



Kerikeri High School

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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
Tīhewa 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

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week we enjoyed celebrating the outstanding achievements of so many of our younger students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 at our Year Level Prizegivings. It was fantastic to see so many parents and whānau in attendance, and we acknowledge the support, awhi and aroha you show your children.

2023 has been busy for the school and while we experienced disruptions earlier in the year that we could have done without, we have come through the year in great shape. Our students and staff have worked hard; academic progress and achievement has been strong, participation across the Four Cornerstones is thriving and there has been a very positive sense of calmness and focus around the school all year.

The end of the year has been very busy and a lot of planning and preparation for next year is already well underway. Each year we face the bittersweet task of farewelling our Year 13 students and this year was no different. At the same time, we have been getting ready to welcome a new group of students to our school next year. We are already looking forward to 2024 and everything the fresh start brings.

As we begin the summer break, I want to say thank you to everyone for your support and encouragement of your children and our school. We are a strong and positive community and there is so much to be proud of. I wish everyone a very safe, relaxing and happy Christmas, and a wonderful summer break.

Ngā mihi nui



Mike Clent

Principal

Student Achievements

Congratulations to **Ella Parker** (Year 13) and **Te Ururoa Snowden** (Year 13) who attended the YES National Awards in Wellington with Mrs Kate Dickson earlier this month. Regional Winner **Ella Parker** pitched her sailing business to the National judges on the day along with 21 other Regional winners.



In the evening **Te Ururoa Snowden** received the New Zealand Māori Tourism Award for Rangatahi Entrepreneurs.



Congratulations to **Bailey Edwards** (Year 11) who was awarded a Kauri Scholarship for High Performing Northland Athletes. The grant will help support her in her development and learning throughout the year.

Congratulations to **Kaia Derbyshire** (Year 10) and **Lisa Schofield** (Year 10) who attended the North Island Junior Beach Volleyball Champs last month and were named the Junior Year 10 Champions.



Congratulations to **Cameron Podbury** (Year 8) who has been offered a place at the Wellington Phoenix Academy for Football in 2024. We wish him all the best.

Congratulations to **Tara Perry, Hannah Wade, Georgia Wilson** and **Grace Steenkamp** (all Year 8), for winning the Northland Junior Debating finals in Whangārei.



Since the Senior Elite Prizegiving, the following students have been awarded Scholarships. Congratulations to **Grace McDonald** (Year 13) - Top Energy Engineering Scholarship valued at \$10,000.00, **Jack Sadgrove** (Year 13) - Keir Trust Scholarship valued at \$18,000.00 and **Alice Calnan** (Year 13) - New Zealand Defence Force Scholarship valued at \$280,000.00 (full pay for four years and all study costs for a Bachelor of Engineering, Hons). This brings the total for Scholarships awarded to Kerikeri High School students in 2023 to \$887,480.00.

Staff Achievements

Congratulations to **Mrs Kate Dickson**, who received the Sir James Fletcher Award for Most Inspiring Teacher at the YES National Awards. This is an outstanding recognition for one of our hard working and inspirational teachers.



Year Level Prizegivings

Thank you to the parents and whānau who supported their Year 7 – 10 students at our Year Level Prizegivings, where students were recognised for their outstanding academic, sporting and cultural achievements.

The programmes listing all the recipients can be viewed here:

[Year 7 Prizegiving Programme](#)

[Year 8 Prizegiving Programme](#)

[Year 9 Prizegiving Programme](#)

[Year 10 Prizegiving Programme](#)

2023 School Magazine

The 2023 School Magazine is full of student achievements and events from throughout the year. It also includes every Form Class photo and is in full colour for the first time. You can find the magazine on the Kerikeri High School website under the "About Us" tab or purchase a hardcopy for \$11 when Kerikeri High School reception reopens on January 22, 2024.

Young Inspiring Explorers Summit

Siena Ripohau (Year 7) was successfully chosen as one of 25 Year 7 – 9 students from across New Zealand, to attend the Young Inspiring Explorers Summit in Christchurch in November. This three-day programme is run by the Antarctic Heritage Trust and the US Embassy in New Zealand and aims to encourage and empower young, modern-day explorers to meet the challenges of life head-on by connecting them to the inspiring feats of early Antarctic exploration. As part of the weekend, Siena was able to meet huskies and ride in a Hägglund. She experienced a polar storm at the International Antarctic Centre and a video call and tour of the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station. Part of the programme is to find inspiration in the legacies of historic Antarctic explorers – including experiencing Hillary's Hut – Antarctic Virtual Reality and to be challenged to step outside their comfort zone.



Renew Manaaki Project

The Renew Manaaki Project started in Term 3 and is open to students of all year levels. This year we made toys for the SPCA, tote bags for Hospice and Christmas gift bags for Bald Angels to use in their Annual Toy Appeal to save the waste of wrapping paper. **Katy Davis** (Year 7) was one of the consistent helpers and she is pictured here with **Mrs Eileen Crawford** who volunteers for the Bald Angels.

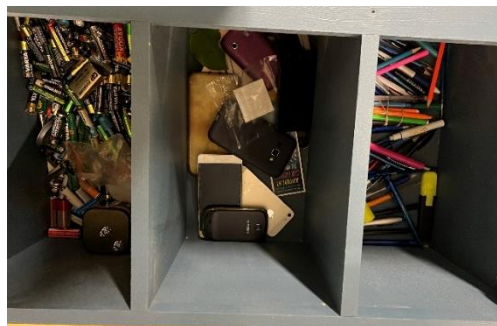


Gerry Buxton - 2024 Kiwibank Local Hero Medallist

Congratulations to Gerry Buxton who was awarded a 2024 Kiwibank Local Hero Medal. Gerry was instrumental in assisting us to develop our school solar power system, the largest of any school in New Zealand, and we are delighted to acknowledge his well-deserved recognition.

School Recycling

Recycling has been going well at Kerikeri High School this year. Term 3 saw over 100 items recycled in the outside bins and the Library hosts cell phone, battery and other items. Well done to the students who kept this resource clean and rubbish free.



Full and correct school uniform will be an expectation from day one next year. We have made students aware of our expectations regarding skirt length, and this is being well supported with a lot of positive feedback from parents. Some students have asked us about what the consequences will be if they do not meet our uniform requirements. We are hoping that with strong parent support, we will have happy compliance and not find ourselves having to take steps because of incorrect school uniform. If there are genuine hardship reasons causing difficulty, please reach out in confidence to your child's Year Level Dean and we will be able to assist.

All students in Years 7-10 are expected to be in full PE uniform for PE classes.

Students from any year level who are representing our school at school sports events, will need full PE uniform.



School Uniform



Kerikeri High School







School wide focus on correct summer uniform

School Reception Holiday Hours

Our School Reception will close today Thursday 14 December and reopen on Monday 22 January 2024.

Non-Returning Students

If your student will not be returning in 2024, please email enrol@kerikerihigh.ac.nz to let us know.

The Uniform Shoppe Waipapa, Holiday Hours

Tuesday 9 January	12:00pm – 4:00pm
Thursday 11 January	2:00pm – 6:00pm
Saturday 13 January	12:00pm – 4:00pm
Monday 15 January	9:00am – 4:30pm

Tuesday 16 January	9:00am – 4:30pm
Thursday 18 January	12:00pm – 6:00pm
Friday 19 January	9:00am – 2:00pm
Saturday 20 January	9:00am – 2:00pm
Monday 22 January	9:00am – 4:30pm
Tuesday 23 January	9:00am – 4:30pm
Thursday 25 January	12:00pm – 6:00pm
Friday 26 January	9:00am – 2:00pm
Saturday 27 January	9:00am – 2:00pm

Tuesday 30 January	9:00am – 4:30pm
Thursday 1 February	12:00pm – 6:00pm
Friday 2 February	9:00am – 2:00pm
Saturday 3 February	9:00am – 2:00pm

Monday 5 February	9:00am – 4:30pm
Thursday 8 February	12:00pm – 6:00pm
Friday 9 February	9:00am – 2:00pm

Back to normal hours Saturday 10 February 2024.

International Student Host Families

Thank you to all our existing host families and thank you to the families who will be hosting an International Student next year.

If you are interested in becoming a host family and join our fun and caring host family community, please contact us.

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 more information, please contact our **International Department on 09 407 0163 or email** accommodation@kerikerihigh.ac.nz

You can view our International Department promotion here <https://youtu.be/KkwXbngWvNY>

Next Board of Trustees Meeting

Our next Board of Trustees meeting will be at 5.30pm on Tuesday 20 February 2024, in the Boardroom.

Thank You to Sponsors

Thank you to the following businesses for their generous support of our Condors Rugby 7s trip earlier this month. Three Kerikeri High School teams represented our School at the New Zealand Schools Tournament in Mount Maunganui.





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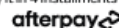
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20th, 27th January & 3rd February 2024

10:00am - 1:00pm

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