



# Headlines KAIPARA

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## CSI: Kaipara

\$500,000 dollars has been stolen from the Clock Tower building at Auckland University. Who can unravel the clues? Who can interpret the evidence? Who will they send for? Kaipara CSI, that's who! The slick, clever investigation unit from Kaipara College.

Josh Keane, Toni Nolan, Alex Sergeant and Scott Holden attended a Forensic Science Day at Auckland University on Wednesday. They listened to lectures by students and staff on Forensic Science and Engineering, Criminology and Law. Then there was a challenge for the thirty high school teams of four students each; solve the robbery. The suspects and clues were distributed right over the huge Auckland Campus. Our intrepid team called on their thinking skills and their physical fitness and had it cracked faster than anyone else. Their win earned them new school bags and some goodies and of course the title of Auckland's best College CSI unit.



*Congratulations!*

## Students Find Oliver

"Please sir, I want some more." That was certainly what the thirty two junior students were saying after a night on the town. The Drama department offered a group of budding thespians a chance to watch the acclaimed musical "Oliver" which is currently being performed at Sky City Theatre. A large group of students took up the opportunity.

Gretchen Dainty, one of the accompanying staff members said, "It was nice to see the kids leave with a sparkle in their eye and their horizons lifted."

The night of high drama and comedy ended with students singing the show tunes "Oompapa", "Consider yourself at home" and "Who will buy" all the way home.



## Library Books

Have you got any school Library Books out?  
Check the lists in the school Library.

*Please return your books as soon as possible*

## Arrangements for Thursday

The Junior Prize-giving will start at 10.30am and finish at 12.30pm. All students will finish for the year after Prize-giving. School buses will run at 12.30 pm to take bus students home.

**Junior Prize-giving**

Note new time

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## Junior Graduation Ceremony

*Come along and join us to celebrate the work and achievements of the Year 9 and 10 students  
Student performances*

*Graduation certificates presented by the Student Leaders*

**10.30 am Thursday, 10 December College Hall**



Thirty of the top performing students in Phys Ed and Health were invited to spend two days learning the ropes. The first day was spent team building on the College low ropes course. Well done the Zookeepers! On Friday morning some very nervous and excited students got their first look at the seven high ropes challenges that would take them 15m into the air. Even the safety harnesses didn't quite take all the nerves away. By lunch time – who loves Subway, then? - everyone was buzzing and loving the adrenaline rush that comes with the triumph of courage over fear and nerves. The biggest challenge seemed to be the leap of faith from a small platform shaking in the wind to a distant trapeze. Only Tai, Clayton and Connor managed to make it, the rest had to trust their safety harness. "I haven't done anything like this before", said Mikaela. "It was so cool and made different people work together really well."

## Racing Around UNITEC

Ten students from Kaipara College competed in Unitec's Amazing Race. Not quite the same as the television programme but certainly the students had to have their wits about them and complete challenges that would take them out of their comfort zone. The idea behind Unitec's Amazing Race is to take away the mystery of attending a tertiary institution while explaining what each faculty teaches. So students learned about Performing and Screen Arts, Communication Studies, Engineering, Business Studies, Design and Visual Arts, Health and Education to mention just a few. The students were divided into 8 groups consisting of 10 students - 5 from one school and 5 from another. Whilst we did not feature in the first three places, all the students learnt a lot and had fun mixing with students from other schools.



**COMING  
UP**

10 December

10.30 am -12.30 pm

Junior Prize-giving & last day of the year

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)