



# Headlines

# K A I P A R A

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## New Gymnasium Opened



Head Girl Ellie David leads the School assembly

Our redeveloped gymnasium was opened in a double ceremony last Friday. At dawn Richard Nahi accompanied by local iwi, two of the building crew, our whanau class students, the Student Leaders and several staff carried out a whakahuakitanga and dedicated the new buildings.

Just after midday the Minister of Ethnic Affairs and Women's Affairs, Pansy Wong with MP Tau Henare arrived to represent John Key, whose Prime Ministerial duties prevented him attending, at the formal opening. The ceremony started with a wero led by Matiu Paraone and a powhiri at which Mrs Wong and Mr Henare were welcomed by Richard Nahi, student leader Kareem Richards and our Maori Studies HOD, Carlin Shaw.

Head Students Jarrod Colbert and Ellie David then led a school assembly in the old Gymnasium. They spoke about the qualities which make Kaipara such a great school and about our sporting achievements. Mr Kerr-Taylor's address showed his pleasure in the new Phys Ed and Sports facilities that he has waited so long for. Mr Phillips spoke on behalf of the Board of Trustees before Mrs Wong delivered an impromptu address to the school and unveiled a plaque. It wasn't all sport, Alex Stutz and Shane Ellis impressed everyone with some virtuoso acoustic guitar playing.



Student leaders with Tau Henare and Pansy Wong

Women's & Ethnic Affairs Minister Pansy Wong unveils the commemorative plaque



Sports Coordinator, Vickie Beattie in the new Faculty office



Students at work in the new, three-quarter size gymnasium





## Student Leaders 2009

Head Boy: Jarrod Colbert  
 Deputy Head Boy: Joshua Taylor  
 Head Girl: Ellie David  
 Deputy Head Girl: Grace Tocker

The full student leader team is (starting at the back):

David Heming, Jarrod Colbert, Josh Taylor, Matiu Paraone, John Haines-Brand, Ruby Scott-Smith, Ellie David, Michelle Willson, Yui Yamasaki, Sean Canham, Bridie O'Neill, Grace Tocker.  
 Inset right: Natalia Armitage and Kareem Richards.



## Visitors from Japan

Nine students from Tokai University Sagami High School, with the programme coordinator Manako Nishio, will be at Kaipara for two and half weeks studying English and learning about New Zealand culture. They arrived at College on 8 February and will depart next Thursday.

While at College they have experienced a New Zealand High School joining their buddy students for a range of different classes during the day. They have been staying with Kaipara College families and enjoying lots of new experiences including a morning spent at the River Valley kindergarten.

## *Congratulations!*



## HPV Vaccination Programme

The HPV programme aims to reduce the occurrence of cervical cancer in New Zealand women. Each year about 160 women develop cervical cancer and about 60 die from it. Cervical cancer is caused by a virus infection that fails to clear up. The virus is called the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) and a vaccine has been developed that provides protection against the two most common high risk types of the virus.

During this year the government has funded an immunisation programme for girls in Year 8 and in Years 12 and 13. The programme requires the girls to get three doses of the vaccine. Waitemata District Health Board is coordinating the vaccine programme through schools as well as GP clinics. The vaccinations are being carried out at Kaipara College starting this term.

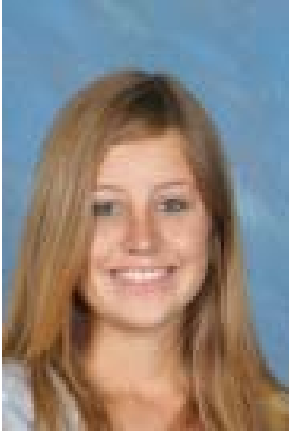
Girls in Year 12 and 13 will be given an information sheet and a consent form at a meeting next Tuesday (24 February). At this meeting the girls will be shown a DVD and one of our Public Health Nurses will be on hand to answer questions. Parents are welcome to attend if they wish. A signed consent form must be returned to school in order for the vaccination to be carried out. The first round of vaccinations will take place in the College Hall on Tuesday, 24 March.

More information about the programme can be obtained from the Public Health Nurses at (09) 420 8636 or from the Ministry of Health website: [www.moh.govt.nz/immunisation](http://www.moh.govt.nz/immunisation)

**New Parents Evening 7.00 pm Thursday, 26 February College Hall**

The wine and cheese evening for parents of students new to the school will be held on Thursday 26 February at 7.00 pm. This is an opportunity to meet your child's form teacher and some of their subject teachers and find out more about how the school works. We look forward to seeing you there!

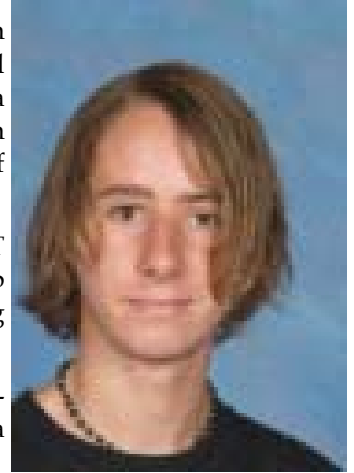
## Two Scholarships!



The Scholarship examination results for 2008 have just been announced. Courtney Addison won a scholarship in Phys Ed and Richard Meadows won a scholarship in Biology. To win a Scholarship students must be in the top 4% of their subject in New Zealand. This continues Kaipara's excellent record of achievement in the top academic examination of the country.

Richard was the College Dux in 2008 and was awarded an AUT Academic Achievement Scholarship. This full fees scholarship will allow him to study a Communications degree beginning this year.

Courtney will also study at AUT beginning a Sport and Recreation degree. She is a little uncertain in what her specialist area will be but will decide during this year.



*Congratulations!*

## NCEA Results Very Good

The 2008 NCEA results were very good. At the Year 11 level, 85% of students passed their literacy requirements and 95% their maths requirement. 65% of Year 11 students and 65% of Year 12 students earned enough credits to be awarded their Level 1 or Level 2 National Certificates of Educational Achievement.

The results also showed the benefit of students staying at school until Year 13. This number has increased dramatically at Kaipara over the last ten years. Our multi-level studies approach allows students in Years 11, 12 and 13 to study at Levels 1, 2 or 3 depending on their interests, skills and past achievements. Nearly all students in Year 13 will complete their Level 2 NCEA certificate and 60% of them will complete their Level 3.

What is particularly pleasing about the results is that while our top academic students continue to perform very well, the performance of students of average and below average abilities have improved markedly. This is reflected in our ability to get many of them into courses, polytech, apprenticeships and employment.

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## Careers Education Starts in Week One



Careers education this year started in the first week of school with the visit of the InZone Careers Bus. It is a Careers Unit Road Show in the form of a specially designed bus that travels around most schools in New Zealand. Inside the InZone bus are 22 computer pods hosting 32" LCD audio/visual screens which contain information covering a range of different careers and industries, eg Army, Airforce, Navy, Police, Health Industry, Fisheries, Agriculture, Forestry, Wood/Timber Industry, Food, Hospitality and Travel. So there is something for everyone to research. Students were given their own code to access the computers and direct links to the industries enabled students to have information either emailed or sent to their home address. With two sets of earphones the students were able to listen and look at a quick overview of the jobs available in any industry of inter-

est. Over half the students at Kaipara College took advantage of this opportunity and as it was so early in the year, it was great incentive for building a focus for achievement this year.

This is a prelude to the Career Expo being held in the school on Thursday 2 July this year for the students and community alike to come along and further investigate the opportunities available. We look forward to seeing you there.

# SPORTS NEWS

## DRAW: Starting Friday 20 February

**WATERPOLO**                      **Friday 20 February**  
 Senior Boys v Massey              West Wave              8.00pm

**TOUCH**                              **Tuesday 24 February**  
 Sen Girls      v Long Bay      Sunnynook 1      4.00pm  
 Sen Mixed    v Mahurangi    Sunnynook 1      5.00pm

## RESULTS: Starting Friday 13 February

**WATERPOLO**                      **Friday 13 February**  
 Senior Boys v Avondale              2-9              loss

**TOUCH**                              **Tuesday 17 February**  
 Sen Girls      v Westlake      0-6              loss  
 Sen Mixed    v Northcote    2-3              loss

## Swimming Champions

The swimming championships were held in the pool on Wednesday afternoon. The top results in each section are in the table below. The 2009 Swimming Champions are:

Junior Girls                      Kate Young  
 Junior Boys                      Nick Hardie  
 Intermediate Girls              Madeline Shelling  
 Intermediate Boys              Sam Young  
 Senior Girls                      Sarah Matheson  
 Senior Boys                      Tayyib Esau

*Congratulations!*



| Junior Girls   | Junior Boys             | Intermediate Girls   | Intermediate Boys    | Seniors Girls        | Senior Boys     |
|----------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Kate Young 56  | Nick Hardie 36          | Madeline Shelling 56 | Sam Young 58         | Sarah Matheson 58    | Tayyib Esau 38  |
| Sally Young 52 | Connor Jensen 33        | Kothar Esau 44       | Charlie David 34     | Amanda Freshwater 46 | Chris Waters 24 |
| Megan Harris 8 | Angus Fraser 31         | Evie Aldridge 38     | Michael Skirrow 32   | Ellie David 22       | Josh Kelly 18   |
|                | Tyler Kriletich 8       | Alex Sargeant 14     | David Silverstone 12 | Ruby Scott-Smith 10  | Alex Adams 16   |
|                | Harry Hulston-Adcock 16 | Toni Nolan 10        |                      | Ashley Timoko 7      | Sean Canham 15  |
|                | Brad Houghton 10        | Shani Gyde 7         |                      |                      | Dylan Gunner 11 |
|                | Stanley Muru 9          |                      |                      |                      | Solomon King 3  |
|                | Luke Cochrane 7         |                      |                      |                      |                 |
|                | Rick Scahill 6          |                      |                      |                      |                 |
|                | Florian Kroencke 6      |                      |                      |                      |                 |

## Athletics Championships

The Athletics Championships, the Heptathlon, will be held at school this coming Wednesday, 25 February at the College starting at 9.00 am. The Heptathlon consists of 100m, 400m, 800m, Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put and Javelin.

## Thank You Transcon

Ian Ward of Transcon Warkworth Limited donated a truck and the time needed to shift the huge shipping container which held the Phys Ed gear during the rebuild of the Gym. It now stands near the Science block ready to hold the next lot of equipment as we start the Science rebuild later this year.

# COMING UP

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|-------------|-----------|---|
| 20 February | Friday    | ID Photos                                   |
| 25 February | Wednesday | Athletics Championships                     |
| 2-6 March   |           | Anti-bullying campaign                      |
| 14 March    | Saturday  | Auckland Dragonboat Champs      Lake Pupuke |
| 24 March    | Tuesday   | HPV Immunisation Round 1                    |
| 28 March    | Saturday  | National Dragonboat Champs                  |
| 9 April     | Thursday  | End of Term 1                               |

**For careers, scholarship and contact information see either Ms Couch or look on the Kaipara College web-site under Careers [www.kaiparacollege.school.nz](http://www.kaiparacollege.school.nz)**