



Kerikeri High School
Newsletter



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Kerikeri, Bay of Islands

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Tēna koutou katoa e te whānau,
Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou.
Nau mai haere mai ki tā tātou kura, Te Kura Tuarua o te Kerikeri.

Term Four is an exciting and busy time at our School and we wanted to include all the information we think families and whānau need for a 'heads up' around upcoming events. While some of the information here is specifically aimed at Seniors we hope those with students in the Junior years will find the items an interesting insight into the future.

One of the highlights of this term is of course our Prizegivings and we warmly welcome families and whānau and friends of the school. A poster containing key dates for Prizegivings and reports is included with this Newsletter.

This is a very pressured time for the senior students and staff as final portfolio deadlines loom, final Internals and resubmissions take place and revision begins for External Examinations.

SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

Our Senior Elite Prizegiving will start at 11.30am and we anticipate that we finish for afternoon tea at approximately 2.00pm and we would be delighted if you would come. Please find information included for approximate times and dates.

Just a reminder that our Junior students will be looked after however are not required to be at School on Senior Prizegiving Day.

We will be posting home a letter of congratulation and the WAKA Certificate for all of our senior students achieving WAKA Awards for Excellence in Attitude.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the following students for their top results in the Australian Language Competence Spanish Exams. **Kellie Hodkinson** (Level 3 High Distinction), **Olivia Jack**, **Victoria Pantano**, **Alana Tapia**, (Level 2 High Distinction) **Isaac Chandler** (Level 2 Distinction) **Nimish Singh**, **Daniel Bunn** (Level 1 Distinction).

Congratulations to **Joshua Alain Dormer** for being a 2017 Bright Awards Winner, Highly Commended in the Games Category. The Bright Awards were created by Auckland's Media Design School to recognise New Zealand's up-and-coming emerging creative talents in five distinctly different categories: Animation, Graphic Design, Games, Web and Interactive, and Photography.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CHEMISTRY COMPETITION

Congratulations to the following students for their achievements in the Australian National Chemistry Competition, one of the Academic Extension Opportunities available at Kerikeri High School:

Distinction (top 10-25% in New Zealand)
Emilia Finer (Year 9), **Emilie Jones** (Year 10)

Credit (top 25-40% in New Zealand)
DJ Jones (Year 8), **Dean Baker** (Year 10), **Lucia Avery** (Year 12), **Jerry Tang** (Year 13).

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

The final Celebration Assembly took place for the year in the last week of Term Three with a huge range of top achievements acknowledged. The Honours recipients were welcomed to the Assembly by the Kapa Haka Roopu and a moving moment was when their hard working and experienced leader Savanah Peters Hei-Hei was recognised. Congratulations to the following Honours Award Recipients:

Academic Honours: **Ayrhian Hendry** (Culinary), **Libby Inwood** (NZ Geography Olympiad Team).

Cultural Honours: **Savanah Peters Hei-Hei** (Kaitataki Wahine, Te Pou o Manako Kapa Haka Female Leader), **Nathan Gibson** (Music), **Laila Abada** (Debating), **Grace Jennings** (Debating), **Lauryn Jarman** (Public Speaking), **Sophia Fotheringham** (Art Exhibition), **Isabella Joe** (Public Speaking).

Sporting Honours: **Tara Jackson** (Football), **Libby Inwood** (Football), **Alex Edwards** (Spear Fishing), **Samantha Turner** (Swimming), **Archie White** (Swimming), **Kyle Chen** (Boxing), **Joe Wadman** (Rugby), **Miles Halvorson** (Rugby), **Nyena Weeds** (Rugby Sevens), **Lelani Erwin** (Rugby Sevens and Basketball), **Lanaya Morgan** (Rugby Sevens), **Mia Anderson** (Rugby Sevens), **Morgan Forrester** (Hockey), **Sophie Morrison** (Hockey), **Sydney Bavastro** (Inline Hockey), **Olivia Sherman** (Athletics).

MARKET DAY

Kerikeri High School Enterprise students showed their organisational skills and products at the YES Trade Fair at the Packhouse Market and our own Market Day at the end of Term Three.

There were so many companies that the Market Day was relocated to the Gymnasium and the diverse and creative work on display was excellent.

ASB SPORTS AWARDS

The Northland Secondary Schools' Sports Awards were held at Kensington Stadium in Whangarei last Thursday. Congratulations to the Finalists from Kerikeri High School;

Miya Fleming – Eventing
Archie White – Swimming
Joe Wadman – Rugby
Stacey Ferguson – Official Netball
Holly Mather – Netball
Ella Taurua – Eventing
Adam Pilling – Bike
Alexander Hull – Athletics
Olivia Sherman – Athletics
Lea Dawson – Athletics

And, Congratulations to the Code winners:

Sophie Morrison – Hockey
Sydney Bavastro – Inline Hockey
Kyle Chen – Boxing
Alex Edwards – Spear Fishing

Kyle Chen was named Sportsman of the Year and the Team of the Year was The Kerikeri High School Sailing Team.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION

Most senior students (Years 11, 12 and 13) will be released for NCEA Examinations after the Form Time following Senior Prizegiving on 7 November. School Reports will be issued at this Form Time. Some senior students may be required to attend additional internal assessment opportunities during External Examination time or to complete assessment work before release. NCEA External Examinations begin on 9 November. Students have their own individual timetables. The entire timetable is available on the NZQA website – www.nzqa.govt.nz. There is a link on the bottom left-hand corner of the home page.

KERIKERI HIGH SCHOOL MAGAZINE DON'T MISS OUT

It is with much excitement that we announce that our 2017 Kerikeri High School Magazine is underway. Magazines can be purchased from Reception at a cost of only \$10. This is excellent value for such a high quality publication.

Pre orders can be placed at Reception, and will be available for collection from Reception. You will be

advised of the collection date. Examples of our wonderful School Magazines from previous years are on display at Reception. Don't miss your copy of this special legacy of 2017.

THE GREAT ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION

The Great Annual Art Exhibition is happening Friday 3 November 5.30pm – 7.30pm, with nibbles and drinks. The exhibition will also be open Saturday 4 November 9.00am – 1.00pm and Monday 6 November 9.00am – 3.00pm in the Kerikeri High School Auditorium. Most work in the exhibition is for sale and attendees are invited to cast a vote for the People's Choice Award. We look forward to seeing you there.

EOTC

Our Education Outside the Classroom activities for our Year 7-10 students are online. A link will be sent to parents tomorrow for students to express preferences. Please look out for it.

COMMUNITY PROBLEM SOLVING

A group of Year 9 and 10 Community Problem Solving students presented their case to release Brazilian beetles along the new Wairoa stream track in a mock EPA court. The group aptly named Tradescantia Terminators believe these beetles will help in the control of the invasive weed Tradescantia that forms a dense mat preventing the regeneration of native forest along the track.

Dr Jenny Dymock (Northland entomologist) and Rob Brown (Friends of Wairoa Stream, Vision Kerikeri) presided as judges. The judges were impressed with the depth of understanding the students displayed. Their verdict – 'that the students should proceed with their plans to release the beetles.' To quote Mr Brown, 'these students are going to make a difference'.

TEENAG

TeenAg aims to introduce and promote a positive picture of agriculture, horticulture and country life to teenagers. You don't have to be off a farm you just need a love of the land and be keen to get involved with some fun and rewarding activities.

Kerikeri High School is looking to see if any parents are keen to get a TeenAg Club up and running particularly as the 2018 Regional Competitions will be held in Kerikeri on 17 March 2018.

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CASH FOR COMMUNITIES

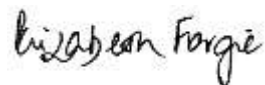
This spring, PGG Wrightson and Balance Agri-Nutrients will again run Cash for Communities and give farmers an opportunity to raise funds for their local school or rescue helicopter. The programme has raised more than \$455,000 over the past six years, and over 600 farmers registered last year. PGG Wrightson and Balance will donate \$1 for every tonne of qualifying Balance Fertiliser purchased by farmers who have registered and nominated their school or Rescue Helicopter at www.cashforcommunities.co.nz

WHAT'S HAPPENING

- **3 November** Art Exhibition
- **3-4 November** Future Problem Solving Nationals
- **7 November** Senior Elite Prizegiving
- **8-13 November** Junior Examinations
- **9 November** NZQA Examinations begin
- **9-10 November** Year 8 Marae Noho 1
- **17 November** Year 9 and 10 Athletics Day
- **21 November** Raft Race
- **23 November** Year 10 Drama Performance
- **28 November** Year 9 and 10 EOTC
- **30 November** Year 7 and 8 EOTC
- **30 November** Year 13 Graduation Dinner
- **1 December** NZQA Examinations End

Thank you so much for all your support. We look forward to seeing you at our Prizegivings.

Kia ora



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BOARD NEWSLETTER

The end of the school year is fast approaching and with it the sudden realisation that the Board has been so busy with school matters that we have not sent out a newsletter for 6 months.

We opened our last newsletter with a welcome to everyone, and an introduction to the Board members for our new families and whānau. During the year we said goodbye to one of our Parent Trustees. Martin Baker served 7 years on the Board and was an incredibly valuable member of the team, particularly on the Property Committee. He joined the Board two weeks before the devastating arson and worked tirelessly on the rebuild and subsequent projects. A recent increase in demands on Martin's time with his own work meant that he felt unable to continue with us; he has been missed around the table but as with a small community, you can never completely go into hiding and it's great for us to still see him around.

So just to remind you, the current Board is now:

- Wendy Butler (Parent Trustee)
- Elizabeth Forgie (School Principal)
- Chris Galbraith (Parent Trustee)
- Mariaio Hohaia (Parent Trustee)
- Roger Ludbrook (Parent Trustee)
- Chris McLellan (Parent Trustee; Deputy Chairman)
- Sue Richards (Parent Trustee; Chairman)
- Jasmin Winikerei (Student Representative)
- Emma Wise (Staff Trustee)

And we will also be saying goodbye to Jasmin in November when she leaves us with her year 13 cohort. It has been wonderful to have her opening and closing our meetings with a karakia. Her first words the first time were a confident and commanding "E tu" – and we all stood immediately! Jazzy, it has been a delight to have you on the Board and we wish you all the best – we have no doubt you will succeed beyond your wildest dreams at whatever you choose to do.

Earlier this year we noted that the first term ended with some unacceptable student behaviour that was dealt with by the Board Disciplinary Committee. We have continued to take the same tough stand. Kerikeri High School is vigilant in dealing with drugs and bullying – we will not allow violence or drugs in our school in any form and we encourage families and students to follow suit.

This year we had planned to work with the Principal and Deputy Principals (the Senior Leadership Team) on reviewing our Strategic Plan and seek student, staff and community input. Changes with the Ministry of Education forced us to put this on the backburner but we will be prioritising it next year. The Strategic Plan is not a tick box exercise, it is the foundation for everything that Kerikeri High School is and aims to be.

Our property and finance committees ensure that the school operates within budget. They have also been working towards a wonderful new facility that you can read about in the school magazine, a new student centre, to be constructed next year. We will be working to keep disruption to a minimum, just as the property committee have done with the Art project and now the library building.

In our last newsletter we noted 2016's NCEA results – in case you missed it, the pass rates were 88% at Level 1, 92% at Level 2, 82% at Level 3, and our best ever result of 83% for our Māori students at Level 1. Students will be taking their externals soon and we wish them every success for 2017.

This will be one of our last chances to wish all our students, teachers and families a peaceful Christmas and a new year full of promise. Take care on the roads and have a wonderful summer. See you all in February if not before.

Hei konā mai and goodbye for now.



KERIKERI HIGH SCHOOL

REPORTS AND PRIZEGIVINGS

2017

Years 11, 12 and 13 Reports	7 th November
Year 7 Reports	7 th December
Year 8 Reports	6 th December
Year 9 Reports	7 th December
Year 10 Reports	6 th December

SENIOR		
PRIZEGIVING	11.30am	Tuesday 7th November - in the Gymnasium
YEAR 8		
PRIZEGIVING	10.00am	Wednesday 6th December - in the Auditorium
YEAR 10		
PRIZEGIVING	12.00pm	Wednesday 6th December - in the Auditorium
YEAR 7		
PRIZEGIVING	10.00am	Thursday 7th December - in the Auditorium
YEAR 9		
PRIZEGIVING	12.00pm	Thursday 7th December - in the Auditorium

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