



# Rodney College

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MATUA MA



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Term One has been a very positive and productive one, as you will see as you leaf through the pages of this

newsletter. There have been some great outdoor education trips; to Goat Island, the Bay of Islands, Poor Knights and Tongariro National Park. In Week 9 our Year 10 Students participated in the 'Stand Up' social education programme and in Week 10 they were treated to a day at the Auckland Zoo, an educational event organised by their Science teachers.

The weather has also been fantastic and a number of students have been making the most of it by participating fully in both school-based sporting events such as Tube-a-side, or in fitness training for the winter sports that are about to start. Well done to those who have also had the opportunity to represent the school in regional sporting events such as Cricket and Volleyball. A small group of students participated extremely well in the North Harbour Secondary Athletics competition in March, with one, Xavier Edmonds - Cooper being selected to represent Northland in the North Island Secondary Athletics Champs in Hamilton in April.

There has been a great deal of action on the property front this term and I'm happy to report that work is scheduled to begin in late May to install Tiger Turf surfacing to two areas.

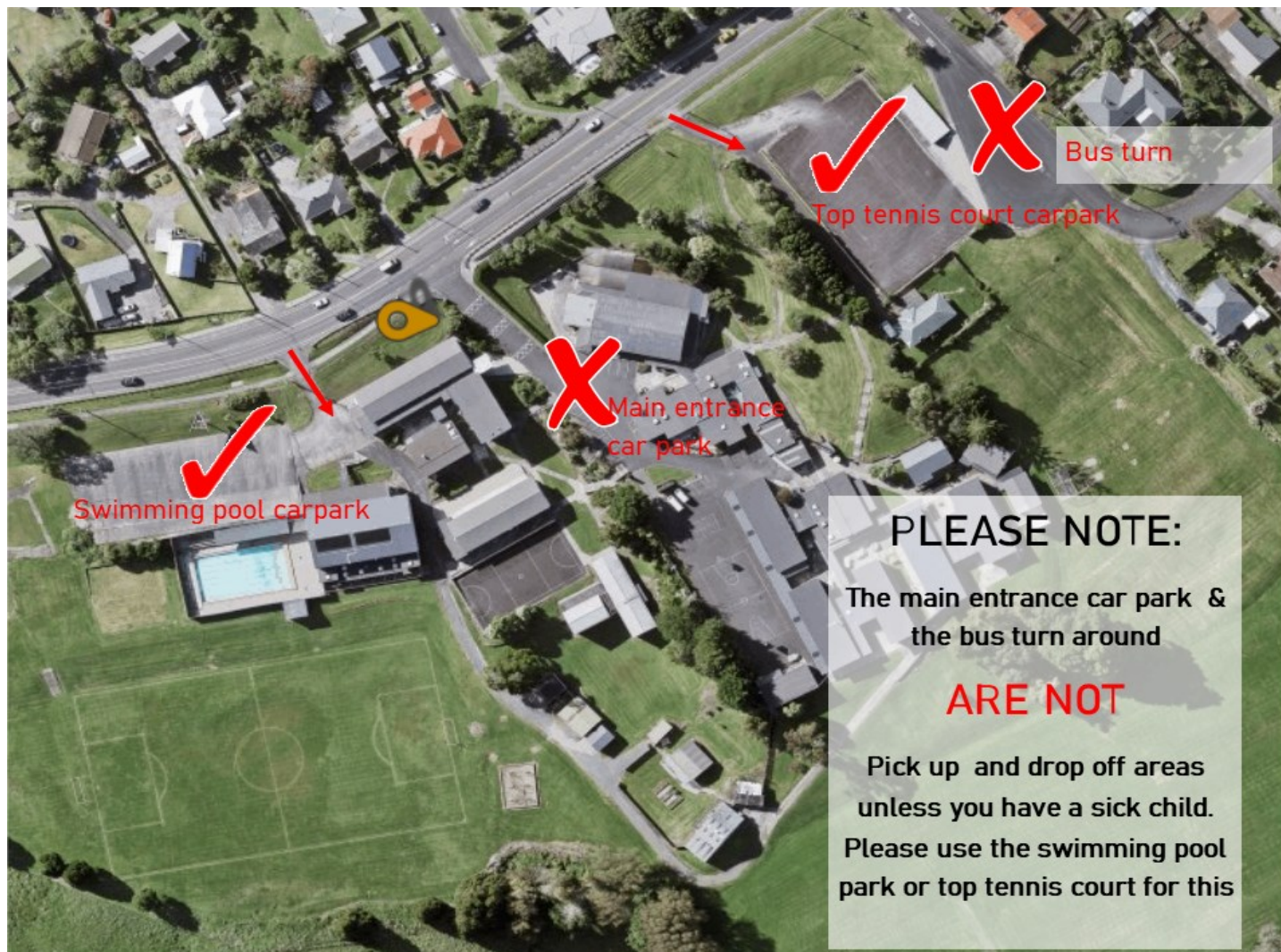
**Area 1** is situated in the carpark next to the Gym/Pool, and **Area 2** is the Netball court next to the Whare. We're very excited about this initiative as it will enhance immensely the PE facilities available to students and to sports teams.

Finally, I'd like to wish everyone a restful and well-deserved term break. You are going to need it because the pace in terms of learning will be going up a notch or two, especially for senior students.

I, however, will not be returning until Term 3. This is because I have been awarded a Principal's Sabbatical in Term 2. As a result, we've made some changes to the Senior Leadership Team. Deputy Principal, Stephen Rowe, will be the **Acting Principal** in my absence, and HOD English, Georgina Hackett, will step up to replace him as **Acting Deputy Principal**. You can be assured; the school will be in very capable hands.

Ka kite ano

Irene Symes  
**Principal**



# WINTER UNIFORM

The uniform shop is open on Tuesdays 10.30am - 2.30pm for the purchase of school hoodies, jackets and trousers. A plain black or navy beanie may be worn outside. Plain black or white long sleeved shirt may be worn under the school shirt for extra warmth.

## STARTS TERM 2

### RODNEY COLLEGE

is now part of the

### Ka Ora, Ka Ako | Healthy School Lunches programme

Free Healthy Lunches will be provided to ALL students  
 EVERY DAY

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# Congratulations

## NCEA ENDORSEMENTS 2020

### YEAR 11 EXCELLENCE

Sean Brennan  
Skyla Brown  
Montel Vemoa  
Jaide Collinson  
Eve Hampson  
Mikaila Isla  
Aden Marsh  
Brendon Mason  
Cayene Odi  
Natalie Pearson



### YEAR 11 MERIT

Tiger Amodeo  
Charlie Balle  
Holly Buxton  
Loyd Clarke  
Tamson Grant  
Taysa Laing-Smith  
Sean Lynch  
Hayley Nathan  
Harris Norhan  
Samantha Oldfield  
Elise Porter  
Jarelle Porter  
Lucy Rambaud  
Jake Stokes  
Lily Sumbly  
Abbie Tornquist  
Izabellah Treadwell  
Mackenzie Whitaker

### YEAR 12 EXCELLENCE

Zavannah Aitken  
Regan Collins  
Rosa Ewing  
Grace Myers  
Eleanor Hayward  
Shalynne Jones  
Alex Matheson  
Lorna Pennefather  
Billy Whelan

### YEAR 12 MERIT

Aroha Ashby  
Kaylee Cannell  
Fynn Goodall  
Saphael Hockenhull  
Aysha Korewha  
Keelan Landrey-Howe  
Jessica Walker  
Mackenzie Warahi  
Dylan Watson Walker  
Jasmine Whale

### YEAR 13 EXCELLENCE

Loren Adams  
Danielle Bright  
Georgia Brown  
Crimson Hodgkinson  
Alexis Porteous

### YEAR 13 MERIT

Jessica Kashammer  
Katherine Pride  
Raymond Taito  
Caleb Teupa



### RODNEY COLLEGE HEALTH CENTRE

Registered Nurse, Sarah Hardy and Dr Neil Anderson work together to provide confidential and professional healthcare and advice for a wide range of medical needs particularly related to the youth age group.

The centre focuses on any area of adolescent health, including mental health support, anxiety, depression, physical injuries, asthma, coughs and colds, sexual health, contraception, diabetes, chronic illness, immunisation advice, wound care, acne, eczema, and skin concerns.

#### Hours

Reg Nurse Sarah Hardy  
Mon, Tue, Thurs 8.30am – 3.15pm  
Dr Neil Anderson  
Thurs 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Please do not hesitate to contact the school or Sarah on 027 2265964 or email [nurse@rodneycollege.school.nz](mailto:nurse@rodneycollege.school.nz) if you would like to book an appointment for your child.

All care is totally confidential and free of charge. We look forward to hearing from you.



## Well Done

Well done to RJ and Monique Joseph for their active participation in the Zhui (Zoom hui) with the Minister for Youth, Hon. Priyanca Radhakrishnan. RJ and Monique represented the rural colleges for Auckland wide, talking about the challenges being experienced as a result of Alert Level changes. 'The motivation and confidence of these two are an account of the leadership they demonstrate and how this applies towards their vocational and study pathways'.

## HEALTH CLINIC



### HOURS

#### **MONDAY**

**8.30AM - 3.30PM**

#### **TUESDAY**

**8.30AM - 3.30PM**

#### **WEDNESDAY**

**PHYSIO 11.45AM - 5PM**

#### **THURSDAY**

**8.30AM - 3.30PM**

**DOCTOR 12.30PM - 2.30PM**

### YEAR 9 & 10 MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

Thanks to the parents and Year 9 and 10 students who attended this evening. It was a great opportunity for them to meet our staff who will be working with our junior students in 2021. They were able to attend either the Year 9 or Year 10 presentation which included information about the Year 9 camp, healthy lunches and JCEA and junior academic assessments; an introduction to the Year 9 Dean, the Special Education Needs Coordinator and the Guidance Counsellor; a

presentation on what to do about concerns around social media and Netsafe; information about online learning and the Academic Counselling and Parent Student Teacher interviews which will be happening later this year. A huge thanks to the Student Leaders who were all involved in the presentations and in providing refreshments for everybody who attended.



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## BAY OF ISLANDS TOURISM TRIP

Level 2 and 3 Tourism classes visited the Bay of Islands to experience a premier tourist attraction and learn what it would be like to study tourism and hospitality in the Bay of Islands. An early start saw us leaving school at 6:30am and heading to Paihia to catch the Dolphin Cruise to the Hole in the Rock. While on board the boat students saw first-hand the range of work roles available and the array of skills and knowledge as well as the attributes needed to be successful in these roles.



After journeying to Motukokako Island to see the Hole in the Rock we cruised back to Urupukapuka Island and relaxed there spotting the giant snapper at the beach.



When we had just about given up hope of seeing dolphins - they appeared and frolicked around the boat as we approached Russell. Lunch was courtesy of Queenstown Resort College (QRC) Tai Tokerau campus in Paihia where we had a presentation about what it would be like to study tourism and hospitality with this training institute. Several of our past students have undertaken training here and the visit provided a valuable insight into what life on campus is like. Then it was back on the bus for the long journey home. Many thanks to Pete and Colleen for accompanying us.

Helen Yorke  
Tourism teacher.



## LEVEL 3 ENGLISH

On Wednesday 7 April the Year 13 English class went to Matakana Cinema to view the New Zealand film 'Cousins'. The film is based on the 1992 novel by New Zealand author Patricia Grace and follows the lives of three Maori women who are separated by various circumstances. This was a fantastic film and incredibly relevant to our study of Maori representation in New Zealand film and literature.



## YEAR 10 ZOO SCIENCE TRIP

Rodney College Science students went to Auckland Zoo to attend a Global Biodiversity Education session on Thursday 8 April. Students then had a blast visiting all of the zoo's exhibitions and animal enclosures including the completely new primate displays. A great time was had by all and we look forward to visiting again in 2022!



## SENIOR VOLLEYBALL

For the first time in many years Rodney College entered volleyball teams in the Northland Senior Boys and Girls Volley-Cup Competitions. The one day tournaments were held at Kensington Stadium in Whangarei on the 30 and 31 March. Both the boys and girls teams had been working hard at training over the last few weeks to learn skills and set plays and this was revealed in their performance on the day. Northland Volleyball Coach Grant Harrison



complimented the Rodney College players' proficiency, enthusiasm and teamwork. The boys managed to place 3rd overall, and the girls had a very close loss in the quarter final, placing 7th overall. All players thoroughly enjoyed the tournament and improved with every game. Students are looking forward to the next Volleyball competition in Term 2.

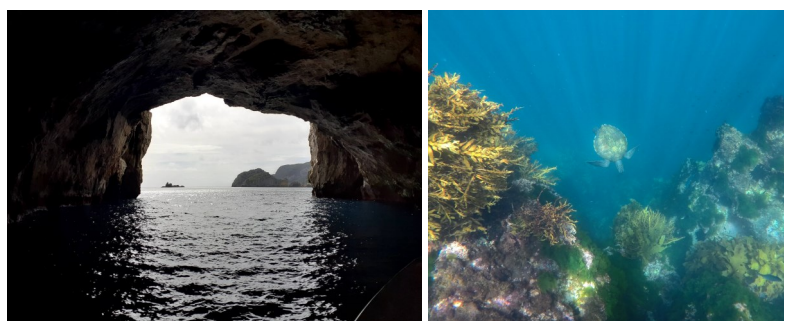


## L1 GEOGRAPHY POOR KNIGHTS

Twenty four L1 students accompanied by Mr Davie-Martin, Mrs Yorke, Mr Rowe and Jo Warahi headed to Tutukaka on a rainy Friday morning. We arrived in Tutukaka and did some quick research on the attractions and services for tourists in the area before boarding Dive! Tutukaka's 23m launch "Perfect Day". After a briefing from the skipper we motored out of the marina and headed 22 kms offshore to the Poor



Knights Islands. The crossing was definitely "exciting" as there was a considerable swell. Some of us were struggling to keep down our breakfast. After an hour or so we arrived in the shelter of the main islands of Tawhiti Rahi and Aorangi, anchored and prepared to get in the water. Wetsuits, masks, snorkels and flippers were all provided as were paddle boards and kayaks. The water was clear and the fish life amazing. We even saw a tropical green turtle that has taken up residence there. This is all due to the East Australian Current bringing warm tropical waters from Australia which helps support this unique marine life. After two hours of snorkelling and kayaking we upped anchor and began a scenic tour of the islands. We were amazed by the Riko Riko cave with its acoustics and interesting lighting. Eventually we motored back to Tutukaka, again dealing with the ocean swells, before heading back to school.



# BIG THANKS

TO ALL WHO HELPED AT OUR SPORTS DAYS.  
WE COULDN'T RUN THESE DAYS WITHOUT YOUR  
HELP!



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## SPORTS ROUNDUP APRIL 2021

Term 1 is always a very busy term and this one has been no exception. Swimming Sports and Athletics Day ran really well and there was a great atmosphere at both. Huge thanks to all the parents and community that came along to help and support our students.

We were unable to enter a team at Northland Secondary Schools Athletics this year due to being in Level 2 and the rest of the Northland Schools being in Level 1. We asked College Sport North Harbour if they would consider letting us bring a small team of athletes who had achieved highly at our athletics event. We took seven students to the



event held at Millenium Stadium in Mairangi Bay. Our students really stepped up at this event against students from all the schools from North Shore, Auckland. We were very proud of them and they enjoyed competing against some very talented athletes (see attached results) Big thanks to Jo Warahi for her ongoing support in all things, especially Athletics.

Congratulations to Xavier Edmonds Cooper who was selected to represent Northland at the North Island Secondary Schools Athletics in Hamilton for Shot Put and Long Jump.



Our students have also been competing in Cricket, Volleyball and Tag Football. We really appreciate Mr Steve Davie Martin and Robert Blunden for all the time they have given up to coach and transport our Cricket Team (see attached writeup).

Volleyball has been a new sport for us to enter this year and we attended two events with more to come. Thanks to Miss Brooke Jones, PE Teacher, for coaching in her lunchtimes and taking the students to these events (see attached writeup)

We have had musters/trials for Netball, Soccer, Rugby and Hockey. These sports all start next term. Netball has four teams, two junior and two senior. Rugby (Saturday) has U14 and U16 Teams. Hockey has two trainings a week; Tuesdays are fitness training at school between 3.30 – 4.30 and all students are welcome, Thursdays are turf trainings.



Rachel Came, Norah Williams, Matthew Came and Alex Manuell attended the Northland Secondary Schools Senior Tennis Singles in Whangarei. We are still waiting on results but all students competed well. Big thanks to Edwina Came for taking them to this event.

Again, big thanks to everyone for their help this term; we really do appreciate your support.



Maria Northin  
Sports Coordinator  
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## 2021 TERM 1 CRICKET REPORT

This season has been a time of rebuilding the team after losing several senior players from last year. The 2020 season saw disruption from COVID-19 which resulted in only one game for the First XI. This was repeated to an extent, with the team unable to attend the Bruce Scott Trophy in February due to the travel restrictions meaning we could not go to Whangarei. That left the Wyatt Cup. This involved teams from Rodney College, Mahurangi, Bream Bay, and Dargaville playing a 9 a-side T20 format.

The Rodney College squad was: Brendon Mason and Zeph Jones (co-captains), Jackson Brierly, Mitchell Jones, Mackenzie Warahi, Peter Sundvick, Matthew Came, Anthony Copeman-Boyle, Bhavya Sharma, Alex Manuell, Koen Hare.

Several of the squad had played very little cricket prior to this season but there was plenty of enthusiasm and commitment from the boys. In the first match vs BBC, at Port Albert Domain, Rodney batted first and were dismissed for 70 runs. The bulk of the runs coming from Peter and Zeph. Bhavya also contributed with a quick fire 8 off 6 deliveries. BBC managed to surpass this tally with the loss of only one wicket.

The second match was also at Port Albert against our old foes from over the Dome, Mahurangi College. Mahu won the toss and elected to bat. Our bowlers contained their batsmen initially but a late flurry of runs saw Mahu scoring 160/3 off their 20 overs. The pick of RC's bowlers was Jackson, Peter and Zeph with 4 overs of pace each that troubled the Mahu batters at times. Brendon and Mitch also bowled

well with Brendon's spin deceiving them at times. Rodney was dismissed for 52.

The third game saw the team travel to Dargaville for the last match which doubled as the 3rd/4th play-off. This was an excellent game played under



sunny skies. The stars finally aligned for Rodney College in the field as they dismissed Dargaville for 56 runs in less than 15 overs. Peter and Zeph opened the bowling with Zeph taking two wickets in his first over. Matthew Came replaced Peter and had early success finishing with 4 wickets for 9 runs from his 4 overs. Year 9 student, Koen Hare, in his debut game for RC, took a wicket from his bowling with a great catch by Mitch. This meant Rodney came 3rd in the 2021 Wyatt Cup.

On behalf of the co-captains and team, I would like to thank Robert for his time and energy coaching, Maria Northin for her tireless organisational efforts, and the parents who come to support the boys.



## ROPING RANCHER

Oskar Janes, a Year 10 student has done himself proud with his roping and rides this season. Oksar competed in the Warkworth Rodeo in the New Year coming 3rd in the team roping. In February he rode in the Matarua Rodeo in the South Island coming 1st in the Team roping, 2nd in the Breakaway roping and fifth in the novice steer ride, winning a buckle.

Oskar rides different horses depending on where he is; Duncan is his South Island horse and Houdini is his North Island horse. Watch this space as Oskar continues to compete.





## ATHLETICS DAY RESULTS

### Junior Boys

1 <sup>st</sup>	William Clapham	34
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ashdyn Woodcock	27
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Matthew Came	24

### Junior Girls

1 <sup>st</sup>	Mila Thomas	34
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Charlene Masiutama	28
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Amelia Waenga	26

### Intermediate Boys

1 <sup>st</sup>	Toby Henderson	30
2 <sup>nd</sup>	RJ Joseph	24
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Xavier Edmonds Cooper	21

### Intermediate Girls

1 <sup>st</sup>	Isbe Kuinikoro	35
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kiki Te Haara	31
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hanna Kerrigan	20

### Senior Boys

1 <sup>st</sup>	Jackson Brierly	35
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Benjamin Jansen	28
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Regan Collins	27

### Senior Girls

1 <sup>st</sup>	Chance Herewini	34
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lorna Pennefather	28
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rosa Ewing	26

## HOUSE RESULTS

Hanover	1034
Tyburnia	880
Wattenbach	799
Miles	745

## RECORDS BROKEN

### Intermediate Boys

Toby Henderson - 200m 23.75 (old 24.26)  
 Xavier Edmonds Cooper - Shot Put 12.04m (old 11.50)



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# NORTH HARBOUR ATHLETICS

## JUNIOR GIRLS

Mila Thomas

Heat 100m 29.31 (Q) (7 out 23)

## JUNIOR BOYS

Ashdyn Woodcock

Heat 100m 13.20 (10)

Heat 200m 27.16 (Q)

Final 200m 27.15 (6)

High Jump 1.40 (7)

Javelin 21.07 (8)

William Clapham

Heat 100m 13.63 (16)

Heat 200m 27.27 (Q) (8 only ran 6 finals)

Final 300m 44.02 (5)

Long Jump 4.62 (4)

## INTERMEDIATE GIRLS

Isbe Kuinikoro

Heat 100m 14.62 (Q)

Final 100 14.49 (8)

Heat 200m 30.82 (Q) (8 only ran 6 finals)

Long Jump 3.42m (21)

## INTERMEDIATE BOYS

Toby Henderson

Heat 100m 12.20 (Q)

Final 100m 12.20 (7)

Heat 200m 23.93 (Q)

Final 200m 23.87 (3)

Final 400m 58.84 (3)

Long Jump 4.35 (10)

Xavier Edmonds Cooper

Long Jump 5.56m (1)

Shot Put 12.24 (2)

Discus 25.26 (11)

## SENIOR BOYS

Jackson Brierly

Final 800m 2:12.95 (3)

Final 1500m 4:41.26 (7)

## NORTH ISLAND CHAMPS

Xavier Edmonds Cooper

Long Jump 5.45 (12)

Shot Put 11.36 (9)



## SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Ethan competed in the Special Olympics in Whangarei coming 2nd in both his 100m and 400m, and placing 4th in his 200m.



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# WHANAU LEADERS

## HANOVER

## MILES



## TYBURNIA



## WATTENBACH



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

<b>Saturday 17 April - Sunday 2 May</b>	Term 1 Holidays
<b>Monday 10 - Wednesday 12 May</b>	Level 2 History & Level 3 Business Northland Trip
<b>Tuesday 11 - Wednesday 12 May</b>	Te Tai Tokerau Kapa Haka Festival
<b>Tuesday 11 May</b>	Music Mentor Day 1
<b>Wednesday 12 May</b>	Writers Festival Auckland
<b>Thursday 13 May</b>	Teacher Only Day (NCEA Accord Day)
<b>Friday 14 May</b>	Senior Mixed Volleyball
<b>Friday 21 May</b>	Level 1 PE Tree Adventures
<b>Sunday 23 May</b>	Rockquest Heats
<b>Monday 7 June</b>	Queens Birthday Holiday

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

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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.



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