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Kia ora koutou

Our Senior Students in Years 11, 12 and 13 are in their final days of their academic courses, and a lot of hard work is going on in preparation for examinations and for final assessment opportunities. We wish our Seniors all the very best for these important weeks ahead, and we thank our staff for their hard work preparing our students.

In this Newsletter you will find information about:

- Elite Senior Prizegiving Wednesday 2 November 11.30am
- Junior Prizegivings
- Next Board of Trustees' Meeting Wednesday 30 November 5.00pm
- Traffic Delays
- PPTA Paid Union Meetings
- Teacher Only Days Monday 21 November and Monday 12 December
- Student Achievements
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Elite Senior Prizegiving

Our Elite Senior Prizegiving for 2022 is on Wednesday 2 November, beginning at 11.30am. All students in Years 11, 12 and 13 are expected to attend this formal celebration.

Normal classes will not run for Junior students in Years 7, 8 9 and 10 and these students are not required to attend school on this day. We will have relievers available to supervise any Junior students who do attend school on the day of Prizegiving.

Junior Prizegivings

Prizegiving for Year 8 (10.00am) and Year 10 (12.00pm) are being held on Thursday 8 December, and Prizegiving for Year 9 (10.00am) and Year 7 (12.00pm) will be held on Friday 9 December.

Board of Trustees Meeting

Congratulations to Chris McLellan who was elected as the Presiding Member, Board Chairperson of the Kerikeri High School Board of Trustees, and to Sarah Jackson who was elected as Deputy Chairperson.

The next Kerikeri High School Board of Trustees' Meeting will be held here at school on Wednesday 30 November at 5.00pm.

Traffic Delays

The roadworks on Kerikeri Road are underway this week and we are all experiencing the considerable delays to travel times as a result. We encourage everyone to take these traffic delays into account, most especially students travelling to School to sit their NCEA Examinations over the next few weeks. Leaving early will alleviate any added stress caused by worrying about arriving late.

PPTA Paid Union Meetings

The Post Primary Teachers Association has signalled to Principals that Paid Union Meetings will be held regionally in the week of 28 November – 2 December during school hours. As soon as we receive more information about the date set for Tai Tokerau we will let parents and whānau know.

Teacher Only Days Monday 21 November and Monday 12 December

A reminder that Monday 21 November and Monday 12 December are both Teacher Only Days, as part of the nation-wide NCEA Change Process that is currently underway. These days are set by the Ministry of Education and allow teachers time to collaborate and work intensively on the important changes coming to NCEA.

Student Achievements

Congratulations to **Toby Bell** (Year 13) who has signed a Provincial Union Development Contract for Canterbury and will join the Crusaders Academy Programme for 2023 and 2024 while studying at the University of Canterbury.



Congratulations to **Bailey Edwards** (Year 10) who was selected for the New Zealand Rugby League Aotearoa Whānui Under 16 Girls' Team.



Congratulations to **Lincoln Talbot** (Year 10) who represented Kerikeri High School in Christchurch at the Secondary Schools' Clay Target Championships. He placed 4th out of 95 competitors in the Single Rise event and 6th equal across three disciplines on Day 1. On the second day he again shot a perfect score in the Single Rose event, progressing to the shoot offs and narrowly missing out on making the Northland squad for the final day.



Congratulations to **Cooper Steen** (Year 11) who won the ASA New Zealand Scooter Nationals and is heading to Argentina to represent New Zealand at the World Skate Games.



Congratulations to **Harley Thomson** (Year 12) who was selected for the Northland Under 19 Football team. His team placed second in the Nationals held recently in Napier.

Congratulations to **Sky Gundry** (Year 13) who competed in the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Surfing Championships held in Taranaki in the school holidays. Sky surfed in the finals and was place 4th overall for the Under 18 Girls' division. This placing helped secure 5th place overall for Northland in the Team rankings amongst 11 other teams from across New Zealand. At the New Zealand Māori Surf Nationals in the weekend, Sky placed 4th in the Women's Longboard Division. **Kosta Silich** (Year 10) and **Nixon Edwards** (Year 8) also competed in this competition, surfing well.



Congratulations to **Pippiana Voakes** (Year 13) who placed 3rd in the Level 3 Section of the STANZA National Spanish Speech Competition.

Congratulations to **Sam Bryant** (Year 10), **Freddy Jarman** (Year 10), **Swara Kharche** (Year 7) and **Richie Norton** (Year 10) who received Credit Awards in the ICAS Mathematics examination, placing them in the top 36% of New Zealand students in their year level who sat the examination. **Finn Hofer** (Year 7) and **Jack Mounter** (Year 7) received Distinction Awards in the ICAS Mathematics examination, placing them in the top 10% of Year 7 students in New Zealand who sat the examination.

Congratulations to **Jaxon Hendrikse** (Year 7), **Finn Hofer** (Year 7) and **Swara Kharche** (Year 7) who were awarded Merit and **Sophia Ibbotson** (Year 7), **Jack Mounter** (Year 7) and **Stella Lumkong** (Year 8) who were awarded Excellence in a National Intermediate Mathematics Problem-solving Challenge. Stella has been invited to participate further for the final challenge this week.

Congratulations to **Stella Lumkong** (Year 8) and **Richie Norton** (Year 10) who received Credit Awards in the ICAS Science examination, placing them in the top 36% of New Zealand students in their year level who sat the examination. **Finn Hofer** (Year 7) and **Jack Mounter** (Year 7) received Distinction Awards in the ICAS Science examination, placing them in the top 10% of Year 7 students in New Zealand who sat the examination.

Congratulations to **Finn Hofer** (Year 7) and **Braeden Leung** (Year 11) who sat the Australian Chemistry Competition and received Credit Awards, placing them in the top 40% of students who completed the competition.

Congratulations to **Cheyenne Erdmann** (Year 13) who was placed 2nd in the Senior section of Skills, a national secondary student photography competition. There were over 1250 images submitted from across New Zealand.

Congratulations to **Lydia Bailie-Bellew** (Year 13) who was the joint winner of the Best Lead Performance award in the student category of the Screen It International Film Festival held in Queensland last month. Lydia played the part of a wardrobe-dwelling goblin in the short film, Gob, directed by ex-Kerikeri High School student Casey Roberts.



School Bands

There are several bands from Kerikeri High School competing at Battle of the Teen Bands 2022 at the Turner Centre on Friday 4 November from 6.30pm.

The Kerikeri High School band "No Vacancy" which was placed 2nd in the Rockquest competition will be performing throughout the day at The Bay of Islands A & P Show at Waimate North on Saturday 12 November.



International Student Host Families for 2023

We invite you to join us for an opportunity to learn and share different cultures.

With New Zealand's borders now fully open we are excited to be able to welcome International Students back to Kerikeri High School and the Bay of Islands again. Our International Students add a lot to our School and our students benefit greatly from the connections and friendships they make with our guests.

Our International Department is now seeking new host families to add to our fun and caring host family roopu for 2023. International Students are coming from a variety of different countries around the world. Lengths of stay vary from between one term through to one year. Our International Students are happy to share their culture with your family and lifelong friendships

are made with people from all over the world. International students that are attracted to Kerikeri are like us; active, busy and enjoy an outdoor lifestyle. Renumeration is provided and all applicants are Police vetted. If you would like to receive some more information, please contact our Director of International, Jessica Donovan on 407 0163 or international@kerikerihigh.ac.nz.

Best wishes to **Te Waipuna o Te Pou o Manakō kapa haka** who are representing Kerikeri High School at the Tai Tokerau Primary and Intermediate Kapa Haka Competition at Kensington Stadium on Saturday 12 November. They have been working extremely hard over the last few months, with a number of noho and many after school practices. We thank their hard-working and dedicated kaiako for all the time and commitment to our teina.

We are working hard and at pace as always and looking forward to our Elite Senior Prizegiving Ceremony on Wednesday. It is always a fantastic occasion and a great way to celebrate and acknowledge elite achievement and success across the Four Cornerstones in the Senior School.

Ngā mihi nui



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