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MATUA MA



Improvements to the school buildings continue this year with the whole school exterior currently getting a fresh coat of paint. For this reason, movement around the school grounds is a bit restricted and everyone needs to take care around the scaffolding. The refurbishment of D Block will start soon. This work includes a major upgrade of the science laboratory and classrooms, the installation of a unisex and mobility toilet, and creation of a break out learning space. Staff and students have also enjoyed the benefits of warmer classrooms this winter as our boiler has been decommissioned and heat pumps installed.

Longer days and the emergence of spring buds signal the end of our winter sport season. It's been another good year for all our teams with high spirited participation and some excellent results. I am always impressed at our students' demeanour on the court and field and their strong sense of 'fair play'. Thank you to those of you who helped to make this season such a successful experience for our students in your role as coaches, managers and supporters. We look forward now to Tournament Week and wish our hockey, netball and golfing students all the best in their competition.

All Year 11-13 students are currently participating in **Senior Assessment Week**. These exams provide an authentic experience for students so they get a clear idea of what to expect in November when they sit their externals under

test conditions. With only 4 more weeks of Term 3 left, time is ticking away for our senior students in regards to their NCEA achievement. The pressure is on **now** as students are completing internal assessments, and turning their focus on to their externals. By now all senior students should have a study routine in place at home, to utilise their time in the evenings and weekends to prepare.

There are three important events still to occur in the remaining weeks of the term. Firstly, we are holding an **Open Evening** for new students enrolling for 2019 and their parents, on **Thursday 6 September** starting at 5.30pm. This is followed by an **Open Day** for Year 8s on **Friday 7 September**. Finally, we look forward to seeing parents and caregivers at Rodney College for our second **Parent, Student and Teacher (PST) Conference** being held on **Thursday 27 September**. A key focus of these PSTs will be subject selection for next year, so it's a very important meeting to attend.

Nga mihi

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Irene Symes".

Irene Symes
Principal



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NCEA PAYMENTS (NZQA FEES)

Students must pay a standard annual fee of **\$76.70** to have their results recorded on their Record of Achievement and for the awarding of qualifications. The fee is collected by the school prior to **1st September each year**.
ANY PAYMENTS AFTER THIS DATE MUST BE PAID DIRECTLY TO NZQA.

A fee of \$30 per subject will also be charged for entry into New Zealand Scholarship.

Financial Assistance is available for all NCEA and Scholarship payments as follows:

To be eligible for financial assistance the applicant (normally the parent or guardian of the candidate) must be the fee-payer and meet at least one of the following criteria:

Be receiving a **Work and Income** or **Study Link** benefit as your main source of income OR have a **Community Services Card (benefit based applications)**

Have a joint family income that would entitle the applicant to receive a **Community Services Card (income based applications)**

Be a fee-payer with **three or more children** who are candidates (**multiple candidate applications**) where the total fees to pay would otherwise be more than the \$200 multiple candidate maximum.

How much will I need to pay?

	I am eligible for Beneficiary or income-based assistance	I am not eligible for beneficiary or income-based assistance
I am paying for one child who is a candidate	\$20	Full fees (\$76.70 for NZQF and \$30 for each Scholarship subject)
I am paying for two or more children who are candidates	A maximum of \$30 per family	Where fees are payable for more than one candidate, a maximum of \$200 per fee-payer

Please phone Jeannette Macdonald 423 6038 for a financial assistance application form if you think you may be eligible.

ALL COACHES AND MANAGERS

SPORTS & CULTURAL PHOTOS

THURSDAY 13 SEPT
COLLEGE GYM 8.45AM

ANY QUERIES PHONE MARIA ON 027 694 4480



SPORTS BLUES NOMINATIONS

We are looking for NOMINATIONS for Sports Blues for our 2018 Sports and Cultural Prizegiving. Nominations should be sent to Maria Northin (maria.northin@rodneycollege.school.nz) for students who have: represented Northland (or North Harbour), placed in the top 2 of a Northland (or North Harbour) event; achieved at Northland representative level (or North Harbour); selected for a New Zealand national team or achieved a top 2 placing at international level representing New Zealand in any sporting code.



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YEAR 13 GEOGRAPHY

On Friday 27 July the Year 13 Geography class went on a field trip to gather research data from the Mangawhai Coast. Students were required to investigate differences in dunes at two different locations and gather other relevant information including wave, tide and vegetation.



The first site was at Black Swamp and as well as it being a beautiful morning on the coast, we were greeted by the "locals", aka a pod of

dolphins. Our second site was at Mangawhai Beach and Mr Callachan gave the class a detailed overview of the geology



of the beach and surrounds here, along with students gathering further research data.

A massive thanks to Mr Callachan for sharing his knowledge on the trip. Overall, it was a very productive field visit to our local beach environment.

Tony Baker
Geography teacher

JAPANESE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

We were very fortunate to watch the performance of a traditional Japanese dance in our assembly recently. Hiromi Sakai arrived at Rodney College on Monday 30 July for a three week visit and two days later she performed a dance in front of the whole school. The dance represented the arrival of Spring.



LOVES ME NOT

The Year 12 students took part in a full day workshop this term for the Loves-Me-Not Programme. The students gave some excellent feedback on the day.

Topics they participated in included: healthy and unhealthy relationships, types of abuse, control in relationships, myths that perpetuate sexual violence and scenarios around consent. We were fortunate to have an amazing facilitation team including Senior Constable Sharon Glen, Senior Constable Bernie Watt, Senior Constable John Williams, Senior Constable Melissa Day; Mel from Te Waaka; Ashlee, Kimberley and Paul from Springboard; Maretta Hodgson from Waitemata DHB and teachers Ms Landrey, Mr Kingi, Mr Wynyard and Ms Lichtnecker. The facilitators were impressed with the contribution from the students and how they conducted themselves throughout the day.



GEOGRAPHY CHANGE

We said farewell to our Geography teacher Mr Tony Baker, who has taken up a new job in Mangawhai in town planning.

We welcome to our staff Mr George van den Hoeven who has come to us from Whangarei Boys High. George is passionate about travel and experiencing different cultures and enjoys different types of cooking. He is married with two daughters.



TERTIARY SUMMIT

Ten students attended the Ngati Whatua



Tertiary Summit at AUT. They get a glimpse of university life and its opportunities and also attend Auckland Uni Open Day on the Saturday.

LEVEL 2 ENGINEERING

Sefton Gillon and Ethan Osborne show their collapsible shovels and drill gauges. This is part of a portfolio of work that gives students pre-apprentice trade skills.



EXERCISE HAIG CADETS 2018

Ten New Zealand Cadets have been selected from across the country to commemorate the end of WWI as it will have been 100 years since it finished.

Rachel Logue is one of our local cadets who has been chosen for the 3 week exercise. The main aim of the exercise is to commemorate the end of World War 1. The exercise will include ceremonial duties in the UK and ceremonial duties and a battlefield study tour in Belgium and France. They will be there during Armistice Day, 2018, which marks 100 years since the end of WWI.



***THERE IS STILL A
LARGE AMOUNT OF PARENTS
WHO COME DOWN
THE DRIVEWAY TO PICK UP
STUDENTS.***

All pick ups and drops off must be at the Tomas Road courts, not within the bus bay.

Under NO circumstances are students to be picked up or dropped off at the top of the driveway or in the office area.

The only exception is if you are collecting your child from the sick bay.





MATARIKI WEEK

A week of celebrating and getting a taste of our culture.



SCHOOL BALL

Being given the task to organise the school's most social event of the year - the school ball - isn't the easiest thing to do. After countless meetings with Jo (our amazing sponsor) and asking students what they thought should happen on the night, it all came together on July 28th at The Stables Restaurant & Bar in Matakana.

The night went smoothly to plan, the food came out at the right times and was amazing, and the music was groovy and lasted all evening, (something Kaci and I really wanted for our ball this year).

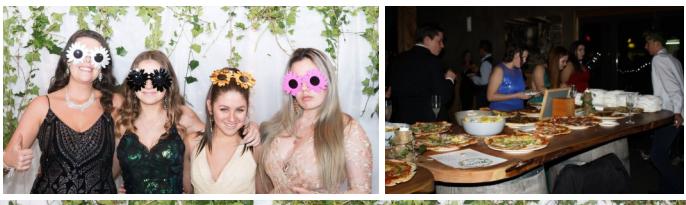
All the students had a great time. Being told by the students that it was 'the best ball Rodney has

ever had' was the most rewarding experience; knowing all our hard work had paid off.

We thank everyone who

put their time, effort and opinions into helping make the single largest night of the schooling year a massively successful one.

Connor & Kaci
(Rodney College Social Action Leaders for 2018).



NORTHLAND DANCER

Olivia Platt competed in the Northland Ballet & Dance Inc 2018 Competitions. She competed in 9 sections over the whole weekend, mostly in the 12 years and older age group. Some dances were just in her age group of 13 years, but the over 12 years can go up to 18 years.

The class results are below.

National Character - 12yrs & up

2nd overall, 1st in her age group

Demi-character - 12yrs & under 14

Placed 1st

Lyrical - 12yrs & Under 14

Placed 3rd

Classical Ballet - 12yrs & under

Placed 1st



U18 GIRLS RUGBY

On Saturday 11 August the Wellsford RFC U18 Girls played a 'Battle of the Dome' against Mahurangi College U18 Girls.

This was our second game since coming together as a team.

The game was played at Mahurangi RFC and was curtain raiser for the senior women's game of three halves, Northland v Counties v North Harbour.

We had played Mahu in a friendly two weeks prior. This was a really good game as our first ever game and we took the win. Coach Alan Brierly was impressed with how the girls jelled together, given limited trainings due to other sporting commitments.

"There is a lot of skill in the team and with women's rugby on the rise it's exciting to see these girls getting stuck in".

We didn't take the win this time but with fostering good relations with the Mahu coach we hope to have more friendly games as we continue to develop.

Georgia Brierly

Classical Ballet Impromptu - 12 yrs & over
Placed 2nd

Classical Variation - 12 yrs & over

Placed Highly commended (5th)

Contemporary - 12 & under 14

Placed 1st

Classical Barefoot - 12 & under 14

Placed 1st

Jazz - 12 & under 14

Placed Very Highly commended

(4th)

Olivia also received the following Special Awards:

Ackers Aggregate Trophy

(12 yrs & over - highest total points)

Mayo Cup

(Most Promising Ballet Dancer 12 yrs & over)

Wilson Trophy

(Ballet. Adjudicators overall choice)

Tess Graham Memorial Trophy

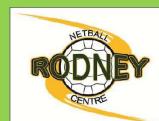
(Technical Excellence in Ballet 12 yrs & over)

Paula Torres-Lippi Award

(Barefoot, Contemporary & Lyrical)

What an awesome achievement, and well deserved for all her hard work.

Well done Olivia!!



SENIOR PRIZE GIVING

2018

When: Friday 31st August

Start: 6.30pm

Followed by shared supper.

Where: Wellsford Fire Station

Cash Bar

Could all teams bring 2 plates for the shared supper.

netballrodneycenter@xtra.co.nz



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SPORTS ROUNDUP AUGUST 2018

This has been a very busy term with lots of events on and lots of preparation for Tournament Week.

Friday night **netball** will finish on 24 August with all teams playing for placings. The top senior team will be travelling to Mt Maunganui to compete in the UNISS North Island Netball Tournament. The team will play 2 games every day from 3 September to 7 September.

Our **football** competition was scheduled to finish last term but we ended up with a couple of makeup games against teams that had missed their games. Our 1st XI boys played Kerikeri at home and had a great win 4-3. Dargaville unfortunately defaulted against the girls but we did have a good "friendly" against Otamatea. First Eleven Boys came 7th overall in the Northland Tournament. Our Second Eleven boys team came 3rd overall and our girls came 5th overall.

Our **hockey** Team is travelling to Wanganui for Tournament Week from the 3 to 7 September playing 2 games daily against other secondary schools. The Lower Northland Boys Hockey Tournament was held on Monday 6 August in Whangarei. Our team placed 2nd overall, up against Mahurangi, Bream Bay, and Otamatea. It was a challenging day, playing in direct sunlight, with three games in a row. The team are to be commended for their efforts, and for still managing to play their evening games, in which both the A and B teams won.

Mr Wynyard and I took our senior boys **basketball** team to Northland Secondary Schools Div 2 Tournament

in
Whangarei.
This was a
very
competitive
competition
and the
boys did us
really
proud. They
won every



game and made it through to the final. The final was against Te Wharekura o Te Rangi Aniwaniwa School. The game was within 1 point all the way until the final seconds. We were ultimately

defeated 29-26 but it was an awesome game and both teams finished with a rousing Haka.

I also took our girls **basketball** team to the NSS Girls Tournament. Our girls started off with a couple of losses but improved hugely with a win against Pungaru and a big win against Dargaville. Our smallest girl, Mikaila Isla, gained quite a big fan club from students from other schools due to



her speed around the court and her fearlessness.

We attended 2 **badminton** events this term in Whangarei. I took 4 boys to the Individual Tournament: Nicholas Sundwick, Ben Sundwick, Jack Oldfield and Cameron Lambert. All the boys played very well with Nicholas Sundwick winning the Consolation Cup.

Due to the high number of entries in the teams'



event they split the games over 2 venues. The girls - Tamara Marshall, Grace Oldfield, Tayla Rambaud and Briana Steele played at Northland Badminton Centre, and the boys- Team Blue: Nicholas Sundwick, Aiden Henare, Ben Sundwick and Finn Mc Kelvie and Team Gold: Pacey Laing Smith, Jesse Manuel, Nathaniel Aldom , and Dylan Wee, played at ASB Stadium. All the teams



won their 2 first sets of games (4 single and 2 double games) and lost their 3rd sets. Final results



were Girls
Championship
3rd equal with
Otamatea.
Boys

Championship: Rodney Boys Blue 3rd overall. Boys Plate Rodney Gold 3rd overall. It was a good day of badminton and I am very grateful to Rebecca McKelvie for transporting and supervising the boys whilst I was with the girls.

Best of luck to our Golf, Hockey and Netball teams travelling away in Tournament Week to compete in their respective tournaments.

We are thrilled to have a large number of our students representing Northland **Rugby** Union in various grades. Congratulations on being selected and best of luck for your upcoming games.

U18

Sage Walters-Hansen
Javarne Porter

Kingi Herewini

Vikings

Ethan Whyte
Patrick Abellera

U16

Noah Pride
Jesse Manuell

U15

TeHiri Barlow

U13 open weight

Xavier Cooper
RJ Joseph

Congratulations to Kayla Wray who competed last weekend in the Rod Kennedy Auckland Club Team Series for weightlifting. Kayla placed 1st in the junior section (16 and under) and 3rd in the senior section (16 and over). Well done Kayla!

We are also sending our very best wishes to the following students: Georgia Brierly who is travelling to London, Paris and Belgium to play in the NZ Dutch Barbarians Girls Sevens Team in a tournament in September school holidays against teams from Holland, Germany and Amsterdam; Billy Whelan who is representing Northland Surfing in the NZ Secondary Schools Scholastic Surfing champs in Gisborne in the September school holidays; Victoria Vakatini Harding who is travelling overseas on 31 October to play for the NZ Kiwi Tag Blacks U21 Mixed team playing in Coffs Harbour in a 1 week tournament.

It is awesome to see so many of our students being selected for these Representative teams.

Maria Northin - Sports Coordinator



B.BALLING IN OZ

Cameron Murray travelled to Australia in July with 4 teams: U12, U14 and U15 from Cameron Basketball Academy. Cameron played in the U15 team which played in the Gold Coast. They played against mostly Year 9 students from colleges from the Gold Coast area. This involved 6 games over 3 days plus quality coaching and mentoring. Cameron really enjoyed this awesome opportunity.



CUPS AND TROPHIES

It's time to start polishing up those cups and trophies and return them to school by Friday 31 August.

Sports, Cultural, Junior and Senior



Family Portrait Photographs

Iris Portraits™ Professional Photographic Studio is coming to:
Wellsford Plunket Sat 29 & Sun 30 Sept 2018

Family / group photography

Photography sittings will take place in a relaxed environment at the Plunket rooms, 90 Rodney Street, Wellsford.

Your sitting takes around 30 minutes and includes 4-6 different groupings or poses in that time.

Family / group sittings (maximum of 8 people) include multiple poses, e.g. whole family, grandparents and grandchildren, just the children etc.

A choice of backdrop colours is available. Black and White and Colour photographic print options are available.

A free gift of an 8x10" professional quality print is yours to choose from any family pose (2 or more generations) from the sitting. This free 8"x10" print will fit into standard size frames available from most retailers.

Your family or group sitting (\$150 value) is only \$20! – phone Alicia to secure your booking: 021 2256721

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Every family or group receives a quality 8"x10" print (\$55 value) absolutely free!

Wellsford Plunket benefits financially from this event—support this community asset and take advantage of this great photographic opportunity!

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Text on: 021 2256721 or email: aliciaprattholmes@gmail.com

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R. S. A. Rodney Otamatea Soccer Association **FUNDRAISER TOURNAMENT**

7's Tournament

SATURDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER

Port Albert Domain

10AM KICK OFF

Register your teams by 27th August
to:

Mangawhaisoccer@gmail.com

Or 0211824284

\$150 per team, 10 per team max.

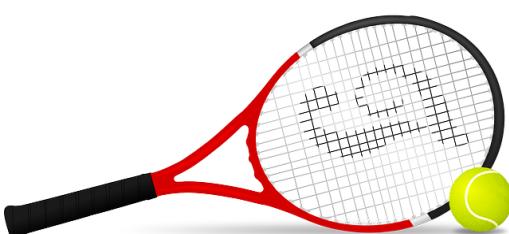


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FREE TENNIS LESSONS

See Maria Northin, Sports Coordinator, if interested.

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OPEN EVENING

For prospective students and parents. Starts 6pm in college hall. Sausage sizzle 5.30pm.

OPEN DAY

Year 8 students
Friday 7 Sept



RODNEY COLLEGE OPEN EVENING THURSDAY 6 SEPT



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2018

Thursday 23 August - Friday 31 August	Senior Assessment
Monday 27 August	Mid Term Break
Monday 3 September - Friday 7 September	Tournament Week
Thursday 6 September	Open Evening
Friday 7 September	Year 8 Open Day
Thursday 13 September	Sports & Cultural Photos
Tuesday 18 September - Friday 21 September	House Variety Concerts
Thursday 27 September	PST Conference (Parent Student Teacher)
Saturday 29 September	Term 3 Holidays start
Monday 15 October	Term 4 starts

**A warm invitation is extended to all family and friends to attend all events during the year.
We look forward to seeing you.**



Mrs M Williams	Absences	423 6038 attendance@rodneycollege.school.nz
Mrs C Wright	GATEWAY Careers	423 6037 colleen.wright@rodneycollege.school.nz
Mr C Byars	Guidance Counsellor	423 6036
Mrs J Macdonald	Student Accounts	423 6030 xtn 247 jeannette.macdonald@rodneycollege.school.nz
Ms S Landrey	Year 9 Dean	susan.landrey@rodneycollege.school.nz
Ms B Parlane	Year 10 Dean	bev.parlane@rodneycollege.school.nz
Mr M Kingi	Year 11 Dean	michael.kingi@rodneycollege.school.nz
Mr I Callachan	Year 12 Dean	ian.callachan@rodneycollege.school.nz
Ms C Lichtnecker	Year 13 Dean	carole.lichtnecker@rodneycollege.school.nz
Mrs H McDonald	SENCO (Learning Support)	423 6030 xtn 260 helen.mcdonald@rodneycollege.school.nz

We like to highlight every achievement for our students. If you become aware of one of our student's adventures / achievements, please contact Jo Warahi in the front office.



SCHOOL BALL



U18 RUGBY FINAL

