



COLLEGE NEWS KAIPARA

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From the Principal's desk

The term has been long and wet. Several parts of the school are in temporary accommodation. Staff and students have shown patience and forbearance with the length of the term and the disruptions of power, water and movement that a building project in the centre of the school inevitably brings. As we reach the holidays the main part of the project, the Staff Room, Student Services block, English and Computer rooms are finally beginning to rise out of the foundation trenches.

It has, though, been a term of some accomplishment. We have been tracking our Year 9 and 10 students' literacy progress. We have just completed the mid year assessment and the news is excellent. All the classes have improved two steps on average, some classes have improved three. The New Zealand Curriculum expects that on average students will rise three steps over two years. Our aim is to get all students into the upper steps of Level 5 ready for Year 11 and the NCEA. For half our students that will require them to move up six steps. It's a challenge we want to meet.

In the performing arts field, Kaipara Drama students made their first foray into the Sheilah Winn Shakespeare festival after winning a qualifying regional competition. The musicians produced half of the ten songs selected in a national competition to be recorded on a CD celebrating Matariki, there were three awards won at the North Shore RockQuest and late in the term they learned they will perform in the Auckland Domain alongside members of Split Enz and the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra.

We are deep into the winter sports season and

while results are mixed there have been some excellent results across the codes. The 5th Grade Rugby team is doing well, as are the 1st XI Girls' soccer and the Senior One Netball. There is a full sports roundup inside. I would like to thank all the coaches, especially the parent, community and student coaches for giving our players their time so generously.

Late in the Term the Student Leaders organised the annual College Ball. It was an excellent evening. The students enjoyed themselves thoroughly in a relaxed atmosphere. There was a strong Kaipara spirit shown throughout the evening. Congratulations on a superb night!

Next term is ten weeks long. After the holidays in October there are two and half weeks until the NCEA exams begin. The next holidays are late to accommodate the Rugby World Cup. It does mean that students and parents must be particularly careful to plan the work required to bring this year to a successful conclusion. Students must have substantially completed their work for NCEA by the end of Term 3. That is in ten school weeks. After that there are two weeks of holidays and twelve days of school before the exams start. I urge parents to sit down with their children and plan the rest of the year out very thoroughly.

I wish you all a relaxing break.

John Grant



Open Night Thursday, 4 August at 7 pm

You are invited to visit the College and speak to the Principal, Staff and Board of Trustees members.

You can inspect the College facilities and find out about our programmes.

NCEA *Very Important Information* NCEA
for
Students and parents

Students have been given an Information Sheet about NCEA. It is written by NZQA and distributed by the school. It contains very important information about NCEA. It is summarised here:



Register with the NZQA Website

You can register on the NZQA website so that you can check your entries and your results.

Students have been given a card with their ID number on it. (See Mr Greenbrook)

The NSN Number on the card and your birth date can be used to set up your access to the NZQA website so you can check your entries and your results. You can do this at home or at school.

Go to www.nzqa.govt.nz

On the right hand side of the page, in the "Information for..." panel click 'Students'

Under the "School Students" section click "Login"

Follow the instructions to register & log on.

Entries

You must check your entries carefully.

Make a note of any standards that you want to remove or add.

Tell Mr Greenbrook what these are and he will correct your entry for you.

Please note that if you enter and do not complete the work or sit the exam the result will be recorded as a Fail.

Entry Fees

NCEA entry costs \$75 for a New Zealand Student.

This includes entry for three Scholarship examinations.

Additional Scholarship entries cost \$100 per subject.

Entry Fees must be paid to the College by Friday, 2 September. A \$50 late fee applies.

Financial Assistance

Students can have some of their Entry Fees paid in some circumstances.

1. Be receiving a Work and Income or Study Link benefit.
2. Have a joint family income that would entitle the applicant to receive a Community Services Card.
3. Have *more* than one child undertaking these qualifications in the same year, irrespective of income.

To get Financial Assistance you must complete a form.

You can get the form from Mr Greenbrook at the College (09) 420 8640 Ext 802.

You can also download the form from the College website.

www.kaiparacollege.school.nz/NCEA

Applications must be given to Mr Greenbrook at College by Friday, 2 September.

Any NCEA Problems or Questions - Contact Mr Greenbrook (09) 420 8640 Ext 802

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The Student Leaders were at Anzac Day



The Student Leaders continued the tradition of representing the College on Anzac Day. Notwithstanding Anzac Day being Easter Monday and in the middle of the Term One holidays, five current student leaders—Matthew Elcoat, Chris Kelly, Mikaela Law, Tayla Rees and Oli Taylor—and one past Student Leader, Dylan Raye attended the 11am service at the War Memorial in Helensville where Head Boy, Chris Kelly, and Deputy Head Girl, Mikaela Law, laid the wreath on behalf of the staff and students of the College.

*There were competition wins;
In film-making ...*

Twenty Year 10 students won \$5,000 towards their OPC trip at the end of the year when their film *Students Vs Wild* was voted the best school entry in the competition. The brief?

“You are accidentally locked in your school for a week at the end of the term. You can’t live inside but you can use the resources around you to survive the week!” See it on Youtube



This is the term that was...



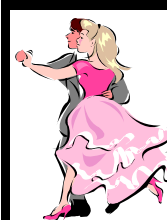
and at RockQuest

Hannah Horsfield won best female musician and was second overall at the North Shore RockQuest with her songs “Dear Romeo” and “Hi Then Bye”. Savannah Cox won the award for Best Lyrics with her song “Teacups”.

The social highlight of the term was the Ball

The theme of the Ball was International Carnival and the interpretations were many, varied and delightful! One hundred and ninety senior students attended the event

which was judged one of the most successful of recent Balls by the students. The theme was excellent, the music great and, best of all, the food met with approval. The venue staff pronounced the event a success as well. Well done the Ball Committee!



We were out and about—the Economics students were at Glenbrook,

Thirteen Economics students battled torrential rain and cyclonic winds to visit the steel mill at Glenbrook. Where they watched giant slabs of red hot iron (1500C) passed beneath them.



the Historians were up North,

Year 11 History students headed north to visit important historical sites relating to the Northern Wars of the 1840s. Included were visits to the battle sites of Ohaeawai and Ruapekapeka, the Kerikeri Stone Store & Waitangi.



the Year 12 Phys Ed students were climbing high,

Year 12 Phys Ed earned NCEA credits on a ropes course for four days as part of their practical PE course. They started with team building and safety work on the ground before tackling the low ropes course at the College. Three days on the



some students were exploring the Armed Forces,

Ben Williams, Jacob Lawes and Connor Jensen went through a very competitive, nationwide selection process to win invitations to five day courses exploring life in the Armed Forces.



while Year 10 students planted for DoC.

Twelve energetic Year 10 students took on the elements, picked up a spade and helped plant 3000 Spinifex and Pingao plants on some of the at risk Muriwai dunes. DOC staff explained to the students the role of plants in stabilising the dune environment and what was required to get the plant community established.



and the Musicians left for 3 weeks in Europe.

Thirteen students and four staff from the College left on a European History Music trip. It has taken three years of fundraising, community and parent support to raise the nearly \$150,000 needed to make this trip. The group is a combination of Year 11, 12 and 13 music students. The group left on Saturday 9 July with their first destination, after quick stops in Brisbane and Dubai, being Vienna, Austria. From there they go to visit Salzburg, Munich, Paris and finally London. The tour's programme has been developed to take a chronological look at the evolution of western music. Everyday is full of sights and musical experiences and is planned as a trip the students will never forget.



Musicians recorded for the Matariki CD,

Seven Kaipara songwriters have contributed six of the ten songs recorded on a CD that celebrates the Maori New Year. The Matariki songwriting contest was run by the Play it Strange Trust that promotes modern performance music in New Zealand secondary schools.



the top burger cook was decided,



The brief was to design and develop a burger involving creative cooking skills using New Zealand Beef and Lamb. Healthy eating and good nutrition is part of the criteria for the competition. The winner with her Valley Burger was Judith Glasson. Second place went to Fletcher Clark and third place went to Sinead Macneil.

Year 13 cooked for Year 2

Year 13 Food and Hospitality students invited the Year 2 students from Room 6 at Helensville School and serve them a flash morning tea. As the Year 2's arrived the tables were laden with flash, creative and lovely looking food. Eyes lit up. Buddies were assigned; one Year 13 to one Year 2. The food disappeared at a reasonably impressive rate. Smiles grew. A teacher, or two, began to relax. Year 13 students were attentive. They ensured the little ones ate a modestly balanced selection of goodies. There were happy Year 2 and Year 13 teachers.



and local Year 8's tried out high school.



One hundred and sixty Year 8 students took part in a Transition to High School programme designed to help ease the shift to high school for primary school students in the district. They attended Chemistry, Information Technology and Phys Ed classes. They were accompanied by Year 13 Student Leaders guides.

The Young Leos contributed to the community & the Rotary Club contributed to us.

The Young Leo's have gone from strength to strength in the school.. They support a range of community activities. The group hosted District Governor Michael Kemp and his wife as well as the local Club president, to morning tea. Meanwhile the local Rotary Club was supporting the school by sponsoring a satellite link to Auckland University and supporting the Music Department's Young



Enterprise scheme. A recent Club fundraiser was addressed by Our Head Boy, Chris Kelly and by the Prime Minister, John Key on the same evening! Thanks to both service clubs for your support of the College.



That was the term that was

**Term
Two
Sports
Round
Up**

Waka Ama

Waka Ama is getting stronger in the College. Nineteen students from the College Waka Ama crews spent ten days in Fiji over the Term 1 holidays. The main objective was the Fiji International Invitational Regatta but experiencing Fiji and its culture was also on the agenda. There were some very happy faces when the crew arrived back on Anzac Day. Not only did they thoroughly enjoy Fiji, they had won a sackful of medals.



Netball

Senior 1

Marcia Ohlson, Vicki Beattie

Currently 9th place, College Premier Grade. This is a very challenging grade to be in with 4 new players to the team. Their camaraderie is faultless and all players have great enthusiasm and determination to succeed. They finished 3rd in the Rodney Secondary Schools Competition. We commend the girls on their efforts to date and look forward to sharing a successful season.

Senior 2

Sandra Van Dijk

Currently 8th place, College 3 Grade. This team also plays in the Wednesday competition at the Kaipara Netball Centre. The team has some very talented players and results to date are a mixture of wins and losses. They have the potential to do well in this grade if they are dedicated.

Senior 3

Anaru Moa

Currently 12th place, College 6 Grade. There has been a few teething problems but now that the competition is well underway we may see some good games from this team. Commitment will result in an enjoyable and successful season.

Year 10A

Gretchen Shelling

Currently 6th place, College 5 Grade. This team is also a very talented bunch resulting in them being placed in a grade higher than the Senior 3 team. They have won 1, drawn 1 and lost 1. They are showing dedication and improvement. There is a strong team spirit and they produce gritty, determined performances.



Year 10B

Anita Thoen

Currently 5th place, College 11 Grade. This team is just starting to gel and is playing some good netball. There are some talented players and they are now seeing that with commitment to training, they can compete successfully. They have won 2 of the 3 games played this round and are looking forward to the rest of the season.

Year 9A

Madeline Shelling

Currently 2nd place, Junior 3 Grade. This team is keen, enthusiastic and good fun to be part of. They are gelling together and are playing some good netball. They have won all 3 games played in the competition round. There are some talented players in the team with most of them playing in the Kaipara U15 rep team.

Year 9B

Sue Lusty

Currently 12th place, Junior 4 Grade. The team is progressing well with their netball with a couple of wins followed by a couple of losses. However, the girls are continuing to prove themselves competitively within their grade and are showing a lot of enthusiasm for the game.

Hockey

Girls 1st XI

Bronnie Rees

Currently 4th place, Grade 2a. The team had a number of close-fought games with 1 win, 2 draws and 2 losses. They finished 6th overall in the grade which sees them remain in 2nd Grade for the next round. There are 5 new team members, replacing some very experienced senior players who have left school. The team show strong team spirit and always put in a great effort. They have the ability to finish the season top of this grade.

Girls 2nd XI

Sally Young, James Cox

Currently 7th place, Grade 6. This team is made up of mainly first time hockey players, so the first round has been very much a settling in period. There have been some very close matches with some great goals scored. The girls are looking forward to a few more wins next round.

Soccer

Girls 1st XI

Richard Limmer

Currently 2nd place, Senior A Grade. The Girls 1st XI team has had a great start to the season with 5 wins and 1 loss. The girls are looking forward to next term's games and continuing their success. Playoffs start 3rd August with finals on the 17th August.

Girls 2nd XI

James Auger

Currently 6th place, Senior B Grade. This team has had 2 wins, 3 draws and 3 losses. The team is

vastly improved in skill, confidence and team spirit. This is a real achievement as for some girls this is their first soccer season.

Girls Junior Courtney Pirie

Currently 8th place, Junior B Grade. They have just finished pool play and are now in the Junior B Bowl section and have won their first game. There has been some outstanding football from the girls and they are looking forward to the rest of the season.

Boys U15 Josh Keane, Scott Holden

After 2 wins and 1 loss during pool play the boys have moved into the championship round for 14B Grade. They are a dedicated bunch of boys whose talent and determination has shown through on their score cards each week. They have shown the likes of Kings College, Westlake, Auckland Grammar and Sacred Heart that Kaipara College is a strong football school also.

Basketball

Senior Boys Anand Govind

The U19 Boys have recently finished pool play where they were 1st place in their pool. They are currently in 2nd place in the A1 pool. They will play 3 more games before finals on 19 August.

Senior Girls Lee Exler

After round 6 the U19 Girls are in 7th place with 1 win and 4 losses. This team is small but very dedicated with everyone turning up to train each week.

Waterpolo Marcia Ohlson

This team is playing in the Waitakere Winter Schools Competition and despite some tough competition and fielding a new junior team, Kaipara's Water Polo team has shown itself to be consistently positive and very plucky. As the newer members develop their skill base, they can build on this result.

Rugby

1st XV Dan Keefe, Scott Narbey, Phil Cox

Currently 2nd place 1B Grade. Good attendance at training has paid off and the team is starting to score more tries as a result. Once again this season has seen the sponsorship of 2 fine initiatives from Mitre 10 Helensville who have donated prizes each week to the 'Player of the Day' and 'Tackler of the Day'. This is very much appreciated and many thanks to those involved in securing these sponsorships.

Congratulations to Billy May who has been selected in the training squad for the U18 Blues Schools team.

3rd Grade

Innes Kerr-Taylor

Currently 5th place, 3B Grade. Won 6 and lost 3. Because of an inconsistency in the playing roster, it has been difficult to train and field a complete team, so they are doing well under the circumstances. Shayne Beazley, Remco Thoen and Faolan Vaughan have performed well in the forwards with Jake Barker and Jordan Jones excelling in the backs.

5th Grade

Israil Foreman

After grading we were placed in the 5B competition. We are in first place after winning 7 games from 7 played. The team is very committed and has made good progress at this stage of the season. Michael Thompson and Stephen Dempsey have performed consistently well in the forwards, while Piri Paraone, Jarel Hemeheema and Yusuki Hirowatari have set the back line alight.

7th Grade

Joe Erasmus

Currently 5th place 7B Grade. After 6 weeks of competition this team has won 3, lost 2 and had a bye. They have shown excellent commitment to training twice weekly which should pay off towards the latter part of the season. The support from parents and family attending games has been fantastic.

Badminton

After a late inclusion to the competition due to a full draw this team has won 2 matches and lost 6. There is 1 more week of section play then play-offs start 10th August for 1-24 positions.

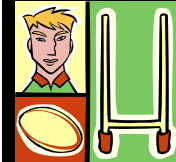
Sevens Champions

Kaipara Girls won the North Harbour Rugby Sevens title in the last week of Term 1.



Karting

Daniel Connor won the New Zealand Rotax Light Karting title at Easter.



IMPORTANT DATES

1 August	Monday	Term 3 starts
4 August	Thursday	Open Night
8-13 August	Week 2	Enrolment week
22-26 August	Week 4	Winter Sports Tournament week
29 August – 2 September		Arts and Culture Week
12-16 September		Senior Examination Week – Year 11, 12 & 13
7 October	Friday	End of Term 3

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