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This Newsletter will be posted home with the Mid Year Reports. You will also find included information about our Parent Feedback Evenings, the Standards Alignment Day on 23 August, Key Dates for Terms 3 and 4, our Board of Trustees Newsletter and how to sign up to the Keri News and newly launched Sports News.

KERIKERI HIGH SCHOOL WINS NZ SECONDARY SCHOOLS TOUGH GUY/GAL CHALLENGE

On Friday 5th July Kerikeri High School took 25 students and three Teachers to compete in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Tough Guy/Gal Challenge held at Woodhill Sands in Auckland. This was the first time this event was run solely for secondary school students. Year 9 to 13 students were invited to train for the event. A team of 23 students were eventually selected through a gruelling process based on a variety of different training methods.

The extreme 12km and 6km race was an off-road running event that challenged the students to run through canals of chest deep mud, crawl along the ground while avoiding barbed wire and army camouflage netting, climb over walls and walk along wire bridges while at the same time run up hill and down. In a field of 1000 students Kerikeri High School won the following divisions:

- 1st Senior Boy Patrick Waller
- 2nd Senior Boy Callum Robertson-Barnes
- 1st Senior Girls Samantha Scahill
- 2nd Senior Girl Saraya Lindsay
- 1st Tough Guy and Gal Secondary School

We are the Tough Guy/Gal National Champions.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected as Northland Hockey Representatives; Georgia Miller U21 and U18, Grayson Javins U18 and Samantha Polovnikoff U15.

Congratulations to the Kerikeri High School Geckos Team of Meg Tyler, Romy Riegler, Bradley De Klerk and Alex Harris who won the Northland Secondary Schools' Championship in Mixed Teams Climbing. Romy Rielger is the Northland Champion for Female Climbers and Meg Tyler placed Second.

Congratulations to the Year 7 and Year 8 Speech Finalists. The standard was very high and the following students were selected as Finalists:

Year 7 Finalists: Nathan Gibson, Max Hart, Leah Green, Brodie Campbell, Acima Mabidikama and Holly Billington-Field

Year 8 Finalists: Catherine Worthington, Marcela Neal, Nicola Dearnley, Szren Hamberger and Isabella Joe.

The Semi-Finals for the older students are underway and we look forward to the Kerikeri High School Speech Finals Day on 12 August and in the evening at 7.30pm, the Senior Finals. You are invited.

STAFF CHANGES

Unexpected staff changes have necessitated a major re-timetable at mid year, this year. We welcome Mrs Barker and Miss Crawford back from maternity leave, we wish Ms Langman all the best as she takes maternity leave and farewell Miss Amanda Henry for a year's leave and Mr and Mrs Magon as they take up positions overseas. We have done our best to minimize the impact on both students and staff.

We are very pleased to welcome Miss Choat, Miss Sturge, Mrs Miller and Mrs Rakena to positions in Mathematics, Economics and Enterprise and Social Studies as well as Mrs Kelly who is continuing in Technology into Term Three.

2013 CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the 2013 Cross Country Race Year Level Place Getters. Please refer to the new Kerikeri High School Sport Website www.kkhssport.wordpress.com for the full results. We are trying to get you to sign up for lots more Sports news, look for the "How To" flyer in this posting.

NATIONAL CULINARY FARE COMPETITIONS

The Senior Hospitality Team for the National Culinary Fare Competitions in August has been selected and is busy training in the Kitchen and Front of House. Kyra Sherry, Tulsi Parbhu, Toni Shields, Jessical Clayton, Jesse Fullam, Pania Tasker, Teresa French and Lewis Noorwalla will represent Kerikeri High School as they look to go one better than 2012, when the Team finished Second in New Zealand.

OPTIONS EVENING (COURSE CHOICES 2014)

From 4.00pm to 7.00pm on Wednesday 14 August there will be subject displays in the Business, Enterprise and Social Sciences building and in some of our many specialist classrooms where teaching staff will be available to provide information about their Option/Subject. Students will have been issued with Course Guides and will be asked to make their subject choices for 2014 early next term. We build the new timetable for 2014 from the students' course selections so this process is important to both the student, for their future and the School. Maps and locations will be available from Reception. Please come along.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

We send Newsletters home on a regular basis usually two per Term with the youngest child in each family. These are numbered, so if you miss one, please ask us for a copy.

Copies are also delivered to the Kerikeri Public Library and are available on the school's web site www.kerikerihigh.ac.nz

As already said, we have recently launched our new Kerikeri High School Sports Website www.kkhssport.wordpress.com please see the Flyer enclosed on how to access the website and subscribe to get News posts from Kerikeri High School to your email address. It is a great and easy way to keep in touch.

PTA BALL SUPPER – WE NEED YOUR HELP

The PTA is organising the supper for our annual Ball again this year on Saturday 3 August. We would be grateful for any volunteers willing to help out with food preparation late afternoon and with plating food and clean up on the Saturday night. We would also really appreciate offers of cake stands or platters for presenting food, as well as home-made food, such as sweet slices, brownies, truffles, bite-sized meringues and mini cupcakes.

If you are willing and would like to help out please contact Rochelle Taylor at taylor@kerikerihigh.ac.nz or by phone 407 8916.

NZQA FEES

Students have been invoiced for NZQA Fees due to be paid by Friday 31 August 2013. Parents or students on a benefit or on a low income are encouraged to apply for financial assistance which will reduce the fee payable. Forms for Financial Assistance are available from Reception.

INTERNATIONAL

We farewell many of our International Students at the end of this term, including our warm contingent of scholarship students from Pernambuco. Our International Students add a wonderful cosmopolitan dimension to our School and we will be welcoming our new second semester of International Students at the beginning of Term Three. Thank you so much to our Kiwi Buddies and our Home Stay families.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

These are not Kerikeri High School run activities

The Hospice Shop have a number of Ball Gowns that have been donated by a shop that would be suitable for students.

Dance Concern Featuring special guest Kani Krew from Whangarei and Heremia Tuiloma from Toi Whakari at the Turner Centre Kerikeri (plaza). Doors open 6.00pm. \$6 per ticket, \$20 family (2adults 2 children).

Kerikeri Badminton Club run junior badminton for ages 8-16 sessions from 6pm to 7.15pm Tuesday evenings at Baysport Stadium cost is \$4 per session tel 09 407 5253 or email bayplan@actrix.co.nz

Angels for Canteen is a fundraising event - it will be held in Whangarei on August 25th at Forum North. It will be an afternoon of head shaving, fun, frivolity and fundraising. CanTeen supports young people aged 13-24 and would love to hear from any young people that would be interested in signing up to be shavees. If you have any queries you are welcome to contact Ana Cunliffe, Community Relationships Manager on 09 308 5943.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

- **29 July** Term Three begins

Wednesday 31 July

Parent Report Evening 4.00pm – 7.00pm

Saturday 3 August

Kerikeri High School Senior Ball

Tuesday 6 August

Parent Report Evening 4.00pm – 7.00pm

- **7 August** 1st XV Final
- **7 August** Mid Week 1st XI Football Final 1
- **12 August** Kerikeri High School Speech Finals
- **13 August** Kerikeri High School Science Fair
- **13 August** Year 7 and 8 Northland Sports Day

Wednesday 14 August

Options Evening 4.00pm – 7.00pm

- **14 August** U15 Mid Week Football Final 2
- **17 August** Sailing Casino Fundraising Evening
- **21 August** U15 Mid Week Football Final 3

Friday 23 August

Standards Alignment Day – School Closed

Monday 26 August

Mid Term Break – School Closed

- **2-6 September** Tournament Week

Monday 9 September

Prospective Parents' Evening

- **17 September** Level 1 Mathematics Common Assessment Task
- **18-24 September** Senior Examinations Week
- **27 September** Term Three Ends
- **14 October** Term Four begins
- **7 November** Senior Elite Prizegiving

Best Wishes for a good break to get on top of any winter bugs and we look forward to a great Term Three.

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