



Honour Before Honours
Ko te mana mō mua i te whakamana

Ōtorohanga College

Newsletter 8

Term 3 Week 7

Friday 9th September 2016

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thursday 22nd September

You are warmly welcome to attend the parent / teacher interviews from 4.00pm to 6.30pm in the College Hall.

Interview bookings can be made online at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz - using the school code zbjj3 - or by phoning the College Office on 873 8029.



Ka tangi ngā kūaka

Kua tae mai te Kōanga

Māmari te Waka

Ruanui te Tangata

Mai i ngā ngāhere hāwera o Mangamuka ki ngā takutai torehape ki ngā one ātaahua hoki e kōpikopiko ana ki Te Rerenga Wairua.

I noho mātou ngā kaitiaki o tēnei rohe me Hawaiiki hoki.

Ahakoa kei Te Whanganui-ā-tara Te Ūpoko, mā tōna hiku ia e hautū.

Ko mātou te Hiku-a-Te-Ika-a-Māui

Kurī, Takoto, Pātū, Kahu, Aupōuri, Rarawa

Nō Muriwhenua mātou

Nāu i whatu te kākahu he tāniko tāku

Haumi e! Hui e! Taiki e!

Greetings and salutations to you all. Students, parents, family, staff, alumni and any who are taking the time to read this publication.

The big news for Ōtorohanga College at this time is the success that a group of motivated and willing students have had in the national political scene. As a result of their enthusiasm and serious commitment, our government has acknowledged their submission and have now committed to a national day of acknowledgement and remembrance for the New Zealand Land wars.



I had the pleasure of being at Turangawaewae Marae when this was announced. I was there to support Leah Bell who is one of the major architects of the petition and our current Head Girl along with Tory van der Heyden. The other two staff members there in support were more of the group that have moved this project to reality; Mrs Linda Campbell (Leah's mum), and Mrs Mariana Papa. The girls were interviewed and filmed throughout the day by news people and journalists. One of the journalists was an acquaintance of mine Mr Rikihana Smallman.

This is a significant point in our countries history and obviously and even more significant time for Ōtorohanga College. As I listened to the speakers it was indeed humbling to hear each and every one of them acknowledge the students and the college for driving this fabulous initiative. I must acknowledge that I certainly had nothing to do with this fabulous outcome and moreover I need to acknowledge Mr Timoti Harris as the previous Principal who not only led the College, he enabled these students to be taken seriously and to be heard. Ngā mihi ki a koe e te rangatira.



Finally can I send a massive thank you out to all our supporters, coaches and managers of our sports teams as the winter codes wind down? We have just completed an extremely successful tournament week, which could not have possibly happened without these key people. Ōtorohanga College continues to grow in terms of the students taking part in a sport and as summer quickly approaches our summer codes begin to prepare for their sporting season. If you would like to participate as a coach, supporter, manager or co-ordinator, please contact our fantastic Sports Co-ordinator Mrs Tanchia Pitts-Brown and we will happily accept your assistance.

Honour before Honours, ko te mana mō mua i te whakamana. Me whaimana te iwi, me whaimana te taiao, me whaimana te tangata.

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, huri noa, huri noa, tēnā mauriora tātau katoa.

Mr Lindsay Dunn

Principal / Tumuaki



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

UPDATE

As a Board of Trustees we are first and foremost focused on the academic achievement of our students. Obviously we are obligated to do this by the Ministry of Education and the Education Review Office, but although requirements from these organisations are incredibly important, they are not the primary drivers of why we push academic achievement. The main reason can be best illustrated by the story of Darren Waugh.

Darren Waugh does assignment work for NASA and the United Nations Environment Programme on anthropogenic (man-made) climate change. Darren is currently a professor at John Hopkins University in Baltimore, USA. He obtained his PHD from Cambridge University in the UK and his Post Graduate doctorate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in USA, two of the top universities in the world. Darren did his secondary schooling at Ōtorohanga College between 1978 and 1982.

So whether our students want to make the very pinnacle of academic achievement such as Darren or alternatively live a recreation and work balanced life living in our awesome home town of Ōtorohanga or the Coast, then we will continue to make sure our college maximises every student's academic achievement.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees I would also like to congratulate all of the sports teams for their achievements over the winter, in fact there are too many achievements to name any individual team. I enjoyed watching Nathan Pye's under 14's rugby team play a great final against Hamilton Boys' High School and Wayne Robinson's hockey team win the Waikato C Grade competition.

I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the incredible efforts of Leah Bell and the girls for the official announcement of a commemoration day for the New Zealand Land Wars. Our Deputy Prime Minister Bill English made the comment "The land wars are a neglected part of New Zealand's history, there is an obligation to tell the full history". This is a fantastic reward and justification for the hard work that was put into the petition, well done.



Paul Singh

Ōtorohanga College

BOT – Chairperson

SUCCESSFUL ALUMNI

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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. in applied mathematics, Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK, 1991
- M.Sc. in mathematics, University of Waikato, Hamilton, NZ, 1987
- B.Sc. in mathematics & physics, University of Waikato, Hamilton, NZ, 1985

EMPLOYMENT

- Professor, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, U.S.A, 2004 to present
- Associate Professor, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, U.S.A, 2001 to 2004
- Assistant Professor, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, U.S.A, 1998 to 2000
- Research Scientist, Cooperative Research Centre for Southern Hemisphere Meteorology, Monash University, Clayton, VIC, Australia, 1995 to 1997
- Post-Doctoral Fellow, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, USA, 1992-1994
- Teaching Assistant (*part-time*), Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK, 1990-91
- Scientist, Hydrology Centre, DSIR., Christchurch, NZ, 1988
- Research Assistant (*part-time*), Ruakura Research Station, Hamilton, NZ, 1985-86
- Teaching Assistant (*part-time*), University of Waikato, Hamilton, NZ, 1985-87

AWARDS

- NASA Group Achievement Award for SOLVE campaign (2001).
- AGU Editors Citation for Excellence in Refereeing (1999).
- NASA Group Achievement Award for POLARIS campaign (1998).
- AGU Editors Citation for Excellence in Refereeing (1995).
- NASA Group Achievement Award for ASHOE/MAESA campaign (1995).
- Francois N. Frenkiel award for paper "Quantification of inelastic & interactions of vortices in two-dimensional vortex dynamics" (1993).
- J.T. Knight Prize for essay "Stability of strips of potential vorticity" (1990).
- U.K. Commonwealth Scholarship to study at University of Cambridge (1989-91).

MEASUREMENT CAMPIAGNS

- Member of theory team of NASA ER-2 aircraft campaigns: ASHOE/MAESA (1994), STRAT (1995/96), TOTE/VOTE (1995/96), POLARIS (1997), and SOLVE (2000).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Member of AGU Atmospheric Dynamics committee (1999-).
- Member of AMS Middle Atmosphere committee (1999-2004), Chairperson (2001-2004).
- Member of International Commission on the Middle Atmosphere (ICMA) committee (1999-).

ASSESSMENT REPORTS

- Co-author of chapter 4 of 2014 WMO/UNEP "Scientific Assessment of Ozone Depletion".
- Lead author of chapter 6 of 2006 WMO/UNEP "Scientific Assessment of Ozone Depletion".
- Co-author of chapter 7 of 1998 WMO/UNEP "Scientific Assessment of Ozone Depletion".
- Lead author of chapter 2 of 1998 NASA "Scientific Assessment of the Atmospheric Effects of Stratospheric Aircraft".

Term 3 and 4 2016 Calendar

Week 8	Monday 12th September Tuesday 13th September Wednesday 14th September Thursday 15th September	Senior Assessment Week Day Three Senior Assessment Week Day Four Senior Assessment Week Day Five BOT Meeting
Week 9	Monday 19th September Tuesday 20th September Wednesday 21st September Thursday 22nd September Friday 23rd September	Production "One Night Only" Nga Manu Korero Speech Contest Nga Manu Korero Speech Contest Supporters Evening Parent/Teacher Interviews Newsletter #9 Last day of Term Three
Term 4	Monday 10th October	Term Four begins
Week 1		
Week 2	Thursday 20th October Friday 21st October	BOT Meeting Speech Finals Newsletter #10

ATTENTION

To all College Sports Teams, Coaches, Managers and individual athletes.

The Ōtorohanga College Sports Committee are inviting teams and individuals to apply for funding to support your sporting requirements.

Application forms can be obtained by emailing sports@otocoll.school.nz and requesting an application form.

Funding can be applied for any costs incurred from June the 14th this year onwards. This can include things like; travel, uniforms, equipment and accommodation. The cut off date to get applications in is the 23rd of September (end of Term Three).

Yours in sport,
The Ōtorohanga College Sports Committee.

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Principal/Tumuaki: Mr Lindsay Dunn *MEd(Hons), PGDipEd, GradDipHP, DipJSPE&RT*

Monday 5th September

Dear Parents and Caregivers

This letter is to inform you of the changes to the school programme on Thursday afternoons that will take effect from Thursday 15th September 2016 up to and including Thursday 1st December. The changes are due to the completion of the winter sports codes practices.

More specifically, as from Thursday 15th September the whole school will be released at 3.10pm following Recreation. A Thursday is a normal school day – it is compulsory for ALL students to be involved in a Recreation activity.

Students, during Whānau, must choose to be involved in one of the following activities:

- Study
- Walking
- Tennis
- Volleyball
- Cricket
- Soccer
- Chess
- College Magazine
- Golf
- Study DVC
- Squash
- Fabric
- Badminton
- Coffee And Baking Club
- Volleyball
- Māori Arts And Waiata
- Gym Workout
- Theatre Sports
- Biology And Physics Study Group
- Senior Chemistry Study Group
- Touch
- Māori Arts
- Book Folding/Reading
- Web Designers
- Study Skills
- Creative Writing
- Christian Group

If you have any queries relating to this please contact the College and talk to Mrs Kurth, Deputy Principal, Learning.

Yours sincerely

Lyndsay Kurth
Deputy Principal, Learning

Are You Using The Parent Portal?

The Parent Portal enables parents/caregivers to track their child's progress in a number of ways including live attendance information and academic achievement.

Parents/caregivers are able to see the following data:

- **Personal Details**
- **Timetable**
- **Attendance**
- **Fees**
- **NCEA Summary**
- **NCEA Current Year Results**
- **NCEA All Results**

Follow the three steps below using your unique username and password.

1. Enter the web address www.otocoll.school.nz into the address bar
2. Click on Parent Portal
3. To obtain information about your child enter the unique username and password at the login section

Lyndsay Kurth
Deputy Principal, Learning

ONE NIGHT ONLY

7.00pm

Monday 19th September

Students: \$5

Adults: \$8

Tickets Available at the College Office

In keeping with the two year production cycle, on the 19th of September Ōtorohanga College will proudly present 'One Night Only'

Students have been working hard on their acts all year, and with rehearsals now in full swing, it is shaping up to be an awesome night, full of high quality entertainment.

The show will feature not only Drama, but music and dance items as well.

We held our first evening rehearsal last week, where students stayed at school till 9pm working on the show, making sure it is ready for the public.

If you would like a ticket to the show, they are \$5 for students and \$8 for general public, available at the student office.

Make sure you get in quick, because as the title of the show suggests, it is 'One Night Only'

Te Nehenehenui Festival

Maniapoto ran its third tribal kapahaka festival on Saturday 3rd September.

There are four competition categories, enabling Primary School, Secondary School, and Adult groups to compete against one another.

The competition aims to promote both te reo Māori in the Maniapoto dialect, and Maniapoto history as well.

As performers are not permitted to perform in two groups, many of our kapahaka students who had joined adult groups this year left us without the strength to field a College team.

However, we are proud that Tirua George was judged best Male Leader in the adult category .

Others to perform were Cohen Tamaki, Akoia Tamaki, and parents Jaimee and Des Tamaki

GATEWAY

Gateway with Zoe Henderson: Hostel Student Leader, and Kedgley House Leader

I work at Metro Paws Doggy Day Care every Thursday, where my cousin Kayla Abbott is my boss. Kayla was the first gateway student that Ms Campbell ever had, so it is great for her to see Kayla in charge of such a well organised business: Metro Paws in Cambridge. Kayla has taught me the ropes, and made my work experience fun and enjoyable. It's great to be able to see her every Thursday. Kayla had been on a work placement as a Vet Nurse in Raglan when she was on Gateway, at the same time as she was a Student leader at Falloon House.

Our job consists of

- looking after people's dog during the day
- playing a lot of games with the dogs throughout the day
- writing reports about new dogs
- We have an inside play area and an outside play area
- cleaning
- give treats and rewards to the dogs
- inventing new and old ball games
- take heaps of photos of the dogs to show their parents

I enjoy working at Metro Paws, and learning how that business runs, I love getting to meet all the parents and especially playing with dogs all day.



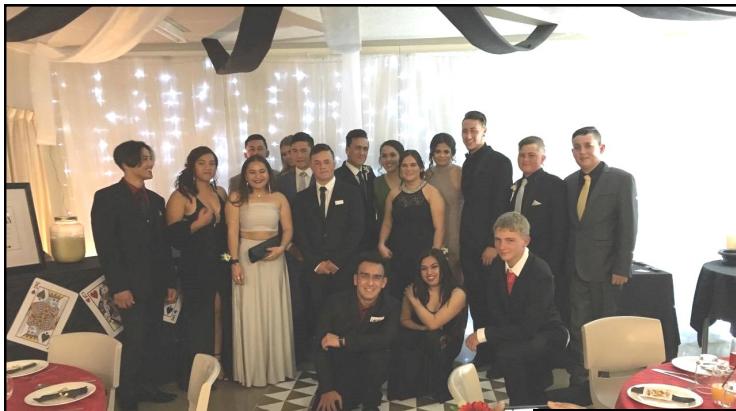
Falloon House - Kāinga rua



Kia ora whānau of the college. As usually the college hostel, like all areas within the college, has been extremely busy in the intervening weeks since the last newsletter, therefore it is our pleasure to afford you all a glimpse into some of what your babies have been participating in these past few weeks.

Firstly the **Hostel Pre-Ball Dinner** again was a tremendous successful thanks to the fantastic efforts of aunty Caroline and her band of hard working helpers Turia, Whitney, aunty Kelly, Leah Knight, Mollie Willison and Whiringa-aa-rangi Anderson-Tuaupiki. We would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their help and support behind the scenes in making sure this was

again a memorable night for our Hostel students and their partners. It would be remiss of me not to mention too how utterly impressed we are every year with the standard and quality of commitment of hostel students, and their partners, to dressing to the theme and for the standard of that dress which is always complimented superbly by an equally outstanding decorum and impeccable conduct and this year was no different. *Ka mau te wehi ladies and gentlemen.*



Secondly the awesome crew that volunteered for the **2016 Koroneihana at Turangawaewae**. Once again Ōtorohanga College had a small presence in the vast ocean of volunteers that ensures the coronation of King Tuheitia goes off without a hitch. Once again it was my extreme honour and pleasure to work alongside these tenacious, sleep deprived, hard working and selfless young people and once again I was left in awe of their selflessness, their effort and their industry. Just as proud and pleased I was of them and their efforts so too, I'm certain, would their *tūpuna* be. *Nō reira ngā manu tiu ki te muri, koia kei ā koutou!* Our deep thanks and gratitude to you all.



Hostel Fees

Kia ora whānau, just a quick reminder Falloon House enrolls boarders on the understanding that boarding fees will be paid. We incur considerable costs in keeping the boarders both well fed and suitably housed. At the same time, every attempt is made to keep the boarding fee cost at an affordable level to all parents. In taking this approach, Falloon House operates on a thin margin. It is important parents pay their boarding fees to help keep Falloon House economic.

NGĀ TAMARIKI TOA

Ngā Tamariki Toa ramped up their practices, turning out two nights per week since the beginning of this term, in preparation for the Waiwaia Festival.

A non-competitive event, the Maniapoto Secondary Schools' Cultural Festival, took place on Friday 12th August, with performances from other participating schools including hosts Te Kuiti High School, Piopio College, and Te Wharekura o Maniapoto.

Ngā Tamariki Toa opened the day's programme with a rousing performance of seven items that captivated the audience. Flowing from whakaeke, through to waiata tira, moteatea, poi, waiata-ā-ringa, haka and whakawātea, the group, under the leadership of Tirua George and Te Kahu Whatarangi left everything on the stage and came away with no regrets. Te Kahu thank you for your sterling effort and wonderful stage āhua, Te Kahu.

With the positive guidance of tutors Jaimee and Des Tamaki, and Arana and Sylvia Hughes, our group reaped the benefit of combining commitment and loyalty to anchor their performance skills.

A special acknowledgement of the performance by Te Wharekura o Maniapoto must be made. Their whole programme was outstanding, and the poi in particular had everyone with their mouths agape and hands clapping in a frenzy. Ngā mihi nunui ki ngā toa o te kura.

Those who performed at the festival were Amanda MacDonald –Keepa, Portia Taane-Edwards, Shanti Te Uira, Lyric Gurnick, Kirikowhai Maihi, Sereana Naqarase, Niamh Sowerby, Paige Clarke, Toni Temainu, Angel Taane-Edwards, Ania Te Uira, Mollie Willison, Cassidy King-Hayes, Hinekura Willison, Oceania Slade-Young, Jayda Parnell, Te Kahu Whatarangi, Maia George, Cohen Tamaki, Te Ahu King,, Campbell Pareanga, Tirua George Alec Pareanga.

We now turn our sights on the Tainui Regional Kapahaka Contest to be held in 2017. Practices will resume shortly and we will be concentrating on some special goals.



NGĀ TAMARIKI TOA



Petition Success

19.8.2016

In 2014 on a little dusty road, standing in the middle of a sacred site of an unprovoked massacre, 186 students from Ōtorohanga College were exposed to the devastating stories of our nation's past. Two of us decided that we needed to do something: that such a pivotal time in our history would be unwise to forget; that we owed it to our ancestors, to ourselves, and to our future generations to understand why roads traverse sacred sites that have become national secrets, why there is a fight to retain our native language, why we need a Treaty settlement process, and why we must refute it when it is said that our nation was settled peacefully. To confiscate land is to take someone's language, spirituality, and nearly all aspects of their way of life. Subsequently, the petition to commemorate the New Zealand Land Wars as a statutory holiday was born.

Today some of us attended the Koroneihana to witness Minister Maggie Barry return Rangiriri to the people, and announce that New Zealand will have an annual day to commemorate the Land Wars.

For us, it has taken two years of walking the streets getting signatures, endless emails, speaking to politicians, historians, media, academics, musicians, and more; addressing parliament, addressing civic action conferences, and addressing our own peers, and several super-mums, to get to this point.

For New Zealand, it has been over 150 years of struggle to see this day.

700 children from local mainstream schools, in a Kawenata with Waikato-Tainui, performed Waiata and Kapa Haka in recognition and commitment to wanting to learn our history. It was one of the most impressive and joyous sights we have ever seen.

Thank you to everyone who has been a part of this kaupapa. The people who signed online, on the street, all the organisations, media, historians, academics, the Human Rights Commission, the politicians including Whaea Nanaia Mahuta who championed this cause from the start, Zak Henry who continues to run the facebook page no matter where he is in the world, and all the other endless groups of people who have made this happen.

My last, but most special thanks goes to my Mum, Whaea Mariana and Matua Raahui, who (in my professional opinion!) were the heart and soul of this whole journey.

It is not even close to being over yet, but if there is something to be learnt from such a colossal feat, it is that change can be created from the most humble and naive beginnings.

Like my little school who believes that anyone, of any age or background, has the power to create change for the better.

Leah Bell



TOUGH GUY AND GAL CHALLENGE

Ōtorohanga College had its best ever results in the Secondary Schools Tough Guy and Gal Challenge in Rotorua on Friday 26th August.

In freezing conditions, Ōtorohanga College took a team of 40 students to compete against 1000 other secondary students in the 6km obstacle/ mud run. The team was made up of senior Physical Education students and the 20 High Performance Sports athletes. The time it takes students to complete the challenge is then used as their practical assessment for NCEA Level Two and Three credits. PE students have been in training for a month while the High Performance students have been training all year.

Although Ōtorohanga College have had some pleasing results in the past, Ōtorohanga College had its best year and featured heavily with 5 on the podium.

These included;

Trent Maguire 3rd 6km over 16 male

Alex Bell 2nd 6km over 16 male

Quinn Robinson 3rd 6km over 16 female.

Anna Connolly 2nd 6km over 16 female.

Matthew Connolly 2nd 6km under 16 male.

Students are already looking forward to returning next year.





MONTE CARLO BALL

There was a special buzz in the air on Friday 12th August, with tuxes to be picked up and hair and makeup appointments to go to. As 7:30pm approached the excitement was hard to contain in the majority of the Year 12 and 13's at Ōtorohanga College. The night started with attendees arriving in fancy cars both modern and old fashioned, stock trucks, firetrucks and basically any mode of transport. Then came the daunting walk down the walkway to the red carpet in front of the community who show their support annually at this spectacular event. The theme of Monte Carlo was evident as you walked through the gorgeous red and gold velvet archways into our stunning school hall. The Hall had been decorated with lots of lights, giant playing cards, and a massive dice. The theme of the hall definitely set the tone for the night thanks to Val Glenn of Cleverdesign Events. This year we had ex students, Karn Ingham, Alex Anderson and Vincent Wright in their band named 'ManDown" who alternately provided the music for the night with DJL8's. Throughout the night students could use the Photo Booth to get fun polaroid shots, while Lauran Robinson took many formal and informal shots during the evening.

Supper was provided by College A Netball, Mrs Russell and Mrs Thomas and it definitely did not disappoint. It was evident many had not eaten in their excitement to get ready and after a karakia by Tremont Rhind-Williams, students were quick to make sure they did not miss out. Everyone looked stunning in their dresses and tuxedos and looking around everyone was laughing, dancing and having a good time. It was a night none of us will be forgetting anytime soon. Voting took place after supper with the following attendees being named as:

Best Dressed Male, Caleb Grazier,

Best Dressed Female, Jean Pu,

Prince of the Ball, Dallas Maguire,

Princess of the Ball, Shannon Hofer-Nigg,

King of the Ball, Josh Kenny,

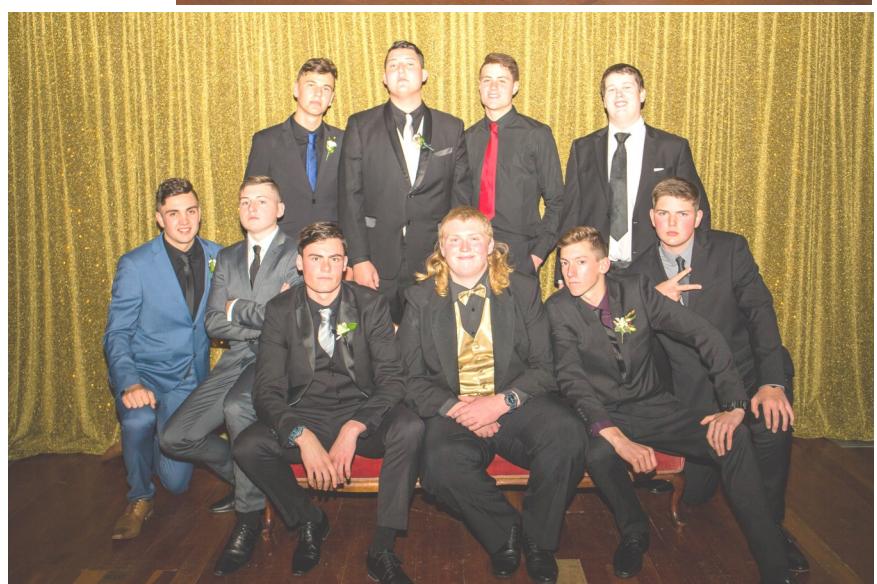
Queen of the Ball, Kate Russell.

A massive thank you goes to Mrs Flay, Mrs Pitts-Brown and all the helpers who do everything and anything so that we can have the night we all dream of, and this year was no exception. Thanks everyone.

By Kate Russell



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SPORTS CORNER



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Sports News

Our most recent event was the Waikato Secondary Schools Tough Guy/Gal Challenge held in Rotorua.

Although not nearly as cold as last year....it rained most of time making the course muddier and slippery. Students were struggling to get up the hills wearing just running shoes. Entry numbers were high again this year with approximately 1000 entries.

Congratulations to

Trent Maguire 3rd 6km over 16 male

Alex Bell 2nd 6km over 16 male

Matthew Connolly 2nd 6km under 16 male

Anna Connolly 2nd 6km over 16 female

Quinn Robinson 3rd 6km over 16 female

I would also like to congratulate Liam Fox, Caitlyn Katipa-Maiuku, Tori van der Heyden and Jessica Russell who also managed to finish in the top 10 rankings of their grade. It was indeed a treacherous course.

Our tournament teams have also come home smiling. Netball has exceeded their expectations as well as our soccer boys. Full details feature further in our newsletter.

Winter sport is just about to come to an end for another year and some of us are still reeling with the end results.

Congratulations to all our teams who have made the semis or the top 4 placings.

Rugby

1st XV - World Sport Gold Coast Rugby Tournament Div 2

Winners & WSS Semi-finalist Div 2

U15 - WSS Semi-finalist Div 2 B Grade

U14 - WSS A grade Runners Up

Hockey

Girls - WSS C Grade Winners

Netball

Netball A - Hamilton Monday Night League B Grade Winners, ONC A Grade runners up, KC/Waipa SS Winners, UNISS finished 7th seed from 18th seed.

Junior Development - ONC A Reserve Winners

Seniors - C Grade Runners Up

Soccer

1st XI Boys - WSS Div 5 Winners

Jnr Boys - WSS Div 7 3rd (provisional results)

1st XI Girls - WSS Div 4 4th

Senior Girls Maroon - WSS Div 7 Provisional results 1st



Hockey Girls Tournament Week:

Our Tour started on the Wednesday of Tournament when we left for Whakatane on a hockey high from winning our final the week before. We played Whakatane High 2nds and won that game 7-1 and then played Edgecumbe/Trident combined/mixed and lost 7-2. Their boys were just too fast on the dribble so was good learning for the girls on what is required to defend good attackers. We had a shared kai with Te Kuiti and the hosts from Whakatane before heading to our accommodation in Rotorua.

On Thursday we combined with Te Kuiti to form a King Country team to play a Rotorua City Selection of the best players from John Paul College, Western Heights and Rotorua Girls. Our King Country Team played a good passing game and easily won this game 5-0. Later that day we played the main event of our tour each year, which is against Rotorua Girls High 1st XI. They beat us by one goal 2 years ago and last year they snatched a draw in the last few minutes. We always enjoy the challenge of playing 1st XI teams and the girls were up for this game dominating each half and winning 4-2. This game really showed how much this team has developed over the last 3 years and this was the 5th 1st XI team we had beaten this season. The last game of the day was against JPC 3rds who had a couple of senior women playing for them which made the game a good contest. Ōtorohanga Girls despite being tired let the ball do the work and this was probably the best all round performance of the season with everyone in the team protecting the ball and passing to win 3-0.

Friday was the last day of our tour and it was going to be hard for the girls to be at their best for the last game against Western Heights 2nds, having played 5 games in two days. Hockey is an important sport to these big schools which have multiple hockey teams and programmes that produce teams that are skilled across the field. The girls were flat for the first 10 minutes of the game and they looked like spectators watching each other play hockey rather than supporting each other as they have done so well all season. Some motivational talk from the side-line saw them fire into life and then they went on to score the most amazing 6 goals in 15 minutes of hockey madness. It really was crazy to watch it unfold. Western Heights then won the second half 1-0 to go down 6-1 to a very happy Ōtorohanga Team. A shared Kai with Te Kuiti and Heights was an awesome way to finish the tour before watching the last game between the other two schools and heading home.

Emma Whiteman will be leaving us this year. Emma always played her hardest and developed some good skills to be an important defensive player for her team, we wish her well. With none of the team being Year 13 we will have the same squad for next season which is awesome, but we are looking for a couple more players to join this awesome team.



Hillary Outdoors - Great Barrier Island:

Normally we would be prepping for our Tongariro National Park Camp for the upcoming holidays, however, with a change of location this camp is now scheduled for Term 4 20th November. 20 Year 10 students will be flying to Great Barrier Island where they will be learning some outdoor important life skills.

Activities are based around the pristine ocean and the forests. The Hauraki Gulf is the perfect marine environment for students to learn the dynamics and benefits of teamwork, gain a greater understanding of roles they play in teams and be given the opportunity to express and develop outdoor skills.

Individuals work together in teams to navigate the coastline, explore the forests and fauna, learn skills such as kayaking, coasteering, sailing, rock climbing, abseiling and surf kayaking.

This is very exciting opportunity for our students as this is the first time we have visited the island.



KC Touch Taster:

Expressions are called for mixed teams. This one day tournament will be held at Te Kuiti High School Thursday 22nd September. All teams must have a maximum of 9 players, 2 females on the field and be able to referee their games. If you are a parent that can assist we would love to hear from you.

“PAY BEFORE PLAY”

Reminder to all students, that payment for any sport must be paid up front. This not only includes sports fees it also includes tournament fees

Ōtorohanga District Sports Awards:

Some of you may have heard Ōtorohanga District Council will be having the Ōtorohanga District Sports Awards. These are scheduled for Wednesday 23rd November at the Ōtorohanga Club. Nominations can be processed online through the Sport Waikato website www.sportwaikato.org.nz and close on Friday 23rd September. This year the event is going to be run by Ōtorohanga District Council with support from Sport Waikato.

This is a great opportunity to recognise sporting achievement from sportspersons, clubs and schools within the Ōtorohanga District. The Sports Awards categories are:

- Administrator
- Club
- Coach
- Team
- Junior Sportsperson
- Secondary School Student Contribution to Sport
- Sportsperson
- Official
- Service to Sport

To make this event successful we need to have a worthwhile number of nominations across all categories. Could everyone do their best to get the word out so we get as many nominations as possible and make it a memorable evening.

NETBALL TOURNAMENT NEWS

Upper North Island Secondary Schools College A Results—Bruce Pulman Park, Papakura

	Opposition	Result	Win/Loss/Draw
v	Whakatane	24-24	Draw
v	Hauraki Plains	42-17	Win
v	Ngā Taiatea	40-15	Win
v	St Marys	31-29	Win
v	Hamilton Girls	24-41	Loss
v	Matamata	32-24	Win
v	One Tree Hill	13-50	Loss
v	Morrinsville	21-31	Loss
v	Pakuranga	26-34	Loss
v	Keri Keri	26-23	Win

These results mean College A were fulfil their original goal of making the top 16 out of 32 in B Grade, however, they reset their goals and aimed for top 8 and after successfully achieving this they went for top 5 to try for promotion to the A Grade. Sadly losses to Morrinsville and Pakuranga put us in the position of playing off for 7th or 8th place. Beating Keri Keri we finished 7th out of 32 teams in the B Grade. We improved our ranking by 11 places. This is an absolute feat for a small rural school such as ours. Playing schools with between 1000-2500 students where they have 22 and 30 netball teams and coming away with wins or giving them tough competitive games was also pleasing and the talk of many of our umpires and teams we came across. Many larger schools underestimate the heart and integrity our College A team bring to their game and this was the case during tournament week.

Playing two really tough demanding games each day for 5 days was not easy, especially when some of these games were physically demanding. Despite two losses on Thursday and returning to the van, this photo shows how strongly this team has bonded.

The team did themselves, each other and our College proud both on and off the court.





The team were lucky enough to stay 12 minutes from the courts at Manukau which meant we were able to return to our motel between games to ice, rest and refuel bodies ready for the next game. There was lots of talk, laughter and fun times had. This team has bonded on and off the court during the season and the time spent together at tournament week strengthened this bond. Sadly, Kate Russell our captain and Filma Tapara played their last games for Otorohanga College A on Friday afternoon and they will be missed by the team next year. However, we wish them well in their future sporting and academic aspirations.

College A and the Management team would like to thank all those who supported us in any way during the season. To the teams who supported our fundraisers thanks so much. We are so looking forward to next year.

Team: Kate Russell (captain), Filma Tapara, Tori van der Heyden (vice captain), Jayda Parnell, Kairangi Anderson, Khelli Willison, Christle Mulligan, Matarena Kopa, Jessica Russell, Riley Parnell.

Team Management during the season has been: Lauran Robinson (Coach), Jaimee Tamaki (Assistant Coach), Karen Flay (Tournament Manager), Donna Russell (Manager).

SOCCKET TOURNAMENT NEWS

New Zealand Secondary Schools Soccer Tournament Results 2016 in Wanganui from 29/8 to 2/9

Ōtorohanga College	v.	Lynfield College	Draw	1-1 Draw
Aotea College	v.	Ōtorohanga College	Ōtorohanga	5-0 Won
Campion College	v.	Ōtorohanga College	Ōtorohanga	3-0 Won
Ōtorohanga College	v.	Long Bay College	Long Bay	1-0 Lost
Western Heights High Sch	v.	Ōtorohanga College	Ōtorohanga	1-0 Won
Ōtorohanga College	v.	St Peter's (P/North)	Ōtorohanga	2-1 Won
Ōtorohanga College	v.	Lytton College	Lytton	2-1 Lost
Waiuku College	v.	Ōtorohanga College	Ōtorohanga	2-0 Won

Finished in the Top 8 Equal, but missed the play offs -due to Goal differences.

Ōtorohanga College 1st X1 Boys Soccer Tournament Team 2016

	Names	Level
1	Jake Marcroft	12
2	Alex Bell	13
3	Daniel Wylie	13
4	Harry Anglesey	12
5	Trent Maguire	13
6	Charles Ward	12
7	Matthew Connolly	10
8	Josh Kenny	13
9	Dallas Maguire	12
10	Liam Fox	13
11	Dylan Roberts	11
12	Sam Lewis	12
13	Harry Sheehy	10
14	Simon Whitbread	11
15	Bradlee Hetet	12
16	Andrew Long	11

Teachers: K Drummond (Manager), R Chetty (Coach)

What a TOURNAMENT...***find out more about the Tournament in the next News Letter.***

Thanks to all the travelling parents, caregivers and supporters.

Also a VERY big thanks to the Staff and Coaches of all the different Sports Code at the College.
(Thanks to the Amazing Fitness programmes run by High Performance Academy, PE staff and other coaches...you were our "SAVIOURS "

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"With such passion off the field, comes an added element of intrigue and excitement in the game itself"

Thanks Ram Chetty (Coach/TIC)



