

A big thank you to all of the Kerikeri High School staff who have made a huge effort to make these last weeks memorable for our students, and who have, at the same time, given so much extra revision assistance and encouragement to the senior students in their NCEA Level One, Two and Three and Scholarship Examinations.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

- ★ The Kerikeri High School Ki-O-Rahi cultural sports group, **Ki-O-Rahi Akotanga Iho**, have won the prestigious 'Best Community Initiative' Award for their contribution nationally to sport in New Zealand. A group of students and parents will be receiving the award Taonga on behalf of the Team at the **Maori Sports Awards** in Rotorua on December 12th.
- ★ **Elsa Brown** won the code award for Netball at the recent Northland Sports Awards.
- ★ Northland Secondary Schools' Debating Competition results 2008:
 - Winners of the Northland Senior Competition
 - Cherie McGregor**
 - Rosie Sievers**
 - Corinne Marti**
 - Coach Mrs Nicole Prosser
 - Runners up in the Northland Intermediate Competition
 - Jonathan Martin**
 - Michael Prendergast**
 - Emily Curtis**
 - Imogen van pierce**
 - Coach Mrs Megan Prendergast

A big thank you to all debators , coaches and adjudicators who participated in debating this year, and especially to our convenor, Mrs Di Eastwood.
- ★ Our graduates have won the largest number of external scholarships ever this year. We have now just been advised that Alec Magon has been awarded a Lincoln Scholarship for \$4,500, for a new Industry Focused Scholarship Programme.



TE KOTAHITANGA

The school was represented at the Te Kotahitanga Voices Conference held at Waikato University. Three of our students , **Karalee Whiu**, **Ashleigh Barker** and **Joshua Rewha** spoke to a packed lecture theatre about their experiences, achievements and relationships at our school. Josh was also the Guest Speaker at the Conference Dinner along with the new Minister of Education Hon Mrs Anne Tolley. The highlight of the evening

for us was Josh being awarded a Te Kotahitanga Scholarship for study at Waikato University.

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

Kerikeri High School receives outstanding support from the local community. Many businesses and individuals sponsor our School. Most recently, those who sponsor our Prizegivings are acknowledged in our Prize Lists. Still more, for example, have provided a day's work for our students on our Annual Work Day. Thank you for all your support.

NEWS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Now we are coming to the end of the year we would like to thank publicly all the people who have taken International Students into their homes and shared their lives with them. You have given the students memories they will never forget.

Mr Grant Berry and Mrs Wrae Adelinger

2008 SCHOOL MAGAZINE

The 2008 School Magazine is available now from Reception. It is a wonderful collection of the highlights of the 2008 academic year, packed full of colour photographs. Students can purchase a copy at Reception for \$8 if the School Contribution has been paid, or \$20 if the School Contribution has not been paid.

BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS

It's getting near the end of the year and we need to get all those Library books and text books that are lurking in odd corners and under beds returned. Please help us by sending any back to the Library.



Students will be able to borrow books for the school holidays as long as they have returned all their library books from this year.

WANTED - 2ND HAND UNIFORMS ...

...in good condition. Proceeds from the sale of secondhand uniforms through our Uniform Shop are used by the Parent Teacher Association to fund sports equipment for our students. Plastic shopping bags are also needed in the Uniform Shop **Please deliver 2nd hand uniforms to the Uniform Shop or to Reception.**

UNIFORM / STATIONERY SHOP

The School Uniform and Stationery Shop will be closed during the summer break from 11.15am Friday 12th December. It will re-open on Wednesday 21st January, from 9am to 3pm until Thursday 5th February. Evening opening hours are 5pm to 7pm on Tuesday 27th January and Thursday 29th January. Normal hours from 9th February 2009.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Parachute '09

A last reminder to all those students who put their names down to attend the Parachute Music Festival. Your permission slips and payment must be in this week to reception.

Football Referees Course

The Kerikeri Football Club are holding a Level One Referees course this weekend on Saturday 13th and Sunday the 14th December at the Waipapa Grounds. The course is run by United Soccer 1's Greg Gallop. Kerikeri Football Club are happy to subsidise half of the cost of club members (and parents of), usually \$100 pp, now only \$50 pp. If you are interested please contact Melissa Proffitt on 021 120 7309 or email mproffitt@kerikerihigh.ac.nz

Alannah's Hip Hop Dance Classes

6 week workshop. Starts 8th December Kerikeri – Monday, Wednesday, 9th December Kaikohe – Tuesday, Thursday. Call Alannah on 0800 123084 or 027 4578623. *These are not school run activities.*

WHAT'S HAPPENING

- **JUNIOR PRIZE-GIVING** for Year 8
10am Thursday 11th December
- **JUNIOR PRIZE-GIVING** for Year 10
12pm Thursday 11th December
- **JUNIOR PRIZE-GIVING** for Year 7
10am Friday 12th December
- **JUNIOR PRIZE-GIVING** for Year 9
12pm Friday 12th December

HOLIDAY RECEPTION HOURS

Kerikeri High School Reception will close at 11.30am on Monday the 15th December and will re-open on Monday the 19th January 2009.

NEXT YEAR – PLEASE NOTE OUR START-UP DATES FOR 2009

- 10.00am on Monday 2nd February for Year 13
 - 8.40am on Tuesday 3rd February for Years 7 and 12
 - 8.40am on Wednesday 4th February for Years 8, 9, 10 and 11
- Please watch the local papers for details in January.

2008 has been an outstanding year for Kerikeri High School. We have had a very clear focus on offering our students as many opportunities as possible across the four cornerstones of academic, sporting, cultural and leadership with service.

Over these past tough weeks we have concentrated on keeping the day to day routine of the school going as well as managing our special events like Senior Prizegiving, the Graduates' Dinner, the Summer Show, Enterprise and NCEA Days and the Medieval Fayre, for our students and staff, but with sensitivity and being alert to the need to support and comfort when it is needed.

The support our whole school community has shown to Kerikeri High School is deeply appreciated by us all.

Best wishes for a safe and happy Christmas break.

Kia Ora



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