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Newsletter

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Thurs 5 March	Athletic Sports
Fri 6 March	Academic Mentoring in Roopu
Thurs 12 March	Year 12 Tramp
Fri 13 March	Year 12 Tramp Academic Mentoring in Roopu
Sun 15—Fri 20 March	Kiwi 4 Eva
Wed 18 March	WSS Athletics Waikato University
Thurs 19 March	Food Safety/Team BBQ L2/3
Fri 20 March	Food Safety/Team BBQ L2/3 Academic Mentoring in Roopu
Wed 25 March	University of Auckland
Thurs 26 March	Year 9 3 Way Conferences. More Information to Follow
Fri 27 March	Ugly Shakespeare: Othello Academic Mentoring in Roopu
Mon 30 March-Fri 3 April	Waka Ama Rotorua
Thurs 2 April	Parent-Teacher Interviews
Thurs 9 April	Last Day of Term 1

Swimming Results

Whanau Results

1st- Kiwi 2nd - Tui 3rd - Huia 4th - Weka

Champions

Congratulations to students: Junior Female - Shae Lyons Junior Male - Harry Rowe Intermediate Female - Noah Harto Intermediate Male - Hunter Jackman Senior Female - Libby Graham Senior Male - Davron Takitimu

The swimming sport was our second whanau event for the year. Congratulations to Kiwi who came first and Tui who came second.



Academic Achievement

Every year, we celebrate the students who gained merit and excellent endorsement in their subjects at the end of 2019. To gain endorsements, students need to pass with merits and excellence in most of their assessments and to achieve that grade in the external examinations.

Congratulations to excellence endorsement students at NCEA level 1; Korbyn Garland and Megan Rolleson.

Congratulations to merit endorsement at level 1: Cameron Artz, Keri Baker, Emma Burnard, Ella Hawira, Jenna Jones, Saphhire Mapp, Brianna McKenna, Bo Soverel, and Sayge Wikohika.

Congratulations to excellence endorsement students at NCEA level 2-Kate Rowe and Shizuki Okumura, and merit endorsements at level 2-Mackenzie Charlton, Nazomi Groot and Samuel Lyon.

Also congratulations to yr 10 student Una Drayton who gained excellence subject endorsement for level 1 subjects and Rose Collett, Paige Pearce and Allivia Wallace who gained a one subject merit endorsement. We wish them every success for 2020.

Congratulations to our excellence and merit students.



Photo

Front row: Sayge Wikohika, Shizuki Okumura, Kate Rowe, Samuel Lyon, Rose Collett, Jenna Jones, Korbyn Garland.

Middle row: Una Drayton, Brianna McKenna, Allivia Wallace, Ella Hawira, Paige Pearce, Sapphire Mapp, Emma Burnard, Megan Rolleson,

Back row: Cameron Artz, Mackenzie Charlton, Nazomi Groot, Bo Soverel and Keri Baker.

12 Biology Class

Year 12 Biology students were contributing towards a Citizen Science project as part of their assessment tasks. They are collecting data and identifying patterns about health of the Makaranui stream. This is part of a monitoring and Restoration education programme involving Horizons Regional Council and Ngati Rangi.

Funding to help with this project is from the Whangaehu River Freshwater Improvement Fund Community Grant.

Photo on right: Ella Hawira assists Horizons Freshwater Scientist Ben Fraser, with a Long Finned Eel, however it got away before we could measure it's size!



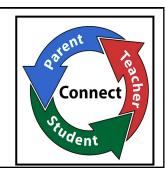


Parent/Teacher Interviews

On Thursday the 2nd of April.

Staff will be available for interviews between 2pm -5 pm and 5.30pm-7.30pm.

Parents can book interviews with teachers by going to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and use the event code **xxunj**Alternatively, call the school office and appointments can be made for you.



Te Pae Tata and Ruapehu College

Te Pae Tata and Ruapehu College have combined resources to run a UCOL level 2 Academy course in Digital Innovation. The students from the College are taught by Te Pae Tata manager, Rachel Hoskin and will gain valuable experience in digital design as well as credits for their NCEA Level 2 studies. "This is an excellent opportunity" says Principal Kim Basse "to utilize the resources at Te Pae Tata and Rachel's expertise as a tutor." Rachel's experience has been in the field of digital innovation and design thinking she was the Head of School for Creative Industries at UCOL before moving to Ohakune 2 years ago.

The students are really enjoying the programme. They are three weeks into the programme of study. The students have selected the subject based on their interest in digital technology. The digital technology programme has been running in the junior school at Te Pae Tata and Ruapehu College for a number of years and this is the next step to take the programme into the senior school.

"These students have the passion and drive because this is what they want to do in their future" says Hoskin, who teaches the programme, "these students will learn graphic design, visual problem solving and the related computer software to have a good head start on whatever step they take next towards the

creative industries."

This programme fits the new digital curriculum too" says Ms Basse. "We look forward to seeing what the students produce and where the programme takes them."

The programme runs at Te Pae Tata two half days per week all year and a graduation will be held in December.

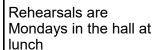
Caption: Some of the design technology UCOL class; back row-Keri Baker (yr 12), Principal Kim Basse, Te Pae Tata Manager, Rachel Hoskin, Brodie Kahukura (yr12) Izzy Theodore (yr 13).

Seated; Mikayla Lawrence (yr 11), Caleb Murphy (yr 12), and Sachin Kumar (yr 11)



Ruapehu College Community Band

Flute/Clarinet/
Saxophone
Trumpet/Cornet/Eb
Horn
Trombone/Euphonium/
Bass/Tuba
Drums/Percussion





All welcome, any age, any stage this includes parents and siblings.

For more information contact Kathy Clark 021 689 005 kclark@ruapehu.school.nz

College Sport

Volleyball

We have two teams competing in the six-week competition in Whanganui. There were three matches.

Match 1- Ruapehu College B lost 25-11 to Whanganui senior Boys in the first game and lost 10 -2 in the second game.

Match 2- Ruapehu A vs Cullinane Senior Boys lost the first game 25-9 and won the second game 25-23.

Match 3- Ruapehu A vs Whanganui High School-Ruapehu A won the two games 25-19 and 25-17 respectively.

Waka Ama

Students are training for the Nationals coming up late March.

Squash

students who have signed up are now playing at lunchtimes.

Ruapehu Express

5 of our students participated in the 25km



mountain bike ride at the Ruapehu Express. Matthew Smith, Ambrose Demchy, Anton Fraser, Hunter Jackman, Tarn Hoyle

Open Evening

It was good to see families at our year 9 parent evening on Thursday. This was an opportunity for parents to meet key staff and consolidate issues around parenting teenagers especially in the transition from year 8 to year 9. Of essence, was how to communicate with the school and who would be the best person to contact when needed.

The prefects and Year 13 students hosted volleyball in the gymnasium and we shared a BBQ sausage.

Parents were encouraged to download the KAMAR app to keep up to date with what was happening in the school.

RAL Season Pass

Thank you to those that expressed interest in purchasing discounted season passes at \$109, you are now able to purchase them at the following locations.

This offer is only valid until 30th April 2020 Purchase in person at RAL offices during operational hours

Whakapapa Top of Bruce Road, Whakapapa Ski Area, Mt Ruapehu Monday to Sunday, 9AM – 4:30PM (weather dependent, please refer to https://www.mtruapehu.com/whakapapa/report before making your way to Whakapapa)

Ohakune Snow Depot Powderhorn Chateau, 194 Mangawhero Tce (Bottom of Mountain Road), Ohakune Monday to Sunday, 9AM – 5PM

Please note that when purchasing a season pass, the parent/guardian would need to mention the School Name, First and Last Name of the student. If the student has an existing 2019 season pass, kindly have that in hand when making your purchase so our staff can reload your season pass.

Please note that this is a highly discounted product and is only available for the students included in the school roll submitted to the Schools and Groups Coordinator.

This offer is only valid until 30th April 2020. Parents/Students wanting to purchase season passes after 30th April can do so online or in-store with prices as listed on our website here - https://www.mtruapehu.com/seasonpass2020

If you missed getting you name on the list, contact Sarah sport@ruapehu.school.nz