



Kerikeri High School

Kerikeri, Bay of Islands
New Zealand

NEWSLETTER

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SENIOR BALL 2024 WELCOME TO NARNIA

Tū mai tōku maunga ko Pōkākā
E rere atu nei te awa o Wairoa
Riporipo tau ana ki te awa o ngā Rangatira
Tiro kau atu ki te pā o Kororipo
Raro nei i te mana o ngā tupuna
Ko Hongi, ko Rewa, ko Tāreha
Te marae ko Te Pou o Manakō
Te kura ko Te Kerikeri
Tihewa mauri ora

Standing majestically is my mountain Pōkākā
Where the stream of Te Wairoa flows down
Entering into the river of chiefs
Swirling at the base of Kororipo Pā
The ancestral fortress of Ngāpuhi
Immortalised by Hongi, Rewa and Tāreha
Our marae is Te Pou o Manakō
Embraced by the school of Te Kerikeri
Behold, the essential life force

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Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou

Despite some spectacular overnight thunderstorms over the last week or so, it is suddenly starting to feel like Spring, with longer days and warmer temperatures. For us at school that means we are really into the business end of the school year, with Mock Examinations and final internal and external assessments looming for students sitting NCEA in Years 11, 12 and 13. An organised, focused and disciplined approach to preparation and revision is the key to success.

A lot of significant Four Cornerstones activity is taking place outside the classroom as well, as Term 3 draws towards its conclusion. Our student stalls at the Packhouse Market three weeks ago as part of the Young Enterprise Scheme were outstanding, as was our Music Department Concert last week, the first in the last four years as we get back to normal after Covid. Our Year 13 Drama performance last week was also outstanding, and we are looking forward to tonight's Year 9 performance. As someone without any performance or musical talent at all, I was so impressed with the diverse range of exceptional talent on display in both productions.

Science Fair has been happening across the school, and no doubt in many homes with guidance from mums and dads, culminating with the Top Energy Science and Technology Fair on Friday night at the Turner Centre. It was again a highly successful night for our students and our Science Department. Well done to Erin Rosetta who won the overall award (How to Brew the Best Cold Remedy).

We have several senior sports teams competing around the North Island at the moment in various New Zealand Secondary School Sports Tournaments. These trips to Winter Tournament are always a highlight for our students, and there is nothing like being away with your teammates 'on tour', competing and testing yourself against students from other schools.

Next week we have Year 7 and 8 students heading away to the AIMS Games in Tauranga. AIMS Games are annually the biggest sporting festival in New Zealand, and I know how much our students are looking forward to getting down there and getting stuck in against schools from all over New Zealand and the Pacific.

And of course, we have our 50th Jubilee Celebration coming up on Saturday 14 September. I know many parents in our school community are alumni of Kerikeri High School, and if you are thinking about joining us for the Reunion, please get your tickets by the end of this week as we finalise catering arrangements. It promises to be a fun night, reminiscing and catching up with people 'from back in the day'.

Nāku iti noa, nā



Mike Clent
Principal

Student Achievements

Congratulations to **Declan Matthews** (Year 13) who has been selected as a finalist in the 'Play it Strange Songwriting' Competition. His song 'Inside' won the nationwide Best Lyric Award, and he will be recorded in a studio so his song can be included on their compilation release.

Congratulations to the students who took part in the Jock Hodgson Rotary Speech competition. The calibre of speakers was so high this year that joint winners were selected: **Kiki Shimozono-Reid** (Year 7) and **Ikaroa Armstrong Kingi** (Year 10).



Congratulations to the students who competed in the last round of the Clay Target competition. The Kerikeri High School A Squad was placed 3rd Best School.

Josh Matthews (Year 11) won the Single Barrel shoot off to come 1st in Senior Boys Single Barrel and he was placed 3rd in the season's High Overall for Senior Boys.

Jacob Waldron (Year 10) placed 2nd in the Single Barrel shoot off for Junior Boys Single Barrel and he was placed 3rd in the season's High Overall for Junior Boys.



Congratulations to **Te Kauri Armstrong Kingi** (Year 12), who placed 2nd in the Whāngarei Rotary Speech competition. The topic for Te Kauri's prepared speech was Toitū te Tiriti.

Congratulations to all the Year 12 and 13 Business Management students who attended the Young Enterprise Trade Fair at the Packhouse Market on 17th August. It was an exceptional Trade Fair with a very high standard of stalls, the students had so many positive comments from members of the public who come along every year to feel inspired. **Sophie Ludbrook, Laine Tai, Taylor Le Comte** and **Hannah Wallace** (all Year 13) were awarded 1st Place for their stall. Their business is called 'Ako Hauora' and sells packs of cards that promote well-being and Māori language. **Megan Da Silva** and **Charlize Geel** (both Year 13) were voted 2nd Best Stall by the shoppers at the market in the People's Choice Award. Their business, 'Taste from Home' sells traditional South African food.



Congratulations to **Laine Tai** (Year 13) who has been asked to represent Kerikeri High School and Young Enterprise as a Student Ambassador at the Business Hall of Fame black tie Gala in Auckland this week. She will be reading the bio for Sir Ian Taylor who is one of the seven laureates being inducted at this prestigious event.

Congratulations to **Isla Robinson** (Year 12), who entered the Kate Edger Foundation Creative Writing School Competition and was one of the 12 finalists.

Congratulation to **Richard Norton** (Year 12) who earned High Distinction in the 2024 New Zealand Economics Competition. He has been invited to a presentation ceremony at the University of Auckland Business School in October to be officially presented with his certificate.

Congratulations to the following students who are exhibiting artwork as part of the Upsurge Festival, which starts this weekend. Toku Kāinga - My Home Young Artists Show, opening on Sunday 8 September 2.00pm – 4.00pm at the Turner Centre. The exhibition will remain up until Sunday 30 September and will be open during the week between 9.00am -2.00pm.

Year 12

Alyssa Atkinson, Hayley Bloch-Jorgensen, Zara Davison, Grace Gundry, Chanel Hack, Erin Kee, Luc Lawler, Shyla Joy Martin, Owen Thomas

Year 11

Oliver Ashton, Jessica Keil, Ocean Pailegutū, Roberta Pawa, Keira Smith

Year 10

Jordana Glentworth, Braden McKay, Indea Ralph



Congratulations to Kerikeri High School sailors **Lydia Burgess** (Year 9), **Liam Curtis** (Year 10), **William Edwards** (Year 11), **Sienna Orchiston** (Year 11) and **Kyle Munford** (Year 11) who will represent Kerikeri Cruising Club in the inaugural Toyota Kiwi Cup Regatta. The event will be hosted at the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron where the team will sail on the Emirates Team New Zealand Elliott 7 fleet on the Waitemata Harbour in Auckland. The team is one of 10 lucky teams to stay at the Squadron for one week, experience three days of coaching and then participate in a two-day regatta in the first Toyota Kiwi Cup.



Government's School Donation Scheme

The Kerikeri High School Board of Trustees has again opted into the Ministry of Education's School Donations Scheme for 2025.

Kerikeri High School Honours Nominations

Nominations for Kerikeri High School Honours across the Four Cornerstones are open ahead of our Honours Assembly in the last week of Term 3. The Honours Criteria and Nomination Form are available on our website. Please read through the criteria before making your nomination. The deadline for nominations is Wednesday 18 September.

Daffodil Day

Kerikeri High School Daffodil Day was held on Thursday 22nd August. The Student Council and Student WAKA Team came together to raise funds for this wonderful cause which helps with research, prevention, and treatment of cancer in New Zealand. Many staff and students made a fantastic effort in dressing up and there was a huge amount of baking for the Bake Sale donated by students, staff and whānau. Thank you so much to everyone who helped us to raise \$2,500. **Darcy Clarke** (Year 8) won the Daffodil Day Poster Competition and a special mention to staff; **Miss Lucy Hayman-Brown, Mrs Beth Clarke and Mrs Ana Dobbie** for their awesome efforts in dressing up. 8KEI made a huge effort in dressing up and are shown in the photo.



Community Connection

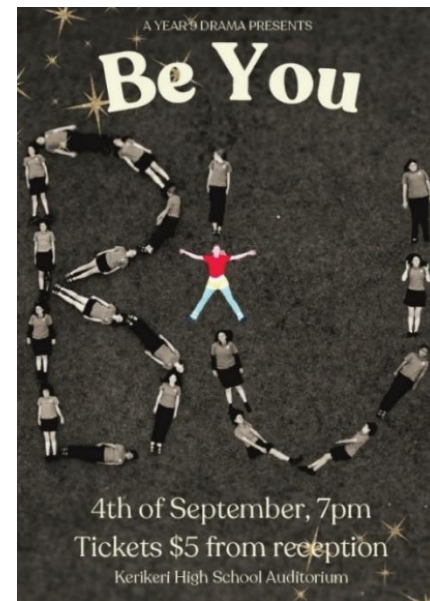
Mrs Sarah Davis took a small group of Year 7 and 8 students to visit the Kerikeri Retirement Village. Students paired up with the residents to create succulent gardens in ceramic pots and small rosemary bags which were gifted to the residents. It was a joy to see the positive interactions between the young and the elderly. Kerikeri High School students demonstrated utmost patience, empathy and kindness. Village staff commented on the students' ability to actively engage even the most reserved elderly people who obviously enjoyed the visit immensely. The visit finished with the students singing the waiata 'He Honore' and the residents' tautoko was 'It's a Long Way to Tipperary'.



Year 9 Drama Performance

TONIGHT

Year 9 Drama devised performance - all about being brave enough to be yourself.



Tickets available at Reception or at the door (subject to availability)

Music Department Showcase Concert

Last week saw the Music Department students perform two concerts for Riverview School and Kerikeri Primary School and an evening Showcase Concert for whānau and friends. These concerts featured approximately 30 students from Year 7 to 13, delighting their audiences with a range of instruments and a variety of music styles. Many of the performances were for Senior Music assessments as well as items from our Music Itinerant Programme.



NCEA Literacy and Numeracy Co-Requisites

You may be aware by now through recent media coverage that as part of the changes to NCEA this year, students are now required to pass Literacy and Numeracy assessments to enable them to unlock their NCEA qualification at Level 1 and beyond. Known as co-requisites, students will need to achieve 10 Literacy (5 Reading and 5 Writing) and 10 Numeracy co-requisite credits. These 20 co-requisite credits sit outside the 60 NCEA credits which make up a Level 1 NCEA qualification.

Students will achieve these co-requisite credits through sitting three assessments in each of Reading, Writing, and Numeracy. These tests are completed on-line and may be sat by students during two assessment periods set by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) – once in Term 2 and once in Term 3. Students will not need to wait until Year 11 to sit and attain the 20 co-requisite credits; they can be sat in Year 10 for example.

Our current students in Years 11, 12 and 13 who have already met the previous NCEA Literacy and Numeracy requirements in 2023 or earlier are unaffected by these changes.

Year 10 students are entered into these co-requisite assessments during Term 3 this year, along with any students in Years 11 – 13 whom are yet to meet the requirement. Many secondary schools are taking this step, and we are confident a good number of our students will benefit from getting these Literacy and Numeracy credits as they head into Year 11 and NCEA.

Our Year 10 students are currently preparing for these assessments and will be sitting them during Weeks 8 and 9 of this term. This assessment window is set by NZQA and coincides with our Year 11 – 13 mock exams. This will give students the opportunity to achieve the co-requisites this year, so that they are able to focus on the 60 credits required to pass NCEA level 1 in 2025.

Kerikeri High School 50th Jubilee

Our Jubilee celebration is now just over a week away. The cutoff date for buying tickets is Monday 9 September and tickets are available from School Reception. No door sales on the night.

Evening celebration 7.00pm - midnight, band starts at 8.30pm. Come along and enjoy reconnecting and reminiscing; look through old photos, find your name on School trophies, purchase an old School Magazine or School Cookbook.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone on the night and celebrating this very special occasion for our School with you all.



The poster features a dark blue background with a peacock feather pattern. At the top left is the Kerikeri High School logo. A central circular emblem contains the number '50' with a stylized 'K' and 'H' inside, flanked by the years '1974' and '2024' on a ribbon. Below this, the text 'Kerikeri High School 50th Jubilee Celebration' is written in a white cursive font. The date 'SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER' is in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The event details are listed in white text: '1:30 pm - Kerikeri High School Tour' with sub-points 'Catch-up with old classmates or colleagues' and 'Tour Kerikeri High School and see what has changed'; and '7:00 pm - Evening Celebration' with sub-points 'Kerikeri Rugby Club, Heritage Bypass, Kerikeri' and 'Mix and mingle, reconnect and reminisce with old friends or colleagues'. Ticket information includes 'Tickets: \$50', 'Finger Food and Grazing Tables', 'Cash Bar Available', and 'Live Band: Jam Sandwich'. At the bottom, it says 'Tickets available from Kerikeri High School reception or email jubilee@kerikerihigh.ac.nz for more information'. Social media links for Facebook and Instagram are provided at the very bottom.

Year 11 – 13 Mock Examinations

Mock Examinations for Year 11 – 13 students will be taking place from Wednesday 11 September – Thursday 19 September inclusive. During this time, Year 11 – 13 students will be on study leave, and normal classes will not run for them. Students will only be required at school when they have an examination or assessment scheduled.

The purpose of these examinations is to give students an opportunity to sit practice external assessments in a formal examination setting, complete work towards externally assessed portfolio work, or work on internal assessments if a subject does not have any external assessment.

The grades from these practice assessments may also be used to support derived grade applications at the end of the year should a student either be unable to sit their NCEA examinations or feel that their performance in an examination has been impaired, for reasons beyond their control. More information about derived grades will be provided in Term 4 to students and parents.

Additionally, opportunities for students to complete the new NCEA reading, writing and numeracy assessments are scheduled for students who are yet to meet these requirements.

Morning sessions run from 9.00am – 12.00pm and afternoon sessions from 1.00pm to 4.00pm.

Students should be at school, outside the scheduled room, at least 10 minutes before the start of a session. A study room will be available for students at school for silent study.

Normal classes for Year 11 – 13 students will resume on Friday 20 September.

These examinations and assessment opportunities are an important part of the year, and we will be supporting students to make the most of this opportunity as they progress through their NCEA qualifications.

A copy of the examination timetable is available on our website, and via the school app.

Energy Drinks and Chewing Gum

We are concerned about the number of students, many very young, who are arriving at school in the morning with energy drinks. Students should not bring energy drinks to school, and we strongly discourage students from purchasing and consuming them before school. Learning is negatively impacted by these drinks, as students are overstimulated and find it hard to settle, focus and concentrate. We will be confiscating energy drinks from students who have them at school from the beginning of next week.

Chewing gum is also not allowed at school. We will be reminding students of this through the coming weeks.

Uniform Shoppe Closing Dates

The Uniform Shoppe has notified us that due to unforeseen circumstances the shop will be closed this week (including Saturday). Orders can still be made online.

Please note The Uniform Shoppe will be **closed** between **28 November 2024 to 9 December 2024**, **open** from the **11 December 2024 to 16 December 2024** and **closed** again between **18 December 2024 to 8 January 2025**.

Extended hours during the busy back to school season will be available.

International Student Host Families

Thank you to all our existing host families.

If you are interested in becoming a host family and join our fun and caring host family community, please contact us.

International Students are happy to share their culture with your family. Lifelong friendships are made with students and their families from all over the world.

International students that are attracted to Kerikeri are like us; active, busy and enjoy an outdoor lifestyle.

Remuneration is provided and all applicants are Police vetted.

If you would like to receive more information, please contact our **International Department on 09 407 0163 or email** accommodation@kerikerihigh.ac.nz

You can view our International Department promotion here <https://youtu.be/KkwXbnqWvNY>

Upcoming Dates

Out-of-Zone Ballot Closes – 4 September
Out-of-Zone Ballot – 11 September
Year 11-13 Mock Exams – 11 -19 September
Kerikeri High School 50th Jubilee – 14 September
Student Trustee Election Closes – 19 September
New Parents & Whānau Evening – 26 September
Term 3 Ends – 27 September
Term 4 Starts – 14 October
Enrolment Evening -17 October
Labour Day – 28 October
Senior Prizegiving – 1 November
NCEA Exams – 5 - 29 November
Year 9 and 10 Exams – 13 -19 November
Teacher Only Day – 15 November
Graduation Dinner – 26 November
Year 10 and Year 8 Prizegiving – 11 December
Year 9 and Year 7 Prizegiving -12 December

Next Board of Trustees Meeting

Our next Board of Trustees meeting will be at 5.30pm on Wednesday 11 September, in the Boardroom.

TOP ENERGY REGIONAL SCIENCE FAIR RESULTS

BRONZE AWARDS

Name of Project	School of Origin	Student (s) Names	Sponsor
Good Vibrations	Kerikeri High School	Allday Carey	Top Energy
Good Vibrations	Kerikeri High School	Xavier Ellis	Top Energy
Pan vs Pan	Kerikeri High School	Chloe Junang	Top Energy
How different materials affect air resistance in parachuting	Kerikeri High School	Riya Kirsch	Top Energy
Fast is Furious	Kerikeri High School	Isabelle Cannon	Top Energy
Fast is Furious	Kerikeri High School	Pieter DuPlooy	Top Energy
Hérons Fountain: Battle of the Bottles	Kerikeri High School	Vritti Patel	Summit Forests NZ Ltd
Does the amount of scent in a candle affect burn time	Kerikeri High School	Lilly Grace Van Miert	Silverback Academic Media
Which learned first, the chicken or the guinea pig?	Kerikeri High School	Eva van Schaik	Silverback Academic Media
The Roots of success	Kerikeri High School	Tyler Patrick	Upstream Education Tutoring Services

SPECIAL AWARDS

Hot or Cold or Mold?	Kerikeri High School	Emily Sok	Makana Confections
Hook, line and sabiki, the art of bait catching	Kerikeri High School	Jacob Simmonds	Fullers Great Sights BOI
Sourdough race	Kerikeri High School	Alea Auerbach	NZ Baking Industry Research Trust
Moonlit Melodies	Kerikeri High School	Caitlyn Wilson	Department of Conservation
Possom Pursuit	Kerikeri High School	Beau Mounter	Department of Conservation
Underwater Intruders	Kerikeri High School	Hayley Bloch-Jorgensen	Department of Conservation

SILVER AWARDS

Wax up 2.0	Kerikeri High School	Isla Dawson	Roger Ludbrook
Breaking Harakeke	Kerikeri High School	Tara Perry	Seeka NZ
Rural versus Urban	Kerikeri High School	Nakita Gardiner	Far North District Council
Can plants filter water	Kerikeri High School	Rebecca Addis	Grant McCallum
Rural versus Urban	Kerikeri High School	Ivy Fitton	Far North District Council
Palm Kernal in Cattle Trial	Kerikeri High School	Finlay Ludbrook	Far North District Council
Does grey water effect plant growth	Kerikeri High School	Winter Oszajca	Seeka NZ
Scorched Earth	Kerikeri High School	Craig Robert Wilson	Engineering New Zealand
Trusty trusses	Kerikeri High School	Jarrah Moir	Haigh Workman
How to Brew the Best Cold Remedy	Kerikeri High School	Erin Rosetta	New Zealand Statistical Association
Seat Post Solutions	Kerikeri High School	Josh Couchman	Vision Consulting Engineers Ltd
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Plankton distribution	Kerikeri High School	Isaac Adam Morrow	NZ Environmental Limited
Underwater Intruders	Kerikeri High School	Hayley Bloch-Jorgensen	NIWA
Cymatics	Kerikeri High School	Ella van Miert	Marshall Day Acoustics Ltd
What a load of rubbish	Kerikeri High School	Dayna Hawke	Upstream Education Tutoring Services

TOP ENERGY REGIONAL SCIENCE FAIR RESULTS			
GOLD AWARDS			
Moonlit Melodies	Kerikeri High School	Caitlyn Wilson	Marshall Day Acoustics Ltd
You are what you eat	Kerikeri High School	Peyton Manning	Silverback Academic Media
Hook, line and sabiki, the art of bait catching	Kerikeri High School	Jacob Simmonds	Silverback Academic Media
A load of road	Kerikeri High School	Dani Kirkby	Lodestone Energy
Too hot to handle	Kerikeri High School	Sophia Ibbotson	Lodestone Energy
Implementing Machine Learning to enhance diagnosis of Lung Cancer	Kerikeri High School	Swara Kharche	Catalyst.Net Limited
How to Brew the Best Cold Remedy	Kerikeri High School	Erin Rosetta	Seeka NZ
Possom Pursuit	Kerikeri High School	Beau Mounter	Massey University
Palm Kernal in Cattle Trial	Kerikeri High School	Finlay Ludbrook	Massey University
Backing Gateway to Water Saving	Kerikeri High School	Jack Mounter	Far North District Council
Construction to Compost	Kerikeri High School	Jakob Sturrock	Far North District Council
Fire Pop	Kerikeri High School	Eleonor Vigil	Engineering New Zealand
A load of road	Kerikeri High School	Dani Kirkby	Engineering New Zealand
Math Review	Kerikeri High School	Finn Hofer	Engineering New Zealand
Scorched Earth	Kerikeri High School	Craig Robert Wilson	Summit Forests NZ Ltd
OUTSTANDING AWARDS			
A load of road	Kerikeri High School	Dani Kirkby	Northland Regional Council
Backing Gateway to Water Saving	Kerikeri High School	Jack Mounter	Northland Regional Council
Too hot to handle	Kerikeri High School	Sophia Ibbotson	Northland Regional Council
Math Review	Kerikeri High School	Finn Hofer	Grant McCallum
Plankton distribution	Kerikeri High School	Isaac Adam Morrow	NIWA
Scorched Earth	Kerikeri High School	Craig Robert Wilson	NIWA
Implementing Machine Learning to enhance diagnosis of Lung Cancer	Kerikeri High School	Swara Kharche	Massey University
How to Brew the Best Cold Remedy	Kerikeri High School	Erin Rosetta	Massey University
PREMIER AWARDS			
A load of road	Kerikeri High School	Dani Kirkby	Top Energy
Too hot to handle	Kerikeri High School	Sophia Ibbotson	Top Energy
How to Brew the Best Cold Remedy	Kerikeri High School	Erin Rosetta	Top Energy
OVERALL WINNER			
How to Brew the Best Cold Remedy	Kerikeri High School	Erin Rosetta	Top Energy



WE ARE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR A PASSIONATE AND SKILLED KAPAHAKA TUTOR TO WORK WITH OUR YEAR 7 AND 8 STUDENTS.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT [ENQUIRIES@KERIKERIHIGH.AC.NZ](mailto:enquiries@kerikerihigh.ac.nz)



HELP US IMPROVE!

Calling all students, parents, caregivers, teachers and school staff! We want to give you the best school food experience we can, so jump on and fill out our survey. Head along to:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/TXYXX7D



We have free lunch vouchers available as spot prizes to show our appreciation.

Survey Closes 3pm 29/09



Te Manawa Tahī Community Timetable Mid North

Term 4, 2024


All hubs are open from 9:30am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated.

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahī have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them.

This is a free service.

The Te Manawa Tahī flag will be outside to show you that we are here.

Date	Hub Locations
Wed 16 October	Opononi Area School (9.30am to 11.30am) 263 Hokianga Harbour Drive, Omapare
Wed 23 October	Northland College – Te Wae o Te Wheke 62 Mangakahia Road, Kaikohe, Gate 3
Wed 30 October	Motatau School (10:30am – 12:00noon) 18 Henare Road, Motatau Maromaku School (1:00pm – 2:30pm) Maromaku School Road, Maromaku
Wed 13 November	Te Tii (Waitangi) B3 Trust (9:30am – 10:45am) 22 Te Kemara Avenue, Waitangi



Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning **0800 524 842** or emailing **TT.Support@education.govt.nz**.