



NUA NEWS

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Tēnā koutou e ngā Mātua me ngā Whaea

March 2013

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We are now in Week 7 of Term 1. It has been the usual busy time for students and staff as everyone has settled into routines. There are always many events to engage us and as you will read they have been successful and participation levels have been high.

Year 9 have settled in well and are enjoying their year and the activities that have been arranged for them.

Parent Conferences are fast approaching. These are an opportunity for you to talk to the tutor teacher who will discuss how well your son/daughter has already begun the year and help you to plan the rest of the year to ensure that things are in place to make it successful. You can book your appointment time on line or phone the office if you prefer. An appointment will be made for those who do not book an appointment by 17 March and an appointment time will be sent home.

Nominations for Board of Trustee members for the next three years will open shortly. If you are interested in being a parent representative or have specific skills to offer please go to www.trustee-election.co.nz for more information.

Key Dates:

- Nominations open and forms will be posted out in April
- 16 May Nominations close
- 21 May voting papers posted
- 31 May Election date. Votes must be in by noon.
- 5 June Results advertised

The year has begun well and the activities have been well supported. I am sure weather has been a positive influence. We look forward to the rest of the term and the events that are to come.

Brenda Burns
Principal



Swimming Sports 2013

We had the Swimming Sports on Friday 22 February and it was a perfect day, no wind and blue sky. There were a lot of participants and they had a load of fun as it was a great day to be in the pool.

First off were the juniors. Participation was paramount as numbers were needed to gain House points although relays were also important as they carried increased points.

After the juniors had finished, it was the seniors turn. Having been there before, they knew how much fun could be had and what to do to win.

In the end, Hinau prevailed and as they had not done so for a few years, there was great excitement. Along with a good group of swimmers, they had good participation in all events.

CHAMPIONS		GIRLS	BOYS	
Y9	1 st	Jamie Lynn	1 st	Timothy Searle
	2 nd	Alli Veerbeek	2 nd	Jimi Aungiers
	3 rd	Makayla Parata	3 rd =	T'ulk Chadwick-Sands
			3 rd =	Joshua Young
Y10	1 st	Tatum Kerehoma	1 st	Samuel Morris
	2 nd	Grace Moynihan	2 nd	Hayden Gibbard
	3 rd	Suega Fereti-Boot	3 rd =	Kaidan Downs
			3 rd =	Maia Kiriona
Y11	1 st	Frances Bacon	1 st	Josh Garcia
	2 nd	Tessa Bartholomew	2 nd	Sam Davies
	3 rd	Alysha Gibbard	3 rd =	Devon Couper
			3 rd =	Slade Salton
Y12/13	1 st	Renee Bacon	1 st	Alex Whiley
	2 nd	Courtney Evans	2 nd	Cameron Fraenkel
	3 rd	Tarina Rose	3 rd	Jake Meads

HINAU	RATA	KOWHAI	NGAIO
880	802	789	565

Two outstanding achievements were the records set by Tarina Rose and Courtney Evans.

RECORDS

Courtney Evans	Y12/13	1L Backstroke	21.10
Tarina Rose	Y12/13	1L Butterfly	19.74



Shave for A Cure

At the beginning of the year Max and I were sent a pamphlet containing information about Shave for A Cure. We were both eager to jump on board and help Kiwis with leukaemia and blood cancer. This is a charity dedicated to supporting patients and their families living with blood cancer and related blood conditions.



We held a concert in the quad with our own students performing, a coin toss and the big event, the shave. The Hairdressing College came in to shave our “shavees” who were Jax Gardiner-Cook, Max Mason, Mr Los’e, Mr Pile, Mr Warburton, Mr Frost and Teo Dragee.

Together as a school and a community we raised over \$514.00 which is amazing. Max and I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped organise this event and also to everyone who donated. We should all be proud of what we have achieved because we have helped change people’s lives for the better.

Kate Forward
Head Girl



Top Photo
The Hairdressing College at work.

Bottom Photo
The brave “shavees” Mr Pile, Mr Los’e, Max Mason, Mr Warburton and Jacqueline Gardiner-Cook



Y9 Dip and Dance



On Thursday the 21st of February a Year 9 social was held to welcome the Year 9's to the College. We started with a pool party then continued on to the hall for the dance. Our theme was Fluro. We managed to pull off a world wide dance called the Harlem Shake which is the latest craze. Many of the Year 9 and 13's participated in this event which made it a successful night. Thank you to the Levin Aquatic Centre for the use of some of their inflatables which decorated the pool and enabled the Year 9's to get into it and have fun. Around 100 students attended which helped make the night more enjoyable. We provided food and drink for the students with a free sausage and fizz on entry. Overall it was a very successful night and we thank everyone involved for helping make it happen.

Mac and Anna
Social Prefects





Rangatahi Ora



Rangatahi Ora is in its 4th year this year and has had an absolutely fantastic start to 2013. There has been lots of whanau involvement, the Teina have shown great enthusiasm and I look forward to a great year this year. We now have established a Rangatahi Ora Tuakana class who were part of the ringawera at the Year 13 camp and have made a positive contribution to our whole Rangatahi Ora whanau. The Teina have a hangi coming up on the 12th of April and the Tuakana are set to go to the New Zealand Institute of Sport in week 10 of this term. It is great to see our Rangatahi Ora students being so active in the school and I was particularly impressed with the way they welcomed our Vietnamese visitors on to our Marae Atea (Weraroa) where they performed our school Haka (Te Whero) with distinction.

Nau te rourou
Naku te rourou
Ka ora ai tatou
Matua Chris



Athletic Sports 2013

Junior Girls

1 st	Alexa Bryant
2 nd	Sia Muliaga
3 rd	Kaylan Hobson-Putaka

The Athletic Sports were held on 6 March, the only day that we had light showers for weeks!

Junior Boys

1 st	Connor Finlayson
2 nd =	Anthony Sue
2 nd =	Roger Atkinson

Despite this small setback, we had good participation on the day with some keen competitiveness shown.

Intermediate Girls

1 st	Frances Bacon
2 nd	Natasha Fox
3 rd	Tatum Kerehoma

There were two outstanding achievements. The first went to Alexander Kuhlman who won his Intermediate Boys Division and broke a longstanding Javelin record with a throw of 47.50 metres; the old record being 44.54 metres.

Intermediate Boys

1 st	Alexander Kuhlman
2 nd	Sam Davies
3 rd =	Josh Garcia
3 rd =	James Tofa

The other achievement went to Renee Bacon, (Senior Girl) who won 11 of the 12 events she competed in, and come 2nd in the other.

Senior Girls

1 st	Renee Bacon
2 nd	Maddie Hansen
3 rd	Rebecca Brown

Senior Boys

1 st	Mikaere Paki
2 nd =	Anak Andrew
2 nd =	Shem Harris
2 nd =	Lotto Nua
2 nd =	Connor Vine
2 nd =	Temau Waho



	HINAU	RATA	KOWHAI	NGAIO
Relay Points	2 nd	4 th	1 st	3 rd
Overall Points	300.5	347	380	230.5



Languages Faculty

This is the largest faculty in the college and it is now 10 years old. We teach English, Maori, Japanese, Spanish, as well as giving support to Speakers of Languages other than English (ESOL). Our staff comprises at least 12 teachers. The head of the faculty is Simon Smith (teaches English) a South Islander with over 40 years' teaching experience. The assistant head of the faculty is Aleisha Grey fresh from her two years' teaching experience in Brunei. Other senior teachers in English are Steve Tong, Sue Corbett and Deb Northern who teaches the Scholarship group. The college Deputy Principal Sharon Moerkerk also teaches two English classes although she is on leave at present subject to the attentions of Mid-Central Health.



Simon Smith

Both of our Māori language teachers also teach English; Matua Greg Cvitanovic and Matua Chris Wilton. The same is true of our ESOL and Spanish teachers; Lorraine Futter and Crystelle Jones, both of whom teach their subjects to option groups as well as taking junior English as a core subject. Our Japanese teacher, Louise Mattheus teaches in the Social Studies department and Carol Adams teaches senior English to students in the Trades Academies

At present we are moving towards hosting the "Ugly Shakespeare" performance on April 11th, and we have also started the Thursday morning Scholarship classes in English again. Last year English gained two out of the four Scholarships won by the college.



Steve Tong



Sue Corbett and Deb Northern



All Junior classes have had their reading and listening skills tested and most senior classes have started gaining credits towards their NCEA. We can be found in T Block, functioning in our well decorated classrooms. We believe that all teachers are teachers of English and literacy.

Simon Smith – Head of Faculty since 2003



L-R: Aleisha Gray, Louise Mattheus, Crystelle Jones and Lorraine Futter
Top Picture: Matua Chris and Matua Greg

Congratulations



Congratulations to staff member Shona Hohepa who has completed her National Certificate for Bushcraft Level 3.

Her certification involved Bushcraft, Navigation, Weather Reading, Risk Management, Kaitiakitanga (taking care of the land), The Environmental Code and also having her First Aid Certification. This was then put into practice with a 5 day exercise at Otaki Forks.

Shona was able to refresh her previous skills that she had learnt within the Airforce and put them into practical civilian certification.



Congratulations



Amy Horn (left) on the podium in Invercargill

Congratulations to Amy Horn who was selected to compete at the Age Group Track National Cycling event in Invercargill from the 26th of February till the 2nd of March.

Amy is a first year Under 15 rider and was competing against girls from all over New Zealand, most of whom are in their second year in the Under 15 age group.

Amy competed in the 500 metre time trial and rode a personal best time. She then rode in the 5km points race and achieved a silver medal.

This is a great achievement for a first time at a National event.



Congratulations to Morgan Searle who has been chosen to represent NZ at the ITF Taekwon Do World Championships in Spain in October.

Morgan will be competing in both individual sparring and power (breaking boards) She will also be part of the Junior Women's team in the same events.



Canoe Polo Regionals



The Canoe Polo Regionals were held on 2-3 March at the College pool. It was a great weekend for our teams on the water, an opportunity for our novice teams to experience the thrills and spills of the sport.

Saturday was the Junior Day. Our Junior Boys looked very impressive in the round robin events. They played PNBHS in the final and won convincingly 5-1. The novice team are looking forward to next year.

The Junior Girls are in a development stage having many Year 9's in the teams. The A team drew with the PNGHS team so did not get into the final but improved with every game.

Sunday was the Senior Day. The Senior A Girls displayed some excellent skill and composure against all opposition. They won the final convincingly 10-1. The Senior B Girls also played well throughout the tournament and displayed some fine play.

The Senior Boys were always going to struggle as many of last year's Senior A have left. Nevertheless they played some good and constructive polo, notably in a game against Fielding Ag to get into the final. Unfortunately in the final they were beaten but were a credit to the school.

Rob Cox
TIC Canoe Polo



Free Dental Care

If you are under 18 years of age
you are entitled to **free** routine dental care.
Contact a **free** Dentist to enrol and
make sure you keep your appointment

Remember it costs once you turn 18

For a list of **free** Dentists call at the School Office or
Phone: 06 350 8619 or 0800 825 583

ERO Parent Booklet

As part of the Education Review Office's on going commitment to provide support for parents wanting to know how their child is progressing, they have published a booklet entitled

How is my child doing? Questions to ask at school.

The booklet has proved to be a very popular publication with schools, parents and the wider education sector. It includes questions parents can ask teachers about their child's learning and wellbeing at school, as well as other useful information.

The booklet is available on the ERO website www.ero.govt.nz using the following link:

<http://www.ero.govt.nz/Review-Process/For-Parents/ERO-Guides-for-Parents/How-is-my-child-doing-Questions-to-ask-at-school>

There are limited copies available at the office.

Student Absences

If your child is sick or away for any reason please phone the school on 3686159 and dial 1 to report a student absence and leave a message.

We also now have an 0800 number available for your convenience. Please make use of this to advise us of your child's absence.

0800 467694



School Information

Dates For Your Calendar

Term 1 2012

March

Sun-Fri	17-22	Waka Ama Nationals
Mon & Tues	18-19	Art Bus in school
Thursday	21	Next Step Information Evening for Year 12 and 13 in the Hall 6.30pm Board of Trustees Meeting 5.30pm
Thur & Fri	21-22	Futsal Nationals
Friday	22-23	Canoe Polo Nationals Makino Pool Fielding
	23	Vietnam Students leave
Wed & Thur	27-28	Parent Teacher Interviews
Friday	29	Good Friday - School Closed

April

Monday	1	Easter Monday - School Closed
Tuesday	2	Easter Tuesday - School Closed
Monday	8	Year 13 Young Leaders Trip Wellington 1.30pm Health Expo - School Quad
Wednesday	10	Class Photos
Thursday	11	2pm Ugly Shakespeare
Fri & Sat	12-13	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze and Silver Tramp
Saturday	13	Shakespeare Festival Kapiti College Manawatu Swimming Sports
Thursday	18	Past Pupil Association AGC 7.30pm
Friday	19	Last day of term.

Email Addresses

Please ensure the college has your email address. Newsletters are now being emailed home along with other important notices during the year.

We are also endeavouring to keep parents/caregivers informed of school happenings through a weekly email. If you are not receiving these we may not have an up to date email for you.

Please forward any changes to office@horowhenua.school.nz