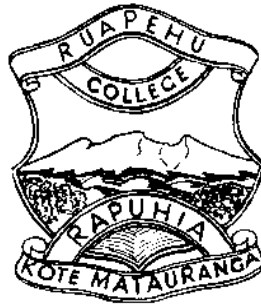


# RUAPEHU COLLEGE



Seek further knowledge



## 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 3—12 March 2021

Principal: Marama Allen  
Email : [principal@ruapehu.school.nz](mailto:principal@ruapehu.school.nz)  
Phone: 06 3858398

Fri 12 March	Year 12 Tramp
Wed 17 March	Whanganui Secondary Schools Athletics Powhiri for New Deputy Principal Mick Darmody
Sun 21 March– Fri 26 March	Kiwi Forever
Tues 23 March– Fri 26 March	Waka Ama Secondary Schools Nationals
Tues 30 March	L1 Geography Field Trip
Thurs 1 April	L2 & L3 Geography Field Trip
Fri 2 April –Tues 6 April	Easter Break Back to school Wednesday
Thurs 8 April	Parent teacher interviews Outdoor Rock Climbing Module
Mon 12 April	Geography & Tourism Rotorua Field Trip
Tues 13 April	Ugly Shakespeare: 'Romeo & Jules' and Ugly Shakespeare WORKSHOP Puhoro - Massey Visit
Wed 14 April	Outdoor Rock Climbing Module

### Deputy Principal Appointment

Ruapehu College Board of Trustees have appointed Mick Darmody as Deputy Principal



" I feel very privileged to have been appointed as Deputy Principal and thank the Board of Trustees and the appointment committee for their faith in me and the opportunity to work in this role. Ruapehu College is a very special place, with amazing students and a hard- working, talented, dedicated staff. The prospect of being in a position where I can use my experience to assist in the further development of the college is an exciting one and I look forward to working with staff, students, whanau and the wider community to ensure that all students leave Ruapehu College with a high quality, high value education, that puts them in control of their futures and provides them with options throughout the rest of their lives." -Mick Darmody

### Year 9 Health and Wellbeing Check

Parents and caregivers of Year 9 students will receive a letter by mail offering a health and wellbeing check by one of our public health nurses (WDHB) based in the school.

If you do not receive a letter, please contact Public Health on 06 348 1775 for further information. The public health nurse provides a confidential nurse led clinic on Monday mornings. This provides all students with the opportunity to seek focused health advice and support.

### Learn to Drive - Learners Licence STAR course.

Cost: \$50, pay at the office.

Note: you must show Mrs Phillips in the Careers office your receipt to secure your place on the course.

2021 Term 1 Course Dates @ 3.15pm in the Ag room:

- 1st session - Tuesday 16 March 2021
- 2nd session - Tuesday 23 March 2021
- 3rd session - Tuesday 30 March 2021
- Test - Tuesday 06 April 2021

### Ruapehu College School Board of Trustees Election

Nominations are open for the election of 1 parent representative to the Board of Trustees.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form and a notice calling for nominations – you can use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at noon on 9th April 2021.

You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidate names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at 4pm on 12th May 2021

Returning Officer  
Kay Sutton  
Ruapehu College

## Athletics Day

On Tuesday, the whole school left the classrooms and took to the field for Athletics Day. Students came to school wearing their whanau colours proudly and had a good time competing in individual events.

Santaesjah Wood broke the Senior Girls Shotput record with her throw of 11.07metres. This record was previously held for 45 years by P Marumaru and her throw of 11.06metres.



The day ended with sprints and relays. This saw the students chant loudly for their whanau team members competing. The year 13's only just made it across the finish line in front of the staff relay team.

The prefects awarded Veronica Hays with their own Prefect Award for her outstanding commitment, participation and support for her house Weka.

## Athletics Results

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



## Swimming Sports Results

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

## Year 12 Biology Trip

On Friday, Year 12 Biology students ventured to Makaranui Stream to take samples and measure data for assessments this term. They were fortunate to be joined by Sarah Williams the Education Advisor from Horizons Regional Council.





## Whanau Leaders

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected as senior whanau leaders for 2021.

Huia-: Paige Pearce, Sayge Wikohika

Kiwi- Bo Soverel, Ella Hawira

Tui-Santaesjah Wood, Zeb Smith

Weka- Dalton Jordan, Veronica Hays

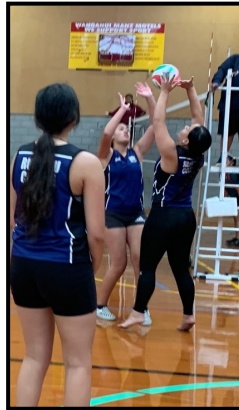
## Sport

### Volleyball

Well done to both our senior and junior volleyball teams who travel to Whanganui every second Wednesday. They are improving every week.

### Waka Ama

Students are in their final two weeks of training before heading to the nationals in Rotorua on the 23 March.



## Year 9 'Fun on the field' BBQ

Students, their families and teachers enjoyed spending some time after school playing some sports, using the water slide and just getting to know one another at the 'Fun on the field' BBQ Wednesday evening.

