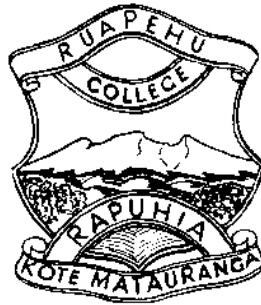


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Newsletter

Ruapehu College, at the heart of our community and the college of choice, making a mountain of difference in learning and for life.

Newsletter 10—19 August 2019

Principal: Kim Basse
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Mon 19 Aug	Netball Training
Tues 20 Aug	Snow Academy Girls Rugby Training
Thurs 22 Aug	Navy Band Performance 8.45am-9.30am School Photos Netball Training
Fri 23 Aug	Mountain Biking Club
Sat 24 Aug	Netball Game
Mon 26 Aug	Netball Training Correspondence School Practice Examinations Begin
Tues 27 Aug	Snow Academy Girls Rugby Training
Thurs 29 Aug	Netball Training Girls Rugby 10 Aside
Fri 30 Aug	Mountain Biking Club Year 13 The Lines Company Scholarship Applications Close
Sat 31 Aug	Netball Game
Thurs 5– Fri 6 Sept	First Aid in an Outdoor Environment
Mon 9– Thurs 12 Sept	Senior Practice Examinations

Deans Lunch

On Wednesday, students who had shown the values expected at Ruapehu College were rewarded with a Deans' lunch (consisting of hot chips, sausages and bread).

The expected values are known as ROCK values and stand for Respect, hOnesty, Confidence and rapuhia Ko te matauranga. Students who had no or positive feedback from teachers were invited, and this involved nearly 50% of the whole school. This was pleasing. The students now have a clean slate to work towards the next Dean's lunch in the second half of the year.

Thank you Captain Kune's for contributing toward the cost of the chips.



Student Council Attend Hui

Three Ruapehu College students attended a Māori hui in Taumarunui as part of the Ruapehu Youth Council. Year 11 students Sapphire Mapp, Emma Burnard and Tayla Goff presented youth ideas on how to enhance our community. They all really enjoyed the experience.



Senior Examinations and NCEA Assessments

We are working hard to prepare our students for NCEA practice exams 9-12 September.



Revision methods include rereading class notes. It is also important to have a revision plan.

Discuss revision techniques with your child. One way to revise is to reread all your notes and make highlights of the important information. Also look at old exams and exemplars to see what is coming up.

There should be no surprises.

Those students who are sitting only a few exams will be finishing off internal assessments.

Open Day at the College

Mayor Don Cameron attended the open day at Ruapehu College last week to view a couple of the classes but in particular to look at the work of the agriculture and horticulture class.

The year 12 boys had built a fence under the watchful eye of instructor Andy Fleury to prevent stock from accessing the creek in the school's paddock. The course was run one afternoon a week for twelve weeks and it helped the students develop some basic fencing skills that will prove invaluable in the future as they transition into employment in the farming sector.

Don Cameron (who is standing for Mayor again this election) was impressed with their work and said that he had always enjoyed fencing when he had his farm. Deputy Principal, Mr Steve Mackrell said "two of the boys are currently completing Gateway programmes" which means they are already working on farms and this should assist with their transition into the sector. The College Board Chair, Mr Dean Francois is one of the people who assist students by offering Gateway training in what is a truly community operation.

The open day attracted public and prospective students and parents from all over the Waimarino who got to see the school in action. There will be a year 8 transition day next term and more opportunities for enrolment then.

Fencing Photograph:

Left to right

Mr Steven Mackrell (Deputy Principal), Israel Christensen, Wynyard Baker, Hezakaya Treanor-Metekingi and Mayor Don Cameron inspecting the fence.

Mayor Don Cameron (left) discusses Mackenzie Charlton's (yr 12) design innovation proudly watched on by the Head of Hard materials Mr Mick Darmody (centre).



Text Book Alert

We are currently conducting an audit of our text books. Please check under the beds and on the bookshelves. Books that have been issued to students but not returned will be charged for.



We are particularly interested in recovering copies of "The Outsiders", "Of Mice and Men", "Tomorrow When the War Began", "The Lord of the Flies", "To Kill a Mockingbird" and "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest".

If you have copies of these books at home, please get them back to us. We will be sending out invoices to try to recover some of the costs involved in the loss of these texts.

Te reo Māori

The language commissioner hosted Raranga Tahī 2019 at Te Pae Tata last Wednesday. A number of school youth 13-18 year olds were involved in the forum and workshop to gain student voice in how the Māori language could be re vitalised.

This is International year of Indigenous Languages and students from Ruapehu College, Rangiteiki and Whanganui were in attendance at this hui. We look forward to the outcomes and findings of this forum.

Sport

Week 3

Rugby

Whanganui U16 Rugby representative trials. Congratulations to these students who have made the Under 16 representative trials: Samuel Lyon, Takarangi Metekingi, Leim Norling, Kalani Gordon and Cameron Artz. Also good luck to coach Mr Campbell Hart who is also trialling for the NZ Heartland representative team this month.

Girls Rugby

Our girls are now playing a 10 aside tournament and won 34-15 game against Whanganui Girls at home last Thursday. Coach Mr Mike Clamp said the girls played well as a team setting up the play with plenty of passing. It was a spirited game with some good tries on both sides.

Girls Netball

Our team won 21-12 against Whanganui High School. Maina Gray was player of the day.

Snow Academy

It was more skills training on the lower slopes for the snow academy this week as the weather and huge snow meant that we could not get up to the top of the mountain.

Sapphire Mapp scores a try against Whanganui Girls in a thrilling 34-15 win as the girls 10 aside rugby competition got underway last week.



Week 4

Girls Rugby

Our girls lost 25-17 to City College.

Netball

Our team decimated with sickness and only 6 players lost against the top team Whanganui High School Junior A 43-16

Snow Academy

It was more skills on the lower slopes last week with the ski races putting in some racing and the slopes styles honing their skills. The weather should be better this week.

Tour Team Play Football

St Bernard's came to play our team at football on Friday as part of their annual tour around schools in the North Island. Our team played their best against a well-structured and disciplined team and we suffered a good defeat as a result.

All the students enjoyed the game and Mr Darmody (coach) said our team played with good spirit. We look forward to their visit next year.

