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# **Newsletter**

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Thurs 17 June	Girls in High Vis Careers Day Event
Fri 18 June	Year 9 Vision and Hearing
Wed 23 June	Rural Health Careers Promotion Programme
Thurs 24 June	Board of Trustees Meeting
Sat 26 June	Smokefree ROCKQUEST Finals
Mon 5—Sun 11 July	Production Week
Fri 9 July	Last Day of Term 2
Thurs 15-Fri 16 July	PFA Trip: The Lion King
Mon 26 July	Term 3 Begins

#### **New Uniforms**

We are currently upgrading some of the school sports uniforms.

Earlier in the year we purchased new singlets. It was a collaboration of both teachers and student input into the designs.

The Māori pattern on the back of the shirts replicates that seen on Te Toka our rock at the front of the school.

The shorts were kindly sponsored by HoopNation which was very generous.



#### First Aid Course

On 1st and 2nd June the Year 13 students were offered the chance of a First Aid Course by the Waimarino St John committee.

One of the committee's projects in their Community Health and Well Being portfolio, was to offer the school leavers a free First Aid course





to boost their CV and help with job procurement. All the year13 students were successful and gained their certificate. It was an enjoyable day with practical but essential, life saving skills learned.

### **Geography and Tourism Trip to Rotorua**

On Friday 4th of June, Geography and Tourism students from Ruapehu College experienced Rotorua tourism first hand. Thanks to the Laurenson Trust for helping us get there. Starting at the crack of dawn, the group travelled to Rotorua where they learned about geothermal and multicultural tourism at Te Puia.

The highlight of this visit for most of the students was the interactive kapa haka performance. Our boys quickly mastered the haka Ka Mate, Ka Mate. After a tour of the Whakawherawhera Geothermal Fields, students were delighted by the antics of the kiwis in the Kiwi House.

The day continued with a visit to Government Gardens Tea House, where students learned about the development of

tourism in Rotorua from the Pink and White Terraces to the impacts of Covid 19 on the industry. After indulging in lunch, students partook in some contempory tourism with a visit to the treetop walk in the redwoods and the not to be missed luge.



#### **Carrot Carnival**

Year 13 students, Korbyn Garland, Tristrum Griffin-Chappel and Connor Gibson volunteered their time to help on the bouncy castle and obstacle course at the Carrot Carnival last weekend. The





students fronted up for their classmates and were awesome helpers watching over the many children enjoying these free activities. The Carrot Carnival Committee have generously made a donation towards the seniors ball as thanks for volunteering their personal time and for their efforts.

Well done for the impressive performances from Korbyn Garland, Tarn Hoyle and Isla Thompson entertaining the crowd with wonderful music.





### Year 13 Biology Field Trip

Year 13 Biology students took their turn to work on local streams last week. They were investigating seasonal patterns of Makaranui Stream furthering their assessment work and continuing the partnership with Horizons to improve and monitor the health of the stream.





#### Support Staff Week.

Thank you to all the support staff who work at Ruapehu College. As we are all aware the support staff play a very important role in the successful operation of the school and without them the teachers job would be impossible.



Coffee Course **Industry Training** Solutions (ITS) provided our students with a two day course learning the essentials in making coffee and barista service. Students enjoy the packed days learning the origins of coffee, the parts of the machine, and the differences between a long black, short black, cappuccino and latte. They were very proficient at stretching the milk. Special teachers were privileged to be

samplers. ITS





always commend our students on their positive behaviour and attitude during these courses.

# Year 10 Design and Innovation Food enjoying a pancake flipping competition.







## **Boys Rugby**

Our under 15's first rugby game was defaulted yesterday. Instead played a game of 10's against each other. It was good to see the boys in action who had not played for the college before. There was some good skills on display and the team are looking good for the season ahead.





### Squash

The college team had another win this

week on a points count-back. Match score was 2-2 and on countback they won 187v184. They also won 3-1 last fortnight.





# **Girls Rugby**

Yesterday our girls rugby team played Whanganui High School and won 145-17.



#### Netball

Our Junior Girls Central Plateau results for this week. They played against Tongariro School in Turangi, and it was a tougher game for them. They won 38-30.



