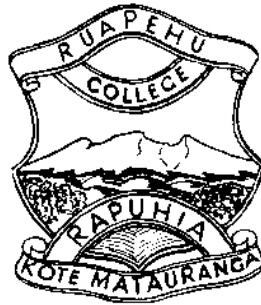


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Newsletter

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

Newsletter 1—04 February 2020

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New staff

We have a number of new staff this year and with the increase in roll, we will need to employ more teachers.

Mr Warren Saunders has been appointed to the Head of Humanities Pedagogy position and Head of Geography as well as teacher of English. He joins us from Roncalli College in Timaru.

We welcome Mrs Vidya Ram who has arrived from Paeroa College to teach science.

Mrs Kaushal Goundar, who comes from Trident High School to teach Maths.

Mr Joel Helliwell has been employed to teach outdoor, Ag/hort and science and was previously an instructor for Hillary Outdoors and an employee of RAL on the mountain. He has worked with the school on numerous Hillary Outdoors camps.

Miss Donna Deadman has returned from Christchurch with her family and will run the Gateway, Star and Careers programme. She was previously working for ACC in Christchurch.

Mrs Leba Phillips has been working at Waiouru Army museum and will be our new Librarian and administrator for International students and Video Conferencing.

Mrs Alexis Gault will continue as teacher aide and office administration this year.

Mrs Sarah Demchy replaces Mrs Leah Sims as sports co-ordinator. Mrs Sims departed last year to work for St Johns and now has decided to commit to further study. We wish her well and welcome Mrs Demchy to that position.

Other staff changes include Mrs Meredith Wilson who is Pedagogical Leader in Science and Maths and will now also be the Head of Science.

Mrs Shelagh Buck (who semi-retired last year) will be working part time at the school as Principals Nominee for NZQA. She will also teach one class.

Mrs Charity Mora Garcia will continue as school counsellor for 2020.

We also welcome Mrs Kathy Clark who will be the new itinerant music teacher and will operate the Community band from the College. If your child would like to learn an instrument, there will be some information going home about this shortly.

Welcome to Ruapehu College

Welcome back to school to all our students and especially our new year 9s. We also welcome our new families to the area.

Last week, we started with a pōwhiri to welcome our new arrivals. There was an opportunity for yr 9 students to meet their rōpu teachers and the year 13 students to run the peer support programme and to assist in getting to know each other and the school.

Senior students are settling into their subjects and this week we should be finalising their courses.



From Left: Mr Warren Saunders, Mrs Vidya Ram, Mrs Kaushal Goundar, Mr Joel Helliwell, Mrs Leba Phillips.



Mrs Sarah Demchy



Mrs Charity Garcia



Miss Donna Deadman

Thurs 6 Feb	Waitangi Day Holiday
Fri 14 Feb	Academic Mentoring at School
Mon 17 Feb	Swimming Sports
Thurs 20 Feb	Year 9 Whanau Barbeque
Fri 28 Feb	Whanganui Secondary Schools Swimming Sports
Wed 4 March	Athletic Sports

C block Refurbishment

The new C block refurbishment has been completed and classes have moved back into that area. It looks very modern with internal windows and the latest in LED lighting.

We will continue the refurbishment all the way down to the corridor and classrooms to the main entrance this year.

Tug of war

The week concluded with the first inter-whanau event which was the annual Tug of War. New students were allocated to houses and there were many fiercely contested battles as the might of the students were pitted against each other.

The staff team missed the strength of Mr Mike Clamp (who headed back to France last year). The students won the highly competitive staff vs students tug of war! It was a great fun and a good way to end a busy week.

Results: 1st Kiwi, 2nd Weka, 3rd Tui and 4th Huia



NCEA Results

The preliminary results from the New Zealand Qualification Authority (NZQA) have shown that year 11-13 Ruapehu College students have performed extremely well with their NCEA achievements. We will publish our statistics soon, but early indicators are outstanding. Any student with queries should contact the school.

Roll Increase

We have many enrolments this week which has seen the College increase its roll to over 210 students. This is still quite small in comparison to other big city schools, but it has been many years since the school was over 200.

It is pleasing to see a large number of families moving to the area who are supporting the local school. The school roll was 150 in 2014 and has been steadily increasing since then.

Boiler Funding

The school does not currently have an operational boiler. The Ministry of Education has allocated extra funding to Ruapehu College for a new boiler which is more environmentally acceptable as it does not run on coal. See article in the Bulletin. We look forward to having this installed.



Junior Prizegiving Results 2019

SPECIAL AWARDS

Year 10 Academic Excellence Award - Junior Dux Trophy donated by the Milne Family. Ruapehu Bulletin for academic excellence in Year 10 and a Laurenson Trust. grant of \$100 Una Drayton

Year 9 Academic Excellence Award Trophy donated by the Milne Family Joshua Simons

Office Max Award (junior) For outstanding service to the college Kayla Jordan

Principals Award For being reliable, polite, friendly and

dedicated. Also for her determination in skiing. Sophie Coller

Te Kaahu Trophy Donated by Mr & Mrs Murphy-Peehi for leadership, initiative and dedication in the promotion of cultural activities among juniors at Ruapehu College Waimarama Sinai

The Logan Dixon Cup For excellence in junior sport cup Tui Wikohika

Ruapehu College Junior Citizen Award For a student of good character, having personal integrity including the qualities of honesty, caring for other people and supporting the peer group. (Cup

donated by the Lyon Family Silas McNaught

Jim Perry Prize For the Year 10 student who has shown the most improvement across a range of academic, sporting, social and cultural activities. Cheque and Voucher Bella Hohipa

Lila Pakinga Scholarship Grant: \$1000 awarded to a year 10 student to support them in their academic year. Maina Gray

Junior Diploma Awards Achieved Top Junior Diploma of Learning Student Samantha Beauchamp

Junior Prizegiving Results 2019

YEAR 9 ACADEMIC AWARDS

Jahsiah Anderson MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Jayden Bailey EXCELLENCE AWARDS in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials and Art. Achieved Junior Diploma. Chase Bristol-Job EXCELLENCE AWARD for Mind Lab/Digi Tech. George Buan MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials, Science, Physical Education, Mind Lab/Digi Tech and high achievement in Art. Grace Burnard EXCELLENCE AWARDS in Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, Te Reo Maori, Design in Food, Physical Education and Outdoor. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in English and Mind Lab/Digi Tech. She receives the Mowat Voon cup for a student active in both sports and reading. Dylan Campbell EXCELLENCE AWARD for Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Quade Chapman MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Te Reo Maori. Sophie Coller EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Design in Food, Textiles and Mind Lab/Digi Tech. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Mathematics, Science, Physical Education and perseverance in Social Studies. Katarina Cribb Pearson Achieved Junior Diploma. Sunita Dennison Achieved Junior Diploma Anton Fraser MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials and high achievement in Textiles. Achieved Junior Diploma. Jade Gibson MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Mathematics, Mind Lab/Digi Tech and Social Studies. Achieved Junior Diploma. Devon Griffin-Chappel EXCELLENCE AWARD for Textiles. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in English, Mathematics and Performing Arts. Uenuku Hansen EXCELLENCE AWARD for Mind Lab/Digi Tech. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Physical Education and high achievement in Art. Veronica Hays EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Social Studies, Design in Food, Science and Outdoor. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Mathematics, Mind Lab/Digi Tech, Health and high achievement in Art and Textiles and Perseverance in English. Ngakau Herewini EXCELLENCE AWARD for Mind Lab/Digi Tech. William Higgins-Wood MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Hunter Jackman MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials and Performing Arts and improvement in Social Studies. Achieved Junior Diploma. Aylish Jordan MERIT AWARDS for perseverance in Performing Arts and consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Ila Kingi-Mareikura MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Te Reo Maori. Javier Lemberg-MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Aroha Lima MERIT AWARD for Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Wairakau Matete MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Te Reo Maori, Science and Physical Education. Achieved Junior Diploma. Reihana McFadyen MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Design in Food both in practical and theory and Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Holly McIlroy-Smart MERIT AWARDS for improvement in Physical Education and consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Archie Mills EXCELLENCE AWARD for Physical Education. MERIT AWARDS for improvement in Social Studies and consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Shane Muru-Albert MERIT AWARD for high achievement in Textiles. Keri Osborne EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Art, Design & Innovation Resistant Materials, Social Studies, English and Mathematics and receives the Dixon Engineering Cup for practical work in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Health, Science, Mind Lab/Digi Tech and high achievement in Textiles. Harry Parker MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Physical Education, Uarangi Pehi EXCELLENCE AWARD for Te Reo Maori. MERIT AWARD for

high achievement in Art. Skye Perret EXCELLENCE AWARD for English. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Social Studies, Mathematics, Science, Mind Lab/Digi Tech and Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. Achieved Junior Diploma. Tanja Reedy MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Social Studies. Achieved Junior Diploma. Joshua Simons EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Design & Innovation Resistant Materials, Social Studies, English, Mathematics Physical Education and Science. MERIT AWARDS for improvement in Social Studies, high achievement in Art and consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Waimarama Sinai EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Te Reo Maori, Textiles, and Outdoor. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Design in Food both in practical and theory and Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Daisy Soverel-MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Mathematics and high achievement in Textiles. Achieved Junior Diploma. Mika Story MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Isabella Tweedale EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Art and Mind Lab/Digi Tech. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Science and high achievement in Textiles. Achieved Junior Diploma. Destiny Ward MERIT AWARD for perseverance in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. Achieved Junior Diploma.

YEAR 10 ACADEMIC AWARDS

Dylan Anderson MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Samantha Beauchamp MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Social Studies, English, Science, Health, Design in Food both in practical and theory, Mind Lab/Digi Tech and high achievement in Textiles and receives the Creative Textiles Award donated by M George. Uenuku Biddle Reedy MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Science and Health. Achieved Junior Diploma. Charlie Booth MERIT AWARD for perseverance in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. Achieved Junior Diploma. Elijah Brown MERIT AWARD for high achievement in Art. Luke Burton MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Dillon Copley EXCELLENCE AWARD for Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Aaliyah Dennison MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Physical Education and Mind Lab/Digi Tech, perseverance in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials, improvement in Science and high achievement in Textiles. Achieved Junior Diploma. Una Drayton EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Design and Innovation Resistant Materials, Science, Art, Social Studies, Mathematics, English, Mind Lab/Digi Tech and Physical Education. She receives a certificate from the Volcanics eLearning Community for First in Class Level 1 Japanese. Brooke Graham EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Social Studies, Physical Education, Mathematics and Design in Food. She receives the Most Promising Student in Practical Foods Trophy donated by M George. MERIT AWARDS for improvement in Science, consistent effort in English, Mind Lab/Digi Tech and Performing Arts and high achievement in Art. Maina Gray EXCELLENCE AWARD for Te Reo Maori. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Social Studies, Science, Mathematics, Design & Innovation Resistant Materials and Mind Lab/Digi Tech, perseverance in English and high achievement in Art. Marama Groot EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Social Studies, Physical Education, Art, English, Mathematics, Performing Arts, Mind Lab/Digi Tech and Design in Food. Jameliya-Rose Hiroti MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials and high achievement in Textiles. Achieved Junior Diploma. Bella Hohipa MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Physical Education, Mathematics, Mind Lab/Digi Tech and Performing Arts. Achieved Junior Diploma. Kayla Jordan EXCELLENCE AWARDS for English, Art, Performing Arts and Textiles. She receives the SIMS Award for excellence in Junior Performing Arts.

MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Social Studies, Mind Lab/Digi Tech and Physical Education, Mathematics and improvement in Science. Sachin Kumar EXCELLENCE AWARD for Mind Lab/Digi Tech. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Physical Education. Chelsea Marsada MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in English, Physical Education, Social Studies and Mind Lab/Digi Tech, high achievement in Art and improvement in Mathematics. Silas McNaught MERIT AWARDS for high achievement in Art and consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. She receives the Junior Production Trophy. Sierra Metekingi EXCELLENCE AWARD for Design in Food. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Te Reo Maori and Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. Tearoha Richards-Wiari Achieved Junior Diploma. Ella Rowe EXCELLENCE AWARD for Textiles. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Social Studies and Health. Achieved Junior Diploma. Jordan Setiu MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Health. He receives the Most Improved Junior Performing Artist Award donated by D Sims. Cameron Smith EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Performing Arts and Mind Lab/Digi Tech. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Health, Mathematics, English and Design in Food both in practical and theory. Achieved Junior Diploma. Zeb Smith EXCELLENCE AWARD for Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. MERIT AWARD for high achievement in Art. Achieved Junior Diploma. Taniora Taitumu EXCELLENCE AWARD for Mind Lab/Digi Tech. MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Health. Tyler Te-Kani MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. Achieved Junior Diploma. John Waller MERIT AWARD for perseverance and improvement in Performing Arts. Brooke Wilson EXCELLENCE AWARD for Design in Food. MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mind Lab/Digi Tech. Achieved Junior Diploma. Santaesjah Wood EXCELLENCE AWARDS for Science and Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Social Studies, Mathematics, Physical Education and Design in Food in both practical and theory. Achieved Junior Diploma.

Sports Awards

Athletics Junior Girl (PTA Cup) Bella Hohipa Junior Boy (PTA Cup) Taniora Taitumu Intermediate Girl (Woodward Cup) Una Drayton Cross Country Junior Girl (Mary Whale Cup) Holly McIlroy-Smart Junior Boy (Herbert Smith Trust Cup) Intermediate Boy (Leo Cleary Cup) Hunter Jackman & Shane Muru-Albert Mason Richards Swimming Junior Girl Bella Hohipa Junior Boy (TG Drayton Cup) Hunter Jackman Intermediate Boy (Cup) Gene Henderson Netball Junior Cup (Checkers Netball Cup) for the most valuable player Ella Rowe & Maina Gray Squash Junior Girl Champion (Megan Laurenson Trophy) Grace Burnard Junior Boy Champion (Jackie Laurenson Trophy) Jayden Bailey Snowboarding Junior Boy Champion and also received a Blues Award Tui Wikohika Supreme Snowboarder Award (Callum Green "Pink" Memorial Trophy) Tui Wikohika Skiing Junior Girl Champion (Knight Family Trophy) and also received a Blues Award Lola Crump Junior Boy Champion (Knight Family Trophy) Jayden Bailey Waka Ama Junior Boy (Maunga Sports Trust Plaque) Shane Muru Albert

ACHIEVED JUNIOR DIPLOMA WITH DISTINCTION YEAR 9 George Buan, Grace Burnard, Sophie Coller, Devon Griffin-Chappel, Uenuku Hansen, Veronica Hays, Aroha Lima, Archie Mills Keri Osborne, Harry Parker, Joshua Simons

ACHIEVED JUNIOR DIPLOMA WITH DISTINCTION YEAR 10 Samantha Beauchamp, Una Drayton, Brooke Graham, Maina Gray, Marama Groot, Kayla Jordan, Chelsea Marsada