis skills. A mix of doubles and single games were played, with the girls playing other Sacred Heart and Spotswood girls. The finals match was between Mckenna Norris from Taranaki Diocesan and Paula, a German exchange who ended up taking the win, from Spotswood College.

We hope that the following years are filled with more tennis and competitive

exchanges for Girl's High students to get involved in. Even though it is mainly a solo sport, it is such a fun activity to try out with your friends and have a hit! Give it a go as it's a skill that you'll have for life

Greer Upson and Sophie Thomas

Year 13



## TENNIS TSSSA

Tazanna Reddy, Viv Benton, Elliott O'Keefe, Allie Hooper

Absent: Tessa Austin, Thea Betts, Rujula Chitnis, Eva Clayton-Smith, Leanne Coetzee, Mia Cooper, Penny Edmonds, Ruby Flutey, Ruby Horgan, Nataya Lumluksanaphaiboon, Bella Markham, Merissa Marron, Queenie McClutchie, Reem Othman, Elsie Palmer, Laura Pickles, Kate Roberts, Molly Rukuwai, Sophie Thomas, Greer Upson

# TSSSA Track and Field Championships

New Plymouth Girls' High took a team of 22 athletes to complete in annual TSSSA competition.

The planned day was unfortunately rained off that meant the day was moved to Tuesday 5 March, which meant this was the day before the school event. Starting the day with the 3000m is always a challenge as the female and male runners combine to run the 7 and ½ laps. Over the day many athletes were challenged to do their best, and for some they were able to fit in a few new events that they had not competed in before, such as the hammer throw. It is always a fun long day and by 4pm the events slowly wound up and some tired and sore athletes returned home to try to prepare for the school event the next day. Unfortunately, some due to illness or injury were unable to back it up at the school event.

The standout performance was Charlize Duncan winning three events

and the relay. In addition Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Mahalia Cosar-Rangi and Vivi Hale all won two individual events, Vivi was also in the winning relay team. Our Intermediate relay team come through with a commanding win, it was closer for our junior team that also took victory.

## TSSSA Champions were:

- Lennox Dyer 1st Junior 3000m
- Jacquelyn Kowalewski 1st Senior 3000m, 1st 1500m
- Emma Iceton Intermediate Hammer throw
- Charlize Duncan 1st Int long jump, 1st 100m, 1st 200m
- Mahalia Costar-Rangi 1st senior 100m, 1st 200m
- Kaley Stockell 1st Int High Jump
- · Vivi Hale 1st Junior 800m, 1st 1500m
- Marley Sampson 1st in Int 800m
- Eliza Kahui 1st Junior 200m
- Molly Rukuwai 1st Int Triple Jump
- Portia Mason 1st Int 400m

Special thanks must go to Mrs Stacey Colbourne, Mr Eddie Brown and Mr Patrick Parker who managed the team and helped with some of the events.

We selected seven students to compete at the NZSS Track and Field event in December and we look forward to seeing their results. These athletes included Charlize Duncan, Kaley Stockwell, Vivi Hale, Jacquelyn Kowalweski, Lennox Dyer, Mahalia Costar-Rangi and Amy Ellis. Four students have accepted this and will travel to Timaru in December.



## TiC Athletics

## TSSSA Road Relays

With the traditional TSSSA Road Relays being modified to now be the TSSSA Trail Relays there were some skeptical faces on the start line. New Plymouth Girls' High had 16 athletes competing allowing for there to be two teams in the Year 9-10 girls and two teams in the Year 11-13 girls age category. This meant there was an A and a B team in both ages. Girls' Highs A teams took the lead from the start in both categories closely followed by the B teams, giving their rivals Sacred Heart Girls' Collage and Te Paepae O Aotea something to work for. All teams were looking strong with two laps to go, Emma Jamieson from the senior A team and Portia Mason from the junior A team started out their lap as third runners together with Emma dominating and getting the seniors back in the lead ready for their final lap. Vivi Hale and Jacquelyn Kowalewski were the final runners, both with strong runs bringing home the win for their teams.

Overall NPGHS had a very successful day coming away with first place and fourth place in both the junior and senior girls.

Tacquelyn Kowalewski



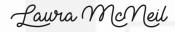
Back Row: Mahalia Costar-Rangi, Molly Rukuwai, Kaley Stockwell, Eliza Kahui, Leah Luscombe
Front Row: Vivi Hale, Portia Mason, Charlize Duncan, Marley Sampson, Abigail Williamson
Absent: Sevana Commerer, Lennox Dyer, Lilah Eagar, Emma Jamieson, Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Kaitlin
Pennington, Ruby Smith, Frankie Walker

# TSSSA Trail Relay Race

The TSSSA Trail Relay Race was another standout event for the New Plymouth Girls' High School running squad. There was consistent rainfall throughout the day, but the teams persevered and had great performances.

In the Senior Girls' category, Petra Hofmans, Jacquelyn Kowalewski, and Darcy O'Sullivan secured first place for their team. In the Junior Girls' category, a team consisting of Abigail Williamson, Vivi Hale, Portia Mason, and Lennox Dyer, also triumphed, taking first place in their category. Both teams demonstrated exceptional teamwork and determination.

Despite the wet conditions, the athletes remained focused, and their dedication ensured a successful and rewarding race representing New Plymouth Girls' High School.



Year 12



Jacquelyn Kowalewski crossing the finish line for her relay team.



Taranaki interschool teams tuning in to instructions of race.



Pictured left to right- Petra Hofmans, Jacquelyn Kowalewski and Darcy O'Sullivan take out the senior girls' category at the TSSSA Trail race.



Pictured left to right- Abigail Williamson, Vivi Hale, Portia Mason and Lennox Dyer take out the junior girls' category at the TSSSA Trail race.

# TSSSA Cross Country

The TSSSA Cross Country event proved to be a great success for the New Plymouth Girls' High School running squad. There were outstanding performances across the categories, showcasing the talent within the team.

In the Year 9 Girls' race, Lennox Dyer secured third place. Both the Junior and senior girls' division saw a dominant performance from New Plymouth Girls' High, with Vivi Hale (Year 10) taking first place, closely followed by Kaitlyn Perkins (Year 10) in second. In the Senior Girls' race, Jacquelyn Kowalewski (Year 12) claimed the win, followed by Emma Jamison (Year 13) with a strong second.

The perfect weather conditions contributed to an enjoyable day of

competition, and it was inspiring to witness the girls striving for excellence. New Plymouth Girls' High School was also named the top-performing girls' school overall at the TSSSA Cross Country event.

Laura McMeil

Year 12





## CROSS COUNTRY TSSSA

Back Row: Abigail Williamson, Leah Luscombe, Darcy O'Sullivan, Madeline Hobo, Bethan Mulliss, Annie Fisher

Front Row: Petra Hofmans, Portia Mason, Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Olivia Cavey, Vivi Hale

Absent: Sevana Commerer, Lennox Dyer, Emma Iceton, Emma Jamieson, Nina Manderson, Laila Pease, Frankie Walker

# NZSS Cross Country

On June 15th, ten girls from NPGHS participated in the New Zealand Secondary School Cross Country Nationals in Christchurch. In the 3000m Year 9 race, Lennox Dyer finished 37th, with Sevana Commerer and Nina Manderson placing 72nd and 85th. The Junior U16 race saw Vivi Hale secure 22nd place and Kaitlin Perkins 34th, while Marley Sampson, Bethan Mullis, and Kaitlin Pennington finished 57th, 74th, and 84th. In the Senior girls 4000m race, Jacquelyn Kowalewski led with a 23rd place finish, followed by Emma Jamieson in 39th, Madeline Hobo in 101st, and Petra Hofmans in 107th. The girls enjoyed the experience and got to celebrated Vivi Hale and Kaitlin Perkins successful relay performance, where they teamed up with



two other junior girls from Taranaki to earn an impressive 3rd place.

Petra Hofmans

Year 12







CROSS COUNTRY NZSS

Back Row: Bethan Mulliss, Madeline Hobo, Marley Sampson
Front Row: Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Petra Hofmans, Vivi Hale
Absent: Sevana Commerer, Lennox Dyer, Nina Manderson, Kaitlin Pennington

# Netball

Term 1 was once again full on with Netball Trials and finding Coaches and Umpires, with 30 plus teams again this season, finding volunteers to help out is a big job in itself.

Thank you to all our trial selectors, for your time and expertise in helping to put together our teams.

To the Coaches, Managers and Umpires who did step up this season. I cannot thank you enough, your time and efforts are very appreciated!

To Karen Eliason, our Super Star umpire, who gives so much time to our school netball community, even after retirement. We appreciate you, Mrs Eliason!

Thank you to all our NPGHS satellite players who turned up week after week with a great attitude and committed to training and Saturday games. Keep up the good work!

## Premier Netball Team

- Premier 2 runners up
- Taranaki Schools Senior Competition winners
- LNISS 3rd place
- NZSS 11th place

Congratulations on the great Nationals result and improving on last year's placing. Being the only North Island Team outside of Auckland and Wellington, just qualifying to be there was a huge achievement!

A special mention to Amy Vickers who has been selected into the NZ Secondary Schools 2024 Squad, we are very proud of you!

# Congratulations to our NPGHS Players who made Representative Teams this year:

U16 Stella Henwood, Iveti Nau, Taya Bailey, Holly Johnson, Molly Rukuwai, Jada Martin U16 Mixed Enya Burger, Harper Sutherland, Kaley Stockwell

U14 Emily Cleaver, Danielle Cooper, Trelise Riddell

U14 Development Caitlyn Day, Ruby Horgan, Lucia Miller

## Well done to the following students who won Netball Taranaki MVP Awards for the 2024 season:

Under 16 MVP and Netball Taranaki Junior Player of the Year Stella Henwood

Under 14 MVP Emily Cleaver Under 16 Mixed MVP Anya Burger Under 14 Dev, MVP Ruby Horgan

Melanie Leatuafi

**Netball Coordinator** 

# Premier Netball

Our Premier Netball Team had a very successful season in 2024. Our campaign started in early February and finished in October. Over the 9 months together, the team grew from individual's to a full unit, in assistance with coaches; Vanessa Mason and Liahna Smith.

The first competition was the Taranaki Premier Two Netball league. After taking one loss in the round robin games, the team was placed at the top of the table, five points ahead of Tysons Premier Two. After a strong win vs Naumai in the semifinal, the girls were through to the final. A tough loss in the final placed them second in the competition and therefore staying in the Premier Two Netball league for the 2025 season.

The next competition was Taranaki Secondary Schools. The team headed into the final vs SHGC unbeaten in the round robin. The girls were able to secure the trophy, with a healthy 7-point win. NPGHS defender Ebonee Good received the player of the match medal after a dominating performance.

During the season the team had various interschool exchanges, starting with Whanganui High School. After a back-and-forth match, our girls won by one goal in the last few seconds of the game. The next exchange was St Peters Cambridge, who challenged us. Following a disrupted start, the team was able to pull back from eight goals down, taking the win by three goals. Palmerston North Girls' were our next ultimatum. The girls displayed a solid attacking game, with Year 10; Taya Bailey taking the MVP of the winning match. We met Whanganui Collegiate days before our next competition. We came away with another large win, setting the tone for the next week ahead.

Lower North Islands Secondary Schools (LNISS) was our next competition (Winter Tournament Week). The attitude was set for the weeklong tournament in Napier, with the goal being to make top 5; to qualify for Nationals. The team was on a high, working together and displaying clinical netball. Winning all three first games put the team at the top of their pool. Another two wins and a draw then secured the top 8 position. Playing against Wellington Girls' Collage and Napier Girls' High School were the two biggest games of the tournament -must wins. A tough fought game with Wellington Girls ended with a win, laying out some outstanding set plays. Earlier in the season we played against Napier Girls and took a harsh loss. Going into the game vs Napier Girls' at LNISS, the team knew the importance of winning. An outstanding performance from every player resulted in a win by three goals, making it the highlight game of the week.

In a repeat of LNISS 2023s semifinal, we met Tawa Collage again. Tawa's ability to be unpredictable outsmarted NPGHS, resulting in a loss. Play offs for third and fourth were now the teams focus. We had already made top 5, meaning we were off to nationals. Scots Collage, who we had drew with earlier in the week, were our rivals. As it was the last game

of the tournament, mental toughness was a large factor in the successful result. Winning by three goals, the NPGHS Premier team secured third place at Lower North Island Secondary Schools and were heading to nationals.

The last competition of the season was Secondary Schools Nationals, another week of Netball held in Christchurch. Fundraising and sponsorship assisted the girls in financing the trip. The tournament consisted of the top 16 schools from around New Zealand: six from the Upper North Island, five from the Lower North Island and five from the South Island. The first two days of the tournament were tough. The team struggled to find their flow in the first three games. The girls managed to secure positive wins for the rest of the tournament, placing them 11th in the country. A highlight game was Mt Albert Grammar. Strong defensive play throughout the court resulted in a 5-goal win. Our last game was vs St Andrews Collage. It was an emotional game as six

of the team's Year 13s were departing. The starting seven for the match included Year 13 students Ava Topping, Sophia Louis, Amy Vickers, Ebonee Good, Danielle Du Buisson, and Hayley Tewhata. Beating St Andrews by four, the team finished on a high.

## Player highlights:

Four of NPGHS Premier players were selected for the Taranaki Secondary School Team: Harper Leatuafi, Stella Henwood, Amy Smith, Iveti Nau and Taya Bailey (Injured). The team competed in a one-day tournament where they could be selected for the Pulse Development Camp, to further their skill set and knowledge about the game.

NPGHS captain, Harper Leatuafi, was invited to trial for the New Zealand Māori Secondary Schools Team earlier in the season.

Amy Vickers, Year 13, was selected in the New Zealand Secondary School Squad. The squad had a four-day camp of testing and game play against the Pacifica Pearls.

Many of the teams' players were selected into Taranaki representative teams for the 2024 season: Stella Henwood, Amy Smith, Taya Bailey, Iveti Nau and Amy Vickers. Stella Henwood was awarded the Taranaki Junior Representative Player of the year trophy.

Overall, our NPGHS Premier Netball team had a superb season. Players additionally had great experiences in other sporting codes such as rugby, basketball and volleyball. The hard work put in at trainings proved to be effective as players started to find their purpose in the team. The future of Netball at NPGHS is bright, with lots of young talent coming through. I wish the team all the best in the coming years and will be supporting from a far.

Amy Vickers

Year 13



**NETBALL - PREMIER** 

Back Row: Stella Henwood, Iveti Nau, Santina Snooks

2nd Row: Ava Topping, Hayley Tewhata, Amy Vickers, Sophia Louis, Melanie Leatuafi (Primary Care)

Front Row: Amy Smith, Danielle du Buisson, Harper Leatuafi, Ebonee Good, Taya Bailey

Absent: Vanessa Mason (Coach), Liahna Smith (Manager)



# Senior A1 Netball

The Netball Senior A team had a great season this year, it was filled with laughter, smiles and lots of fun. The season has been an exciting journey filled with growth and development for our team. From the beginning, we focused on building our skills and teamwork, which was evident in our improved communication on the court. Each match presented new challenges, but we learned to adapt and support each other, leading to several impressive victories. This season has highlighted our potential, as we demonstrated that we can compete at a high level when we work together.

Overall, the progress we've made this season is a testament to our hard work and dedication.





SENIOR A1 NETBALL

Back Row: Cian Flannagan, Holly Johnson, Matilda Bublitz, Enya Burger Front Row: Aaliyah Anaha, Danielle Tewhata, Madi Hann, Lexi Elemam, Milla Lash Absent: Jorja Castles

# Junior 10A Netball

This season was a lot of fun. Sophie and Mrs Cleaver were awesome coaches and taught us a lot of new skills with warm up games.

There were changes in the team from last year's 9A and the new players did a really good job of stepping up to the challenge.

We had some good battles on the court in the Saturday competition and had plenty of wins and not that many loses.

We were unbeaten in all our interschool games.

Thank you, Sophie and Mrs Cleaver, for all your time and knowledge and all the best girls for Netball next year.



## **JUNIOR 10A NETBAL**

**Back Row:** Lexi Kowalewski, Kaley Stockwell, Camdyn Johnson, Libby Keenan, Molly Rukuwai, Josie Cleaver (Assistant Coach)

Front Row: Peyton Hancock, Penny Edmonds, Jada Martin, Esther Poching, Harper Sutherland Absent: Sophie Cleaver (Coach)

# Tada Martin and Kaley Stockwell

## Year 10

# Junior 9A Netball

Our 9A Netball season has been super fun in many ways. When our team first got together, most of us didn't even know each other's names, so our smart coaches thought of some good team bonding activities for us to do. This helped us get closer as a team and we got to know each other better.

Our team started the season in the Women's Senior Grade 4. For our first game we played Marist Dragons - we were sizing them all up before the game and were pretty nervous, but once we started playing, we realized that we were going to be just fine. The women we versed in Grade 4 were super experienced and skillful, and we had never played together before. Despite some close games, we ended up moving down to Grade 5. In Grade 5 we started to build better connections and gained more confidence on court. Luckily, we had tall players at both ends of the court and speedy middies, so no matter who we faced, we were up for the challenge. We won most of our games in Grade 5 and placed 2nd overall.

Later in the season we had an exchange in Whanganui against

Whanganui High School, we won that game 44 to 7. We also attended the TSSSA Netball tournament and won our two games against Spotswood College and Opunake High School. But then the rain spoiled our day, and the third game got called off.

I'm super proud of how far our team has come throughout the season and I'm looking forward to the 2025 season. On behalf of our team, I would like to thank our two amazing coaches Karina

and Kirsty, who helped us to improve as a team, and also helped improve our individual skills, by doing lots of ball handling and footwork drills. I would also like to thank our regular umpire Danita, all of our supporters, and our scorers.

Lucia Miller

Year 9



JUNIOR 9A NETBALL

Back Row: Asha Lallu, Cayla Nell, Madi Drinkwater, Emily Cleaver, Kirsty Miller (Manager)
Front Row: Eliza Kahui, Lucia Miller, Lily Hill, Jaimee Ramage, Danielle Cooper, Daisy Lash
Absent: Karina Lewis (Coach), Ella Rauputu

# Hockey 1st X1

## **New Beginnings**

New coaches and the departure of seven players from last year's Federation Cup team meant this season was always set to be a rebuilding year.

Having long standing Manager Kylie Albon around at the beginning of the season was amazing, she explained everything, trials, school exchanges, the club, tournaments and ultimately Federation Cup.

February and March, we held some fun team building activities with the remainder of the squad in an endeavor to get to know the girls. Our first assignment as coaches was to pick a School First Eleven and wider training squad. We were very impressed with the high standard of players at the Junior and Senior trials making it very hard to pick a squad. Our squad was named, and the fun and hard work began!

April, the start of our campaign, club hockey season begins, trainings and fundraising. The annual ANZAC trip to St Paul's Collegiate in Hamilton was held during the April School holidays and the team played some "friendly" games against St Pauls, (0-3), Cambridge High (4-1), Iona (1-4), Auckland Dio (2-2), Waikato Dio (4-0) It for us as coaches to start to see everyone together both on and off the field.

May, the school competition started where we play against a NPBHS and FDMC Junior teams and Sacred Heart Girls' College. Playing in both the Club and School competition is useful, the club competition we play stronger older women who have more experience, the school competition allows us to compare ourselves against our own age group and the boys' teams are much faster and stronger. NPGHS came out on top in the school competition with a 1-0 win in the final against SHGC.

During July we took the team to



Whanganui for the inaugural Central North Island Tournament run by Whanganui Collegiate. This tournament has been run for a number of years for the Boys School teams but the was the first year the Girls teams had been added in. We played 3 games in two days and then travelled to St Peters on the Monday for the school exchange. It was a really busy 4 days with some hard games, but it was a good replication of what a tournament week would be like. We hope to continue attending this tournament.

In August our team made the semifinal and then the final of the Club Hockey competition, this was an outstanding effort given where the team started at the beginning of the year. We beat Hawera (1-0) in the semifinal which seemed to be of some delight to the team as we understand the team had previously never beaten Hawera! The final against the NPOB White team was a really hard-fought game, we were leading up until 8 minutes to go and finished up going down 2-3. It was a tough loss to take, however, the girls certainly grew from the experience and losing (as much as no one likes it) always provides valuable lessons and experiences. The following day we took the team to Hamilton for the day to play Westlake Girls' High School, this was invaluable knowing that we could potentially cross over with them at Federation Cup. It was a good chance to

test ourselves against a well-regarded hockey school, we lost 0-2 however took firm belief we could better that game if we needed at the right time. We had our last school exchange during August right before leaving to Federation Cup against Palmerston North Girls' High school, this turned out to be another tough loss in the last few minutes of the game.

Federation Cup was swiftly upon us, and we were back up to Hamilton. We stayed in Cambridge at the Top10 which was the perfect set up and location.

In our pool we had Rangi Ruru Girls' School, Feilding High School and Whanganui Collegiate. We had targeted Feilding as being the key game in our pool to win, our first game, we had a game plan and the girls delivered with a 4-1 win, it was brilliant! Unfortunately, our second game didn't go to plan, and we lost against Whanganui Collegiate. From here we had nothing to lose against Rangi Ruru who have traditionally always been a top school. The girls played one of the best games we saw all season, the support from the grandstand of parents was AMAZING. We finished up 3rd in our pool which meant our next game against St Mathews was a crucial must win. We came through with a 1-0 win putting us in the 17-24 placings of the final standings. This was key for the team as it means we live to fight another year in Federation Cup amongst the top teams in the country. Up next we had to play

Kings College, going down 5-0, we put this game aside and moved onto the next one. We found ourselves up against St Peters School Cambridge whom we had played earlier in the year during a school exchange and won, this time around they got the better of us and won a tight contest 1-0. We finished the tournament on a high winning our last game against Marlborough Girls' College 3-1 placing us an honourable 23rd in the country.

During the season we had several girls from our wider squad make various age group Taranaki representative teams, a special mention to Heidi Albon and Casey Drake who were selected to attend the New Zealand Future Black sticks training camp in October.

We would like to extend a special thank you to Kylie Albion for all her work as Manager over the year and handing over the reins to Lee Lash during tournament week. We would also like to thank Mr Byrne for his continued support of us as coaches, of this squad and of hockey at NPGHS. Thank you to our sponsors CMK Accountants, Albon Building Taranaki, F45 Training. We had wonderful support during tournament week and in the buildup to the tournament through various fundraising ventures. We would like to thank all the parents who helped us and the team in some way along the way (you all know who you are). There are amazing families surrounding this team and a wider squad and we are very lucky to be a part of it.

Bring on 2025, the best is yet to come!



## **HOCKEY 1ST XI FEDERATION CUP**

Back Row: Lily Ramsay, Keira Hide, Sophia Drake, Estelle Monk, Georgia Theodore

**2nd Row:** Hilary Barron (Coach), Natalie Withers, Jayda Struthers, Georgia Luscombe, Darcy O'Sullivan, Lexi White, Mia Padrutt, Kelly Sutherland (Coach)

**Front Row:** Ella James, Charlize Duncan, Milla Lash, Casey Drake, Heidi Albon, Freya Kleinsorge, Jacquelyn Kowalewski

# Kelly Sutherland and Hilary Barron

## Coaches 1st X1









# Junior A Hockey

With only six returning players from last season, the outlook for this young side to begin the year appeared challenging. However, it proved to be another very successful year.

Lead expertly by co-captains Mischa Lyes and Leah Luscombe, the returning players utilised their experience from last season to provide great leadership and support to the new team members. As a result, the team very quickly formed an inclusive, positive and vibrant team culture that helped in forming strong combinations on the field and allowing them to play with a high level of trust in each other.

After a challenging start in the Senior Women's Club Championship competition, playing as New Plymouth Old Boys Yellow, the team soon found their confidence and began stringing together good performances and collecting wins to once again qualify for the semi-finals, eventually finishing the season in a very respectable third place.

As the defending Champs in the Championship A Grade Girls' High School competition, the team had a tough challenge trying to emulate last year's success. It proved to be a challenge that they enjoyed and thrived upon, eventually being crowned Champions after defeating a strong Stratford High School 1st XI side in the final after a nail-biting sudden death shoot-out.

This amazing group of girls improved immensely throughout the year, both

individually and as a team, and thoroughly deserve the success they achieved.

Thank you to our wonderful managers, Karla Hills and Rebecca Hardy, for the support and care you provided to the girls, and to Kevin

Byrne and all the parents and whānau for your exceptional and unwavering support throughout the year.

It was a privilege to be a part of the NPGHS Red and NPOB Yellow whānau this year. I wish you all the very best for 2025 and beyond.



Jason Lyes

Coach Junior A



## **HOCKEY RED TEAM**

Back Row: Myana Bucka-Christensen, Maddie Sewell-Monod, Taylor Wilson, Portia Mason
2nd Row: Paige Woodhead, Viv Benton, Blake Hardy, Emma Davis, Emilee Venables - Zhou
Front Row: Georgia Dinnison, Natalie Corin, Mischa Lyes, Leah Luscombe, Marley Mcdowell, Daisy Lash
Absent: Gabby Robinson



## **HOCKEY WHITE TEAM**

Back Row: Sophie Bettington, Bethan Mulliss, Grace Clough, Amber Willans, Millah Keller
2nd Row: Maya Annane, Hannah Willemen, Lily Powell, Brooke Woodhead, Kevin Byrne (Coach)
Front Row: Queenie McClutchie, Sarah Duncan, Bre Hubbard, Payton Matenga, Liané De Bruyn
Absent: Elise Woodhead

# Basketball

Basketball is a very popular sport nationally but this year our numbers in Basketball were not as high as we would have liked especially now there is no social league on Friday nights. In 2025 we would like to see more girls sign up to play competitive Basketball – even if you have not played before. You do not need to be a 'superstar' at the game. Be assured if you sign up you will get coaching and you will learn the skills quickly. If you are thinking about giving it a go in 2025 then I encourage you to turn up to trials.

2024 has been a good year for our competitive A teams. Our Premier team lead the way by winning the Taranaki Secondary School League. They followed this up with a 3rd placing at Regionals winning in our final game 65 v 55 against Manukura. This result qualified the team for nationals which were held in Palmerston North in October school holidays. The team was positioned to do well but unfortunately circumstances changed for the team prior to nationals. Their final placing of 20th in New Zealand was with merit – well done team.

Our junior programme was also very rewarding for those girls playing in our Y9 and Y10 teams. Congratulations to our 10A team who were runners-up in the Hip Accounting Taranaki Secondary School league. They also finished a creditable 4th placing at New Zealand Basketball Regionals Tournament.

# Congratulations to the following girls:

Taranaki Women's Thunder Roster:

Kahsia Bailey-Nowell Matilda Bublitz

Taranaki U18 Basketball Team:

Jordi Sands Kahsia Bailey-Nowell Lani Rova Matilda Bublitz Santina Snooks

Taranaki U18 Team Awards:

Santina Snooks

Most Improved Player

Kahsia Bailey-Nowell Most Valuable Player

Taranaki U16 Basketball Team:

Libby Keenan Lilly Naughton

## Danielle Tewhata Coco Tihema-Walsh

Taranaki U16 Team Awards:

Libby Keenan

Most Improved

Coco Tihema-Walsh

Team Player

Taranaki U14 Basketball Black Team:

Lucia Miller Hunter Ngaia

New Plymouth U14 Team:

Lucia Miller Hunter Ngaia

Congratulations to Macy Death who was named MVP in the Taranaki Secondary Schools competition.

To our coaches/managers please accept our thanks for a job well done. You have been awesome to work with and your commitment to NPGHS Basketball has been appreciated:

Premier Team:

Dave Bublitz

Coach

Briana Latavao

Assistant Coach

Holly Schrader

Manager (Regionals and Tournament) 10A Team

Briana Latavao

Coach

9A Team

Toni Ramage

Coach

Kirsty Miller

Assistant Coach/Manager

9B Team Rihari Brown

Coach

A huge thank you to Melanie Leatuafi for her work as the school administrator of Basketball.

To all our parents, caregivers thank you for your support. We hope to see you around again in 2025.

# Premier Basketball

This 2024 season for the Premier Basketball Team was very long, filled with lots of fun and many different emotions. We experienced many twists and turns this season- successes and losses.

On Monday nights, our team competed in the Taranaki Secondary Schools League. After winning every game by a considerable margin, we were well-prepared to face Stratford High School in the final. After a hard-fought game, our girls came away with a 91-53 win, reclaiming the Taranaki title we had previously won in 2022.

Wednesday nights saw our team competing in the Women's league against many older and experienced players. It was a great opportunity to execute new plays and test the pace of our game.

Many trainings and games built up towards tournaments, and before we knew it, we were headed to regionals. Held in Palmerston North, this 4-day long tournament was an introduction into the intensity we would face at nationals. NPGHS played with strength and stayed together, placing 3rd overall.

This positive placing at regionals led our team optimistically into nationals. Our time at nationals was long and tiring, as it always is for the players that go. The week started off strong with a win, with Macy Death hitting a 3-point bank shot from the corner in the final few seconds of the game. Macy had rolled her ankle around 20 minutes prior. Following this game, many good, and not so good ones came. Unfortunately, this led us to play off for 20th and 21st on the final day. Placing 20th in the country was far from our desired result but serves as a motivation to train harder for the seasons to come.

A big congratulations also to the members of our Premier Basketball Team that were further selected into representative teams. Kahsia Bailey-Nowell, Lani Rova, Santina Snooks, Jordi Sands and Matilda Bublitz were named in the Under 18 Taranaki Team. In addition to this, Matilda Bublitz and Kahsia Bailey-



BASKETBALL PREMIER SQUAD

Back Row: Kahsia Bailey-Nowell, Macy Death, Madi Hann, Jardy Ross

2nd Row: Santina Snooks, Leah Dallinger-Moss, Matilda Bublitz, Jordi Sands, Leilani Rova

Front Row: Ruby Reesby, Sophia Louis, Hayley Tewhata, Charlotte Butler

Absent: Dave Bublitz (Coach)

Nowell were named in the Taranaki Women's Team, the Taranaki Thunder, as only Year 11s.

During the year we grew close as a team, built strong relationships with each other and evolved into a great team culture. We developed as players as well as people. We were fortunate to have Dave Bublitz and Bri Latavao as our incredible coaches this year. Both coaches brought knowledge, commitment, time and effort to the table to make this year as positive and fun as it was. Their love and energy did not go unnoticed, and we all look forward to growing our skills even further with them next year. Holly Schrader, our amazing late- coming manager, also helped immensely to make this season memorable. The hard work and love she put into our team was unmatched. Holly always had food out for us to snack on,

advice to give, and clean washing ready. The parents and their unwavering support were also a huge part of our season. The financial aid, time and cheering on the sidelines always helped lift the vibes and undoubtedly stood out.

This season we were able to play nearly every game with smiles on our faces. It was a season to

remember with a lot of laughs, learning and development amongst the girls. The focus point of this season was our team culture, and this proved to be the standout point of our team. In preparation for next season will come fitness, skills trainings and the continuation of nurturing the team culture we have built. The combination of these things will be critical to the success of the NPGHS Premier Basketball Team next year.

Charlotte Butler

Year 13

Matilda Bublitz



# Football

This year we had five teams playing Football, and it was great to have lots of interest and participation in 2024.

Four teams competed in the Wednesday High School Girls' League and once again, our Junior A team won the league. Our very own Lilly Dowsing represented Samoa at the Olympic Qualifiers which was an amazing achievement for her. Below are the 2024 season award winners.

## Junior A:

MVP – Adele Keighley Players Player – Jayla Stone Most Improved – Charlie Chase Golden Boot – Rosie Hawkins

## **Development:**

MVP – Briar Price Players Player – Edie Quinn Most Improved – Piper Dempsey

## Ninja Turtles:

MVP – Lily Freeman Players Player – Lily Freeman Most Improved – Isabella Barrett Most Improved – Lucy Martin Outstanding Goal Scorer – Vada Shirtcliffe

## White:

MVP – Nala Singh Players Player – Freya Kleinsorge Players Player – Melody Gordon Most Improved – Sammy Wolfe Unsung Hero – Maia Dinnison & Estelle Monk

Supporter of the year Trophy – Leighton Dearden

Future Talent Golden Boot Trophy – Bailee Egan-Gray

Outstanding Goal Scorer Trophy – Rosie Hawkins

Overall 1st XI Golden Boot Trophy – Lilly Dowsing

Chubb Trophy for defender of the year Ella Third

Playmaker Trophy – Sasha Rasmussen Nationals MVP Trophy – Chloe Baldwin Most dedicated to Fitness Trophy – Chloe Baldwin

Arthor Dearden Memorial Shield – Lilly Dowsing



1st XI vs PNGHS

## 1st XI Football

After trials in Term 1, a talented squad of 18 players was selected to represent the school in college fixtures, exchanges and tournaments. The team was coached by Leighton Dearden, his 11th and final year in charge, supported by Kelly Read as assistant coach, and Mrs Sandra Hawkins as manager. Lilly Dowsing and Katie Clough both captained the team, and their leadership was a very valuable component to the team's success this season. The team had a sponsor this year which added great support to the team. A huge thanks must go to Avenue Roading Ltd.

The first challenge for the team was Whanganui High School who are always a good challenge. Our 1st XI had a strong performance, winning the game 4-0, with Lilly Dowsing scoring 2, Ella Third 1 and Rosie Hawkins 1. The next

college fixture was against St Peters School (Cambridge), who are a highly ranked team in NZ. The team travelled to Cambridge and were up for the challenge. Another strong performance from the team led to an impressive 3-0 win, with Lilly Dowsing scoring 2 and Sasha Rasmussen 1. A midweek game vs NP Rangers was organised, and our 1st XI dominated from the outset, and won the game 7-1. Palmerston North Girls' was the next challenge before nationals, and the team had another strong performance and a 3-2 victory. Lilly Dowsing scored once again, along with Zoe Miller and Rosie Hawkins each scoring 1. The final game before nationals was against Inglewood High School, and our team were too strong, winning 9-1.

The NPGHS 1st XI Football Team had an incredible time at the 2024 National Premier Tournament in Nelson, finishing



8th in New Zealand. The week started strongly with a 7-0 win against Rototuna High School, a 1-1 draw against St Andrews College and a 2-2 draw vs Long Bay College. Those results put the team in the top 16 and they had St Kentigans next up in the crossovers. The game was a tight battle, with the score locked up 0-0 for most of the game. Lilly Dowsing scored a great goal that got them the lead and a 1-0 victory put the team into the top 8 in NZ. The quarterfinal against Mt Albert Grammer School was a very exciting game The pitch however was not very good after heavy rain and the slippery conditions got the better of them, losing 1-3. A 0-1 loss vs Westlake was tough for the team, because they were playing well, just couldn't score. The last game of the week was against a strong Waikato Diocesan team, and the score was 1-1 at full time. Unfortunately, the penalties didn't go our way, losing 3-4 meaning the team finished 8th in New Zealand which was still a wonderful achievement. Ka mau te wehi!

2024 marks the final year for some long-standing members in the team. Chloe Baldwin, Katie Clough, Lilly Dowsing, Gemma Feek and Jessica Whalley have all been involved in the 1st XI for a number of years, and as Year 13's, 2024 is the last year they will represent the school. All the best for the future.

Many thanks to the coaches, Leighton Dearden and Kelly Read. Also, thanks to Mrs Sandra Hawkins (and additional helpers Dale and Novaleen) who ensured the team was well looked after while away for the week. A big thank you must go to the parents who helped with organising fundraising, including Carri-Anne Stone and Anne Clough.

## Junior A Girls' Football

It was a fantastic season again for the Junior A Girls' Football team. Made up of Year 9 and 10 players, they took on some tough opposition including Inglewood High 1st XI, Opunake High 1st XI, Sacred Heart 1st XI, our Development Team, as well at the NPGHS social teams who are always tough to play against.



1ST XI

Back Row: Chloe Baldwin, Ella Staples, Jessica Whalley

**2nd Row:** Rosie Hawkins, Aria Pack, Sasha Rasmussen, Riley Packman, Charlotte Blackmore, Bailee Egan-Gray, Leighton Dearden (Coach)

Front Row: Jayla Stone, Adele Keighley, Katie Clough, Lilly Dowsing, Abigail Williamson, Zoe Miller, Gemma Feek Absent: Sandra Hawkins (Manager), Talia Hinz, Kelly Read (Coach), Ella Third



1st XI Football in Nelson



1st XI Football in Nelson



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Over the season, the team won every game, and they played some exciting football, scoring impressive goals and they were strong and determined on defence.

The team won the Taranaki Girls' High School League title with a +45 goal difference! Thanks to the players for an amazing season and to the parents for all their support. A big thanks must also go to Ken Swan and Robin Martin for coaching the team.

## **Development Team**

The NPGHS Development Team had a new look team with lots of young talent, they made it into the top 3 of the Taranaki High School League. With 6 wins and 5 losses, the team should be proud of their achievements this year. The players showed strong character, and a never give up attitude. Thanks to all the parents and supporters for the encouragement from the sideline.

# White Team and Ninja Turtles Social teams

The White Team and Ninja Turtles both had an enjoyable season. The Ninja Turtles team consisted of some



## **GROUP FOOTBALL - JUNIOR A**

Back Row: Azharia Martin, Charlee Chase, Jayla Stone

**2nd Row:** Bailee Egan-Gray, Rosie Hawkins, Naavah Jordan, Ken Swan (Coach)

Front Row: Ruby Smith, Abigail Williamson, Chloe McGregor, Lucy Swan, Adele Keighley

Absent: Sierra Lee, Robin Martin (Coach), Sere Pulford



## GROUP FOOTBALL - DEVELOPMENT TEAM

**Back Row:** Edie Quinn, Briar Price, Emilee Venables - Zhou

2nd Row: Elsie Palmer, Angelina Paese, Lili Herbert, Andrew Chubb (Coach)

Front Row: Piper Dempsey, Gemma Wicksteed, Bebe Anderson, Marley Sampson, Charlie Toghill

Absent: Sevana Commerer, Sachi Foard, Sam Hearn-Powers, Harriet MacRae



Whanganui High exchange

experienced players who had been in the team for a few years, along with some new players who joined. The team had great fun all year and had an enjoyable season. The team was coached and managed by Mr Sam Moon, who did a great job supporting the team, encouraging and organising them each week.

The White Team, coached and managed by Mr Sam Moon, also had a great season. There was lots of laughs and the team had great battles this season, including some wonderful victories. Most games were close and the team always remained positive throughout.



## TiC Football



## **GROUP FOOTBALL - NINJA TURTLES**

Absent: Bella Phillips, Lusea Wallace

**Back Row:** Te Aho Hope, Charlotte Blackmore, Lily Freeman, Naomi Landreth, Vada Shirtcliffe **2nd Row:** Emma Warring, Isabella Barrett, Lily Powell, Chloe Hatch, Sophie Sewell-Monod, Sam Moon (Coach)

Front Row: Kaelynn Ross, Lucy Martin, Lauren Keighley, Kim Stewart, Neve Shirtcliffe





## GROUP FOOTBALL - WHITE

**Back Row:** Melody Gordon, Maia Dinnison, Estelle Monk

**2nd Row:** Briar Tarrant, Lily Wilson-Page, Darcy O'Sullivan, Sam Moon (Coach)

**Front Row:** Annie Fisher, Pearl Shearer, Nala Singh, Freya Kleinsorge, Sammy Wolfe

Absent: Milla Lash



1st XI Football travels to Nelson

# **Futsal**

The year started with the promise of the senior and junior team attending the NZSS Futsal tournament. Trails and training had started in Term 4 with a focus to improve on the 6th placing achieved in 2023. However, the pressure of trialling for different winter football clubs and a lack of commitment to Futsal training by many of the senior players, the tough decision was made to withdraw the senior team for this year NZSS Futsal Champs. This was disappointing as to achieve as a team, team culture and tactics can only be developed at trainings.

Full focus switched to the juniors that trained twice a week and played on the Monday night Boys league at NPBHS.

The annual summer Palmerston North Exchange saw our Junior A team take on the PNGHS Senior team. We hosted the exchange on a winters day and Futsal was the only sport involved on the day. In the first game the Junior A team lost 2-1 and came back stronger and drew the second game 2-2. Rosie Hawkins scoring all three goals on the day. This was great preparation for the NZSS Futsal Championship the following week.

The NZSS Futsal Championship took place again in Wellington. On day one the team played three games. In the first game the team went down to Wellington High 2-0 then lost 2-1 to a good Wellington East Girls' team. Rosie Hawkins scored the goal. The story of both games was that we failed to take our chances. In both games, we could have scored more goals. In the last game on Day One the team played with higher intensity and focused more on passing lines. In a close fought game, our team won 6-4. Goal scorers Adele Keighley 2, Rosie Hawkins 2, Bayley Egan-Grey and Sere Pulford. After a long day it was time for a recovery swim in the pool and a good meal with fish, chicken and Spaghetti Bolognaise.

Day 2 started early with a game versus Mt Albert Grammar, who had made an impressive start. Our team switched to a half court press and frustrated them on the ball. Defensively



**FUTSAL - JUNIOR A** 

Back Row: Bailee Egan-Gray, Eddie Brown (Coach), Rosie Hawkins

Front Row: Jayla Stone, Abigail Williamson, Chloe McGregor, Ruby Smith, Adele Keighley

Absent: Sierra Lee, Sere Pulford

we were strong, however, we went down 5-1 with Bayley scoring our only goal. The last pool game saw us come up against Epsom, we came out comfortable winners 4-1 (Bayley scored 2, Jayla Stone scored 1 and Epsom helped us with an own goal). NPGHS finished 4th in our pool and earned a playoff for 5-8th. In the first playoff we came up against Auckland Dio and came out with a dominant 5-1 win. Scorers were Rosie with a hattrick, Adele and Bayley. After the last game and a nice compliment by the coach of the Wellington East team that made the final, how good we were and had improved a lot since last year. We went back to the accommodation with a sense of pride in our efforts today, though the smiles were reduced once we had to do five minutes in the pool as recovery.

The last day saw our last game against Wellington High, the team we played first up as both teams were dominant in the cross overs, again evidence of the harder pool we had to contend with. The game started well with our team opening the scoring and looking to capitalise on our improved intensity over the tournament, we then made a few silly errors and went 2-1 down. Bayley scored an equaliser then unfortunately we conceded a third goal to lose 3-2 and end up 6th in New Zealand.

This was an excellent team effort that was well led by Jayla Stone who had

a great tournament and was the team MVP.

We would like to acknowledge New Plymouth Rangers AFC for resting three of the players, so they were ready for the NZSS when they played a game the day before we left.

Thanks to Denise McGregor who was an amazing support for the team, helping preparing lunches to bench duty and camp mother. A massive thank you to the New Zealand Community Trust for their donation to cover a proportion of the accommodation costs.

This is my last season coaching the Futsal programme in the school. Over the last 3 years, I have enjoyed the challenge of developing individual players skill and a positive team culture. Placing 6th in NZ in 2023 with both teams then 6th again with the junior team this year and seeing the massive improvement with the junior team have been highlights. It is all about team culture of enjoyment and individual player development. Futsal is in a good place with potential for the junior team in the next three years.

I would like to wish all the players the best for the future, keep working on improving and keep positive.

Eddie Brown

TiC Futsal

# Rugby 1st XV

This year our First XV Rugby Team was delighted to be a part of the Chiefs Manawa Competition with one out of two Taranaki teams being involved.

We wanted to ensure that we would improve our placing from last year, which drove our team to work hard in trainings and games. This year we had Taupo O – Nui First up first which where we travelled there and it was a good opportunity as a team to show our skills and abilities for the first time this year. We were able to secure a strong win against them with a 73-7 WIN. The next game we had was with our neighbours Sacred Heart New Plymouth. We knew our game was going to be hard work, and unfortunately we were unable to come out with a win and it ended up being a 24-5 LOSS. The next game we faced was Hamilton Girls' High 1st XV which we knew was the toughest in the competition. In this game we were able to learn a lot from and picked up on our work ons. This game did not go our way as the score resulted in a 93 -0 LOSS. We ended up hosting Rotorua Girls' High at Yarrows. They demonstrated good physicality and their attack stood out which we were unable to hold our defense line up long enough resulting in an unfortunate loss for our girls. Our next game we travelled and stayed in Cambridge to play Tauranga, which was a tough game. They had been doing similar to our team in the competition and our team fought right to the end making the score a 24-15 WIN. This was a confidence booster for our team, and we were able to improve on our skills throughout the season which was shown in our next game which we hosted. We played Hamilton Girls' High 2ndXV and this was an extremely close game but our team was able to secure the last try to win the match. Our Last game for the Competition was facing Wesley College which was their first time being in our competition. They were tough and our girls' defensive line was not strong enough, although it was a close game. We unfortunately could not bring



RUGBY 1ST XV

Back Row: Hayley Storer, Brodie Colson, Ruby Tipene, Faith Lokeni

**3rd Row:** Jasmin Kemsley, Mollie Tipene, Keziah Fakavamoeanga, Lili Herbert, Grace Clough, Patrick Parker (Assistant Coach)

**2nd Row:** Chris Fenwick (Coach), Janelle Dhedadig, Olivia Sifa, Leah Dallinger-Moss, Lani Anaha, Phoenix Fraser, Ngahuia Salmond, Dion Tihema (Coach)

Front Row: Hannah Terry, Aarnya Simpson, Skylar Gladding, Amber Storer, Coco Tihema-Walsh, Maddie Fenwick, Ryleigh Marshall-Larkin

**Absent:** Charley Lahmert

out the win. This concluded our Chiefs Manawa Competition placing us 6th overall. We were happy with how far our team came and improved throughout the competition.

We were lucky enough to face Wanganui Girls' High School in a school exchange which we travelled there and were able to showcase our moves we had learned over the season. Wanganui could not keep up defensively which made our attack powerful. We were able to secure a solid WIN 44 –7.

Later throughout the year we entered the Taranaki Under 18s Competition which we were dominant throughout this competition in all games. We won all our games leading up to the final which we played our rivals New Plymouth Sacred Heart College as a opener for the Taranaki Whio, held at Yarrows Stadium Field 1. Our team was dominating in the first half but Sacred Heart turned on their burners and this ended up being a close game and it was leading up to the last minutes of the game where we scored the final try. The overall result was 26 –21 making us champions!

Our School also entered a New Plymouth Girls' High School team into the Under 16s Competition. They had an amazing season, and it was incredible to see new players try out Rugby for the first time. This team had a lot of

committed players which helped us in the long run. Overall, we placed second in this competition, having an extremely close game against Waitara High for the top spot.

As a Team we could not be more thankful of our coaches, managers, teachers involved and our supporters.

We were extremely proud to have four girls considered for the Farah Palmer Cup Taranaki Whio Team. Congratulations to Aaryna Simpson & Hayley Storer. Also congratulations to Charley Lahmert and Phoenix Fraser who were also considered but were unavailable for the final selection process due to other commitments.

Another Congratulations to those who made Representative Teams:

Brodie Colson, Coco Tihema – Walsh, Harper Sutherland, Jaz Kemsley, Keziah Fakavamoeanga, Maddie Fenwick, Mere Raniu, Ruby Tipene, Ryleigh Marshall, Talanoa Fakavamoeanga, Taya Bailey, Janelle Dhedadig, Leah Dallinger – Moss, Phoenix Fraser, Charley Lamert, Amber Storer, Hayley Storer.

Amber Storer and Hayley Storer



## RUGBY UNDER 15'S ARA PANUKU

Back Row: Harper Sutherland, Eliza Kahui, Chloe Hotter, Bella Post

**3rd Row:** Frankie Walker, Brodie Colson, Zelma Garner, Coco Tihema-Walsh, Emily Hagan

**2nd Row:** Patrick Parker (Assistant Coach), Dion Tihema (Coach), Mahalia Ripo, Olivia Sifa, Emily Cleaver, Tayah

Gopperth, Lili Herbert, Chris Fenwick (Coach)

Front Row: Hannah Terry, Kayla Hori, Autumn Te Whata-Felstead, Ruby Tipene, Maddie Fenwick, Ruby Murdoch,

Olivia Cavey

Absent: Livvie Fale, Elle Gardiner, Millah Mackenzie, Chasca Ripo







# Hillary Challenge

From the 7th to the 11th of October, we had the privilege of competing in the Hillary Challenge finals.

The event was held in Tongariro and at the Hillary Outdoors Centre. The team was made up of four boys from NPBHS and four girls from NPGHS, Jaquelyn Kowalewski, Petra Hoffmans, Estelle Monk and Darcy O'Sullivan. Our team was scored on our skills, speed and endurance over a series of outdoor challenges over the 5 days. The event included team challenges, an overnight expedition and a final multisport race.

On the first two days we had six one hour long challenges each day, with only 20 minutes in between each one. These challenges tested our problem solving and teamwork skills and ranged from raft building and puzzle solving to map reading and high ropes. Every night we went to the Hillary outdoors centre and had dinner with the 12 other teams from around the country, a good opportunity to socialise and meet new people.

For the expedition we spent two days up on Mt Ruapehu navigating to and collecting as many checkpoints as we could. We left at around 9am on the first day and moved as fast as we could across the mountain to try and maximise the amount of checkpoints that we could collect. We had to be in a suitable campsite by 5pm where we would spend the night. As we had just finished setting up our fly it snowed on us! After that we had a delicious freeze-dried beef stroganoff for dinner. The next morning, we could leave as soon as it became 7.00am so we had a nice 5.15 wake up to clean up our camp and get ready to collect more checkpoints. We put as much effort as we could into the second day as on the first, we missed out on quite a few checkpoints due to a huge cliff we couldn't get down. It was such a great feeling coming over the finish line at the end of the day and seeing all of our parents there to support us.

On the last day, we were all exhausted but after waking up at 6:30 we were standing at the start line of the last day. The multisport race. This involved a 2km maverick kayak paddle, an 8km run, a 30km bike and then another 7km run, finishing the day at the Hillary Outdoors Centre. This was a mental challenge for everyone after the huge week but we gave it our all and ended up the second team to finish!

After the whole week, we ended up finishing in 3rd place, and we are all very proud of the effort we put in and the outcome we received because of our hard work. We will be looking forward to competing again next year!

Estelle Monk



# Get2Go Regional Adventure Racing Challenge

The Get2Go Challenge, held across Taranaki, is an action-packed day of adventure, endurance, and teamwork for all participants. The event provides a series of challenges designed to test not just physical ability but also mental ability and strategic thinking. It is more than just a competitive event—it's an opportunity for students to challenge themselves and grow in ways that go beyond the traditional sports.

Each activity lasted 80 minutes, during which teams had to figure out the most time-efficient and effective strategies to complete the tasks and maximize their points.

One of the standout activities was the 80-minute kayaking challenge. Teams had to paddle across different areas of a course, retrieving plastic letters. The goal was to collect as many letters as possible and being the correct one that your team needed and then form words on a Scattergories-style board. Points were awarded based on the number of words created within the time limit. Teams were using consistent paddling with sharp thinking and communication to their advantage.

The biking challenge, Teams completed laps around a course while taking on biking tasks, but the key to earning points lay in a precise water relay. Riders carefully passed a cup of water to their teammates, who navigated a smaller, obstacle-filled course and then tipped the water into a bucket. Points were determined by how many laps the team completed and how full their bucket was by the end. This task required careful coordination, balance, and the ability to balance speed and precision.

The day concluded with a Rogaine challenge, where teams raced through a course ranged from Lake Rotomanu to Fitzroy, collecting points hidden in the terrain. Rogaine, a sport that combines orienteering and distance running, putting participants fitness and



## ADVENTURE RACING - GO 4 -12

Back Row: Leah Luscombe, Ruby Tipene, Darcy O'Sullivan, Tessa Austin

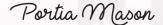
2nd Row: Macy Carlyon, Petra Hofmans, Mollie Tipene, Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Estelle Monk

Front Row: Olivia Cavey, Milla Lash, Portia Mason, Harper Lazelle



navigation skills to the test. Teams had to plan their routes wisely to maximize points while balancing the time. The seaside setting added to the thrill, making it a perfect terrain for the event.

Overall, the Junior Adventure Race emphasized the importance of teamwork, communication, and problem-solving. Participants learned to trust one another, adapt under pressure, and think strategically to maximize their points in each challenge. The event was a fantastic way for students of all skill levels to push their limits, build confidence, and develop valuable life skills—all while enjoying the great outdoors.







# National Get2Go

The National Get-2-Go event is a fun and competitive adventure race that challenges 12 teams from across the country in teamwork, problem-solving, navigation skills, and fitness. To earn a place in the Get-2-Go final, teams made up of four girls and four boys in Year 9 or 10 must have won one of the 12 regional events that take place throughout New Zealand.

The first two days of the five-day event focused on initiatives. These included puzzles, problem-solving, and teamwork, as well as paddling, running, map reading, bike skills, and raft building. After the first two days, our NPGHS/NPBHS team was in second place.

The next two days were dedicated to an expedition. The first day was a multisport race with a planned route, involving paddling in pairs, a 7 km trek, a 10 km cycle, and another 10 km trek. We finished this second behind Cashmere and, after a refreshing river swim, set

up camp for the night. The next day featured a Rogaine event on Tongariro, where we navigated challenging terrain and weather conditions to find as many points as possible over roughly six hours. During the Rogaine, we covered 17 km through bush-bashing, navigating in fog, and the rocky mountain terrain. After the Rogaine, we performed the skit we'd created using words collected during the multisport race and prepared for the final day on Friday.

Friday's event was orienteeringbased, with each team member facing an individual challenge at each checkpoint, from gumboot throws to crawling through an underground tunnel. After the five days, we placed 4th out of the 12 top teams in New Zealand. We all pushed ourselves beyond our boundaries and enjoyed an action-packed week that we'll remember for years to come.

Olivia Corin

Year 12

# The TSSSA Rogaine

The TSSSA Rogaine once again presented stunning weather, fierce competition and lots of laughter. NPGHS had 13 teams of two or more athletes attend this event. We had multiple teams competing in all age groups with five teams competing in the junior girls, three teams in the intermediate girls and three teams in the senior girls. In the junior girls Daisy Lash and Georgia Dinnison managed to come in 2nd place followed by our other junior teams placing 3rd, 4th, 6th and 15th. 2nd place was also claimed in the intermediate girls by Bethan Mullis and Miro Amoore followed by the remaining NPGHS teams placing 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th. When it came to the senior girls Jacquelyn Kowalewski and Petra Hofmans went hard bringing also bringing home 2nd place, NPGHS also took out 5th and 9th place in this category.

Overall NPGHS made a strong contribution to the event and had some very successful results.

Tacquelyn Kowalewski

Year 12



## ROGAINE - TSSSA

**Back Row:** Annabelle Moore, Miro Amoore, Estelle Monk, Isabella Harvie, Leah Luscombe, Cassie Plimmer, Bethan Mulliss

**2nd Row:** Tessa Austin, Scarlet Helms, Carly Bielski, Thea Betts, Greer Upson, Ruby Tipene

**Front Row:** Georgia Dinnison, Petra Hofmans, Portia Mason, Hannah Dunnet, Olivia Corin, Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Daisy Lash

Absent: Kaelana Blain, Daisy Bourke, Alice Butler, Sevana Commerer, Chloe Hatch, Madeline Hobo, Emma Iceton, Milla Lash, Nina Manderson, Zoe Miller, Darcy O'Sullivan, Eleanor Richardson, Paige Wilson Combe, Ruby Tipene, Darcy O'Sullivan, Tessa Austin

# Halberg Games

This year's Halberg Games were held at Kings College in Auckland. It was a three-day National tournament open to students with a physical disability or who are visually impaired.

From New Plymouth Girls' High School, Eden Fairweather, Portia Plumtree, Amy Ellis and Molly Armstrong attended.

They had a great time at the games. They tried a new event called Hunger Ball (which is a bit like soccer), completed in athletics, swimming, and the Mascot race. One night they played BINGO and Molly won!

During the tournament they met Eliza McCartney. Great teamwork Eden, Portia, Amy and Molly!

Kim Cribb

TiC Halberg Games





# Spirit of Adventure

On the 25th of May 2024, ten Year 10 students departed on The Spirit of New Zealand, a large ship from Auckland Harbour, for the trip of a lifetime.

We were on Voyage 894A along with three other schools from across the country. The New Plymouth Girls' High students were Jevana Dost, Grace Hooper, Leah Luscombe, Portia Mason, Kiara Scott, Jayla Stone, Kaitlyn Theobald, Hannah Wilkinson, Marie Wilkinson, and Charlotte Wischnowsky as well as the amazing Miss Smith, who came aboard with us.

The first challenge we faced was boarding the ship and being put into a foreign environment with 30 other students from three other schools (Dannevirke High School, Mackenzie College, and Sacred Heart Boys' College, Auckland). That challenge was quickly conquered after a few icebreaker games to get to know each other. We all might have started as strangers but left with some everlasting friendships.

Throughout the voyage, as well

as sailing every day, our school was involved with some fun activities like hiking, rafting, climbing the mast, karaoke, and even some challenges like building sandcastles and constructing the tallest tower for an egg (which we quickly learned that sticking the egg to the roof using tape, with newspaper dangling from it, does not count). On the final evening - due to hard rain, thunder, lightning, hail, and over 60-knot winds the Spirit of New Zealand Olympics venue changed from above deck to below deck. This was where we won with a great lead and got some extra points for winning the 'making the loudest noise' round, whilst cheering for our school. Another

joy (or nightmare) for us was waking up at 6:30 am every morning to take a refreshing (and absolutely freezing) jump into the ocean and enjoy a delicious warm milo afterward.

Going on the Spirit of Adventure trip was an amazing opportunity for all of us. Many friendships were formed, we learned about our capabilities, and we discovered we could push ourselves through the tough challenges that we were faced with. Overall, we were proud to represent New Plymouth Girls' High School, and we were proud of our individual achievements.

Kiara Scott and Kaitlyn Theobald



# TSSSA All Abilities Athletics

Waimarie students enjoyed participating in this year's TSSSA 'All Abilities' Athletics. It was a fantastic opportunity to share the occasion with friends from other Taranaki schools.

TSSSA successfully created very inclusive environments and provided awesome equipment suitable for our young people with disabilities. The giant egg and spoon races were hilarious! Our students got to push themselves and were glowing with pride and satisfaction as a result from the day.



# **Badminton**

Playing Badminton for New Plymouth Girls' High School this year was an extraordinary and unique experience.

We had many new players that showed interest in the sport, entering social TSSSA Badminton and giving something new a try. It was very heartwarming to see all the joyful smiles. Unfortunately, competitive TSSSA was held off and replaced with Taranaki Age Group championships instead. However, we were fortunate enough to be able to attend the New Zealand Secondary Schools Championship (NZSS) and train for it. We trained on Fridays after school with the help of an old girl, Mary Grace (MG). She ensured the team was putting in maximum effort and pushing us to our limits so that we could perform our best at the tournament. This was a privilege for us, as we haven't had an official coach for a long time, despite her not being able to accompany us to NZSS. Luckily, that left us with Mrs. Gillum Green, who made sure there was never a dull moment during the week. It was filled with lots of sweet memories and laughter that was special to every one of us. We also had the opportunity to learn from other



### **BADMINTON NZSS**

Back Row: Eva Scott, Kaylee Rutherford

Front Row: Chanya Seastrand, Lucy Hatchard, Martha Simon

Absent: Addison Cooksley, Cardin Harvey, Stella Henwood, Alyssa Khay, Mackenna King, Lili Lay, Zoe Magnussen, Lily Powell, Georgia Theodore

players in different regions and make some unforgettable friendships.

Overall, the journey of New Plymouth Girls' High School Badminton was so fun and entertaining. Hopefully, we will have an amazing time again next year!

Chanya Seastrand

# Fun Run

# Results

# Teams Event (6 runners)

# 1st - Tainui

# Place Name

- 1 Jacquelyn Kowalewski
- 3 Emma Jamison
- 4 Darcy O'Sullivan
- 12 Bethan Mulliss
- 12 Decilari Mattis
- 16 Scarlet Helms
- 26 Kaylee Rutherford

# 2nd Aotea

# Place Name

- 8 Abigail Williamson
- 10 Petra Hofmans
- 11 Allie Hooper
- 15 Lili Herbert
- 18 Lucia Miller
- 24 Georgia Luscombe

# 3rd - Tokomaru

# Place Name

- 2 Vivi Hale
- 6 Lennox Dyer
- 19 Rachel Stewart
- 23 Hannah Armstrong
- 29 Queenie McClutchie
- 38 Margot Harrison

# 4th - Kurahaupo

# Place Name

- 13 Annie Fisher
- 17 Laura McNeil
- 20 Phoebe Duncan
- 21 Milla Lash
- 22 Portia Mason
- 25 Charlize Duncan



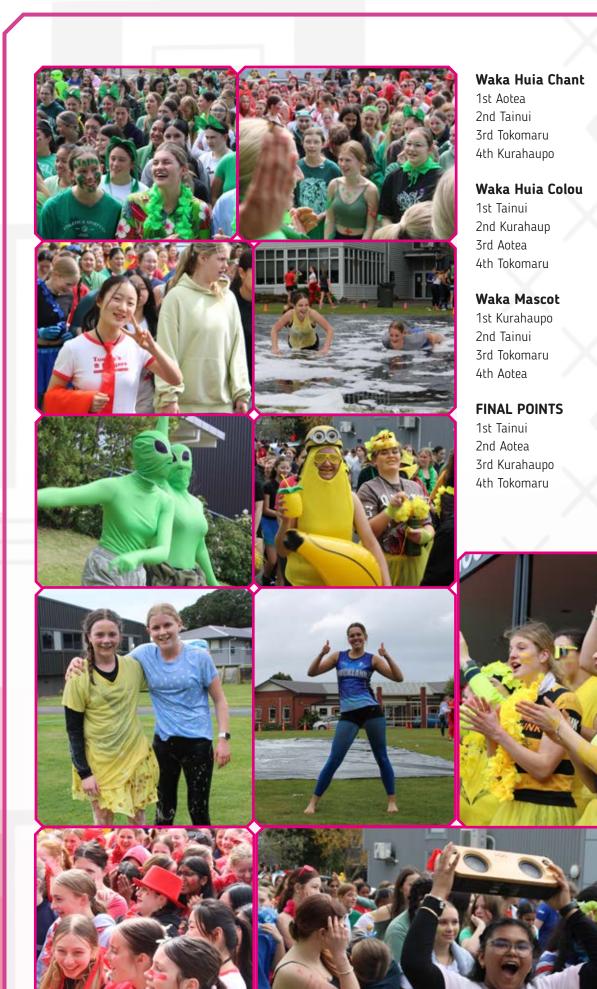












# Indoor Bowls

Both novice and experienced players made up our Team to play in the TSSSA Indoor Bowls Tournament this year.

Coached by ever prepared, patient and positive, and, always wonderful, Des Philips we loved the practices leading up to the competition and while previous players fine-tuned their abilities, new players became increasingly determined, passionate and excited as their skills improved in leaps and bounds.

Des's mantra of fun and enjoyment, and his focus on motivating and inspiring players to believe in themselves and reach performance goals not outcomes, made every practice fun and fresh and challenging and had all players wanting to improve and excel. We have been lucky to have Des committed to coaching our students for several years now. He loves coaching, has looked to the best in our players, has encouraged them to see all the possibilities and has taught them to perform at their best when the pressure is at its greatest.



### INDOOR BOWLS TSSSA

Back Row: Katie Clement, Anahera Stirling Front Row: Holly Gulliver, Lily Powell, Lucy Hatchard Absent: Paige Chatterton, Jacinta Frechtling-Eiffe, Lili Lay, Aubrie McKibbin

The results speak for themselves, with NPGHS in four of the top positions. Amazing achievements by all. And thrilling to see how our confidence and abilities grew as the competition progressed.



# Waka Ama





JUNIOR WAKA AMA

Back Row: Elise Lawrence, Eden Wiseman

**Front Row:** Esther Poching, Harper Sutherland, Yelena Poching

Absent: Ella Rauputu

# Rowing

The NPGHS rowing team had many successes during the short school rowing season.

All rowers started out in club rowing during October, then switched to school rowing in February which meant changing up our crews. Our rowers trained 6 days a week on the Waitara River. We had many double-up training sessions due to the shortness of the school rowing season to give us maximum time on the water with our crews working on technique, power and speed as well as teamwork. This really benefitted our rowing, fitness and mental strength. We also learnt a lot about nutrition, stretching/warming up properly and the preparation that goes into having a good race.

Our rowing team this year consisted of Kate Pease, Hannah Honeyfield, Anna Francis, Sarah Duncan and Lily Wilson-Page. All our team were novices which means we were first year competitive rowers.

Our first school regatta was the North Island Secondary Schools Rowing Champs held at Lake Karapiro in early March. Hannah Honeyfield and Kate Pease won bronze in the woman's novice under 18 double sculls A final. The NPGHS quad also placed 4th in the woman's novice U18 quad A final by a whisker. Anna and Sarah also raced in the woman's novice U18 double sculls C final which they won.

The Maadi Regatta was held at Lake Ruataniwha in Twizel in March. This regatta is the largest secondary schools sporting event in the southern hemisphere and is the pinnacle of secondary schools rowing for the year with national titles and placings on the line. This was an epic week away racing down south with the most beautiful venue.

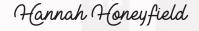
Hannah and Kate placed 1st in the woman's U18 novice double sculls B final with a time ranking them with the top 6th fastest time in their category.



The NPGHS quad with rowers Kate Pease (bow), Hannah Honeyfield (stroke), Anna Francis (3 seat), Sarah Duncan (2 seat) and Lily Wilson-Page (coxswain) placed 8th in the woman's U18 novice quadruple sculls A final.

Anna and Sarah raced in the U18s woman's double sculls, and Lily and Sarah raced in the U16s woman's double sculls, as we were only allocated one woman's novice double spot, meaning these girls had to row up a category against rowers who had many years of experience under their belt.

All our rowers raced hard and gave it everything over the huge week of racing in what is a very iconic regatta.



Year 13





life's short. be a menace, have fun. do stuff you'll be remembered by even if it's



I'm going to need a lot of retail therapy after this



What? My school life is over! Let the adventure begin.



was this worth credits?





a red bull a day keeps the sleepiness away



it's strawberry blonde and it's Leila, not Layla.



"Why can't you just be normal?" -Crystal Keith



Caitlin Adamson



"Come on Ash, think less, do more" – Katie Clement

Katie Clement



Live life to the fullest, take risks. otherwise where's the fun in being alive?



I can't, I have dance



So what? I'm British.

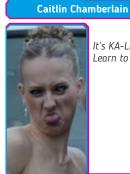


Love the life you live, live the life you love - Bob Marley

Melissa Jackson



Sorry I was mean, I just wasn't éating cheese.



It's KA-LISS-A! Learn to read.



I don't like to think before I speak. I like to be just as surprised as everyone else by what comes out of my mouth.



МсДо Веер Beep Funk - Slowed

**Cerys Lewis** 



Life is short but so am I, though I am tougher than I am tall



Felt cute might delete later

Kalissa Giddy

Millah Barron



'Hasta la vista, baby"-Terminator. Terminator 2: Judgement Day



Desserts cure stress :))

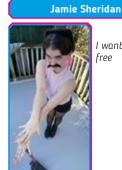
**Charlotte Bull** 



peace out



McDo Beep Beep Funk -Sped Up



I want to break



Whoever said "highschool are the best years of your life..." I hope you were lying.

Rujula Chitnis



Zoe Magnussen

Bella Wansbrough



There are two wolves inside of me. One is straight ballin', the other is straight up bawling.



"The ability to speak does not make you intelligent" – Qui-Gon Jinn (Star Wars)



My name is pronounced "Hui Yee" Imao



Home is where a high UV is





Sorry, but i've got cricket



If I can do it anyone can

**Jayde Engert** 

Leah Dallinger-Moss



'chat, are we cooked?



Make a wish

Anika Scott



I'll have your back, but you don't want mine



Living is not breathing but doing.



Live Laugh Love Chatgpt



Spell 5 attendance?

**Bre Hubbard** 

Jasmine Watson



#shoutouttoresubs



YAY no more having to fake leave passes!!



Me on a Sunday when I remember I have to live at school for the next 5 days



Had a giggle had a cackle

Kayla McGlashan



completed my degree in procrastination, time to procrastinate next year's plans.



They didn't think I could make it... But God did.

**Emmerson Jones** 



stil cant spel



ʻlife's hard.. but it's harder when you're stupid.

**Macey Austin** 



My drug of choice: English teachers complimenting my writing.



Non ranges



Graduated yet still clueless



"Hey Alexa, graduate High -School"







Ellazae Tolhopf



ranges



You can't buy happiness, but you can buy books and that's kind of the same thing



Live laugh love



Off to find my biological parents , #OrangutanLife #Gingerproblems

**Annah Watson** 



I shouldn't have dropped math this year... then I would know the difference between 7% and 4.5%.



**Hayley Tippett** 



Opinions are like playlists. I don't want to hear yours.

Hannah Honeyfield



Did everyone see that? Because i will NOT be doing it again. -Capt. Jack sparrow



Don't put anything stupid – mum

Olivia Earl



Sorry, I can't make it... I have cheer

quote".



I put as much effort into this quote as I did studying!

Sophia Wischnowsky

Georgia Reid



"High school is about finding who you are, because that's more important than trying to be someone else."



"Rivers know this: There is no hurry. We shall get there some day." -Winnie the Pooh



Red Hair, Don't Care. Graduating with Flair



Joint at the hip with Eden

Skyla Dost



come here bird, I'll feed you fanta. It'll taste good I promise!...



Despite everything, it's still you



just reached the end

**Charlotte Buckley** 

Katie Clough



in the sky & in the sea

Portia Plumtree

Lilly Kelly



Do the mahi... and get the treats



**Greer Upson** 

What in the tuff??



"Every print I left upon the track has led me here."



Try and catch me, Miss Carol. I'm going real far this time.

Mollie Tipene



Ella Ace



my wordle streak was more consistent than my grades



non range



don't think was on time for class once (I live at school).



'Ya'll are awesome, lets keep this party rockin"-NPBHS Prom King 2024

Mahika Naidoo



POV me when I have school



Zoe Parr

**Hayley Tewhata** 

Ashaylia Schimanski

"If there's a will there's a way, if there's chat gpt there's E8"





Nataya Lumluksanaphaiboon

special thanks to chatgpt



I put the 'Pro' in Procrastination

**Sophie Thomas** 

Sierra Robinson

**Ruby Shearer** 



It's really not that bad -Anna Francis ( won't let me change the file name please don't add this onto my quote)



Enrolled for five years but attended probably two



If I saved all the money I spent at the cafe on mini hotdogs and red velvet cake I would be able to fully finance my University tuition.



Highschool taught me two things (total); who my real friends are, and that a sweet treat is ALWAYS required!!

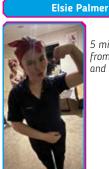
**Anna Francis** 



When life gives you lemonade, make lemons. Life will be all like whaaat? -Phil Dunphy



We didn't realise we were making memories, we just knew we were having fun



5 minutes from school and still late.



My brain is like a web browser. There are 25 tabs open, and I have no idea what half of them are for

Devon Heremaia



"Suprised myself in good and bad ways"



Patience is important, and also, if you don't want to do it, don't do it. But if you do, do. -Mac DeMarco



Tara doesn't think...Tara iust does

Thea Betts



"oh yeah, I just graduated high school" – Mac Miller

Tayan Mills



"We go through life. We shed our skins. We become ourselves." -Patti Smith



Chur NPGHS, I can finally go home now



ʻi aint a kid no more" - frank ocean



meant to happen but not to last :,)

Freyja Tyler-Cassatt









I wish I could wear this to school.



"you are what you love."



If attendance was based on never going to school mine would be 100%



Won't speak unless spoken to :0

Ava Davidson



Just because I can't see the finish line... . doesn't mean I won't cross it!



I'll just do it later never came, but NA's



Live your life to the fullest



Clearly I've got bigger fish to fry

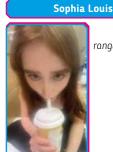
Rata Roebuck

Isa Luxton-Symes

**Amy Ellis** 



Is it too early to retire?



range



I did not lock

Madi Hann



'Youth is happy because it has the ability to see beauty. Anyone who keeps the ability to see beauty never grows old." Franz Kafka

Erica Thompson



I'd like to thank the internet connection for never being there for me



"Anyone wanna go to the cafe???"

Louise Clarke



"It depends if you want to be a big part of something small, or a small part of something big." - Datura Child



'We live on a floating rock'

**Lilly Dowsing** 



'Home is now behind you. The world is ahead!" Gandalf

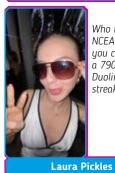


"I solemnly swear that I am up to no good'



signing off bang bang kiss kiss!

Sharna Hollway



Who needs NCEA when you can have a 790-day Duolingo streak?

Celina Ramsdale



'Nothing lasts forever, but at least we've got these memories' J. Cole



Non-range



Death dropping my way into adulthood. PEACE OUT.



I didn't choose the skux life, the skux life chose me

Mathuba Moyo









can finally purchase a . one way ticket home



me because i've forgotten everything i've learnt in my 13 years of school



Yes I'm a procrastinator... and I'd like to deal with it tomorrow



Thanks mum for always getting me my attendance justified

Reese Brodie



I'm not funny, I'm just mean, you all thought i was joking



everything happens for a reason



need money for porsche 15-3946-0381872-00



Stay true to yourself xo

**Emily Steele** 



The best thing I learnt this year was how to change my study spell



This wasn't like High School Musical.

**Courtney Beattie** 



My attendance isn't perfect, but I sure am.



2024 sira sei!!! Par kise nu v mere 13 saal school de mera na nhi lena ayea

Tihema Maniapoto-Berntsen

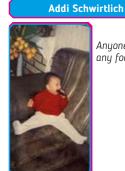
Arashpreet Kaur

Jayda Struthers

Serennah Hobin



"I quarantee another era is upon us."



Anyone got any food



Sorry guys..... shouldn't have asked that question!!

Hannah Van der Sar

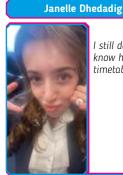


The only two things that got me through this year were fake tan and chat gpt.

Samantha Marasigan



speak Minionese.



I still don't know half my timetables.



Education is important, but big biceps are importanter.



I put my grades up for adoption because I couldn't raise them.

Rheanne Moyaen



R.I.P The OG carrot cake... loved by all and will forever be missed :(



nothing's that deep



Thanks ChatGPT!

**Amy Vickers** 



Procrastinated this too.

Amélie Tippett





Mia Cooper





High school's over. Now I knead to get out there and make some dough



Fiapito Seufale

Amy Van Zyl

Lalie Green

"Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." - 1 Corinthians 10:31



I may not have all the answers, but in a few years, I'll be able to Google your symptoms like a pro.



coffee?

Aaliyah Green



Just know that anyone who chose a 0.5 ran out of ideas



Dear optimist, pessimist and realist, while you guys were busy arguing about the glass of water, I drank it! – sincerely the opportunist.



Would've worn cowgirl boots everyday if there wasn't a uniform



finished with 90% unjustified

Scarlett Choi



people change, things go wrong but just a reminder life goes on. stay strong :)



"I am McLovin"



Danielle du Buisson

imagine a quote. any quote. then pretend its my quote on this yearbook, as i was too stupid to think of a good quote.



Half of my assignments aren't done. but I sure am

Mahalia Costar-Rangi

**Amber Storer** 



"I did it. I saved the town."



Procrastination is 'great' until you get a dream that your teacher is sacrificing you to the devil (real)



these past 5 years did not highschool like the highschools in the movies.



Reach for the stars so if you fall you land on a cloud

Chai Kelly



non range



Fear eats the soul, just do it anyways



Sleep is for the weak



one door closes, another one opens

Evie Smith

Kingslee Munro-Neal



What feels like the end is only the beginning of something areat



"And I say thank you for the music, the songs I'm now singing!"

**Molly Armstrong** 

Morgan Hobo

**Charlotte Butler** 



# KANHIA HUIA



### **AOCPL**

**Back Row:** Keira Adjani, Sophie Van Den Brand, Georgie Olliver, Jacinta Frechtling-Eiffe, Eden Wiseman, Sophie Perrett, Luka Phillips

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**Front Row:** Nikita Van Driel, Kaitlyn Perrett, Tahlia Chian, Aisha Gemala, Agnus Martin, Eleanor Richardson, Alice Butler

Absent: Ebonee Good, Misha Hoskin (Anderson), Sian O'Mara, Zoe Parr



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Absent: Kyla Rabone



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Absent: Sorayah Ngeru, Heidi Wilson, Kahli Wilton



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Absent: Natalia Bhana, Hazel Donaldson, Olive Hill, Ruby Sinclair, Ella Wilton



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**Front Row:** Rihanna Dellow, Frida Gardiner, Jarvissa James-Pukape, Santina Snooks, Neive Davison, Elise Lawrence, Ella Rauputu

**Absent:** Briarna Aiono, Rylei Dellow, Grace Enoka Liki, Amy-Jaide Paki, Yelena Poching, Olivia Sifa



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**3rd Row:** Naomi Landreth, Samantha McNeil, Ella Beck, Brooke Krutz, Victorhea Tongi, Danielle Vickers, Georgia MacRae

**2nd Row:** Nicole Hodson, Mazzlin Corrigan, Molly Rukuwai, Ruby Horgan, Shade Williams-Dixon, Tayah Wilson (Gopperth), Isabella Barrett, Jonathan Faulkner (Teacher)

Front Row: Alyssa Khay, Mila Arnold-Clarke, Harriet MacRae, Natsuhi Fiurukawa, Caitlin Crowe, Emily Levings, Samantha Marasigan

Absent: Georgia Kilmister (Chesswas)



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Back Row: Layla Tainui-Cran, Greer Parkes, Kaitlin Andrews

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Absent: Sophie Chen, Lexie Horgan, Ngakau Priest, Bella Wall, Asha Bates



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**Back Row:** Teal Barrett, Kaveesha Athukoralage Don, Xanthe Rushton, Riley Smith (Bramley), Mikaela Tice, Lillian Schulz, Mei-Li Johnson

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Front Row: Nelithma Vithana, Elsie Schulz, Kayje Lal, Ava Hashemi, Tess Salisbury,

Charlotte Wischnowsky, Chirathma Ruwasadee **Absent:** Lilly Dowsing, Mahina Fore, Paige Judson, Tommy Millward



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**Front Row:** Mia Gates Forrester, Maddie McInnes (Salisbury), Holly Gregory, Shizuku Kondo, Livy Churchill, Danisha Stoltz, Crystal Ammundsen

Absent: Rebecca Mace (Teacher), Morgan Hickey, Renee Kieselbach, Kate Muller



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**3rd Row:** Lexi Elemam, Reese Brodie, Emily Wells, Macy Carlyon, Laya Rajaneesh, Briar Cooper, Tegan Crowe

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Absent: Mia Cooper



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Absent: Kyah Boyle, Rhiannon Collins, Dasha Schimanski-Hunt



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**3rd Row:** Amelia Ruakere-Lea'ana, Monique Camden, Kaya-Iyshae Pouha, Tazanna Reddy, Rivani Arunachellam, Onaleah Zandbergen, Gemma Wicksteed

**2nd Row:** Millah Keller, Abigail Wiliamson, Sierra Lee, Sophie Bunn, Sophie Magon, Danielle Tewhata, Charlotte Kelleher, Sally Ann James (Teacher)

Front Row: Pippa Grotrian (Brooke), Millie Grotrian (Brooke), Alexis O'Doherty, Hayley Tewhata, Elsie Palmer, Natalie Bailey, Ella Hunter

Absent: Ava Musker, Nancy Nancy



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**2nd Row:** Chloe Hotter, Emma Hale, Pippa McEwen, Nyrelle Ritchie, Melita Netani, Indiana Wright, Ally Lowry, Sam Moon (Teacher)

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Absent: Penny Edmonds, Willow Henley, Ella Phillips



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Back Row: Zara Krutz, Maleah Heta, Dahntay Friedrich, Mya Bridger

**3rd Row:** Farideh McHugh, Ruby Burns, Layla Lambert, Valorien Motilal, Alexia Clement

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**Absent:** Emmaly Bridger, Jade Campbell, Libby Copland, Saoirse Holliday, Mia Tamati



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Back Row: Jasmine Gray, Eve Stevenson, Pixie Laursen, Emma Jackson
3rd Row: Myra Singh, Sara Kraayenhof, Sophie Haenga, Sabine Wakeman,
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2nd Row: Saisha Thakre, Piper Warke, Indi George, Sophie Sewell-Monod De
Froideville, Shyla Davies, Emma Warring, Emily Cleaver, Andrew Forest (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Maia Hori, Thalia Ibarra-Antioquia, Jessa Wells, Sophie King, Lucy Hancock, Annabel Jeyes, Kayla Hori **Absent:** Tatyana Ibarra-Antioquia, Kayden Klasen, Kaitlin Mehring



### KUBDI

**Back Row:** Caitlyn Lucmayon, Sasha Lishman, Piera Parkinson, Lulu Parkinson, Heather Smale

**2nd Row:** Bre Hubbard, Bridget O'Keeffe, Sasha Rasmussen, Ella Woofe (Mooney), Molly Perry, Nevaeh Haultain, Itrat Afroz, Brendan Dickson (Teacher)

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**Absent:** Ocean Felstead, Autumn Te Whata-Felstead, Seina Kaneko, Ava Lind-Mitchell, Portia Mason, Amanda Masters, Holly Robertson, Kalani-leigh Waiwiri-nathan



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**Back Row:** Kayla Ferguson, Lola Shepley, Neve Shirtcliffe, Talia Hinz **3rd Row:** Sienna Frost-Snashall, Eva Hayman, Olivia Nagle, Edie Shepley, Alera Bevan, Nadia Bir, Kalissa Stewart

**2nd Row:** Sienna Eales, Sophie Hunt, Aubrie McKibbin, Elle Gardiner, Hinewai Ropiha-Stewart, Amarlia Morehu, Taylor Wilson, Chelsea Watton (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Amber Storer, Kate Pease, Kadey Fairbrother-Boobyer (Fairweather), Aleigha Bigham-Smith, Grace Ruben, Emma Joyce, Ashley Wilson

Absent: Jess Muter, Sophia Scott, Vada Shirtcliffe, Abby Smith



### KUDYO

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**3rd Row:** Sam Hearn-Powers, Sophia Kyne, Ryann Windley, Andersyn May, Kate Denson

**2nd Row:** Libby Newman, Esme Prestidge, Yina Guan, Kennedy May, Keira Riri, Grace Dorey, Hazel Prestidge

**Front Row:** Ella Henry, Millah Barron, Elena Barron, Risha Nath, Emily Swan, Lee Rawiri. Kshipra Swamu

**Absent:** Dianne Young (Teacher), Finn Burnard, Georgia Clifton-Williams, Emma lceton



### **KUJCR**

Back Row: Talanoa Fakavamoeanga, Marley Sutherland, Harper Sutherland
2nd Row: Iesha Ross, Lucia Hucker, Kaley Stockwell, Mia Taitoko, Teegan Watt, Coco
Tihema-Walsh, Jill Crewe (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Hollie Webster, Sevana Commerer, Taelyn McLachlan, Lautaimi Sifa, Maearna Leatherby, Ruby Pratt, Peyton Tai

**Absent:** Lily Hill, Kaedence Pahau-Fenton, Caydence Roberts, Celestial Roberts, Korvyn Te Kura (Tamehana), Hannah Tuala



### KUKBE

Back Row: Jenny Sritum, Nina Manderson, Millar Elliott, Lia Piselli, Karla Sritum, Willow Orsáa

**3rd Row:** Sarah Duncan, Hayley Chadwick, Emma Muir, Kassidy Saunders, Nala Singh, Devon Heremaia, Eizra Saunders

**2nd Row:** Paige Henderson, Niky Brackstone, Gypsy Chapman, Ayda Mills, Olivia Symon-Byrne, Charlize Soffe, Kimberley Bellas (Teacher)

Front Row: Phoebe Duncan, Scarlett Choi, Amélie Tippett, Caitlin Adamson, Adrianne Zaros, Quinn Morgan, Piper Dempsey

Absent: Avajean Riordan



### KULDI

**Back Row:** Myana Bucka-Christensen, Callia Zhao, Chadelle Bascara, Maisie Smith **3rd Row:** Daisy Lash, Ava Sigvertsen, Lalie Green, Milla Lash, Annie Fisher, Poeiti Green, Ellie Dunn

**2nd Row:** Eve O'Keefe, Deborah Graham, Ruby Shearer, Savanna Holdom, Maggie Chapman, Ava Lee-Dunn, Emily Matthews, Lauren Dennehy (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Aanvi Ram, Ruby Evans, Stella Johns, Katie Clement, Sophie Churchill, Sophie O'Brien, Hannah Oke

Absent: Isabelle Ashman, Madelyn Gunn, Gabby Robinson, Tilly Williams



### **KUJSA**

**Back Row:** Imogen Sargent, Alice Obreja-Damian, Elliotte Austin-Thompson, Kasumi Leonard

**3rd Row:** Teghan Austin-Thompson, Jessica Cameron, Holly Muggeridge, Star Forrester, Zaria Jones, Alisha Kumar, Zoe Phillimore

**2nd Row:** Bella Jones, Hannah Van der Sar, Chloe Hatch, Alexis Lind, Kayla Cameron, Jeffrey Sanders (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Emily Gray, Katie Gorrie, Mahalia Costar-Rangi, Caitlin Chamberlain, Elise Woodhead, Maya Becker, Katrina Kumar

Absent: Ella Ace, Miia Barnfield, Sydney Becker, Calais Leslie



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**2nd Row:** Hannah Dunnet, Tonia Almano, Eva Clayton-Smith, Sydnee Coomey, Hannah Duncan, Chloe Muir, Karen Conybeer (Teacher)

Front Row: Isla Mutch, Khloe Demetriou, Ebony Wilton, Peylin Baylis, Ashleigh Mutch, Laura Ross, Marley McDowell

Absent: Jade Bjorklund, Khasteyana-Lee Wipiti, Tielah-Jade Wipiti



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**2nd Row:** Makita Boon, Kahsia Bailey-Nowell, Isabelle Theobald, Macy Brown, Summer Gera, Devaux Fabish Jones, Isabelle Peterson

Front Row: Hailey Duncan, Tanana Boueka, Rachel Morgan, Anna Francis, Kaitlin Tippett, Gemma Webby, Millie Robertson

**Absent:** Shanelle Smart (Teacher), Tyla Adlam, Hollie Corlett (Whalen), Charlize Duncan, Charley Lahmert



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**Front Row:** Leesha Shaw, Emily Davison, Amber Willans, Lily Dahm, Jade Willans, Taya Bence-Sculpher, Liberty Clifton



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**2nd Row:** Sophie King, Bernadette Sulu, Tai Bond, Madeline Hobo, Morgan Hobo, Aimee Neilson, Jamie Sheridan, Wendy Stewart (Teacher)

Front Row: Ellie Jackson, Natalie Corin, Sachi Foard, Morgan Rawlinson, Neela Corkin, Isobel Bouterey, Reem Othman

Absent: Laura McNeil, Shakira White, Areiana Zandbergen



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**Back Row:** Bena Riddick, Jj Hicks, Zoe Rawles, Justyce Drake, Penelope Dixon, Bethan Mulliss, Adele Keighley

**2nd Row:** Anya Hunt, Greer Upson, Layla O'Donnell, Sophie Thomas, Ngahuia Salmond, Millie Wolfe, Lauren Keighley, Andrew Bone (Teacher)

Front Row: Samara Wolfe, Marley Rawles, Luxury Hura, Risha Rikansha, Felicity Gibson, Zoey Maxwell, Celine Maxwell

**Absent:** Shiloh Eastlake, Shanaia Paglicauan, Laila Pease, Aqilah Taputu-Bali, Andaezahliek Winikerei



### TAAFA

**Back Row:** Montana Weir, Kairi Dickie, Brooke Jackson, Marley Wadeson (Monsall-Rei), Disha Khanolkar, Charlotte Isaacs, Manjila Shrestha

**2nd Row:** Elise Vesty, Tui Taepa, Zelma Garner, Jaya Robinson, Ceira Mercer, Maddy Gow-Williams, Ellazae Tolhopf, Andrea Fanshawe (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Tayah Saywell, Fiapito Willie Peni (Seufale), Charlotte Butler, Kayla Gow-Williams, Taryn Jackson, Melanie Avery, Anabelle Roberts

**Absent:** Kitana Dean, Charlize Hide, Keira Hide, Kaho Ito



### TAAKA

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**Front Row:** Jimijean Seed, Jaya Reade-Martin, Danielle Cooper, Taya Bailey, Aaliyah Read, Chasca Ripo, Keeley Karaitiana-Forbes

**Absent:** Ashton Eastlake, Phoenix Fraser, Mischa Lyes, Jesse-Jane Read, Te Awhina Taepa, Wairua Watarawi-Epapara



### TAAWH

**Back Row:** Keira Keig, Samantha Roach, Emma Lee, Harshania Grewal, Charlotte Roach, Zoey Niederberger

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**2nd Row:** Cerys Williams, Katie Martin, Casey Magon, Claudia Brock, Riley Packman, Ashlee Hay, Angela Whitehead (Teacher)

Front Row: Emma Larsen, Parisha Narayan, Mika Chapman, Chai Lumsden, Kalissa Giddy, Erin French, Olivia Moorhead

Absent: Ngapena Patuwairua



### TAIHA

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**3rd Row:** Serena Rittisat, Alisha Walker, Grace Thomas, Kendra Jordan, Paige Manning, Adison Brace, Jaimee Smith, Linda Rittisat

2nd Row: Kaylee Rutherford, Samantha Bentall, Georgia Mumby, Harper Leatuafi, Taylor Duffield, Sarah Anglesey, Emma Taylor

Front Row: Madeleine Curd, Mena Raven, Jardy Ross, Eve Johnson, Jordi Sands, Chloe Baldwin, Zeyana Singh, Jayda Neustroski

Absent: Imke Harder (Teacher), Myah Taitoko-Dewes



### **TAJMA**

Back Row: Peyton Manley, Lucy Hatchard, Naavah Jordan, Chanya Seastrand 3rd Row: Tori Bayley, Lexi White, Miri Sandbrook, Grace Clapham, McAdisyn Stratford, Chilli West, Olivia Earl

**2nd Row:** Kayley Clark, Evie Smith, Scarlet Helms, Fern Fore, Charlotte Haskell, Meeyah Vickers-Gould, Kingslee Munro-Neal, Jo Mac Callum (Teacher)

Front Row: Ayana Johnson, Holly Gulliver, Imogen Den-McKay, Tait Webby, Mira Molna'r, Greta Webby, Iona Den-McKay

Absent: Lydia Helms, Maki Kawasaki



### TAJMN

Back Row: Hui-Yi Fong, Pania Morehu, Mila Toole, Joshaun Scheepers

**3rd Row:** Tyler Drought, Elise Smith, Molly Cameron, Emily Cameron, Lily Ramsay **2nd Row:** Alexys Wilson, Daisy Bourke, Matilda Bublitz, Lexie Coombe, Asha Lallu, Amber Smith, Julia McNeil (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Katie MacRae, Natalee Hessell, Macy Death, Delta Manson, Emma Balks, Maddi Goodchap, Ava Goodchap

Absent: Izzy Bublitz, Paige Cave, Olivia Sy



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**2nd Row:** Greer Lock, Lily Powell, Grace King, Nancy Yu, Holly Johnson, Kayla McDonald, Alexi O'Byrne, Katie Connor (Teacher)

Front Row: Meelah Gordon, Lauren Nicholas, Kailey Hastie, Hannah Worthington,

Anika Scott, Kiara Scott, Georgia Dinnison

Absent: Bella Braggins, Charlotte Hambling, Erica Thompson



### TALFR

**Back Row:** Jessica Grant (Donovan), Hannah Sculpher (Fromings), Baylee Mattock, Sarah Simon

**3rd Row:** Kaitlyn Hendrikse, Holle Marriner, Summer Mattock, Marli Peyerl (Fromings), Charlee Chase

**2nd Row:** Bella Wansbrough, Erin Lim, Maisy Warburton, Amelia Forest, Sophie Irons, Mackenna King, Shayla Young, Lynda Fromings (Teacher)

Front Row: Martha Simon, Tasha Forest, Thea Macdonald-Betts, Laura Pickles, Isabella Treadway, Hunter-Lilly Johnson, Amy Watson

Absent: Ava Charman, Faith Hirini-Crow, Evie Kereama, Madi Sculpher (Fromings)



### TALRA

Back Row: Aria Packman, Gabrielle Keith, Jorja Wilson, Alesha Lindsay-Stevens 3rd Row: Livia McGregor, Scarlett Andrews, Charlie Mattson, Rimi Yoshida, Samantha Shaw, Allyssa Ranger, Mei Nakai

**2nd Row:** Jenna Riddle, Brooklyn Wilkins, Abbie Harrison, Alexa Hale, Kyla Baker, Lucinda Rawlins (Teacher)

Front Row: Pennie Gibson, Summer Taylor, Celina Ramsdale, Alishah Sadiq, Keeley Taylor, Addison Frost, Zia Naicker

**Absent:** Ruby Craker, Madeline Dixon, Lexi Kowalewski, Milla Rasmussen, Riley Urlich



### TAOHA

Back Row: Kayleen Du Plooy, Neha Hurbuns, Cate Rock, Courtney Lines
3rd Row: Hunter Korff, Neice Tuheke, Lilly Raithby (Smith), Lihini Moratuwage, Joy
Ronsfield Rray

**2nd Row:** Kaitlyn Perkins, Lucy Barr, Bella Phillips, Bella Peters, Kahurangi Gallagher-Perawiti, Kristah Mortensen, Oliver Harris (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Jemma Terrill, Fern Jones, Lana Tucker, Millar Limmer, Mahika Naidoo, Rujula Chitnis, Zoë Magnussen

Absent: Enya Burger, Isla Donaldson, Annabelle Moore, Mia Padrutt, Bella Potter



Back Row: Grace Warren, Cici Xu, Kelly-Ann Lockley, Wanganui Willie Peni (Seufale) 3rd Row: Beatrice Riley, Zuriiah Petera-Maxwell, Camdyn Johnson, Phoenix Johns, Ellie Atkins, Makenzie Muir, Megan O'Mahony

**2nd Row:** Natalie Withers, Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Charlotte Bradburn, Hannah Bradburn, Hannah Harrison, Tamara Te Waaka, Karli Watson, Shayne Cochrane (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Grace Willie Peni (Seufale), Georgia Haynes, Ruby Lines, Millie Watson, Ella James, Chloe Herrett, Isa Saulon

Absent: Pyper Clarke, Emma Warren



### **TASHO**

Back Row: Paris Gulliver, Katarina Herewini, Maia Wood, Mali Edwards

**3rd Row:** Emma Eagar, Melody Gordon, Daisy Paterson, Mya Harrison (Pink), Bella Ormsby, Alice Maycock, Jasmine Stone

**2nd Row:** Rya Lucas (Ruka), Eva Scott, Indie Lucas (Ruka), Maja Nissen, Aaliyah Green, Summah Ritchie, Elise Jamieson

**Front Row:** Lucy Thapa, Mikayla Burns, Zairha Jagmis, Allie Quinn, Emma Jamieson, Christeena Scaria, Rica Jagmis

**Absent:** Stuart Hoare (Teacher), Peyton Clarry, Lilah Eagar, Giuliana Gavisan-Moratti



### TOAMC

**Back Row:** Kim Stewart, Lucy Christian, Rachael Christian, Ava Pester **3rd Row:** Jaimee Ramage, Zayria Cloninger, Brooke Pickett, Sonya Mason, Zoe Tresidder

**2nd Row:** Madi Noakes, Sophia Holder, Lily Keech, Emma Keech, Xanthe Campbell-Smart, Abigail McCrae (Teacher)

Front Row: Harper Lazelle, Zara Khan, Bailee Tresidder, Olivia Lowry, Anneleen Lingenfelder, Azra Khan, Rachel Stewart

**Absent:** Hannah Armstrong, Lucy Knowles, Kaya Mason-Vete, Vivi Sherwood-Hale, Juliet Solomons, Portia Solomons, Emily Steele



### TOBWR

**Back Row:** Kristel Schmidt, Tayan Mills, Peyton Mace, Maia Morfett, Anandhi Saravanan, Annah Watson, Alizay Westley

**2nd Row:** Gemma Eaton, Lilly Jury-Phillips (Woller), Melissa Jackson, Lili Lay, Ella Staples, Rinoa Hawkins, Poppy Chard, Bridget Wright (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Violet Chard, Aliyah Reinsfield, Rebekah Cleary, Amelia Kohalmi, Malaena Carino, Madie Quay, Paige Wilson

**Absent:** Freya Kleinsorge, India Simphalivanh, Skye Simphalivanh, Te aho Urwin, Talia Walters, Lily Williams



### TODHA

**Back Row:** Lennox Dyer, Jessica Woods, Porsha Jury, Johannah Terry **3rd Row:** Hannah Wilkinson, Leticia Coombe, Marie Wilkinson, Sharna Simons, Ruby Smith

**2nd Row:** Lucy Swan, Sydney Ainsworth, Giselle Du Preez, Keira Adams, Oralee Rodger, Bella Lorth

**Front Row:** Emma Ritchie, Aimee Gunther, Sineade McGrath, Ellie Smith, Ranui Rodger, Keira McGrath, Tahlia Horo

Absent: Dougal Hannam-Williams (Teacher), Ella Cruikshank, Chey Friar, Zoey Kemp, Bella Owens-Thomason, Trelise Riddell, Zoey Verster, Elizabeth Wallworth



### **TOEPE**

**Back Row:** Ellie Morgan, Matilda Holder, Brodie Colson, Johanna Somers, Nasyre Nor Ayani, Millah Adam

**3rd Row:** Rhiannon Green, Ella Carberry, Solae Hareb-Hine, Indie Eden, Lily Wilson-Page, Estelle Monk, Jessie Morgan

**2nd Row:** Hannah Ogle, Mia Stevenson, Alex Juffermans, Ava Topping, Ashlyn Crawford, Addison Cooksley, Eugenie Petrove (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Jess Topping, Kaelana Blain, Rania Pickens, Ruby Reesby, Neive Rayner, Leanne Coetzee, Lusea Wallace



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**Back Row:** Alicia Smith, Chloe Mallory Gacuma, Heera Lopinti, Abby Hurley, Esha Eustace. Simar Cheema

**3rd Row:** Jasmine Aberdein, Lily Page, Mizaan Turner, Cara Hollard, Ava Davidson, Emily Clarke, Madi Marriner

**2nd Row:** Millie Ballandis, Ali Eustace, Grace Mataafa, Madge Riley, Isa Luxton-Symes, Poppy Barnes, Kacie Bishop, Helen Hofmans (Teacher)

Front Row: Summer Rose Hareb-Radford, Harshal Nand, Tara Greiner, Leah Dallinger-Moss, Jorja Ainsworth, Jade Death, Serena Aberdein



### TOJST

**Back Row:** Anastacia Fidow, Uniqwa Vedder, Maika Rauputu, Nakira Te Awa, Kenzie Southorn, Shae Scrivener, Mere Raniu

**2nd Row:** Olive Andrews, Hunter Ngaia, Iveti Nau, Marama Turner, Aisha Scrivener, Thyme Hoskin-Saywell, Julia Stephens (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Kordae Vano-Waiwiri, Haelyn Ngaia, Ella Southorn, Leilani Rova, Jorja Castles, Sakara Gear-Melville, Natahsha Aldridge

Absent: Rawinia Andrews, Audrina Theodore, Demi Thompsony



### TOKCR

**Back Row:** Tayla Mitchell, Georgia Douds-Needham, Anastasia Bosson-Hart, Dalin Seng

**3rd Row:** Laquesha Stevens, Lucy Honeyfield, Renee Anderson, Maia Marsden, Maya Annane, Bliss Baird, Dillon McCullough

**2nd Row:** Lilly Naughton, Belle Fisher, Sophia Drake, Ngaia Peterken, Aria Ashby, Kim Cribb (Teacher)

Front Row: Alizae Takerei, Isobel Brice, Hannah Honeyfield, Lila Corral, Leila Benton, Casey Drake, Xanthe Smith

Absent: Bailee Egan-Gray, Hayley McLean, Nina Mortensen, Ruby Murdoch



### TOKGR

**Back Row:** Tessa Austin, Madeleine Leeks, Maddi Officer, Hailey Johnson, Marley Sampson, Caris Petersen

**2nd Row:** Skylar Gladding, Gemma Warren, Imogen Webber, Chloe McGregor, Evie Hermansen, Freyja Tyler-Cassatt, Kirsty Grieve (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Nadia Armstrong, Maisie Hinton, Jewel Lendib, Rino Arai, Willow Dorrian, Monet Christiansen, Zoe Hudson

Absent: Lily Coutanche, Olivia Crofskey, Charlotte Gladding, Amy Vickers



### TOKSM

**Back Row:** Michyela Mackay, Casey Van Praagh, Madi Harris-Williams, Ayla Farmer, Libby McClutchie, Queenie McClutchie

**3rd Row:** Mia Walmsley, Sophie Bettington, Aja Morresey, Chloe Fenning, Eden Hosie, Jevana Dost, Porsche Morresey

**2nd Row:** Melissa Qu, Kate Clarke, Ana Reinders, Madi Drinkwater, Jade Huffam, Eve Reynolds, Skyla Treweek Dost, Katie Smith (Teacher)

Front Row: Madeleine Hopkins, Billie Thomson, Bianca Drinkwater, Margot Harrison, Peyton Warke, Jamie Van Praagh, Kyra Mackay

Absent: Mikayla Eagles, Livvie Fale, Ellazayah Olsson, Delta Ryder



### TOMBE

**Back Row:** Eshika Mala, Vanessa Baker, Aimee Butler (Perrett), Cassie Plimmer, Kate Roberts, Erica Yokomatsu, Charlise Fisher

**2nd Row:** Aria Pack, Lauren Gardner, Ryder Wipatene, Emmason Goodall, Ruby Tipene, Addison Pryce, Megan Bendikson (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Amy Smith, Kayla McGlashan, Grace O'Dowda, Mollie Tipene, Laura Butler (Perrett), Sharna Hollway, Jasmine Watson

**Absent:** Ashleigh Francis, Lily Freeman, Libby Keenan, Maddie MacKenzie, Millah Mackenzie, Macy Rowson, Harmony Sagisagi, Sienna Soffe



### **TONBO**

**Back Row:** Louise Clarke, Ellie Rogers, Addi Schwirtlich, Sacha Aves, Cleo Greer, Aysha Valintine. Orion Walker

**2nd Row:** Madi Lock, Matilde Silva Sainz, Emily Hooper, Sophia Louis, Domini Gilliver, Petra Keith, Charlotte Bull, Nickolas Bouterey (Teacher)

Front Row: Alyssa Dixon, Alberta Mansvelt, Emilia Dunne, Kate Erb, Gretta Keith, Anouk Rood, Millie Ireland

**Absent:** Tirieta Bauro, Sophie Frost, Michelle McNamara, Diya Menon, Addie Rutherfurd, Elle Wright



### TOTHA

Back Row: Jiya Malayil Jith, Caitlin Trembath, Christina Lee, Rebecca Keoghan 3rd Row: Ellazae Clark, McKenna Barrett, Macy Stosic, Indya Molloy, Elliott O'Keefe 2nd Row: Lucy Ireson, Lily Watchorn, Alex McCallum, Bridgett Corbett, Louisa Hancz, Keana Wood, Tanya Harris (Teacher)

**Front Row:** Joshvaasri Lakshmana Kumar, Jaela Murray, Caitlin Tozer, Felicity Aish, Amy Henry, Maarama Cassidy. Aria Neumann

**Absent:** Kaira Clark, Tihema Maniapoto-Berntsen, Maheli Medagedara, Zoe Miller, Reija Treacy Wolnik



### TOYWI

**Back Row:** Nur Vu, Valeria Paez Galindo, Jasmin Kemsley, Parleen Kaur, Kierah Hosking

**2nd Row:** Riodel Ramos, Grace Clement, Tahlia Belchamber, Neve Hudson, Dani Joyce, Emilee Venables-Zhou, Rata Roebuck, Yomi Williams (Teacher) **Front Row:** Evie Goodman, Taurus Benton, Baljyot Kaur, Gaganpreet Kaur,

Arashpreet Kaur, Neiva Laird, Jade Grocock

**Absent:** Shiloh Baylis, Chloe Fielding, Kelsey Harris, Demi Newland, Nirvana-May Page-Oliver

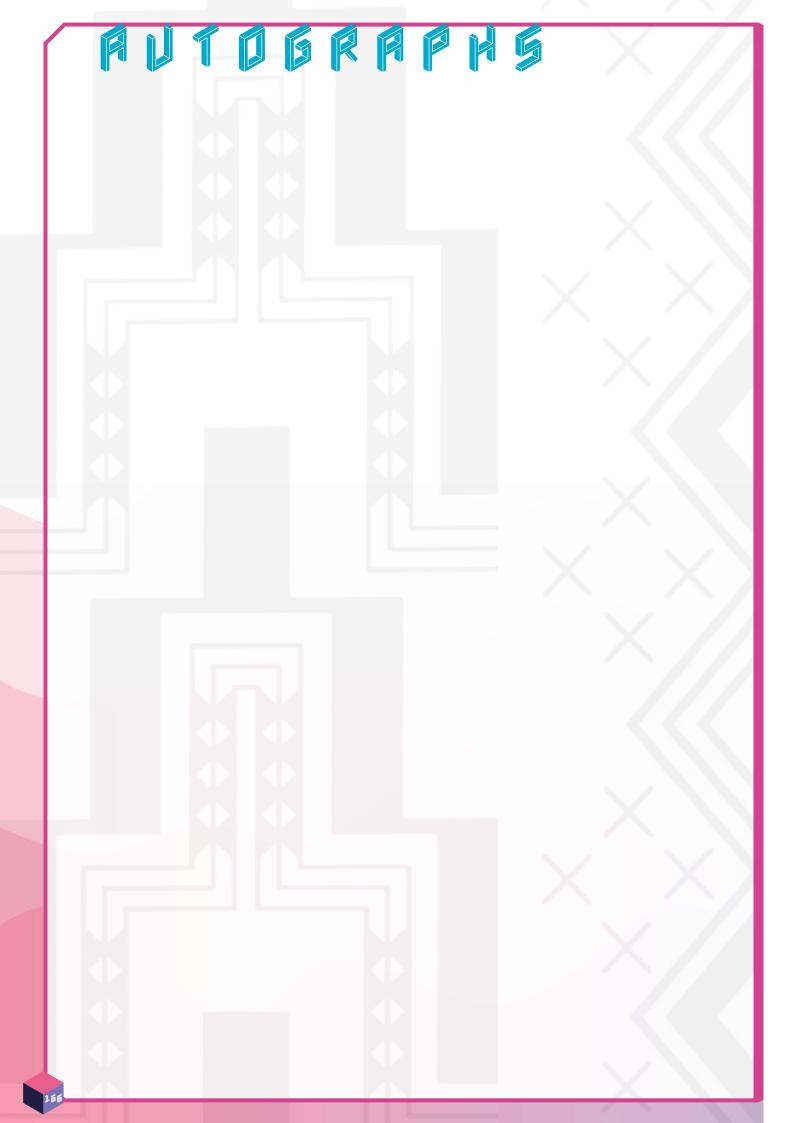


### WAIMARIE

**Back Row:** Kim Cribb (Teacher), Tracy Cook (Teacher Aide), Noeline Vickers (Teacher Aide), Sonya Taylor (Teacher Aide), Aliyah Maaka, Faith Selby, Monique Jansonius-Albers (Teacher Assistant), Val Duggan (Teacher Aide), Deb Smith (Teacher Aide), Carol Lyn Rios (Teacher Aide)

Front Row: Paige Ansley, Molly Armstrong, Renee Hunger, Joseph Howard, Livvy Dore, Mishka Edney-Pittwood, Sarah Sampson (Teacher)

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