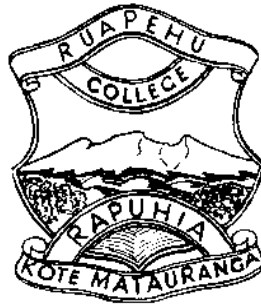


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## Newsletter

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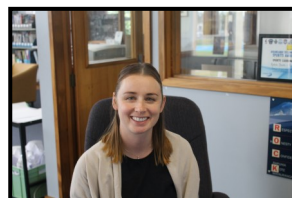
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Mon 13 May	NZ School of Tourism Visit Netball Training Rugby Training
Tues 14 May	Cross Country Rugby Training
Wed 15 May	11 Outdoor Navigation
Thurs 16 May	13 Outdoor Bush Craft Netball Training
Mon 20 May	13 Outdoor Bush Craft Netball Training Rugby Training
Tues 21 May	13 Outdoor Bush Craft Rugby Training
Wed 22 May	Otago University Visit
Thurs 23 May	Netball Training
Fri 24 May	Academic Mentoring Seniors Nominations Close for Board of Trustees Election

## College Staff News

Miss Lindy Deadman has joined the college staff to work in the Library. Miss Deadman was a past pupil of the college and has a real passion for books! "I read a lot" she says. "and I definitely prefer holding a book to reading a kindle or anything electronic!". She will replace Miss Shere who has taken maternity leave.



Mrs Leah Rogers will pick up the running of the sports co-ordinator role which was also managed by Miss Shere. She is looking forward to the new challenge.



## Kapa Haka

Kapa haka practices are starting from Monday 13th May (period 2) for those students interested in being part of the Ruapehu College kapa haka performance group.

Mindy Pakinga will be the Kapa Haka Tutor for the college. Practices will be once a week for now and eventually increase to two one-hour practices later in the term.

## Cross Country

The cross country will be a full school interwhanau event.

Tuesday 14th of May.

Race will begin at 2pm.

### Event 1: Cross Country

This will be the normal cross country course we have completed the past 3 years. Out and back course from the Ruapehu Rugby Club onto the Frew's farm. The whanau points will be heavily weighted so that competitors in this race have the potential to earn the most points for their whanau.



### Event 2: Amazing Race/Scavenger Hunt

Carrot Whanau Battle - Fun Race - In the Ohakune Carrot Park

## RAL Season Passes

All Ruapehu College students that have not got their \$99 season pass organised please email Miss Wilson [mwilson@ruapehu.school.nz](mailto:mwilson@ruapehu.school.nz) by Wednesday 15 May with your name/preferred email address, she will give your details to RAL and they will make email contact with you to organise the purchase of your season pass. This is your last chance.

## Ruapehu College Board of Trustees' Election

Nominations are invited for the election of 5 parent representatives to the board of trustees.



A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself. Both parts of the form must be signed.

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on 24th May 2019 and may be accompanied by a signed candidate statement and photograph.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on 7th June 2019

Kay Sutton  
Returning Officer

## Food Safety

This year's Food Safety course ran on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May. This is run across NCEA Levels 2 & 3 so Year 12 and Year 13 students can participate on the course. Across the two days students learnt good practices to ensure food safety, potential contamination hazards and ways to control these within a food business. On the second day students were able to demonstrate their learning by organising and using correct industry methods to be used in preparing for and running a BBQ for a group of people.



## Visit from Massey University

On Tuesday 7 May, Massey University's Student Recruitment Advisor, Tania Jahnke, came to talk with Year 12 and Year 13 Students about studying at the university.

Tania has visited the school in previous years so it was great that she was able to talk to our students about past Ruapehu College Students currently at Massey.

Students learnt about all the various areas of study across their three campuses as well as the option for students to study for a Degree as a "Distance Learner".

Information was included on course selection criteria and the need to check on any course specific entry requirements to help with subject selection at school. To finish the presentation Tania explained some of the Massey Scholarships open to school leavers including how and when to make application.



## Year 10 OPC Camp to Great Barrier Island

This year, our year 10s were once again lucky enough to go to Aotea Great Barrier Island for the Hillary Outdoors experience. It was a journey to get there with a long drive to Leigh, north of Auckland, and then a two-hour boat ride to Orama in Karaka Bay where they were staying. This place was just north of Port Fitzroy and luckily had a jetty where they were dropped off. It was noticeably warmer when they arrived and the bay was beautiful. There was no mobile phone coverage and the electricity only came on for certain hours in the day. Orama used to be a Christian community that had fallen into disrepair. Eleven years ago, Hilary Outdoors leased some of their buildings and used it as another adventure base. Since then, the community has had a revival and now all sorts of groups visit.



The first activity on Monday was surf kayaking and boogie boarding at Maybe's beach just over the hill from Port Fitzroy. The long sandy beach had perfect waves and the beach day was enjoyed by all. On Tuesday the students headed out for the famous coasterring activity. This was the epic 5km kayak trip past Rabbit Island to the small island of Okokewa where they went coasterring (walking and swimming) around the island itself. Students got to jump from the rocks into the sea below. After this, they kayaked back to camp. Again the weather was perfect.

On Wednesday the group navigated rock climbing via serrata. This means they had to negotiate a rock climb on a long rope. This was quite a challenge. In the afternoon, they went to Mikes Beach and set up tents for the overnighter. It was a calm night and all enjoyed a fire as the sun went down. On Thursday they tramped out via Haratonga and completed the beautiful coastal walk.

It was a great camp with students attempting everything. They were brave and hardy. Thank you to teachers Miss Bam and Mr Mackrell and to our two instructors Joel Halliwell and Nick who encouraged the team all the way. Also thank you to Pub Charities' who provided funding for the trip. It was a great experience for our students.

## Sport

### Netball Week 1

Netball competitions started last week with three games in Whanganui. Our College Netball team is coached by Mrs Gaylene Taylor and Miss Ange Bam and is managed by Mrs Lee Artz. They won all three games: City college 43-5, St Dominics 20-17, and Cullinane 33-4. The team will continue playing grading games next week.



### Week 2

Our college netball team won 43-6 against Whanganui City B. Also two of our staff members play for Ruapehu. Miss Rowe who plays for Ruapehu B had a close game against Tech losing 19-22 and Miss Bam who plays for Ruapehu A won 25-20 against IDK.

Photo: Goal shoot Sayge Wikohika scores a goal in the 43-6 win against City College B watched by team mate Ace Akapita.

## Community Time at the College

Community service is about being part of something greater than ourselves. This has been one of the messages, including citizenship and



kaitiakitanga delivered during 'Project' time at Ruapehu College. Last Friday, Troy Brown spoke to the senior students about the Raetihi Park project that involved many of the local youth and gave students an insight into project management. He gave the students many tips such as the benefit of having project leaders. The students then went away to plan their projects for term 2. We look forward to see what they will plan.

