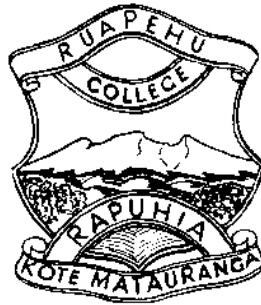


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Newsletter

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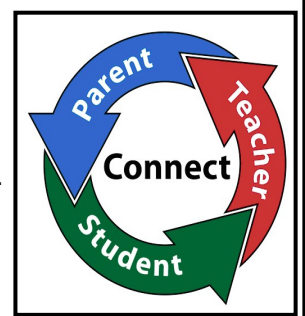
Wed 23 Sept	Year 8 Enrolments Evening and Parent Teacher Interviews 2.00-7.00pm. School closes at 2pm. Book on www.schoolinterviews.co.nz event code: fkn8h
Thurs 24 Sept	Mufti Day with Gold Coin Donation for St Johns
Fri 25 Sept	Last Day of Term 3
Mon 12 Oct	Term Four Begins
Wed 11 Nov	Senior Prizegiving

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Wednesday the 23 September.

Staff will be available for interviews between 2pm -5 pm and 5.30pm-7.00pm.

Parents can book interviews with teachers by going to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and use the event code fkn8h
Alternatively, call the school office and appointments can be made for you.



Italian Lunch

The year 12 students have been working on preparing an Italian 3 course meal for invited guests and themselves. Last Friday, they had the opportunity to cook and serve the meal. Mrs Hakaraia's foods class has been working on the assessment throughout the year. They worked in groups to design a menu, then trialed the making of the food before it was served to their guests.

The entrées included; Arancini (deep fried bite size pieces of rice filled with cheese) or focaccia al rosmarino (a bread with rosemary). The mains were; Lasagne (with freshly made pasta) layered and baked with besciamella, (cheese sauce), and trito di manzo (beef mince) or Pizza with home made pastry and delicious toppings. The dessert included a selection of; Apple costata, affogato (ice cream), gelato or Orange polenta cake.

The room was set in Italian style with flags and the colours of Italy, and the groups had to host their guests and serve them food. Mrs Griffin- Chappel was served by her son Tristrum as well as two other students Brodie and Dalton Jordan. "It was really great to be involved in such a tasty lunch, thank you" she said.

All the guests and family were delighted with the standard of food. "It was a nice way to spend a lunch time" said Principal Kim Basse. The students will now evaluate their performance to finish the assessment.



Farming Cadetship for Cameron Artz

Congratulations to Cameron Artz (yr12) who has been selected for the Pukemiro station cadetship in Dannevirke.

Cameron is one of only three students who were accepted for next year's cadet intake. The selection process was competitive



with almost 50 applications from throughout New Zealand and an interview for those shortlisted.

Pukemiro Station is a sprawling 930 Hectare sheep and beef property. Cadets are trained in level 3 and 4 animal husbandry, stockmanship, fencing and feed management. They also study budgeting and the use of farm technology.

Cameron will start in January 2021 and is currently working to complete his level 2 assessments before the end of school. We wish him all the best.

Enrolment for Year 8 Students.

There will be an opportunity for parents to take the enrolment forms to the College and enrol their child for 2021. This will be from 2.00-6.30 pm on Wednesday the 23rd September.

End of Year Examinations

Students sat school exams last week. These were delayed slightly due to this year's lockdowns, but students were prepared and ready to go. The external practice exams are an important indication of ability should there be further lockdowns later in the year. The NCEA exams start early November.



Student Teacher

Conor Whitehead has joined the College as a P/E student teacher. He has a Bachelor of Sustainability and Outdoor Education and has years of experience teaching a range of outdoor pursuits and activities as well as facilitating groups of young adults.

This includes working with primary and secondary school students teaching cycle safety, archery, high/low ropes activities, rock climbing, caving, canyoning, kayaking, abseiling and adventure-based learning activities. "This insight has inspired me to become a teacher because I recognise the importance of helping children realise their potential" he said. Conor was happy to share his knowledge and journey.



Vet Talks

Veterinarian Sarah Hart, spoke to students about a career as a vet. Arriving at school with three gorgeous puppies and her baby, a group of enthusiastic students tuned up to listen to the presentation.

Sarah, who is based in Taumarunui, discussed subjects' students should take if they want to be a vet, what universities to apply for and how the first six months of study is really hard and competitive.

Sarah has been a vet for five years now and spoke about some of her experiences. She really enjoys the job and encouraged the students to consider the position as something they might enjoy.

Caption

Lukas Kumeroa Ponga (yr 9) with Vet Sarah Hart, Jade Gibson (yr 10) and Devon Griffin-Chappel (yr 10) who held the puppies after the Vet careers presentation.



Career Talk.

This term the Ruapehu College Careers Office hosted a number of talks. The Careers Talks are an ongoing opportunity for students who are thinking about a particular career pathway to hear from individuals in that role or industry. The students find out what it is really like day to day, what you have to do to get there and the various pathways a job or course of study can provide.

So far this term, we have heard from a Wool Buyer, Pharmacy Technician, Singer/ Entertainer, NZ Defence Force (Army, Navy and Air Force) and, the most recent a Veterinarian. The Veterinarian's *live props* in the form of puppies were a big hit with the students, more so than the morning tea usually on offer.

The individuals who volunteer their time have found the students engaging and there have been many questions asked about the pathways, process and of course the salaries on offer in particular industries. The re-emerging theme from the volunteer speakers is the importance of work ethic, people skills, minimum entry requirements and anecdotes about the various rewards available in their career pathways.

The Careers Talk information is shared on the school Facebook page and in notices around the school - watch this space!

School Netball

Netball practice continues this year despite no competition in Whanganui.

Goal shoot Megan Botha (yr 10) being defended by Goal Keeper Santaesjah Wood (year 11).



Mountain Biking

The Whanganui Mountain Bike Championship was hosted by Sport Whanganui last Thursday 10th September at Pauri Lake MTB Park. Two students from the College entered and the boys competed in the Yr9 &10 race.

Congratulations to Ambrose Demchy (year 9) who was placed 3rd and Tarn Hoyle (year 9) who was placed 10th. "It was god fun biking around the lakes!" said Ambrose.



The Ruapehu College Community Band offers further opportunities for orchestral and band instrumentalists and works in harmony with our Performing Arts activities.

Students are encouraged to explore music of their choice alongside classical works and popular music.

The collaborative approach of a community band is an excellent template for building self-confidence, time management and problem-solving skills.



Our community band programme includes instrumental tuition in small groups and a range of ensembles. We regularly perform in public and participate in external activities that support the ambitions of our players.

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Your band



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YOUR INSTRUMENT/S

If you already play an instrument - that's great!

My instrument is _____
and I have been playing for _____ years

OR /I would like to learn to play the _____



FOR THE STUDENTS

The Ruapehu Community College Band was established to provide young musicians opportunities to play not just with their peers, but with musicians in the wider community. Families, friends and visits by specialist musicians and ensembles enrich the experience of our students regardless of their abilities.

THE BAND WORKS WITH LOCAL GROUPS INCLUDING THE WAIMARINO JUNIOR BAND AND THE OHAKUNE PRIMARY SCHOOL BAND

BAND MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN NEW ZEALAND'S PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAND PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE NATIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS BRASS BAND

OUR TUTORS ARE ALL EXPERIENCED COMMUNITY BAND MEMBERS WITH A PASSION FOR MUSIC AND MANY GIVE THEIR TIME FREELY TO THE BAND

Return this form to Ruapehu College by no later than 31 October. You can leave the form at the office or email it to kclark@ruapehu.school.nz