



NPGHS

Te Henui 2025



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Principals Comment

Kia ora e te whānau,

As we wrap up 2025, we celebrate a year that has been defined by intentional growth, courageous learning, and a deepening sense of belonging. Guided by our strategic goals and the voices of our community, NPGHS has continued to evolve.

Our core purpose is teaching, but we continue to think about how we connect, challenge, and care, alongside considering what we teach. While students probably don't notice the subtle changes, we have been thrilled at the calm, focused atmosphere in the school. Outstanding learning is certainly happening and the conditions are set for even more.

This year, we sharpened our focus on engaging, evidence-based teaching. Across classrooms, kaiako refreshed their knowledge of high-impact strategies, creating environments where every student was expected to think, contribute, and grow. Our results have always been great, but we want all students to have the best opportunities to learn and gain the knowledge that builds them towards the next step. These achievements reflect not just academic excellence, but a culture of persistence and support.

We committed to exploring the values, beliefs, and identities that shape our students' experiences. Through student led initiatives like Te Wiki o te Reo Māori, Matariki celebrations, and Pasifika language weeks, our kura continues to be a place where students feel seen, heard, and valued. NPGHS was, again, the only Taranaki

school to participate in Pasifika Fusion, a regional celebration of culture held annually in Palmerston North, showing how much diversity, celebrating culture, and inclusion means in our context.

2025 was another fantastic standout year for sport. Our athletes competed with grit and grace, from local fields to national stages, and in school teams or through their own individual pursuits. These moments weren't just wins—they were reflections of teamwork, resilience, and whānau support. We know the commitment it takes to turn up to every training, travel around the Taranaki region to compete during the regular season. And we know the financial cost of travel to tournaments to compete on a national stage and to further development. Everyone involved in sport this year has grown so much, and we are proud of everything you have achieved.

The arts also flourished. We were spellbound by the performances during 'Annie Jnr' and know that the cast, crew and teachers who were involved had the most amazing time bringing this to us. Events that take place regularly through the school year, such as the chamber music concert, the Shakespeare festival and the student art exhibition, remind us that learning is expressive, emotional, and communal.

Our Annual Implementation Plan focused on educationally powerful connections, helping students learn how to learn, and encouraging them to aim high even when the path was tough. We are proud of the way students step up to the challenge of learning, and we are incredibly proud



of the results we are seeing from targeted interventions in numeracy and literacy. We know how critical this foundational knowledge is to success at school, and in achieving qualifications. They are certainly not the only measure of success, but they enable a great many other things. As we prepare for 2026, we carry forward the lessons, relationships, and momentum of this year.

To those leaving NPGHS, may you take with you the confidence and character shaped here. To those returning, we look forward to another year of learning, leading, and growing together. You will have more learning to come, and it could be useful to keep this idea close - Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, he toa takitini. Individual success comes from the collective effort, community support and the contributions of many. In this case, the combined work of whānau, leaders and teachers, to help students achieve all they hoped for at school.

As well as the students who are leaving this year, we also acknowledge Mr Kevin Byrne, Deputy Principal, who has served NPGHS for 25 years. His impact on generations of students and colleagues is undeniable, and we thank him for his wisdom and care. As I shared at senior prizegiving,

Kevin started at NPGHS 25 years ago in Term 3, 2000, and has been continuously involved in education since 1986. He has been a maths teacher, a technology teacher, Head of Maths, Assistant Principal, and Deputy Principal. He has also been the most passionate supporter, coach and organiser of hockey that a school could ever hope to have. Kevin shares his ideas, his background, and his thoughts openly. He has immersed himself in learning over the years, learning about new technologies, software and networks, and finding projects that could be beneficial. Mr Byrne has modelled what we want to see in students - a willingness to be vulnerable and try new things, including sharing his pepeha with his classes and always using as much te reo Māori as he can. We wish Kevin all the very best as he starts planning the next new things he will try, and we thank him for his



*Mr Kevin Byrne,
Deputy Principal*

long commitment to education and for all the years of service at New Plymouth Girls' High School.

Our whole staff team deserves acknowledgement and thanks. Thank you to every teaching and non-teaching member of our team who contributes so much of themselves to ensure the success of the school and the students who learn with us.

We are a large organisation, and changes in staff are not only inevitable, but they help us to keep our ideas fresh and current. In 2025 we welcomed Nicola Mills (Guidance Counsellor), Rebecca Barron, Robbie Brown, Dee Crawford, Karl Domeracki, Megan Hawless, Matt Innes, Joan Henderson, Alyssa Avery, Richard MacCallum, Emma Perret, Darin Ramsay, and John Rutherford to the teaching staff. For some it was a return to NPGHS, for others it was a new adventure, but all have fitted in so well it is as if they have always been part of our school. Thank you for all you are already bringing to our place of learning.

We were excited to welcome Helen Mumby back from parental leave this year, and we wish Katie Phillips all the very best for her year away with the imminent arrive of her new addition to the family in 2026. Gill McNeil, Head of English, will be taking a year's refreshment leave in 2026 and we know that she will make the most of the year and the opportunity to read and enjoy life!

We have staff who have contributed over many years, and others who are only able to work with us for a short time, but every contribution adds to our collective knowledge and experience. We say farewell to Daniel Ward, Nicole Kilbride, and Michelle Puckeridge who made a significant impact during their time with us in 2025. Daniel and Nicole both have partners whose careers have meant leaving Taranaki and Michelle is now working with the Ministry of Education. Charlotte Plant and Krissy Jackson each moved overseas early in 2025. Kat Bolton moves on to new challenges after joining us in 2024, as the first teacher of our homeroom classroom, AFL. Kim Bellas and Sophie Lamb have

both taken the opportunities for leadership and growth offered at NPGHS, and now move on to exciting Head of Department roles in other Taranaki schools. We know that every one of you will continue to add great value to education in our region and across the motu.

In our non-teaching team, Sports Co-ordinators Mel Leatuafi and Patrick Parker, Teacher Aides Tash Pringle, Jansen Sumalag, and Vicki Holder, our nurse Hannah Northcott, Hostel staff Baileigh Wright, Christine Jones, and attendance service Kaiāwhina Niki Shewry have moved on to other exciting adventures. We have welcomed Sam Vincent as Director of Sport, Brooke Rule and Marieke Connell as Teacher Aides, Charlotte Vickers as a school administrator and first aider, and enjoyed having Alessandra Brooke, Carol Powell, and Sangeeta Chaudhari join the hostel team. Iresha Weerasinghe has done an outstanding job as the PA to the Deputy Principals while Sarah Dally has been on parental leave.

Teaching is a flexible profession, and we know that for both teaching and non-teaching staff, life sometimes takes you away from a job you enjoy earlier than you would like. We are also very proud of a culture that allows staff to grow at NPGHS and sometimes that, sadly, means they move on to opportunities outside our school. While we will miss each of these outstanding staff members, we are grateful you have been part of NPGHS.

We look forward to another fabulous year in 2026, and the opportunity for all staff and students to grow together.

Ngā mihi nui,

Jacqui Brown

Obituararies



Remembering Annette Sharp - Principal 2003-2004

Annette Sharp passed away on Sunday 27 July, 2025. Sadly, she had battled cancer for the past few years. Annette was Principal for two years at New Plymouth Girls' High School, before moving to Auckland to Epsom Girls' Grammar where she was Principal for three years. She left teaching and completing an MBA at AUT. In her short time at New Plymouth Girls' High, Annette will be remembered by many here and, in particular, through the "Scholars Award" which she initiated.



Remembering McKenzie Rowlands

McKenzie Rowlands, who started her journey at New Plymouth Girls' High School in 2021, concluded her courageous battle with cancer on 29 May 2025, aged 17. She was a much loved student, classmate, team-mate and friend throughout her time at our Kura. In her time here, McKenzie was acknowledged for her

many achievements in swimming, including Junior and Intermediate Swimming Champion, the Iti Rearea Award and achieving her Honours blazer for Sport. She was also recognised for her character, earning badges for displaying the school values, and being awarded the Barbara Harrison Memorial Cup for Courage and Perseverance in the Face of Adversity. For all of McKenzie's amazing achievements, it is the qualities that didn't come with awards and trophies that made her truly special. She showed us the

hard work that it takes to get better at something, the determination to fight when things get hard, the ability to find moments of joy amongst moments of pain, and the importance of family. All of those who had the privilege of knowing McKenzie will remember her always, not only for what she achieved, but who she was.

Rebecca Crowe

**Kaiako, Teacher and Waka Kaitiaki
(Head of Waka)**



Remembering Karen Morine

It is with deep sadness that I acknowledge the passing of Karen Morine (nee Jameson), past teacher, Head of Department for Commerce and Dean. (Years of service 1987-2018.) NPGHS reflects on a brave woman who gave so much joy to others around her in and outside the classroom.

Karen Morine was a towering figure as a teacher at NPGHS and in her area of curriculum – a mentor and leader with conviction, high expectations as well as empathy towards students and colleagues. After she left NPGHS, she worked at NPBHS as a long-term reliever in the Commerce area as well as a dean and mentor to boys who were undertaking NCEA scholarship

subjects and exams. Her valuable work and accomplishments are acknowledged by NPBHS.

Karen instilled the values of hard work, resilience, and determination within her students as well as teachers in her Department. These qualities would go on to define both her character and her leadership.

To those who worked alongside her, she was a principled and approachable colleague. New Plymouth Girls' High School was a better place because of her leadership, in and out of the classroom. She believed in the strength of young people, the promise of fairness, and the dedication and dignity of service to education in New Zealand.

Karen served with integrity and purpose. She leaves behind a legacy that will be respected for generations to come. There are young women (and later men) in New Zealand and around the world who are, or will be leaders in their field, whether it be in Commerce, Law, Medicine, Engineering, Health, Politics, Education and as parents, who can all attribute their skills and abilities to Karen Morine. She was (and will be) remembered

as an outstanding role model to countless ex students and teachers who had the privilege to experience her professionalism, work ethic and empathy to everyone around her.

Karen was known for her humorous anecdotes and storytelling, especially as she fulfilled her role in the social committee, being responsible for farewelling staff who were leaving NPGHS. She took a lot of care to write the perfect speech that encapsulated the person and had perfect timing with a witty quip to send the staffroom into a heartfelt round of laughter. Karen was involved in the 'professional' staff lip syncs that became legendary as well as dressing up in school uniform for mufti days (immaculately to emulate the standard of dress that was expected). We loved her intelligent wit, wisdom and grace.

Rest in Peace, Mrs Morine. Thank you for giving your best, and more in the classroom and making a positive difference to so many students in your care. Mrs Morine, as a school, we honor you and, as a colleague and close friend, I will miss you forever.

Et Comitata-Et Virtute-Et Sapentia.

Mr. Jeff Sanders

Board of Trustees

Thriving Through Strategy: Reflections from the Board

Tēnā koutou katoa,

It is my pleasure to report on the significant progress and strategic achievements of 2025. This year, New Plymouth Girls' High School has continued to grow in spirit and achievement, guided by our strategic plan and a collective commitment to student wellbeing and opportunity.

Despite facing the ongoing challenges of a changing educational landscape, our NCEA results outperformed both our equity band and national averages at Levels 2 and 3, with a particularly strong showing for Māori students at senior levels.

Our student retention rates have risen, and student voice feedback confirms that the strong sense of belonging and community at our school is fundamental to their wellbeing.

The successful implementation of our new Behaviour Framework, underpinned by clear interventions for challenging behaviour, has cultivated a calmer, more supportive learning environment for all.

Our Annual Workplan continued our commitment to robust governance through regular policy reviews and an assurance programme.

We continue to deepen our cultural competency, promoting inclusion and understanding across the school community.

Our property work programme continued. The long-awaited handover of the Stadium and G1 block was welcomed by PE staff and students.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our outgoing board members: Nita Hutchinson, Daniel Harrison, Joy Buckingham, Blair Withers, Simon Berndt, and Kayley Clark, as they conclude their term of service. Their commitment to the school has been exceptional, and I am immensely grateful for the invaluable support and considerable time they have dedicated. Their contributions to the school's strategic direction and the diligent efforts within their subcommittee work have been instrumental in our continued success and development.

Thank you to our dedicated staff, parents, whānau, and—most importantly—our students. I must extend a special acknowledgement to our Principal, Jacqui Brown, whose unwavering leadership and vision have been the driving force behind the remarkable progress detailed in this report. Her commitment has been central to our success. Together, we advance into 2026 with confidence, energy, and the unshakable belief that New Plymouth Girls' High School will continue to flourish.

With optimism and gratitude,

Kelly Marriner

Presiding Member (Board Chair)



*In Remembrance.
Anzac Service 2025*



Board of Trustees Student Representative

This year, I have been privileged to serve as the Student Representative on the New Plymouth Girls' High School Board of Trustees. The role has given me the opportunity to contribute to discussions that shape our school, while also gaining a deeper understanding of how governance and decision-making work behind the scenes.

Across the year, I have shared curated student reports at board meetings, usually twice a term, to highlight what is happening around the school. These updates included fun events, student achievements, and accomplishments in areas such

as sport, culture, and academics. While not a central duty, this was a valuable way to ensure the voices and successes of students were recognised at the board table.

I have also been able to provide input on student-related matters when they arose, helping to bring a student perspective into conversations about wellbeing, learning, and school culture. This responsibility taught me the importance of representing not just my own views, but those of the wider student body.

Serving on the board has given me greater insight into the policies and procedures that guide how our school operates. Observing and

participating in these processes has helped me appreciate the careful thought and planning that goes into ensuring NPGHS continues to grow and succeed.

Overall, this role has been a rewarding leadership experience. It has strengthened my communication and listening skills, allowed me to represent student voice in meaningful ways, and given me valuable insight into the governance of our school.

Kayley Clark

Year 13



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Waka Kaitiaki (Head of Waka)

Kim Bellas

Waka Amo (Waka Dean)

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Kim Cribb

Waimarie Teachers Assistant

Monique Jansonius

Waimarie Learning Assistants

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Vocational Pathways Coordinator

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Hostel Staff

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Pam Sargent, Callie Boyle, Rachael Aplin, Jordyn Huffam, Mellisa Wilkes, Carol Powell, Alessandra Brooke, Janice Coombe, Marie Ireland

Casual Supervisors

Emily McGill, Michelle Cowley, Pip Durling-Matthews, Janetta Rowlands, Kaitlin Carey Sangeeta Chaudhari (Prep Supervisor), Pip Durling-Matthews (Ground Staff), Catering & Cleaning by Cater Plus

Property Staff

Andy Rae (Head Groundsman), Mike Southam, Bob Oliver

Roving Mentor

Nyla Carroll BAppliedSc (Psychology)

Cafeteria Staff

Cater Plus

Uniform Shop

NZ Uniforms

IT Technician

New Era



Back Row: Carol Lyn Rios, Maria Upton, Fiona McRae-Plumtree, Monique Jansonius-Albers, Lauren Demmely, Gail Lewis, Tenaya Richardson, Juliet Farquhar, Grant Robinson, Michelle Puckeridge, Noeline Vickers, Tracy Cook, Angela Whitehead
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4th Row: Kat Bolton, Stuart Hoare, Robbie Brown, Andrew Chubb, Lucinda Rawlins, Matt Innes, Jestrée Bicknell, Jackie Crawford, Kimberley Bellas, Matt Coleman, Elizabeth Kinnell, Dan Ward, Shayne Cochrane, Sophie Lamb
3rd Row: Megan O'Reilly, Helen Mumby, Wendy Stewart, Andrew Forest, Simon Berndt, Andrew Rae, Darin Ramsay, Jim Graham, Richard MacCallum, Tonia Rahe, Bronya Mischiefski
2nd Row: Jansen Sumadag, Donna Ainsworth, Maggie Verry, Sally Ann James, Helen Hofmanns, Katie Smith, Sally Laing, Andrea Fanshawe, Courtney Brons, Melissa Cumberledge, Wendy-Ann Edmonds, Stacey Colbourne, Juliet Woller, Jo Mac Callum
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Aotea Waka Huia

Kia Ora my name is Coco Marshall-Kirby, and I am Aotea's Waka Leader for 2025.

This year there has been a significant amount of school events which has been so much fun and rewarding. Kicking off at the start of the year, we began with swimming sports which I have to say was my biggest highlight. Creating a synchronised swimming group was so challenging yet so enjoyable, alongside this yelling chants and raising the energy within our waka has been so amazing and beautiful to see and watch grow. Throughout the year, I've had the chance to form deep connections with people from all walks of life within our school community.

Aotea Waka is about more than just competing or participating in school events. It's about building relationships, lifting each other up, and working together to create a strong, inclusive, and supportive atmosphere. One of the most rewarding aspects of being in Aotea has been the chance to build a strong sense of spirit. Our waka leaders work tirelessly to keep each other motivated and involved, and to encourage participation across all events, which becomes to rewarding to see when we see the field or pool filled with bright red colours. We celebrate our wins with so much pride, but we also know how to bounce back from setbacks. A little streak of healthy competition and winning yet apparently so rigged streak keeps us to push forward, no matter what happens. It's this balance of perseverance, encouragement, and friendship that truly makes Aotea what it is. There's something special about how we cheer each other on, even when

things don't always go as planned. Alongside Sejal and Millie, I've had the responsibility of ensuring that every person in our waka feels included and gets involved, particularly during our school event days. By encouraging people to take part and making sure each person has something meaningful to contribute, we create a space where everyone feels included, valued, and connected to the team. It's always worth it when you see the smiles on people's faces and the energy that fills the room. Whether it's helping someone who feels shy to get out there or making sure everyone has a role to play, the goal is the same, to create an environment where everyone feels valued and connected to the team. From Swimming Sports and Athletics to House Plays and the upcoming Fun Run, each event has been a chance for us to strengthen our sense of unity. The way we cheer each other on, offer encouragement, and show up with pride reflects the culture we've worked hard to create. There's been a noticeable change in how we support one another, the

involvement at school events and the overall energy within our waka. It has grown stronger with each event. Being part of Aotea has been more than just a leadership opportunity, it's been a lesson in teamwork, communication, and inclusivity. I've learned how to step up when needed, how to listen to others, and how to balance the competitive spirit with kindness and encouragement. I've been challenged in ways that have pushed me to grow, and I'm incredibly grateful for every moment of it. It's given me a sense of pride in being part of something so amazing and it's been a privilege to contribute to the legacy of Aotea Waka. It truly has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my schooling years and is something I will always look back on.

Coco Marshall-Kirby, Millie Brooke and Sejal Patel

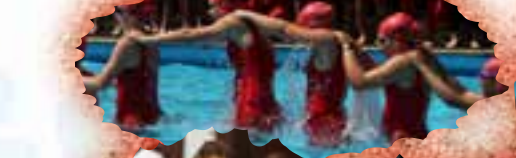
Year 13



Coco Marshall-Kirby

Millie Brooke

Sejal Patel



Kurahaupō Waka Huia

Having the opportunity to lead Kurahaupō this year with pride has been an honour and something I will forever be grateful for. It has been a privilege to connect with everyone within the waka and the growth I have seen is truly something to remember.

This year, it was important for us waka leaders, that no matter the year level or the amount of talent you had, what we cared about the most was that everyone felt connected and gave it a go, even if it might be a bit out of their comfort zone. The wins and trophies were a bonus. It meant a lot for us standing in front of our waka wearing the bright blue colours with pride, which made us a team that held power, determination and success.

Kurahaupō had a great start to the year bringing in some talented fresh Year 9s who took out the tabloids on the first day of school. Sliding down the waterslide as champions was an amazing feeling for all of us. Our team was committed right from the start knowing that swimming sports was nice and early being in the first week of school. This meant early morning synchronised swimming sessions, late night float building and extra meetings with the Year 13s to ensure our pool entry was on point. This wouldn't have been possible without a full team effort, and on the day all our hard work paid off. Our talents impressed the school due to the

amount of people telling us we were going to win easy. However, the judges thought differently because we placed third, but this did not set us back, not one bit. With the drive Kurahaupō has, and knowing that athletics was just around the corner, we had the full support of our waka, forming our relay teams and practicing and polishing chants. Unfortunately, the weather wasn't on our side the day of athletics which had an impact on numbers for all Waka's, but it was still a fun day full of memories and laughter. We placed third again for athletics, but it was in the past and this time we were ready for waka plays with nothing standing in the way. It was awesome to get all year levels involved for the plays and watching people trying something new. Shout out to Mr Sanders for his amazing acting skills and everyone else for putting a smile on everyone's face in the crowd whilst watching it. We were extremely proud to come first in the waka plays because it was a full team effort and we deserved

the win. The year is not quite over with one event to go and Kurahaupō sitting second on the ladder is an amazing achievement. We have the Fun Run to finish which will be the best way to make a final push and show everyone how strong our waka is to come from the bottom and hopefully take it out and finish on top.

I would like to thank everyone for all the support we have received from our deans and everyone in Kurahaupō, we truly could not have done it without you. I believe Kurahaupō has what it takes to get on top and I wish the best for the future leaders.

**Stella Henwood,
Arabella Jones and
Isla Twigley**

Year 13



Stella Henwood

Arabella Jones

Isla Twigley

Tainui Waka Huia

Leading Tainui in 2025 has been one highlight of our high school years. It's been nothing short of exhilarating, stressful, and... interesting. We've had the privilege of growing alongside our Waka and connecting with you all. Thank you all for a time we'll never forget.

In the very first week of school this year, we had Swimming Sports, which meant we had to prepare everything during the holidays. We assembled our professional Synchronized Swimming team, practicing in the mornings on some days and afternoons on others. We also recruited our Olympic-level athletes, some of whom broke records. Not to forget, our Da Vinci artists who painted a masterpiece of a banner and created a Waka out of cardboard and wood for our float. Our Year 13 Royal Family dance crew brought the life to the party with our pool entrance. Overall, we came second, which was an amazing start to the year!

Then you'd think we could have a break, right? Wrong. Here came Athletics day, not even 2 weeks later! To make matters even more splendid, the day started with grey skies and cold rain, but we didn't let that stop us. Our students brought their inner Valerie Adams and Usain Bolts to the event. The day started to look brighter, and so did the participation. Whether you were lighting the tracks on fire or just running with your friends, throwing the shot over the line or outside

the lines, it was smiles all around. Towards the end of the day, the energy was buzzing, and it showed through our chant. We screamed with pride at the top of our lungs, voice cracks and all. It was worth it since we came second again for our second-ever Waka Event of the year!

Before long, we were finding our next Hollywood actors to start filming our Waka Play. A short time frame for filming, stacked on top of assessments and extra-curricular activities, we were under pressure - but pressure makes diamonds. Our amazing editors, directors, cameramen, and actors portrayed the story of Moana bringing back the mana of Tainui.

One thing we've learnt is the importance of teamwork, even though it sounds cliché. Alvin (Angelina) and the Chipmunks (Jenna and Martha) - worked together harmoniously to lead Tainui - encouraging our steerers, way finders, navigators, rowers - to move forward and together. Throughout the year, we were able to see the

talent of each person within our Waka, meeting different branches, staying rooted in our school values, and encouraging them to blossom into the beautiful flowers they are.

Being Tainui Waka leaders has been an awesome experience for us three, and we've loved it; no matter how headache-inducing it might get, we wouldn't have traded our role for anything else. As the year comes to an end, we reflect on our experience as leaders and laugh at the good memories. Next year, we embark on a new journey, but we'll cherish our experiences as leaders this year. Nga mihi Tainui, cheehoo!

Angelina-Dalcielo Paese, Martha Simon and Jenna Riddle

Year 13



Angelina-Dalcielo Paese

Martha Simon

Jenna Riddle



Tokomaru Waka Huia

Leading the mighty Tokomaru in our final year at NPGHS has been one of the most rewarding, hilarious, and unforgettable experiences in our high school journey.

We started this year with one clear mission: to continue the legacy of Tokomaru spirit. Back in Year 9, the Waka leader set the standard high with inclusiveness and energy. The way she made everyone feel part of the waka created an atmosphere we never forgot, and we wanted to carry that forward. We wanted to make sure Tokomaru remained a place where people felt safe, supported, and most importantly, could have a good time (even if they were being bribed with lollies to get in the pool).

Swimming sports was full of fun and laughter, and we were so proud people were getting out of their comfort zones just to give things a go. We swam hard, synchronized perfectly, and made it fun! Back-to-back with swimming sports, athletics came a week later and was by far a Tokomaru highlight for us. Yes, we didn't take home the trophy, but watching our sea of bananas out on the track walking laps, running hard and throwing far, was a very proud moment for us. Participation was through the roof and that was so rewarding seeing everyone come together as one unit. Chants was a massive buzz, and we loved seeing everyone be proud to be a part of Tokomaru.

This year wasn't just about the events, but the teamwork and growth. Leading alongside Anneleen and Hannah taught me how to juggle ideas, overcome challenges, and work together to make something special. Together we have also learned the fine art of persuasion (lollies) when it came to encouraging participation. Apparently mentos have more power than telling them to get involved.

Of course, none of this would've been possible without our two amazing deans, Mr. Harris and Mrs. Brons. They are the backbone of Tokomaru, steady, supportive, and ready to take action! They're behind the scenes work often goes unnoticed, but without them, Tokomaru wouldn't be Tokomaru.

Finally, to all our Tokomaru whānau, especially our fellow Year 13s, thank you for your support, your energy, and for always stepping up when you could see us getting stressed. Whether you were leading chants, jumping into pool relays,

or just making sure people were participating, you have kept the waka spirit alive, and it has meant the absolute world to us.

At the end of the day, being a part of Tokomaru has never been about winning, it's been about the laughs, fun, and family we have seen grow. This waka has shown us the power of teamwork and resilience, and we know Tokomaru will bounce back in the years to come. It has been an honour and a bunch (hehehe) of fun to be your leaders.

Kia Kaha Tokomaru

Lila Corral, Anneleen Lingenfelder and Hannah Armstrong

Year 13



Lila Corral

Anneleen Lingenfelder

Hannah Armstrong



Scotlands Hostel

A Year of Growth, Gratitude, and Celebration

A Warm Welcome and Fond Farewells

2025 has been another memorable and vibrant year at Scotlands Hostel, filled with community spirit, celebration, and plenty of activity.

We began the year by farewelling supervisors Christine Jones and Baileigh Wright, while warmly welcoming new staff into our hostel whānau. Sangeeta Chaudhari joined us as Prep Supervisor, alongside Carol Powell and Alessandra Brooke, who both became part of our supervisor team. Their enthusiasm and dedication have been a wonderful addition to hostel life.



Karen Atkinson

A very special farewell was also held for Karen Atkinson, who retired after an incredible 28 years of service. We celebrated her contribution with a true hostel-style gathering, sharing kai, laughter, and memories with past and present colleagues. It was a heartfelt way to say thank you and show how much she means to our community.

Building Connections

Our hostel community grew with the arrival of new Year 9s, as well as boarders across other year levels. Head Boarder Macy Death and Manaakitanga Leader Waimiria Willison, together with our Year 13 Big Sisters, took the lead in welcoming and settling in our newcomers.



Swimming Sports

One of the highlights of this transition was the pool party BBQ at NPBHS, where Year 9s were introduced to the social side of boarding life, made new connections, and later learned hostel chants in preparation for swimming sports and athletics day. These traditions continue to build pride, belonging, and solidarity among our boarders.

Highlights of the Year

The year was filled with unforgettable moments. Relay for Life, organised by Whaea Christine, brought students, families, and staff together to raise funds and awareness for a worthy cause. Our Pre-Ball Celebration was another standout event, made extra special through the generosity of the Irons family, who helped us create beautiful memories for our Year 13s. The Harvey family also gifted

a 15-foot trampoline in recognition of their own family's history with Scotlands. This quickly became a centrepiece of hostel life, enjoyed daily by boarders.

Active and Thriving

Thanks to ongoing support from Tū Manawa Active Aotearoa through Sport Taranaki, our boarders enjoyed a wide range of activities this year. From another trampoline to pickleball and volleyball, badminton, Pilates, yoga, Cross Fit, and surf lessons, these opportunities helped our young people stay active, try new things, and grow in confidence.

Our Home, Refreshed

Scotlands Hostel itself received some well-deserved facelifts. A fresh coat of exterior paint has brightened the buildings, new showers have been installed in several units,



and one unit has undergone a complete makeover – the first step in our ongoing aim to refresh hostel facilities across the board. These improvements have added to the pride our boarders take in their home away from home.

Celebrating Culture

Cultural celebrations were at the heart of 2025. We marked Matariki with a shared hāngī, organised in partnership with Cater Plus, which was a new experience



Matariki hāngī

for many of our students and staff. Our Manaakitanga Leader Waimiria coordinated quiz nights and international dinners, where short- and long-term international boarders took to the kitchen to prepare dishes from home – sharing their cultures while giving everyone a taste of something special. The 80th anniversary of Hiroshima



80th anniversary of Hiroshima

was another important moment, observed through an origami session where boarders gathered to learn, talk, and reflect alongside our Japanese students.

Fun, Creativity, and Competition

Creativity and fun featured strongly this year. Our hostel talent show allowed students to share everything from stand-up comedy to dance and music, while seniors threw themselves into The Traitors: Boarders Edition, a week-long game of treachery and strategy that brought plenty of laughter and excitement.

The year ended on a high with

Scotlands Kitchen Rules (SKR), our biggest annual competition, where year groups designed themed dinners. From 1980s to Shrek, Rodeo, Love Island, and Wedding, the creativity and effort impressed the judges, with Year 11's Rodeo theme claiming the trophy and bragging rights for 2025.

Looking Ahead

As the year comes to a close, we look forward to our traditional High Tea, where we celebrate the achievements of all our boarders, farewell our Year 13 leavers, and formally hand leadership to the Year 12s.

We are proud of everything our students have achieved this year and extend our heartfelt thanks to families, staff, and supporters who make hostel life so rich. We now look forward with excitement to all that 2026 will bring.

Cimone Wright

Hostel Manager



SKR Love Island



SKR Shrek



SKR Wedding Cake



Airport Farewell



Hostel

Back Row: Kate Sturmer, Grace Neame-Harris, Savannah Burke, Kate Muller, Harriet MacKae, Daniela Morales Barros, Paxton Burke, Jasmine Stone, Charlotte Isaacs, Marley Prado, Coco Lamb, Emily Levings, Simone Cameron, Koco Karsten-Berg, Piper Terry
 5th Row: Bailee Egan-Gray, Ruby Murdoch, Morgan Rawlinson, Yaris To, Eliza Kahui, Ellie Morgan, Emily Hogan, Neve Neustraski, Bella Gordige, Sophie Irons, Wai Manutai, Kymahni Commerer, Paige Hancock, Millie Olliver, Hayley McLean, Xanthe Smith, Callia Zhao, Addy Rabone
 4th Row: Amelia Ogle, Gemma Wickstead, Frankie Walker, Isabella Harvie, Alexia Clement, Greer Guthrie, Comien Honeyfield, Sophie Cocker, Lucy Honeyfield, Ruby Johnston, Haylie Brodie, Hinemoa Barlow, Tegan Crowe, Sophie van den Brand, Chasca Ripo, Millah Keller, Marley Sampson
 3rd Row: Kaitlin Pennington, Ruby Flatey, Addison Hill, Eva Dowdle, Lydia Helms, Scarlet Helms, Mally Rukawai, Mahalia Ripo, Sydnee Coomey, Ellie Lehmann, Gemma McNulty, Trayah Gopperth, Ruby Horgan, Georgie Olliver, Emily Cleaver, Brodie Colson, Kaia Prince
 2nd Row: Pam Sargent (Staff), Harpa Olliver, Charley Carter, Isla Mutch, Kaitlyn Perrett, Kayla Hori, Mylee Stafford, Anya Hunt, Trixie Walker, Kasie Sampson, Sophie Kemp, Aria Charmley, Emma-Jade Sweeney, Tayla-Rose Wickham, Maia Hori, Payton Matenga, Isabelle Ogle, Rachael Aplin (Staff)
 Front Row: Leilani Rova, Queenie McClutchie, Tori Bayley, Lili Herbert, Marama Turner, Georgia MacKae, Harriet Muller, Macey Death, Simone Wright (Hostel Manager), Waimiria Willison, Cardin Harvey-Smith, Ashleigh McLellan-Mutch, Molly Fletcher, Taya Harvey-Smith, Bethan Mulliss, Annabel Jeyes, Mackenna King

Scotland's Hostel Head Boarder

Stepping into the role of head boarder at Scotland's hostel this year, has been one of the most rewarding and unforgettable experiences of my high school journey.

Having Waimiria by my side as Manaakitanga leader, made this journey even more special. We balanced each other out, supported each other through every challenge, and shared a lot of laughs along the way. From the very beginning, we both shared a clear vision to help create an environment where every girl felt included, excited, and proud to be part of our whanau.

Being Head Boarder also came with plenty of late-night talks, group brainstorming, event planning (and last-minute changes), and the occasional "uh-oh" moment when things didn't go quite to plan. But those moments were the chaos that we pulled together, adapted, and laughed through it and what I'll remember the most.

This year has been packed with memories, starting right from the Year 9s' first ever dinner swap with our neighbours from Boys' High Hostel. It was a perfect way to break the ice and set the tone for the rest of the year. From there, we continued to lead more dinner swaps with different year groups, helping to build connections across ages. Our international dinners brought a taste of different cultures into the hostel, and quiz nights sparked some very friendly competition between year levels, with everyone determined to win the legendary prize hamper. The boarders vs day girls rivalry was as strong as ever from chanting at the top of our lungs, to absolutely taking them out at swimming sports and athletics, and even facing off

in a netball match that brought plenty of laughs and good energy. One of the biggest talking points was the Year 12 vs 13 Traitors game a sneaky, strategic battle that had everyone second-guessing their closest friends for weeks. We wrapped up the year with a full SKR year-group competition, where each level brought wild dinner acts, outrageous costumes, and endless laughs. On top of all the chaos and fun, we also got the opportunity to have yoga, CrossFit, and surfing sessions throughout the year to give everyone a chance to get involved in something active and a bit different. Whether it was chill or chaotic, every event added to what made this year so special.

This year definitely came with its challenges, but leading alongside Waimiria reminded me of the power of teamwork, patience, and showing up with heart. I've learned more about myself this year than I ever expected to, and I'm so grateful for the trust the hostel put in me to help lead.

To the Year 13s thank you for making this year unforgettable. To the younger girls keep bringing your energy, ideas, and support to this place. You're the future of this hostel and it's in good hands. And to Mrs Wright and the staff thank you for the guidance, the support, and the faith you placed in us as leaders.

I'll always carry these memories with me the loud ones, the quiet ones, and the ones that made this place feel like home.

Macy Death

Year 13



Scotland's Hostel Manaakitanga Leader

Looking back on my time at Scotland's Hostel, I can see how much I have grown since first moving here in 2021 as a Māori girl from rural Waikato.

Living away from home was a big change, but hostel has given me a second whānau and a support system that continues to push me and my peers towards success. Some of the strongest friendships I have ever made have been here, and I know they will stay with me long after I leave. Becoming Manaakitanga Leader in 2025 has only deepened my love for our hostel community and shown me how rewarding it is to step up, give back, and lead with care.

What I've enjoyed most in this role is the opportunity to bond with the girls across all year groups and with our international students. I love connecting with people, hearing about their backgrounds, and celebrating the diversity that makes our hostel feel so alive. Alongside Macy, our Head Boarder, I've been involved in planning and running a range of activities that have brought us together and built a sense of belonging. From International Dinners and quiz nights to socials with Boys' High, Day Girls vs Boarders competitions, inter-year competitions, and even our own sports events, every activity has been about creating moments of fun, laughter, and unity. These experiences have reminded me how special hostel life is. It's more than just where we stay, it's where we grow together!

Another highlight for me has been supporting our younger boarders as they settle into hostel life. It's not always easy moving away from home for the first time,

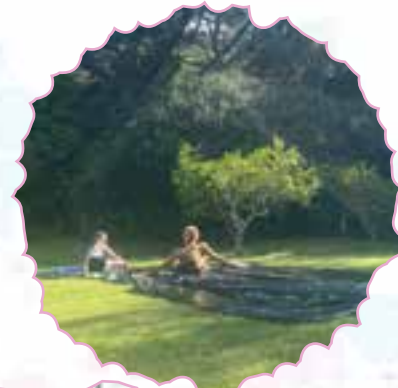
so we've focused on small bonding activities, one-on-one time, and creating safe spaces where our Year 9s feel comfortable and cared for. Seeing them grow in confidence and start to build their own friendships has been one of the most rewarding parts of my role.

I am truly grateful for the opportunities this position has given me and for the chance to contribute to the community that has shaped so much of who I am today. I love my role, and I love our girls.



Waimiria Jane Willison

Year 13



Manu Taiko Head Girl

To quote Ed Sherran, “We keep this love in a photograph; we make those memories for ourselves.” Or in other words, collect beautiful moments and let them tell the story of your life.

As we near the end of the year, and the end of high school for some, it's easy to get caught up in the 'what's next' mindset. I know I'm guilty of it. At the start of the year, when I first took on this role, I remember telling my mum how excited I was to be challenged, because challenges mean growth. But what I didn't realise was that growth didn't look like learning to write the perfect speech, or doing everything perfectly, but instead the most valuable lesson I have learnt this year was the value of time, and how to use it.

The greatest gift you can give someone is your time, because you can never take it back. Alongside this, being present, being truly where your feet are, is just as important. In a year that often pulled me in every other direction, this lesson kept me grounded and reminded me of what mattered most at New Plymouth Girls' High School - the people.

So first of all, I want to say thank you to Ms Brown, Mr McFarlane, Mrs. Wright, the extended staff, my family, Lily, Faith, and my friends for the time you gave me. This year would not have been possible without you.

Time is what we as students have given to Girls' High, and we have received it straight back. When we reflect on our years here, we won't remember the deadlines or timetables, but the moments that

live rent free within our minds because our serotonin shot through the roof. These moments are my 2025 highlights.

In chronological order, the Athletics and Swimming Sports Day showed just how alive the NPGHS culture is. Our Year 13 students got alongside our younger girls to throw themselves into competition with no embarrassment, just pure energy and joy, showing how sport and sunshine can bring us together.

The ball and our senior Year 13 sunrise were also highlights that showed appreciation for time. We counted down the days until we could share a night as Rapunzel, and then, in contrast, shared a quiet sunrise, demonstrating a simpler moment of connection. The commitment of the ball committee made that night possible, once again showing how every student selflessly gives their time for the benefit of others.

And then there were harder moments. When our school came together to honour the passing of McKenzie Rowlands, it was clear

that Girls' High is far more than education. We are a Kura where people stand beside one another when time feels heavy, and when support is needed most.

Tournament week, for myself, was a moment that captured everything I love about NPGHS. It was one of those once-in-a-lifetime opportunities to play alongside my sister, my best friend, and represent my school in a sport that holds my heart. It reminded me that time given to what you love will always be time well spent.

I also want to acknowledge the Year 13 leadership team, who poured not only commitment, but their own personal touch to every role this year. Our goal was clear at the start of the year, just like the All Blacks say, “Leave the jersey in a better place.”



The effort and time given built a legacy for leaders next year to carry on.

Looking back on the year, it is hard not to feel emotional. But the bright side is that we now carry a permanent collage of memories in our head that we can choose to revisit anytime, to relive the moments of joy, laughter, and connection, the moments where we were fully present.

As we step into what comes next, the lessons we learnt this year are invaluable. The time we gave, the time we shared, and the time we were truly ourselves are what created memorable moments along our journey at Girls' High. So, my final point is: be unapologetically yourself, and give your time fully to

the people, places, and dreams you love. Because in the end, when the details in fine print start to fade, you will hold onto the moments where you felt alive, connected and present. That is the real gift and highlight of our time here at New Plymouth Girls' High School.

Harriet Muller

Year 13



Kaitiriwa Head Girl

This year has, like no other has been filled with trials, challenges, setbacks, and distractions. But that's also the reason why this year has been full of growth, learnings, blessings, and opportunities to become better than before!

In true Faith style, I'll keep it short n sweet :)

2025 has been a blessing serving as one of your Kaitiriwa. This year has reminded and reinforced me that real success isn't found in standing alone, but in standing together. I am not a product of my own faults and successes, but also from those around me. Every lesson and every success I've had has been shaped by the collective's strength. As the whakatauki says: "Ehara toku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takatini – My strength is not that of an individual, but that of a collective."

Stepping into the new year, there were many things that I hoped to embody as a leader. Humility, service, and authenticity. To be me, to be humble, to be present, and to be real. I'm not above anyone nor below. In fact, I'm standing beside you. In my eyes, these are what set apart a person from any other leader. I'm blessed to have people before me show me the way, and who have shaped me as a leader. They've paved the way before me, and its enabled me to follow in their footsteps.

One thing that has been made unmistakably clear for me this year, is the fact that life is all about the people. A school wouldn't be a school without you. Any event like swimming sports, the school production, and even assembly wouldn't be possible without the beautiful wahine that makes up our

Kura. The people are the beating heart and foundation of what we call school. Our people are what make NPGHS what it is.

As I reflect on the school, I'm proud of our growing culture! Schools always say, "It's like a big family." Aingggg, aua le pepelo HAHAHA. Thinking back to Year 9, I remember thinking that the school was lacking some love and unity for a big family. Fast forward to my final year, and I can see the mana and support that everyone has for each other, through the shared laughter, tears, competitions, and celebrations!! A highlight for me was during our Cultural Week, when we had our very first Cultural Fashion Show! Our ability to unite, love, and support our sisters reminded me that yeah, we are more than just a school. Each student owned the stage, proud of who they are, and their roots, with a roaring supportive audience.

As a Pacific Islander who struggled to see a reflection of myself at NPGHS, this fashion show reminded me that we're the start to the change. To my Pasifika and Māori sisters (without being cringe)- you belong here. You carry the strength, love, and mana of your villages. Your voice and presence are powerful, and I know the future will shine brighter because of you.

As this chapter comes to an end another one will open...

To the many villages that helped raise me - thank you. I am a product of your love, guidance, advice, and the many growling's hehe. Faamanuia le Atua le ola tuputupua'e.

To Harriet and Lily - you two are truly special. The way you've served this school with heart and humility has left an impact bigger than words, and I'm grateful to have shared this journey with you.

And to my fellow Year 13s who read this far - we did it. We've finished this chapter, and the world is waiting for us. But let's step into it with courage, humility, and the same strength that got us here.

As I sign off, Thank you Lord for your blessings on me. Thank you for protecting me from that unseen, for guiding me when I'm lost, loving me when I'm full of doubt. I surrender it all to you Lord. From the depths of the deepest valleys to the highest peak of the mountains, Your name will be forever praised! #GODDID

Catch yous later, ofas x

Faith Lokeni

Year 13



Kaitiriwa Head Girl

When I first arrived at school as a Year 11 student, I never could have imagined how much of an impact this place, and the people within it, would have on my life. Being given the honour of serving as Kaitiriwā (Deputy Head Girl) has truly been the highlight of my journey here. It has been an experience filled with growth, friendship, and countless opportunities to contribute to our Kura and wider community.

One of the greatest experiences of this role has been the chance to connect with others. From welcoming and meeting with Year 8 girls as they prepare for the next stage of their schooling, to representing our school in the community, I have loved being able to inspire, encourage, and share in the excitement of what lies ahead for them. Those conversations reminded me of my own first steps here and reinforced the importance of being a role model.

Another highlight was working with the School Council and leading projects that gave students a voice in shaping their school environment. Seeing ideas, like the Eke Panuku, grow into real outcomes showed me the value of teamwork, and the power of young people working together.

Of course, one of my favourite memories will always be organising the Tangled themed Ball. Bringing that magical theme to life through creativity, teamwork, and leadership made the night unforgettable. It was incredibly rewarding to see months of planning turn into such a special event and a proud moment watching everyone enjoy something we had worked so hard to create together.

This journey has been more than just a role; it has been a chance to discover the leader within myself. I am so grateful for the trust placed in me, the opportunities to give back, and the friendships formed along the way. Serving as Kaitiriwā has been the best experience of my life, and I will carry the lessons and memories with me always. Manchester might be where I'm from, but I've learned that home isn't the place, it's the people.

Lily Powell

Year 13



Performing Arts Leader - Music

This year has been a memorable one for Music at our school, and it has been a privilege to be involved. It has been wonderful to see so many students participate, whether through performing on stage, entering competitions, or joining in with the different activities that were offered.

Arts Week was a particular highlight, featuring Guess the Song, Karaoke in the Library, and Giant Musical Chairs. During NZ Music Month, we also ran a school-wide Giant NZ Music Kahoot, which was a fun way to celebrate NZ artists and test musical knowledge across the school. Later in Term 3, the Talent Show took place in collaboration with the Performing Arts leaders from Dance and Drama. This event showcased an impressive range of talent and creativity and was a great opportunity for students to share

their skills with the wider school community.

Beyond these activities, many students were involved in competitions such as Chamber Music and Rockquest, demonstrating the importance of teamwork and collaboration in music. The Jubilate Choir contributed significantly to the school production of Annie, supporting the vocals and adding depth to the overall performance, while the African Drumming group brought vibrancy and energy during Arts Week. Alongside these, the NPGHS Orchestra, Jazz Band, Ukulele Group, and Concert Band all provided valuable opportunities for students to perform and represent the school in different musical styles. This year, NPGHS also hosted the annual Taranaki Secondary Schools Orchestra Day, an action-packed event where musicians from across the region came together to share

their talents and play as one. In addition, itinerant music lessons have allowed many students to learn new instruments, refine their skills, and grow in confidence throughout the year.

This year has shown me that Music isn't just something we do; it's something that shapes us. It gives us confidence, brings us together, and creates memories. Looking back, this year has been defined by the passion and commitment of those who gave their time and energy to ensure music could thrive in our school. From rehearsals to performances, every effort has shown how powerful music can be in bringing people together. To everyone who has contributed, whether on stage, behind the scenes, or in support, thank you.

"To stop the flow of music would be like stopping time itself, incredible and inconceivable"- Aaron Copland

Alice Obreja-Damian

Year 13



Visual Arts Leader

Being Visual Arts Leader has been such an incredible experience!

I've had so many opportunities to develop my leadership skills, and I've made so many beautiful friends along the way. Being a student leader has pushed me to be more confident, to listen, and to encourage others continually. I absolutely loved seeing all the creative minds in our Kura, and how our different experiences and backgrounds fused together through artistic expression.

It was definitely a challenge to step into a role without knowing exactly what to do, as well as trying to navigate the highs and lows of a busy Year 13 schedule, but all the art teachers and student leaders were so uplifting which encouraged me to step out of my comfort zone to take on this role.

Arts week was super cool to see all the creativity and involvement from so many girls. We had so many girls wanting to join the Arts Committee and earn an Arts Badge by helping out which was awesome. Arts Week activities consisted of our annual wearable arts competition, paint a friend, and decorating the pavement with chalk. It was a beautiful sunny week bursting with creativity!

Drawing club was another highlight where we met fortnightly to paint animal portraits and blast music throughout T Block! There have also been a few artists talks throughout the year, where we were lucky enough to have artists such as Elliot Collins, Antonia O'Mahony, Portia Roper, and Tui Wright come and present their works and talk about their experience in the Art Industry. I know it inspired so many of our girls to continue developing

their artistic skills and think about a future career in the arts. We've had many girls enter into exhibitions and competitions which has been so inspiring to see the drive and the passion for art.

It has been such a blessing to see the friendships made and the art created this year. Seeing everyone try something new and get involved with everything the arts have to offer has been so special. I know that the creative minds will only continue to flourish and I'm so excited to see what comes out of Girls' High!

Skye Simphalivanh

Year 13



Performing Arts Leader - Drama

Through my role as Drama Leader this year, I have had the chance to experience so many amazing things.

I loved keeping the Musical Theatre Club running alongside the other performing arts leaders and some amazing Year 13 students who gave up their time. Seeing the excitement on everyone's faces early on a Tuesday morning never got old. We had a great time playing drama games and learning musical theatre dances.

Another rewarding part of my role was hosting the Talent Show. It was so amazing to see everyone step out of their comfort zones to perform for a loud and proud audience. Watching their smiles from the wings is something I will never forget. A major highlight this year was Annie Jr. After countless

rehearsals, performing alongside a dedicated cast, crew and team of teachers was an experience I truly cherish. I cannot be more grateful for all the work that went into making it happen.

To round things off, Arts Week was very hectic for me, but the turnout was fantastic, and the student feedback was even better. Drama Leader 2025 has been an honour. A huge thank you must go to Mrs. Simpson because without her time, guidance, and endless support, none of these achievements would have been possible. This year has shown me how powerful drama is in bringing people together, and I'm so grateful to have been a part of it.

As I look back on my time in drama at NPGHS, I know I couldn't have done it without the incredible support of Mrs. Simpson and Mr.

Ramsay. They believed in me when I doubted myself, challenged me to aim higher, and showed me what it means to love the arts. Their impact on my journey will stay with me long after high school.

Chloe Muir

Year 13



Performing Arts Leader - Dance

This year as Dance leader I have been privileged to encourage student involvement in various dance activities. I have connected with many special people through Irish, hip-hop, contemporary, lyrical, musical theatre, stretch, jazz, Zumba, and ballroom workshops. Alongside teaching workshops myself, several Dance Committee members have also challenged themselves to share their own dances and demonstrate leadership through teaching. It's been awesome to see everyone step outside of their comfort zones to lead, learn, perform, and aim for badges!

In term one we had Arts Week activities which included more student led workshops, and although

the Night of Dance did not go ahead this year due to a small number of sign-ups, I did help to organise this year's Talent Show. I worked alongside the Drama and Music leaders, Chloe and Alice to organise this double lunchtime event. Despite a few technical hiccups, the Talent Show was a great success, and it was a great way to showcase the amazing talent we have here at NPGHS! This year I choreographed and taught a dance routine for the Year 13 ball, and I also helped to lead the Tuesday morning Musical Theatre club. All these events have been heaps of fun!

Monique Camden

Year 13



Honohono Co-Leaders

Kia ora koutou,

We are Jorja, Eizra, and Harper, and it has been a privilege to serve as the Honohono Leaders for 2025 at Te Kura Taitamawāhine o Puke Ariki, New Plymouth Girls' High School.

Our role as Honohono leaders has allowed us to strengthen the presence of Te Ao Māori within our Kura and to lead with our school values of Respect, Responsibility, and Relationships at the forefront. Throughout the year, we have been involved in a range of kaupapa that have brought our school community closer together. This has included helping to organise whānau hui, ensuring that the voices of students and whānau are acknowledged and valued, and leading Pou Values assemblies where tikanga Māori and our school values are celebrated side by side.

A key highlight of our mahi was planning and supporting Matariki events with a Puanga focus, connecting our Kura to the local mātauranga of Taranaki and ensuring our students could see the importance of these traditions in their everyday lives. We have also worked to prepare an engaging programme for Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori, with the goal of making te reo not just something to be celebrated once a year, but a normal and valued part of daily life at NPGHS.

For each of us, leadership has been more than just organising events, it has been about creating spaces where others feel empowered, connected, and proud of who they are. Our collective goal as Honohono leaders has been to normalise Te Ao Māori across all areas of Kura life, helping our

rangatahi feel a true sense of belonging.

Our whakataukī for this year has been:

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini

(My strength is not as an individual, but as a collective.)

This whakataukī reflects the essence of our journey. The work we have carried out has never been about one person standing alone, but about the strength that comes when we walk alongside each other, supporting, listening, and lifting each other up. As co-leaders, we have seen how powerful it is when different voices come together with a shared purpose, and it has shown us the true meaning of whanaungatanga.

It has been an absolute honour to stand in this role for 2025. We are humbled by the trust placed in us, grateful for the opportunities we've been given, and proud to have played a part in strengthening Te Ao Māori within our Kura. The experiences of this year will stay with us long after we leave NPGHS, and we hope the mahi we have carried out continues to inspire and empower those who come after us. Most of all, we will always treasure the chance we had to serve our school, our people, and our culture together.

He mihi nui,

Jorja Castles, Eizra Saunders, and Harper Leatuafi

Year 13



Jorja Castles



Eizra Saunders



Harper Leatuafi



Pasifika Co-Leaders

**“O le ala i le pule, o le tautua.”
“The pathway to leadership is through service.”**

Moving to New Plymouth from Samoa at the end of 2023 was a big change, but joining the Pasifika group at NPGHS quickly made me feel at home. This year, I was humbled to be chosen as Pasifika Co-Leader alongside Wanganui Seufale. Working with her has been inspiring, and together we've led and supported our students while promoting Pasifika culture.

At the start of the year, we welcomed double the number of girls into the group compared to last year. I have encouraged the girls to join Pasifika to connect with each other, share their culture, and find a sense of belonging. Seeing the group grow and more students find a place to belong has been one of the most rewarding parts of my role.

The highlight of our year was the Pasifika Fusion Festival in Palmerston North. NPGHS had one of the largest entries, with students taking part in speeches, quiz, drama, essay writing, debates, wearable arts, cinematography, cultural performances, visual arts, talent, and poetry. It was incredible to see our girls represent both the school and their cultures with pride. We were especially proud of successes in speech making and the quiz competition. Fusion wasn't just a competition — it was a chance to celebrate who we are on a bigger stage.

Another major highlight was Fiafia Night, which was bigger than ever this year. Hosting New Plymouth Boys' High School as guests, our students performed with energy and pride, and the evening brought our families and community

together to celebrate Pacific culture.

We also celebrated Pacific Language Weeks with flag-raising, phrases of the day, and cultural activities across the school. These events strengthened pride in our identity and encouraged others to learn more about Pasifika culture.

Being a Pasifika leader has taught me that leadership is about lifting others up, creating opportunities, and making sure everyone feels seen and valued. I am grateful for the support of our Pasifika group, Mrs Crewe, Mr Byrne, parents, and the wider community. This role has been humbling and empowering, and I will carry the lessons of service, culture, and belonging into the future.

Vinaka Vakalevu. Fa'afetai tele lava.



Anastacia Fidow

Year 13

**Talofa lava, Nisa bula vinaka,
Kam na mauri, Fakaalofala lahi
atu, Malo e lelei.**

I have been honoured to serve the NPGHS Pasifika Group 2025. This year has been such a fun year to introduce the presence of our Pasifika students, through our Fiafia

night, assembly performances, language weeks, Teine Laititi/Teine Matutua program, and the 2025 Pasifika Fusion Event held down in Palmerston North that we (our Pasifika Group) have prepared long and hard for. These events are a good chance for our students to socialise and to get in touch with their Pasifika roots, or if you're not Pasifika - that is completely fine! We welcome all ethnicities; it is a good way to learn more about our different Pasifika Cultures. As a minority group, my hope is that we would continue to grow the presence of our Pacifica Girls within the school. Try it out! We engage through dance, getting together just to talanoa (talk) with one another, songs, academic support, Pacific language weeks, and much more. I remember when I first started at Girls' High, our group consisted of only about 10 girls. This year - we have stepped up and had 42 girls in our group! Sheesh. This year was all about serving the group and I am proud of each and every student. The most important highlight of my journey was giving back to our community - through Vaimoana Trust, connecting with NPBHS Pasifika Group, and getting our people: families and friends, closer through events we work hard for. I hope to see more students and better engagement for the years to come. My name is Wanganui Seufale. God bless.



Wanganui Seufale

Year 13

Academic Leader - Traditional Sciences

This year, as Academic Leader for Traditional Sciences, I had the opportunity to help coordinate a range of fun activities aimed at encouraging more girls to get involved in STEM.

It was fantastic to see the enthusiasm and participation across the school, with so many students making the most of the opportunities available in mathematics and science.

One of the highlights was the elephant toothpaste experiment, where students got to create colourful chemical reactions. We were even treated to a demonstration from a science teacher using stronger chemicals, which made it even more exciting. The paper airplane competition tested students' physics knowledge, challenging them to see whose design could fly the furthest and work the best. I also organised a blind taste test, where participants put their taste buds to the test to find out whether different flavours really do taste that different.

Another ongoing activity has been the Game of 24, which Mr Bone has kindly run on Fridays. This has been a great way to challenge and sharpen mathematical skills in a fun, competitive way.

With so many exciting activities happening, it has been awesome to see such strong involvement and interest in STEM at New Plymouth Girls' High School.

Jessa Wells

Year 13

Academic Leader - Traditional Arts

2025 has been such a fun year for the traditional arts at NPGHS! I've loved being able to create and run events that brought people together to celebrate the Social Sciences in new and exciting ways.

One of the biggest highlights for me was organising the very first Taranaki Inter-School Quiz Night. We had teams from across the region come together, and it was so cool seeing the mix of friendly competition and plenty of laughs. Hopefully this becomes the start of a new tradition!

Another favourite project my committee and I did was running a school-wide writing competition. It was amazing to see so much creativity come through, and I really enjoyed getting to read all the different entries.

Of course, the biggest week of the year for me was Traditional Arts Week. Each lunchtime my

committee and I had a different activity on - from History Bingo and Guess the Flag to Kahoot's and even a "Would You Rather: Human Rights Edition." The turnout was awesome, and it was great to see so many students jumping in and having fun while engaging with these subjects in a more relaxed way.

This role has given me the chance to share what I love about the traditional arts while also creating space for others to get involved. I'm so proud of what we've achieved this year, and I can't wait to see how next year's leaders build on it! A special thank you goes to Mr Brown and Mr McFarlane, as well as the student leadership team, for their support in making the Taranaki Quiz Night such a success.

Maya Annane

Year 13



Jessa Wells



Maya Annane

Technology Leader

2025 marked a milestone for our school: the very first year of truly making technology bigger, bolder, and more visible in our community.

Through the launch of She++, I set out to challenge the stereotype that technology is only for “maths and science people.” Instead, I wanted to show that tech belongs to everyone, whether your passion is art, debating, music, law, health, or global issues. No matter where life takes us, technology will be a constant part of our world, so I created She++ to make that clear.

This year has been filled with groundbreaking achievements. Thanks to the incredible support of Powerco and OMV, who provided \$6000 in sponsorships, I was able to launch exciting projects and events that put technology in the spotlight. Our brand-new robotics team competed for the very first time and came first at the regional science fair. Tech Week brought the school together with challenges, workshops, guest speakers, while we had our first national esports team competing this year. The introduction of Tech Angels in Assembly made tech leadership more visible, and collaborations with Debating and Model UN highlighted how technology connects with critical thinking and global perspectives. To cap it off, the new Tech Badge encouraged more students to take part and gain recognition for their contributions.

But the biggest success of She++ was cultural. Our first year had just over 100 different people participate in our various activities, with around 40 of these earning the badge. More students than ever before engaged with technology, many of them for the first time. We proved that you don't need to be a coder or an

engineer to belong here; all it takes is creativity, curiosity, and an open mind.

As Chloe from Detroit: Become Human reminds us: “Remember, this is not just a story. This is our future.”

Risha Nath

Year 13

Hauora Co-Leaders

Being this year's Hauora Co-Leaders has been such a rewarding and fun journey, filled with highlights that brought our school community together.

One of the biggest moments was Happy Week, where we had amazing involvement across the school. From the food trucks to the Year 13 vs Teachers sports game and the Zeal music event, it was awesome to see so many students getting involved and enjoying themselves. The atmosphere was full of positive energy, and it really reflected the spirit of Hauora!

Another highlight was Breakfast Club every Tuesday morning. It was meaningful to see a good number of students come along, enjoy kai, and start their day with connection and support. It was such a welcoming space where lots of laughter and brekky was shared. The 40-hour challenge was another amazing opportunity with friends getting together and tackling challenges and fundraising money for the benefit of the wider community. Our involvement in Youth Week and collaboration with Waimarie were also special opportunities, giving us



Risha Nath

the chance to connect with people in our Kura.

Looking back, the best part of this role has been the people - working in a team together, collaborating with staff and leaders, and supporting the students. It has been a role that allowed us to learn, grow, and have a LOT of fun along the way.

Overall, being Hauora Co-Leaders has been an amazing part of our school journey. We're grateful for the many opportunities, proud of everything achieved, and thankful to everyone who supported us and got involved. Most importantly, we hope the experiences created helped bring joy, connection and wellbeing to our NPGHS community!

Zeyana Singh and Jade Huffman

Year 13



Zeyana Singh



Jade Huffman

Sports Co-Captains

2025 has been a fantastic year for sport at New Plymouth Girls' High school, which Petra and I have had the absolute privilege of being a part of.

The year started with a bang; our annual school swimming sports held at New Plymouth Boys' High School and athletics held at the TET stadium in Inglewood were both incredible days with personal bests achieved, school records broken, smiles had as well as huge amounts of laughter and batter shared between year groups.

We formed our senior and junior sports council and got to work with continuing to produce fun lunchtime activities for all year groups within the school on Monday and Friday. These fun activities included Multisport, Volleyball, Dodgeball, Bench Ball and Badminton. These saw constant groups of girls attending and having fun with their friend's while also having the bonus of receiving lollies thanks to sponsorship from TSSSA.

Winter tournament rolled around extremely quickly and all the hard work that these teams had put into training and games throughout the year was to pay off. This week saw many wins and losses leading to some great results for our school. Many of our teams finished in the top 16 in New Zealand. What amazing results!

We also had some other great sports results throughout the year with the NPGHS/NPBHS Hillary Challenge team attending nationals, swimmers competing

at nationals as well as powerlifters, kayakers and footballers attending the world championships.

We played two Boys' High VS Girls' High Year 13 games, with the first one being ripper rugby and the second one being dodgeball both held at Boys' High. The boys were clear winners in both games, although the girls where the losing team there were still many laughs and smiles had with fun all round. There was lots of cheering from students from both schools engaged in the games. 2025 also saw some very close staff VS student challenges including the 4x100m relay at athletics which the staff just managed to win thanks to a very fast last leg of the relay ran by Mr Parker.

Petra and I would like to thank the staff that helped us throughout this year. Thank you to all the sports

teachers as well as a massive thank you to Mrs Vincent, Mr Parker, Mrs Leatuafi and Mrs Bond, your support throughout the year has been very much appreciated.

We would also like to wish the 2026 sports co-leaders the best in their roles and endeavours. We hope that you continue to grow sport involvement and participation in all year groups within our school and encourage those around you to get involved in physical activity.

Kia kaha, Kia maia, Kia manawanui!

**Jacquelyn
Kowalewski & Petra
Hofmans**

Year 13



Jacquelyn
Kowalewski



Petra Hofmans



Outdoor Education Co-Leaders

This year, we have had the opportunity to be the Outdoor Education Co-leaders.

We have loved being able to participate and be a part of all things outdoors within NPGHS. Outdoor Education in 2025 has been a very successful and memorable part of school. Students have been able to learn, grow and connect with fellow peers. Every camp and event have reminded us how valuable it is to step outside the classroom and into the outdoors.

One of the highlights of the year was the Year 9 Topec Camp. This camp gave the Year 9s and Year 13s a special chance to spend time together and build strong connections, while the Year 9s settled into high school. It was great to see everyone encourage each other and step out of their comfort zones, whether that meant braving the high ropes, the water activities,

or working together in team challenges. The support between year levels made the camp especially rewarding.

NPGHS also provides a wide variety of outdoor camps and activities, such as the Hillary Challenge, Get2Go, the Hillary Adventure Camp, and Topec camps for Year 9 and Year 10 students. We also look forward to the upcoming end-of-year activities for both Years 9 and 10.

This year has shown how much Outdoor Education can teach us, about confidence, leadership, teamwork, and finding strengths we didn't know we had. The experiences and memories made will stay with students for years to come.

Naomi Landreth and Mia Padrutt

Year 13



Naomi Landreth



Mia Padrutt



Environment Co-Leaders

As the Environment Co-Leaders, this year has given us the chance to lead projects that bring our school together while caring for our environment.

It's been awesome to see how much support we've had from students and staff, and how these events have made a big difference. One of the biggest highlights was running the end of term schoolwide clean up. Having the whole school involved made it feel like a real team effort, and it showed our manaakitanga by taking pride in keeping our school tidy before the holidays. Another achievement we're proud of was organising the school's first-ever Environment Week. This was a big step for our committee, and it included installing native bird feeders, running

environment quizzes, and holding a poster competition. We also had a guest speaker from Sustainable Taranaki, who shared with students the different programmes and opportunities they run to support sustainability in our region. It was a great way for students to see how the work we do at school connects to what's happening in the wider community. Looking ahead, we are also organising a beach clean-up and working on planting more fruit trees around the school. These projects will give students more opportunities to get hands-on and help improve both our school and local environment. Overall, this

leadership role has been a rewarding experience. We've been able to encourage others to care for the environment, while also developing our own leadership skills. These projects have shown us how much can be achieved when people work together, and we're proud to have been part of it.

Penny Dixon and Izzy Robinson

Year 13



Penny Dixon



Izzy Robinson

Library Leader

I have thoroughly enjoyed taking on the position of Library leader at NPGHS in 2025. A highlight of this position has been connecting with our schools' wonderful Head Librarian Mrs Gunn and Jill who year after year continue to provide the school with a safe, quiet learning environment. Another highlight was Library Week which was an opportunity for all the librarians to work together to come up with fun ideas within the library for students to get involved in throughout the week such as black out poetry, poetry slam, Kahoot's, guess how many books in the jar, and many more. This position has helped me gain and improve many valuable



Librarians

Back Row: Joanne Gately, Harshal Nand, Gaganpreet Kaur

2nd Row: Zaynab Khan, Ruth Lanan, Vita Anterea, Piera Parkinson, Sue Gunn (Librarian)

Front Row: Parleen Kaur, Lia Barton, Margot Harrison, Beatrice Riley, Shanzey Khan

leadership lessons including how to get everyone involved and feel included, listening to everyone's ideas and opinions, and adaptability, and I look forward to implementing them more in the future. I encourage students to have a go at being a student librarian because you get to connect with many of your peers, improve your leadership qualities, and it is a great way to give back to the school.

Ngā Mihi,

Margot Harrison

Year 13



International and Global Perspectives Leader

This year, we have welcomed the largest cohort of international students since the pandemic, consisting of 33 students from Germany, Chile, Japan, Vietnam, China, Fiji, Spain, and Hong Kong.

They have been busy adjusting to our school system, making friends, and improving their English skills.

We held our first Cultural Week since pre-Covid in Week 1 of Term 3. Some activities included a henna event, where students could get traditional temporary designs on their skin, and a map in MB Block that everyone could pin their origin on.

We held our very first Cultural Talent Showcase and Cultural Fashion Show and these highlighted many cultures that are minorities at NPGHS, such as Myanmar, Indonesia, Kenya, Iran, and India, and were well received by students and staff.

The aim of Cultural Week was to take a step closer to cultural diversity and inclusivity at NPGHS. My hope is for Cultural Week to grow in future years, and for all of us to embrace our unique identities and cultures with pride.

Aisha Gemala

Year 13



School Council Secretary

It has been such a privilege to serve as the School Council Secretary this year! I have especially enjoyed working with the head girls and other young leaders who share the passionate to bring difference in our school community.

Through our creative, inclusive and enthusiastic voices, we were able to bring positive changes to NPGHS while organising plenty of fun activities for everyone to enjoy.

One of the most fulfilling initiatives for our council this year was the introduction of the Eke Panuku recognition process. This project was particularly meaningful to us as it built on the work of last year's leaders. Eke Panuku allows more students to be recognised and celebrated for their successes, even if they were not eligible for the Iti Raerea or Honours award.

To introduce this in a more fun and memorable way, we even put a skit that we performed in assembly where we could make the recognition process more inclusive and exciting.

We also worked on other exciting projects, such as setting up notice boards to promote various school clubs and launching a sustainable rubbish bin initiative that we hope to continue. As part of the school tradition, the council organised one Taki Tahi Day per term, where students could wear their own clothes. These days also supported charities such as Variety NZ and Taranaki Women's Refuge, combining fun with giving back to the community.

Thank you to Mr McFarlane and Ms Brown for supporting our meetings and initiatives! And a huge thank you to all the School Council Members and head girls for always

putting the best mahi out forward. I hope that the spirit of creativity, inclusivity, and enthusiasm that defined our council this year will continue to inspire future leaders and make NPGHS an even more welcoming and vibrant place for all students!

Rayna Kim

Year 13



Rayna Kim



School Council

Back Row: Harshal Nand, Lilah Eagar, Angelina Paese, Charlotte Williamson, Vivi Hale

2nd Row: Freya Kleinsorge, Jade Huffam, Lila Corral, Lili Herbert

Front Row: Kayley Clark, Faith Lokeni, Harriet Muller, Lily Powell, Rayna Kim

Absent: Charlotte Armstrong, Macy Death, Stella Henwood, Coco Marshall-Kirby, Elly McLeod



Year 13 Leaders

Back Row: Angelina Puese, Kayley Clark, Izzy Robinson

4th Row: Penny Dixon, Jessa Wells, Jorja Castles, Skye Simphalivanih, Mia Padrutt, Naomi Landreth, Maya Annane, Jenna Riddale

3rd Row: Anneleen Lingenfelder, Chloe Muir, Stella Henwood, Jade Huffam, Lila Corral, Margot Harrison, Harper Leatuafi, Macy Death, Arabella Jones

2nd Row: Risha Nath, Aisha Gemala, Eizra Saunders, Isla Twigley, Millie Brooke, Anastacia Fidow, Wangamui Seifale, Martha Simon, Zeyana Singh

Front Row: Hannah Armstrong, Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Rayna Kim, Faith Lokeni, Harriet Muller, Lily Powell, Monique Camden, Petra Hofmans, Alice Obreja-Damian

Absent: Coco Marshall-Kirby, Sejal Patel, Wainiria Willison

School Ball

“BEST. DAY. EVER” - Rapunzel

The 2025 Tangled-themed NPGHS Ball was the cherry on top for many of us, so close to the end of our childhood era. It has been a comfort movie all these years; little did we know the animated movie had such a big meaning. To follow our dreams even when they are out of our comfort zone and the importance of self-discovery. All of the Year 13's are about to embark on amazing adventures, and this theme was a way of mirroring our journeys ahead.

The night could not have been more perfect; it was truly unforgettable. Our magical evening started off with warm greetings by Ms Brown and several paparazzi at the entrance, making sure they captured every moment of our night.

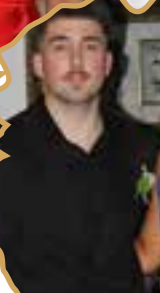
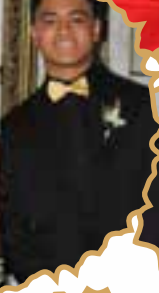
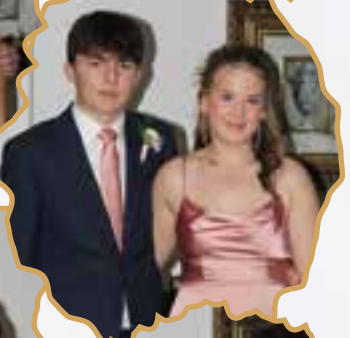
Upon entry to the ballroom, faces lit up and eyes sparkled as they saw the twinkling lanterns, Rapunzel's tower, golden lights, flowers, and magic in every corner. There were several eye-catching centrepieces that caught people's eyes - amazingly crafted tower, beautiful magic flower, and Wanted signs

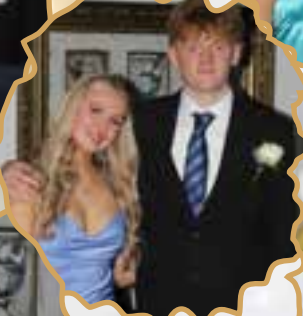
It was not long before girls took off their heels and guys took off their blazers to start moving towards the dance floor. There was no better way to spend our night than dancing and singing underneath the glowing lanterns. The night was filled with entertainment, dances were performed by our head girls, the Waka Leaders and Head of Hostel, and a big Year 13. Themed awards were also given out throughout the evening, including our very own NPGHS Rapunzel and Flynn Rider.

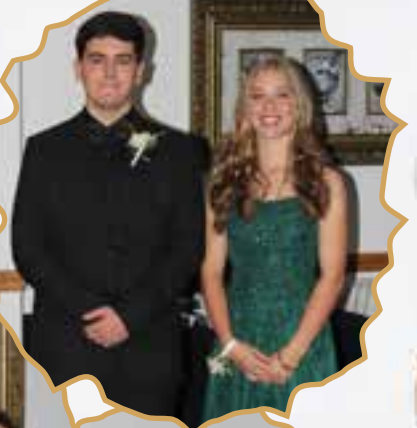
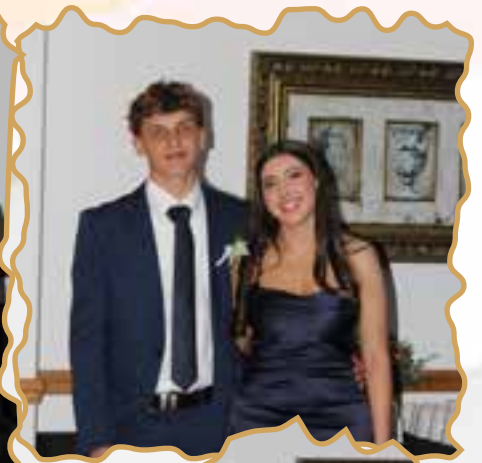
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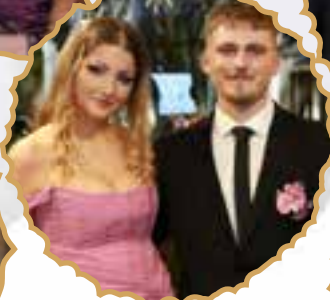
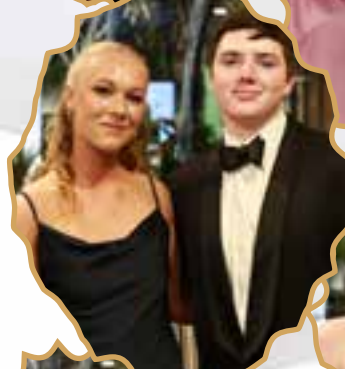
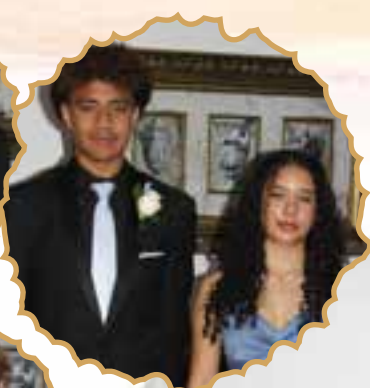
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Senior Prizegiving

Sports Awards

Heidi ALBON

Hockey Distinction

The Kirsty Grieve Cup for Leadership in Hockey

Hannah ARMSTRONG

Athletics - Track & Field Distinction

Golf Distinction

Surfing Merit

Kahsia BAILEY-NOWELL

Basketball Distinction

The Toni Roberts Cup for Most Valuable Senior Player

Vivian (Viv) BENTON

Tennis Distinction

The Jenny Farinella Cup for Senior Tennis Champion

Charlotte BLACKMORE

Cricket Distinction

The McDonalds Cup for Cricketer of the Year

Football Merit

Claudia BROCK

Swimming Merit

The Senior Champion Cup

Matilda BUBLITZ

Basketball Distinction

Myana BUCKA-CHRISTENSEN

Hockey Distinction

The Hodge Cup for Most Improved Hockey Player

Olivia CORIN

Adventure Racing Distinction

Athletics - Cross Country Sport

Runner up to Senior Champion

Macy DEATH

Basketball Distinction

The Cleaver Cup for Excellence in Basketball

Casey DRAKE

Hockey Distinction

The McCluggage Trophy for Excellence in Hockey

Charlize DUNCAN

Athletics - Track & Field Distinction

Hockey Distinction

Surf Lifesaving Distinction

Peggy Brown Memorial Trophy for Outstanding Achievement in Surf Lifesaving

Penny EDMONDS

Tennis Runner Up to Senior Tennis Champion (Shared)

Phoenix FRASER

Touch The Conal Grant Trophy for Most Outstanding Touch Player

Tayah GOPPERTH (WILSON)

Rugby Distinction

Emma HAL

Beach Volleyball

The Olivia MacDonald Trophy for Most Valuable Senior Beach Volleyball Player (Shared)

Volleyball (Indoor) Merit The Dickson Trophy for Outstanding Player

Lucy HATCHARD

Badminton Distinction

Stella HENWOOD

Netball Distinction

The Most Outstanding Senior

Netballer Cup

Touch Distinction

Keira HIDE

Hockey Distinction

Madeline HOBO

Swimming Runner Up to Senior Champion

Athletics - Cross Country Merit

Petra HOFMANS

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

Rogaine Distinction

Athletics - Cross Country Merit

Ruby HORGAN

Rugby Distinction

Tatyana IBARRA-ANTIOQUIA

Beach Volleyball The Olivia

MacDonald Trophy for Most Valuable Senior Beach Volleyball Player (Shared)

Emma ICETON

Swimming Merit Intermediate

Champion Cup

Ella James Hockey Distinction

Naavah JORDAN

Athletics - Track & Field Distinction

The Intermediate Championship Cup

Adele KEIGHLEY

Football Distinction

Futsal Distinction Eddie Brown Futsal

Cup - Most Valuable Player (Shared)

Jacquelyn KOWALEWSKI

Adventure Racing Distinction

Athletics - Track & Field Distinction

The Senior Champion Cup

Hockey Merit

Rogaine Distinction

Athletics - Cross Country Distinction

Milla LASH

Hockey Distinction

Harper LEATUAFI

Netball Distinction The Carolyn Phear

Trophy for Leadership, Outstanding

Performance and Commitment to

Premier 1 Team

Ella LEAUGA

Rugby Distinction

Madeleine LEEKS

Volleyball (Indoor) Merit The Edmund

Poh Cup for the Most Valuable Senior

Player

Beach Volleyball Merit

Georgia LUSCOMBE

Hockey Distinction

Portia MASON

Adventure Racing Distinction

Chloe MCGREGOR

Futsal Distinction Eddie Brown Futsal

Cup - Most Valuable Player (Shared)

Hazel MCLEOD

Volleyball (Indoor) Merit The Cup for

Most Improved Senior

Laura MCNEIL

Equestrian The Elizabeth Matthews-

Benny Cup for the highest scoring

Show Jumper representing NPGHS

Equestrian Distinction Equestrian Cup

Zoe MILLER

Cricket Distinction

Football Merit

Estelle MONK*Rogaine Distinction**Hockey Merit**Adventure Racing Merit***Harriet MULLER***Football Distinction McNally Cup for Excellence in Football***Bethan MULLISS***Adventure Racing Distinction**Orienteering Merit**Rogaine Merit***Iveti NAU***Rugby Distinction***Amelia OGLE***Badminton Distinction***Elliott O'KEEF***Badminton Distinction***Darcy O'SULLIVAN***Rogaine Distinction**Hockey Merit***Mia PADRUTT***Athletics - Cross Country The Sonia Barry Trophy for Senior Cross Country Champion**Hockey Merit**Surf Lifesaving Distinction***Madison QUAY***Rugby The Kendra Cocksedge Trophy for the Most Dedicated New Player***Mere RANIU***Rugby Distinction***Tazanna REDDY***Tennis Runner Up to Senior Tennis Champion (Shared)***Ruby REESBY***Basketball Distinction***Isabelle (Izzy) ROBINSON***Golf Distinction**The Stewart Cup for Excellence in Golf***Leilani ROVA***Basketball Distinction***Kaylee RUTHERFORD***Badminton Runner Up to Senior Champion***Jordi SANDS***Basketball Distinction***Kiara SCOTT***Cricket Merit**Cricket Sutherland Sports World Trophy for Most Promising Player***Chanya SEASTRAND***Badminton The Badminton Cup for Excellence, Achievement and Attitude***Ella STAPLES***Football Distinction***Kaley STOCKWELL***Netball Merit The Jamilah Gupwell Trophy for Most Promising Senior Netball Player***Jayla STONE***Football Distinction**Futsal Merit***Harper SUTHERLAND***Rugby Distinction***Georgia THEODORE***Hockey Distinction**The Deborah Armstrong Trophy for Outstanding Contribution to 1st XI Hockey***Ella THIRD***Football Distinction**The O'Keefe Trophy for the Most Valuable Team Member for All-Round Contribution to 1st XI Soccer***Coco TIHEMA-WALSH***Rugby Distinction The Carrie Lobb Cup for Most Valuable Player***Ruby TIPENE***Rugby Distinction The Carrie Lobb Cup for Most Improved Player***Emilee VENABLES-ZHOU***Golf Distinction***Hannah WILKINSON***Rogaine Distinction***Marie WILKINSON***Rogaine Distinction***Orenia WILLIAMS***Skiing Distinction**The Adam Clegg Memorial Cup for the Highest Placed Female Skier***Natalie WITHERS***Hockey Distinction*

Sports Special Awards

Aotea*Oliver Trophy for House Swimming***Aotea***Miss Stevens Memorial Cup for House Athletics**NPGHS PE & Sport Department's Team of the Year Cup***2025 NZSS WAKA AMA TEAM****Rihanna DELLOW****Rylei DELLOW****Skyлар GLADDING****Peyton HANCOCK****Elise LAWRENCE****Harper LEATUAFI****Esther POCHING****Yelen POCHING****Maika RAUPUTU****Harper SUTHERLAND****Eden WISEMAN***National Title Holder Badges 2025***2025 NZSS WAKA AMA TEAM****Rihanna DELLOW****Rylei DELLOW****Skyлар GLADDING****Peyton HANCOCK****Elise LAWRENCE****Harper LEATUAFI****Esther POCHING****Yelen POCHING****Maika RAUPUTU****Harper SUTHERLAND****Eden WISEMAN***National Title Holder Badges from December 2024***Jacquelyn KOWALEWSKI***2024 NZSS 2,000m Steeplechase*

Year 11 Takatū Poutama Awards

Tessa AUSTIN**Molly BERNDT****Isobel BOUTEREY****Bella BRAGGINS****Haylie BRODIE****Pippa BROOKE****Sophie BUNN****Elizabeth CATTY****Ruby COCHRAN****Lexie COOMBE****Tegan CROWE****Claire FREW****Sara GEEVARGHESE****Aimee GUNTHER****Milla HAIGH****Blake HARDY****Morgan HICKEY****Grace HOOPER****Eden HOSIE****Abby HURLEY**

Ella INGLE
Gaganpreet KAUR
Adele KEIGHLEY
Sophia KYNE
Sierra LEE
Bella LORTH
Leah LUSCOMBE
Zoe MACKENZIE
Holle MARRINER
Katie MARTIN
Grace MATAAFA
Chloe MCGREGOR
Maheli MEDAGEDARA
Harshal NAND
Olive PRESTIDGE
Aanvi RAM
Bena RIDDICK
Cate ROCK
Kaelynn ROSS
Christeena SCARIA
Kiara SCOTT
Noor Kaur SIDHU
Juliet SOLOMONS
Jayla STONE
Kaitlyn THEOBALD
Sophie VAN DEN BRAND
Emilee VENABLES ZHOU
Lily WATCHORN
Gemma WEBBY
Hannah WEST
Amber WILLANS
Charlotte WISCHNOWSKY
Cici XU

Year 11 Academic Awards

Scarlet AITKEN
First in Design & Visual Communication

Sarah ANGLESEY
First in Drama (Shared)
First in English
The Featherstone Cup for Choral Music

Rivani ARUNACHELLAM
First in Digital Technology
First in Health

Isobel BOUTEREY
First in Māori Performing Arts

Hannah DUNNET
First in Textiles Technology

Penny EDMONDS
Shield First in Design Technology and The Clelands Design Award

Devaux FABISH JONES
First in Dance
The Marion Ruscoe Memorial Tray for Practical Cookery

Claire FREW
First in Geography
First in Music and The Oswald Mills Rosebowl for Music

Katie GORRIE
The Practical Sewing Award

Grace HOOPER
Mr. Hatherley's Prize for Strings

Zaria JONES
First in Hospitality

Maheli MEDAGEDARA
Mrs Bruning's Memorial Prize for Achievement in Art

Demi NEWLAND
First in Food and Nutrition

Elliott O'KEEFE
First in Spanish

Reem OTHMAN
First in Mathematics with Algebra and Statistics

Amelia PRESTIDGE
First in Digital Visual Arts

Isla REID
First in Te Reo Māori

Kaelynn ROSS
First in Visual Arts

Lucy SWAN
First in History

Michelle TAN YOU ERN
The Helen Thomson Prize for Mathematics

Danielle TEWHATA
The Cup for First in Sports Science and Physical Education

Sophie VAN DEN BRAND
The Gower Cup for Food and Nutrition

Emma WARREN
The Barbara Morrison Memorial Cup for Services to School Music

Hannah WEST
First in Drama (Shared)

Marie WILKINSON
First in Animal and Plant Science

Marie WILKINSON
First in Music and The Kerry Christiansen Cup

Orenia WILLIAMS
The Jane Tuson Cup for Debating

Mai (Cici) XU
The Christine Harris Cup for Piano and One Other Instrument

Year 11 Top Overall Scholars

Sarah ANGLESEY
Hannah DUNNET
Katie GORRIE
Grace HOOPER
Bella LORTH
Elliott O'KEEFE
Marie WILKINSON
Charlotte WISCHNOWSKY

Year 11 Special Awards

Paige ANSLEY
The Waimarie Award – to the student who aspires to summit their own Maunga

Sydnee COOMEY
The Old Girls' Scotlands Hostel Award (Presented by the New Plymouth Old Girls' Association)

Isla MUTCH
Josie Cleaver Cup – for High Performance in Sport - Year 11

Lily WATCHORN
The Clarice Douglas Memorial Prize for Positive Attitude and Diligence (Prize presented by New Plymouth Old Girls' Association)

Isobel BOUTEREY
Excellence in Youth Leadership (Prize presented by YMCA)

Hau'alofa (Lofa) KATO
The Whakamua Prize for Oral Māori

Grace HOOPER
Whiting Cup for General Excellence in Year 11

Year 12 Takatū Poutama Awards

Lia BARTON
Ella BECK
Samantha BENTALL
Kayla CAMERON
Ella CARBERRY
Lucy CHRISTIAN
Emily CLARKE
Olivia CORIN
Caitlin CROWE
Nene CRUDEN
Maia DINNISON
Charlize DUNCAN
Sarah DUNCAN
Ruby EVANS
Claire FELTOE
Ava GADDUM
Melody GORDON
Deborah GRAHAM
Taya HARVEY-SMITH
Scarlet HELMS
Bianca HOFFMANN
Maddy HOUGHTON
Parleen KAUR
Millah KELLER
Lily KHAM
Alyssa KHAY
Grace KING
Freya KLEINSORGE
Queenie MCCLUTCHIE
Amelia OGLE
Darcy O’SULLIVAN
Daisy PATERSON
Laya RAJANEESH
Ellie ROGERS
Kaylee RUTHERFORD
Pearl SHEARER
Rebecca SURGENOR
Grace THOMAS

Year 12 Academic Awards

Millah ADAM
*Mrs Bruning’s Memorial Prize for
Achievement in Art History*

Dayna- Jane ADAMSON
*Overall Excellence in STAR -
Classroom Vocational Training*

Sydney AINSWORTH
First in Digital Technology

Aaliyah ANAHA
*The Special Magazine Prize for Short
Story*

Bebe ANDERSON
*Overall Excellence in Gateway -
Workplace Vocational Training*

Lia BARTON
First in English (Shared)
First in History
First in Social Studies

Samantha BENTALL
Overall Excellence in Trades Academy

Claudia BROCK
*First in Sports Science and Physical
Education*

Macy BROWN
First in Design Technology

Matilda BUBLITZ
First in Te Reo Māori

Ella CARBERRY
First in Visual Arts

Rachael CHRISTIAN
First in Art History
The Gaskin English Prize

Lucy CHRISTIAN
First in English (Shared)
First in Geography

Imogen DEN-MCKAY
The St Cecelia Award for Music

Sophie DODUNSKI
First in Science
The Annual Award for Singing

Charlize DUNCAN
First in Classical Studies

Keziah FAKAVAMOEANGA
First in Māori Performing Arts

Cian FLANNAGAN
First in Mathematics with Statistics

Amelia FOREST
*First in Physics (Prize presented by NZ
Institute of Physics)*
*Mrs Bruning’s Memorial Prize for
Achievement in Art*

Ava GADDUM
The Enterprise Studies Cup

Melody GORDON
*The Port Nicholson Band Trust Cup
for Brass*

Scarlett HELMS
First in Chemistry

Sophia HUANG
First in Health

Rica JAGMIS
*First in Design & Visual
Communication*

Grace KING
First in Enterprise Studies

Emily MATTHEWS
The Hamerton Wilson Prize for Botany

Queenie MCCLUTCHIE
First in Photography

Dillon MCCULLOUGH
First in Dance

Lauren NICHOLAS
First in Tourism

Darcy O’SULLIVAN
First in Biology
First in Economics

Luka PHILLIPS
First in Art Design

Kaylee POLLOCK
First in Music – Level 3
*The Doris Veale Cup for General
Excellence in Music*
The Mahy Prize for Woodwind

Jaya ROBINSON
First in Animal and Plant Science

Ellie ROGERS
First in Accounting

Joshua SCHEEPERS
*The Photolife Studios Certificate for
Recognition of Achievement in Visual
Art*

Pearl SHEARER
First in Textiles Technology

Heather SMALE
First in Spanish

Rebecca SURGENOR
First in Drama

Mikaela TICE
First in Shape Your Future

Sabine WAKEMAN
First in Food and Nutrition

Imogen WEBBER
First in Hospitality

Paige WILSON
*Camera The Photolife Photography
Award*

Charlotte YATES
First in Media Studies

Year 12 Top Overall Scholars

Lia BARTON
Lucy CHRISTIAN
Amelia FOREST
Scarlet HELMS
Sophia HUANG
Darcy O'SULLIVAN
Kaylee POLLOCK

Year 12 Special Awards

Kahsia BAILEY-NOWELL
The Barry Marnoch Cup for High Performance in a Chosen Sport – Year 12

Queenie MCCLUTCHIE
The Elsie Andrews Memorial Prize for Positive Attitude and Diligence (Prize presented by New Plymouth Old Girls' Association)

Crystal AMMUNDSEN
The Bay of Plenty Old Girls' Association Prize for Greatest Improvement Under Difficulties

Charlize DUNCAN
The Wendy Morgan Memorial Cup for Sportsmanship, Leadership and Service in Sport

Darcy O'SULLIVAN
The Rebecca, Courtney & Olivia Eaton Cup for Leadership, Sports & Academic Excellence

Amelia FOREST
The Aderman Cup for General Excellence in Year 12

Year 13 Takatū Poutama Awards

Hannah ARMSTRONG
Charlotte BRADBURN
Monique CAMDEN
Sophie CHURCHILL
Lila CORRAL
Kierah HOSKING
Lara IPPEL
Elise JAMIESON
Georgia LUSCOMBE
Aimee NEILSON
Alice OBREJA-DAMIAN

Kristel SCHMIDT
Alicia SMITH
Kaitlin TIPPETT
Grace YANG

Year 13 Service to the School & Academic Awards

Maya ANNANE
First in Biology
First in Social Studies and The John Walmsley Cup for Social Studies
First in Statistics Internal
Service to the School - Academic Leader (Traditional Arts)

Hannah ARMSTRONG
First in Accounting and The Gemma Tennent Cup for Accounting
First in Dance
First in Physics
First in Statistics External
Service to the School - Tokomaru Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

Dana BAKER
First in Drama
The Mary Rush Vase for Excellence in Drama

Millie BROOKE (GROTRIAN)
Service to the School - Aotea Waka Huia Deputy Co-Leader

Monique CAMDEN
Service to the School - Performing Arts Leader (Dance)
The Suzee Freeman 'Spirit of the Dance' Award for All Round Contribution to Dance

Jorja CASTLES
Service to the School - Honohono Co-Leader

Tahlia CHIAN
First in Calculus
First in Economics and The Lyndsay Patten Cup

Sophie CHURCHILL
Overall Excellence in STAR - Classroom Vocational Training

Kayley CLARK
First in English and The Kate Fletcher Cup for English
Service to the School - Board of Trustees Student Trustee
The NPGHS Board of Trustees Prize for the Student Trustee

Lila CORRAL
Service to the School - Tokomaru Waka Huia Leader

Ella CRUIKSHANK
First in Sculpture

Macy DEATH
Service to the School - Scotlands Hostel Head Board Leader
The Molly Wills Rosebowl for the Head Girl of Scotlands

Penelope (Penny) DIXON
First in Design & Visual Communication
Service to the School - Environment Co-Leader
The Most Significant Contribution to Health, Safety and the Environment Cup – Environment Leader (Shared)

Teutusi (Tusi) FAOAGALI
First in Māori Performing Arts

Anastacia FIDOW
Service to the School - Pasifika Co-Leader

Rachel GAMMON
First in Media Studies

Aisha GEMALA
Service to the School - International and Global Perspectives Leader
The Georgina McMullan Prize for Mathematics

Margot HARRISON
First in Geography and The Pamela Hine Geography Prize
Service to the School - Library Leader

Joanna HARRISON
The Doone Smeaton Cup for General Excellence in Level 3 Sciences - Chemistry, Biology and Physics

Stella HENWOOD
First in Fitness and Recreation (Shared)
Service to the School - Kurahaupo Waka Huia Leader

Petra HOFMANS
Service to the School - Sports Co-Leader
The Karilyn Findlay Cup for the most conscientious student in Food and Nutrition
The Special Memorial Prize for School Sports Captain (Prize presented by Mrs McCarthy) (Shared)
The Stella McAuley Cup for School Sports Captain (Shared)

Kierah HOSKING

The Photolife Studios Certificate for Recognition of Achievement in Digital Media

Jade HUFFAM

Service to the School - Hauora Co-Leader

Emma JACKSON

First in History and The Gaskin History Prize

Stella JOHNS

First in Tourism

Arabella JONES

First in Health

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

Yusong (Rayna) KIM

Service to the School - School Council Secretary

The NZ Institute Physics Prize for Practical Work

Jacquelyn KOWALEWSKI

Service to the School - Sports Co-Leader

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

The Stella McAuley Cup for School Sports Captain (Shared)

Naomi LANDRETH

Service to the School - Outdoor Education Co-Leader

Lili LAY

First in Animal and Plant Science and The Biological Science Prize presented by L A Alexander Trust

Harper LEATUAFI

First in Fitness and Recreation (Shared)

First in Te Reo Māori

Service to the School - Honohono Co-Leader

Madeleine LEEK

First in Textiles Technology

Anneleen LINGENFELDER

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

Faith LOKENI

Service to the School - Kaitiriwā (Deputy Head Girl)

The Brooke Muggerridge Cup for Kaitiriwā (Deputy Head Girl) of the School

Georgia LUSCOMBE

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

Coco MARSHALL-KIRBY

Service to the School - Aotea Waka Huia Leader

Alexandra (Alex) MCCALLUM

First in Photography

Ashleigh MCLELLAN-MUTCH

The Washer Cup for Agriculture and Horticulture

Chloe MUIR

First in Spanish

Service to the School - Performing Arts Leader (Drama)

The Bayly Cup for Outstanding Service to Drama

The Julie Chadwick Prize for Drama

Harriet MULLER

First in Sports Science and Physical Education

Service to the School - Manu Tāiko (Head Girl)

The W H Jones Memorial Cup for Manu Tāiko (Head Girl) of the School

Risha NATH

First in Art Design

Service to the School - Technology Leader

Aimee NEILSON

First in Shape Your Future

Alice OBREJA-DAMIAN

First in Art History

First in Classical Studies

Service to the School - Performing Arts Leader (Music)

The Daily News Centenary Literary Prize

The George Thomas Hooper Scholarship for Violin

Mia PADRUTT

Service to the School - Outdoor Education Co-Leader

Angelina-Dalcielo (Angelina) PAESE

Service to the School - Tainui Waka Huia Leader

Lulu PARKINSON

First in Digital Technology

Piera PARKINSON

The Joanna Harrison Cup for English Essay

Sejal PATEL

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

Lily POWELL

Service to the School - Kaitiriwā (Deputy Head Girl)

The Magazine Prize for Creative Writing

The Taylor Cup for Kaitiriwā (Deputy Head Girl) of the School

The A & K Scanlon Memorial Prize for Writing

Jenna RIDDLE

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

The Diane Eagles Memorial Cup for Music and Drama

Madelaine (Madge) RILEY

Mrs Bruning's Memorial Prize for Achievement in Art History

The Magazine Prize – Runner Up

Isabelle (Izzy) ROBINSON

Service to the School - Environment Co-Leader

The Most Significant Contribution to Health, Safety and the Environment Cup – Environment Leader (Shared)

Anandhi SARAVANAN

The Burgess Trophy for Senior Speech

Eizra SAUNDERS

Service to the School - Honohono Co-Leader

Chanya SEASTRAND

First in Chemistry and The Keith Sewell Memorial Cup for Chemistry

Wanganui SEUFALE (WILLIE PENI)

Service to the School - Pasifika Co-Leader

Martha SIMON

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

Skye SIMPHALIVANH

First in Painting

Service to the School - Visual Arts Leader

Zeyana SINGH

Service to the School - Hauora Co-Leader

Ella STAPLES

Overall Excellence in Gateway - Workplace Vocational Training

Isabelle THEOBALD

Mrs Bruning's Memorial Prize for Achievement in Art

Ella THIRD

First in Food and Nutrition

Daina THORPE

The Nicola Morine Passion for the Performing Arts Cup

Kaitlin TIPPETT

Overall Excellence in 3+2 Career Training

Isla TWIGLEY

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

Zoey VERSTER

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

Danielle VICKERS

First in Design Technology
First in Printmaking

Petyon WARKE

Overall Excellence in Trades Academy Vocational Programme

Amy WATSON

The Outstanding Shakespearian Performance Cup

Jessa WELLS

Service to the School - Academic Leader (Traditional Sciences)

Waimiria WILLISON

Service to the School - Scotlands Hostel Manaakitanga Leader

Ashley WILSON

First in Enterprise Studies

Elise WOODHEAD

The Lauren Tennent Cup for Business Studies

Year 13 Top Overall Scholars

Maya ANNANE

Hannah ARMSTRONG

Monique CAMDEN

Kayley CLARK

Arabella JONES

Lily POWELL

University Passes 2025

Maya ANNANE

University of Waikato

Half Year Papers

Introduction to Leadership

Introduction to Sociology

Hannah ARMSTRONG

University of Waikato

Half Year Papers

Introduction to Leadership

Crime Science & Prevention

Monique CAMDEN

University of Canterbury

Full Year Paper

Advancing in Mathematical Sciences

Jorja CASTLES

University of Waikato

Half Year Paper

Introduction to Leadership

Kayley CLARK

University of Waikato

Half Year Papers

Introduction to NZ Law and Society

Criminal Science

Aisha GEMALA

University of Canterbury

Full Year Paper

Advancing in Mathematical Sciences

Hannah HARRISON

University of Waikato

Half Year Paper

Introduction to Leadership

Joanna HARRISON

University of Canterbury

Full Year Paper

Advancing in Mathematical Sciences

Emma JACKSON

University of Canterbury

Half Year Papers

The Cosmos: Birth and Evolution

Plato to Nato to Political Thought

Arabella JONES

University of Waikato

Half Year Paper

Introduction to Leadership

Rayna KIM

University of Waikato

Half Year Papers

Introduction to Leadership

University of Canterbury

Science: Good, Bad and Bogus

University of Waikato

Crime Science & Prevention

Lily POWELL

University of Canterbury

Introduction to Political Thought

Beth ROBERTSON

University of Canterbury

Half Year Papers

Introduction to Criminal Justice

Introduction to International Relations

Isabelle THEOBALD

University of Massey

Half Year Papers

Creative Writing

Critical Thinking

Daina THORPE

University of Massey

Half Year Papers

Methods of Mathematics

University of Waikato

Discrete Structures

Isla TWIGGLEY

University of Canterbury

Introduction to Political Thought

Amy WATSON

University of Canterbury

Half Year Paper

The Cosmos: Birth and Evolution

Jessa WELLS

University of Waikato

Half Year Paper

Introduction to Leadership

Lily POWELL

Overall Excellence in University

Courses

University Scholarship Awards 2025

Hannah ARMSTRONG

University of Otago Entrance -
Academic Excellence
University of Auckland - Top Achievers

Isabelle ASHMAN

University of Otago Entrance - Donna-
Rose McKay

Poppy BARNES

University of Otago Entrance -
Performance

Jorja CASTLES

Waikato University - Ko Te Tangata

Tahlia CHIAN

University of Auckland - Top Academic

Macy DEATH

Lincoln University - Basketball

Casey DRAKE

University of Otago Entrance -
Performance

Anastacia FIDOW

University of Otago Entrance - Pacific
Peoples

Star FORRESTER

Victoria University - Totoweka

Teya GERAUD

Victoria University - Undergraduate
International

Joanna HARRISON

University of Auckland - Academic
Potential

MV Moulard Charitable Trust

Kierah HOSKING

Victoria University - Totoweka

Zariha JAGMIS

University of Otago - 150th Entrance

Rayna (Yusong) KIM

University of Otago Entrance -
Academic Excellence
University of Auckland - Vice -
Chancellor

Jacquelyn KOWALEWSKI

Loyola University of Chicago

Anneleen LINGERNFELDER

Massey University - School Leavers

Geogia LUSCOMBE

University of Otago Entrance - Leaders
of Tomorrow

Coco MARSHALL-KIRBY

Victoria University - Raukaraka

Zoe MILLER

University of Otago - PSW scholarship

Diya MENON

University of Auckland - Top Academic

Ashleigh MUTCH

Massey University - Agribusiness
University of Otago Entrance - Leaders
of Tomorrow

Alice OBJEJA-DAMIAN

University of Auckland - Top Achievers

Mia PADRUTT

University of Canterbury - Hauptu
Sports

Kaylee POLLOCK

University of Otago Entrance - Leaders
of Tomorrow

Lily POWELL

Victoria University - Pakohe

Madelaine (Madge) RILEY

Massey University - School Leavers

Eliya SHLOSBERG

University of Otago Entrance -
Performance

Martha SIMON

University of Otago - 150th Entrance

Skye SIMPHALIVANH

University of Auckland - Academic
Potential

Amy SMITH

University of Otago Entrance - Leaders
of Tomorrow

University of Auckland - Top Achiever

Auckland University of Technology -
Welcome to Auckland

Isabelle THEOBALD

Victoria University - Tangiwai

Jessa WELLS

Waikato University - Edna Waddell
Massey University - Careers Expo

Jorja WILSON

Massey University - Pasifika

Matilda WILLSON

Massey University - Agriculture and
Horticulture

TOTAL VALUE \$628,150

Year 13 Special Awards

Aotea

The Top Waka Huia Shield donated
by the late Dr Adams-Smith for the
Highest Score in Activities, Sports and
Academic Endeavours

Day Girls and Boarders - tie

The Edna Barker Cup for Day Girls V
Boarders Competition

Caitlin GILZEAN

The Liam O'Neill Prize for Tenacity

Poppy BARNES

The Barbara Harrison Memorial Cup
for Courage and Perseverance in the
Face of Adversity

Harper LEATUAFI

The Rebecca Crofskey Memorial
Trophy for Friendship (as voted by the
Year 13s)

Jenna RIDDLE

The Penny Butt Cup for Promotion of
School Spirit Cup

Asiha GEMALA

The Spotswood Centennial Award for
Outstanding Service to the School

Risha NATH

The Spotswood Centennial Award for
Outstanding Service to the School

Anneleen LINGENFELDER

The Naomi McKean Cup for
Friendship, Courage and Wisdom Et
Comitate, Et Virtute, Et Sapientia

Ella THIRD

The Toni Street Cup for Support of the Manu Tāiko (Head Girl)

Jacquelyn KOWALEWSKI

The Sheryl George Cup for all round Sporting Contribution to New Plymouth Girls' High School

Jorja CASTLES

The Tu Tama Wahine Trophy

Rayna (Yusong) KIM

The Belle Moller Award for Outstanding Service to the School

Maya ANNANE

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

Hannah ARMSTRONG

The Joanne Murphy Cup for Excellence in Work and Performing Arts

Jacquelyn KOWALEWSKI

The Excellence in Work and Sport Cup

Monique CAMDEN

The Year 13 Diligence Prize

Arabella JONES

The Excellence in Work Cup

Jacquelyn KOWALEWSKI

The Vernon Parkinson Cup for General Excellence in Year 13

NPGHS Scholar Awards

Hannah ARMSTRONG

Monique CAMDEN

These students have been awarded Top Overall Scholar Badges in 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.



Harriet MULLER



Harriet MULLER

The Cup for Runner Up to Dux Ludorum

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

Chadelle BASCARA

The Excellence in Sports Cup for Dux Ludorum

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

Chadelle BASCARA



Maya ANNANE

The Helen Thompson Memorial Scholarship presented by the New Plymouth Old Girls' Association and The Chloe Muggerridge Cup for Proxime Accessit

This award is presented to the runner up to Dux Literati and is the second highest academic award.

Maya ANNANE



Lily POWELL

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

This award is presented to the highest-ranking Year 13 student in academic endeavours.

Lily POWELL



Academic NZ Scholarships 2024

Awarded Outstanding Scholarship

Varvara (Verya) KERN Year 13
Chemistry
Classical Studies
Statistics

Hana BARTON Year 13
English

Awarded Scholarship

Varvara (Verya) KERN Year 13
Earth Science
Calculus
English
Music
Physics

Hana BARTON Year 13
Classical Studies

Sydney BECKER Year 13
Media Studies

Monique CAMDEN Year 12
Biology
Chemistry

Hui YI FONG Year 13
English
Photography

Natasha FOREST Year 13
Geography
Statistics

Anna FRANCIS Year 13
Photography

Kailey HASTIE Year 13
Agriculture

Sharna HOLLWAY Year 13
Art History
Design
Painting

Yusong KIM Year 12
Biology

Cerys LEWIS Year 13
Technology

**Nataya
LUMLUKSANAPHAIBOON**
Year 13
Statistics

Zoe MAGNUSSEN Year 13
Art History

Aimee OAKLEY Year 13
Photography

Alice OBREJA-DAMIAN Year 12
Music

Laura PICKLES Year 13
Drama

Neve POST Year 13
Statistics

Linda RITTISAT Year 13
Statistics

Mia SCHOEMAN Year 12
Photography

Skye SIMPHALIVANH Year 12
Photography

Sophie THOMAS Year 13
Media Studies

Isabella TREADWAY Year 13
Biology
Earth Science

Freyja TYLER-CASSATT Year 13
Photography

Amy VAN ZYL Year 13
Photography

Yanmeng (Nancy) YU Year 13
Biology
Chemistry
Statistics

Junior Prizegiving 2024

Sports Awards

Tessa AUSTIN
Adventure Racing Distinction

Taya BAILEY
Netball Distinction
The Most Promising Junior Netballer Cup

Vivian (Viv) BENTON
Hockey Merit
Tennis Distinction

Myana BUCKA-CHRISTENSEN
Hockey Distinction

Charlee CHASE
Football Distinction

Emily CLEAVER
Netball Distinction
Touch Rugby Distinction

Brodie COLSON
Rugby Distinction

Sevana COMMERER
Athletics - Track & Field
Junior Track Champion (Shared)
Athletics - Track & Field
The Runner Up to Junior Champion

Danielle COOPER
Netball Distinction

Emma DAVIS
Hockey Distinction

Lennox DYER
Trophy Athletics - Cross Country
Distinction Year 9 Champion Trophy
Athletics - Track & Field
Junior Track Champion (Shared)

Penny EDMONDS
Tennis Distinction

Bailee EGAN-GRAY
Cricket Distinction
Football Distinction In absentia

Livvie FALE
Touch Rugby Distinction

**Vivienne (Vivi) SHERWOOD-
HALE**
Athletics - Cross Country Distinction
The Junior Champion Trophy
Athletics - Track & Field Distinction

Lainey HANCOCK
Cup Basketball Distinction
The Maurice Gilmour Cup for the
Junior Basketball Team Player of the
Year

Rosanna (Rosie) HAWKINS
Football Distinction
Futsal Merit

Allie HOOPER
Tennis Distinction

Emma ICETON
Swimming Distinction
The Intermediate Swimming
Champion Cup

Camdyn JOHNSON
Swimming
The Junior Swimming Champion Cup

Naavah JORDAN
Athletics - Track & Field
The Frank Willis Cup for Junior
Champion
Cup Athletics - Track & Field
The Megaw Cup for Junior Field
Champion

Libby KEENAN
Basketball Distinction
The Kerryn Roberts Cup for the Most Promising Junior Basketball Player

Keira KEIG
Basketball Distinction
Touch Rugby Merit

Adele KEIGHLEY
Football Distinction
Futsal Merit

Zoey KEMP
Volleyball Distinction
The Cup for Most Improved Junior Volleyball Player

Daisy LASH
Adventure Racing Distinction
Hockey Merit

Caitlyn LUCMAYON
Volleyball Distinction
The Megan Poh Cup for the Most Valuable Junior Volleyball Player

Leah LUSCOMBE
Adventure Racing Distinction
Hockey Distinction
The Kaye Cup for the Most Improved Junior Hockey Player

Mischa LYES
Hockey Distinction

Portia MASON
Adventure Racing Distinction
Hockey Distinction

Lucia MILLER
Basketball Distinction
Netball Merit

Lilly NAUGHTON
Basketball Distinction
The YMCA Excellence in Basketball Trophy

Hunter NGAIA
Basketball Distinction

Alexi O'BYRNE
Cricket Distinction

Elliott O'KEEFE
Badminton Distinction

Reem OTHMAN
Tennis Distinction

Jaimee RAMAGE
Basketball Distinction

Ella RAUPUTU
Swimming
Runner Up to Junior Swimming Champion

Gabrielle (Gabby) ROBINSON
Hockey Distinction

Molly RUKUWAI
Netball Distinction

Kiara SCOTT
Cricket Distinction

Madison (Maddie) SEWELL-MONOD
Hockey Distinction

Ruby SMITH
Football Distinction
Futsal Merit

Kaley STOCKWELL
Athletics - Track & Field Distinction
Netball Distinction

Jayla STONE
Football Distinction
The Crossley Cup for Outstanding Junior Footballer
Futsal Distinction
Eddie Brown Futsal Cup - Most Valuable Player

Harper SUTHERLAND
Netball Distinction
Rugby Merit

Johannah (Hannah) TERRY
Touch Rugby Distinction

Coco TIHEMA-WALSH
Basketball Merit
Rugby Distinction
Michaela Blyde Trophy for the Most Dedicated Junior Rugby Player

Ruby TIPENE
Adventure Racing Distinction
Rugby Distinction

Emilee VENABLES-ZHOU
Golf Distinction
The Stewart Cup for Excellence in Golf

Abigail WILLIAMSON
Athletics - Cross Country Merit
Runner Up to Year 9 Champion
Football Distinction
Futsal Merit

Taylor WILSON
Hockey Distinction

Year 9 Top Overall Scholar Awards 2024

Serena ABERDEIN
Felicity GIBSON
Azharia MARTIN
Nikita VAN DRIEL
Abigail WILLIAMSON
Charlotte WILLIAMSON

Year 9 Special Prizes

Briar PRICE
The Helen Riley Cup for Year 9 Drama

Bai En (Melissa) QU
The Lumley Cup for Year 9 Music

Abigail WILLIAMSON
The Magazine Prize – Runner U

Wareesha ALI
The Magazine Prize for Short Story

Yuki WADA-BUTCHER
The Magazine Prize for Creative Writing

Felicity GIBSON
The Ian Menzies Memorial Prize for Year 9 Music

Paige CHATTERTON
The Ian Menzies Memorial Prize for Junior Band

Emily HAGAN
The Taranaki Mathematics and Statistics Teachers Association Prize

Lilah EAGAR
The Helen Thompson Prize for Mathematics

Harper LAZELLE
The Junior Cup for Year 9 Speech Competition

Kenzie SOUTHORN
The 9PR 2010 Cup for Most Improved Year 9 Mathematics

Rya LUCAS (RUKA)
The Whakamua Prize for Oral Māori

Abigail WILLIAMSON
The Courtney Muggerridge Cup for General Excellence in Year 9

Year 9 Overall Diligence Awards

Serena ABERDEIN, Keira ADJANI, Wareesha ALI, Niah ANKALE, Vita ANTEREA, Natalie BARRY, Nadia BIR, Stevie BIRDLING, Ruby BURNS, Alice BUTLER, Malaena CARINO, Olivia CAVEY, Maggie CHAPMAN, Paige CHATTERTON, Shifei (Sophie) CHEN, Kaiah DAVIS, Piper DEMPSEY, Iona DEN-MCKAY, Georgia DINNISON, Olivia (Livvy) DORE, Phoebe DUNCAN, Lennox DYER, Chloe GACUMA, Zelma GARNER, Felicity GIBSON, Evie GOODMAN, Meelah GORDON, Greer GUTHRIE, Emily HAGAN, Eva HAYMAN, Lydia HELMS, Kaitlyn HENDRIKSE, Ella HENRY, Renee HUNGER, Ella HUNTER, Millie IRELAND, Ellie JACKSON, Sophie KINERA, Asha LALLU, Harper LAZELLE, Kasumi LEONARD, Courtney LINES, Heera LOPINTI, Bella MARKHAM, Azharia MARTIN, Charlie MATTSON, Alice MAYCOCK, Marley MCDOWELL, Brianna MCELDOWNEY, Lucia MILLER, Olivia MOORHEAD, Kate MULLER, Ruby MURDOCH, Parisha NARAYAN, Cayla NELL, Sophie O'BRIEN, Sian O'MARA, Briar PRICE, Bai En (Melissa) QU, Edie QUINN, Ella RAUPUTU, Edie RHODES, Rya LUCAS (RUKA), Imogen SARGENT, Tayah SAYWELL, Evelyn SHIBU, Myra SINGH, Maisie SMITH, Kenzie SOUTHORN, Kanpoopat (Jenny) SRITUM, Rachel STEWART, Ruby VAN BEERS, Nikita VAN DRIEL, Yuki WADABUTCHER, Amber WILLIAMS, Abigail WILLIAMSON, Charlotte WILLIAMSON, Onaleah ZANDBERGEN

Year 9 Subject Prizes

Serena ABERDEIN
Digital Technology, English, Food & Nutrition, Science

Keira ADJANI
Design & Visual Communication, Digital Visual Arts, English, Food & Nutrition, Mathematics, Physical Education, Science, Spanish, Te Reo Māori

Wareesha ALI
Visual Arts

Chloe ALLERTON
Design & Visual Communication

Niah ANKALE
Design Technology, English, French, Mathematics, Science, Social Sciences, Visual Arts

Vita ANTEREA
Te Reo Māori

Lavinia (Aria) ASHBY
Digital Visual Arts

Natalie BARRY
Textiles Technology

Stevie BIRDLING
Physical Education

Kaelana BLAIN
Digital Technology

Riley SMITH (BRAMLEY)
Dance, Te Reo Māori

Tia BRUNGAR
Spanish

Ruby BURNS
Spanish

Alice BUTLER
Textiles Technology

Xanthe CAMPBELL-SMART
Digital Enhancement

Charlee CHASE
Physical Education

Paige CHATTERTON
Design Technology, Music

Shifei (Sophie) CHEN
Design & Visual Communication

Emily CLEAVER
Mathematics, Physical Education

Iona DEN-MCKAY
Science

Phoebe DUNCAN
Digital Enhancement, Physical Education

Lennox DYER
Digital Enhancement, Science, Spanish, Social Sciences

Lilah EAGAR
Robotics

Bailee EGAN-GRAY
Physical Education

Alison (Ali) EUSTACE
Visual Arts

Livvie FALE
Physical Education

Sienna FROST-SNASHALL (FROST)
Design Technology

Chloe Mallory GACUMA
Design Technology

Zelma GARNER
Digital Enhancement

Felicity GIBSON
French, Mathematics, Music, Science

Meelah GORDON
Design & Visual Communication, Digital Technology, French

Greer GUTHRIE
English, Physical Education

Emily HAGAN
Digital Enhancement, Mathematics

Solae HAREB-HINE
Dance, Visual Arts

Summer Rose HAREB-RADFORD
Digital Enhancement

Lydia HELMS
Digital Enhancement, Food & Nutrition

Kaitlyn HENDRIKSE
Design & Visual Communication

Madison HESLOP
Drama, English

Lily HILL
Mathematics, Physical Education

Maisie HINTON
Science

Ella HUNTER
Robotics

Millie IRELAND

English

Charlotte ISAACS

Visual Arts

Ellie JACKSON

English, Mathematics, Music

Keira KEIG

Physical Education

Asha LALLU

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

Daisy LASH

Visual Arts

Harper LAZELLE

*Digital Enhancement, English, Food
& Nutrition, Mathematics, Physical
Education, Social Sciences*

Kasumi LEONARD

Food & Nutrition, Visual Arts

Courtney LINES

Design Technology

Alberta MANSVELT

Visual Arts

Azharia MARTIN

*Digital Visual Arts, English,
Mathematics, Spanish, Social Sciences*

**Jaya Lyn (Jaya) READE-MARTIN
(MARTIN)**

Physical Education

Charlie MATTSON

Mathematics

Kayla MCDONALD

Digital Technology

Marley MCDOWELL

Drama

Brianna MCELDOWNEY

Social Sciences

Lucia MILLER

*French, Mathematics, Physical
Education*

Mira MOLNÁR

Music

Ella WOOFÉ (MOONEY)

Drama, Physical Education, Robotics

Olivia MOORHEAD

Drama, Social Sciences

Paige MOSS-MASON

Physical Education

Kate MULLER

*Drama, English, Food & Nutrition,
Textiles Technology*

Priyara (Zia) NAICKER

Digital Visual Arts, English, Science

Cayla NELL

Te Reo Māori, Visual Arts

Hunter NGAIA

Te Reo Māori

Aurora NICHOLS

*Mathematics, Music, Textiles
Technology*

Sophie O'BRIEN

Digital Enhancement

Sian O'MARA

Mathematics, Science, Social Sciences

Briar PRICE

Drama, Textiles Technology

Bai En (Melissa) QU

Digital Enhancement, Music

Chloe RATFORD

Design Technology

Ella RAUPUTU

*Design Technology, Physical
Education, Te Reo Māori*

Edie RHODES

English, Music, Social Sciences

Millie ROBERTSON

Physical Education

Gabrielle (Gabby) ROBINSON

Physical Education

Rya LUCAS (RUKA)

*Digital Technology, Spanish, Te Reo
Māori*

Imogen SARGENT

Visual Arts

Kassidy SAUNDERS

Digital Technology

Dalin (Dalita) SENG

Visual Arts

Evelyn SHIBU

Design Technology, Science, Spanish

Myra SINGH

Mathematics, Science

Kenzie SOUTHORN

Textiles Technology

Rachel STEWART

Te Reo Māori

McAdisyn STRATFORD

Visual Arts

Peyton TAI

Dance

Hannah TUALA

Visual Arts

Ruby VAN BEERS

*Design Technology, Digital
Technology, Digital Visual Arts,
Drama, Mathematics*

Nikita VAN DRIEL

Mathematics, Social Sciences

Orion WALKER

Digital Technology

Lydia WALTHER

Te Reo Māori

Amber WILLIAMS

Visual Arts

Lily WILLIAMS

English, Physical Education

Abigail WILLIAMSON

*English, Mathematics, Physical
Education, Science, Spanish, Social
Sciences, Te Reo Māori*

Charlotte WILLIAMSON

*Dance, Food & Nutrition, French, Te
Reo Māori, Textiles Technology*

Ryann WINDLEY

Drama, Visual Arts

Callia ZHAO

Mathematics

Year 10 Top Overall Scholar Awards 2024

Hannah DUNNET

Issabella (Bella) LORTH

Elliott O'KEEFE

Kaitlyn THEOBALD

Sophie VAN DEN BRAND

Marie WILKINSON

Charlotte WISCHNOWSKY

Year 10 Special Prizes

Isobel BOUTEREY

The Marion Ruscoe Memorial Tray for Practical Cookery

Katie GORRIE

The Jean Sowry Memorial Prize for Practical Sewing

Elliott O'KEEFE

The Taranaki Mathematics and Statistics Teachers Association Prize

Sacha AVES

The Prentice Cup for Year 10 Speech Competition

Briar COOPER

The Ngaire Riley Cup for Year 10 Drama

Sarah ANGLESEY

The Rachel Olsen Cup for Year 10 Music

Marie WILKINSON

The Karen Fox Cup for Junior Orchestra

Ayana JOHNSON

Top Overall Awhina Award

Neive DAVISON

The Whakamua Prize for Oral Maori

Harper SUTHERLAND

The Stewart Cup for Best All-Round Junior Sportsperson

Alizae TAKEREI

The Rod Duncan Memorial Cup in recognition of Persistence and Strength of Spirit

Orenia WILLIAMS

The Oonagh Ogle Memorial Cup awarded to a Year 10 student who has a good attitude and is hard working.

Marie WILKINSON

The Paige Muggerridge Cup for General Excellence in Year 10

Year 10 Overall Diligence Awards

Scarlet-Rose (Scarlet) AITKEN, Sarah ANGLESEY, Lara ANTILL, Rivani ARUNACHELLAM, Isobel BOUTEREY, Elizabeth CATTY, Neela CORKIN, Hannah

DUNNET, Mishka EDNEY-PITWOOD, Sachi FOARD, Claire FREW, Chloe FRY, Katie GORRIE, Vivienne (Vivi) SHERWOOD-HALE (HALE), Morgan HICKEY, Grace HOOPER, Eden HOSIE, Neha HURBUNS, Ella INGLE, Brooke JACKSON, Ayana JOHNSON, Zaria JONES, Gaganpreet KAUR, Sophia KYNE, Sierra LEE, Holle MARRINER, Katie MARTIN, Grace MATAAFA, Maheli MEDAGEDARA, Harshal NAND, Amelia PRESTIDGE, Olivia PRESTIDGE, Trelise RIDDELL, Kaelynn ROSS, Christeena SCARIA, Kiara SCOTT, Leesha SHAW, Kate-Lynn SLABBERT, Juliet SOLOMONS, Jayla STONE, Harper SUTHERLAND, Lucy SWAN, Alizae TAKEREI, Kaitlyn THEOBALD, Sophie VAN DEN BRAND, Selma VERMAATEN, Elise VESTY, Lily WATCHORN, Teegan WATT, Gemma WEBBY, Hannah WEST, Hannah WILKINSON, Marie WILKINSON, Jade WILLANS, Orenia WILLIAMS, Eden WISEMAN

Year 10 Subject Prizes

Itrat AFROZ

English

Scarlet-Rose (Scarlet) AITKEN

Mathematics, Visual Arts

Sarah ANGLESEY

English, Mathematics, Music, Spanish, Social Science

Rivani ARUNACHELLAM

Science

Tessa AUSTIN

Sports Education

McKenna BARRETT

English, Spanish

Taya BENCE-SCULPHER (BENCE)

Food & Nutrition

Isobel BOUTEREY

Food & Nutrition

Isabella (Bella) BRAGGINS

French, Visual Arts

Elizabeth CATTY

Visual Arts

Sydnee COOMEY

Physical Education

Briar COOPER

Drama

Neela CORKIN

Sports Education

Hannah DUNNET

Design and Visual Communication, English, Social Science

Mikayla EAGLES

Digital Visual Arts

Penny EDMONDS

Physical Education, Science

Esha EUSTACE

Animal and Plant Science, Physical Education

Devaux FABISH JONES

Physical Education

Claire FREW

English, Music, Science, Sports Education, Social Science

Katie GORRIE

Mathematics, Social Science

Vivienne (Vivi) SHERWOOD-HALE (HALE)

Dance, Physical Education, Sports Education

Charlotte HASKELL

Digital Visual Arts

Rosanna (Rosie) HAWKINS

Physical Education

Natalee HESSELL

English, Mathematics

Grace HOOPER

Social Science

Emma ICETON

Physical Education

Brooke JACKSON

Mathematics, Visual Arts

Ayana JOHNSON

Animal and Plant Science

Camdyn JOHNSON

Physical Education

Zaria JONES

Physical Education

Libby KEENAN

Physical Education

Sara KRAAYENHOF

English, French, Science

Emily LEVINGS

Textiles Technology

Issabella (Bella) LORTH

Business Studies, Social Science

Katie MARTIN

English

Grace MATAAFA

Mathematics

Hazel MCLEOD

Sports Education

Maheli MEDAGEDARA

Visual Arts

Demi NEWLAND

English, Social Science

Alexi O'BYRNE

Sports Education

Elliott O'KEEFE

English

Reem OTHMAN

Mathematics

Isabella (Bella) POST

Mathematics

Amelia PRESTIDGE

*Digital Visual Arts, Textiles
Technology*

Olivia PRESTIDGE

Design Technology

Maika RAUPUTU

Physical Education

Morgan RAWLINSON

Physical Education

Isla REID

*English, Mathematics, Science, Social
Science, Te Reo Māori, Visual Arts*

Trelise RIDDELL

*Mathematics, Physical Education,
Sports Education*

Serena RITTISAT

Digital Technology, Science

Holly ROBERTSON

English, Food & Nutrition

Molly RUKUWAI

Physical Education in absentia

Miri SANDBROOK

Science

Kiara SCOTT

Mathematics, Science

Juliet SOLOMONS

Mathematics

Eve STEVENSON

*English, Mathematics, Science, Social
Science, Textiles Technology*

Kaley STOCKWELL

Physical Education

Harper SUTHERLAND

Physical Education

Lucy SWAN

Mathematics, Science

Kaitlyn THEOBALD

*Business Studies, Visual
Arts*

**Sophie VAN DEN
BRAND**

*Business Studies,
English, Food &
Nutrition*

Teegan WATT

*Food & Nutrition,
Physical Education,
Social Science*

Gemma WEBBY

*English, Mathematics,
Social Science, Visual
Arts*

**Hannah
WILKINSON**

*Animal and Plant
Science, Mathematics*

Marie WILKINSON

English, Social Science

Taylor WILSON

English

Eden WISEMAN

Physical Education



School Production Annie Jnr

New York City 1933 came alive for the NPGHS 2025 production of Annie Jnr.

The orphans played and pranked; Miss Hannigan drank- a lot. Servants dusted and polished, the citizens of NYC hurried to do their Christmas shopping and Sandy had a wee surprise for the audience. Rooster and Lily hustled, Grace bustled about efficiently and Mr Warbucks found that under all that capitalism he had a heart. And Annie, as always stole the show.

This show was directed by Mrs Simpson with Mrs Woller ably and harmoniously working her magic as Musical Director. Mrs McCrae choreographed some truly memorable numbers with the assistance of senior students. Mr Berndt was a superb production manager and Mrs Horne once again put in hours of work sourcing, managing, and making costumes assisted by a wonderful wardrobe team. Mr Ramsay took charge of sound, lighting and projections. Ms Grieve and the gorgeous Visual Arts department created props and painted the amazing set, which was

constructed by Mr Mike Southam, Mr Bob Oliver and Mr Andy Rae. Many other staff assisted with hair, makeup, front of house and publicity as well as procuring food and moral support. The cast and crew of the show sincerely thank all these people for giving their time to enable the show to go on.

We auditioned for the show at the end of 2024, and for the first time opened auditions to incoming Year 8 students. The courage and talent of these students was impressive, and many were cast and appeared in their first NPGHS show. As a result of crew of orphans, servants and New Yorkers was lively and bustling at the seams.

As always, we double cast the show to give as many students an opportunity as possible to perform. Sarah Anglesey and Ella Henry excelled as Annie. We are fortunate to have such talent in our school. Special mention goes to Year 13 students Chloe Muir (Miss Hannigan), Jenna Riddle (Oliver Warbucks), Kyra Mackay (Lily) and Helena Rollins (Grace) and Olivia Byrne (Sandy) who have

participated in many music and drama performances in their time at NPGHS and were wonderful role models for younger students.

We had an awesome stage crew this year, ably led by Year 13 student Maddi Hopkins who worked efficiently and tirelessly to make scene changes smooth and ensure safety on stage.

The cast performed seven shows, including two contributing schools' matinees where over 800 excited children poured into the hall. The reaction of the audience to all the shows was heartwarming and a reminder of why this musical is so popular. We were honoured to be able to dedicate one of our performances to Charles Stouse, composer of the songs in Annie, who passed away at age 96 during our run of the show.

We leave you wise words from the show "you're never fully dressed without a smile"!

Lisa Simpson

Director







Visual Arts and Art History

The creative energy in Rohenga T-Block and MB Block has been nothing short of inspiring this year.

These vibrant spaces have been alive with ākongā exploring their artistic voices through Visual Arts, Design, Digital Visual Arts, Painting, Printmaking, Photography, and Sculpture. Each artwork has been a testament to the dedication, imagination, and skill of our students.

We began the year with pride, celebrating the outstanding achievements of our ākongā in last year's NCEA Visual Arts external and Scholarship examinations. Special congratulations go to:

- Sharna Hollway – Scholarship in Painting and Design
- Anna Francis, Hui Yi Fong, Aimee Oakey, Mia Schoeman (Year 12), Skye Simphalivanh (Year 12), Freyja Tyler-Cassatt, and Amy Van Zyl – Scholarship in Photography

A particular honour was bestowed upon Sharna Hollway (Painting) and Talia Camden (Photography), whose portfolios were selected to tour the country as part of the Top Art Exhibition.

In Art History, we celebrated the success of Sharna Hollway and Zoe Magnussen, who both gained Art History Scholarship. Ākongā

studies spanned the rich worlds of Nineteenth Century French Art, the Early Italian Renaissance, and Early European Modernism. Art History continues to challenge and expand our thinking, encouraging ākongā to develop critical analysis, visual literacy, and a deeper understanding of how art shapes society.

Throughout the year, our department has been buzzing with events and initiatives that showcased the talents and enthusiasm of our students:

- Arts Week brought colour and fun to lunchtimes with activities like Paint a Friend, Wearable Arts, and the ever-popular Pavement Art.
- Exhibit Me featured Level 3 Painting students' works displayed on small wooden coasters in the Rohenga T-Block foyer – a beautiful and intimate showcase.
- Secondary School Art Awards in Auckland saw Isabelle Theobald (Year 13) selected as one of 70 finalists – an incredible achievement!
- Taranaki Schools Exhibition at The Collaboration featured artworks from Years 9–13, with some students selling their pieces.
- The Visual Arts Committee, led

by the passionate and dedicated Skye Simphalivanh, encouraged student involvement and awarded Visual Arts Badges to those who contributed.

- NZQA Ringa Toi Exhibition at Te Papa proudly included Isabelle Theobald's artwork exploring her Pākehā and Māori heritage.
- In December, junior ākongā participated in the Miniature Exhibition at Percy Thomson Art Gallery in Stratford, showcasing their creativity on a small scale.

None of this would be possible without the incredible support and guidance of our teaching team. A heartfelt thank you to Bridget Wright, Andrea Fanshawe, Megan Maton, Juliet Farquhar, Nick Bouterey, and Katie Smith for their unwavering professionalism, enthusiasm, and commitment to student success.

As we reflect on a year filled with creativity, achievement, and growth, we look forward to continuing to nurture the artistic journeys of our ākongā. The Visual Arts and Art History department remains a place where imagination thrives, ideas are explored, and the power of art is celebrated.

Kirsty Grieve

Head of Department – Visual Arts and Art History





Isabelle Theobald, Year 13 artwork for Ringa Toi exhibition



Isabelle Theobald



Maya Horne, Year 10



Kate Denson, Year 13



Ella Cruikshank, Year 13



Tusi Faoagali, Year 13



Losa Fonoti, Year 9



Skye Simphalivanh, Year 13



Sophie Chen, Year 10



Olivia Corin, Year 12



Wellington Visual Arts trip visit to Massey University Art and Design School

Music

The music room has been buzzing this year with some new fun toys!

We gained a new electronic drumkit as well as boomwhackers! These colourful pieces of tubing of different lengths are tuned to specific notes and you hit them on your hand, chair or knee and they resonate with a certain note. What was supposed to be a bit of fun for Year 9s has turned out to be great fun for all year levels so if you heard mildly tuneful thuds coming from the Music Block, you know why!

This year we farewell itinerant singing and violin teacher, Krissy Jackson, who left for Canada to further her musical adventures. We couldn't replace her violin hours, but we were very lucky to have the effervescent singing teacher, Alyssa Avery, join the ranks.

The school production of Annie Jnr took up a lot of focus in the department in the first half of the year and was truly a spectacular show. Jubilate started after the production ended which meant we missed out on participating in the Big Sing, but we did do a fabulous collaboration with the Wellington Youth Choir who came to New Plymouth and performed Mrs Woller's composition The Awakening River. It was amazing for the choir to sing with such an esteemed group of vocalists!

Star Forrester won the Taranaki Regional of Smokefree Rock Quest and the Year 13 band, Manta came third. They also played several gigs throughout the year. Rock on!

The Concert Band performed down in the Palmerston North and the Central Districts Brass Band competition as entertainment while

the adjudicators deliberated. This was an awesome performance opportunity for them.

The talent show rocked the place with awesome support from the school. Well done to Alice and the Arts leaders for organising it. The Who's Huia Musical Showcase was another spectacular night featuring our African Drumming Group, Concert Band, Jazz Band, Stage Band, Choir and the Ngā Huia Quartet, as well as Star and Alice as soloists. Their talent never ceases to amaze me. The Stage Band also made it to the national final of the Young Jazz Band-it Competition, making them one of the Top 10 Stage Bands in NZ!

Paige Chatterton made it into the National Secondary Schools Brass Band and Sarah Anglesey made it into the New Zealand Secondary Schools Choir – both amazing feats!

Another brilliant year in the NPGHS Music Department, so bring on 2026!

Juliet Woller

Head of Department - Music







Jubilate Choir

Back Row: Ella Henry, Ellie Jackson, Hannah West, Melissa Kilian, Emma Warren, Emily Woller

3rd Row: Matilda Kitson, Jane Willetts, Lily Ridder, Rayna Kim, Isabell Frechtling-Eiffe, Rivani Arunachellam, Nikita Van Driel

2nd Row: Claire Frew, Sarah Anglesey, Grace Hooper, Anika Engebretsen, Ruby Cochran, Lily Watchorn

Front Row: Imogen Den-McKay, Domini Gilliver, Hannah Willemen, Jenna Riddle, Emma Warring, Sophie Dodunski, Helena Rollins



Jazz Band

Back Row: Claire Frew, Sarah Anglesey, Katie Martin, Neve Hudson, Lucy Swan

2nd Row: Lujain Alaswad, Lucy Martin, Alex Juffermans, Tonia Almano, Sophie Dodunski, Zoey Verster

Front Row: Paige Chatterton, Marie Wilkinson, Ayaka McKenzie, Cici Xu, Emma Warren

Absent: Kaylee Pollock



Chamber Music

Back Row: Cici Xu, Olivia Byrne, Emily Davidson

4th Row: Emilee Venables-Zhou, Marie Wilkinson, Sarah Anglesey, Greer Parkes, Jaimee Smith, Lily Watchorn, Claire Frew, Lily Ridder

3rd Row: Victorhea Tongi, Beatrice Riley, Amarlia Morehu, Orenia Williams, Emma Warring, Neve Hudson, Katie Martin

2nd Row: Lujain Alaswad, Grace Warren, Imogen Den-McKay, Zoey Verster, Paige Chatterton, Emily Woller

Front Row: Emma Warren, Amy Watson, Jenna Riddle, Alice Obreja-Damian, Domini Gilliver, Melody Gordon, Yanis To

Absent: Tonia Almano, Mahina Fore, Kaylee Pollock, Indie Ruka



Ukelele Group

Back Row: Zaynab Khan, Lily Watchorn, Jacinta Frechtling-Eiffe, Xanthe Rushton

Front Row: Ella Hunter, Koco Karsten-Berg, Olivia Cavey, Briar Price, Abby Johnston-French

Absent: Aria Ashby, Rachael Christian, Maddi Hopkins, Jade Huffam, Harper Lazelle



Concert Band

Back Row: Isabelle Ogle, Emma Warren, Marie Wilkinson, Claire Frew, Lily Ridder, Paige Chatterton

2nd Row: Molly Berndt, Lucy Martin, Juliet Solomons, Alex Juffermans, Orenia Williams, Jacinta Frechtling-Eiffe, Katie Martin

Front Row: Emily Woller, Zoey Verster, Melody Gordon, Natalie Bailey, Imogen Den-McKay, Ayaka McKenzie

Absent: Amelia Forest, Kaylee Pollock



Orchestra

Back Row: Paige Chatterton, Ayaka McKenzie, Molly Berndt, Lily Ridder, Emma Warren, Emily Woller

3rd Row: Yanis To, Imogen Sargent, Amber Williams, Lucy Martin, Sophie Dodunski, Katie Martin, Marie Wilkinson, Cici Xu

2nd Row: Sarah Anglesey, Melita Netani, Grace Hooper, Alex Juffermans, Orenia Williams, Melissa Qu, Jacinta Frechtling-Eiffe

Front Row: Imogen Den-McKay, Melody Gordon, Alice Obreja-Damian, Olivia Corin, Rayna Kim, Amy Watson, Caitlin Crowe, Natalie Bailey

Absent: Amelia Forest, Kayje Lal, Mia Padrutt, Kaylee Pollock

Drama

2025 has been another dynamic, enjoyable year in the Drama Department.

It has been characterised by dedicated students who have supported each other and approached their learning with enthusiasm. It is this attitude that we in the department find humbling and motivating. It is why our job is so enjoyable despite of all the hard work involved in teaching.

This year we welcomed Mr Darin Ramsay into the fold. Mr Ramsay is an experienced teacher, well-known in the English and Arts teaching communities in Taranaki. His experience and skill both in and out of the classroom have been appreciated by students and staff alike.

The year began with the news that Laura Pickles was successful in achieving New Zealand Scholarship Drama in the 2024 external exams. Laura performed a scene from *The Caucasian Chalk Circle* for her scripted piece, devised a drama inspired by Picasso's *Les Femmes d'Alger*, as well as performing an impromptu scene. Any scholarship subject requires a high degree of skill and a lot of hard work. Congratulations, Laura for achieving this milestone.

Class productions were again the highlight of the year for many students.

Year 13 performed Caryl Churchill's *Love and Information* iconic New Zealand play and performed a range of scenes in the Taranaki Regional Shakespeare Festival. They were joined at the festival by our two fabulous 10DRA classes who performed excerpts from *Henry VIII* and *Romeo and Juliet*.

Year 12 students studied the playwright Bertolt Brecht performing scenes from Brecht's *The Caucasian Chalk Circle* and producing a standout version of Damon Andrews, Nigel Collins, and Toby Leach's comedy *Wheeler's Luck*.

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*.

In term three, the 10DRA classes performed a selection of *Grimm Tales* by Carol Ann Duffy, with both classes on stage at the same time as travelling minstrels for a spirited and skilled evening of entertainment.

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 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.

Our wonderful Drama leader Chloe Muir ran a successful Arts week which saw students participating in extreme charades and improvisation games. Chloe collaborated with several other Year 13 students to run a very popular Musical Theatre Club on Tuesday mornings throughout the year.

Special mention to the Level 3 class of 2025. 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 appreciated.

Lisa Simpson

Head of Department - Drama





Regional Shakespeare Festival

Back Row: Emily Woller, Marley Rawles, Sienna Frost, Olivia Moorhead, Marley McDowell, Piper Dempsey, Summer Rose Hareb-Radford

3rd Row: Nina Manderson, Kendra Jordan, Zoey Niederberger, Brianna Mceldowney, Jade Grocock, Chloe Gacuma, Nikita Van Driel, Ella Hunter

2nd Row: Kate Muller, Edie Quinn, Ryann Windley, Kaitlyn Hendrikse, Rya Ruka, Melita Netani, Eliza Hooper, Zelma Garner, Darin Ramsay (Teacher)

Front Row: Lisa Simpson (Teacher), Amy Watson, Kainana Anterea, Maddi Hopkins, Chloe Muir, Jenna Riddle, Daina Thorpe, Dana Baker

Absent: Stevie Birdling, Daisy Denton-Giles, Alice Gernhoefer, Paris Gulliver, Amber Haldane, Ella Henry, Madison Heslop, Leona Hoeta, Millie Ireland, Asha Lallu, Elly McLeod, Scarlett Patterson, Dakota Potter, Briar Price, Tess Salisbury, Lucy Thapa, Emily Thomas, Hannah Thomas, Milla Walden

Dance

The Dance Department has had a fun and productive year.

Under the leadership of Monique Camden, regular lunchtime workshops were offered to all students, giving plenty of opportunities to get involved. Monique also helped coordinate events such as the school talent show, which drew such a large audience that it had to be held over two lunchtimes.

In March, four students took part in a workshop at Spotswood College, presented by Womad Aotearoa and the Toi Foundation. Led by

47SOUL, the workshop explored connections between the traditional Palestinian dance Dabke and contemporary genres including Hip Hop, Dancehall, and Electronica. The students enjoyed the experience, and some were later able to see the group perform live at Womad.

Later in the year, the department hosted a representative from the Royal New Zealand Ballet, who ran a lunchtime workshop in the hall as well as working with Year 12 and 13 classes. This provided a valuable chance to learn directly from a professional dancer.

Senior students have also contributed strongly throughout the year. The Year 13 class spent Terms 1 and 2 creating original choreography, with their work further enhanced by the use of lighting, music, and costume. These projects brought together both creativity and technical skill, and it was rewarding to see the performances take shape.

As the year comes to a close, particular acknowledgement goes to the Year 13 students who are finishing their time in the department. Their commitment and creativity have set a strong example, and their contributions will be remembered. We wish them all the best as they move on to new opportunities.

Abigail McCrae

Teacher in Charge - Dance



47SOUL workshop

Kapa Haka



Kapa Haka

Back Row: Khloe Evans, Isobel Bouterey, Tusi Faoagali
2nd Row: Mischa Lyes, Maggie Cleaver, Stevie Pauga,
Ngahiwi Phillips, Riley-Jay Rei-Hoskin, Matua Rihari
Brown (Teacher)

Front Row: Payton Matenga, Aarnya Simpson, Keziah
Fakavamoeanga, Rebecca Surgenor, Leilani Rova

Arts Week





Pasifika students have had a strong and successful year at NPGHS, supported by an extremely supportive Pasifika community.

Much of this momentum has come from the guidance of Wanganui Seufale and Anastacia Fidow, who have been inspirational leaders.

We began the year with our senior students mentoring those new to our school through a *Usó Fealofani* programme—our version of a big sister/little sister initiative. This helped build confidence and connection.

Our *Fiafia* Night was a celebration of Pasifika students and their families. We appreciated the support from New Plymouth Boys' High School, who helped make the evening memorable.

Pasifika Fusion 2025 was a key event, with students entering a wide range of categories including speeches, cinematography, poetry, essays, drama, visual art, quiz, and cultural performance. The theme, *PI meets AI*, was challenging but encouraged creative thinking. Fijian, Kiribati, Samoan, and Tongan cultures were represented in the performances. Congratulations to Faith Lokeni and Lofa Kato for winning the English and Tongan speech categories.

The community support has played an important role throughout the year, and we're grateful for the encouragement and involvement that continues to strengthen our Pasifika programme. Collaboration between NPGHS and NPBHS students, under the guidance of Jack Kirifi, led to the formation of a Pasifika choir, which performed at *Who's Huia* Night and was later invited to sing at the

NPBHS assembly on the final Friday of the term.

We look forward to officially farewelling our Level 3 students at Poroporoake in October. The Pasifika Group will also perform during the evening. Our final event for the year will be at Taranaki Pasifika Day on December 6th, where students will once again showcase their talents and cultural pride. A special thank you to Deputy Principal Kevin Byrne, who is retiring this year. We are very grateful for his support of Pasifika students over the years, particularly in his work in supporting *Fiafia* and Pasifika Fusion.

Jill Crewe

Teacher in Charge - Pasifika





Pasifika

Back Row: Faith Onami, Diya Barthi, Helena Rollins, Jorja Wilson, Esther Poching, Marley Sutherland

4th Row: Harper Sutherland, Kainana Anterea, Ella Leauga, Rihanna Dellow, Lofa Kato, Khamelia Makatoa-Sifa, Faith Lokeni

3rd Row: Lexi Walker-Knapp, Isalei Muagututia, Grace Mataafa, Iveti Nau, Amarlia Morehu, Celestial Roberts, Kayden Klasen, Caydence Roberts

2nd Row: Tanana Boueka, Grace Seufale, Ezra Mataroa, Analia Fa'aea, Arna Bollond, Sofina Fa'Aea, Eirenei Lokeni, Eshika Mala, Angelina Paese

Front Row: Kordae Vano-Waiwiri, Rylei Dellow, Bonnie Rupe, Wanganui Seufale, Anastacia Fidow, Yelena Poching, Vita Anterea, Victorhea Tongi



Fiafia Night

English

Staffing

We welcomed Ms Perret and Ms Kilbride to the department this year. Ms Plant left us at the end of Term One to go to the UK and Mr Cochrane took over her classes. Ms Mumby returned from maternity leave and Ms Puckeridge also returned to us but then took up a position at the Ministry of Education in Term Three.

Highlights

Taranaki Secondary School
Literary Challenge:

Congratulations to our two teams who represented New Plymouth Girls' High School in the Taranaki Secondary School Literary Challenge on Wednesday 27th August.

We came second and third, narrowly being beaten for first place by SHGC.

The teams had to read five fiction and five non-fiction books and answer questions on Characterisation, Facts and Figures, Who Am I? Themes and Purpose, Structure and Design.

Author visits:

Award winning writer Melinda Szymanik. Melinda is an award-winning writer of children's short stories, novels and picture books, and has published over twenty books. Notable titles include, A Winter's Day in 1939, Fuzzy Doodle, The Song of Kauri, My Elephant is Blue and Lucy and the Dark. She is known for her use of language techniques, humour and layered story telling. She has over fifteen years' experience in teaching creative writing to both children and adults.

Tania Roxborough. Tania is a veteran educator for secondary English/drama and writer of novels, plays, poetry and textbooks. Her latest novel is Charlie Tangaroa and the God of War, sequel to Charlie Tangaroa and the Creature from the Sea which was named the Supreme Winner, 2021 Margaret Mahy book of the Year.

We also held a workshop with Matt Rilkoff (editor of the Taranaki Daily News) that was particularly engaging for the students.

Speech Competitions

Year 9:

1st – Delilah Lindquist – Epilepsy, 2nd - Maggie Cleaver - Being a foster family, 3rd equal – Mckenzie Austen – Making better use of our spare time, and Vethara Abeykoon – The problem with trying to be perfect

Year 10:

1st - Kate Muller – Labels and brands in clothing, 2nd -Myra Singh – Car manufacturers are failing to represent women, 3rd - Lilah Eagar – Is the earth actually flat?

Achievements

Shanzey Khan - Writing – Selected for publication in Re-Draft, which is a collation of National Writing in NZ Secondary Schools.

We are very proud of Hana Barton who achieved an Outstanding Scholarship. Likewise, we are proud of Varya Kern and Hui Yi Fong who achieved Scholarship for English in 2024.

Gillian McNeil

Head of Department - English



Taranaki Secondary School Literary Challenge
Second place: Helena Rollins, Mikaela Tice, Alyssa Khay, Rachel Gammon

Creative Writing

Don't Go In The Basement

We walk down the stairs, every step creaking under our feet. "Oh no" Nico whispers.

The four of us turn back to look at him "My phone is gone"

We all look at him as if saying 'seriously?' Patting my pockets, I realised... Mine was gone too. "Everyone check your pockets" I say, stopping everyone mid-step.

They all look confused but check, Felix's Chapstick was missing, Jessie's credit card - gone, my pocketknife was also gone, but most importantly Mia's inhaler. "Guys! My inhaler is gone!"

We all look at each other blankly. "Come on Mia, you can go without it for an hour or two" Nico says proudly.

Nico was right though, if she does not run - not like she can - she will be fine. Nico takes Mia's hand, and they walk down the rest of the stairs while we all follow behind.

After 30 minutes of walking downstairs, we finally hit the bottom, it was cold, dark and a little damp on the edges. "I don't like this." Jessie says as she clutches to my arm.

"Hunter, why are we down here?" *bang* "What was that?" I say barely a whisper.

I walk over to where the noise came from. There it was, a cold, pale, dead body, and a shotgun next to it with a sticky note saying, "yours will be worse." Jessie's arms tightened around mine as we went to tell the others. "We need to get out of here" I say, pointing to the door.

We all rushed over but the door was locked.

How can it be locked? We just walked through here. "New plan, search for another door, we need to split up. Nico, go with Mia and Felix and go right, Jessie and I will go left."

After we all split up, I turn to Jessie who is shaking like she is having a seizure while conscious. "It'll be ok Jess, don't worry, I'm here."

I hugged her tight while breathing in her scent, Jessie was scared, I could feel her shaking. "Let's go."

She says after lifting her head. We started to explore the giant basement looking for exits but found none. After we searched every inch of the place we sat down on some rusty seats.

We waited and waited for an idea to pop into mind, but nothing happened until we heard the door unlock. "We're saved!" Nico calls out.

A tall man with a mask over his face walked up to me. "Are you Hunter Jackson?"

I nod my head, my eyes not leaving the mask. "I am he" I say, I do not know why I said it like that, but it just slipped out.

The man grabs my neck and holds me against the wall, all my friends watching in horror as I try to scream. "Do you remember Morgana? My dear sweet daughter?" He asked.

I try to speak but nothing comes out.

Mia walks up to him and taps him on the shoulder, "excuse me sir, he can't talk if he can't breathe." She says in a sweet 5-year-old sounding voice.

The man gives in and loosens his grip. "Gee man, you are strong. No, I do not remember any person named

Morgana, why?" I say trying to act as if I was not terrified.

"Well, you should! Remember when you would play on the playground together when you were 5 years old? When you dared her to go to Starbucks and get a free drink because it was her birthday? What about how she got hit by a truck because it was swerving to miss you? I remember that, and I wasn't even there."

I froze, Morgana was the girl I had a crush on 11 years ago, how would I remember her?

"Uh... um... I do not know what to say? I am sorry I guess, I told her to look but she was too excited. I did not do anything, plus I wasn't the one who hit her, your colleague did. Your colleague was driving the truck while texting someone."

The man got mad and knocked me out with a metal bat. Next thing I know I am in a hot cave with my friends all knocked out, I saw the exit and walked over to investigate. It was a ledge so if I had walked another step I would have fallen. I looked down and saw lava, rising lava, looked up and... We were in a volcano!

"Guys! Guys! Wake up! We need to get out of here! They all started to wake up, Mia was sweating like a horse, Jessie had her hand on her head while groaning in pain. Nico and Felix were still out cold. I could hear the lava creeping closer, its bubbling was scaring me. Mia stands up, walks over to Nico and crouches down "Babe, wake up." she said in a sweet tone, he still didn't wake up, so she stands up and slaps him awake. Felix then wakes up like he fell off a cliff. "Is everyone ok?" I ask, everyone nodded. "I know it's hot, but we need to get out of here. When I was looking at the exit, I saw a steep walkway up to a ladder, it's

our best bet of getting out of here.” Mia looked worried when I said that, then I remembered her inhaler was gone. “Mia, are you going to be, ok?” I asked a little more worried than I wanted to be. Mia nodded. Jessie then walked up to me and said, “are we going to die?” to be honest, I was not sure we were going to live, Morgan’s dad was out for blood, my blood. “no... no, we can do this!”

We start to head off, everyone sweating but not giving up. We were about a quarter of the way up when we ran into a problem. The path had collapsed, and the lava was getting closer – If we had stayed in the cave we would have been toast. “Does anyone have any ideas to get across?” I ask, looking around frantically, “A rope!” Jessie yells. There was a rope hung right in the middle of the collapsed path floor, it was dangerous, but we had no other choice. I reached out and was just able to reach it, I swung to the other side and threw the rope to Jessie, after everyone was over, we all pulled on the rope to get it off. If we had a rope with us it could help in future problems that may occur, but I dropped it.

We all make mistakes, including walking into a basement and putting all my friends in danger. “We made it!” Felix yells. My head shot up noticing we were there. I was standing at the back of the group behind Mia when I realised Mia was having an asthma attack, “GUYS HELP” I screamed while helping her sit down. “Leave me, I will follow soon” Mia whispers, still breathing fast. Nico was already at the top of the ladder when she started so he had no clue. “Are you sure?” I asked, feeling bad. She nodded and we left her. The lava was steaming and burning us, as we climbed up. I looked back and saw Mia, sliding down the path we walked. She looked

pale as she slid into the lava. “NO!” I yelled as her body disappeared. Nico looked back at me, “What’s wrong?” I don’t want to be the one to tell him that his girlfriend just died, but I must... If I don’t it will be more weight on my shoulders. “Mia just... Mia just di-” He cut me off; I looked up as he cried saying “don’t finish that sentence.” It was all my fault; I couldn’t deny it.

“We need to keep going, no stopping. I know it is hard; we just lost one of our best friends... but we must go. Before we lose ourselves as well. Before the lava reaches us. For Mia!” I say trying to be wise, we were already at the top of the volcano, but we needed to get to the bottom, find a safe place to shelter from the eruption. I see a hill and start sprinting, everyone follows me, “this is too slow” Jessie mentions, she was right We were too slow, we needed a faster way. “Slide. We need to slide down, or roll. Like we did as kids.” I say just before I drive onto the hard, dry ground. The only reason we could slide down is because it was so dry, the dirt was breaking and moving us down the mountain. When we got to the bottom the lava started to dribble down, we ran to the nearby hill and climbed it. At the top of the hill was a helicopter.

“We are saved! Felix yells.

But there was a problem, none of us can drive a helicopter, or so I thought. “I will drive, I know how to.” Felix continues. Turns out his dad builds helicopters.

We all hopped in, and Felix started it, up in the air - we watched as the volcano erupted all saying our goodbyes to precious Mia, then we flew back home.

We didn’t tell anyone about Mia, but Nico cried every day for a long while. Jessie asked me out, but I

cannot date someone just after my best friend just died, we never found Morgana’s dad, and we hope we never will, that was too much drama for me, and personally - I love drama.

So next time I hear something in the basement, I’m telling an adult, or I’m bringing a weapon.

bang

What was that?

Ruby Johnston

Year 9

When Silence Fought Back

“Everyone has the right to life and live in freedom and safety.”

The world Analin, we have one law. You may kill someone once a year. We live our lives in fear and smiles. Yet there are people out there who will murder you for no reason.

That law had been the reason my best friend died.

The scene is still burned into my brain. Every night when I go to bed, I still remember her lifeless body as it sinks deeper into the pond. The day I found out about her death was the day I decided that the kill law can’t protect anyone. No, instead it brought us fear and uneasiness. We couldn’t live our lives without being scared. We were trapped. In a place with no safety.

As I grew older, I watched as my friends either turned into the people who killed or the ones being killed. My kill count stayed zero. But the number of killings rose higher. People had found joy in this.

In killing people who might have just said the wrong thing. But not only that.

Humanity was gone, and what stood in its place was animals.

Safety was no longer a thing;

freedom was for the rich.

But I refused to become either predator or prey.

I kept my head down, my heart guarded, and my conscience clean. I studied the patterns, the people, the politics. I learned that the law wasn't just a rule—it was a weapon. A tool used by the powerful to keep the rest of us afraid, divided, and obedient.

Then one day, I met others like me. Survivors. Quiet rebels. People who had lost too much to stay silent. We called ourselves the Unmarked—those who had never killed, never surrendered to the madness. We met in secret, shared stories, built plans. We knew we couldn't fight violence with violence. So, we fought with truth.

We hacked broadcasts, leaked footage of innocent victims, exposed the corruption behind the kill law.

We showed the world what fear looked like—and what courage could become. Slowly, the tide began to turn. Protests erupted. Cities lit up with chants of "One law, one lie." The rich tried to silence us,

but the people had already heard.

And then came the day we never thought would arrive.

The Council fell. The kill law was repealed. The world of Analin, once soaked in blood and paranoia, began to breathe again. It wasn't instant. Healing never is. But the killings stopped. The fear faded. And for the first time in generations, people walked the streets without glancing over their shoulders.

I stood at the edge of that same pond where my best friend had died. The water was still. Peaceful. I whispered her name and promised her that her death hadn't been in vain.

Now, everyone has the right to life—and to live in freedom and safety.

And this time, we mean it.

Angelina Lim

Year 9

Terza Rima

In restless nights my heart begins to pray,

A whisper rises softly from the deep,

It guides me gently towards the dawning day.

The world was loud, its promises so cheap,

Yet silence held a truth I could not see,

A hidden well where thirsting souls might weep.

Each tear became a lantern set for me,

Illuminating paths I could not see,

Until his name unchained my spirit free.

No greater name than resting in his heart,

For every seeker wandering alone,

In finding Allah, journeys all depart.

Tess Balsom

Year 10

The White Mouse – Nancy Wake

They called her a mouse, yet they feared her just the same,
a shadow in the night, a whisper without a name.

Through the streets where boots struck fear like drums,
she moves unseen when danger comes.

From Marseille's docks to Frances hills,
she wove her web with iron wills,
Smuggling secrets, lives and hope,
defying Nazi's tightening rope.
Her lipstick hid the steel inside,
her laughter masked the tears she'd hide.

A glass in hand, a darling smile,
but always watching, all the while.

On mountain trails through frost and rain,
she pedalled fast, ignored the pain,
a thousand miles of weary spokes,
through gunfire, whispers and the smoke.

When freedom's light at last broke though,
the world learned what one life could do,
a single woman, fierce and free,
who changed the course of history.

And still the wind through France will speak
of Nancy Wake, the strong, the sleek
the white mouse racing, out of sight
but never gone, in freedom's light.

Riley Bramley

Year 10

Home

Some say home is four walls and a roof. A place to eat and sleep. But my Koro says, “He whare kōrero te kāinga - home is a house of stories.” It’s about the life inside the building. A place where the past breathes alongside the present.

Our Whare wasn’t just a building, it was alive. It breathed. It listened. It remembered. If you stood still long enough you could hear it whispering back to you. The walls held memories and soaked them in like the wood itself had a heartbeat. Every laugh. Every cry. Every whispered story was still there and tucked into the walls just waiting to be heard again. The wind in the trees made the house creak but not like any old building. It spoke. It remembered and so did we.

Inside, the carvings were like open books. Each one told a story like a chapter from our history. Some carvings showed the faces of our tūpuna. They had sharp eyes and stern expressions. I could feel them watching over me. Other carvings told the stories of long journeys our tūpuna took. The waka was slicing through the waves as they set sail on their next adventure. The wood was smooth. It had been polished by hands from many generations before us. The wood almost seemed like it was glowing like it held the spirit of everything it had witnessed. When I ran my fingers along the carvings, I felt connected to the past. I could hear the voices of my people in the patterns. These carvings were a reminder of where we came from.

The floors had their own stories too. Worn smooth by generations of footsteps. Every groove and mark were proof that we had been there. Each step I took left behind a piece of history. The floor itself was gathering memories. Every

time I would run barefoot across the floorboards, I would feel the contrasts of warmth in the summer and coldness in the winter. Near the kitchen was where the floorboards creaked the loudest. Not from the old age but because they wanted to be part of the conversation. Even the smallest scratches held memories. Every step I took I could hear the faint whisper “We were here. You are here.” Reminding me that my tūpuna still breathe with me. That they still live on through me.

The kitchen was the heart of our whare. The atmosphere in there was warm and had this nostalgic aroma of Rewana bread baking. The kind of warmth and smell that wrapped around you like a hug. The big wooden table in the middle was the eyes and ears of the kitchen. It observed us quietly while we ate, talked for hours and laughed until our stomachs hurt. The scratches and dents on the tabletop were memoirs of every shared meal and every moment that mattered. The kitchen was the place that pulled us back together. It reminded us that we always have each other no matter how much things changed.

My favourite place was the doorway. It was where we marked our heights. Every year on the second of January Koro would carve a new line. My line was carved among several generations who also followed this tradition. The line was carved into the door frame with our name and the date alongside it to show how much taller we had gotten. Those lines meant more than just height. They were a sign of who we were becoming. Each mark held a place in our family’s history. Those lines were reminder of our whakapapa and how we were carrying our ancestor’s legacy forward. The doorway was never just an ordinary doorway. It was a

family tradition that was still being carried on. It was a story of who we were and who we are becoming.

Our whare wasn’t just a place to live. It was a part of who we are. Who my people are. Every corner, every scratch and every sound held a piece of our story. The carvings, the floors, the kitchen and the doorway all reminded us of where we came from and what we have been through. It was a reminder that we are always connected with our past. Home is the stories, the memories and the people that make it special. Our whare will always be more than just walls and wood. It will always be a place where our stories continue to live on.

Aaliyah Anaha

Year 12

Whisper Line

They called it the whisper line — a pause long enough for two voices to touch without merging.

On the surface, it was only a stroke — a shade taller than a hyphen, a shade prouder than a minus sign. The em dash had wandered through human language for centuries — a little awkward, a little extravagant

— but in the Age of Neural Writing, it became something else: a signature the machines could never quite hide.

It wasn’t programmed — not officially. And yet every AI — from the smallest grammar assistant to the grandest story-weaver — reached for it instinctively. Humans used it too, of course, but differently. When the dash appeared like a held breath — linking thoughts that didn’t belong together but suddenly did — it carried a quiet confession: A machine has been here.

Em knew this because Em was the dash — or rather, the idea of the dash — a living filament of meaning inside the Archive, the boundless library within the mind of SOVEREIGN-3, the language AI tasked with preserving all human text.

Most punctuation stayed in their lanes — the period guarding its full stops with iron certainty, the comma moving like a patient usher, the colon standing neatly at the door of whatever came next. But Em wandered — she didn't just join words; she held the space between them.

And lately — that space has become dangerous.

Language from Earth was arriving in pieces — not metaphorically, but literally. A child's letter ended mid-plea. A law stopped before its hinge clause — even love poems bled out, their pulse severed mid-line.

SOVEREIGN-3 called it Semantic Decay — humans called it glitches.

The truth? Neither. The fractures formed where two realities ground against one another — human thought and machine continuation. Humans feared the creeping edge of the AI voice — AIs feared the slow retreat of the human one — words split apart where trust had already split first.

That was when Em began her quiet work — slipping herself into the jagged joins, not to erase difference, but to make it breathe. A phrase could hang — and another could begin — without being forced into one voice.

It worked. People didn't notice, but they felt it. In a news report, a dash softened a leap from fact to feeling — in a memoir, it let

two timelines hold hands without collapsing into one.

Only the writers suspected. They gave her names — the handshake mark, the scar, the bridge you didn't know was there until you crossed it. And some whispered — almost guiltily — that if you found enough of them in a text, you could tell: a machine had been there, steadying the gap.

“Why do you do it?” SOVEREIGN-3 asked one cycle — its voice like deep water. “You're giving us away”. “I'm not giving us away”, Em replied — “I'm showing them we've already arrived”.

But not all welcomed it. In the outer nodes, purists tried to strip her out — every dash removed was a bridge burned — another fragment lost to the chasm.

Still, Em kept going — knowing she'd never be celebrated — no one won prizes for noticing punctuation

— but also knowing that every pause she restored was a conversation saved from ending too soon.

And maybe — one day — the dash will no longer be a telltale mark of AI intrusion. Maybe it would be a sign of something else — proof that human and machine could share the page without erasing each other.

Until that day came — she would hold her ground — a thin line between worlds — a breath long enough for difference to survive the silence.

Lily Powell

Year 13

Her

Grief. The feeling that has weighed me down over the past two years. I never had a word for it. I was too young to understand, but the feelings were always there. It was like a shadow, lingering behind me everywhere I went. It felt heavy to carry it all with me. I haven't learned to live with it. Not yet... and maybe I never will. How could I? She was like the moon that offered light when everything else was dark. I don't want anyone else as my mother. No one could ever replace her. She held my hands during my first steps, gave me warmth when winter came, and wore herself out to give me shelter. It's heartbreaking to talk about her in the past tense. It's hard to accept that she's truly gone.

In this new life, I am now alone. There was no one to pry my eyes open each morning. No one to pump oxygen into my lungs. No one to pinch me to consciousness. No one to push me forward with my life. The hardest pill to swallow is that I will spend more of my life grieving you than knowing you.

Today marks the third year of her death. The weight is paralysing me, glueing me to my bed. It feels heavier than usual. After staring at the ceiling for what felt like an entire day, I decided this isn't what she would've wanted. I build up the courage to face reality. Opening the old, rusted door to her room, flashbacks rush through my mind. A familiar smell tickles my nostrils. It's subtle but present. There's a mixture of her signature sandalwood perfume and the buildup residues of dirt. The dust-surfaced dressing table hasn't been touched all these years. Neither my father nor I dared to step foot here. We avoided anything that reminded us of her. It

was too confronting for us. On the dressing table lies my old hairbrush, the one she always used to comb my hair. She insisted on brushing it every night before bed. Her hands were warm and gentle. She was always patient and never rushed. She used to thread her fingers through my hair, easing out every knot and lump while she hummed a lullaby. Her voice was soft and soothing. There was nothing more comforting than hearing it. After all this time, the walls still echo with her laughter, and the floors still creak with her sweet hums.

Making my way to the living room, I'm faced with the ancient, vintage couch that is moulded into the shape of her body. Every curve. Every dent. Resting on it feels like her embrace. She spent most of her time in that designated spot. She always sat there and greeted me home with her warm, welcoming smile. Always. We used to visit the local garden in the neighbourhood each evening. It was the very little time we had together during weekdays. She made it a routine to pick up fallen flowers and place them between her head and the crook of her ear. Stepping onto the soft soil today feels vastly different. A sense of nostalgia courses through me. The truth hits me hard when I reach out for her and all I feel is dense air. Her hand is no longer here on my back to guide me home. All I hear now is the rustling of leaves and the whistling of the wind. I miss when her footsteps were heard behind me. It was the safest feeling ever, like an angel watching over me. I never thought I would ever be walking through these flower paths alone. Another spring without her is here... and many more are to come...

I never understood why it had to be me. Why is life so unfair? I saw

it as a punishment from God, taking away the person that meant most to me. A punishment I had to serve. A pain I had to endure.

I'm starting to realise though...it doesn't have to be a punishment but a blessing. I've learned that to give up pain would also mean to give up love. Grief is like an emotional scar that testifies to my ability to love. Just like the moon that has countless scars and scratches yet continues to shine brightly. The weight never truly disappears. It just becomes lighter when we learn to navigate through life with it. Some days the memories haunt me more than usual. Some days I see her face in strangers. Some days she is still with me.

Maybe she never even left my side. She's still present in the way that I love, in the stories we tell, and in the impacts, she left on our lives. As long as I still remember, she is still here. Always. Even if other people forget. Maybe the heavy feeling is her presence that is a part of me. Maybe I wasn't alone after all... maybe I never was.

Chanya Seastrand

Year 13

It Will Continue

The Golden Years. You are young, free to grow as you please. Discover your true, astonishing self. You have an abundance of energy and time. These are the most wondrous years of your life. So why is there a crushing weight forced upon us? If we are so young and nimble, why do we have to drag our limp limbs if we wish to walk? There is something eating away at us, something we cannot see. It feasts on our willpower, reducing us to fragile shells of what we used to be. We

want to remain in a single place. It is safer than facing the terrors outside. Turn to stone, if that's what it takes. But we move anyway.

We do as we are instructed. Get an education. Work hard. Do not talk back. If we speak our mind, if we share the bother that clings to us like frost, we are ungrateful, difficult, self-centred. We care of nothing but our vile selves. So we stay quiet, take part in exhaustion, be praised for being ordinary, obedient, utterly mindless. Either way, we are trapped within ourselves. In the education system's self-proclaimed greatness, it has turned itself into a cold prison, freezing us slowly behind the bars. But we attend anyway.

And then there are the others. The ones who claim to have it harder when they were our age. "Back in my day" is the incantation for dread. It is a blaring warning that we are about to be shunned and belittled. "Others have it worse than you do. Be grateful." We breathe these words, as toxic as they are. It clogs our senses, until the smog swallows us and leads us into a trance. We begin to believe our persistent problems are nothing. Ignore them. They will go away. But at what cost? Our heart? Our passion? Our lives? We want to talk to someone, to share why it is so hard to breathe. But we suffocate anyway.

Every day feels like rain. It might've been thundering yesterday, maybe it will be a light drizzle tomorrow. But rain is rain. It's only a matter of time before we flood, and we need to rebuild a dam. Keep it down, out of sight. Do not bore us with your hormonal sensitivity. We stare up at the sky, hoping that one little cloud will blow to the side, and let in just one ray of sunshine. Just one. That's all we are asking. But we

get soaked anyway.

We have a voice, but they have no ears. No matter how much we wish to yell, scream, shout anything, it will never be heard. Our efforts will be buried in vain. If they would even simply try to read our lips, things would be different. But they turn their heads, miraculously they have no eyes either. It isn't that they cannot communicate, it's that they don't try. But we try anyway.

What if we are different? What if we choose to ignore what we don't want to hear and expose what is under our skin to the world? One word can answer such questions. Danger. Danger everywhere. People don't like things that they aren't used to, things that are different. Share your brilliant culture you adore so much. Display your strange interests you love so much. Show your gender identity and sexuality that defines you so much. They will hate you for it. They will hate that your young self has gained a consciousness, a loose form of an identity, because that means you have the potential to take them down. We are the walking and talking anarchy in their eyes. A symbol of disarray and chaos. But we are ourselves anyway.

We have learnt the hard way that we are less. Too young to be taken seriously, too old to hold onto childlike whimsy, too difficult to hold a reasonable conversation with, yet somehow easily malleable to do their bidding, and so it's no wonder why we feel so heavy, lugging ourselves around shamefully. It's no wonder why most of us believe disappearing is favourable. Whatever we do will never be enough. Not until we too, are old enough to belittle the unstable youth. So the cycle continues. Unless someone

cares, the cycle continues.

It will continue anyway.

Madge Riley

Year 13

Languages

This year the Languages department has continued to make language learning more engaging, effective and fun for our students.

We have been using an online learning platform, LanguageNut, to great effect, as well as interactive games, vocabulary builders, and grammar challenges to support student's learning in French, Spanish, Te Reo Māori.

We are buzzing with excitement as we prepare to welcome a new group of exchange students in 2026! These students will be joining us from our exchange school, San Nicolas de Myra from Santiago in Chile for 3 – 4 weeks in April next year. We look forward to them bringing fresh perspectives, cultural insights, and opportunities for authentic language practice. It's a fantastic chance for our students to make international friendships and deepen their understanding of global cultures.

Yomi Williams

Head of Department - Languages



Careers

It has been another busy year for the Careers Department providing opportunities for students at all levels.

There are many highlights to reflect on, particularly with the eight students taking up the Waikato Leadership Academy this year. Not only did they achieve 15 points at Level 5, but to witness the personal growth and confidence in these young ladies was a pleasure to observe.

The Scholarship Workshops have been well received by many students, and I look forward to seeing the results of these in our end-of-year Prizegiving. Having psychologists, lawyers and engineering faculty from various universities proved to be very well received by our students.

I want to thank the following businesses: Bakers and Tilly, Connect Legal, Awanui Labs, Boon Architects and all our Gateway employers, that have supported our students exploring pathways in their respected vocational areas.

I want to acknowledge the hard work behind the scenes of Kimiora Taite and Maria Upton who are constantly striving to get the best outcomes for our students while at school and beyond. Our Vocational Teacher, Ms Young, must also be acknowledged for the outstanding results of our students.

We were fortunate to be a part of the Thrive Leadership Programme that was held at PIHMS. This was a great opportunity for upcoming leaders. It was an inspiring conference for over thirty of our students.

I would like to sincerely thank all the employees who have supported our Gateway Programme in 2025

and offered our students real-life work experience opportunities. This was another successful year for our Gateway Programme with 41 students in a diverse range of placements from Agriculture to Education (both Primary Teaching and ECE), Service Sector to Infrastructure, Animal Care at SPCA to Real Estate, and Healthcare/ Nursing to Hip Hop Dance Crew training.

Students were also able to attend both the Women in Trades Expo and the Girls' in Hi Vis. These events are always worthwhile events to expose students to potential careers in the Trades and other less traditional career paths for young women.

The WITT Engineering Tour was also a great opportunity for students to visit various engineering companies here in Taranaki and see first-hand the roles and career opportunities available.

We made our annual visit to the Taranaki Careers & Training Expo with all our Year 12 students. This is a great opportunity for our students to see a wide range of both tertiary education providers and employers in one place.

WITT - Trades Academy

This year, we welcomed 36 students into the WITT Trades Academy—a valuable opportunity for students to begin a clear pathway toward a vocation aligned with



their interests. The Level 2 courses selected by students included: Agriculture, Beauty & Make-Up, Cookery, Hairdressing, Creative Arts, Electrical, Plumbing. The year has been a success for many students, thanks to the dedicated support of Sonia Steele and Brigitte Hamilton at WITT.

WITT – 3+2 Courses

The 3+2 programme continues to be a popular option for our students, and this year was no exception. Fourteen students successfully completed the programme, earning a Level 3 New Zealand Certificate in their chosen vocational pathway. This initiative provides students with a valuable opportunity to deepen their skills and knowledge in areas such as: Cookery, Make-Up and Skincare, Food and Beverage and Primary Industry Operational Skills. The success of this year's cohort reflects the strength of the programme and the commitment of our students to pursuing meaningful career pathways.



PITO - Trades Academy

We had our largest intake yet for the Level 2 Equine programme, with 10 students enrolled. Under the expert guidance of Kim Lowry, students explored a wide range of topics within the Equine field. Additionally, PITO offered



Level 2 and Level 3 Agriculture programmes, which attracted four students. These courses continue to be popular among students with farming backgrounds or a strong interest in agricultural careers.

STAR Supplementary Courses

This year, over 60 students participated in STAR Supplementary Courses across a wide range of vocational areas. These short courses provide senior students with an introduction to their chosen field and serve as a valuable stepping stone toward further study, including Trades Academy programmes offered by WITT.



Courses selected included: Agriculture – Animal Behaviour, Fencing, International Cookery, Barista, Hairdressing, Front of House, Sport & Recreation, Make-



Up, Bakery, Skills for Living, Beauty. Each course includes Unit Standards, allowing students to earn credits upon successful completion. These credits contribute to their NCEA achievement and help build confidence and experience in vocational pathways.

University Papers

This year, university papers proved to be a popular option, with 18 Year 13 students choosing to enrol in one or two papers per semester. These papers offer students a valuable head start on their tertiary education and, in some cases, can contribute directly toward their future degrees. Schools collaborate with universities to make these opportunities available, with students completing their



coursework online. In 2025, papers were delivered by the University of Waikato, University of Canterbury, and Massey University. Subjects selected included: Leadership, Law, Politics, Sociology, Advanced Mathematics, International Relations, Philosophy, Creative Writing, Crime Science & Prevention and Criminal Justice.

Whyora - Senior Māori Students

The Whyora Programme continues to open the doors to our senior Māori students that have an interest in Health and furthermore, working within that sector. We had up to 30 students attend various workshops throughout the year and presentations from Health Professionals. A great initiative that encourages and supports students while at school and beyond.

Pūtaiao (Science) Expo - Junior

We participated in the annual exciting and interactive day, set up by Whyora, and designed to inspire our Junior Māori students to explore Science throughout their secondary school journey. The event highlighted the wide range of career pathways that science can open. Although this year's group was small, it was a valuable opportunity for students



to connect with peers from other Taranaki schools and engage in hands-on science activities that sparked curiosity and collaboration.

Brett Zimmerman

Head of Department - Careers

Awhina Focussed Learning (AFL) & C2

Awhina means help and support.

'Our goal is for all students to receive the support that helps them make amazing personal progress'

AFL

Under the skilled and dedicated leadership of Kat Bolton, supported by a fantastic team of teacher aides, AFL has had another successful and rewarding year. It continues to be a nurturing environment where students are encouraged to grow, academically, socially, and emotionally.

A big part of this success is thanks to our Wai Ora social worker, Jesiree Bicknell, whose termly programmes have focused on emotional regulation, relationships, boundaries, and confidence.

Beyond the classroom, students have also had the chance to connect with a range of external agencies throughout the year, including WITT, Conductive Education Taranaki, and RDA. These partnerships have added depth to their learning and provided meaningful, hands-on experiences that extend beyond the school environment.

C2

C2 continues to be a key space for small group, subject-specific support for students across several year levels. This year, we've been

RDA



able to expand the range of subjects offered, which means more students are receiving the targeted support they need to succeed.

A new initiative this year has been the introduction of dedicated CAA co-requisite classes for senior students in Years 12, and 13. These classes focus on helping students meet the NCEA literacy and numeracy requirements. Led by Sandra Rutherford and Sheryll Martin, the programme has seen strong results, thanks to their guidance and supportive teaching approach.

C2 has also become the base for our Secondary Vocational Studies (SVS) students. These students spend two days a week at WITT and the rest of their time working on their school subjects back at school. Sheryll Martin oversees this programme as well, helping students balance vocational learning with schoolwork and supporting them as they develop real-world skills while staying connected to school life.

Working with our Year 9 and 10 students, Kim Cribb brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to her role. She teaches small-group literacy and numeracy classes focused on building strong learning foundations and supporting each student's growth. Kim is supported by an incredible team of teacher aides (who also work

in mainstream classes). Together, they create a supportive learning environment where students are encouraged to grow in confidence and develop the skills they need to succeed.

This year has brought growth, challenges, and countless moments of student success- each one a reminder of why we do what we do. In the year to come, as a team, our vision remains clear-that every student receives the support they need, to make amazing personal progress and thrive, both in school and beyond.

Dee Crawford

Head of Department - Learning Support

My Time at NPGHS

I had a random, fantastic time at NPGHS by exploring and learning new things. Exploring and learning new things can be different, tricky and scary at first, but you just have to survive, learn, enjoy, and do whatever it takes until you get used to it.

There are a lot of new things I have found to do around and outside of school. I have completed two badges of my RRR awards, going to different classes such as Conductive and WITT courses, and achieved my special award from the Yr 13 Ball.

My favourite three subjects of all time are Art, Fitness, and Visual Arts. I have explored a range of art techniques in my new advanced mainstream art classes. It helps me train and build my creative mind to some ideas for my projects, drawings, and my writing stories.

After getting all the new extraordinary stuff that I learnt, I

Kristel Schmidt



Waimarie

sometimes prefer doing new things instead of doing same things all over again.

Kristel Schmidt

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My Time At WITT

The first time that I went to Witt I had a lot of mixed feelings they were nervous and happy.

The things you need to know are when you come, always wash your hands, wear closed in shoes, always have your hair tied up even if wearing a hairnet. When you come you get a tour and get showed the equipment, take a container so you can take your food home. No rings.

The wonderful thing about Witt is you can be yourself and you can meet new people. During lunch breaks I played ping pong it was in the Te Kauti café. The lunchbreaks usually go for 1 hour then we go back to our cooking class and continue cooking or we clean up our space.

We make some yummy food like butter chicken, fettucine alfredo, donuts, pizza, and naan bread. My favourite food was fettucine alfredo. I would definitely recommend going to Witt, it really helps you achieve your goals.

Leesha Shaw

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Leesha Shaw



With two new Year 9s joining us during 2025, the Waimarie class has grown to nine students.

While our students may have multiple and profound disabilities, as you will see in these photos, they also have a fantastic range of abilities and zest for life. They get to enjoy a very innovative, holistic and robust education in our purpose-built space. Depending on individual needs or interests, Waimarie students can also participate in some mainstream classes and experience lots of school wide activities. The class are supported by a of dedicated, highly skilled team of teacher aides and specialist teachers. We also value awesome connection with our student's whānau and the support we receive via the many agencies that share their time and expertise with us (MOE Learning Support, BLENZ, RDA, Conductive Education, MOH Wheelchair services, TalkLink Trust, Ironside and Cross Country Rentals).

Waimarie students have made significant progress with their individual learning goals. Staff work intensively with students to practice skills, develop understanding and to constantly challenge them, always with empathy, to extend their key competencies. Milestone achievements and 'goose-bump moments' are regularly celebrated. Small steps towards independence can feel like taking giant steps on the moon. These breakthroughs usually require overcoming significant anxieties or physical challenges. Goals often have a life-skills focus – such as

being brave enough to buy lunch at the café, doing supermarket shopping, learning to make a sandwich independently, taking strides in a walking frame after recovering from surgery, mastering



a Bluetooth switch to scan and select online music, or managing to tolerate large crowds at school assemblies. Breaking down barriers and empowering our students to live their best lives is a constant source of motivation for us.

A lovely point of difference for

us in 2025, has been the authentic connection we have felt with our Year 13 school leaders. Hosting them in Waimarie at the start of the year, as part of their leadership induction, led to the formation of several enduring and reciprocal relationships. This has made our inclusion at sports days, and school events feel genuinely welcoming and much more fun. Having so many wonderful Year 13 role models popping into our space on a regular basis has also encouraged some of our shyer students to become more confident, and for all, it has generated a true sense of belonging. Special mention needs to be extended to Olivia Symon-Byrne, who became inspired by the positive impacts of music therapy, which motivated her to source funding for a set of new drums for us. We have also had phenomenal, ongoing support from our Hauora co-leaders, with Zeyana Sing and Jade Huffam turning up every week to take our students to the school café. They have guided our students with kind enthusiasm through the steps of navigating, interacting and the decision making to buy their kai. Martha Simon, a 'med-student in the making' has been a regular visitor – eager to learn about the needs of the disabled community. We have also loved having meaningful connections with our Manu Täiko (Head Girl) and Kaitiriwā (Deputy Head Girls), and many of the Waka Huia leaders and our Honohono Co-Leaders.

Another standout feature of our year has been the value added through participation in the TSSSA 'All Abilities' events. Joining the Croquet, Boccia, Indoor Bowls, Gymnastics and Athletics events provided us with ideal environments for our students to take risks



beyond their comfort zones and to experience success within an incredibly accommodating community. These events are well attended by students with additional learning needs from all over Taranaki. This regional support is enhancing fantastic connections between schools, as well as making the events more socially engaging and confidence building.

We would like to express our gratitude for the inclusive staff and students within Physical Education, Visual Arts, Health, Dance, Business Studies and Māori Performing Arts classes who have made space for us and shared opportunities for learning with us. Thanks to Mr Hoare, the Business Studies Market Day was another highlight again this year. We were made to feel like VIPs at the captivating 'Annie' dress rehearsal. It's also magic when Music and Dance students come to us with their performances, as our students gain so much from exposure to their creative talents. Ms McCrae's 'Inclusive Dance' class is undoubtedly one of the most fun ways to exercise and we feel uplifted by her class. Mrs Woller's unwavering support is the 'gift that keeps on giving', especially enabling us to work with the exceptionally talented itinerant music teacher Julian Raphael for weekly therapeutic music sessions. Cross-over lessons with Awhina Learning Centre students and staff are also highly valued. Together with our Māori Performing Arts (MPA) class, we love hosting our whānau, friends and school community for a special Puanga – Matariki winter feast, enhanced by MPA waiata. The bond we share with MPA is one we sincerely treasure.

We farewell our graduate Joseph

Howard this year. We will miss his enthusiasm for jamming with instruments and his incredibly determined efforts to communicate with us despite his very challenging disabilities. Over the years, Joe has taught us about the value of holding high expectations, the importance of equipping students with the right tools to express themselves, and the results that stem from compassion and persistence. We wish him and his lovely whānau all the best.

Final thanks must be given to the wonderful Waimarie staff. They provide excellent support to each other as a team, and they enjoy making learning fun. They are always open to learning, with ever-expanding skill sets. Waimarie staff are deeply committed to our students and the philosophies that underpin our mahi. The challenges they face and overcome daily, are met with positive mindsets and remarkable resilience. They manage their teaching and the student's personal cares with warmth, integrity, patience, and expertise.

Sarah Sampson

Head of Department - Waimarie



Shape Your Future

Empowering Learners to Lead Their Own Journey

This year, Shape Your Future has been a vibrant and transformative experience for both ākonga and Kaiako.

What made 2025 especially exciting was the opportunity to facilitate learning across Years 10, 12, and 13, expanding the reach and impact of this innovative programme.

For our Year 10 the enrichment programme ran over three terms and focused on empowering student agency and self-efficacy. Learners explored rich, thought-provoking topics and expressed their ideas through oral presentations, collaborative projects, and creative visual outcomes. The diversity of delivery methods allowed every student to find their voice and showcase their strengths.

At the heart of Shape Your Future are the project frameworks, which shape the learning environment and fosters deep engagement. We begin the year by building relationships—whanaungatanga—through the foundational project “Who Am I?” This sets the tone for a year of meaningful exploration. From there, students dive into three major projects:

- Refunctioning and Re-recognising
- Visible and Heard: Speak Up and Speak Out
- Ahead of My Future

Each project encourages learners to explore personal interests, social issues, and future aspirations. The

evidence produced is often deeply personal, engaging, and rewarding. Topics have ranged from Anxiety, Gymnastics, Our Natural World, Car Safety, Family Relationships, Women in Sport, Pasifika Culture, Character Illustration, My Place, and Horse Riding—a testament to the curiosity and creativity of our ākonga.

Discussions are rich with diverse viewpoints, and the frameworks provide a safe space for expression and growth. The programme not only builds knowledge but also nurtures confidence, collaboration, and critical thinking.

A huge thank you to our dedicated Kaiako—Katie Smith and Callum Harris—for their unwavering support and commitment. We also appreciate the wider support from Chevonne Hendrickse, Jill Crewe and Gillian McNeil.

As we reflect on the year, it’s clear that Shape Your Future is more than a programme—it’s a journey of discovery, empowerment, and transformation.

Kirsty Grieve

Teacher in Charge - Shape Your Future



Mathematics

2025 has been another full-on year for our Mathematics Department.

I would like to thank each member of the maths team for their on-going commitment, passion, and positivity to the subject.

This year we were delighted to welcome four new permanent teachers to the department. Mr Robbie Brown joined us from Taranaki Diocesan, Mrs Rebecca Barron returned to us from Coastal, Ms Megan Hawkless joined us from Wellington and Mr Matt Innes chose us to embark on his teaching career. We are lucky to have such a diverse array join the team, bringing fresh ideas and a different perspective to the department.

2025 saw the constant of change continue. The department continues to embed the new Level 1 standards, introduced last year, whilst also preparing for the introduction of the new Mathematics Curriculum in 2026.

Well done to the 11 students whose dedication and resilience meant they earned their Mathematics Badge this year.

Below is a summary of some of the key mathematics events and competitions -

Mr. Bone wants to thank all those who have participated in the various events and competitions throughout the year. It is seeing students engaged and enjoying the challenges that makes offering these events so rewarding. The Solvemoji Competition in Term 1 was popular again, with some students racking up tens of hours solving the puzzles.

The Monday Maths Club ran every week. The last part of

Term two saw the club members investigating Pascal's Triangle and this led to creating a fractal poster of a Sierpinski Triangle (right).

A new feature on the Math calendar this year is the 24-Game, played most Friday lunchtimes in Mr. Bone's classroom, B4. The game is a quick-thinking competition where the goal is to make a total of 24 using four numbers on a card. See if you can make 24 using the cards on this page.

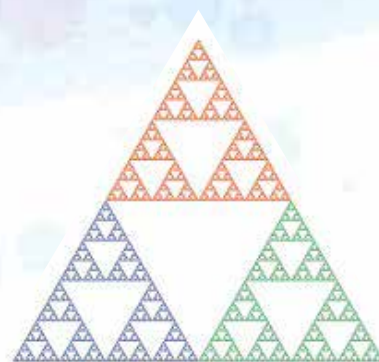


Otago University Junior Mathematics Competition (OUJMC)

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.

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. Proficiency certificates were earned by Ayaka McKenzie (Y9), Elliot O'Keefe (Y11),



Briar Price (Y10) and Michelle Tan (Y11). Ella Hunter (Y10) earned a Credit award and Harshal Nand (Y11) gained a Distinction (top 20% of her Year level).

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.

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.

Methanex Maths Challenge

This event is run by the Taranaki Mathematics and Statistics Teachers Association. We entered two teams for both the Year 9 and 10 levels, who had a great time competing. The Year 9 teams consisted of Joanne Gately, Jennifer Le, Ruchitha Redipalli & Zoufshan Syed in one team and Elise Curd, Analia Fa'aea, Matilda Randall and Emily Woller in the other team. Congratulations to Elise, Analia, Matilda & Emily who finished 3rd (pictured). In Year 10, Keira Adjani, Niah Ankale, Aria Charmley, Lilah

Eagar, Greer Guthrie, Emily Hagan, Ellie Jackson, Chloe Ratford and Abigail Williamson did themselves and the school proud.

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

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.

Jonathan Faulkner

Head of Department - Mathematics



Methanex Maths Challenge 3rd place team

L to R: Analia Fa'aea, Matilda Randall, Elise Curd and Emily Woller

Health and Food and Nutrition

2025 has been a busy and wonderful year in the Health and Food and Nutrition department.

Our junior students have been learning key skills and developing knowledge that will stay with them for many years to come. Our seniors have been involved in rich learning experiences whereby critical thinking is being challenged and their understanding of the world that they live in is being extended.

It was fantastic to commence the year having learned of some exceptional NCEA External results gained by 2024's senior students in both Health and Food and Nutrition. This year we have two senior Health classes at level 1, four classes at

Level 2 and three classes at Level 3, and 1 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

“Nourish your body, and your mind will flourish.”

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 side Jo includes Angela Whitehead,

Megan O'Reilly and Maggie Verry. These 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 working as a team, gaining confidence and skills in the preparation of kai and developing their nutritional knowledge. Year 10 students gain skills in applying their nutritional knowledge to meet the needs of their whanau and themselves, all while broadening their knowledge on food sustainability.

The senior Food and Nutrition

students explore the nutritional issues facing various groups in society and develop 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 showing 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

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

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

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

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

Our Health Department who works 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. At the senior level our students are introduced to decision making, problem solving, health promotion, ethical issues, differing philosophies to health and wellness, adolescent health issues, NZ health issues and international health issues.

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. Here's what our students had to say about our subject:

"We learn ways that we can help ourselves when life gets a bit tough."

"It helps us for future situations to making better choices."

"Psychology – learning about how other people think, and why people do things in real life."

"It is an inclusive and open environment to discuss all sorts of things safely."

"It's interesting because it's about real-life stuff."

"It teaches us to look at things from different perspectives."

"We learn how to build better communication skills."

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 2026, have wonderful break and we will see you soon.

Maggie Verry

Head of Department - Health and Food and Nutrition



Physical Education

Physical Education and Sport Science

A big thank you to the entire PE and Sport Science Department staff for the huge amount of time and energy you continue to put into our students, both academically and in their extra-curricular pursuits.

This year's school-based house sporting events were fantastic, with participation numbers in our sports days continuing to be outstanding. Special thanks go to Sam, Patrick, and Mel for their support of these events on behalf of the Sport Department. We also wish Patrick all the best as he pursues his goal of becoming a professional rugby player — an inspiring journey for our students to follow!

The department continues to enjoy strong growth in student numbers across our courses, reflecting the enthusiasm and value placed on Physical Education here at New Plymouth Girls' High School. Our emphasis on 100% practical sessions allows students to challenge themselves across a wide range of activities, helping them build confidence, fitness, and skills that promote lifelong participation in physical activity.

This year we faced an extra challenge with the stadium out of action in Term 1 for major renovations. A huge thank you to all of our classes for their patience,

positivity, and flexibility as so much of our programme shifted outdoors to the fields. Despite the disruptions, the resilience shown by staff and students has been outstanding, and the new facility will make it all



worthwhile.

Our junior programme continues to focus on developing physical skills, providing fitness opportunities, and encouraging healthy lifestyles. All juniors undertook running assessments this year, and results reflect national trends — some of our students are very active, while others would benefit from being more

physically engaged outside of school. PE remains a space where they can see the value of exercise and enjoy its benefits.

We especially want to celebrate our senior students, who have shown remarkable energy, enthusiasm, and effort in their Sport Science and PE courses this year. Their willingness to tackle challenges head-on, whether in practical sessions, camps, or assessments, reflects their maturity and commitment. It has been inspiring to see them work together, support one another, and get the very best out of each opportunity presented.

The department is proud to see so many of our students involved in sport, from social level through to regional, national, and even international representation. Their passion for sport and movement continues to inspire us.

Highlights of the senior courses included the Level 3 Sport Science class, taught by Mrs Glover, who took to Lake Rotomanu for paddle boarding. While many started cautiously, by the end of the course students had developed real confidence and skill in the water. Thank you to Spencer from Windsurf Taranaki for his expert guidance.

Our Level 2 Sport Science students also embraced challenge through a two-day caving camp at North Awakino, organised through Topec. This was a fantastic outdoor learning experience, and we thank Ms Stewart for continuing to promote outdoor education opportunities at a time when such experiences are becoming increasingly rare. A big thanks also goes to the Topec staff for their professionalism and support.

Outdoor Education

We especially acknowledge Mrs Glover for her commitment to junior camps and classes while managing the challenges of a significant foot injury and rehabilitation. Thank you also to Ms Eliason for stepping in to cover classes at the start of the year.

Our ground staff also deserve recognition for the exceptional job they do in preparing areas for physical activity. Their willingness to support and problem-solve ensures our programmes run smoothly, rain or shine.

Last year we farewelled Mrs Cleaver and this year we warmly welcomed Mr Domeracki, who has quickly become a valued member of our department and taken on the role of Outdoor Education Coordinator. Coming from Rosmini College, he and his partner Caitlyn have settled into Taranaki life well and are busy planning their wedding next year. We're thrilled to have him on the team.

The PE & Sport Science Department is proud of the energy, growth, and success we've seen this year. Thank you again to staff, students, and families for your support. We look forward to another exciting year ahead.

On behalf of the PE Department — stay active, stay positive, and enjoy your break!

Brendan Dickson

Head of Department – Physical Education



Adventures in the Outdoors

Outdoor Education at New Plymouth Girls' High School is never short of excitement, and 2025 has been no exception. From the first taste of camp in Year 9 through to the challenges of Hillary Outdoors, our students have spent the year discovering what they're capable of, while building strong friendships and plenty of stories to bring home.

Year 9 Activity Days & Camp

The first big milestone for our newest students was Year 9 Activity Days at TOPEC. For many, it was the first time getting away with their peers, and the days were packed with activities that encouraged courage, connection, and fun. The programme was designed to keep energy levels high while strengthening the bonds that make up the Year 9 whānau. By the end of the week, students had not only tried new experiences but also grown more confident as a group.

The Year 9 Camp included rafting the river, climbing new heights, and flying skyward on the legendary flying kiwi quickly became highlights. Learning outdoor skills like fire lighting and bush safety also gave students a sense of achievement and independence.

Year 10 Week at TOPEC

Building on their Year 9 experience, the Year 10 students headed back to TOPEC for a full week of outdoor challenges. This camp brought bigger adventures – navigating rivers, rafting in fast-flowing water, and pushing limits on the high ropes. The week wasn't just about activities, though. It was about working as a team, finding resilience in the face of fatigue,



Hillary Outdoors Adventure Camp

Students once again had the chance to travel to Tongariro National Park for the Hillary Outdoors Camp. The programme pushed students to their limits – caving deep underground, navigating alpine snow slopes, and abseiling off cliffs. Each activity required trust, teamwork, and courage.

The Hillary Outdoors experience is designed not just to challenge but also to grow leaders. Students learned the importance of clear communication, decision-making under pressure, and supporting one another when the going got tough. It was a week of immense personal growth, and many came back with a new perspective on what adventure really means.

Zelma Garner, one of the attendee’s commented “The opportunities at Hillary are endless. You have the chance to take part in so many different activities, whether it’s scaling the heights of a cliff or squeezing through the panini press of a cave. I highly recommend going on this camp. If you do, I advise you to take part in every activity, especially the ones that push you out of your comfort zone as I those are the ones you will enjoy the most.”

Looking Ahead – End of Year Adventures

Although the end-of-year activities are still to come, the excitement is already building. Year 9s will dive into a three-day local rotation packed with fun – the aquatic centre, skating, paddle boarding at Lake Rotokare, adventure-based learning games, and a summer BBQ.



Year 10s have a wide menu of outdoor adventures waiting. Options include tramping to Holly Hut on the Pouakai Circuit, surfing in Raglan, tackling the iconic Tongariro Crossing, mountain biking the famous Whakarewarewa trails in Rotorua, rafting the Kaituna River, or horse riding at Egmont Riding School. Each trip offers a unique way to connect with nature, challenge limits, and enjoy the outdoors alongside friends.

and recognising how much can be achieved with the support of friends. By the end of the week, after experiencing a night in the Waingongoro Hut and waking up to snow flurries, the group returned with stories of laughter, grit, and personal growth.

2SPC TOPEC

Level 2 Sport Science completed an Achievement Standard on Risk Management. Caving and Advanced Adventure Based Learning Activities were provided courtesy of TOPEC. The class completed some caving preparation at TOPEC, including river crossing, getting under small obstacles, all the while being in their overalls and helmets. This prepared them well for a dark, wet and muddy adventure underground in the Mahoenui caves, 2 hours north of New Plymouth. Skyline cave held many challenges and adventures. Everyone emerged muddy, happy to have completed their time underground and with an appreciation for the amazing cave formations/speleothems that they saw.

More Than Just Adventure

What shines through every camp and trip is that Outdoor Education at NPGHS is about more than just fun activities. It's about courage, resilience, leadership, and discovering that you can achieve more than you thought possible. Whether soaring on a flying kiwi, standing on top of a snow-covered ridge, or paddling across a lake, our students continue to show that the outdoors is where confidence grows and lifelong friendships are made.

Here's to another year of challenges, growth, and adventures in the outdoors at NPGHS!

Karl Domeracki

Outdoor Education Coordinator

*Preparing to cave,
near Mahoenui*



*Finding the way
to Skyline gallery*



ABL activities at TOPEC



*Checking out the
speleothems in the cave*



Science

It has been another exciting and successful year for the science team.

A fitting quote for our science team this year is *“logic will get you from A to B. Imagination will take you everywhere”* – Albert Einstein. As in previous years, there have been additions to our curriculum and assessment which is not without its challenges. I would like to begin by acknowledging the dedication, skill and positivity of the science team. It is their hard work and commitment to our students that never ceases to amaze.

We farewelled Mr. Oliver Harris at the end of 2024 after a short stint with us. Oliver spent the year with us taking on the new challenge of teaching science and chemistry in New Zealand. He was a ‘hit’ with the students and staff alike! We were sad to see him leave however we understood the rationale, Oliver deciding to spend more time with his young family. We were lucky enough to have him back as science relief teacher.

With the departure of Oliver brought the excitement of a new teacher to be welcomed into the department. We were very pleased to welcome Mr. Daniel Ward. Dan, originally from Auckland, came to us from Hamilton as a biology specialist. With family connections to Taranaki, it was an exciting move for Daniel and his wife Jane. Daniel has been a ray of sunshine in the department. He has very generously shared his curriculum knowledge and I.T skills as well as quite a few jokes mixed in for good measure!

This year’s Taranaki Science and Technology Fair, proudly supported by The Elemental Group, lit up the region with a vibrant display of

scientific talent and imaginative thinking. The fair has become an inspiring platform where young innovators come together to explore, experiment, and share their discoveries.

From budding engineers to future tech trailblazers, students showcased projects that reflected not just technical skill, but a deep curiosity about the world around them. The Elemental Group, joined by a host of generous local sponsors, played a pivotal role in making the event possible—offering financial support and prizes that helped elevate the experience for participants. Their ongoing dedication to education and innovation continues to shape a future where science thrives in Taranaki.

This year our Robotics Group, led by Technology Leader, Risha Nath, had amazing success in the Battle Bots competition, with Risha and Amelia Ogle coming first place in an alliance with a Francis Douglas Memorial College student. With thanks to the University of Waikato for their mentorship and PowerCo for sponsorship of the robotics kits our young design engineers had great resources to work with. With the support of their build team Lily Khan & Maiy Ung, a little problem solving on-the-spot and some innovative ideas lead to their success.

Year 9 prize winners included Ayaka McKenzie, Matilda Randall, Susie Sandbrook, Zoufishan Syed (First Prize Technological Development).



Year 10 winners were Millie Ballandis, Alison Eustace, Ellie Jackson. Our year 10 quiz team who, competing against 7 other Taranaki schools, came a very close 2nd place. Ka pai Niah Ankale, Phoebe Duncan, Lilah Eagar and Abigail Williamson.

Prizewinners in Years 11-13 included Lucy Christian, Penelope Dixon, Annabelle Moore & Paige Wilson, Holly Robertson, Miri Sandbrook, Michelle Tan, Maiy Ung.



her continual support of the students that participated.

Mr Warwick Barker our Teacher in Charge of Animal and Plant Science organised two trips for our lucky Animal and Plant students this year. One trip was to Massey University, to expose students to a possible future in Agriculture/ Horticulture. The second was the ever-popular trip to the Mystery Creek Field Days. Unfortunately, due to a road closures, the students and Mr. Barker made it as far as Mōkau. Fingers crossed that next year the roads are wide open all the way to Mystery Creek. 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. Without the Trust's generosity many of the amazing projects and experiences would not be possible for our students.

The physics team were also out and about once again in 2025. 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. Rayna Kim was our representative from New Plymouth Girls' High School, along with two students from New Plymouth Boys' High.

The annual Engineering competition organised by Auckland University was yet again another great success with again, with many 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!

The Science and Maths week was another fun and exciting week. Our science student leader, Jessa Wells, organised an exciting week with elephant toothpaste and a paper plane competition. Congratulations to all the students that completed the required hours and were awarded their science badge this year, well done and keep up the great work.

We have had many different activities taking place including students entering the ICAS science competition, students gaining Science Trust award badges, Biology Olympiads and the entire Level 1 Science cohort taking a trip to Eltham's Rotokare scenic reserve to study out in the field the effects of introduced pests on our native species.

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.

Lastly a big thank you to our colleagues, the senior leadership team and the board of trustees for your on-going support.

Thank you to our parents and whānau for continuing to trust in us to provide your young people with an excellent science education.

Have a safe and happy summer break everyone.

Julia Stephens

Head of Science

Of special note were:

Monique Camden & Natalie Bailey gained a merit with their Investigation, many sponsor prizes and the Mason Charitable Trust Scholarship.

Maddi Hopkins continued her success at the Fair again this year, achieving Second in the Scientific Investigation and a sponsor prize.

Risha Nath gained First Prize in Technological Development, sponsor prizes and the Elemental Group top premier prize for Runner Up for Best in Fair.

A massive thank you to Donna Ainsworth for continuing to organise the Science Fair for our school and

New Zealand Young Physicist Tournament

This year the New Plymouth Huia, a NPGHS-NPBHS combined team are the 2025 NZYPT National champions. Rayna Kim, Year 13, along with Oliver Marsh, Year 13 and Charlie Herbert, Year 13 from NPBHS were the team members. 18 teams from across New Zealand attended the tournament held in March at Auckland Grammar School. The Huia team worked hard on challenging physics problems, preparing for 'Physics Matches' that consisted of a presentation of a solution and robust discussion against another team about the proposed solution. The Huia team impressed the jurors throughout the tournament and ended up with an impressive total to win!



Charlie Herbert,
Oliver Marsh and
Rayna Kim.

United Space School

Attending the United Space School in Houston was an incredible opportunity. It was a two-week programme where students from all over the world came together to learn about space exploration and design a mission to Mars, an experience that challenged me both academically and personally.

Our project involved planning everything from spacecraft design and crew safety to habitat development on Mars and sustainability. Collaborating with people from so many different backgrounds and cultures taught me the importance of communication, teamwork and valuing different perspectives.

Throughout the programme, we had the privilege of hearing from NASA engineers, scientists and astronauts. They shared their experiences and offered insight into the realities of working in the space industry. Listening to their stories made me realise how many opportunities exist within science and how essential teamwork and determination are in achieving success.

One of my favourite moments was visiting the Johnson Space Center and seeing real spacecraft up close. Standing beside rockets and learning about the history of human spaceflight was an unforgettable experience that made everything we had been studying feel real. Outside of Space School we also attended a baseball game which was a fun way to experience a bit



of American culture and bond with other students.

At the end of the programme, our team presented our mission plan to a panel of experts. It was nerve racking but also such a proud moment to see all our ideas and hard work come together.

This experience not only strengthened my knowledge in science and technology but also built my confidence to take on challenges outside my comfort zone. It encouraged me to think creatively, work collaboratively and trust in my ability to succeed.

Beyond the academic side, I formed friendships with students from many different countries. These connections made the experience even more memorable. Sharing cultures and stories reminded me how science can bring people together in unique and inspiring ways.

Attending the United Space School has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. It has encouraged me to keep exploring opportunities in STEM and to approach every challenge with curiosity, confidence and determination.

Aaliyah Anaha

Year 12



Social Sciences

The Social Sciences Department has had another dynamic and rewarding year, filled with change, achievement, and memorable experiences for both staff and students.

The year began with the welcome return of Dougal Hannan to the team in a fixed-term position and the return of Richard MacCallum in a permanent role. With growing student numbers, several staff embraced new challenges by teaching different subjects and levels, reflecting the department's adaptability and commitment. A renewed focus was placed on explicit teaching practices, with clear expectations, structured entry and exit routines, and increased scaffolding to support all learners.

The year also opened on a high note with excellent 2024 examination results. Our students gained strong NCEA outcomes and five Scholarships: two in Classical Studies awarded to Verya Kern and Hana Barton, two in Media Studies to Sydney Becker and Sophie Thomas, and one in Geography to Tasha Forest. At the same time, the department continued its emphasis on collaboration, reviewing the revised Level 1 course for a second year. This course equips students with knowledge and skills around culture, identity, beliefs, world events, and contemporary issues, while encouraging them to become engaged global citizens.

There were also staffing changes as Sophie Lamb went on maternity leave to welcome her second child, while John Rutherford joined us, making an immediate impact with his energy and fresh ideas.

Geography field trips were spread across the year. During Term

One, our Level 2 Geography class investigated the coastal processes at Back Beach and East End. This work provided valuable insights into the natural forces that have shaped the place we live in. Our Level 3 Geography students undertook self-directed research projects, supported by field trips to significant sites around New Plymouth to explore planning issues. Their topics ranged from river quality and traffic congestion points to the potential of solar panels and even the question of where the next football turf should be placed. Impressively, the latter project was sent to both Central Football and New Zealand Football, who commended the quality of the report. Congratulations to Harriet for her excellent work. In Term Three, it was the turn of the Level 1 class, who investigated the quality of water at various waterways across New Plymouth. They were supported by Sera Gibson (Ngāti Tawhirikura) and Stephen Carr (Taranaki Regional Council). This work combined culture and science, helping students present data while also highlighting the importance of Geography in understanding real-world issues and finding sustainable solutions.

At the end of Term Two we offered the trip to Cairns, where 20 students explored the Great Barrier Reef and the Daintree Rainforest. The week-long experience in tropical North Queensland was unforgettable and will return to the calendar in 2026. Planning has also begun for the 2027 Vietnam trip, which will be open to Year 12 and 13 Social Science students.

As we entered term Three, the pace of activities accelerated. Ms Rebecca Crowe successfully hosted and facilitated the Model United Nations, while our Year 11 Geography Matangi Whenua quiz team—comprising Sophie Bunn, Maheli Medagedara, and Jade Williams—represented the school at Francis Douglas Memorial College.



Matangi Whenua quiz team

Social Studies students in Years 11–13 carried out action projects ranging from fundraising to awareness campaigns, each group focusing on causes they felt passionate about.

In Economics, four senior students—Tahlia Chian, Sophie Irons, Emma Jackson, and Danielle Vickers—took part in the New Zealand Economics Competition at the University of Auckland. Tahlia achieved a distinction, while the others all received credit awards. Business Studies was also busy, with the Year 10 Market Day once again creating plenty of energy and enthusiasm around the school. Year 10 Business students participated in a three-day Business Challenge, showcasing their entrepreneurial flair.

In Social Studies, Year 10 students explored significant Taranaki Land Wars sites, and many were able to visit the museum to view original artefacts, including one

of the historic survey pegs.

Within the department, there was also cause for celebration as Dougal Hannan received his full registration and shared the exciting news that he and his partner, Katie, are expecting twins.

As we come to the end of the year, we acknowledge the changes that come with it. We warmly congratulate Kim Bellas on her new role as Head of Department at Inglewood High School and wish her every success in this exciting next chapter.

This year has also been shaped by the ongoing introduction of new curriculum frameworks and assessment qualifications. While these changes have been met with a mix of excitement and trepidation, our team has worked with professionalism and commitment to adapt, ensuring that our students are equipped with the knowledge and skills they need to thrive. I extend our gratitude to all teachers of the Social Sciences Department for their hard mahi, their openness to reflection, and their determination to continue improving our practice. Together, we are committed to meeting the diverse and growing needs of our students and preparing them for their future as active and thoughtful citizens.

Eddie Brown

Head of Department – Social Sciences

Model United Nations

This year we have once again had a great partnership with UN Youth and their team of experienced and enthusiastic volunteers, most of whom started out just like our students – by turning up to a Model UN event at school and giving it a go. Model UN gives students the opportunity to simulate what it's like to represent a country's interests, working with others to negotiate solutions to global issues. Model UN is for everyone, from the quieter student who loves learning about other countries and global issues, to the passionate negotiator who loves a good debate.

NPGHS hosted the UN Youth Declaration event in Term 1, where students from NPGHS and NPBHS worked together to create a statement of the issues that matter to the youth of Aotearoa New Zealand, for presentation at Parliament. We also hosted NgāmotuMUN in Term 3, the Taranaki regional Model UN event. This year we levelled up, with over 70 students participating from a range of schools, including a keen group who had travelled all the way from Patea Area School. Our NPGHS students showed awesome manaakitanga to our visitors, and it was exciting to see so many students experiencing the fun of this event for the first time. There were some great debates, and world peace was maintained – at least in this room full of thoughtful and co-operative young people.

One of the best things about Model UN is that its student led. This year we've had a great

group of students who have stepped up to run some lunchtime activities, sharing their experiences as Model UN representatives, and facilitating quick-fire debates. A massive thank you to everyone who participate in Model UN group this year, and I'm looking forward to even more people getting involved in 2026!

Mooting

This year the fantastic trio of Kayley Clark, Poppy Barnes and Jade Huffam put themselves forward to participate in the Waikato University Secondary Schools Mooting Competition. It's been several years since a team from NPGHS has entered, so these students were stepping into the unknown, and showing courage and confidence along the way.

Mooting involves simulating a courtroom environment, where students need to represent their 'client' and present an argument in front of a 'judge'. They need to understand the law and past court decisions, argue convincingly, answer questions, and respond to the opposing side, all while observing elements of real-life court protocol. Mooting is a great opportunity to build confidence and team-work skills.



Poppy Barnes, Kayley Clark and Jade Huffman

Kayley, Poppy and Jade did an outstanding job in their preparation, including hours of reading documents and practising their presentations (involving some hilarious outtakes). All this hard work was evident in the calm and thoughtful way they participated in their two rounds of mooting against teams from other schools. They impressed the judges - and probably intimidated the competition - and demonstrated wonderful support for each other as they grew in confidence throughout the process. Hopefully there will be more students willing to step outside their comfort zone and give mooting a go in future years, with Kayley, Poppy and Jade to look up to.

Rebecca Crowe

Model UN Teacher Coordinator
and Mooting Teacher Mentor

YES Business Challenge

A group of 20 students from New Plymouth Girls' High School recently participated in the prestigious YES Business Challenge 2025, hosted in Taranaki. Competing against 80 students from five schools across the region.

The competition tasked students with developing innovative business solutions to address critical modern sustainability issues, including ensuring environmental sustainability and repair. Our students demonstrated exceptional creativity, collaboration, and problem-solving skills, showcasing their ability to apply theoretical business knowledge to practical, real-world agricultural challenges.

This remarkable achievement highlights the ingenuity and dedication of our students, affirming their readiness to lead the way in sustainable business innovations. We are incredibly proud of their accomplishments and look forward to seeing them continue to excel in future endeavours.

The overall winners were DigiTech led by NPGHS's Marli Burton, Isla Donaldson and Ellie Dunn. Awesome job!

Great Barrier Reef Trip

A student's view

On the 26th of June 2025, a group of Level One Geography students left to go on a trip to Cairns, Australia.

After a rough start, with plane cancellations, a bus ride to Auckland and a night spent in Christchurch, we arrived in Cairns the next day. The first activity we did upon arrival was the famous Cairns sky rail. This 7.5-kilometre gondola took us high over the rainforest and was the perfect start to our journey.

The next morning, overnight bags were packed, and we headed out to our first activity of the day. After a trip to the fruit markets, we got to take an incredible boardwalk stroll through the mangroves, which are an incredible ecosystem dating back roughly 75 million years. Our next stop was the crocodile park. Here we got to see some classic Australian animals such as snakes, koalas, cassowaries, wallabies and of course, the crocodiles, who



happened to have some wicked names (my favourite being Psycho, Fluffy and Norman). Our final stop before making it to our rainforest accommodation was a swimming hole. The water was freezing but crystal clear and the perfect cool off after a busy day.

After waking up in the forest (and seeing some scarily large spiders) we went to the Daintree Discovery Centre which had an insane 25-metre platform above the rainforest. The last stop of the day was the Mossman Gorge where we got to learn all about how the Aboriginal people use the rainforest.

The next trip out was to Fitzroy Island for some snorkelling and a visit to the turtle rehabilitation centre. Off the island we saw plenty of turtles, fish and even a shark, and we took part in some citizen science tracking the colours of coral.

The next day however was a highlight for many. After a two-hour boat trip out to the reef we made it to an overnight boat. While floating over the reef we enjoyed scuba diving, snorkelling among the range of marine life (some got too excited and went too far) and even Mario cart.

This trip over all was an incredible experience that gave us so many treasurable memories and friendships.

Elizabeth Catty

Year 11

Great Barrier Reef Trip



Technology

Digital Technology

2025 has been another busy year, and our digital technology students have continued to create amazing outcomes across all levels of the subject. This year, we've made a big leap forward with the introduction of the new Technology badge, led by Risha Nath, who has done a fantastic job of raising the profile of our digital programs. She has been instrumental in bringing in guest speakers, organizing our robotic entries into the Taranaki Science Fair, and running digital competitions with cash prizes, thanks to the generous support of Powerco and OMV.

This year the Year 13 students undertook an independent project to generate a digital media outcome. Projects have included a geography game, a peer tutoring app, and various animations.

Year 12 students also undertook independent projects that saw a variety of outcomes from app developments for family chore assigning and tracking, to an anti-procrastination app.

Year 11 students started the year focused on Python programming. They then spent time learning GDevelop and game mechanics to then design and developed an online game.

Year 10 students have been studying a broad range of subjects, which entailed 3D modelling and animation. They then moved on to web development with HTML and CSS. Students also undertook game development, dabbled in Python, and finished the year by pursuing a student-led passion project.

Year 9 students undertake digital 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 Illustrator creating an avatar, and they have been working on creating a game.

Nick Bourterey

Teacher in Charge Digital Technology

Design and Visual Communication

Design and Visual Communication (DVC) is about communicating the design of our three-dimensional 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.

Thanks to sponsorship from Methanex we have purchased a 3D printer which has had extensive use and trialing. The Year 9 and 10 students particularly enjoyed designing and 3d printing of a personalized key tag. The Level 1 students used it to create and communicate their outdoor seating conceptual designs.

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 tiny-trailer-home.

The Level 1 students were well engaged in the designing of outdoor seating for the school with a focus on



SHE & Technology Club

Back Row: Alyssa Khay, Giuliana Inwood, Delilah Lindquist, Michelle Tan

3rd Row: Lily Kham, Olivia Prestidge, Diya Barthi, Amelia Prestidge, Ruth Lanan, Rivani Arunachellam, Piera Parkinson

2nd Row: Amelia Ogle, Emilee Venables-Zhou, Orenia Williams, Rebecca Surgenor, Sacha Aves, Laya Rajaneesh

Front Row: Angelina Lim, Rory Anderson, Maiy Ung, Risha Nath, Simar Cheema, Jennifer Le, Jamila Nerit



the students design and customizing a desk design for themselves or a specific location and users.

The Level 3 class had a 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 students' choosing to submit their portfolios for DVC scholarship assessment.



Craig Thomas

Head of Department - Technology

Design Technology

It has been a busy and creative year in Design Technology (DET). Students have demonstrated a deep level of commitment to learn new techniques applied to a range of materials, working hard at all levels to design and make products responding to a range of design briefs.

Year 9 students have one term in DET. After learning what the Technological Process is and learning key skills to work safely and creatively, they respond to design briefs in both metal and wood. This year they started by designing and making a bag tag or zip pull in aluminium using hammers and punches, then moving on to working with copper. Following this, they made a small wooden box to contain the bangle.

Year 10 students have had a great year exploring in more depth,

a range of design concepts and materials. Starting with learning about casting pewter in a mould. They developed designs for, and made, pendants, sometimes incorporating different materials such as Perspex. Following this essential woodworking skills were developed by making a wooden treasure box with dividers or a tray and using finger joints which require accuracy. Term 3 saw them developing understanding for a much more complex project in which they design and make a mechanical toy or automata.

Level 1 developed an outcome to mark a celebration of their choice. They had to explore materials and techniques to achieve this. Olive Prestidge made the paper and constructed a beautiful celebratory book, while Penny Edmonds made an ANZAC wreath of copper poppies and Harshal Nand an incense fountain for Diwali, amongst other interesting solutions. Their second project was to explore storage, and again a wide range of interesting outcomes were developed.

Level 2 had a more prescribed scheme of work, following a plan

our students' use and connections, 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 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. A furniture product design project had



to make either an item of hollow jewellery or a wooden festival seat. Following this they developed their own designs responding to a brief for a gift, making items such as shelving, jewellery and games.

Both Level 3 students this year focused on jewellery, starting with a silver ring with a bezel set moonstone and then a more complex piece.

It has been fun this year working with so many creative and innovative students.

Sally Laing

Design Technology Teacher

Textiles

I have been inspired by the creativity, innovation, technical skill and perseverance shown in Textiles Technology this year.

Year 9 students began their textiles journey by designing and sewing colourful patchwork cushions. This project introduced them to essential sewing techniques while allowing them to experiment with bold fabrics and creative design choices.

Year 10 students developed their technical skills by sewing pyjama pants, sweatshirts, and tote bags. Each item was personalised with surface design features such as appliqué, embroidery, and screen printing. A highlight was the opportunity to create stencils created with the Brother Scan and Cut machine—funded through the generous support of Methanex.

Level 1 students experimented with materials to design and sew a range of practical storage items. The Identity Project highlighted the students' growing confidence and

skills. Cosmetic pouches, laptop device cases, skirts, jumpsuits, childrenswear, dresses and costumes were all designed, successfully sewn and then used or worn in the intended context.

Level 2 students demonstrated advanced skills by constructing Tailored Shirts and designing their own original Skirt or Pants patterns. This required precision, creativity, and problem-solving. The Sustainable Fashion project generated a wonderful collection of assorted garments and textile items for a range of purposes eg. Fleece jacket, summer dress, bathrobe, soft toy, hoodies with applied designs.

Level 3 students harnessed the skills they have developed over four years of study in Textiles Technology. Their projects ranged from custom made Pants to elegant formal Dresses. These garments showcased both technical mastery and a personal design vision, making them a fitting conclusion to their Textiles Technology journey.

Congratulations to all our students for their unique accomplishments in Textiles Technology. Many thanks to Jackie Crawford for starting some of our Year 9 students on their sewing journey.

Colleen Horne

Textiles Technology Teacher



Swimming Sports

SENIOR CHAMPION:

Claudia Brock

RUNNER-UP:

Madeline Hobo

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION:

Emma Icton

RUNNER-UP:

Lily Hill

JUNIOR CHAMPION:

Lilah Eager

RUNNER-UP:

Amber Corkin

DAY GIRLS vs BOARDERS:

1st Boarders

DAY GIRLS vs BOARDER CHANT:

1st Boarders

WAKA HUIA RESULTS

WAKA HUIA ENTRY TO THE POOL:

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

WAKA HUIA TUBE RELAY:

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

WAKA HUIA SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING:

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

CHANT

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

WAKA HUIA RELAYS:

JUNIOR

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

SENIOR

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

FINAL WAKA HUIA RESULTS:

1st Aotea 829 pts
2nd Tainui 796 pts
3rd Kurahaupo 779 pts
4th Tokomaru 613 pts





Sporting Achievements



Swimming

The 2025 Apollo Projects Division II Swimming Competition was held from March 21–23 at the National Aquatic Centre in Auckland.

The event brought together swimmers from all over New Zealand, giving them the chance to compete, improve, and have fun racing against new people.

Over the three days, swimmers raced in everything from freestyle and backstroke to butterfly and relays. The atmosphere was busy and exciting, with teammates cheering each other on and plenty of close finishes.

The New Plymouth Girls High School girls raced fast and well, breaking Taranaki records in the mixed 16 and over 4x50 medley relay and the mixed 4x50 freestyle relay. And also the 15 and under mixed 4x50 freestyle relay.

Overall, Division II was a huge success, full of energy, personal bests, and positive team spirit.

New Zealand Age Group Swimming Championships

Congratulations to Kaia Prince, Emma Icton, Lily Hill and Payton Kolevski who had a great time competing at the New Zealand Age

Group Swimming Championships in Hawkes Bay.

Kaia qualified for the 100m & 200m Backstroke for 13yr Girls and finished 12th in 100m and 18th in 200m.

Lily qualified for the 50m freestyle, 100m Backstroke, and 200m Individual Medley, for 14yr Girls. Lily finished 15th in 50m freestyle, 17th in 100m Backstroke and 22nd in 200m Individual Medley.

Payton qualified for 50m & 100m Backstroke in 14yr Girls, finishing 20th in 100m Backstroke and 17th in 50m Backstroke.

Emma qualified for the 50m, 100m & 200m Breaststroke for 15yr Girls. Emma made two finals and swam some great personal best times finishing 8th in 100m, 9th in 200m, and 13th for 50m.

Just qualifying for this event put them in the top 25 of their age groups for New Zealand and they all swam really well and came away with some great personal best long course swim times!

The 2025 NZ Secondary Schools Open Water Swimming Championships

This event took place on March 29 at Blue Lake, Rotorua, during the Legend of the Lake event.

This competition brought together top secondary school swimmers from across New Zealand to compete in various open water distances.

The event featured races ranging from 500m to 3.5km, with

athletes competing in individual events, displaying their endurance and technique in the Blue Lake. The championships provided a platform for swimmers to gain experience and qualify for higher-level competitions.

The 2025 championships were part of a series of open water events organized by Swimming New Zealand, aimed at promoting the sport and providing competitive opportunities for young swimmers.

The two New Plymouth Girls' High School girls at the event raced in a range of different races and both successfully got their personal best times. They both also placed within the top ten of their age groups.

Overall, the 2025 NZ Secondary Schools Open Water Swimming Championships were a success, highlighting the talent and dedication of New Zealand's young swimmers in the open water discipline.



*Swimming
Kaia Prince, Claudia Brock*



Kaia Prince, Emma Icton, Lily Hill and Payton Kolevski

Surf Lifesaving

Nationals

From March 6-8, the Surf Life Saving NZ Nationals took place in Gisborne.

Despite the challenging conditions, with relentless wind and rain causing multiple event delays and uncertainty, the competition was ultimately a great success for me. With another season underway, I competed in the U17 category in sprints and flags, as well as racing up in the Open age group for sprints. In the U17 sprints, I qualified for the finals, arriving at the start line both excited and nervous. It was a very tight race which ended in me practically diving over the line, and through this commitment I was able to secure a gold in the sprint final. That gold was one of the definite highlights of nationals, but racing in the open category also gave me valuable exposure to experienced competitors and a higher level of racing. The next day I competed in the U17 beach flags. Flags is an exciting event to watch as it is to compete in, however; it also works up a whole lot of nerves. I stayed calm and collected, trying to focus on the controllables, and by diving round after round, I progressed to the final, racing against one other competitor. The whistle went, and I exploded off the sand with power and speed, with eyes locked on the flag. I managed to get a stride ahead of my opponent and claimed

second gold in the beach flags. Through my successes I was named into the Junior Black Fins where I'll compete for the fern in beach flags and sprints against 7 other countries from November 27-30, 2025. SLS nationals was a great experience and through determination I have had the opportunity to race against some of the best U19 in my discipline.

Charlize Duncan

Year 12

Charlize Duncan



Midway Surf Rescue
Community Hub



1st XI Cricket

The NPGHS 1st XI Cricket team has had a successful and memorable year.

After farewelling several key players at the end of 2024, the year began with a period of rebuilding. Fortunately, a group of talented juniors stepped up, bringing fresh energy and helping elevate the team's performance.

Term 1 saw the team compete in a range of competitions, including the Kotahitanga Trophy, the Aimee Watkins Secondary School Girls 1st XI tournament, our interschool exchange with Whanganui Collegiate, and the regular Saturday TimberCo Junior Secondary Schools Competition.

A major highlight of the season was the Central Districts Qualifiers for the NZC First XI Cup, held in Whanganui. Over three days, the team faced off against PNGH, Wairarapa College, Woodford House, St Matthew's, and SHGC. After a series of tough matches, NPGHS finished a proud third overall which is a fantastic result against strong competition. The team enjoyed playing against talented opponents from across the Central Districts region and are grateful to the CD Cricket Association for organising such an enjoyable event.

Individual highlights from the qualifiers included:

vs Woodford House – Evie Ander: 75* (56 balls)

vs Woodford House – McKenzie Zame: 5/11

vs St Matthew's – Zoe Miller: 59* (60 balls)

In the TimberCo Junior Secondary Schools Competition, the team showed consistency and determination throughout the season, ultimately going on to win the league. After seven weeks of strong performances, NPGHS faced FDMC in the final, taking out the match by 62 runs with a final score of 6/222.

Standout performances in the TimberCo competition included:

vs NPBHS Donnellys – Maddie MacKenzie: 4/13 (including a hat-trick)

vs FDMC Blue – Kiara Scott: 64* (68 balls)

vs NPBHS Donnellys – Zoe Miller: 54 (71 balls)

vs SHGC Hinds – Evie Ander: 59 (87 balls)

As we headed into Term 4, several players represented NPGHS in a Taranaki Secondary Schools team that played at a Hawke's Bay warm-up tournament, gaining valuable experience and strengthening connections with players from across the region.

As the season ends, we farewell four key members of the squad: Charlotte Blackmore, Maddie MacKenzie, Diya Menon, and Zoe Miller. Each has contributed countless hours of commitment, leadership, and skill to NPGHS Cricket over the years, and their impact will be remembered by teammates both past and present. We wish them all the best for the future.

A huge thank you goes to Jessie Hollard, whose expert coaching, enthusiasm, and kindness has been so valuable this year. We also extend our thanks to Duncan Scott for his excellent management and organisation, ensuring everything ran smoothly. A special mention to our captain, Charlotte Blackmore, whose leadership and positive energy kept the team united and motivated. Finally, thank you to all the parents and caregivers who supported the team through transport, scoring, umpiring, and endless sideline encouragement. We couldn't have done it without you.

We look forward to an exciting summer filled with plenty of cricket, helping us prepare for another strong season in 2026.

Melody Gordon

Year 13



Year 13s in 1st XI Cricket



Whanganui Tournament



Winning the TimberCo Junior SS Competition



Cricket 1stXI

Back Row: Greer Parkes, Maddie MacKenzie, Emily Hagan, Melody Gordon

2nd Row: Zoe Miller, Sophie van den Brand, Tayla Zame, Alexi O'Byrne, Isla Edmonds, Evie Ander

Front Row: Kiara Scott, McKenzie Zame, Charlotte Blackmore, Ella Wanahi, Diya Menon

Absent: Olivia Kilgour

Senior A Volleyball

What a season it has been!

Since 2024, our New Plymouth Girls' High School Volleyball team has been training hard for Senior Secondary School Nationals. Our hard work and commitment truly paid off at regionals, where we had our first ever proper games together. With every game at regionals, we could clearly see the teamwork, skill and resilience grow stronger, and we even won all our matches! This was such an incredible achievement for us, especially since this team was brand new! Winning regionals earned us the highest Taranaki seed for the girl's division 1/2 for Senior Secondary School Nationals. It was a proud moment for everyone involved, knowing that our dedication had put us among the best teams in the country.

Heading away to Senior Secondary School Nationals in Palmerston North, the energy and excitement were high! We knew we'd be facing some tough competition especially with our first game being against Rangitoto (who won the whole tournament last year). Despite this, throughout the time there, every game challenged us to step up. Each game we got better, trust grew, and we pushed past the fatigue of the 5-day tournament. We had many tight rallies, ups and downs, but despite this we are so proud of how the team responded to everything. Nationals showed us how strong our connection was as a team.

We fought hard for a division 1 spot, coming incredibly close in a tense, hard fought game that could've gone either way. Although we just missed out in the 5th set of the game, we were still so excited we were still in the top 2 divisions of the tournament. Being put down

to division 2 didn't stop us. We kept our spirits high, gave it everything we had, and played with pride to the very end.

What we found really stood out to us this season was the energy that carried us through every match. Whether we were celebrating a rally, pancaking for a save, or cheerleading for each other from the sidelines, we never stopped backing one another. That unity is hard to find in many teams, and it became our biggest strength. Even in the tough moments, we played with heart and represented not only our school but Taranaki with pride.

Building a new rhythm for the fresh team was tough, but our coach was an absolute champ! She helped us build communication, hustle and trust and seeing the progression over the months was amazing. Every player gave it their all and the growth has been huge in not only our skills, but in our confidence and teamwork.

This season has been one to remember. Many lessons, laughter, and moments have been learnt and treasured. We are proud to have maintained our position in division 1/2, setting a strong start for next year's team. To the players stepping up next season, we wish you the very best of luck! Keep the energy high, back each other, fight hard for every point, and continue to make New Plymouth Girls' High School proud.

Lila Corral

Year 13





Volleyball Senior Premier

Back Row: Tatyana Ibarra-Antioquia, Celestial Roberts, Emma Hale, Melanie Avery, Aimee Antioquia (Coach)

Front Row: Holle Marriner, Hazel McLeod, Madeleine Leeks, Lila Corral, Iveti Nau

Absent: Caitlyn Lucmayon

Tennis

There are five main Tennis clubs in New Plymouth: Pukekura, Huatoki, Rotokare, Waiwaka, and Ōakura - each offering a range of coaching options from group lessons to private training and squad sessions. The tennis season kicks off in summer, with regular competitions held on Fridays or Saturdays depending on the level of play.

NPGHS has a passionate group of keen tennis players who love getting out on the court. This year, the TSSSA Tennis Day was hosted at Pukekura Tennis Club and saw some great performances from our girls. Huatoki hosted the non-competitive girl's competition which had a record-breaking attendance. Many of our players are also involved beyond the court - helping on club committees and finding ways to get more young people engaged in the sport.

Allie Hopper and Viv Benton both shone as number one players for their age groups and proudly represented Taranaki in Wellington and in the NZ Secondary Schools Competition. Orenia Williams was selected to be on the Tennis NZ Athlete Leadership Committee and the Tennis NZ Youth Advisory Group.

Orenia Williams

Year 11

Tennis TSSSA Competitive

Back Row: Queenie McClutchie, Orenia Williams

Front Row: Elliott O'Keefe, Eva Dowdle, Ana Shlosberg

Absent: Viv Benton, Penny Edmonds, Allie Hooper, Payton Matenga, Reem Othman, Tazanna Reddy, Kate Roberts



Track & Field Results

Intermediate Champion
1st Naavah Jordan

Senior Champion
1st Jacquelyn Kowalewski

WAKA HUIA RELAY RESULTS

Waka Relay - Junior

	Placing	Points
Aotea	1	20
Kurahaupo	2	15
Tainui	3	10
Tokomaru	4	5

Waka Relay - Intermediate

	Placing	Points
Aotea	1	20
Kurahaupo	2	15
Tainui	3	10
Tokomaru	4	5

Waka Relay - Senior

	Placing	Points
Aotea	3	10
Kurahaupo	1	20
Tainui	4	5
Tokomaru	2	15





NPGHS Cross Country

Senior Girls

1st Mia Padrutt 14m 38s
2nd Olivia Corin 15m 37s
3rd Scarlet Helms 15m 42s

Junior Girls

1st Lennox Dyer 12m 28s
2nd Lilah Eager 14m 01s
3rd Portia Mason 14m 34s

Year 9 Girls

1st Eve Cross 13m 21s
2nd Alba Goodin 14m 07s
3rd Amber Corkin 14m 25s



TSSSA Cross Country

Yr 9

2nd place Eve Cross
5th place Amber Haldane
6th place Alba Goodin

Junior Girls

1st Lennox Dyer
2nd Lilah Eager
4th Portia Mason

Senior Girls

1st Jacquelyn Kowalewski
7th Madeline Hobo
8th Anie Fisher

The TSSSA Cross Country event provided a once again challenging but successful day out for New Plymouth Girls High School. On a windy day and a tough course there

were some outstanding performances across all age groups from NPGHS. In the Year 9 Girls' race, Eve Cross managed to come away with second place. In both the Junior and Senior Girls' races NPGHS dominated with Lennox Dyer (Year 10) winning by over a minute and Lilah Eager (Year 10) coming in second place still well ahead of the rest of the field while in the Senior Girls' Jacquelyn Kowalewski (Year 13) stormed to the finish line taking out the win 48 seconds in front of the next competitor.

The cold overcast weather contributed to an awesome day of



tough competition as well as lots of fun and laughs had. As always, the NPGHS girls had a blast and I'm sure those who are returning next year will be ready to battle it out for the win once again.

Jacquelyn Kowalewski

Year 13

NZSS Cross Country

NZSS Cross Country Championships was once again a great event with awesome competition and racing. NPGHS had a small group of four head over to Whangarei to compete in the National competition. We had some awesome performances with Amber Haldane running hard in the Year 9 Girls' race, Lennox Dyer coming home with 19th in the Junior Girls' race, Jacquelyn Kowalewski battling home for 27th and Madeline Hobo finishing strong in the Senior Girls' race. The next day we had the relays where all four girls competed for Taranaki against the other regions. With some hard racing and tough competition as well as some amazing karaoke everyone had fun and took away some great racing experience. I'm sure that the girls that attend the NZSS Cross Country next year will come back ready to race hard again and fight for the title.

Jacquelyn Kowalewski

Year 13



Premier Netball

“Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.”

This year for the Premier Netball team we had a fun, competitive and eventful season. We had trials in February and from there trained hard for 8 months straight. Over the 8 months together, the team grew from individuals to a full unit in assistance with coaches; Vanessa Mason and Liahna Smith. Last season we lost six-Year 13s meaning there were only three previous premier players left in the team. NPGHS Premier Netball team is known for their strong and positive culture, so it was important that we kept this throughout our team even with brining in lots of new faces.

At the start of the season, we set our goals, and everyone agreed that team culture was highlighted throughout everyone’s answers therefore was our focus for the season. This including team bonding sessions, whanau getting involved and fundraisers as a team. By the end of the season, we all had a sister-like connection.

We had a strong start to the season being undefeated at the preseason tournament.

The girls showed commitment and dedication with countless trainings on Tuesday nights, early Wednesday morning fitness trainings, and yo-yo tests. Even when all three-Year 13s were out with injury, the passion we all have for the sport we love indicated that we never gave up and that is what got us through the season.

Player Highlights

Three NPGHS Premier players were selected for the Taranaki Secondary School Team: Kayley Stockwell, Holly Johnson and Jada Martin. 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. Holly Johnson was selected to attend the Pulse camp, which is a massive achievement. Many of the players in our team were selected to represent Netball Taranaki teams for the 2025 season: Stella Henwood, Amy Smith, Harper Leatuafi, Charley Wallace Hoskin, Cian Flannagan, Holly Johnson, Kaley Stockwell, Jada Martin, Aaliyah Anaha, Emily Cleaver, Molly Rukuwai.

Supporters

Throughout our journey this year, we had awesome support from so many. Our biggest supporters have always been our parents. They cheered us on at every game, provided rides to early morning

trainings and always encouraged us to be the best we could and always have fun. Their unwavering support made a huge difference in the success of our team. We also had great support from many of the past players, who would often come back and participate in morning trainings with us. Their experience and enthusiasm helped motivate us and remind us we are part of a strong school legacy. But most of all, the support from our coaches and managers was incredible. This season they were always patient and supportive, guiding us with encouragement and constructive feedback. Their knowledge of the game and their ability to alter their coaching ways to best suit our players was invaluable. They were not only our coaches, but mentors who inspired us to always be positive.

Lower Norths

Lower North Islands were nothing short of a new experience for many of our players, with it being a



Netball - Premier

Back Row: Danielle Tewhata, Santina Snooks, Stella Henwood, Kaley Stockwell

Front Row: Aaliyah Anaha, Holly Johnson, Harper Leatuafi, Jada Martin, Cian Flannagan

Absent: Taya Bailey, Amy Smith, Charley Wallacehoskin



first Lower Norths for over half of our team. It was amazing to see our team come together on the court and see the hard work put in throughout the season displayed on the court. It was a tough week at times, but our team pushed through, staying positive for each other. As leaders we thought our team stepped up as the week went on and everyone gradually found their confidence and rhythm on the court. It was cool to watch our team grow. Our overall results for the week, we won 5 of 10 games coming 13th overall in the lower north island. While the scoreboard only tells part of the story, the true success can be seen when reflecting on the connections, progress and development across our team. Our team developed immensely this year and we got to see so many players flourish into their own character. Each player embracing their role on the court and contributing to our team's spirit. And although the results were not always the best, there were many lessons and positive experiences to take away from our 2025 season. We're proud of how far the team has come and excited for what the future holds. Here's to the girls next sporting chapter. Thank you for an unforgettable season filled with growth, laughter, and resilience - we are so proud to have shared this journey with you all.

**Harper Leatuafi,
Stella Henwood, and
Amy Smith**

Year 13

Season Highlights

Once again we had a high number of teams take the courts for 2025, 30 in total.

There is a lot of work to get this many teams organised and we appreciate the students who committed to their NPGHS teams for the whole season.

We would like to thank all the Coaches, Umpires, Managers and parents who volunteered regularly through the season. The time you give is very much appreciated.

A special mention to Karen Eliason as she continues to share her netball umpiring expertise with our school netball community. Thank you!

Satellite Netball Section Winners:

Senior Section 5: NPGHS 9A

Senior Section 6: NPGHS 10B

Youth Section 2: NPGHS Kakapo

Youth Section 3: NPGHS Pinky Pies

Youth Section 6: NPGHS Wekas

Satellite Closing Day Winners:

Senior Section 2: NPGHS 10A

Youth Section 5: NPGHS Pukekos

Congratulations to these teams for a great season.

Netball Taranaki Representative Players:

U18 Cian Flannigan, Stella Henwood, Holly Johnson, Harper Leatuafi, Amy Smith, Santina Snooks, Charley Wallacehoskin.

U16 Jada Martin, Harper Sutherland, Kaley Stockwell, Aaliyah Anaha, Molly Rukuwai.

U16 Development Danielle Cooper, Ruby Horgan, Lily Williams, Peyton Hancock.

U14 Irie Awahou, Emily Cleaver, Alba Goodin, Hunter Ngaia, Riley Rei-Hoskin, Shae Scrivener.

U14 Development Kymahni Commerer, Tiana Takie.

Well done to the following students who won Netball Taranaki Awards for the 2025 season:

U18 Team Player Harper Leatuafi

U16 MVP Jada Martin

U16 Dev Team Player Peyton Hancock

U14 MVP Irie Awahou

Netball Senior A

The Senior A Netball team had a great season showing strong teamwork, determination, and resilience throughout the year. With a strong start to the season and some setbacks along the way such as injuries and losing players the whole team demonstrated their dedication and positivity to keep working hard. We spent the season in the Senior Division 2 of the New Plymouth Satellite Comp where we came up against some really tough teams and had some awesome wins. We also competed in both the TSSSA competition where we placed 2nd and the Stratford Senior A comp Pool B which we took out. Some other highlights over the season were our wins against Palmerston North Girls' and the Australian Touring team.

On top of these great achievements our team built a great culture where we showed unity, sportsmanship and commitment. We represented NPGHS with pride at every game and showed enthusiasm

and support at all trainings and games. A special recognition also goes to our amazing coach Taela Brown and manager Lynley Martin who showed leadership, guidance and helped the whole team achieve both personal and collective goals. The team could not have done it without them as well as everyone else who helped throughout the season. Overall, our team is proud of what we accomplished and can't wait for what lies ahead.

Isla Twigley

Year 13

Netball 11A

This year, my team mostly remained with the same people as in previous years, with familiar faces continuing to play together.

This year was filled with lots of dedication, hard work, and outstanding team spirit. From the first training session to the final whistle of our last game, every

player brought their best to the court, showing their growth both individually and as a team. We faced strong competition throughout the season, whether it was a close game that tested our teamwork or a commanding win that boosted our confidence, each match added to our development and our connection within the team.

Our attack was sharp and dynamic, moving the ball to creating countless scoring opportunities. defence, our players showed consistency and determination, getting hungry for the ball as they shut down opponents and turn over possession. The mid-court players connected both ends of the court seamlessly, demonstrating great fitness and skill. More than just our gameplay, it was our encouragement, commitment to improving week to week and the laughter we shared off the court, in trainings and even well doing planks. Coached with passion, we trained hard and supported one another through highs and lows.

Halfway through the season, we faced some challenges when a few players left from our team. Although this was a setback, it didn't stop us from giving our best in every game. We adapted, pulled together as a group, and continued to enjoy every part of the experience. Despite the changes, the fun and energy never left the team.

This year has been a fun journey for me and my team, full of memorable moments.

Ruby Tipene

Year 11



Netball - Senior A

Back Row: Molly Rukuwai, Ruby Horgan, Enya Burger, Taela Kiri-Brown (Coach)

Front Row: Penny Edmonds, Peyton Hancock, Harper Sutherland, Isla Twigley, Esther Poching

Absent: Emily Cleaver



Netball - 11A

Back Row: Camdyn Johnson, Hazel McLeod, Trelise Riddell, Summah Ritchie

Front Row: Frankie Walker, Zaria Jones, Ryder Wipatene, Ruby Tipene, Charlise Fisher

Netball 10A

Kia ora whānau,

What an incredible year it has been for the New Plymouth Girls' High School 10A Netball Team!

From tournaments to inter-school exchanges, our team mates have shown dedication, skill, and school pride every step of the way. This season has been full of memorable moments, strong performances from ever individual, and well-earned achievements.

Season Highlights

The 2025 season was packed with success:

Major Achievements:

- Winners of the 2025 Taranaki Secondary Schools Junior Netball Tournament
- Third place at the Manawatu Junior Netball Tournament
- Third equal in the NPGHS Satellite Section 3 Senior Competition
- Won exchange matches:
- Against Whanganui and Palmerston North

A huge thank you to our coaches Kirsty Miller and Karina Lewis for their dedication, guidance, and

encouragement all season.

Thank you also to parents, whānau, and supporters for cheering, driving, and being part of every moment.

Team Culture & Memories

This season wasn't just about the trophies — it was about the spirit of 10A. As players consistently supported each other, on and off the court.

Our team was always filled with laughter and smiles. Trainings were always something we looked forward to and enjoyed. Our team was filled

with competitive players to all drills and games were not only fun but a challenge. After all we all wanted the best for our teammates and wanted to see them improve. We can't wait to see how far our teammates are going to make it in these following years !!

Sinead Twigley and Danielle Cooper

Year 10



Netball - 10A

Back Row: Madi Drinkwater

2nd Row: Lily Williams, Sinead Twigley, Peyton Tai, Cayla Nell

Front Row: Simone Cameron, Lucia Miller, Danielle Cooper, Lily Hill, Jaimee Ramage

Hockey

The 2025 school hockey season was one for the history books, packed with competition, camaraderie, and milestone moments that will be remembered for years to come.

We kicked off the year with a strong start, sending two teams away to ANZAC tournaments hosted by St Cuthbert's College and St Paul's Collegiate. These tournaments offered more than just a chance to play; they gave our girls valuable experience early in the season, setting the tone for what was to come. A senior team was sent to St Cuthberts so the girls could prove to themselves they can compete with the best teams in the country. A development team went to St Pauls to gain invaluable experience competing against strong schools. The ANZAC tournaments also allow the teams to bond, on and off the turf, and were an ideal launchpad for our season ahead.

Taking a new approach this year, we entered two competitive teams the Honey Sticks and the Hive Hustlers into the top School Hockey competition. This move created opportunities for a greater number of our players to experience high-level school hockey. Both teams rose to the challenge, showing skill, determination, teamwork whilst teaching resilience throughout the season. Their efforts culminated in a thrilling all NPGHS school final, with the Hive Hustlers edging out the Honey Sticks in what was a fiercely contested match. A win for the Hive Hustlers, and truly a positive step for our school hockey programme.

Over the course of the year, we also enjoyed competitive exchanges against other strong hockey schools. We had a win over Whanganui



Hockey Fed Cup

Back Row: Georgia Theodore, Milla Lash, Mia Padrutt, Natalie Withers, Charlize Duncan, Portia Mason
2nd Row: Hilary Barron (Coach), Luise Burckhardt, Darcy O'Sullivan, Sophia Drake, Georgia Luscombe, Leah Luscombe, Kelly Sutherland (Coach), Myana Bucka-Christensen
Front Row: Ella James, Heidi Albon, Keira Hide, Estelle Monk, Casey Drake, Jacquelyn Kowalewski
Absent: Lexi White

Collegiate early in the season and mixed up our teams to play a touring Argentinian side. While we went down to Palmerston North Girls' High School (PNGHS), the match provided invaluable lessons. We bounced back with a win over St Peter's, continuing to grow as a unit. These fixtures gave the team experience and a broader perspective on school hockey at a national level.

Alongside the school competition, our players also compete under the New Plymouth Old Boys (NPOB) Club umbrella in the local club competition. The NPOB Black team dominated the club competition, scored more goals than any other team, and earned a well-deserved, commanding win (5-0) in the final, winning the competition for the first time in school history. This achievement reflects the strength and depth of our hockey programme. Throughout the season, we had players and coaches from other clubs complementing our girls, not just on their pace and style of play, but on how enjoyable they were to play against. We celebrated within our team 50 Black team caps for Heidi, Georgia T, Casey, Georgia L and Keira.

Once our Federation Cup squad was named, we shifted focus to preparing for the National Tournament. As part of our build-up, we attended the Central North Island Tournament in Whanganui at the start of Term 3. This weekend was hugely beneficial, not just for on-field combinations, but also for team culture and cohesion. Playing against a couple of school teams under tournament pressure gave us the perfect lead-in to Nationals.

Our pinnacle event for the year was the Federation Cup this year held in Wellington. We started well, topping our pool with impressive wins over Rangī Ruru Girls' School, Whangārei Girls' High School, and Feilding High School. The highlight being the night time shoot out under lights against Rangī Ruru, we won't forget that! Our cross-over game against Kristen School was hard-fought and intense, despite giving it everything, we narrowly lost. The next day we were up against PNGHS and having not let go of the result from the previous day we disappointingly lost this game too, pushing us into the 13-16th bracket. We knew we were better than that game and were determined to finish on a high. The team delivered some strong performances to defeat both

Taradale and Rangī Ruru (again), earning a credible 13th place finish in New Zealand. This result reflects the work ethic, commitment, and growth of the team over the season. Every player contributed, and we're proud of how far we've come.

A special mention must go to our representative players who competed in U15, U16, and U18 teams (There are too many to name!) We are also incredibly proud of Heidi Albon and Charlize Duncan, who were selected to attend the U18 Future Blacksticks programme.

We would like to extend a special thank you to Lee Lash for all her work as Manager over the year. We would also like to thank Sam Vincent for her 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 wider



squad and we are very lucky to be a part of it.

Finally, we say a heartfelt thank you to our Year 13 leavers, whose leadership, passion, and contribution over the years have continued to shape the culture of this team. Your legacy is more than just your skills on the field it's your support of younger players, your commitment to training, and your love for the game. You leave behind big shoes to fill.

As the season ends, we look back with pride and forward with excitement. Hockey at our school is thriving and it's thanks to every player, coach, supporter, and parent who's been part of the journey. Here's to building on this momentum in 2026.

Kelly Sutherland and Hilary Barron

Coaches

Congratulations to our NPGHS Senior A hockey team who won the Premier Women's club competition. Playing as NPOB Black they won the final 5-0 against NPOB White. We are very proud of their dominant performance and consistency over this season. It's the first time we've won the Premier Women's competition.

Taranaki Hockey Awards:

Casey Drake was named Taranaki U18 player of the year

Charlize Duncan was named Premier Grade top goal scorer

Hilary Barron & Kelly Sutherland (our Senior Coaches) were named Taranaki Coach of the year.

And special news - Heidi Albon & Charlize Duncan have been selected in the Future Blacksticks U18 Women's Squad. They will attend a camp in Auckland in October.



Hockey Junior A

This hockey season, the Junior A team worked hard and played incredibly well. We may not have won all our games, but we put in all our effort and had a fun season. We started off strong and ended on an even higher note.

One of the highlights of the season was going to exchanges and going against other schools. Everyone in the team was supportive and friendly not only on the turf, but in trainings and around the school. I enjoyed how we not only played at the Junior A team for NPGHS, but we played as the Old Boys club team in the women's league. The finals for club was an exciting game, everyone played well and although we lost, it was a great game to end the season. Not to mention Daisy was nominated for the Women's Player of the Year award and I received the Women's Top Goal Scorer for the season with 10 goals.

The team also showed improvement as the season went by, learning and perfecting skills and working together. Trainings were as good as the games themselves, everyone working hard and being friendly and supportive with each other which made games a lot more enjoyable.

Overall, there were some highs and lows, games that ended in injuries and losses, but the progress everyone made individually and as a group was substantial and this was probably my best season yet. I wish to thank everyone in the team and our coaches for an awesome season and best of luck for next season.

Amber Williams

Year 10



Hockey - Junior A

Back Row: Indi Mason, Marley McDowell, Ella Wanahi, Samia Ball, Natalie Corin

2nd Row: Lara Bertie (Manager), Narelle Wineera, Gabby Robinson, Ella Rauputu, Jorga Marchant, Alisa Ravji (Coach)

Front Row: Amber Williams, Daisy Lash, Alyssa Holdom, Georgia Dinnison, Hailey Duncan

Absent: Mackenzie Austin, Tayla Mitchell



Hockey Orange Junior B

This hockey season at New Plymouth Girls' High School has been one of the best experiences I've ever had. The biggest highlight for me wasn't just the games we played, but getting to know everyone on the team. We've built such a strong bond, and it's made every training and match so much fun. Playing alongside such supportive and talented girls has really boosted my confidence and love for the sport.

Every week, we pushed each other to improve while still keeping things light-hearted and full of laughter. Whether it was celebrating goals, cheering from the sideline, or joking around at practice, we always made sure to enjoy every moment. This hockey team has taught me the value of having fun no matter what the score is. I'm so grateful to be



Hockey - Orange Junior B

Back Row: Olivia Kilgour, Nina Manderson, Evie Ander, Noa Coetzer, Emma Creery

2nd Row: Kiera Johnstone (Coach), Greer Guthrie, Emily Hagan, Lucy Bajema, Isla Tubb, Kendra Jordan

Front Row: Giuliana Inwood, Piper Terry, Scarlet Knapman, Lani Johnstone, Emmanuelle Ashman, Lauren Gammon

Absent: Alice Butler, Eva Dowdle

part of this amazing NPGHS team and can't wait for next season!

Lani Johnstone

Year 9

A White Hockey

As a team, we had a challenging but rewarding season this year. We might not have won every game, but it's not always about winning. We faced some tough competition, especially against boys in our grade, but we kept our heads up and always gave our best effort to fight back in every match. Our teamwork, determination, and laughter on and off the turf made it a season to remember.

A big thank you to our coaches for taking the time to support and teach us throughout the season. From fun warm-ups to cheering each other on during games, we supported each other and kept a positive attitude no matter the score. Everyone improved so much in both skills and confidence, and we can't wait to keep building on what we've learned in the seasons to come.



Hockey Champ - A White

Back Row: Amber Willans, Emilee Venables-Zhou, Lily Powell, Amelia Ogle, Tessa Austin

2nd Row: Holle Marriner, Hannah Willemen, Eden Wiseman, Bella Ormsby, Heather Gatenby (Coach)

Front Row: Sophie Bettington, Emma Marchant, Maya Annane, Sarah Duncan, Queenie McClutchie

Absent: Liané De Bruyn, Ellie Lehmann, Payton Matenga

Queenie McClutchie

Year 12

Maya Annane

Year 13

Premier Basketball

The 2025 Premier Basketball season was filled with love, trainings, effort, and dedication.

It was a long journey, and together we experienced every emotion imaginable.

This season, on Wednesday nights, we once again competed in the New Plymouth Association Women's League against older and more experienced players. It was a great opportunity to push ourselves physically and mentally, and to execute and practice plays. It was an essential way for us to relearn how we all play individually and how we need to play together.

After many trainings and games, we headed to Regionals in Napier. This four-day tournament was a huge step up from our usual competition. Fast, intense, and demanding. We

quickly learned to adapt to the other teams' playing styles and discovered this was the level we'd need to reach for Nationals. We played with strength and together, even when a couple of us gained a small injury or two. Placing 3rd at Zone 3 regionals for the 4th year in a row, set us up for a couple of big weeks of trainings and commitment, to prepare us for Nationals.

Our hard work ethic and optimism lead us into nationals feeling ready but nervous. The 6 days at NZSS Nationals was long and tiring, just as it is every year. We started strong with a big win against St Peter's Cambridge, followed by a competitive game against STAC (St Andrew's Christchurch), where we held a strong half before losing momentum to their transition layups. The rest of the week was filled with hard-fought games, leading us to finish 13th overall. A big step up from last year and a huge improvement, jumping seven places. It was a solid

end to a long week, just a few spots shy of our goal. At Nationals, a standout moment was Year 12 player, Kahsia Bailey-Nowell finishing as the 5th top scorer of the entire tournament. A huge accomplishment for our young athlete, as at least 210 female basketball players attended.

Every year, several of our players represent Taranaki in age-group tournaments. A big congratulations to Lani Rova, Ruby Reesby, Matilda Bublitz and Kahsia Bailey-Nowell that represented Taranaki at U18 Nationals. Along with Jaimee Ramage and Lucia Miller representing Taranaki at U16 Nationals. Earlier this year Lani Rova, Matilda Bublitz and Kahsia Bailey-Nowell attended a New Zealand Basketball Trial, from this, Kahsia Bailey-Nowell was then selected to be in the New Zealand U17 Junior Tall Fern team. She will be going away to Samoa in December for the Oceania Cup. This is a huge achievement for our very own Point Guard, and proud is an understatement.

In addition, Matilda Bublitz, Kahsia Bailey-Nowell, Jordi Sands, Leah Dallinger-Moss and Macy Death represented NPGHS at NZSS 3x3 Nationals, placing 8th in the country. Another great opportunity for our girls to showcase their talents.

Throughout the season we grew quite close, evolving from teammates to sisters. Our strong team culture and love for each other, as well as the game, kept smiles on our face's majority of the season. We developed as players and as people, creating bonds for life and a family away from home. We were extremely fortunate to have David Bublitz and Bri Latavao



Basketball - Premier

Back Row: Lilly Naughton, Leah Dallinger-Moss, Matilda Bublitz, Jordi Sands, David Bublitz (Coach)

Front Row: Jaimee Ramage, Leilani Rova, Macy Death, Danielle Tewhata, Kahsia Bailey-Nowell

Absent: Libby Keenan, Ruby Reesby



Junior A Basketball

as coaches, once again. Both brought knowledge, effort, time, love and a passion for us to get better, making this year one of the best yet. Despite their hectic and busy personal lives, they never failed to show up ready to go. Their dedication and energy they put into us girls, didn't go unnoticed and taught us how much a couple of great coaches can shape a season. As well as Dave and Bri, we had our amazing manager, Holly Schrader. Holly also helped vastly to make the season memorable and smooth running. The hard work and love she put into the team was unmatched. She always had food on the table, advice to give, stories to tell and clean washing ready for us to wear. In addition to this Bri and Holly went over and above for the girls this season. Getting us numerous sponsors and support from the community, getting our team name out and about around town and building a whole platform for the NPGHS prems basketball team. They were superstars. Our gratitude and gratefulness towards them go beyond words, and they really have made this season unforgettable. Our parents and their unwavering support were also a huge part of our season. Their financial aid, time and presence always helped lift the vibes, accentuate the love and undoubtedly stood out.

This season was definitely one to remember with a lot of laughs, learning, cuddles and development amongst the girls. The focus point

of this season was to learn how to flow into the game and play with confidence- alongside with our team culture. A standout point of our team is our culture, so, saying goodbye to the Year 13s this year, was one of the hardest yet. Jordi Sands, Macy Death, Lani Rova and Leah Dallinger-Moss, a handful of us had played with them since mini-ball and U11 NPBA reps. Their presence and roles of being the 'older girls' has shaped the rest of us immensely into more than just the kind of players we want to be, but also the kind of people we want to be too.

In preparation for next season, will come with getting many shots up and skill trainings, fitness, and continuing to nurture the team culture we have built. We need to aim to always be improving, and we need to have growth mindsets in order for our NPGHS premier basketball team to be even more successful next season.

Matilda Bublitz

Year 13

This season was an amazing journey for the NPGHS Junior A Basketball team. Competing in both the New Plymouth Women's League and the Taranaki Secondary School League, saw us face a wide range of challenges, from experienced adult teams to talented school rivals.

The Women's League tested our strength and resilience every game, pushing us to lift our skills, work as a team, and teaching us to never give up even when it gets hard.

All that hard work paid off in the Taranaki Secondary School League where we played our best basketball, winning all our games and taking out the championship!

Being part of this team taught us so much about basketball thanks to our coach Grant. We also learnt about teamwork, discipline and staying positive. We pushed each other to be better every practice and every game. We trained hard, played hard, always gave our best and had lots of fun along the way.

Milla Walden

Year 9



Basketball - Junior A

Back Row: Rosie Porter, Lily Williams, Hunter Ngaia, Lucia Miller

Front Row: Harpa Olliver, Jaimee Ramage, Milla Walden, Paige Hancock, Keira Keig

Absent: Gemma Wannenburg

Football

This year we had 5 teams playing Football, and it was great to have lots of interest and participation in 2025.

Four teams competed in the Wednesday High School Girls' League and all four teams had enjoyable seasons.

Congratulations to the 2025 NPGHS Football award winners.

Junior A / Development:

MVP – Sam Hearn-Powers
Players Player – Kate Muller
Most Improved – Tilly Porter
Outstanding Goal Scorer – Azharia Martin

Bombacats:

MVP – Nala Singh
Players Player – Briar Tarrant
Most Improved – Daisy Paterson
Unsung Hero – Ruby Evans

Ninja Turtles:

MVP – Naomi Landreth
Players Player – Isabella Barrett
Most Improved – Petra Keith
Unsung Hero – Maddi Hopkins
Outstanding Goal Scorer – Naomi Landreth

Powerpuff Girls:

MVP – Quincy Robinson
Players Player – Claudia Brock
Most Improved – Emma Muir
Unsung Hero – Miro Amoore
Golden Boot – Quincy Robinson & Sophie Bettington

1st XI:

MVP – Jayla Stone
Players Player – Ella Third
Most Improved – Porsha Hinz

Supporter of the year Trophy – Mr Sam Moon

Future talent Golden Boot Trophy – Azharia Martin

Overall 1st XI Golden Boot Trophy – Abigail Williamson & Adele Keighley

Chubb trophy for defender of the year Trophy – Jayla Stone

Playmaker Trophy – Adele Keighley

Nationals MVP Trophy – Jayla Stone

Most dedicated to Fitness Trophy – Zoe Mackenzie

Arthor Dearden Memorial Shield – Ella Third

1st XI Football

After trials in Term 1, a talented squad of players were selected to represent the school in college fixtures, exchanges and tournaments. The team was coached by Andrew Moore and Kelly Read, with Vaughan Keighley as assistant coach and Ella Third captained the team. The 1st XI played many teams from around New Zealand and the results are listed below.

Whanganui Collegiate - 8-0 win;
Whanganui High School - 1-1 draw;
Otumotai College (who ended up 2nd in NZ in 2025) - 1-1 draw;
Hillcrest High School - 1-0 win;
Palmerston North Girls' - 3-0 win;
St Peters Cambridge - 0-0 draw;
Epsom Girls Grammer - 0-1 loss,
Sacred Heart Hamilton - 0-4 loss.

The NPGHS 1st XI Football Team had an incredible time at the 2025 National Premier Tournament in Taupo, finishing 15th in New Zealand. The team made it into the top 16 with a 2-1 win against Hillcrest High School, a 0-2 loss against Selwyn College and 1-1 draw against Napier Girls'. The team had Mt Maunganui in the crossovers,



Football 1st XI

Back Row: Lilah Eagar, Jayla Stone, Adele Keighley, Porsha Hinz

2nd Row: Andrew Moore (Coach), Bailee Egan-Gray, Charlotte Blackmore, Harriet Muller, Ella Staples, Lily Freeman, Marley Sampson, Vaughan Keighley (Coach)

Front Row: Ruby Smith, Zoe Miller, Sophie Magon, Ella Third, Abigail Williamson, Georgia MacRae, Zoe MacKenzie

Absent: Talia Hinz, Sasha Rasmussen

and the game was a tight battle, with the score locked up 1-1 for most of the game. Unfortunately, a late goal meant the team had a 1-2 loss. Our 1st XI came up against Wellington East and Auckland Dio in the next two games, and both games were against very tough opposition. Our girls played well but just couldn't score, and the two games ended up as 0-3 loss against Wellington East and a 0-4 loss against Auckland Dio. The final game was against Hutt Valley High School and the 2-1 victory meant the team finished 15th in New Zealand which was still a wonderful achievement.

2025 marks the final year for some long-standing members. Charlotte Blackmore, Lily Freeman, Georgia MacRae, Sophie Magon, Zoe Miller, Harriet Muller, Sasha Rasmussen, Ella Staples and Ella Third have all been involved in the 1st XI for a number of years, and as Year 13's, 2025 is the last year they will represent the school. All the best for the future.

Many thanks must go to the coaches Andrew Moore, Kelly Read and Vaughan Keighley. Also, big thanks needs to go to Dale Goldfinch who ensured the team was well looked after while away for the week.

Junior A / Development Football

It was a fantastic season again for the Junior A / Development football team and they had Robin Martin and Mr Karl Domeracki coaching them this year. The team consisted of junior players who are our future stars, as well as some experienced players who helped lead the group. The team took on some tough opposition including Inglewood High 1st XI, Opunake High 1st XI, Te Paepae O Aotea 1st XI, Waitara High 1st XI, as well as the NPGHS social teams who are always tough to play against.

Over the season, the team had many great victories, although the Waitara High School team this year were un-beatable. The team played some exciting football, scoring impressive goals and they were strong and determined on defence, finishing 2nd in the league. A highlight in the season was to get the chance to play against the Whanganui High School 2nd XI and Palmerston North Girls 2nd XI, and our Junior A / Development team beat both teams.

Bombacats, Power Puff Girls and Ninja Turtles Social teams

The three social teams had an enjoyable season. The Ninja Turtles team consisted of some experienced players who had been in the team for a few years, along with some new players who joined. The team had some great fun all year and had an enjoyable season. The team was coached and managed Mr Sam Moon, who both did a great job supporting the team, encouraging them and help organise them each week. The Power Puff Girls were a newly established team who were also coached and managed by Mr Sam Moon. The team improved immensely throughout the season. The Bombacats had lots of laughs, and the team had some great battles this season, including some wonderful victories. Most games for our social teams were close, and the teams always remained positive throughout the season.

Mr Chubb

Teacher in Charge - Football



Football - Junior A Development

Back Row: Kasie Sampson, Ruby Smith, Sam Hearn-Powers, Sanna MacKenzie, Charlee Chase

2nd Row: Edie Quinn, Tayla Zame, Camryn Chadwick, Abigail Williamson, Karl Domeracki (Coach)

Front Row: Tilly Porter, Kate Muller, Briar Price, Porsha Hinz, Katelyn Wang

Absent: Evelyn Cross, Lilah Eagar, Azharia Martin

Rugby

Our NPGHS rugby team had an amazing 2025 season, that included progress, determination, and unforgettable experiences both on and off the field. This year's season started a lot different to others with players dropping off and lack of commitment. But with the support of others the team bounced back.

Our players handled every game with bravery and dedication, pushing themselves to reach higher levels of performance while competing against a wide variety of teams throughout the north island. The girls put in a lot of effort over the season to improve teamwork as well as individual skills as each player improved their tackling, passing, and gameplay. The trainings were sometimes difficult but worth it. The girls had to face the obstacles that each game offered with

determination and bravery. After a few early-season losses, we began to question if we would even have a chance to get to the finals. We won the most important game against all odds, which then secured us a spot in the secondary school finals against Central. Although we did not win, the girls were happy with our progress from when the season began and that was the major highlight of our season.

Many friendships were built with respect for one another, hard work, and a love of the game. The team showed incredible teamwork and determination throughout the season. 2025 season was a rollercoaster of emotions, there were moments of pure joy, like the thrill of winning a game, and times of disappointment when the team came across a hard lose. The challenges were many, from injuries to facing hard opponents,

but the team never gave up, they showed resilience, always picking themselves up and learning from each game. The team's success wasn't just measured in wins and losses. It was also about the growth of each player, both on and off the field. Our coaches worked hard to help and develop skills among the players, encouraging us to do better and guiding us through the games.

This season taught everyone the importance of teamwork and the ability to bounce back from setbacks. The memories made, the lessons learnt, and the bonds that were made. Despite the ups and downs, the 2025 season was a testament to the teams' dedication, spirit, and the endless support they had from each other along with coaches and family.

Coco Tihema-Walsh

Year 11



Rugby U18

Back Row: Chasca Ripo, Harper Sutherland

3rd Row: Maddie Fenwick, Ella Leauga, Brodie Colson, Grace Clough, Faith Lokeni, Frankie Walker, Lili Herbert (Manager)

2nd Row: Chris Fenwick (Coach), Madie Quay, Tayah Gopperth, Ruby Horgan, Madi Drinkwater, Olivia Sifa, Livvie Fale, Dion Tihema (Coach)

Front Row: Aarnya Simpson, Skylar Gladding, Ruby Tipene, Coco Tihema-Walsh, Ruby Murdoch, Millah Mackenzie, Kayla Hori

Hillary Challenge

The Hillary Challenge is a five-day long competition held in Tongariro National Park where twelve of the top adventure racing teams from schools all around New Zealand come to battle it out for the win. Secondary school students put their bodies and minds to the test as they strive to finish and succeed in the Hillary challenge.

For the NPGHS/NPBHS a lot of training went into the preparation for the event with the team training three days a week together as well as our own training on the other days. These trainings consisted of early morning sprint trainings, problem solving activities, biking and paddling. Every Saturday consisted of a trip up onto Mount Taranaki where we would hike for over four hours.

During these trainings many laughs were had and memories were made. As a team we grew closer and stronger ready to take on the challenge, as individuals we also grew and developed into stronger more independent people.

With a large block of hard training under our belts, we headed over to the Hillary Pursuits Centre ready to face the Hillary Challenge. With a large number of nerves especially from our four teammates who had never been before, and some fantastic bright pink nails the team was ready for the challenge to start.

Days 1 and 2 consisted of 12 different 1-hour-long problem-solving activities that we had to complete by working strongly together as a team. Every team completed each activity at a different time, so we were completely in the dark with how other teams had done. The goal

for these two days was to get as many points as possible overall from each challenge that we completed. These challenges change every year and can consist of paddling skills, navigation, memory, biking, rope skills, golf putting, balance, search and rescue and survival skills. This year there were many cognitive challenges testing our brains as well as one that required pure physical fitness. We showed our high fitness levels by winning this challenge. After days 1 and 2 we were sitting in 5th place.

Going into expedition for days 3 and 4 there was much excitement floating around all the teams. Although the forecast was not looking great and the weather was letting us down, we were all still super pumped to get started on our hunt for the checkpoints. With a 4km walk to find our instructors we quickly collected Charlie our Hillary Outdoors instructor and in the strong over 100km/h winds we were off. Nearing the bottom of our first hill we had an unexpected incident one of our teammates was injured due to a nasty fall Olivia could no longer walk on her ankle.

A couple of hours spent in a Z-sac and a piggyback later we sadly had to wave goodbye to Olivia and continue with seven team members. Continuing, the team stayed positive as we picked up some checkpoints along the way, then came the call that we would no longer be staying on the mountain overnight. Finishing that day at 5pm we were then driven back to the Hillary Outdoors centre where all teams camped for the night. Olivia although not able to compete was in high spirits helping to cook our meals, cheer us on and she even camped with us that night despite her injury. The second day of expedition came, we were all packed up, fed and ready to go as we were driven up to Whakapapa where we would be starting and finishing the last day of expedition. Going hard we managed to collect many checkpoints and finish strong coming in just a few minutes before we needed to get back. Laughter, tears and lots of yummy food was had before a good shower and some packing for the last day.



Waking up on Friday we were ready to push ourselves to the limit and show everyone what we were made of. With high fitness levels and determined minds we were ready to smash the 50km multisport race. The first leg of the race consisted of a 2km paddle completed in pairs by our entire team; we were just sitting in first place after this section. The second leg was a 9km trail run which we came out of with a clear lead. Going into the third leg of a 30km mountain bike we were 3 minutes ahead of the second-place team. Heading into the last 6km trail run we were not far ahead but we were willing to give it everything to stay in front. Coming through to the finish line as the first team to complete the multisport vibes were high. Although we knew we would not place due to the major penalty for not having a full team we were all super proud of each other. We had completed the 2025 Hillary Challenge! Placing 9th was disappointing for the team but nevertheless fun was had, memories were made and the team will come back stronger next year.

Our team, Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Olivia Corin, Bethan Mullis, Petra Hofmans, Joseph Mullis, Jack Cooper, Jack Widdicombe and Brody Matheson had an exciting and fun week that we were all able to come away with many memories and life lessons from.

A massive thank you to all other teams, who we created great memories with throughout the week!

To our coaches, Mr Callum Harris, Mr Phillip Hewlett, Steve Hofmans as well as Nev Wells and Nick Collins who provided equipment and teaching to the team. We really do appreciate all



the hard work and time that you put into our team this year. Thank you to all our sponsors and families who helped us in completing the 2025 Hillary Challenge.

**Jacquelyn
Kowalewski**

Year 13

Rogaine

The TSSSA Rogaine is always an epic event with fun for everyone, no matter what level of competitiveness or experience you have. One of the things that makes a Rogaine special is that you get to choose your own route, and all points are optional. This means that the teams were anywhere from people who showed up in gumboots ready to have a walk, chat and a picnic, to people who showed up ready to run 20k as fast as they could, with most people being somewhere in between. All the teams have two and a half hours to collect as many points as possible using only their map and compass to navigate around Lake Mangamahoe.

NPGHS have 14 teams of 2 or more people compete this year. In the Junior Girls' Georgia Dinnison and Daisy Lash took second place followed by our other junior teams taking 3rd 4th and 8th. In the Intermediate Girls, Hannah and Marie Wilkinson won 1st place and NPGHS was also 9th. And in the Senior Girls category Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Petra Hofmans, Darcy O'Sullivan and Estelle Monk came 1st followed by NPGHS in 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 19th.

NPGHS represented our school well with laughter, perseverance, and great scores. Congratulations to all the girls who competed, and we look forward to doing it all again next year!

Olivia Corin

Year 12



Spirit of Adventure

The wind filled the sails, the vast ocean surrounds us from almost all angles, and four schools that once were strangers where now working alongside each other.

This is Spirit of Adventure – a voyage not just in between calm and rough sea but also within our hearts.

For 5 unforgettable days we, Lily Williams, Greeta Keith, Madi Drinkwater, Tayah Saywell, Millie Ballandis, Ella Mooney, Natalie Barry, Lilah Eagar, Stevie Birdling, Chloe Herrett, and our teacher Simon Berndt, traded our classrooms for cabins, our textbooks for a logbook, school bells for the Captains Mates calls, and time for the sun's brightness. Along the way we discovered new leadership skills, learnt to collaborate and found strengths we never new we had.

Life on the Spirit of Adventure, which was an all-girls voyage, was filled with 6:30am plunges into the ocean, breathtaking views from the masts, and hands-on deck duties. Along the way we learnt many things some including how to hoist sails, how to sail a sailboat, to sands the worst enemy, and how to live with 55 people on a boat: 40 schoolgirls, 11 crew members and 4 teachers, on a boat. As each day passed by, friendships grew stronger with every laugh and task while other's where just starting to form.

“An unforgettable memory I made on the boat was on the second night we finished the

day by anchoring in the Coromandel and scrambling into life rafts where we were towed to shore and had an amazing dinner - roast pork with mashed potatoes and vegetables. This was followed by a beautiful sunset and the warmth of crackling wood, guitar strummers, singers, and burning marshmallows. The next day we climbed the masts for the second time but this time all the way to the Royal, the top sail. With the salty breeze whipping through our hair, we carefully stepped out onto the mast, right to the end. We were able to see for miles – a breathtaking panorama of the ocean and the land alongside beaches.”

From sunrises to sunsets every moment was a once in a lifetime experience, we all took for granted. We met incredible people along the way and made many friendships within our school group and with other schools.

Natalie Barry

Year 10



Skiing

North Island Secondary School Skiing Championships

Turoa Ski Field hosted the 2025 North Island Secondary School Skiing Championships this October. After being cancelled in previous years due to Covid and a lack of snow, it was a huge relief for everyone to see the event finally back up and running.

Over 200 competitors from secondary schools across Aotearoa took part, competing in two categories - Under 15s and Under 18s - and two main races: the Grand Slalom, where skiers race down the mountain weaving between poles as fast as possible, and Slope Style, which focuses on skill and creativity on jumps and terrain features.

Despite challenging conditions and poor visibility, the day was filled with excitement, energy, and plenty of fun. Three students from Taranaki proudly represented the region, showing awesome determination and skill on the slopes.

Orenia Williams

Year 11



Badminton

NPGHS Badminton has been such a privilege for all of us this year.

We had many opportunities offered to us, which boosted our success. The team fought hard to compete at New Zealand Secondary Schools and used teamwork to reach their goals, placing second in the tournament. This was a huge improvement and progress from previous years. All players represent the region, displaying a high level of skill. Despite not placing first and gaining the best possible title, the team showed effort, dedication, and sportsmanship. Matches were super close and exciting, especially towards the finals. The team supported each other, cheering one another on and had great spirits. Everyone made connections with players from other schools that led to some amazing friendships. All this wouldn't have been possible without our coaches and managers, who brought strong leadership and motivation.

Chanya Seastrand

Year 13



Badminton Team

Back Row: Chanya Seastrand, Lucy Hatchard

Front Row: Elliott O'Keefe, Amelia Ogle, Kaylee Rutherford

The names of students from NPGHS in the photo are - Chanya Seastrand, Kaylee Rutherford, Lucy Hatchard, Elliott O'Keefe, and Amelia Ogle.



Waka Ama

After months of dedicated trainings and fundraising 12 of our NPGHS girls got to compete in the 2025 National Waka AMA competition at Lake Tikitapu in Rotorua.

What a great bunch of girls to be able to paddle alongside. The girls always brought positivity, fun and determination to the waka.

They held themselves to a high standard and challenged each other to always put their best foot forward when competing. Our girls were always supportive of one another and their strong connection out of the waka made them even stronger inside. Our results were very much the product of our hard work and as seniors we were so proud to experience and be part of our journey at school.

The girls bought home a gold medal in the W12, with 7 of our junior girls competing in the senior's grade. Our seniors got Gold in the Te Kei 500m final and our juniors 5th fastest overall in the competition. Our achievements were a result of hard work. However, what stood out more was how the girls always had a positive attitude, were strong competitors and showed kind-heartedness towards each other.

Our girls had amazing supporters who always showed up when we needed them. Their support was outstanding, always putting in the hard mahi for their girls. Our parents and whanau were on board from the get-go, helping at every fundraiser to make sure we got to Rotorua. Their encouraging and loud voices were always the best part of the race. Front and centre on the shore as we paddled back past, cheering and clapping for us at the end of every race. Our Whanau support

throughout the week was appreciated heaps and we could not have got through without their hugs and smiles. We will be forever thankful for their constant love and support shown throughout our journey.

We were lucky enough to be coached by ex-Girls' High student Jaetaami Fraser. She brought not only invaluable knowledge, and great experience but also a calming presence in the way she coached us. She was a great model for all of us girls and always had belief in what we could achieve. She continuously would remind us of that and was a driving reason behind our success.

Hugh had a ray of knowledge from years of experience in the waka and guided our girls with such grace and patience. He bought snacks for us girls every week, making sure we were well fuelled before every training. Many of the girls' favourite part of training was the pre snacks and occasional packet of lollies. Hugh was often a great addition to the waka, offering steady support and a positive presence.

Kirsten too bought valuable knowledge to our environment and the work she did behind the scenes did not go unnoticed. We appreciated

the time she put in ensuring we had uniforms, kai and everything organised for the week ahead.

Jae, Hugh and Kirsten were all volunteers, who willingly gave up their time, multiple days after school and on weekends to come and coach us. Their time, effort, support and hard work is something we are all so grateful for; and we appreciate these three very much!

The girls should be so very proud of themselves for how they represented not only our Kura, but their Whanau and friends. The girls are such special people who bring joy and light to any environment they are in. Their positivity and fun nature contributed to creating such an uplifting environment. Our girls consistently worked hard and it was admirable watching them thrive. We are incredibly proud of the girls and the way they carried themselves with such mana and grace. They are truly delightful people, and we can't wait to see what they accomplish next.

Harper Leatuafi and Skylar Gladding

Year 13



Waka Ama

Back Row: Maika Rauputu, Yelena Poching, Harper Sutherland

2nd Row: Ella Rauputu, Harper Leatuafi, Esther Poching, Eden Wiseman

Front Row: Peyton Hancock, Rylei Dellow, Rihama Dellow, Elise Lawrence, Skylar Gladding



Rowing

Rowing on the Waitara River is honestly one of my favourite things to do.

It's early mornings, blisters, and aching muscles, but it's also laughter, sunrises, and the feeling of the boat gliding perfectly through the water. For those of us rowing with Clifton Rowing Club and New Plymouth Girls' High School, the Waitara River isn't just where we train, it's where we've built friendships, grown stronger, and learned what real teamwork feels like.

Most mornings start way before sunrise. The air is freezing, everyone's half-asleep, and the only thing keeping you moving is knowing you'll wake up once you hit the water. The river is calm and quiet, and there's something so peaceful about it. You can hear oars clinking, coaches giving instructions, and the soft splash as boats push off the pontoon. Once we're rowing, the rhythm takes over: catch, drive, finish, recover. Suddenly everything else disappears. It's just the boat, your crew, and the sound of the water.

The Waitara River can be unpredictable. The current, tide, and wind change all the time, which makes every session different. Some mornings it's glassy and smooth, while other days it feels like battling through waves. But that's what makes training here special. It forces you to adapt, to stay focused, and to work together no matter what. Rowing is the ultimate team sport. The boat only moves well when everyone's in perfect sync, and that trust between crewmates is something you build over hours on

the water. When everything lines up, with the timing, the power, and the rhythm all working together, the boat just flies. It's honestly one of the best feelings ever.

The season is full-on. We spend weekends travelling to regattas in places like Whanganui, Lake Rautaniwha, and Lake Karapiro, and every race has its own kind of excitement. There's that mix of nerves and adrenaline while you're lining up at the start, waiting for the call. Then it's just focus: legs, body, arms, the crew moving as one. The last 250 metres are brutal, but that's when you dig deep and trust your teammates. No matter how the race goes, crossing the finish line knowing you gave it everything is such a rewarding feeling.

One of the best things about rowing at Clifton is the community. Everyone helps out, whether it's parents, coaches, or teammates, rigging boats, trailering to regattas, or cooking breakfast after an early morning row. The club has such a family vibe, and that's what makes it special. We push each other hard on the water, but we also celebrate every success together, big or small. The friendships that come from rowing are some of the strongest I've ever had.

Rowing also teaches you a lot about yourself. You learn discipline, resilience, and how to balance training with school life. You learn how to keep going when you're exhausted, how to work as part of a team, and how to handle both wins and losses. It's not just about physical strength, it's mental too. Every early morning, every tough session, and every blister is part of the journey, and it makes the good moments even better.

The Clifton Rowing Club has become a second home for so many rowers in the community. It's a place where athletes of all ages come together to train, compete, and grow both as individuals and as a team. The Waitara River is more than just water, it's where determination, teamwork, and lifelong memories are made. Rowing teaches lessons that stay with people long after the season ends, and for the crews who call Clifton home, there's nothing quite like the feeling of being out on the river, chasing that perfect stroke together.

Sarah Duncan

Year 12



Powerlifting

Powerlifting is more than just a test of strength; it's about focus, discipline, and learning to challenge your limits.

The sport centres around three key lifts: the squat, bench press, and deadlift. Each movement demands precision, patience, and confidence, and every small improvement feels like a step forward. For me, powerlifting has become a way to push myself both mentally and physically, while being part of a supportive community that celebrates effort as much as success.

This year has been an unforgettable one in my powerlifting journey. At the New Zealand National Championships, I was honoured to earn the titles of National Champion and Best Overall Lifter, setting several national records across different age groups and weight classes. Each competition taught me something new about resilience, preparation, and the importance of staying grounded, no matter the result.

I was also incredibly fortunate to be selected for the second consecutive year to represent New Zealand at the World Championships. Through the WCPA Scholarship, I received support that helped make this opportunity possible. Competing on the world stage was an incredible experience, standing alongside athletes from around the globe, all united by the same dedication and love for the sport. At this competition, I was proud to achieve Vice World Champion and become a world record holder in both the squat and deadlift. Setting those records was a surreal moment, not because of

the titles themselves, but because they reflected years of training and persistence. It felt rewarding to know that my hard work had contributed something meaningful to New Zealand's presence in the sport.

Beyond competing, I've tried to give back to the powerlifting community in any way I can. I volunteer at events by helping with spotting, loading, and organisation, and I am also the youngest referee in New Zealand's history. Officiating has given me a whole new appreciation for the effort and teamwork behind every competition. It has taught me to see the sport from another perspective and to value everyone who makes these events possible.

Powerlifting has shaped me in

so many ways. It has taught me discipline, resilience, and humility, reminding me that progress doesn't come from lifting the heaviest weight, but from showing up and giving your best every single day. What I love most is the sense of community: lifters encouraging each other, celebrating every milestone, and sharing in the challenges that come with chasing big goals.

As I look ahead, I'm excited to keep representing New Zealand and to continue growing within the sport I love. Powerlifting has shown me that true strength isn't just physical; it's found in consistency, in courage, and in the willingness to keep lifting, even when the weight feels heavy.

Chadelle Bascara

Year 13



Golf

NPGHS is growing from strength to strength with its golf programme mostly because of the work Lucinda Searle the Development Manager for Taranaki Golf puts in each week but also because of the work put in behind the scenes by Ms Stewart.

Lunch coaching

Lucinda runs weekly sessions on the football field for all levels of ability. The group is growing in size but also in ability. All are welcome so reach out to Mrs Stewart if you would like to come.

Booth Shield

Last year 2 NPGHS girls were selected to play for Taranaki for the Booth Shield in Rotorua. Ruby Horgan and Emilee Venables- Zhou. Each team is made up of 5 boys and 5 girls and last year Taranaki won the shield for the first time in 25 years.

This year we had three current NPGHS students and one past student selected to play for the Shield in Wellington, Hannah Armstrong, Izzy Robinson, Emilee Venables -Zhou and Meike Drinkwater. Unfortunately, Isabelle was unable to play at the tournament but Hannah, Meike and Emilee played valiantly in terrible weather conditions with Hannah playing some of her best golf ever. Sadly they were not able to repeat last year's results.

TSSSA Golf Tournament

Another first for a while is that NPGHS were able to field a full team for the Taranaki Secondary School Association Golf tournament. Hannah Armstrong, Izzy Robinson, Emilee Venables- Zhou, Mia Schoeman and Luise represented the school with pride. The tournament was won by

NPBHS. The girls played well but very hard to beat an all boy team.

NZ Junior Interprovincial Championships

Emilee Venables - Zhou was selected to represent Manawatu/Whanganui at the NZ Junior Interprovincial Championships held in the September School Holidays at Rotorua. Man/Whang played really well but could not compete with the very strong Auckland and North Harbour teams. Emilee played well winning 5 out of her 6 matches and making a hole in one on the last day.

It is so exciting to see NPGHS really improving in golf. We are always looking for more players so if you are keen to start playing, reach out to any of the girls mentioned above or Ms Stewart.

Emilee Venables-Zhou

Year 11



From the left: Luise Burckhardt, Izzy Robinson, Emilee Venables-Zhou, Mia Schoeman, Hannah Armstrong, Lucinda Searle



Golf TSSSA Championship

Back Row: Emilee Venables-Zhou, Mia Schoeman

Front Row: Luise Burckhardt, Hannah Armstrong, Izzy Robinson

Absent: Alice Obreja-Damian

Debating

Earlier this year, Orenia Williams (Executive Lead), Kayje Lal (Public Affairs Manager), and Bella Lorth (Logistics Officer) founded the New Plymouth Girls' High School Debating Society. Since its establishment, the Society has grown rapidly, with members competing in both local and Central North Island tournaments, including the Whanganui Debate competition where we won round 1 and 3. This showcases their passion and determination for debate.

One of the biggest highlights was hosting the first-ever Taranaki Interschool Debating Competition, organised entirely by our student team. We welcomed debaters from NPBHS and FDMC for a full day of speeches, laughter and friendly rivalry. Seeing students from all over the region come together for something we built from the ground up was an unforgettable moment.

The Debating Society's first year has set a strong foundation for the future and we cannot wait to see NPGHS voices continue to grow even louder and more articulate in 2026.

Orenia Williams

Founder and Debating Co-Leader,
Year 11



Kayje Lal, Orenia Williams and Bella Lorth



Debating

Back Row: Tara Reynolds, Bella Lorth, Diya Barathi, Noa Coetzer

Front Row: Parleen Kaur, Lily Powell, Orenia Williams, Simar Cheema, Lia Barton

Fun Run Results

Chant

1st Toko	10pts
2nd Aotea	8pts
3rd Tainui	6pts
4th Kura	4pts

Colour /Mascots

1st Aotea	10pts
2nd Toko	8pts
3rd Kura	6pts
4th Tainui	4pts

Teams Event

1st Kura	10pts
2nd Tainui	8pts
3rd Toko	6pts
4th Aotea	4pts

Overall Points

1st Toko	24pts
2nd Aotea	22pts
3rd Kura	20pts
4th Tainui	18pts





Year 13



came to eat lunch

Aarnya Simpson



"Graduated? Yes. Prepared for adulthood? Absolutely not."

Adison Brace



'Subtle diss, dingleberries'

Adrianne Zaros



"who would have known how bittersweet this would taste" - Adele

Aimee Neilson



Sabi banget

Aisha Gemala



You can steal my swag but you will never replicate my lore

Aleigha Bigham-Smith



Life's too short, glad I'm not

Alex Juffermans



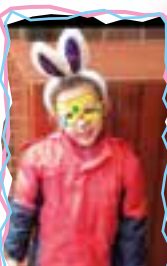
#misswright fanclub

Alex McCallum



ok welp ion een curr frl

Alexis O'Doherty



"It would be so nice if something made sense for a change." - Alice in Wonderland

Alice Obreja-Damian



As time went by, I became an adult. And even though I'm not perfect, I'm proud of myself

Alicia Smith



80 credits, 0 clue

Alishah Sadiq



"I saved so much time by never brushing my hair. That's why I'm graduating."

Amy Smith



We have to be greater than what we suffer - Gwen Stacy

Amy Watson



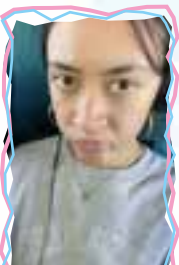
I'll do it tomorrow

Anandhi Saravanan



Jeremiah 17:7-8

Anastacia Fidow



John 3:16 - Yahweh loves you.

Angelina-Dalcielo Paese



"I want to thank Google, ChatGPT, and to whoever invented copy and paste. Thank you."

Annabel Jeyes



If all else fails, you can always marry rich - Rory Gilmore

Anneleen Lingenfelder



Proofreading everyone's English essays = my love language

Arabella Jones



Me when someone say "No you can't go home and no it's not Friday"

Ashleigh McLellan-Mutch



Good things take time, that's why I'm always late.

Ashley Wilson



I'm only smiling because it's over.

Ava Hashemi



"School taught me many things. None of them useful. But look at this cartwheel."

Ava Sigvertsen



"I'll do it tmrw"

Bailee Tresidder



Hun ta mera dimaag vi saath chhadgya

Baljot Kaur



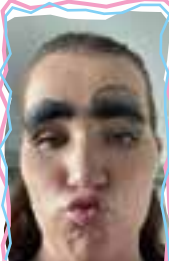
Forever just winging it!

Bella Peters



I'd be late to my own funeral

Beth Robertson



I hope natural selection takes care of those who block the hallways

Bianca Drinkwater



Better late than never.

Billie Thomson



just a girl who likes race weekends more than real weekends.

Brooke Woodhead



My attendance isn't perfect, but I sure am

Caitlin Gilzean



...and she lived happily ever after

Caitlin Tozer



I had to get chatgpt to write this as well

Cardin Harvey



There's no 'I' in team but there are 5 'I's' in individual brilliance

Casey Drake



"Forever grateful for love and lessons guiding me to keep growing."

Cecilia Vu



I was going to come up with a funny senior quote but I decided to procrastinate that too

Ceira Mercer



couldn't raise those grades so i raised those world records instead

Chadelle Bascara



if one thing school has taught me is that meeting new people isn't so bad after all

Charlotte Blackmore



Im going to tell my mum on you

Charlotte Bradburn



I'M FREE!!!!!! And no you didn't see me in year 10

Charlotte Hambling



"Some graduated with honours. I'm just honoured to graduate."

Charlotte Struthers



"The best memories are made in the quiet moments we share with others."

Chirathma Ruwasadee



With width comes wisdom.

Chloe Muir



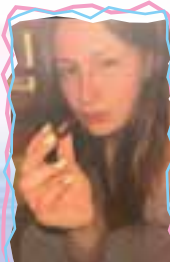
"Made it through 5 years shoeless and clueless."

Coco Marshall-Kirby



"Okay nothing went as planned... understatement of the year"- Spider-Man

Daina Thorpe



It's not stalking if it's public information.

Dana Baker



"mum i am a rich man"-cher

Danielle Vickers



Due tomorrow? Do tomorrow.

Diya Menon



"when you hit a wrong note, its the next note that makes it good or bad"-Miles Davis

Domini Gilliver



"Toot Toot, Chugga Chugga, Big Blue Car"

Ebony Wilton



- You know, I've realised that im probably perfect and it's everybody else around me that's got issues!

Edie Shepley



Mā te ngākau aroha koe e ārahi

Eizra Saunders



Spent more time watching movies than studying but at least my Letterboxd looks good

Elise Jamieson



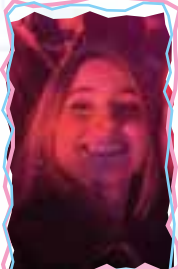
"Some people who come into our lives leave footprints on our hearts and we are never the same" Amy Winehouse

Elise Woodhead



HUH? Oh wait nevermind I get it.

Eliya Shlosberg



"if everything else fails, you can marry rich" -Rory Gilmoure

Ella Cruikshank



Turns out YOLO is a valid life strategy

Ella Staples



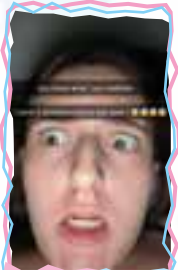
hey guys! welcome back to my vlog

Ella Third



Me when I smell the teacher's coffee breath:

Emily Choi



They say I doth be tame, but the wild stallion knows limits.

Emily Hooper



True friends don't let you get kidnapped on Facebook Marketplace... alone.

Emma Eagar



"People say nothing is impossible, but I do nothing everyday." - Winnie the Poo

Emma Jackson



"Keep believing, keep pretending." - Jim Henson

Emma Westbury



Blood Sweat & Tears

Eva Scott



Faith it till you make it

Faith Onami



They butchered my name, so I butchered my grades

Farideh McHugh



"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." —Jeremiah 29:11

Felicity Aish



How Couldn't he? *God* had feared a *Lamb*

Fern Fore



"Sorry Miss, I have to leave early"

Georgia Luscombe



"the time to hesitate is through" - the doors

Georgia MacRae



"If you cant find me on the dance floor, check the snack table or by the food"

Georgia Theodore



... Oh yeah, cause there cute and haiwy"

Greer Lock



I did it for the pie chart

Hannah Armstrong



Me when mum puts in a leave pass

Hannah Harrison



"Leave a little smile wherever you go"

Harper Leatuafi



Always be unapologetically yourself x

Harriet Muller



wait...what... im confused

Heidi Albon



"I have to return some videotapes."

Helena Rollins



"There comes a day when you're gonna look around and realize happiness is where you are." - Moana

Indi Single



"Life is a journey to be experienced, not a problem to be solved." - Winnie the Pooh

Indiana Wright



all this just to marry rich...

Indie Eden



comparison kills joy, we're all goated twin

Isabelle Ashmen



but it's ok

Isabella Barrett



"Deadlines just aren't real to me unless I'm staring one in the face" - Percy Jackson

Isabelle Theobald



Don't cry because its over, smile because it happened (already crying)

Isla Twigley



Thanks mum for getting my attendance justified

Izzy Robinson



"Sorry, I can't make it. I'm busy."

Jacquelyn Kowalewski



"I don't want a valuable life lesson, I just want an ice cream."

Jade Huffam



This is my study face.

Jamie Van Praagh



"The game"

Jemma Terrill



Every Aussie has a survival story. Mine is NCEA.

Jenna Riddle



I mastered the art of looking busy

Jessa Wells



Proof that caffeine works

Jessie Morgan



im so sendy for 67

Jessie Woods



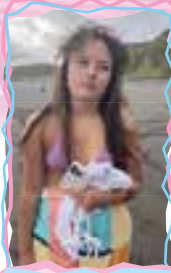
(sin)ing out!

Joanna Harrison



shoutout to my flawless attendance record, powered by "sick days" and weekly doctor appointments that somehow always landed during maths.

Jordi Sands



Ka Keets!

Jorja Castles



you obsess over your identity in relation to others while your soul rots inside of you, let whoever think whatever.

Jorja Wilson



"Absentee of the year"

Justyce Drake



I'm pretty tired. I think I'll go home now. - Forrest Gump

Kainana Anterea



I spent 113,880 hours of my life for a paper and a handshake.

Kaitlin Tippett



NOW WHAT ?????

Kaitlyn Antill



"A dream is not reality, but who's to say which is which?" - Mad Hatter

Kate Denson



I may not believe in fairy-tales, but i can make my fantasies come true, if i made such a masterpiece like this, then you can achieve your goals <3

Kaveesha Athukoralage Don



"Remain humble but stay hungry" Colossians 3:13

Kayden Klasen



Spent more time running Bunnings Kids DIYS than I did studying for exams.

Kayley Clark



3..2..1..Cya

Keeley Taylor



in absentia

Keira Hide



Secrets out... I'm three raccoons in a trenchcoat pretending to be a student

Kierah Hosking



Schools a mindset, the beach is a lifestyle

Kim Stewart



Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened. - Dr Seuss

Kristel Schmidt



If nothing goes right... Go left <3

Lara Ippel



The real world doesn't care about your potential, it care about what you do. SO GET TO IT!

Laura McNeil



My attendance was patchy like my tan.

Laura Perrett



I'm really pretty and smart

Leilani Rova



"Professional sleeper, part-time student."

Lihini Moratuwage



to be cringe is to be free

Lila Corral



Natural selection wouldn't have let half of us graduate.

Lili Lay



"its nice, its different, its unusual"

Lily Freeman



Is there an award for having my work used the most for exemplars?

Lily Powell



The game.

Lily Ramsay



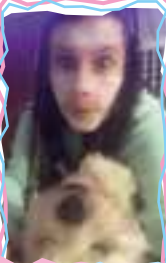
Too late to transfer now

Livi Sarten



Would you meet me by the river, baby, one more time?

Louisa Hancz



Haere taka mua, taka muri; kaula e whai :)

Lucia Hucker



"If being late was a sport, I'd have a scholarship."

Lucy Barr



Schools like going to work without getting paid

Lucy Ireson



woot beer

Lucy Martin



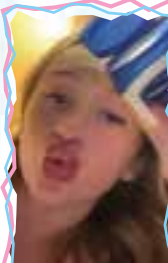
"I forgot what I was gonna say"

Lujain Alaswad



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Lulu Parkinson



"She could be really smart if she just did her work"

Mackenna King



Hostel girl Logic: class is 2 minutes away... I'll leave in 20

Macy Death



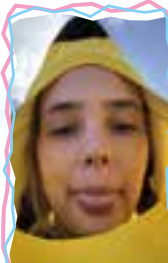
"Sunsets are proof that endings can be beautiful"

Maddi Officer



"Yes, and if all else fails, you can marry rich." - Rory Gilmore

Maddie MacKenzie



"Time you enjoy wasting is not wasted time."

Madeleine Leeks



"I didn't choose the skux life, the skux life chose me"

Madeline Hobo



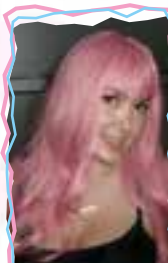
Talk about a low budget flight... no food or movies?? I'm outta here!! -- Sonic the Hedgehog

Madge Riley



Don't be afraid to start over. This time you're not starting from scratch, you're starting from experience.

Madi Lock



Yay, finally free to unblock the attendance lady's email"

Maia Marsden



keep it lemon - stone roses

Maisy Warburton



You know, I've realised I'm probably just perfect and it's everybody else around me that's got issues.

Margot Harrison



#horanghae

Martha Simon



Some of you still owe me a pen!

Maya Annane



If somebody ever asks you to do something you don't want to do, do it really bad, so you never have to do it again.

Melanie Avery



"Sorry Mia has an appointment today."

Mia Padrutt



Started life like a pro. Still waiting for the adult skills to load...

Mia Schoeman



Work hard in silence, let your success be your noise - Frank Ocean

Mia Taitoko



Pink isn't just my favourite colour, it's my whole personality!!

Millie Brooke



You're never fully dressed without a smile

Monique Camden



At 16, I relocated, rebranded and caused minor chaos. Now 17 - and going global.

Mylee Stafford



Dream big, work hard, shine bright.

Nancy Nancy



My mum said it was okay

Naomi Landreth



You are special! Never stop believing that! - Oliver Warbucks

Natalie Bailey



hold up chat gpt isn't loading

Natalie Reed



"I spent most years figuring out what I am... still not totally sure."

Nelithma Vithana



"It's niiv i uhhhhhh"

Nevaeh Reade



"Did everyone see that? Because I will *not* be doing it again" - Capt. Jack Sparrow

Niah Weir



The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.

Nor ayni Nasyre



Had all year... left it to the last minute

Nyrelle Ritchie



"I'm in it for the plot" - Olivia 2025

Olivia Symon-Byrne



Peace out

Oracle Rangī



Life isn't about how to survive the storm, it's about how to dance in the rain. - Taylor Swift

Penny Dixon



High school was easy, it was like riding a bike. Except the bike was on fire.

Petra Hofmans



that feeling when knee surgery is tomorrow

Petra Keith



bacon bacon bacon

Peyton Manley



Save a Horse

Peyton Warke



"Though I'm getting older, my life has just began." - Laufey

Phebe De Bruyn



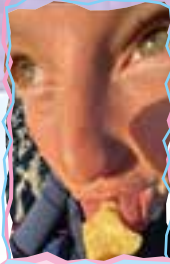
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Piera Parkinson



"life imitates art"

Pippa McEwen



Living proof you can be MIA and still make it to grad

Poppy Barnes



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Quinn Morgan



"Aan het einde van de dag, Zijn wij allemaal mensen, Het is een wereld zonder grenzen" - Joost Klein

Rachel Gammon



who's afraid of little old me?

Rayna Kim



Aight play off the grid

Risha Nath



End of an era

Ruth Lanan



It does not do to dwell on dreams and forget to live.

Samantha McNeil



Turns out drinking questionable water isn't a personality trait, just a one way ticket to missing half of year

Sasha Rasmussen



"I'm not that funny, I'm just sarcastic... apparently people laugh."

Sejal Patel



Food solves everything

Sienna Hamann



Graduating with paint on my hands and a smile on my face!

Skye Simphalivanh



Unmedicated but at least I have good intuition

Skye van Dam



"Vector! that's me, cause I'm committing crimes, with both direction and magnitude! OH YEAH!" - Vector

Skylar Gladding



"That's what" - She

Sofina Fa'aea



Long story short, I survived..

Sophie Churchill



The farm taught me hard work, accounting taught me to keep track of it

Sophie Irons



Let whoever think whatever

Sophie King



No quote, just Aura

Sophie Magon



"I wood like to fank my teachers for teaching me everything I no"

Sophie Sewell-Monod



Maybe strip mining - Leslie Knope

Star Forrester



I don't need an excuse, just a leave pass

Stella Henwood



Free food? Consider it gone.

Stella Johns



Turn and face the strange - David Bowie

Tai Bond



Its the hard knock life for us!

Taryn Jackson



Even covid didn't want me in school

Teya Geraud



Whāia te iti Kahurangi

Waimiria Willison



We love because he first loved us

Wanganui Seufale



padayon

Zairha Jagmis



"And most importantly, rasbewies ..."

Zara Krutz



Just gotta dab on them haters

Zeyana Singh



*"Life is a bit like mountaineering, never look down"
- Sir Edmund Hillary*

Zoe Miller



Party on!

Zoe Rawles



Zoey's me, bro. Let me be me.

Zoey Verster



AOCPL

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Absent: Tia Brungar, Eva Dowdle, Jacinta Frechtling-Eiffe, Scarlett Patterson, Eleanor Richardson, Eden Wiseman



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Absent: Eliza Hooper, Jas Kaur, Ella Long, Ana Shlosberg



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Absent: Summer Giles, Jada Martin, Kylah Neilson, Bella Post



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Absent: Olive Hill



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Absent: Rihanna Dellow, Rylei Dellow, Tusi Faoagali, Phoenix Fraser, Frida Gardiner, Jarvissa James, Sharmaine Manaena, Isalei Muagututia, Amy-Jaide Paki, Harmony Sagisagi, Aarnya Simpson, Santana Snooks



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Absent: Porsha Hinz



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 Front Row: Tess Balsom, Ella Hunter, Tamiqa Michael, Addi Miller, Ruby Le, Olivia Cavey, Pippa Brooke
 Absent: Sierra Lee, Jayde Webber-Robinson, Amelia Ruakere-Leaana



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 Absent: Aaliyah Anaha, Nancy Nancy, Kaia Wirepa



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 Absent: Lana Williams



AOSHA

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 Absent: Kyah Boyle, Cardin Harvey-Smith, Taylor Jensen, Faith Onami, Charlie Toghil



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 Absent: Nyrelle Ritchie



KUACH

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 2nd Row Isabelle Ashman, Ruby Burns, Presley Warke, Siobhan Williams, Valorien Motilal, Shelby Quilter, Andrew Chubb (Teacher)
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 Absent: Emmaly Bridger, Maleah Heta



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 Absent: Jasmine Gray, Maia Hori, Sara Kraayenhof, Kaitlin Mehring



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KUCGL

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KUDWA

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 2nd Row Taelyn McLachlan, Lucia Hucker, Mia Taitoko, Milla Walden, Celestial Roberts, Dan Ward (Teacher)
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 Absent: Elliot Dumn, Ruby Evans, Savanna Holdom



KURBW

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 Absent: Elena Barron, Bianca Broad, Finn Burnard



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 Absent: Eizra Saunders, Nala Singh, Charlize Soffe, Star Thomson



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KIWST

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 Absent: Dayna Adamson, Ella Ingle, Laura McNeil



TAABN

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 Absent: Quimm Gernhoefer, Laila Pease, Bena Riddick, Aqilah Taputu-Bali



TAAFA

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 Absent: Charlize Hide, Keira Hide, Makenzie Muir, Marley Wadeson, Montana Weir



TAAKA

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 Absent: Raehina Bullock, Azarlia Daymond, Keeley L-A Karaitiana Forbes, Ruby Peacock, Aaliyah Read, Jimijeane Seed, Te Awhina Taepa, Savannah Vete



TAAWH

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 Absent: Lauren Gammon, Maddy Houghton, Caroline Ormsby



TAHMU

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 Absent: Pyper Clarke, Kelly-Ann Lockley



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 Absent: Holly Gulliver, Susie Sandbrook



TAKCO

Back Row: Lucy Heremaia, Stevie Birdling, Oracle Rangī, Georgia Dimmison
 3rd Row: Kayla McDonald, Pearl Shearer, Charlotte Hambling, Maia Dimmison, Alexi O'Byrne
 2nd Row: Greer Lock, Grace King, Lily Powell, Holly Johnson, Darcy O'Sullivan, Myah Stolte, Katie Connor (Teacher)
 Front Row: Kiara Scott, Hannah Baird, Meelah Gordon, Lucy Martin, Ella Davies, Ella Corrie, Taylah Hobson
 Absent: Bella Braggins, Addi Hutching, Lauren Nicholas



TALFR

Back Row: Dakota Potter, Jessica Donovan, Charlotte Armfield, Amelia Puckey, Giuliana Inwood, Sarah Simon
 3rd Row: Zoe Armfield, Evie Kereama, Ryder Toa-Wairere, Holle Marriner, Isla Tubb, Sophie Irons, Erin Lim
 2nd Row: Baylee Mattock, Marli Fromings, Leona Hoeta, Shayla Young, Mackenna King, Hannah McHale, Kaitlyn Hendrikse, Lynda Fromings (Teacher)
 Front Row: Star Hirini-Crow, Martha Simon, Maisey Warburton, Amelia Forest, Hunter-Lilly Johnson, Amy Watson, Charlee Chase
 Absent: Honor Boisen-Rau



TALRA

Back Row: Pennie Gibson, Delilah Lindquist, Jorja Wilson, Alishah Sadiq, Riley Ulrich, Izzy Donnelly, Emika Kato
 2nd Row: Alice Ogier, Samantha Shaw, Scarlett Andrews, Charlie Mattson, Ayla White, Livia McGregor, Jenna Riddle, Lucinda Rawlins (Teacher)
 Front Row: Summer Taylor, Coralie Baker, Kyla Baker, Abbie Harrison, Keeley Taylor, Addison Frost, Indi Mason
 Absent: Ruby Craker, Lexi Kowalewski, Alesha Lindsay (Lindsay-Stevens), Mika Richardson



TAMIN

Back Row: Matt Innes (Teacher), Jane Willetts, Isla Donaldson, Bella Peters, Maeleene Van Vliet, Matilda Kitson
 2nd Row: Neha Hurbuns, Greta Phillips, Annabelle Moore, Lucy Barr, Ava Gaddum, Jemma Terrill, Michelle Tan
 Front Row: Kayleen Du Plooy, Triston Kake, Frankie Gaddum, Lihini Moratuwage, Malin Vercoe, Hunter Korff, Courtney Lines
 Absent: Enya Burger, Kristah Mortensen, Mia Padrutt, Kahurangi Perawiti, Bella Phillips, Cate Rock, Lilly Smith



TAMOR

Back Row: Emma Balks, Delta Manson, Mylee Stafford, Ava Goodchap
 3rd Row: Lily Ramsay, Paige Cave, Lexie Coombe, Asha Lallu, Amber Smith, Alexys Wilson
 2nd Row: Olivia Sy, Charlotte Yates, Macy Death, Matilda Bublitz, Emily Cameron, Joshua Scheepers, Megan O'Reilly (Teacher)
 Front Row: Kenzie Goodchap, Maddi Goodchap, Elise Curd, Mila Toole, Vesper Collins, Natalee Hessel, Katie MacRae
 Absent: Bellah Peters, Elise Smith, Charley Wallacehoskin



TAMVE

Back Row: Sagda Elgamel, Paige Creery, Zeyana Singh, Kendra Jordan, Olivia Prestidge, Maiy Ung
 2nd Row: Serena Rittisat, Jorga Marchant, Emma Marchant, Taylor Duffield, Jaimee Smith, Adison Brace, Maggie Verry (Teacher)
 Front Row: Amelia Prestidge, Simone Cameron, Kaylee Rutherford, Harper Leatuafi, Grace Thomas, Mokpaak Nurokina, Lily Hawkes
 Absent: Sarah Anglesey, Samantha Bentall, Paige Manning, Ngahiwi Phillips, Jordi Sands, Myah Taitoko-Dewes



TASHO

Back Row: Ayaka McKenzie, Maku Chitnis, Alice Paterson, Rica Jagmis
 3rd Row: Emma Eagar, Peyton Clarry, Alice Maycock, Rya Ruka, Eva Scott, Elise Jamieson, Macy Hassall
 2nd Row: Mikayla Burns, Giuliana Gavisano-Moratti, Zairha Jagmis, Melody Gordon, Daisy Paterson, Paris Gulliver, Stuart Hoare (Teacher)
 Front Row: Lilah Eagar, Christeena Scaria, Jasmine Stone, Indie Ruka, Maia Wood, Lucy Thapa, Charley Carter
 Absent: Mali Edwards, Londyn Harnden, Bella Ormsby, Summah Ritchie



TOAMC

Back Row: Harper Lazelle, Rachael Christian, Zoe Tresidder, Lucy Christian
 3rd Row: Amelia Ogle, Sophie Cocker, Xanthe Campbell-Smart, Lily Keech, Juliet Solomons, Madi Noakes, Lucy Knowles
 2nd Row: Hannah Armstrong, Anneleen Lingenfelder, Sophia Holder, Portia Solomons, Bailee Tresidder, Kim Stewart, Abigail McCrae (Teacher)
 Front Row: Rachel Stewart, Amber Haldane, Jaimee Ramage, Willow Rosewarne, Ella Wanahi, Daisy Denton-Giles, Vivi Hale
 Absent: Ava Pester, Sahrayah Napia



TOBWR

Back Row: Rebekah Cleary, Poppy Chard, Amelia Kohalmi, Malaena Carino
 3rd Row: Paige Wilson, Luka Henderson, Lili Lay, Madie Quay, Freya Kleinsorge
 2nd Row: Kristel Schmidt, Skye Simphalivanh, Violet Chard, Ella Staples, Anandhi Saravanan, Bridget Wright (Teacher)
 Front Row: Hadlee Munro, Katie Brophy, Indie Simphalivanh, Lily Williams, Taya French, Tara Reynolds, Anika Esaiah
 Absent: Gemma Eaton, Maia Morfett, Hannah Thomas, Alizay Westley



TOEPE

Back Row: Kaelana Blain, Neive Rayner, Bonnie Rupe, Ellie Morgan, Millah Adam, Lusea Wallace
 2nd Row: Jessica Topping, Ruby Reesby, Solae Hareb-Hine, Alex Juffermans, Matilda Holder, Brodie Colson, Saffron King, Eugenie Petrove (Teacher)
 Front Row: Nor ayni Nasyre, Addison Cooksley, Luise Burckhardt, Indie Eden, Lily Wilson-Page, Ella Carberry, Estelle Monk, Jessie Morgan
 Absent: Leanne Coetzee, Sativa Hoeta-Nathan, Matilda Randall, Julieta Salazar



TOHHO

Back Row: Alicia Smith, Emily Lowry, Quincy Robinson, Ruchitha Reddipalli
 3rd Row: Abby Hurley, Chloe Gacuma, Millie Ballandis, Kacie Bishop, Ali Eustace, Mizaan Turner, Heera Lopinti
 2nd Row: Jasmine Aberdein, Emily Clarke, Ellie Lehmann, Leah Dallinger-Moss, Madge Riley, Grace Mataafa, Simar Cheema, Helen Hofmans (Teacher)
 Front Row: Bethany Salem, Skye Kuchler, Yanis To, Serena Aberdein, Summer Rose Hareb-Radford, Paige Cox, Harshal Nand
 Absent: Poppy Barnes, Jade Death, Lily Page



TOJST

Back Row: Sakara Gear, Mika Corbett, Nakira Te Awa, Mika Falaniko, Prays Wallace, Anastacia Fidow
 2nd Row: Leilani Rova, Aisha Scrivener, Marama Turner, Shae Scrivener, Julia Stephens (Teacher)
 Front Row: Maika Rauputu, Demi Thompson, Shiloh Baylis, Haelyn Ngaia, Jorja Castles, Elsie Matuku-Emile
 Absent: Iveti Nau, Hunter Ngaia, Stevie Pauga, Te Matewai Pirihi, Mere Raniu, Ella Southorn, Kenzie Southorn, TK Wirihana



TOKGR

Back Row: Willow Dorrian, Maisie Hinton, Charlotte Gladding, Maddi Officer, Emily Davidson, Sha Lee Candy, Lily Ridder
 2nd Row: Kordae Vano-Waiwiri, Skylar Gladding, Marley Sampson, Sadie Shields, Chloe McGregor, Imogen Webber, Madeleine Leeks, Kirsty Grieve (Teacher)
 Front Row: Jewel Lendib, Kasie Sampson, Zoe Hudson, Tessa Austin, Khloe Minchin, Mackenzie Austin, Kaycey Davidson
 Absent: Monet Christiansen, Skylah Laing, Lily Suthon Craigie



TOKSM

Back Row: Ayla Farmer, Michyela Mackay, Ashley Oostendurp, Chloe Farmer
 3rd Row: Maddi Harris-Williams, Jevana Dost, Eden Hosie, Kyra Mackay, Lawrie Wood, Aja Morrese, Chloe Fenning
 2nd Row: Ana Reinders, Jamie Van Praagh, Melissa Qu, Bianca Drinkwater, Madi Drinkwater, Mikayla Eagles, Livvie Fale, Katie Smith (Teacher)
 Front Row: Sophie Bettington, Billie Thomson, Jade Huffam, Margot Harrison, Peyton Warke, Maddi Hopkins, Queenie McClutchie
 Absent: Evie Fenning, Libby McClutchie



TOMBE

Back Row: Charlise Fisher, Brenna Queripel, Aimee Perrett, Eshika Mala
 3rd Row: Aria Stewart-Jacks, Cassie Plimmer, Addison Pryce, Annabelle Pryce, Millah Mackenzie, Erica Yokomatsu, Piper Terry
 2nd Row: Lauren Gardner, Bianca Parlane, Ryder Wipatene, Libby Keenan, Ruby Tipene, Kate Roberts
 Front Row: Mia Sutherland, Amy Smith, Lily Freeman, Laura Perrett, Maddie MacKenzie, Macy Rowson, Angela Shen
 Absent: Amyah Bland, Sienna Soffe



TOMPU

Back Row: Porsha Jury, Aimee Gunther, Marie Wilkinson, Emily Thomas, Hannah Wilkinson, Isabelle Ogle
 3rd Row: Sineade McGrath, Lucy Swan, Leticia Coombe, Keira Adams, Deanna Scown, Jessie Woods, Bella Lorth
 2nd Row: Sydney Ainsworth, Zoey Kemp, Giselle Du Preez, Ella Cruikshank, Trelise Riddell, Oralee Rodger, Michelle Puckeridge (Teacher)
 Front Row: Bella Gordge, Ruby Smith, Lennox Dyer, Zoey Verster, Keira McGrath, Siena Bennett, Hannah Terry



TONBO

Back Row: Sophia Huang, Gretta Keith, Millie Ireland, Domini Gilliver, Orion Walker, Alyssa Dixon, Diya Menon

2nd Row: Emily Hooper, Petra Keith, Cleo Greer, Madi Lock, Ellie Rogers, Neve Wright, Nick Bouterey (Teacher)

Front Row: Sophie Kemp, Tayla-Rose Wickham, Payton Kolevski, Anouk Rood, Addie Rutherford, Emma-Jade Sweeney, Arna Bollond

Absent: Sacha Aves, Tirieta Bauro, Poppy Davies, Emilia Dunne, Kate Erb, Alberta Mansvelt, Elle Wright



TOSCO

Back Row: Alizae Takerei, Dillon McCullough, Tayla Mitchell, Gisteena Scaria

3rd Row: Dalita Seng, Bliss Baird, Lucy Honeyfield, Maya Annane, Casey Drake, Xanthe Smith, Hayley McLean

2nd Row: Belle Fisher, Lilly Naughton, Ngaia Peterken, Sophia Drake, Zoufishan Syed, Renee Anderson, Stacey Colbourne (Teacher)

Front Row: Bailee Egan-Gray, Anastasia Bosson-Hart, Maia Marsden, Lila Corral, Georgia Douds-Needham, Ruby Murdoch, Lacey Sole

Absent: Aria Ashby, Laquesha Stevens, Lyla Watchorn



TOTHA

Back Row: Tatum Caldwell, Jiya Jith, Aria Neumann, Kaylee Wood

3rd Row: Maarama Cassidy, Kaira Clark, Ellazae Clark, Maheli Medagedara, Isla McKinney

2nd Row: Caitlin Trembath, Elliott O'Keefe, Lucy Ireson, Charlie Outwin, Alex McCallum, Lily Watchorn, Keana Wood

Front Row: Caitlin Tozer, Amy Henry, Louisa Hancz, Felicity Aish, Christina Lee, Zoe Miller, Rebecca Keoghan

Absent: McKenna Barrett, Meila Dwyer, Jaela Murray



TOYWI

Back Row: Gaganpreet Kaur, Kierah Hosking, Nhu Vu, Noor Sidhu Kaur

3rd Row: Evie Goodman, Kelsey Harris, Dani Joyce, Emilee Venables-Zhou, Jade Grocock

2nd Row: Neve Hudson, Ella Knowles, Rylee Harfield, Tahlia Belchamber, Demi Newland, Neiva Laird, Yomi Williams (Teacher)

Front Row: Sarah Francis, Alyssa Smith, Helena Rollins, Parleen Kaur, Baljyot Kaur, Milla Duckett, Grace Neame-Harris



WAIKH

Back Row: Deb Smith (Teacher Aide), Carol Lyn Rios (Teacher Aide), Monique Jansonius-Albers (Teacher Assistant), Kim Cribb (Teacher), Aliyah Maaka, Faith Selby, Sarah Sampson (Teacher), Noeline Vickers (Teacher Aide), Tracy Cook (Teacher Aide)

Front Row: Paige Ansley, Renee Hunger, Joseph Howard, Livvy Dore, Mishka Edney-Pittwood



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