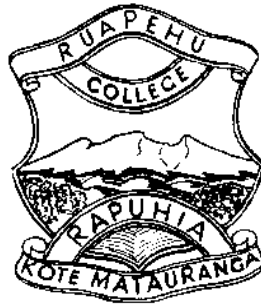


# RUAPEHU COLLEGE



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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 12—20 October 2020

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Thurs 22 Oct	Sports Celebration Breakfast
Mon 26 Oct	Labour Day-Public Holiday
Mon 2 Nov	Senior Reports Sent Out
Wed 11 Nov	Senior Prizegiving

## Staff Changes

Welcome back to Term Four. The year seems to have gone by very quickly. Seniors only have another 4 weeks until they leave school to begin their NCEA examinations.

At the end of last term, we said farewell to our Principal Kim Basse who has started a new position in Auckland working for the Ministry of Education. Marama Allen and the board chair Elijah Pue, supported Kim at her pōwhiri in Auckland last Monday.

We thank Marama Allen who has stepped up as Acting Principal until a new principal is appointed for next year. Also, Campbell Hart who has taken the position of Acting Deputy Principal.



## Pub Charity Funding

The Ruapehu College Waka Ama would like to thank Pub Charity for approving a grant application of \$14,521.74 to purchase a six-man waka ama for our students.

This purchase is very exciting and a relief that the college no longer has to rely on the kindness of the Whanganui clubs to share their waka in order for the college teams to train on the water.



## Willie Apiata VC Westpac Ambassador

After a short pōwhiri, twenty senior students enjoyed a workshop with Willie Apiata VC who became the first recipient of the Victoria Cross for New Zealand which was instituted in 1999 to replace the British Victoria Cross. He earned the award for rescuing a wounded comrade under fire in Afghanistan in 2004.



He talked to the students about his life experiences and values. He then worked with them to examine their values focusing on life beyond the classroom, and the tangible application of values as a guide to life.

Students thoroughly enjoyed the workshop, which included holding his medals.

The school would like to acknowledge Kemp Dryden and Sue Foley from Westpac for making this valuable experience with Willie Apiata possible.





## Scholarship Success

Congratulations to Kate Rowe who has been awarded a 'Te Paewai O Te Rangi' scholarship worth up to \$25,000 over 3 years for her study at Waikato University.



'Te Paewai o te Rangi' is a University of Waikato Scholarship for Outstanding Academic Achievement. It was established to contribute to the University's vision of achieving excellence, distinctiveness and international connectedness.

Kate is a very worthy recipient who exemplifies the school values of respect, honesty, confidence and Rapuhia Kote Matauranga (seek further knowledge).

## Ngāti Rangi Scholarship

Applications for Ngāti Rangi Scholarship for 2021 are open now and close 30th October 2020: (Two @ \$1,000 each)

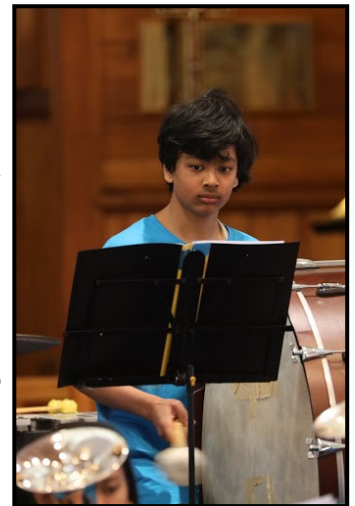
One is available for Year 10 going into Year 11, and another for a Year 11 going into Year 12.

Applications forms can be collected and returned to the front office.

## Ruapehu College Percussionist

Ruapehu College percussionist Arnav Ram has become the first player from the Ruapehu College Community Band to represent the region in a national band.

Over four music-filled days, he worked with 40 other young musicians from across the island who came together as the National Secondary Schools Brass Band – North Island.



The Band came together on 7 October and worked solidly with some of the country's finest brass and percussion tutors before a sell-out concert on 10 October at St Andrews Church in Taupo.

The Ruapehu College Community Band began in Term 1 2020 and is open to all brass, woodwind and percussion players. The band rehearses on Mondays at the College. For further information email [kclark@ruapehu.school.nz](mailto:kclark@ruapehu.school.nz) or phone 021 689 005.

## Squash

Emma Burnard and Sayge Wikohika went to D Grade Superchamps Nationals (after winning the Central title) as part of a team in September and they were runners up.



Cameron Smith and Harry Rowe went to F grade Superchamps Nationals (after winning the Central title) too and their team were runners up too.

Jayden Bailey - winner of Central D Grade Mens Champion of Champion and then went on to take out the National D Grade title.



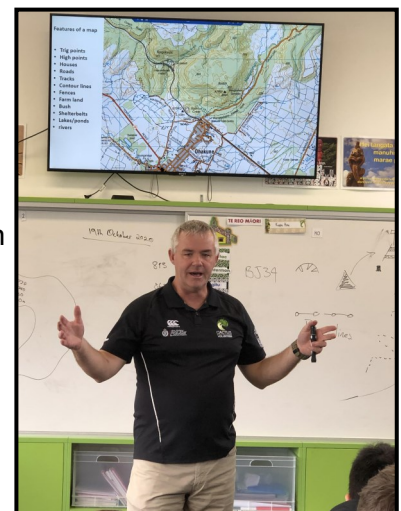
Grace Burnard - was selected to train and play for Central Juniors this year, competing in one challenge Central vs Eastern winning her games, before Covid-19 cancelled the rest of the junior challenge events for 2020.

## Social Studies

Thank you to Bruce Francis a past pupil of Ruapehu College has been involved in Search and Recue within our region since he was 16 years of age.

He presented a story from his experience in the field to our year 9 students.

Bruce also explained the relevance of topographical maps within real life situations.



# Feeling Stuck?

## Free new health service in the Waimarino

The Wellbeing Team are here to help you with physical, emotional and social challenges.

Taha tinana (physical) | Taha hinengaro (emotional) | Taha whānau (family and social)

It might be about



Alcohol or  
Smoking



Lifestyle  
Choices



Anger



Long term  
conditions like  
Diabetes



Anxiety or  
Depression



School or  
Study



Exercise



Sleep



Food or  
Nutrition



Stress



Family  
Whānau  
Parenting  
Relationships



Work

Book a **FREE** 30-minute appointment at Ruapehu Health with Awhi Kingi (Health Improvement Practitioner) of Frances Hays (Health Coach). We'll have a chat, put our heads together and come up with a plan to make a difference.

Phone: (06) 3854 211

**Small steps in the direction of what matters**

Poster created by Maggie Mowat (HIP) & Tyler Chapman (Health Coach)  
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