



Headlines

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Police Pay Parade

Student Leaders represented the College at the Waitemata District Police Pay Parade in Helensville on Thursday. The revival of an old tradition was an opportunity for the College to acknowledge the support it receives from the local police team. The leaders also attended the Awards ceremony in the War Memorial Hall that followed the parade.

The parade was inspected by Prime Minister John Key who also found time to chat to locals including our leaders.

Thanks to Norwest News for the photos

Gateway Programme

Calling for local support from business

Over 50 students have enrolled for the Gateway Programme this year. It is a programme that allows Year 11, 12 and 13 students to explore a career that they are interested in by working in it for a short period. This is more than work experience. It is aimed at students who are motivated to achieve. There is no cost to the employer and students are expected to catch up with any school work they miss. The student does either one day a week work exploration or they can do a five day block of work experience in the school holidays.

This work exploration is such a positive experience for students. It has seen students become more focused and stay on at school to gain qualifications. For some it has clarified their career ideas and for others it has started them in their first jobs.

This year we have students in the dairy farming sector, panel beating, animal welfare, nursing, plastering. We are looking to place students in food and hospitality, plumbing, building, aircraft engineering and early childhood education. If you are an employer and would like to be part of the Gateway programme, please call Claire Couch or Marie Paulsen on 420 8640 Ext 835. We would be only too happy to tell you more about the programme.



Michael Jenkins at work on his Gateway programme at Kumeu Engineering

Raranga (weaving)

Whare Ako, Kaipara College

Tomorrow Saturday, 21 March 10am - 3pm.

Beginners welcome. Lunch will be provided.

Please ring Donna Tapurau phone 4207120 to register.

All welcome.

HPV Immunisation Programme

Year 12 and 13 Girls

Tuesday, 24 March

A reminder to anyone who has yet to return a consent form to do so on Monday morning.

If you have questions, please contact Jeanie Nasey at school (09) 420 8640 Ext 820.

SPORTS NEWS

DRAW: Starting Friday 20 March

WATERPOLO **Friday 20 March**
Senior Boys v tba

TOUCH **Tuesday 24 March**
Sen Girls v Playoffs—draw tba
Sen Mixed v Playoffs—draw tba

RESULTS: Starting Friday 13 March

WATERPOLO **Friday 13 March**
Senior Boys v Liston 1-14 loss

TOUCH **Tuesday 17 March**
Sen Girls v Birkenhead 4-0 win
Sen Mixed v Kingsway 7-3 win

Champions Again!



The Dragonz defended their Auckland Championship title in style on Lake Pupuke last Sunday.

The lake course is 580 metres being nearly twice the length of the old Viaduct track. It requires careful tactics because the three heats and final add up to over 2000 metres of race pace paddling over the day. The Dragonz were masters of tactics for the day. They set a blazing time in the first heat and challenged rival crews to come after them. As the wind picked up during the day races became tougher. The Dragonz did enough each race to stay ahead while conserving energy for the final.

In the final the crews stayed fairly even over the first half of the race. Then the Dragonz opened up and their superior skill and their fitness was evident as they pulled away to win by over two lengths.

The Taniwhaz also had a great day. They did not come up against the Dragonz in any of their heats but were up against crews who were very keen to beat any Kaipara crew. At the end of the first two heats they were in sixth place in the qualifying rankings and needed to beat to take five seconds off the next crew's time to make the grand final. They turned in a superb third race at a time of the day when the wind was up and making the starts particularly difficult. It was good enough to get them up to fourth place in the rankings and to qualify for the grand final.

In the final they held their own until the Dragonz accelerated and Long Bay tried to go with them. The Taniwhaz responded by lifting their stroke but were just beaten into third place at the finish. It was a very game race from a crew that had to work very hard just to qualify for the final.

The spirit in the two crews was great. The crew leaders were inspirational. The crews were focussed on their goals. Team discipline was excellent and the supporters; parents, family, students were much appreciated.

Rotorua and the Nationals await. Go Kaipara!

Congratulations!



Top: The Dragonz cross the line to win their fifth consecutive Auckland title
Above: The Dragonz (left) and the Taniwhaz wait to start the final

COMING UP

24 March	Tuesday	HPV Immunisation Round 1
29 March	Sunday	National Dragonboat Champs, Rotorua
31 March—3 April		Waka Ama Championships, Rotorua
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