



Kerikeri High School

Kerikeri, Bay of Islands  
New Zealand

# NEWSLETTER

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Tū mai tōku maunga ko Pōkākā  
E rere atu nei te awa o Wairoa  
Riporipo tau ana ki te awa o ngā Rangatira  
Tiro kau atu ki te pā o Kororipo  
Raro nei i te mana o ngā tupuna  
Ko Hongi, ko Rewa, ko Tāreha  
Te marae ko Te Pou o Manakō  
Te kura ko Te Kerikeri  
Tihewa mauri ora

Standing majestically is my mountain Pōkākā  
Where the stream of Te Wairoa flows down  
Entering into the river of chiefs  
Swirling at the base of Kororipo Pā  
The ancestral fortress of Ngāpuhi  
Immortalised by Hongi, Rewa and Tāreha  
Our marae is Te Pou o Manako  
Embraced by the school of Te Kerikeri  
Behold, the essential life force

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## Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou

Dear Parents, Whānau, Staff and Students

We chose to hold last week's Newsletter back following the tragic passing of our Year 12 student Ashleigh Bourne, out of respect to her family and friends. Our thoughts and aroha have been and are with Ashleigh's family and friends at this difficult time.

Last week was a tough one for many of our students and staff. We have offered students and teachers support and time as they come to terms with their loss and deal with their grief. We will continue to do all we can for everyone who has been affected by Ashleigh's passing in the coming weeks and months.

These tragic circumstances always bring the best out in our Kerikeri community and remind us all how closely connected we are. Saturday's service for Ashleigh was a sad occasion but also a wonderful celebration of a life lived to the full. It was uplifting to hear her family and friends speak so genuinely and emotionally about her.

Last week also saw the announcement of further industrial action by members of the PPTA, with an increase to the rostering home schedule they have initiated. This is an unsatisfactory situation for everyone. It's fair to say there are two sides to this situation and I know everyone will be hoping the two sides can quickly find common ground and agreement on the terms and conditions of the Secondary Teachers Collective Contract, to end the disruption to student learning and of course to families.

A feature of life at Kerikeri High School is being able to be actively involved in a wide variety of activities. Our students understand this as our Four Cornerstones philosophy, which aims to give them the opportunity to participate and experience success across a diverse range of Academic, Cultural, Sporting and Leadership opportunities. A look at our school calendar over the last few weeks illustrates how much is on offer for our students, and we actively encourage them to get involved in as many opportunities as they can.

Being involved in the wider life of the school, being active, being busy and being engaged creates a strong sense of belonging. We know that the busier our students are, the more successful they are. I also believe that a strong sense of healthy wellbeing is developed when young people are positively engaged in activities they enjoy. We continue to encourage our students to participate widely in school life; they may discover a hidden talent.

I thank all our teachers and staff, parent coaches and managers, and our student coaches and umpires for their commitment and contribution across the Four Cornerstones. Over the coming weeks I encourage parents and students to take a moment and acknowledge those people who enable these opportunities to happen and say thanks. It's a small gesture that goes a long way and means a lot.

It was great to see so many students and staff embrace Pink Shirt Day on Friday 19 May. Pink Shirt Day celebrates diversity and our strong anti-bullying message. We know that sometimes things go wrong between people, and when this happens our message to our students is to always tell a safe adult. A parent, a Year Level Dean, a Form Teacher, a subject teacher, a Guidance Counsellor, an Assistant or Deputy Principal – we are here to help and will do everything we can to support students through any difficult or upsetting situations. Parents, please always feel free to ring us if there is an issue for your child and our friendly staff at Reception will put you in touch with the right person to listen and assist you.

Nāku iti noa, nā



Mike Clent

**Principal**



## Student Achievements

Congratulations to the two teams that travelled to Auckland to compete in the National Spanish Debating Competition. The Year 11 team of **Hayley Bloch-Jorgeson**, **Alastor Fairhurst** and **Phoebe Williams** placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in their competition. **Joe Howells** (Year 13) placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Best Speaker competition.



Congratulations to the four Kerikeri High School bands that competed in Te Tai Tokerau Rockquest Finals in Whangarei. Congratulations to **Ani Palmer** (Year 11) who won Best Vocalist, **Charissa Miles** (Year 11) who won Best Lyrics and the members of Moberf: **Freddy Jarman**, **Luc Lawler** and **Ani Palmer** (all Year 11s) and **Izzy Cannon** (Year 10) who won Best Song.



Moberf – Luc Lawler, Izzy Cannon, Ani Palmer, Freddy Jarman



Untameable Strange – Dayton Milner, Evie Doull, Charissa Miles, Alastor Fairhurst, Jack Laird



Fourth Perspective – Kosta Silich, Erin Rosetta, Lukas Bayer, Finn French



Intermission – Declan Matthews, Indy Williamson, Sailor Epiha, Josh Andersen, William Wallace

Congratulations to **Levi Haumera** (Year 12) and **Bede Hickey** (Year 12) who have been accepted to take part in the Grapple Competition in Christchurch in July. This is an all-expenses-paid event for young makers in Years 11-13, focusing on technology, programming, 3D printing and robotics. Applicants have been chosen through a

rigorous selection process including submitting a portfolio of previous work. They will have the opportunity to build and compete in challenges with prizes up to \$1500. We wish them all the best.

On the evening of Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, we held our annual Mathex competition in the school Gymnasium. 45 teams from Years 7 to 10 entered, plus a parents' team. This competition involves fast thinking and fast running. Congratulations to the winning teams:

Year 7 - **Connor Glentworth, Maks Guardijancic, Samuel Jahnke** and **Blake Smith**

Year 8 - **Jaxon Hendrikse, Swara Kharche, Cameron Podbury** and **Dev Smoulders**

Year 9 - **Eva Steenkamp, Sakura Tau, Phoebe Vreede** and **Taylor Wright**,

Year 10 - **Zoe Guardijancic, Keira Smith, Zach Trautz** and **Ben Vreede**

10 Kerikeri High School teams competed in the Northland Mathex Competition in Whangarei. Congratulations to the Year 8 team of **Jaxon Hendrikse, Swara Kharche, Cameron Podbury** and **Dev Smoulders** who came 1<sup>st</sup> and are now the Year 8 Northland Mathex Champions.

Congratulations to the 75 Year 7 and 8 students and 72 Year 9 -13 students who competed in the School Cross Country competition. Results:

Year 7

Girls - 1st **Mila Spitters**, 2nd **Bayley Wood**, 3rd **Annabelle Dudek**

Boys - 1st **Levi Strachan**, 2nd **Stiaan Vorster**, 3rd **Theo Schubert**

Year 8

Girls - 1st **Amalfi Robinson**, 2nd **Eleanor Kennedy**, 3rd **Aimee Broom**

Boys - 1st **Liam Hoult**, 2nd **Luke Schofield**, 3rd **Hemirua Pere-Epiha-Henderson**

Year 9

Girls - 1st **Kate Graham**, 2nd **Eva Steenkamp**, 3rd **Stella Stephens**

Boys - 1st **Charlie Birt**, 2nd **Isaac Sharp**, 3rd **Avahn Rihari**

Year 10

Girls - 1st **Kaia Derbyshire**, 2nd **Keira Featherstone**, 3rd **Charlie Andrews**

Boys - 1st **Dillan Blithe-Drake**, 2nd **Finn Brewer**, 3rd **Lucas Bell**

Year 11

Girls - 1st **Lillirose Voakes**, 2nd **Hayley Bloch-Jorgensen**, 3rd **Flurina Eckert**

Boys - 1st **Benji Ellicott**, 2nd **Ben Burgess**

Year 12

Girls - 1st **Jess Jack**, 2nd **Izzy Robinson**, 3rd **Amber Robinson**

Boys - 1st **Oliver Horsfield**, 2nd **Charlie Klinac**, 3rd **Jordon Jennings**

Year 13

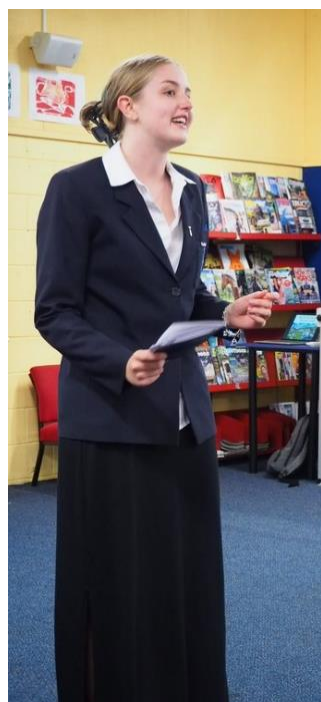
Girls - 1st **Holly Pickery**, 2nd **Ella Parker**, 3rd **Niveka Rhodes**

Boys - 1st **Callum Hoult**, 2nd **Matthew McNulty**, 3rd **Kaembal Taylor**





The Senior Auctioneering Regional competition, generously sponsored by Barfoot and Thompson Kerikeri, was another huge success this year. Peter Thompson flew in to judge this auspicious event, along with four top local judges. Congratulations to our Head Boy, **Joe Howells** (Year 13), who won the coveted \$1000 first prize, closely contested by **Ciara Andrews** (Year 12) in second. Third equal were **Naoise Breeze** (Year 13) and **Ella Parker** (Year 13). All four competitors won a place at the National Competition, to be held in June.



Congratulations to the following students who achieved placings in the School's Impromptu Speech Competitions. The judges said the speeches were of a very high standard this year.

Year 7  
1st **Eva Hunter**  
2nd **Taylor Pavlicevic**  
3rd **Xander Wall**

Year 8  
1st **Swara Kharche**  
2nd **Georgia Wilson**  
3rd **Bailee Samuels**

Year 9  
1st **Max Silich**  
2nd **Kate Graham**  
3rd **Lilly Bowden-Murrells**

Year 10  
1st **Craig Wilson**  
2nd **Nate Brewer**  
3rd **Ben Andrews**

Senior  
1st **Braeden Leung**  
2nd **Angie Morgan**  
3rd **Hannah Whitehead**

Congratulations to the following students who achieved placings in the School's Senior Speech Competitions.

Year 9  
1st **Pippa Sager**  
2nd **Will Andersen**

Year 10  
1st **Craig Wilson**  
2nd **Nate Brewer**

Year 11  
1st **Grace Gundry**  
2nd **Solomon Dickey**  
3rd = **Te Kauri Armstrong-Kingi** and **Freddy Jarman**

Year 12  
1st **Layla Molloy**  
2nd **Tessa Bogaers**  
3rd **Braeden Leung**

Our best wishes to **Cooper Steen** (Year 12) who is in Spain representing New Zealand in the Scooter World Championships. He will be entering the street category, the same category that he won a bronze medal for at the World Skate Games in Argentina last year.



Congratulations to the 11 students who represented Kerikeri High School at the Northland Secondary Schools Clay Target Competition, hosted by the Kaikohe Club. **Indea Ralph** (Year 9) placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Open Ladies Single Rise and **Josh Matthews** (Year 10) won the High Gun as top Junior Boy.

Pink Shirt Day



A very successful Pink Shirt at Kerikeri High School students raised \$1174.10 for the NZ Mental Health Foundation. The Student WAKA Team did an amazing job organising all sorts of fun activities to highlight Pink Shirt Day's anti-bullying message. Thank you to New World Kerikeri and Churchills Fine Meats & Deli for their very generous donations.



PPTA Industrial Action

On Friday we received notification from the Post Primary Teachers Association (PPTA) of further and ongoing industrial action, beginning today. As you can see from the timeline below, the union has intensified strike action with an increase in the schedule of rostering home of students. This is unwelcome news for many of us.

I am very conscious of the impact this has on our families and on our students, and I am very disappointed the situation has reached this point. There will be a range of views across our community about the action the PPTA are taking. These industrial decisions are not decisions made by Kerikeri High School. Industrial bargaining around the terms of the Secondary Teachers Collective agreement occurs between the Ministry of Education and the Executive members of the PPTA, and PPTA members nationwide have voted to take this action in response to the pay and condition offers made to Secondary Teachers by the Ministry of Education.

Our priority for our students will be their wellbeing. For our students in Years 11, 12 and 13 we are looking hard at how we can restructure teaching and learning programmes, and subsequent NCEA assessments, to minimise student stress and anxiety and the impact on them of compressing assessment timeframes.

Rostering Home

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Week 8	Year 11	Year 9	Year 10	Year 12
12 – 16 June	Year 12	Year 13	Year 11	Year 13
Week 9	Year 9	Year 11	Year 9	Year 10
19 – 23 June	Year 10	Year 12	Year 13	Year 11
Week 10	Year 12	Year 9	Year 11	Year 9
26 – 30 June	Year 13	Year 10	Year 12	Year 13

The ban on PPTA members covering classes for colleagues restarts also, as does the ban on members attending professional meetings outside the hours of 8.20am – 4.20pm. PPTA members will also stop all work on the NCEA Change Programme.

We will keep our school community informed as we hear more about this ongoing industrial action. As I mentioned to you when I last communicated about the industrial situation, I know everyone will be hoping for a resolution and settlement as soon as possible.



## PPTA Paid Union Meeting Notification

PPTA now have Paid Union Meetings scheduled – ours (Far North, excluding Kaitaia) will be Wednesday 28 June at 1.30pm at the Turner Centre.

Classes will end that day at 12.45pm. We will supervise students in Years 7 and 8 and allow those students in Year 9 and above with a permission note from home to leave school at 12.45pm.

Students without a permission note from home will remain at school and be supervised. Normal classes can not run.

## Staff, Student and Parent Voice – Rongohia te hau Survey

We invite parents, caregivers, and whānau to participate in a survey that will provide our Board and School with a rich snapshot of your perspectives on our responsive relationships in our day-to-day practice. To date, over 800 of our students and 50 of our staff members have shared their views. The survey will close Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

The survey can be accessed either by using the QR Code or the link below.



### [Kerikeri HS Whānau Survey 2023](#)

More information about Rongohia te hau can be found in this article.

[rongohia-te-hau-driving-transformative-change](#)

## Staff Achievements

Congratulations to Miss Kate Crawford who has won a place on the BLAKE Inspire for Teachers Residential Programme, recognising her work and leadership across our school leading our environmental and sustainability efforts. Kate will spend five days on this environmental education and leadership development programme with other teachers from all over Aotearoa who are keen to develop a deeper understanding of environmental issues and how to apply environmental education across all subjects.

## SAVE Group

Our SAVE Group visited Roland's Wood to help weed and plant trees. They learnt about the history of the area including pre-European settlement and also about noxious weeds that threaten our native flora.





## Careers Roadshow

We had another very successful Far North Careers Roadshow here at Kerikeri High School earlier this week. Our Year 9 to 13 students had the opportunity to speak with the diverse range of nearly 30 providers. Volunteer agencies, defence forces, employers, industry training organisations, private training organisations, polytechnics and universities were represented at the Roadshow.

## Year 13 University Trip

Last week 34 Year 13 students were accompanied by our Careers Advisor Mrs Crawford and Assistant Principal Ms Collins to Auckland University, AUT, Massey University and the Waikato University Open day. Our students visited the campuses, looking at the courses on offer at each location and touring through the accommodation halls. A highlight was catching up with ex Kerikeri High School students who gave our students lots of tips and tricks for their first year at university.



## Auckland Writers' Festival

This year, two busloads of Kerikeri High School students travelled to Auckland to attend the Writers' Festival. This event was an amazing opportunity for our students to meet national and international authors, illustrators, and poets, and to inspire their love of reading and writing.



## Year 12 Drama

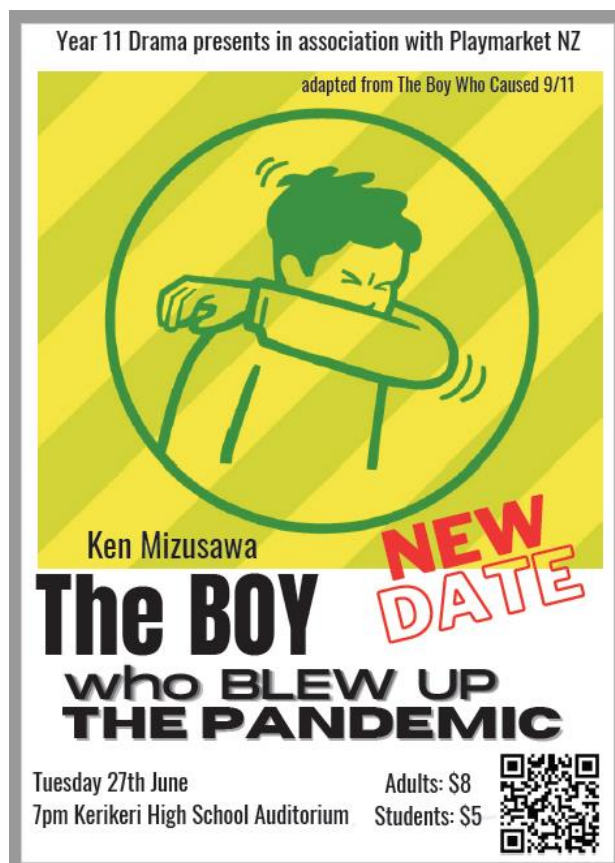
The Year 12 Drama class performed their major production in Week 3. The Fridge is a piece of Theatre Aotearoa which deals with capitalism and what is important in our lives. They were supported by a full technical crew of Year 13 students from the Entertainment and Event Technology class. This link <https://kkhsthefridge.weebly.com/> will take you to the website which we use instead of a paper programme and has information about the play, images of the actors and tech crew and links to the performances.





## Year 11 Drama

We have an upcoming performance by our Year 11 Drama class on Tuesday 27 June. They have been working with international playwright Ken Mizusawa, rewriting a play of his to reflect their experiences during the Covid lockdown in 2020. Tickets can be purchased at Reception.



## MUNA

The two-day Model United Nations event held at Auckland Girls Grammar was attended **Ciara Andrews** (Year 12), **Emma Betts** (Year 12), **Lucy Clent** (Year 12), **Ella Duncan** (Year 12), **Braedan Leung** (Year 12), **James Poon** (Year 13), **Laine Tai** (Year 12), and **Kelly Wan** (Year 12). The three teams represented the countries of Slovakia, France and Saudi Arabia. The event involved the students taking part in Bloc meetings to discuss issues that were important to each of the regions, presenting speeches on two of the five different remits on current world issues, voting on whether remits were to be passed or not, and lobbying for support of the remits. The students were proud

representatives of each of their countries and thoroughly enjoyed the event.



## Staff Breakfast

Our Year 12 and 13 Hospitality students and their teachers prepared a lovely breakfast for the Staff and Board of Trustees on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May. The menu included a breakfast stack comprising hash brown, sausage, topped with a creamy mushroom sauce and tomato, a croque madame and a black rice pudding with tropical fruit. All served with a barista coffee of choice. This event offers students a real-world opportunity to prepare and serve food for 'customers', allowing them to be assessed against their subject standards. It is also a great way to recognise the hard work of our Staff and Board of Trustees.







## Wētā Walk

A group of Kerikeri High School students were lucky enough to take an educational walk along the Wairoa Stream track with naturalist Ruud Kleinplaste (aka 'the Bug Man'). During a fun filled, engaging time the students learnt about the importance of native insects in the forest ecosystem and what can be done to protect wētā living in our local area.



## Te Whatu Ora Oral Health Service – Student Details

The Adolescent Coordinator of Oral Health for Northland has asked us to provide the following details for our Year 8 – 13 students so they can ensure all students have been enrolled in a dental practice for the remainder of their adolescent years (18 years old). They have requested student names, year level, DOB, gender, address and parent contact details.

**If you would like to opt out of sharing your child's details**, please email [enquiries@kerikerihigh.ac.nz](mailto:enquiries@kerikerihigh.ac.nz) before Friday 23 June.

## Transition to Tertiary Whānau Evening

Wednesday 21st June  
6.30pm – 8.00pm in the Auditorium

We would like to invite interested parents and whānau and your child to our annual Transition to Tertiary Whānau Evening where Mrs Eileen Crawford (Careers Advisor) will discuss applying for University, Polytech and Private Training Establishments, applying for accommodation, Student Allowances, Student Loans and Scholarships.

This will be followed by a 'Question and Answer session', and then a cup of tea where we can discuss things more informally. If your child is intending to study at a Tertiary Institution in 2024, then this would be beneficial to both you and your child.

## Town Passes

A reminder that students who have appointments in town during the school day can bring a note with parental consent to request a Town Pass. We will not issue Town Passes for students to leave the school grounds to purchase food. And we remind students who catch buses that once they have arrived at school in the morning they are required to stay at school. They are not permitted to leave the school grounds before Form Time.

## International Student Host Families

We are looking for new host families to add to our fun and caring host family community.

International Students are happy to share their culture with your family. Lifelong friendships are made with students and their families from all over the world.

International students that are attracted to Kerikeri are like us; active, busy and enjoy an outdoor lifestyle.

Remuneration is provided and all applicants are Police vetted.

If you would like to receive some more information, please contact our **International Department on 09 407 0163 or email [accommodation@kerikerihigh.ac.nz](mailto:accommodation@kerikerihigh.ac.nz)**

You can view our new International Department promotion by following this link

<https://youtu.be/KkwXbngWvNY>

## The Uniform Shoppe

Updated opening hours for The Uniform Shoppe,  
State Highway 10, Waipapa

Tuesday 12 – 4pm

Thursday 2 - 6pm

Saturday 12 – 4pm

**25% Discount for Physical Education Uniform Set**

**Sale from 29/05/23 to 15/07/23**

**Year 7 - Year 10**

**Normally \$67.50**

**Discounted Price \$50.00**

**for both the Top and Shorts**

## Next Board of Trustees Meeting

Our next Board of Trustees meeting will be at 5.30pm on Wednesday 26 July, in the Boardroom.



## Meet the Head Students



Ariella Ripohau, Ella Parker, Joe Howells, Tuhikaiariki Smith

### Joe Howells Head Boy

#### What can you tell us about your journey through Kerikeri High School?

Throughout my time at Kerikeri High School, I have enjoyed embracing the four cornerstones in order to broaden my horizons and challenge myself. Whether it was competing in national debating competitions, exploring a new sport like ultimate frisbee, or achieving honours in Level Two NCEA, I have always strived to make the most of my High School experience. It has been a privilege to spend these last few years at Kerikeri High School alongside other incredible rangatahi.

#### What do you enjoy most about your school, and what has been a particular highlight for you?

What I have loved about my school journey is the people who have inspired me and supported me along the way. May this be my fellow students who always smiled and uplifted me or the teachers who offered me endless opportunities to grow and develop. Some of my highlights would have to be winning the New Zealand Race Unity Speech Competition, debating at a national level or helping to lead our school as Head Boy.

#### What does great student leadership look like to you and what have you learnt about yourself?

To me, great student leadership means being a strong role model, even during challenging or stressful times. It means always being kind and going out of your way to include everyone, knowing that a simple smile can make a difference. Throughout this journey I have learned the importance of self-belief and backing myself in any situation.

**What advice can you offer to aspiring student leaders?**

My advice would be to stay true to yourself and be kind to others. Push yourself out of your comfort zone, even when it feels tough, but also remember to be kind to yourself. Surround yourself with supportive individuals who genuinely care about your best interests.

**Knowing what you know now, what messaging might you give your Year 9 self?**

I would tell him to keep going, try everything, and trust that it will all pay off. Everything happens for a reason, and as long as you give your best and stay true to yourself, things will work out.

**What are your plans and goals for life after school?**

Looking ahead to life after school, my plans include studying at the University of Auckland next year. I intend to pursue a conjoint degree in Law and Global Studies. My current goal is to become a diplomat and represent Aotearoa on an international stage.

**Ella Parker    Head Girl**

**What can you tell us about your journey through Kerikeri High School?**

It's been jam-packed with so many activities and opportunities, I am so grateful to have been able to push and grow myself, all while being surrounded by such supportive and encouraging people who push you to do your best. While it may have felt a bit hard at times, as I'm coming to the end of my time here, I am looking back with such positive memories of six incredibly special years.

**What do you enjoy most about your school, and what has been a particular highlight for you?**

The thing I enjoy most is all the opportunities and such a wide variety of activities. I also really value all the diversity of people at school, all the staff, students, and everyone in between. A highlight for me has been all the opportunities to represent school on regional and national platforms, particularly at the International Finals for Future Problem Solving in Wisconsin USA in 2018.

**What does great student leadership look like to you and what have you learnt about yourself?**

To me, great leadership looks like genuine people spreading positive and encouraging messages and leading from the front. It's important to be a leader for all and to try your best to represent everyone. Something I've learnt for myself is that you don't necessarily need to be the best at everything you do, it's more about the person you are and the effort you put in.

**What advice can you offer to aspiring student leaders?**

My advice would be to become the type of person that you look up to. Think of the people that you look up to and what it is that you see in them and then try to channel that within yourself. Gradually, you will feel more comfortable in who you are, and this will help you lead others.

**Knowing what you know now, what message might you give your Year 9 self?**

I would tell my Year 9 self to throw yourself into everything you can and push your comfort zone. But most importantly... put extra effort and time into the things you are most passionate about because these are the things that will grow you into an individual and unique person and shape the rest of your school life.

**What are your plans and goals for life after school?**

After school I would like to study a business and marketing related course at AUT, however, in 2024, I plan to take a gap year and develop my skills and experience as a young sailing coach, while also taking some time to travel around New Zealand, exploring our beautiful backyard.



**Ariella Ripohau** Deputy Head Girl

**What can you tell us about your journey through Kerikeri High School?**

My journey through Kerikeri High School started in 2017 as a Year 7 and it has definitely had its challenges. But looking back I realized that everything I went through and did, got me to the position I am in today. I signed up for as much as I could because I was amazed at all that was on offer, and I have been surrounded by supportive people, friends and especially teachers that have encouraged me to always do my best and then some.

**What do you enjoy most about your school, and what has been a particular highlight for you?**

The things I most enjoy about our school are the opportunities that we are offered and the experiences we get from them. I found my passion for competitive sports, especially netball through Kerikeri High School. I like that we are given such a range of opportunities to take part in so that there is something for everyone. I've made so many friends and value the relationships with staff and students that have developed as a result of my involvement in these activities.

**What does great student leadership look like to you and what have you learnt about yourself?**

A great student leader is someone that everyone can look up to, a role model to everyone in one way or another. Someone who has made mistakes and learnt from them, who tries their hardest in everything they do, no matter how good or bad they are at it. Great leaders are able to engage with, bring together and encourage others to contribute their expertise to be successful as a team.

I have learnt many things about myself, the biggest things being that I am capable of anything I set my mind to, and that being a great leader isn't about being the best or standing at the front and telling everyone what to do but creating situations that allow everyone to contribute and feel appreciated for what they bring to that situation.

**What advice can you offer to aspiring student leaders?**

My advice for aspiring leaders would be to first look at yourself and your involvement in school life, am I participating and being a good role model? Being a leader is so much more than being confident enough to stand in front of the school and give a speech, it's about your attitude and values; the effort you put in, and how you act toward and treat others - students and staff. These things will have a significant impact on you reaching your goals.

**Knowing what you know now, what message might you give your Year 9 self?**

'Keep going.' I did everything I possibly could in Year 9, whether that was throwing myself at every sporting, academic, cultural, or leadership opportunity that presented itself. Sometimes doing too much got to me. I found it difficult trying to live up to the standard I set for myself and struggled to keep moving forward. So, if I could speak to my Year 9 self right now, I would tell her, 'Keep going, trust that so many amazing things are coming your way, you just need to keep going and ask for help.'

**What are your plans and goals for life after school?**

My plans for after school include going to university to study something to do with fashion or architecture. However, in January of 2024 I have the incredible opportunity to do a yearlong overseas exchange in Spain. I will get to spend a year in a different country, with different host families, going to school, learning about the culture, the food, the people and hopefully, doing a little bit of extra travel around Europe for the first time. I aspire to do a lot in life, and I am grateful for the ways Kerikeri High School has contributed to helping me achieve those goals and will continue to do so as I get older and find more that I want to accomplish.

**Tuhikaiairiki Smith Deputy Head Boy**

**What can you tell us about your journey through Kerikeri High School?**

I started Kerikeri High School in Year 10, it was a different experience for me because it was the first mainstream school I have been to. As I involved myself in sports, kapa haka and other school events and activities over the years I have made special connections with teachers and peers, and it has made me personally feel like this is a school where I can say I belong.

**What do you most enjoy about Kerikeri High School and what has been a particular highlight for you?**

What I most enjoy about Kerikeri High School is the sporting opportunities and experiences I have gained, going to different places, competing against different schools, and winning. The highlight of my years attending this Kura was in the year 2021, where I had the opportunity to participate in the Tokihi Ki Tua regional Kapa Haka Competition where I was able to stand with my kapa on the stage and represent myself, school, community, and most importantly, my whānau/family.

**What does great student leadership look like to you and what have you learnt about yourself?**

Great student leadership in my eyes looks like someone who is willing to put themselves outside of their comfort zone, does the mahi and leads by example. This is something I have learnt by observing my Tuakana and leaders here at Kerikeri High School and it taught me something about myself. As shy as I am, getting out of my shell was the best thing for me, and I started to remind myself that if I don't do it, who else will!

**What advice can you offer to aspiring student leaders?**

The advice I would give to them would be to not be sheep and follow, if you want to do something, then get out there and do it, you will always have the support of your family and friends, don't wait for others to do it with you or before you. Ko te amorangi ki mua, ko te hapai o ki muri. The leader is at the front and the workers behind the scenes.

**Knowing what you know now, what message might you give your Year 10 self?**

I would say to my younger self to not slack off and to be a good example to my friends and others around me.

**What are your plans and goals for life after school?**

My plan after school is to work to gain a Basketball scholarship and to pursue my dream to continue playing basketball at higher levels. I want to attend university and study Sports Science, to continue to stay around basketball and sports even when I am not playing. Another goal is to travel and gain lifelong experiences by being around different cultures other than my own.





Kia ora

We are delighted to inform you that Kerikeri High School will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS competitions this year.

ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee for students in Year 7 – 11.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Every student who participates will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals. We encourage you to consider entering your child into ICAS this year.

#### How to participate in ICAS:

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

1. Read about ICAS subjects and prices [here](https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas): (<https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas>)
2. Go to Parent Portal [here](https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps): (<https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>)
3. Enter our school's access code – **HYI393**
4. Enter your child's details, select the tests you would like to purchase, then proceed to payment.

Please note that the ICAS tests shown for selection are at the school's discretion. After payment is made via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, please keep this for your records. **Registration and payment close on the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023.**

Subject	Official Sitting Dates
Science	21 <sup>st</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup> August 2023
English	14 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup> August 2023
Mathematics	28 <sup>th</sup> August – 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2023
Spelling Bee	21 <sup>st</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup> August 2023
Writing	7 <sup>th</sup> - 11 <sup>th</sup> August 2023
<b>Please note: KKHS no longer handles payments. You are required to pay through ICAS Parent Portal</b>	

We will notify you of the date(s) that we run ICAS at school and when your child's ICAS results are ready. You and your child can access the results once released via the Reports Portal using the TAP ID and pin found on the back of the ICAS certificate.

The following information is a *privacy notification* about how your child's data is kept private and secure.

### **Privacy Collection Statement**

*Janison is aware of our responsibility to protect the identity of, and all information relating to, children, and students in general, from disclosure and consequently Janison does not:*

- *collect any personal information or data of children other than as required for the purposes of completion of the assessment, test or exam;*
- *transfer any personal information or data obtained during the delivery of assessments, tests or exams conducted in Australia to any jurisdiction outside of Australia other than with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;*
- *transfer any personal information or data obtained during the delivery of assessments, tests or exams conducted in other international regions out of the child's jurisdiction other than with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;*
- *share any personal information or data relating to children or students with any third parties (other than a third party whose services are necessary for servicing our products, e.g. print/distribution companies, medal engraving, etc.) except with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;*
- *use any personal information or data relating to children or students for marketing purposes.*
- *Janison may retain personal information and data relevant to a child for their future purposes or for research purposes by Janison for the duration of the school life cycle of the child. However, if you or your child at any time wish to have their personal information or data removed from our systems, they or you may opt out by simply contacting our Privacy Officer-at [privacy@janison.com](mailto:privacy@janison.com).*

We are proud to offer the ICAS Assessments and look forward to some fantastic results later in the year.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school reception if you have any questions.


Kind regards,



**Seth Brown**

reception@kerikerihigh.ac.nz






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