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NUA NEWS

Tēnā koutou e ngā Mātua me ngā Whaea

July 2022

Kia ora koutou, Talofa lava, Greetings everyone

This has been an amazing term with students engaged successfully in a wide range of activities which will be highlighted in this newsletter. Although COVID and winter flu affected many staff and students during the term, I have been impressed by the way everyone has worked hard to overcome the challenges that these illnesses have presented. Students aiming to gain NCEA credits completed many assessments at the end of the term and these will be marked by teachers during the holidays. Students will receive results for these assessments when they return at the beginning of Term 3 and will be able to see where they need to focus their efforts for the rest of the year.

While Mr Congdon has been away on sabbatical this term, a number of staff have taken on extra roles and in particular I would like to thank Samantha Wehipeihana (Acting Deputy Principal), and Dylan Kiriona and Amy Huse (Acting Assistant Principals) for the way they have so ably stepped up to lead the

college. We are all looking forward to Mr Congdon's return and also to welcoming our new Deputy Principal, Gilbert Hokianga, to the college at a powhiri on the first day of the term.

Enjoy reading some of the highlights that have been achieved this term.

Ngā mihi koutou, Tofa soifoa, Kind regards Sharon Moerkerk Acting Principal

Photo right: Gilbert Hokianga who will be starting with us on 25 July.



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A Word from the Board Chair

Tēnā koutou katoa

I am always amazed at how quickly a term passes. Mr Congdon has been on sabbatical these last ten weeks and Whaea Sharon Moerkerk and the SLT have done a tremendous job of managing the college in his absense. The Board are very grateful! Many of the staff in the school have also stepped up to fill various gaps, this is also so appreciated. Staff and student absences due to Covid and the flu this term have meant extra work and teaching to enable students to catch up with missed work and assessments. Despite this, it has been great to see our young people involved in an extensive range of cultural, service and sporting events. A high light for me was attending Pasifika Fusion at the Regent Theatre in Palmerston North – Lototaha achieved a second place for their cultural item this year, and can feel so proud of their amazing performance on stage. I know many, many hours practice went into this, all supported by teachers and whānau.

It was also a wonderful experience to be able to celebrate our first Matariki holiday with a special hautapu ceremony for staff led by Matua Chris and Matua Dylan. It was a cold start, and the Matariki stars were just visible in the dawn light, but it was good to take a some time together to remember those who had passed in the last year, to be grateful for all we have, and to reflect on our aspirations for the coming year.

This term the board continued its review of policies, focussing on health and safety and finance policies. We are almost at the end of our Education Review Cycle so will receive a report in due course which identifies how the College is doing with respect to its own review processes and identifying next steps for improvement. A significant piece of work this term has been a review of school reporting to parents and research conducted on student voice. The board are always keen to learn what more we can do to develop in all areas of our four



'pillars' (academic, cultural, sport and service) and these kinds of reviews are critical to improve learning and teaching and the experience for all our students.

I do hope you enjoy reading the contents of this newsletter. We will soon welcome more prospective students as we will be hosting them and their parents/caregivers at our open night in week 1 of Term 3. It is always great to showcase the kinds of activities and the awesome young people you will read about in this newsletter. We also look forward to welcoming a new Deputy Principal, Mr Gilbert Hokianga with a pōwhiri on our first day back.

With all the winter illnesses about I do hope you stay warm and well over the school holidays. We look forward to another term of growing successful young people!

Ngā mihi nui Juliana Mansvelt Board Chair

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Prefects Conference

Earlier this term, the prefect team attended the GRIP Leadership Conference at Pipitea Marae in Wellington. GRIP Leadership specialises in making leadership training practical and interactive for school students.

This was an awesome event for all the prefects, where we listened to key speakers who spoke about topics relating to certain types of leadership styles and ways to improve your skills. The program highlighted the skills that student leaders should have and ways to introduce new initiatives and hopefully make a change at their school.

Throughout each session that we attended, there were fun activities where the organisers of the events got the students involved with some fun games. I learnt several valuable things from the sessions I was involved with. One of them being that to achieve an aim to the best of your ability, you must make the goal achievable, thus meaning that you must set a realistic time frame in which it will be met.

Overall, the day was filled with some fun and engaging lessons, which were very helpful to the members of our team. It was such an excellent opportunity to meet leaders from other schools and to see what events they have planned for the rest of the year. Attending this program, helped strengthen our team and realise our strengths and weaknesses and things that we can improve on.

Jess Leota Head Girl



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The Chase



This term we held Horowhenua College's version of the Chase TV show during week 7 and week 8. This is the third year that we have held this event and it is still very popular among the students. We started off with the juniors in week 7 and then the seniors in week 8. Each house had a group of four junior students and then also a group of four senior students who competed against one of our teachers from a different house. It drew a large number of students in every break, where they were able to support their friends and house teams. Not only the contestants but also the onlookers came to test their knowledge against our Chasers.

We would like to thank everyone who competed and showed their support throughout the duration of the event. Well done to the Junior Rātā Team who won the Junior Chase and the Senior Rātā Team who won the Senior Chase! All of the teams gave it their all and gave the Chasers something to fight for. Thank you to all the students and teachers who participated as well as all the supporters who came and watched. With Bradley Walsh ignoring our phone calls, a special thank you to Mrs Wehipeihana and Miss Bolton for filling in as hosts in Mr Stachurski's absence. A big thanks to Mr Stachurski for hosting on his return. Another big thank you to the students who gave up their break times to help set up and run the Chase, we wouldn't have been able to do it without you. We hope that everyone enjoyed this event as much as we did and we hope that this event is run for years to come.

Zoe Roentgen & Robert Wylie Academic Prefects



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Cultural News



Kia Ora, Malo e lelei and warm Pacific greetings,

Our first cultural event of the year was Rotuman Language week. We celebrated the week by producing a video that told interesting facts about Rotuma and some basic Rotuman words to learn. It was very important to show as many people as we could the beautiful Rotuman language as it is one of the endangered languages in the world. We encouraged as many students from Horowhenua College to participate in the making of the video and it was a fun way to teach them about the island of Rotuma.

Samoan Language week was not long

after. To celebrate, we organised three workshops for the teachers. The teachers were split into three groups. Group 1 was learning Samoan phrases and the correct pronunciation of Samoan names of students at our school. Group 2 learned a short Sasā, which is a traditional dance usually performed sitting down and the hand movements depict activities taken from everyday life. Group 3 learned how to make ula lole or candy necklaces, usually worn at prizegivings to celebrate accomplishments. Students from the Cultural committee were also present and helped with a huge part of the workshops. To end off

Samoan language week, students wore traditional Samoan wear and they looked absolutely amazing.

Matua Chris and Matua Dylan came up the with the idea of joining Rangatahi Ora and Lototaha together to practise singing waiata for Matariki as they were going to perform at assembly. It was very exciting to learn the waiata about Horowhenua College as a Pacific Islander and the similarities of Te Reo Māori and our languages, Tongan and Samoan.

We are deeply excited for the upcoming cultural events during the year and we hope that students get to learn something new about the many cultures here at Nua.

Tofa soifua :)
Taniela Taufeulungaki and Petesa Tomane
Cultural Prefects





Academic Achievements



Last year I was awarded the First Foundation Scholarship. This Scholarship offers many things that will allow me to attend University. The Scholarship has 3 pillars:

Mentorship, Financial Support, and Paid Work Experience. The First Foundation Scholarship allows me to be the first in my family to attend university. It also allows me to carry out my dreams of studying Law at Victoria University. First Foundation has helped many "in need" families where students have had their opportunities limited.

The scholarship has also allowed me to meet my amazing mentor Judith Pryor. This mentorship starts at Year 13 and carries on during university. It is so helpful knowing that I have all of the First Foundation team, my mentor, and my scholarship partner for support during my transition from secondary school to university.

On the 24th of May, I flew up to Auckland to attend "Mahi That Matters" which was the First Foundation Scholarship Ceremony. This was such a rewarding experience as I was able to meet Don from NZ Community Trust (my scholarship partner) and many other students who were also receiving the scholarship.

Alyssa Smaling Social Action Prefect

Manu Korero Speech Competition

Congratulations to our two kaikōrero Alyssa Smaling and Rihara Norgrove-Rangihuna who spoke in the Manawatu/Horowhenua Secondary Schools Regional Manu Kōrero speech competition.

Rihara, spoke in the Pei Te Hurinui Jones Senior Māori section coming 4th for his prepared speech and 3rd for his impromptu speech. Such an awesome achievement given that both speeches were in Te Reo Māori.

Alyssa spoke in the Korimako Senior English section for the 2nd year gaining a 3rd placing for her prepared speech and 2nd for her impromptu. She placed 3rd overall. A memorable and heartfelt speaker who always carries herself with honour.

Matua Dylan Acting Assistant Principal





Rotary Foodbank Collection

The 7 Horowhenua College students who ably helped with the Rotary Foodbank Collection in May were amazing and a real credit to Horowhenua College.

Overall we collected 14 of the largest supermarket trolleys overflowing with goods at our three venues along with \$534 in donations.

As a result the 3 foodbanks in Levin, St Vincent de Paul's, Salvation Army and Hope Kete were well stocked.

Pam Good Rotary Club





World Vision 40 Hour Famine Planning Workshop

On the 15th of June, Willow, Grace and I attended a 40 Hour Famine planning workshop before school. Tanika Naidoo, who is a Youth Ambassador from World Vision, helped us set out a plan to tackle fundraising this year. She was so helpful in the planning process.

Then on the 1st-3rd of July many students underwent a challenge for 40 hours which they had fundraised for prior. The challenge was part of the World Vision 40 Hour Famine and the focus this year was to fundraise for the clean water crisis around the world. We were able to raise \$2013 so far, exceeding our goal of \$2000!

If you'd like to donate to help bring life-saving clean water to children in the world's toughest places, go to this link: https://my.worldvision.org.nz/ss/NEOy51/horowhenua-college

Anand Ranchhod Head Boy





Blood Drive





RYDA

Each year our Year 12 students have the opportunity to participate in the RYDA programme. RYDA features a highly engaging and memorable oneday workshop which front-loads students' understanding of road safety and gives them the tools, habits and motivation to take action and stay safe on our roads as both drivers and passengers throughout their lives.



Canoe Polo

Congratulations to Ryan Winstanley, Josh Sawyer, Codie Parata and Ma'ake Motu'apuaka who have been competing in the D Grade National League Competition of 2022 in a combined Horowhenua/Otaki team. They have played in three tournaments throughout the year in Palmerston North, Hawkes Bay and Wellington. The final was held in Wellington on Queens Birthday weekend with the Horowhenua/Otaki team winning 7-6. Ryan was the top goal scorer during the finals weekend, scoring 18 goals.

James Gilroy Science, Physical Education, and Health Teacher





Cycle Club

The Nua Cycling Club has been making great progress towards their goal of competing in the North Island Schools Road and Track Champs in July. In addition to raising \$9K for new uniforms and trips costs, the team went up to Cambridge during the last school holidays to get track certification for racing on the 30 degree banked wooden velodrome and check out the road courses. This was the first time the students had ridden on such a fast and steep track and there were high levels of nerves and one unfortunate lesson from gravity! It was an exciting and proud moment for those of us who have witnessed the dedication of these novice riders to training at least 3 times a week at the Levin Domain, wind trainers in the gym on rainy days and regional races on top of that. We look forward to reporting about our efforts at the Champs, which are currently in jeopardy due to low levels of national registrations. After a series of cancelled events over the past year, we really hope there will not be another disappointment for the riders.

Donna Elliot Teacher in Charge Cycling





Youth Week 2022

On the 6th of May 2022, Horowhenua College was treated to a free sausage sizzle during one break session. The Horowhenua District Council hosted this lovely event as it was Youth Week. This is a week that focuses on the teenagers and other youth in the community. Youth Week celebrates the talents, passion and success of local young people.

The Horowhenua Council not only treated us to the sausage sizzle, they also provided us with a variety of games for students to take part in for prizes. For our students, this was a great opportunity to have fun and learn the importance of youth in the Horowhenua Community. The day was plenty of fun and we are grateful for the activities they offered to us not only throughout the day but the entirety of Youth Week.

Hermione Petersen Media Prefect



Model EU



Horowhenua College had four delegates representing their respective countries at the Model EU conference at the University of Canterbury. They showed the NUA way on a national stage and did us proud.

Nick Stachurski English Teacher



Sustainable Oceans Competition EP

This competition is based on our Sustainable Oceans content in Education Perfect, an educational platform that enables students to learn information online. The idea for students is: "Learn the content, answer questions, and help use knowledge for good."

All students were able to compete in the Sustainable Oceans student competition. Points earned in this competition also counted towards a student's individual competition score. The Sustainable Oceans Competition was held from 8 am 6th June to 4 pm 10th of June 2022 to include World Oceans Day.

This competition was open to all students across Australia and New Zealand. The content was aimed at Years 7 - 10. It was completely free for all students to compete in the Sustainable Oceans Competition. There were prizes available for both New Zealand and Australia (\$10,000 Prize Pool per Country).

We came 73rd globally and 8th overall in our school category. Students have been awarded 9 awards, 3

Silver for Brock Clement, Anika Miller and Ryatt Corbett, 4 bronze awards, and 2 credit awards.

Martine Lewis Science Teacher



Running Club

Term 2 has brought the winter weather but it has not hindered our runners! As of June 30th we have run 120km and we are well on the way to our target of 200km!

While some of the members have been busy with winter sports, we are still getting strong turnouts. So grab your running shoes and come on out.

Our members include: Torina Ngaluafe, Lane Dobbin, Tishayla Doreen, Mayank Thakur, Darryl Paxton, Zac Kingi, Luke Brill, Thuan Nguyen, Liam Roach, Peter Bartholomew, Ollie Kennet, Jorja Horn, Hannah Alderton, Serena Su, Noah Waculicz, Miss Bolton, Mrs. Johnson and Mr Ferzli

Netball Horowhenua Association
Levin Intermediate School

RJ's Confectionery

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Adventure Park

Park

VTNZ Levin

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Phillip Ferzli Maths Teacher



Senior Art Trip

The senior art students in Year 12 and 13, all 32 of them, went to Wellington in June to visit Massey University and the School of Creative Arts. We had a personal guided tour of the studio spaces, the photography and design studios, and a lecture about the courses on offer too. We also went on to have a tour of the hostels offered at Massey and looked inside one of the flats to get an idea of what it would be like to live there.

Courses on offer include fashion, textiles, fine arts, photo and design, film, media, animation, and more. Then we visited the galleries and quirky shops down Cuba Street and had lunch. Our next visit was the Te Papa exhibition of Robin White a NZ artist, and the Matariki exhibit. Te Papa is always a favourite destination.

We then returned to the bus and went up to Mount Victoria to see the lights and sights below. One of our photos shows us almost getting blown off our feet. Woohoo...exhilarating! We arrived home at about 8.00pm. It was a long but fantastic day and in classes the next day the students were still buzzing about it. I hope it has set some minds at rest about university, and the opportunities that are available to them in the future.

It's a special day, and one that the Art Department wants to always be able to offer, as long as Covid stays manageable. Thanks to Ms Irvine and Mr Gilroy who also came on the trip, and to the well behaved students, who were on time, and so positive and enthusiastic all day.

Jeanette Gilroy Head of Faculty Arts





Service Academy Bushcraft Course





Service Academy Linton Visit



This term 11 of our Academy students travelled to Linton Military Camp as part of a New Zealand Defence Force Recruitment visit. We were hosted by the NZDF recruiter. Joining us on the visit were students

from the QEC Services Academy and the New Plymouth Trades Academy.

We had a great day visiting three areas of interest for students who are keen on pursuing a career in the NZDF - 10 Transport Company, 2 Workshop Company and Physical Training Platoon. We also had lunch in the 800 person dining hall. One of the soldiers gave us a presentation about his journey before the army, during his training, and life now as a chef. The units also gave presentations on their workplace and the benefits of that unit. It was a great learning experience for the students.

Kia ora koutou Staff Hunia Services Academy Director





A Word From The Sports Coordinator

Cross Country

Term 2, Week 2 and thankfully the rain held off for our school cross country event to proceed with close to 50 runners taking part. Well done to our age grade winners for 2022:

Junior: Lexi Parata and Ollie Kennett

Intermediate: Serena Su and Codie Parata

• Senior: Jessica Leota and Toby James

This led to a talented team of 8 students representing Horowhenua College the following week at the Manawatu Inter-Secondary Schools Cross Country Champs with two of our students gaining top 10 places.

Liam Roach 9th place - Year 9 Boys 4.3km race

• Serena Su 5th place - U16 Girls 4.3km race

Serena Su, Hannah Alderton and Lexi Parata placed 3rd in the U16 Girls (3) teams



Cody Martin, Codie Parata, Noah Waculicz, Hannah Alderton, Serena Su, Lexi Parata, Liam Roach and Peter Bartholomew.

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A Word from the Sports Coordinator

Heretaunga Exchange

With Horowhenua hosting the Heretaunga Exchange, excitement was in the air for our 9 competing teams to come away with the silverware. Unfortunately, it wasn't to be with the overall outcome in favour of Heretaunga 5-3 and 1 draw. Well done to all our teams:

Basketball

- Junior Boys 44-36 win
- Senior Boys 33-69 loss

Football

- Girls 1st X1 1-8 loss
- Boys 1st X1 1-2 loss

Hockey

- Girls 1st X1 9-0 win
- Boys (combined) 4-1 win

Netball

- Junior A 20-20 draw
- Senior A 17-31 loss

Rugby

Boys 1st XV 10-35 loss



2022 North Island Secondary School Swimming Champs - Wellington (11th & 12th June)

Unfortunately, illness diminished our team by half with only 3 from our 6 swimmers fit enough to compete: Olivia Murray-Kirby, Hannah Alderton and Serena Su.

Excellent results were achieved by Serena competing in the Girls 15 years races. She came 4th in the 100m Freestyle, 5th in the 100m Individual Medley and 6th in the 100m Butterfly. Well done Serena.

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A Word from the Sport Coordinator

Winter Codes

Most winter codes have finished grading and are now in the business half of the season. Stand-out teams to date are:

- Levin AFC Combined # 1 Football Team 1st U19 Boys Div 1 Grade
- Girls 1st X1 Football Team 1st equal Championship Grade
- Boys Youth Rugby Team 1st Youth 2 (Section A)
- Junior A Netball Team 1st Collegiate 1 Grade
- Levin Club Combined Boys Team Promoted to Intercity Boys 1 (Section A)

Looking ahead:

Winter Tournament Week Mon 29 Aug - Fri 2nd Sept Annuals Week - Mon 5th - Fri 9 Sept

Kind regards Whaea Andi Sports Coordinator







Chess



On Thursday 7 July members of our chess club competed in the Manawatu Regional Chess Competition held in Palmerston North. This is a teams event for secondary schools and we entered two teams. Our A team of Levi Paxton, Ryan Goodall, Kahu Newton and Jack Davidson came 4th overall and only missed out on placing 3rd equal by 0.2 points. This was a great result considering that three of the team are juniors and the top three teams were mostly made up of seniors. Our B team consisted of Thuan Nguyen, Jack Gray, Dom Neufeld and Harrison Mcquillan. Harrison was unable to compete because of illness but the team decided to play even though they had to forfeit one game in every round. All the boys played well and enjoyed the day.

Sharon Moerkerk Teacher in Charge of Chess





Chess





Whakiro at Te Takere

A group of our Year 9 and 10 Art students were recently given the opportunity to learn whakairo from master carver, Jared MacDonald. The workshops celebrate Matariki and the art will be installed in the Youth Space at Te Takere. It was a fabulous opportunity for the students and they have loved participating.

Jeanette Gilroy - Head of Faculty Arts





Whakiro at Te Takere

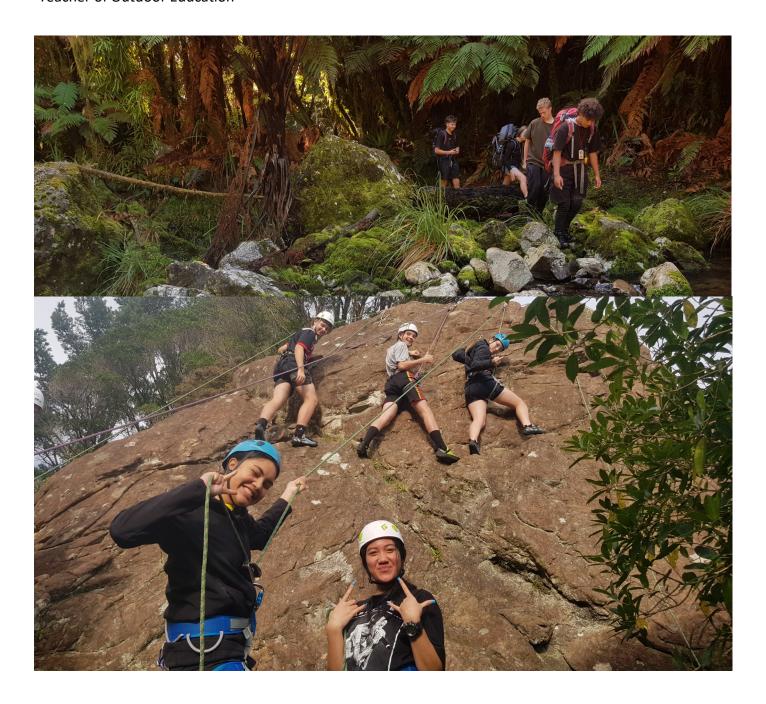


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Outdoor Education

This term the senior Outdoor Education students ventured into the bush to complete their overnight tramping trips. The Year 11 class climbed to the top of Mt Kapakapanui, Reikorangi. It was really steep going up and down, but the highlight of the trip was the amazing view at the summit. The Year 12 and 13 class explored off-track around the Otaki Forks area. They enjoyed travelling off the beaten track through streams and dense bush, learning about the history of the area along the way. Another major focus this term for both the senior and junior Outdoor Education students has been learning how to rock climb. The school's indoor rock climbing wall has been well used, especially during some of the wet days we have had recently. The senior classes also practised their rock climbing skills at the local outdoor crag in Otaki Forks.

Maddie Beckley
Teacher of Outdoor Education





Year 13 Wellington Food Show Trip



A small group of Year 13 students travelled to Wellington to the annual Food Show late in May. The students were able to taste samples of many different food products and to see what is new to the market in both food products and equipment for use in the kitchen. The highlight for many was the chance to try foods they hadn't before and to make a few food purchases. The Street Food Alley was also very popular.

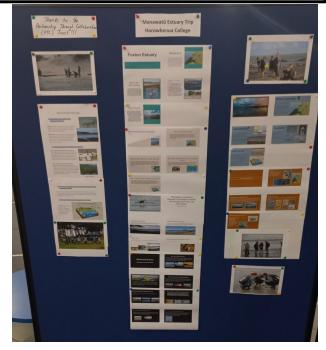
Jenny Petterson Head of Faculty Technology

Year 10 Science

Last term some of our Year 10 Science students participated in a research trip to the Manawatu Estuary. This was funded by the PTC Trust. Partnership Through Collaboration is a registered Trust with a vision to create a distinctive platform that twins the pursuits of science and technology with the awareness of culture, language and the value of of rangatahi.

Their findings have been displayed at Te Takare.

James Gilroy Science Teacher





Level 1 Market Day

My view on market day is it is one of the coolest things the school does because it lets kids do their own business and run everything in one lunch time. My group was called 'Pie Guys'. We sold pies and savouries and we sold out of everything and made a good profit. Why is Market Day cool? It's actually student based and we (the students) get to make the decisions. Some of the decisions we got to make were the price, the product we sold, the group who we worked with and the roles within the business. My role was to be the financial advisor. On reflection I could have had more practice at how much change to give back to the customers especially when I was given big notes. We also could have changed the price of our pies because we sold out quickly. This is also one of the only assessments in school that you get to keep the profit you make - it's cool that we get credits and money. It also shows you what a real business goes through as much as you can from in-school.

I would suggest other students give market day a try when it's your turn. If you do all the planning right you can have success.

One of the groups involved was called 'Three Guys' and they made burgers which I'm pretty sure were some of the best burgers ever. There was another group called 'Freedom Fryer' who sold chicken and chips. Lots of groups did sweet items too such as 'Shookies Cookies' who also did a golden ticket promotion around school that was popular. All in all it was a fun day that I enjoyed. I just wish I was able to go buy from other groups on the day but I was too busy!





Teresa Ngobi Visit



Our local MP for the Otaki Region Terisa Ngobi visited our college on Monday 13 June to talk to the Pasifika students who were selected for the Future Leaders Academy programme (Salalau Leitupo, Angelina Toeleieu, Petesa Tomane, Miliama Tausi and Pauliasi Taumoepeau). She talked to the students about their college experience and how they applied and were selected for the trip. The students then accompanied her on a tour of the college and did an amazing job representing themselves and the school.

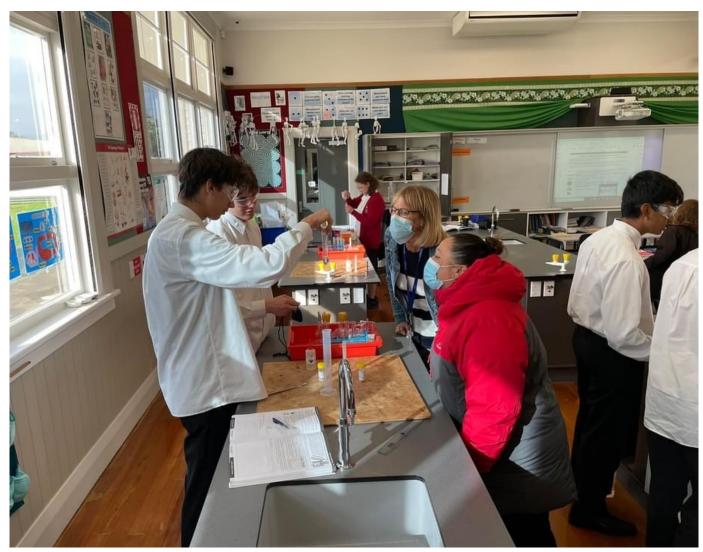
Pauliasi Taumoepeau Student Representative on the College Board





Teresa Ngobi Visit







Past Pupil



Past pupil Philip Sue has just taken up a role as designer for Disney and Pixar. He took the time to visit us last term. It is always great to see past pupils succeed and to have them inspire our students.



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Student Achievement



Our latest student of the week, Imogen Williamson, has fully immersed herself in both life at Horowhenua College and in her involvement in community performances. She is always willing to step up when required, both in her school work and extracurricular activities. Her fabulous talent in singing was also reflected at the recent Manawatū Performing Arts Singing Competition in Palmerston North with her receiving:

1st in the 'Own selection' category - cup and gold medal

1st in 'Song in character' category - cup

2nd in 'Sacred song' category - ribbon

Very Highly Commended in 'Folk traditional song' - ribbon

2nd place Overall Placing across all categories in the 12-14 age group

Well done Imogen - keep up the good work!

Amy Huse

Acting Assistant Principal



Student Achievement



Congratulations to Year 10 Boorau Reiti who received a Principal's commendation certificate for working independently in Science to complete a worksheet at Level 1 standard in preparation for an Internal assessment. He got all the answers correct. It was a great example to the other students of how being persistent and working hard pays off.

LizLewis
Head of Faculty Science

Well done to students Lavara Makutu, Eden Makutu and Leo Arnault-Martin who took on the challenge of joining the Waiopehu College Choir in performing at this year's Big Sing at the Regent Theatre in Palmerston North. They performed a mix of choir music from New Zealand and the world. It was a wonderful experience for these Year 9's.

Paul Wright
Teacher in Charge of Music



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Pasifika Fusion



Ni sa bula vinaka and warm Pasifika greetings. Throughout Terms 1 and 2 students had been hard at work preparing for Pasifika Fusion 2022. On July 6th and 7th, students competed in various categories such as Cinematography, Culture, Drama, Wearable Arts, Visual Arts, Science, Quiz, Essay, Poetry, Speeches, Talent and Debate. Our students did an amazing job this year coming away with placings in a few of these categories. Congratulations to the following students: the Lototaha group who came 2nd in the Culture category, Allen Ikakeau who won 1st in the Talent category (instrumental), Ioane Talia who came 1st in the Kiribati speech, the drama team (Angelina Toeleiu, Kaydence Mose-Tuialii, Salalau Leitupo, Sina Fonoti, Katerina Finau, Anelisabeth Tua-Faavale, Pusa Fonoti) who placed 2nd in Drama and to Kaydence Mose-Tuialii, Kacey Fonoti and Natesha Paki-Falamoe who placed 1st for Cinematography. Congratulations to all the students who competed in other categories and represented the school proudly.

Finally, a huge thank you to all parents, staff and to the community who have supported our Pasifika students through this competition. We are extremely grateful for all that you have done and your hard work and support does not go unappreciated. We look forward to seeing how students will do next year.

Vinaka vaka levu, Jessica Foster Dean of Pasifika Students





Pasifika Fusion





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Year 8 Open Evening



Parents and Year 8 students are warmly invited to join us
Come and see what we have to offer for 2023