

Ruapehu College



1998

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The annual College Magazine is always something that the students, staff and community look forward to receiving. As a summary of the year's activities it is probably the best reflection of college life. Whilst some may not appreciate it at the time, it is an historical record that is often opened years later and reminds us of what was and what could have been.

The 1998 college year was again a very complex one. An increase in class trips and sports participation, along with our determination to come to grips with the new curriculum and unit standards, meant a busy time for all. The teaching staff are a dedicated group of professionals well supported by a new Board of Trustees which has helped ensure that the students have gained much from another year. Many initiatives have been put in place or are planned and we must look forward to the future positively. Students can reach their potential at Ruapehu College if they have the desire to do so. They are certainly encouraged to do their best.

I take this opportunity to thank the staff and students who worked long and hard to produce our 1998 magazine.

R G Lane, Principal



OUR VISITORS FROM JAPAN

We have been fortunate to have Mr Takashi Nishio and Ms Rie Ishiura from Japan. They are in New Zealand to foster Japanese language and culture. Mr Nishio arrived in September 1997 and left in May of this year.



Ms Ishiura arrived in October. She had previously spent some time in the United States and came to us with a slight American accent, but it is getting harder to hear that accent now as she is really getting into the swing of a kiwi accent. Both Takashi and Rie have been of great help to the Japanese class. They have enjoyed seeing the rest of New Zealand in their holidays and Rie was great company on the Capital Experience Activity Week.



RUAPEHU EVENTS 1998



February

- 3 Powhiri
Level 9, 12, 13 attend
- 4 Level 10, 11 attend
- 5 Head Boy/Girl announced
- 11 Gillette Cup Cricket
Diving Sports
3R Camp
- 16 1997 BMG winners
presentation
- 17 Swimming Sports
- 19 3U Camp
- 25 3A Camp
- 27 Student ID photos
- 28 6 Geo Flight, Wanganui

March

- 3 Athletics Sports prelims
- 4 Athletics Sports
- 6 Vision testing
- 10 School photos
- 11 Parent/Teacher night
- 13 MS Appeal and Wanganui
Secondary School Swimming
- 16 7 Geo Mangatepopo Valley
- 17 Work Day
- 18 Wanganui Secondary
Schools Athletics
- 23 F6 & 7 Bio - Massey
- 28 Family portrait fund-raiser

April

- 1 Interwhanau summer sports
- 4 North Island Secondary
Schools Athletics (Wanganui)

TERM II

April

- 27 ANZAC Service

May

- 1 Waikato University Open Day
- 4 5 Geo Mt Ruapehu
5 Hist, 6 Media to Waiouru
Museum
- 7 Nga Manu Korero Speech
Competition
- 12 Junior Speech finals
- 13 Cross Country
- 21 Levels 11, 12, 13 exams
begin
- 28 CF Choc Fish Mufti Day
- 29 Brenda Lawson addresses
assembly

June

- 2 Senior Speech finals
- 8 5 Sci Taupo
- 15 7 Bio Turangi
- 18 Impromptu Speeches
Senior Reports issued
- 20 NZ cross country in
Christchurch
- 24 Interwhanau Science Quiz
- 25 Level 10 Science Fair

July

- 1 Interwhanau Maths Quiz
- 2 Parent/teacher evening
Junior reports issued
- 3 Victoria University Open Day

TERM III

July

- 28 Australian Maths competition
- 29 Quadrangular Winter Sports
Tournament

August

- 2 6 Geo & 6, 7 History to
Wellington
- 3 Level 10 Careers Week
- 10 Level 10 Work Experience
Primary schools visit
- 23 7 Geo Tourism
- 24 NISS Snowboarding
competition
- 26 Parent/Teacher evening
- 29 Flaxmere Sports Exchange

September

- 4 Maori culture group to
Wanganui
MUNGA to Wanganui
- 5 Squash team to Dunedin
- 16 Interwhanau Social Studies
Quiz
- 17 Level 11, 12, 13 exams begin
- 23 Interwhanau English Quiz
- 24 Parent/teacher night

TERM IV

October

- 16 Vision testing
- 23 Senior reports issued

November

- 4 Tug of War
- 16 Maori oral exams
- 17 Form 6 external exams begin
- 20 Senior Prizegiving
- 23 Level 9, 10 exams
- 24 Last day for seniors
- 27 School Certificate begins

December

- 2 Top Class competition
- 4 Junior Prizegiving
- 7 Activities Week begins
- 11 Junior Reports issued

NEW STAFF

Two full time staff were appointed to begin the year: Mrs C Spencer and Mr M Fairbrother. Mrs Spencer is Head of the Science Department and Head of the Music Department and came to us from Wanganui High School. Mr Fairbrother is a first year Assistant Teacher specialising in English. Later in the year, Mr M Bregman joined us as a teacher trainee then when his training was complete, joined us as a permanent teacher of Graphics.

There have been some changes in support staff this year. Mrs W Young stepped in as receptionist in the school office for a short time. We now have Ms A Clarkin in that position.



LEAVING STAFF



Mr Bryce left for Auckland during the year and is now teaching Graphics at Auckland Grammar. He continues to keep contact with staff here who find it most interesting to hear about life in a school that is about as opposite as you can get from Ruapehu College.

Students will no doubt be sad to learn of Mr Rogers' departure. He was appointed to his new position very late in the year. He is now Head of Department, Science at Waimate High School and we wish him all the best. This is not the first teacher that they have 'poached' from us.



Mr Petroff has also left us and has decided to undertake further study. No doubt we will still see him around town as his wife will continue to teach Technology at the Ohakune Primary School.

A resignation came very late in the year from Mr Fairbrother. Their son Josef was born soon after Christmas. He is off to Christchurch and is keen to do further study and work in adult learning.

Mrs Perkins also left her position as receptionist in the school office but is continuing her work with truancy in the area.



1998 STAFF



Back row: Mr G Rogers, Miss N Rattray, Mrs C Chapman, Mrs K Sutton, Mrs T Perkins, Mrs A Stuckey, Mr R Bryce, Mr T Sotiri

Middle row: Mr M Fairbrother, Mr P Bishop, Mr K Hagener, Mr T Nishio, Mrs L Fetzer, Mrs C Quick, Mrs K Dixon, Mr B Perkins, Ms K Gibson

Front row: Mrs C Spencer, Mr A Swart, Mrs L Ryland, Mr J Laurenson, Mr R Lane, Mrs M George, Mr D Hynes, Mrs F Fraser, Mr M Haig

Absent: Mrs J Voon, Mrs S Laurenson, Mr C Petroff, Mrs S Allomes, Mrs D Campbell, Mr P Sutton, Mrs S Buck, Mr N Buck



Out on duty: Mr Bregman and Mr Perkins have been unanimously elected our first full time anti smoking flying squad.

LEADERS



Head Students and Board Representative

Back Row: Sarah Lind (Deputy Head Girl), Mathew Deadman (Board of Trustees Student Representative), Steven Sue (Deputy Head Boy)

Front Row: Michael Proude (Head Boy), Mr R G Lane (Principal), Ei Leen Voon (Head Girl)

Whanau Leaders

Back row: Sarah Tumataroa, Liana Herewini, Cheryl Bergeson, Leah Stuckey, Chaana Morgan, Emma Forster

Front row: Anton Gray, Stewart Hammond, Danley Vince, Mark Goldfinch, Fabian Marumaru



Student Council

Back row: Leah Stuckey, Josh Goddard, Danley Vince, Mark Goldfinch, Stewart Hammond, Sarah Tumataroa

Middle row: Janelle Martin, Margaret Mowat, Llana Waara, Emma Forster

Front row: Steven Sue, Ei Leen Voon, Michael Proude, Sarah Lind, Mathew Deadman

Absent: Cheryl Bergersen, Liana Herewini, Shane Albert, Anton Gray, Fabian Marumaru

HUIA WHANAU

Once again Huia stood back and let the other whanau fight for first place. Anton and I were first time whanau leaders and did not exactly lead Huia into victory but hopefully Huia will make a comeback next year. We did have a lot of individual achievements in our whanau but next year we need to stick together. Next year we need more nurturing and maybe even a hard push.

SHOUT FOR HUIA!

Sarah Tumataroa and Anton Gray



HUIA WHANAU

Huia CS

Back Row: Dennis Wihapi, Chris Journeax, Dion Nicholls, Mathew Katene

3rd Row: Chaana Morgan, Robert Fraser, Naida Rudkin, Hamiora Tangiora, Carolyn Mastrovich

2nd Row: Ms C Spencer, Callan Bennellick, Rangihopuata Rapana, Vicky-Rose Tairoa, Sarah Tumataroa, Luke Casey, Jodi Chapman

Front Row: Simone Hawira, Christine Sue, Pania Wallace, Kendyl Edgerton, Virginia Morris, Lutisia Gupwell, Kirsty Litt



Huia KH

Back Row: Bojan Legner, Steven Sue, Gabrielle Kelland, Ashley Brown

3rd Row: Anton Gray, Phillipa Martin, Hone Hubbard, Renata Takitimu, Fabian Marumaru

2nd Row: Mr K Hagener, Bridget Johnson, Hailee Waipouri, Michelle Hiscox, Sue-Ann Wilcox, Reece Morrissey, Connie Cooper, Serena Keast

Front Row: Lionel Morris, Martin Holman, Katie Woodhouse, Alice Mastrovich, Fumi Suzuki, Colin Thrupp, Jeffrey Stout

Absent: Jenny Pycraft

Huia RB

Back Row: Patricia Lawrence, Mathew Richards, Cameron Morris, David Tamatea, Abigail Bennellick

2nd Row: Llana Waara, Shaun Mott, Jeffrey Baylis, Janko Legner, Cindy Hunt

Front Row: Cory Saunders, Suanne Sue, Natalie Gilberd, Vicki Hiscox, Dwayne Preston

Absent: Richard Carmichael, Angela Fraser, Sharmese Wallace, Mr R Bryce



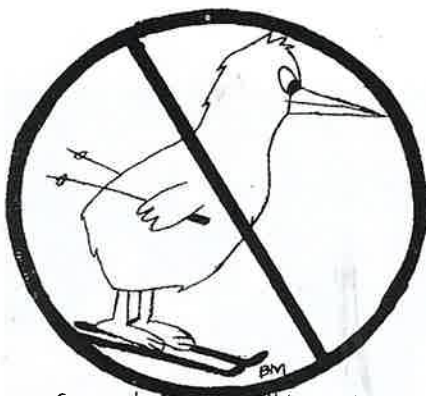
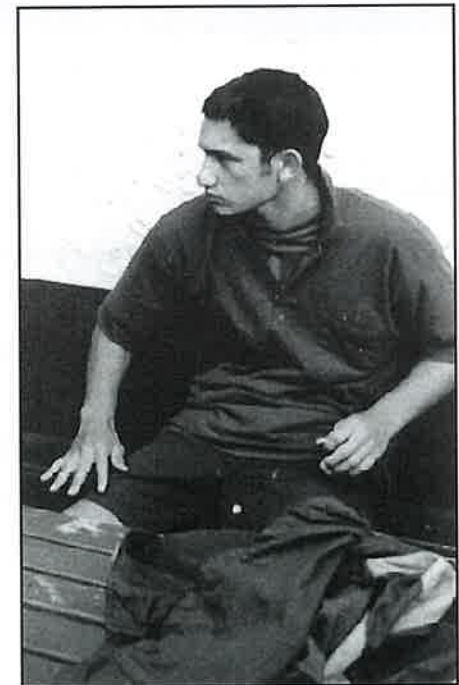
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What can we say except we have proven to be the best on numerous occasions. All the other whanau had to bow their heads to our lofty bird, with such achievements as Amoa Crossan, Sean Dobbs and Megan Laurenson being nominated for the Ruapehu District Sports Awards, Kanin Clancy doing well in the first XV Rugby, first XI Hockey and Under 16 Basketballs teams.

In every aspect, Kiwi students have performed to a level that we student whanau leaders can be proud of. No doubt future leaders and students will continue to take Kiwi to infinity and beyond.

Shane Albert and Belinda Marsh



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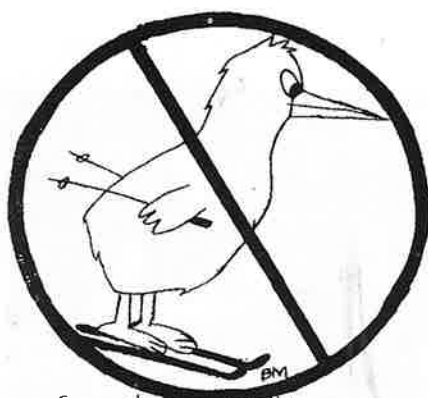
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KIWI WHANAU

KIWI AS

Back Row: Kane Simpson, Gareth Nixon, Kanin Clancy, Danny Foster, Daniel Neho, Coleman Albert, Corey Ruke-Brown

2nd Row: Mrs A Stuckey, Frances Ryland, Lana Hiroti, Nicholas McNie, Aleisha Walkley, Fiona Lynch, Adam Whitu, Fleur Howell, Mrs L Ryland (whanau leader)

Front Row: Ainsley Sands, Jenny-Lee Craig, Zarick Arahanga, Mervyn Gardner, Raymond Godfrey, Moana Te Muunu, Jessica Marsh



KIWI BP

Back Row: Toby Hutchings, Hikoi Teriaki, Shane Albert, David Herewini

3rd Row: Cheryl Bergerson, Reuben Wallis, Liana Herewini, Daniel Richards, Clayton Hiroti

2nd Row: Mr B Perkins, Ricky Newman, Jason Nuku, Tamara Taputoro, Kylie Nixon, Ashantha Perera, Fraser Hammond, Mrs L Ryland (whanau leader)

Front Row: Shantal Hemara, Amoa Crossan, Anne Jenkins, Tessa Mangos, Carrie Donaldson, Donnalea Hansen, Sharlene Marsh

KIWI MF

Back Row: Robert Lilburn, Neil Shanks, Mark Goldfinch, Scott Nuku, Belinda Marsh

3rd Row: Megan Laurenson, Robert Sands, Melissa Cameron, Philip Herewini, Jennifer Cresswell

2nd Row: Mr M Fairbrother, Daniel Newman, Jason Howe, Waylon Richards, Sean Dobbs, Alan Munn, Whare Teriaki, Mrs L Ryland (whanau leader)

Front Row: Lisa Poka, Shephanie Waerea, Deena Hammond, Patricia Condon, Lee-Anne Odom, Abbe French, Catherine Godfrey



TUI WHANAU

It's been a great year, and we've all had lots of fun. We would like to thank all of the other whanau for really close competition and the great fun we've had (and for teaching Tui that it's not only about winning!)

Thanks to every Tui kid who put in the effort, and full credit to those who participated.

And well, without saying much, at the end of the day (no matter what the scores say!) TUI IS THE WINNER!!!

Good luck for next year, and 'may the Tui spirit be with you!'

Thanks heaps, Emma Forster, Stewart Hammond and 'Podge' Deadman.



TUI WHANAU



TUI CC

Back Row: Joel Spry, Stewart Hammond, Mathew Deadman, Sharleszane Mareikura, Walter Blaikie

3rd Row: Daniel Burton, Chaise Tasker, Rebecca Lind, Donna Cranston, John Matoe, Pauro Mareikura, Mindy Pakinga

2nd Row: Jennifer McIlroy, Phelicia Brown, Christina Coombes, Kataraina Clark, Linda Grave, Selena Anderson, Mrs C Chapman

Front Row: Cameron O'Dwyer, Nikki-Lee Vine, Nolana Marsha, Owen Pooley, Sjahrne Haitana, Louisa McIlroy, Alex Davy.

TUI CP

Back Row: Sammi-Jo Ruki, Piki-Rose Webb, Tod Anderson, Carl Deadman, George Pooley, Aroha Te Huia, Margaret Mowat

2nd Row: Keri Bates, Emma Forster, Mariana Johnson, Christoper Ioannidis, Erin Abrahams, Vanessa Irwin, Leeane Reuben, Mr C Petroff

Front Row: Jenny Murdie, Nicola Peretini, Cameron Woon, Dwayne Marsh, Cameron Atkins, Delphina Ruki, Amie Vine.



TUI NR

Back Row: Kataraina Cassidy, Marino Akapita, Meki Pakinga, Sarah Lind, Bernard Deadman, Bianca Jensen, Channel Wood

2nd Row: Miss N Rattray, Susan Luff, Donna Deadman, Kim Surtees, Vicki Cranston, Kara Houliston.

Front Row: Diana Cranston, Daniel Shorten, Ronald Abrahams, Kathy Ruki, Sam Penning, Kristen Forster, Nicola Gilmore



WEKA WHANAU

Winning Everything by Keeping Active

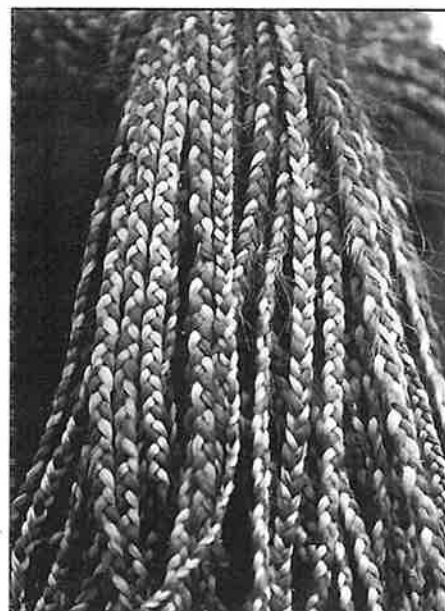
Yes, Weka can hold up their heads and say we've done it finally. It's been a long time coming, and after years of battling for 2nd and 3rd placings, Weka has finally sleeted Tui and Kiwi for top spot.

Weka has come together and with a combination of both highly competitive students and students who participate, points have favoured our whanau.

Weka has won ALL the major events including Athletics, Swimming and Cross Country. We have also won the Winter Sports and numerous other titles along the way.

Stand out Wekas have included Josh Goddard, Ei Leen Voon, Janelle Martin, Danley Vince, Stephen Bishop, Erin Martin, Cleo Rothschild and Andrew Evans. Of these, Danley Vince has succeeded in making a Central Districts Third Division Rep Team. Michael Proude made the Wanganui Under-19s rugby team, Andrew Evans made the Under-16s rugby team and Ei Leen Voon again has had numerous achievements in representative badminton.

A big thank you goes to the Weka leaders and deputies: Josh Goddard, Janelle Martin, Danley Vince and Leah Stuckey. Also a big thank you goes out to Mrs Voon who has given the whanau heaps of motivation and also the Hapu teachers, Mr Rogers, Mr Swart and Mrs Gibson for their efforts.



WEKA WHANAU

Weka GR

Back Row: Brad Hays, Danley Vince, Andrew Evans, Jamie Brock

Third Row: Leah Stuckey, Andrew Taylor, Michael Proude, Thomas King, Brock Marumaru, Erin Martin

Second Row: Mr G Rogers, A. Atkinson, Natalie Hodder, Cleo Rothschild, Sarah Thomson, Kieran McPherson, Nicole Shepherd

Front Row: Kirsten Kilmartin, Gena Goddard, Tania Hansen, Phree Edwards, Candy Morris, Kristine Clarke, Lila Taputoro



Weka KG

Back Row: Ms K Gibson, Hadlee Breen, Tony Martin, Angie Preater, Joshua Goddard, Joshua Campbell, Bentley Thomson

Second Row: Chloe Goodwin, Amy Hawira, Alana Ridings, Janelle Martin, Tracy Fowlie, Melissa Hodder

Front Row: Hazel Mullin, Jade Smith, Nathan Horne, Nathan Clarke, Joshua Hill, Julie Imhoff, Cassie Ann Nation



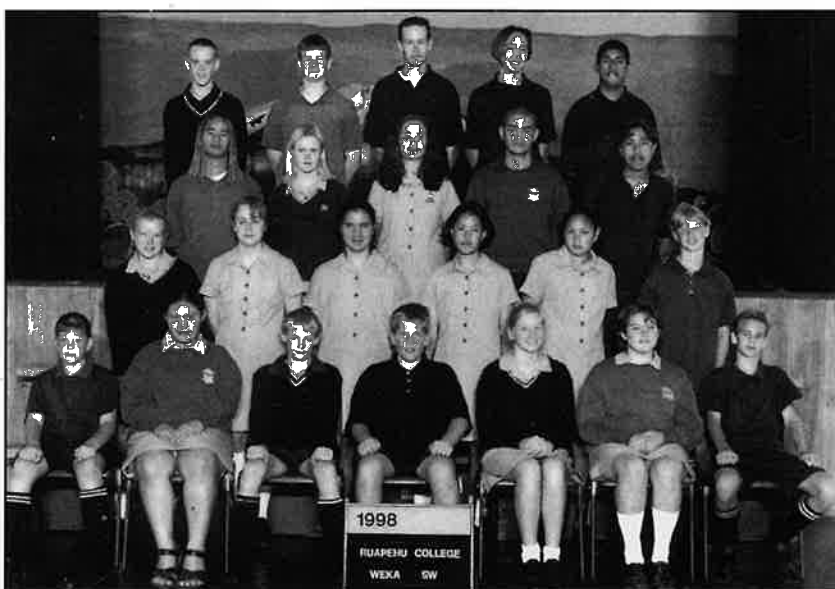
Weka SW

Back Row: Nicholas Costello, Chris Adams, Brian Hays, Shaun Hawira, Dean Tuhoro

Third Row: Matthew Bowsher, Nicola Smith, Eileen Voon, Arnold Henry, Tengaruru Sullivan

Second Row: Erin Kilmartin, Samantha Black, Alexis Clarke, Crystal Wikitera, Delicia Fortes, Steven Bishop

Front Row: Kyle Hill, Candice Jones, Kyle Martin, Jeremy Mott, Holly-Beth Sharp, Kelly Brock, Andrew Imhoff



OUR THIRD FORM



3R

Back Row: Chris Ioannidis, Adam Whitu, Tod Anderson, Brock Marumaru

3rd Row: Serena Keast, Natalie Gilberd, Alexis Clark, Cindy Hunt, Kylie Nixon, Samuel Penning, Sjahrne Haitana

2nd Row: Piki-Rose Webb, Daniel Shorten, Kirsten Kilmartin, Donna-Lea Hansen, Phelecia Brown, Megan Laurenson

Front Row: Diana Cranston, Kathy Ruki, Jeffrey Stout, Arana Atkinson, Daniel Burton, Nolana Marsh, Owen Pooley

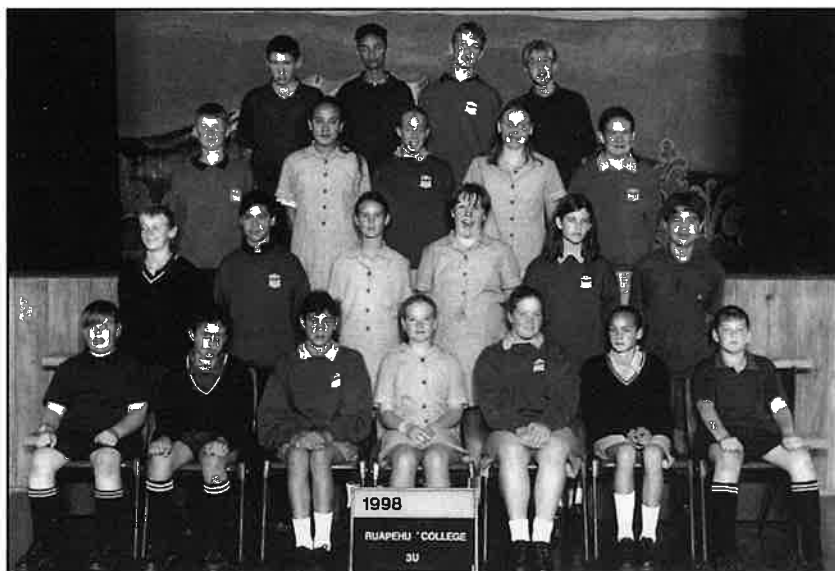
3U

Back Row: Joshua Campbell, David Tamatea, Carl Deadman, Fraser Hammond

3rd Row: Luke Casey, Bianca Jensen, Fiona Lynch, Alana Ridings, Jody Chapman

2nd Row: Kyle Martin, Alan Munn, Vicki Hiscox, Frances Ryland, Jenny-Lee Craig, Rangi Rapana

Front Row: Cameron O'Dwyer, Ronald Abrahams, Sharlene Marsh, Gena Goddard, Lee-Anne Odom, Kirsty Litt, Kyle Hill



3A

Back Row: Ben Thompson, Thomas King, Aroha Te Huia

3rd Row: Lionel Morris, Lisa Poka, Raymond Godfrey, Reuben Wallis, Whare Teriaki, Amy Hawira, Donna Deadman

2nd Row: Holly Sharp, Jessica Marsh, Candice Jones, Leanne Reuben, Pania Wallace, Dwayne Preston

Front Row: Delicia Fortes, Connie Cooper, Andrew Imhoff, Daniel Newman, Zarick Arahanga, Cassie Nation, Callan Bennellick



3U CAMP

We walked to Mangawhero Lodge from school. By the time we arrived most of us already had spider webs all over us. Little did we know that worse was ahead.

The BURMA TRAIL! We knew these words all too well. Kyle Martin, Sharlene Marsh and Gena Goddard were the first to go in. As each of them walked in about 10 metres Hoofman (Mr Bryce) would scream, but Gena screamed 10 times louder. Ronald Abrahams punched Mr Fairbrother in the head when he hissed at him. By the time we were finished, most of us had fallen in the river and were saturated.

The most memorable moment for me was Cameron O'Dwyer coming in to our 4-man tent and trying on Alana Riding's black lacy bra. Alan Munn walked in and Cameron screamed 'MY REPUTATION'S RUINED'

Of course there was Alana who decided to take a swim in her bra and undies on the way back from Blyth Hut. An elderly couple came around the corner, and Jodi Chapman, Fiona Lynch, Fran Ryland, Angelica Pickles (Mrs Voon) and I had to hurry to get her clothes back on.

There are three things I have learned from this camp: 1. Mr Haig doesn't know what a tank top is; 2. Mr Perkins tells useless horror stories; 3. If you hide in a tree while playing spotlight and say you are a possum - no one believes you.

Jenny Lee Craig



OUR FOURTH FORM

4A

Back Row: George Pooley, Brad Hays, David Herewini, Robert Lilburn

3rd Row: Virginia Morris, Daniel Richards, Rebecca Lind, Deane Tuhoro, Janko Legner, Michelle Hiscox, Clayton Hiroti

2nd Row: Abbe French, Nicole Shepherd, Erin Abrahams, Nick McNie, Chaise Tasker, Lana Hiroti

Front Row: Alex Davy, Nicola Gilmore, Ainsley Sands, Natalie Hodder, Stephanie Waerea, Alice Mastrovich, Jeremy Mott



4R

Back Row: Patricia Condon, Chris Journeaux, Renata Takitimu, Jason Howe

3rd Row: Sammi-Jo Ruke, Ema Bates, Corey Brown, Tenga Sullivan, Hamiora Tangiora, Chloe Goodwin

2nd Row: Erin Kilmartin, Joshua Hill, Patricia Lawrence, Carrie Donaldson, Jason Nuku, Cory Saunders

Front Row: Nikki-Lee Vine, Nicola Peretini, Hazel Mullin, Fleur Howell, Suanne Sue, Christina Coombes, Shantal Hemera

4U

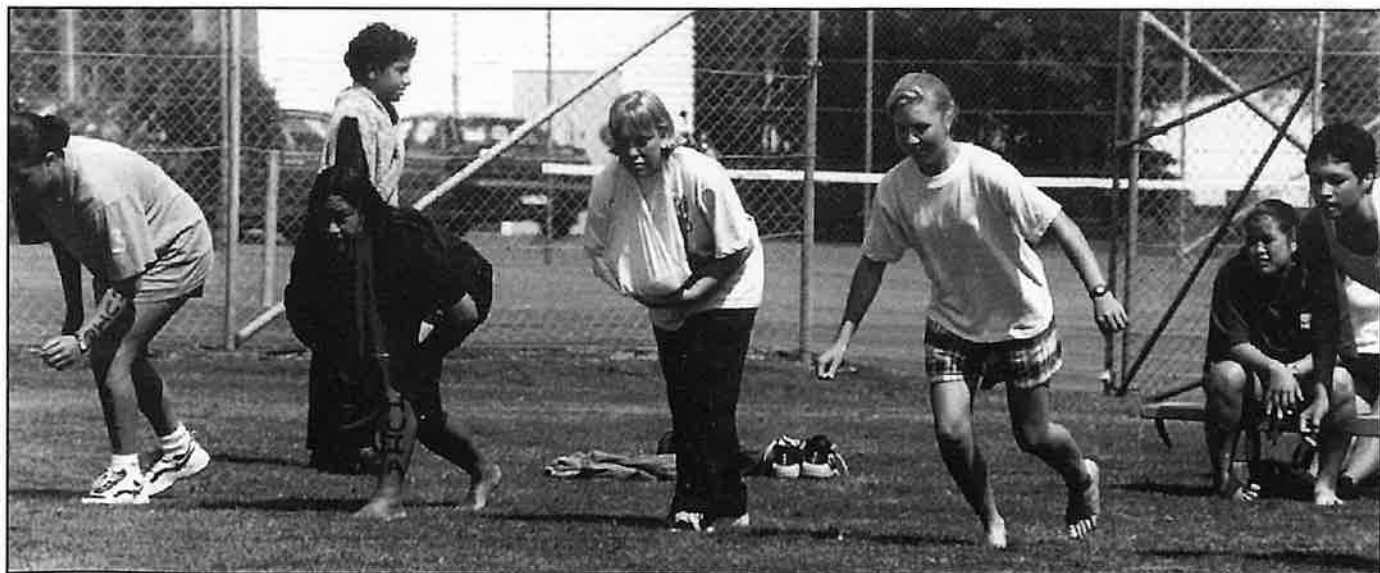
Back Row: Kim Surtees, Abigail Bennellick, Phillip Herewini, Coleman Albert, Erin Abrahams

2nd Row: Susan Luff, Steven, Vicky Taiaroa, Cleo Rothschild, Mervyn Gardener, Mindy Pakinga

Front Row: Kristen Forster, Deena Hammond, Nathan Horne, Nathan Clarke, Cameron Atkins, Vicki Cranston, Simone Hawira

Absent: Wiremu Pikari, Jenny Pycraft





LEVEL 12 TRIPS 1998

Sixth form, the year of internal assessment, the year of field trips. Some took us as far as Auckland and Wellington, while a few took us to the mountain (just up the road actually). But nevertheless, most trips provided us with memories.

Our Biology class went up the mountain early in the year to study the bush and forest. Poor, poor, Mr Rogers' car, how did it ever make it up there? But after a click and a bang, it not only made its way there, but back to school as well.

My Geography class went on quite a few field trips. One was a flight over Wanganui. A few boys thought that females shouldn't be allowed to pilot planes. But we'll leave that to the experts.

Another Geography trip was to Wellington. We visited the usual places like Te Papa and the History girls went to government buildings. But one student (Kanin Clancy) saw the spaces parlour and thought he had found heaven, but like everything, it had a price (he was left with \$12 for two days worth of meals).

Students, beware of Mrs Voon! Never ever get into a vehicle if she is driving or has hold of a map. We (Media Studies) told her to turn at Manukau to go to the airport. Somehow we ended up in Mt Wellington and arrived at the airport half an hour late.

The Biology class also went to Wellington. We went to the marine reserve where the lady there told us we weren't allowed to help feed the fish. Mean lady. We also got a puncture in our tyre but Mr Rogers couldn't (or wouldn't) help us fix it.

The Art class went away to Wanganui for their ceramics course. Someone asked if they could leave, not knowing that the person showing the art pieces was in fact a New Zealand sculptor (world famous in New Zealand eh?)

I had always thought that the sixth form would be difficult and boring but these field trips not only give you fun but they also help with the assignments that you do. Watch out for teachers though, they may go mad!

Belinda Marsh



LIFE IN THE COMMON ROOM

Life in the common room is something that everybody waits for during their school years. The common room is like a home for the seniors. We sit in the common room nice and warm listening to music and some people playing cards and talking. It feels different in many ways.

Firstly, the one thing that makes it different is that we don't have teachers checking on us. It is as if they have given us a responsibility for having our own room where only seniors can go and we are treated more like adults.

Secondly, the common room is a good place to catch up with your friends and with the gossip. You hear about the gossip around the school and what happened at last weekend's party.

Thirdly, the common room is a place where you can meet more people from different age groups. You can build a friendly relationship with others because in the common room everyone knows everyone.

Fourthly, having the kitchen for the common room is a privilege. Most of the time the kitchen is used for heating up last night's dinner or cooking two minute noodles for lunch.

The common room is not just a place to hang out at lunch times and interval but it is also used for study if the seniors have no classes during the week. It is good because you can catch up on unfinished work.

Life in the common room as a sixth former is a new experience.

Christine Sue



LEVEL 13



Level 13 Students

Back row: Liana Herewini, Gabrielle Kelland, Charleszane Mareikura, Margaret Mowat, Cheryl Bergesen

Middle row: Jenny Murdie, Steven Sue, Hailee Waipouri, Phree Edwards

Front row: Angie Preater, Ei Leen Voon, Michael Proude, Sarah Lind, Janelle Martin

Bursary Students

Back row: Charleszane Mareikura, Steven Sue, Danley Vince, Michael Proude, Donna Cranston

Front row: Ei Leen Voon, Sarah Lind, Jenny Murdie, Margaret Mowat, Janelle Martin



LEVEL 13

Michael Proude

Nicknames Proudie, Monobrow
 Poss. Destination Massey Uni, Lincoln Uni
 Prob. Destination Pinetree Nursery down Ngapakahi Road or anywhere near Steven
 Famous Quotes "Has anyone ever told you ...", "I'm going to see Mr Lane", "look I've had it up to here", "I'm not going to marry you now", "I scored a try. Did you see it? Did you see it?"
 Most Mem. Moment A certain Statistics class, something to do with glue

Steven Sue

Nicknames LaLa, Geekboy, Geek, Steve
 Poss. Destination Medical School, Auckland Uni or Massey Uni
 Prob. Destination Anywhere away from Michael, golf course
 Famous Quotes "Damn, I only got 99% in Stats", "No Michael", "I bet I can be nice to you Sarah", "What did they say in assembly?"
 Most Mem. Moment The three minutes to go, down by one point, for the championship kick - that just made it!

Ei Leen Voon

Nicknames Eilz, Leen
 Poss. Destination Wellington School of Design, Victoria Uni
 Prob. Destination
 Famous Quotes "Hey babe", "It's such a lovely day", "Heinous", "Shut up Michael!"
 Most Mem. Moment Actually swimming (sort of) in swimming sports

Donna Cranston

Nicknames Don Don, Don-o-van, Mop
 Poss. Destination Waikato Polytech
 Prob. Destination Parked up in a van
 Famous Quotes "Leave me alone Danley!", "I'm going home now", "No I've gotta go to the gym", "Shut up Michael!"
 Most Mem. Moment The van at Kuratau

Sarah Lind

Nicknames Sarah Poo Lind, Sez
 Poss. Destination Waikato Uni
 Prob. Destination Wellington with Sean
 Famous Quotes "I can't find it", "I haven't done by homework", "I've got a headache", "Shut up Michael!"
 Most Mem. Moment Not wearing a seatbelt in Seatbelt Safety Week and getting fined \$75

Janelle Martin

Nickname Nellie
 Poss. Destination Manawatu Polytech
 Prob. Destination Raetihi Road first 6 months, Manawatu second six months
 Famous Quotes "Yes! It's Friday", "Yes! I get to see Shane", "I'm hungry", "Shut up Michael!"
 Most Mem. Moment "Let's go see the Sky Tower" (on the Othello trip to Wellington)

Jenny Murdie

Nicknames Geek, Jen
 Poss. Destination Waikato Uni
 Prob. Destination Ohakune New World
 Famous Quotes "Prolly is like brolly but spelt with a P", "Shut up Michael!"
 Most Mem. Moments "Look at the price of petrol here! It's 2c cheaper" (on Othello trip to Wellington) and finding Kermie shifted in the car park

Angela Fraser

Nicknames Ange, Radioactive Girl
 Poss. Destination Being rich and living in Canada
 Prob. Destination England
 Famous Quotes "What a dick", "Shut up Michael!"
 Most Mem. Moment Smacking Michael on the face with the rake

Angie Preater

Nicknames Bootch
 Poss. Destination Rich and no kids
 Prob. Destination England
 Famous Quote "Grow up"

Hailee Waipouri

Nicknames Lilo Head, Hailz
 Poss. Destination Taupo
 Prob. Destination GWop Land
 Famous Quote "Save it", "Oh no"

Phree Edwards

Nicknames Phree Bee, Peace, Baby, Film
 Poss. Destination Auckland
 Prob. Destination GWop City
 Famous Quotes "Wateva", "Cheer Bo", "Sweet as"
 Most Mem. Moment The Ball

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT GAME

This year the college had two teams in the National Business Review Business Management Game, a game which allows students the opportunity to be exposed to a pseudo business environment.

The senior team, who won the 1997 final, was this year in the open division which played for \$20,000 worth of prizes and was competed in by all leading businesses including Philips, Telecom and ECNZ. The senior team (Mr Laurenson, Emma Forster, Sarah Lind, Michael Proude and Steven Sue) won the first game but in the early stages of the second game, ran out of stock which effectively caused them to lose that game. They finished third in the second game which wasn't enough to get into the semi-finals. The senior team would like to thank ECNZ for their sponsorship.



The junior team (Natalie Gilbert, Josh Campbell, Megan Laurenson, Kristen Forster, Suanne Sue and Mr Swart) had a company that produced and marketed electric cabling and later rugby shirts. The team did very well in both rounds but unfortunately did not make it through to the finals. This exercise helped the students to know how a business operates and also how important marketing is to a company.

With continual support and experience and new talent, the BMG teams should hopefully be more of a challenge to other teams next year.

Better luck next time guys!

WHY BE AN EXCHANGE STUDENT?

Many Japanese exchange students are coming to New Zealand to study English and to learn the other cultures of this different country. Why are so many Japanese students wanting to come to New Zealand? Let's find out some reasons for it.

At the moment about 50 students came from Japan to stay in New Zealand. They are all from an exchange student centre called EDIC, with 25 students from Tokyo, 15 students from Osaka and 10 from Nagoya.

Although USA is the number one country chosen and have the most exchange students, New Zealand is also very popular. Why is this?

The first reason is travel. New Zealand is easy to come to. You only have to change your flight once, but if you wish to pay more money you can get a direct flight. Some students want to go to England, but England is too far to fly from Japan. I think New Zealand is not expensive to buy tickets. I think this is a main reason that they come.

The second is the size of the country. Japan and New Zealand are almost the same size, so I think they find it easier to stay in New Zealand. That's what I found, because we're used to staying in a small country.

The third point is how safe it is. I think New Zealand is a good country, because I know some students have been bad students, but it is not all of them. These reasons are making us come to New Zealand.

Fumi Suzuki



1998 UNDERWATER BALL

The senior ball somehow always turns out to be one of the biggest social events of the year. This year was no exception. Here's how it all shaped up:

12.20 pm, Friday 14 August: the murals are still incomplete but the tickets have long been sold. The prizes have been collected from the many businesses who most generously donated them.

5 pm, Friday 14 August: seven blue tarpaulins, four cargo nets, 50 cardboard fish, half a roll of baling twine, 12 murals, four couches, a roll of polythene and hundreds of staples later, the top of the Ohakune Club was looking as close as it could to an underwater world.

8 pm, Saturday 15 August: time for the big event. The band and DJ are here, the bouncer is on the door and it's ready to begin. Prizes were awarded for the best John Travolta moves, the octopus award and many more. The band and DJ were all local: Subculture from Taihape and our own Danley Vince of Dee Jay Ray Sounds in Waiouru. Food was prepared by Mike of Sassi's and served by the several helpful Fourth Form waitresses under the supervision of Mrs Voon and Mrs Stuckey. Our official ball photos were taken by Ms Amiria Teki.

The Underwater Ball was, without a doubt, one of the biggest social events of the year. Nearly 85 people thoroughly enjoyed themselves.





LIFE OF A RAETIHI BUS STUDENT

8.00 am: The siren goes to tell the Raetihi college students that it's time to meet at the bus stop at the corner of Ward and Seddon Street. Every day from 8 am to about 8.20, there are 60-70 students waiting to board their bus, either Raetihi 1 or 2. After the Parapara bus had dropped off its considerably smaller number of students, Raetihi 2 is able to leave. If you are lucky, you will be able to board the bus without being pushed and shoved. Who thought students were that keen to get to school?

As soon as everyone's on, we're off. It takes 10-15 minutes to get to Ohakune, and during this, students are usually gossiping or you may get the usual boys who play around, fighting and what not.

8.30 am: Ruapehu College, we've reached our destination. What a change. Now, it takes the students 10 minutes to get off their seats, not so keen after all eh?

3.20 pm: With the sounding of the bell, we students head down to the net-ball courts. With National Park, Karioi, Raetihi 1 and 2, and Waiouru you can imagine the mayhem which occurs within the sparse bus line area. As most would expect, Raetihi students are caught up in the middle of it all. After Mrs Voon has confiscated the non-regulation clothes and balls which are being thrown around, the bus lines slowly disappear. National Park, Waiouru, Karioi are all gone, but aren't I lucky? I'm on the bus that tends to lose the students after 3.20, but are they really lost or just hiding? Mrs Voon usually finds them and rewards them with detentions for holding up the bus.

Once Mrs Voon has found everyone, we run to our bus to greet our favourite bus driver, Mr Rangi Bristol, who greets us and shares a laugh with his silly antics and jokes. Usually, going home, you will get someone who decides to throw clay, paper or any other thing he or she is able to find. So consider yourself lucky if you just get someone who finds it amusing to pull your hair or tap your shoulder and blame it on someone else. Consider yourself even luckier if you were put on Raetihi 1.

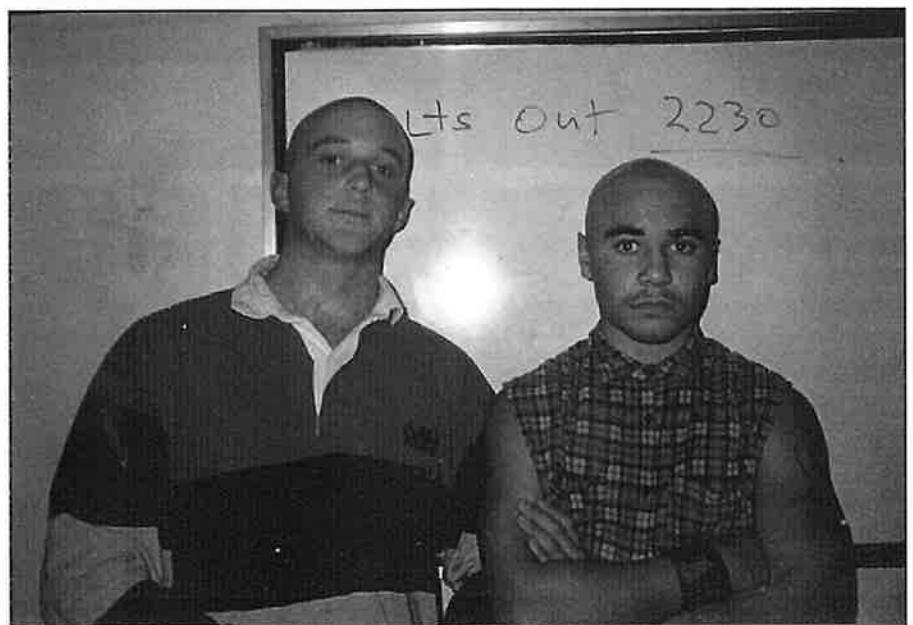
Llana Waara

SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE

From 7-17 June, Colin Thrupp was a trainee on the Spirit of Adventure. Highlights of the trip included the meals, visiting Waiheke Island, the Coromandel and Great Barrier Island, the lectures on fire safety, man overboard, navigation and hypothermia; and going under the Harbour Bridge on the last day.

Other highlights were the 6-7 metre swells, explained to us fairly graphically in his assembly reading when he got back, 'I had to crawl down the hallway because I kept getting thrown around like a rag doll.' However the best part, as I'm sure most of the school will agree, was when 'The cadet spewed in the direction of the wind, which was facing the captain and it went all over his face.'

Colin enjoyed his stay so much he is keen to try another, only this time as a crew member.



Inter-whanau Ski Competition

This year the Inter-Whanau Ski Competition was again held at Turoa Ski Field on 2 September. Unfortunately we had a problem with warm weather this year. Turoa ski field did not get enough base snow at the beginning of the season. Mr Haig was expecting 16 racers (four from each whanau, but only seven went to the mountain to compete:

Weka - Alana Ridings, Nathan Horne, Cleo Rothschild and Josh Goddard

Tui - Mariana Johnson and Sharleszane Mareikura Huia - Fumi Suzuki and what a pity, none from Kiwi! The results were pleasing for Weka who came first due to their whole team being in the college ski and snowboard team. Tui came second, Huia third and Kiwi fourth. For most of the racers it was their first day of skiing this season so they had several runs after the race and certainly enjoyed themselves!

Fumi Suzuki

North Island Secondary Schools Snowboarding Competition

In September Josh Goddard, Kane Simpson and Mariana Johnson participated in the North Island Secondary Schools Snowboarding Competition. The competition was held at Turoa and involved boardercross, slope style and giant slalom events. Due to the fact that the snow gods were not on the side of the school team, no one from the team managed to gain top honours in any of the events. A big thanks to Mr Haig for organising the competition.



This year, the clubs cycle has differed quite a lot compared with other years, with the introduction of clubs like Origami, Paper Marbling, Pottery, Summer Makeover and Walking. Old favourites included Horse Riding, Photography, Rifle Shooting, Skiing, Snowboarding, Squash and Table Tennis.

Mr Swart was in charge of the ever-popular Board Games and Chess clubs. These clubs were good for those people who enjoyed spending two hours a week catching up on the latest gossip, or just enjoyed doing something fun and non-physical.

Another gossip club was knitting. Taught by Mrs Ryland, the only skill the students really picked up was the fine art of finger knitting. The star of this club was Mrs Ryland, who made a baby's hat.

Mr Nishio taught a handful of students Origami. At the end of the term 1 clubs cycle the students in this club were given two Japanese lollies each and an envelope containing Origami paper and instructions on how to use the paper to make things.

This year the skiing club was expanded to include both skiing and ski-racing. The ski-racing group was open only to those on this year's ski team. Both skiing groups were run by Mr Haig. Miss Rattray was in charge of the Snowboarding club. Bad weather and lack of snow meant that the students in these clubs had a variety of other activities to take part in, both in and out of school.



VOLLEYBALL

"Block it," "spike it", and "Bump it baby", were just a few phrases yelled across the volleyball court by the All Girls Volleyball team along with a lot of giggling, laughing and saying "What was that?"

The team was formed at the beginning of term two. It started out very large with about nine or ten girls and two boys but by the time the actual season started, the number dropped to just enough players: Emma Forster, Sarah Lind, Carolyn Mastrovich, Leah Stuckey, Sarah Thomson and Ei Leen Voon. Christine Sue later joined the team and Sarah Tumataroa joined after leaving her family's team.

The team practised every Friday lunchtime and was joined by half the common room. It seemed they also needed practise. People outside the team were very happy to challenge the girls and Danley Vince was more than happy to run around and find his own team of basketball boys. The boys were quite sure of themselves and their skills but of course the girls won (for the first time).

Unlike the previous years, the Wanganui Volleyball tournament finished and there was no more travelling down to Wanganui for a game and a feed of KFC or McDonalds. Instead the team found themselves up against all adult and mostly male teams who, by the way, could spike extremely hard and always seemed to hit one of the team members. The team went in very optimistically, psyching themselves up for these teams. The team never quite won a game but they did play well. The team would buzz whenever they won a set or blocked a spike and team spirit was good, apart from the occasional "I told you to set it!"

The only time the team got to go away was to Wanganui once and the highlight - Flaxmere. The Wanganui trip was a mixed team: Stewart Hammond, Brian Hays, Carolyn Mastrovich, Leah Stuckey, Sarah Thomson and Sarah Tumataroa. The girls team that went to Flaxmere heard many daunting things about that team: "they've won every game they've played" "they went to the nationals," "they're huge," but nothing was quite as daunting as playing them. Emma Forster, Carolyn Mastrovich, Leah Stuckey, Sarah Thomson, Sarah Tumataroa, and Ei Leen Voon watched the Flaxmere team warm up - all very pro. After a few problems like "I don't have my shoes, they're in the bus," "where do we get changed?" "what's net time?" were cleared up, we played Flaxmere, which proved to cause more problems. They could play really, really well and they thrashed us - 3-nil.

Throughout the season the team had fun, played well and made sure they didn't cry when they took a spike to the face.

GOLF

Earlier this year the college golf team ventured to Marton for a schools tournament. Unfortunately the climatic conditions were terrible and the team had limited success. The team comprises players of high calibre and in the future will certainly reap the rewards they undoubtedly deserve.



Quadrangular Winter Tournament

This was our first year of this tournament. The event was held at Taihape College between Ruapehu, Taihape, Rangatikei and Manawatu Colleges. It was a very successful day and enjoyed by all who attended. About 85 students represented our college. Games played were squash, netball, boys and girls basketball, small bore shooting, badminton, rugby and soccer. The overall results from the tournament were:

1st	Taihape
2nd	Manawatu
3rd	Ruapehu
4th	Rangatikei

All the colleges are looking forward to a rematch and a lot of new friends were made. There are going to be two quadrangular tournaments held each year between the same colleges. We look forward to hosting the winter games next year.



SWIMMING SPORTS

These were held quite early in the year on 17 February. The whole school were taken by buses to the Waiouru Pools. It was a very successful day with a lot of students participating. Those who were not participating were very supportive of their whanau. The competition in most of the events was very close and the noise from the crowd was quite deafening at times. We had a lot of outside help from parents, guardians etc, and a big thank you went out to all those people.



Senior Girls	1st	Margaret Mowat
Senior Boys	1st	Danley Vince
Int Girls	1st	Carrie Donaldson
Int Boys	1st	Philip Herewini
Jun Girls	1st=	Fiona Lynch, Amy Hawira
Jun Boys	1st=	Sam Penning, Rangī Rapana

Whanau Results

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



DIVING SPORTS

These were held on 11 February at the Raetihi pools. There were only a small group of students who entered this event. A great day was had by all students and teachers there. A lot of laughs were had by both participants and spectators. All participants had four dives and the scoring was done on the degree of difficulty. Results are as follows:

Senior Girls	1st	Rochelle Te Huia
Senior Boys	1st	Josh Goddard
Intermediate Girls	1st	Deena Hammond
Intermediate Boys		No entries
Junior Girls	1st	Sammi Jo Ruki
Junior Boys	1st	Fraser Hammond



ATHLETICS

The preliminaries were held on 3 March and Athletics Day was 4 March. It was a great day where everybody competed and gave their events everything they had. It was also funny to see Matt Bowsher running in the 100 metre race slapping himself in the face with his own hair. Mrs Stuckey was looking pretty relaxed on the chair, mike in her hand telling everybody what to do whilst the Tui crowd was taking the hat competition to another level.

The winners of the 1998 athletics day were:

Junior girls	Ainsley Sands
Junior boys	Coleman Albert
Intermediate girls	Cleo Rothschild
Intermediate boys	Andrew Evans
Senior girls	Donna Cranston
Senior boys	Sam Pope



WANGANUI ATHLETICS

A number of students represented the college at the 1998 Wanganui Secondary School championship held at Cooks Garden in Wanganui.

Kanin Clancy was our only athlete who managed to qualify with his distance of 12.28 meters in the triple jump to go to the North Island Athletics Champs. YOU DA MAN. Finals placings were:

Junior Girls

Kirsty Litt	3rd	800 metre run
Amy Hawira	2nd	Triple jump

Junior Boys

Coleman Albert	3rd	100 metre dash
Coleman Albert	3rd	200 meter dash
Coleman Albert	2nd	Triple jump
Hamiora Tangiora	3rd	Shot put

Intermediate Girls

Erin Martin	3rd	100 metre dash
Cleo Rothschild	3rd	400 metre dash
Intermediate Girls	1st	4x100 metre dash

Intermediate Boys

Kanin Clancy	2nd	Triple jump
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Senior Girls

Margaret Mowat	2nd	High jump
Donna Cranston	2nd	Long jump

Senior Boys

Danley Vince	1st	Discus
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TENNIS

The tennis championships opened on a calm Friday evening in February with lots of chips and chocolate biscuits, and lots of help from Danley Vince and Joel Spry who helped out with more than their fair share of umpiring. Did they have an ulterior motive?



Juniors, Suanne Sue and Susan Luff, showed promise in their first round matches. On the night, another junior, Ema Bates, was too consistent for Ei Leen Voon and went on to play Sarah Lind in the semi-finals. She and Sarah enjoyed 25 deuces before Sarah finally got there. The light packed up by 8 o'clock, so the finals continued during the following week when Sarah met and eventually lost to a stronger Donna Cranston. The boys' final was a closely fought, psychological duel between Stewart Hammond and Danley Vince. In the end, steady Stewart edged out the stylish Danley to become 1998 champion.

Taihape Exchange

What happened to the traditional Taihape summer exchange this year? For the first time in many years, the tennis team did not get to experience a school tennis tournament and to measure themselves against their Taihape rivals.

J Voon



BADMINTON

The school badminton team was unable to take part in the Wanganui Inter-Secondary Badminton Competition this year. For two years our girls have represented the Wanganui region in the central zone regionals. The reason we missed out this year was because the date clashed with that of the inaugural quadrangular winter sports tournament at Taihape. In this tournament, Ruapehu beat Manawatu, Taihape and Rangatikei colleges. Our team in Taihape comprised: Ashantha Perera, Corey Saunders, Donna Cranston and Ei Leen Voon.

These girls both trained with the New Zealand Development Squad throughout the year and achieved two goals. Their well-oiled doubles combination took out the North Island Under-18 title in Auckland. In September their names went in the New Zealand record book as the Under-18 girls doubles champions for 1998.

Inter-Whanau Badminton

Exciting new natural talent emerged during the running of the inter-whanau badminton competition in November. Tamara Taputoro completely surprised herself with a hard fought win over Vicky Cranston, and Mervyn Gardner was as much a dark horse as Tamara. Consistent winners who did not lose a game included Kirsty Litt and Ei Leen Voon who made the game look effortless. Old tennis titans from earlier in the year, Stewart Hammond and Danley Vince, clashed in the Tui-Weka tie. This time Danley (just) came out on top with a one point margin over Stewart.

Overall Results

Kiwi	1st
Weka	2nd=
Huia	2nd=
Tui	4th



BASKETBALL

The basketball teams competed with great spirit and a lot of heart this year. Four teams played in the Wanganui Secondary School Basketball Tournament. We had the under 16 girls and the under 16 boys teams winning their division in the Wanganui Secondary School Tournament and dominating their opposition. All the teams gave it their all this year and played with lots of pride.

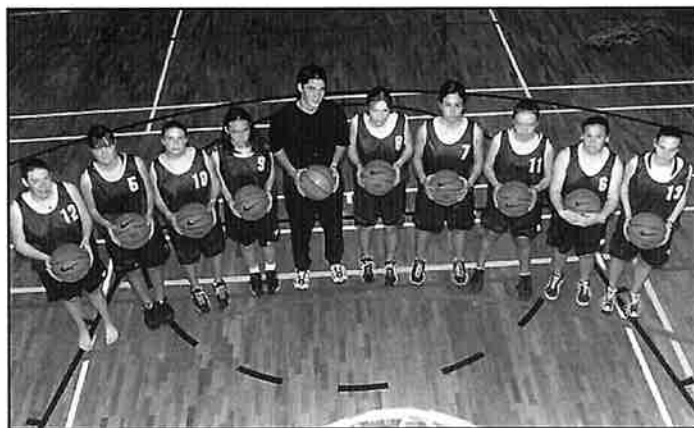


3rd Form Girls

This team basically started from scratch. For most of the girls, this was their first year playing basketball and playing with each other. Considering these factors they played well, giving their opposition a fright on the court with the amount of hustle, grit and determination they displayed. The team was coached by Julie Imhoff who did a great job of teaching the girls the fundamentals of the game.

Under 16 Girls

These girls were experienced players who had played for the school in previous years. The team consisted of players from forms four and five who loved the game and had very good skills on the court. The girls came first equal with Wanganui Girls College in the under 16 division of the Wanganui Secondary Schools Basketball Tournament. The team were coached by Danley Vince who has a great knowledge of the game. It was good to see the girls absorb the knowledge that was given. The team played in a quadrangular tournament and were placed second after narrowly losing the final by 2 points. The girls played like champions throughout the year and should definitely be looked out for next year.



Under 16 Boys

This team is made up of players who are in a league of their own. They absolutely crushed their opponents in every game, winning by no less than 10 points in most of their games. The team also comprised players who began playing at the beginning of the year and have become good players considering how long they have been playing. The team had players which play for the Wanganui basketball team and are very experienced.

Senior Boys

This team has had a rough year with the players having to turn up to practices because of other commitments and players not having much experience. The coach of the team was Brent Pohi who did a great job of putting the team together by making them play together rather than as individuals, playing with spirit and not giving up no matter what the situation. The team was good considering some of the players played for their first year and played against people who have played all their lives. The team did very well this year and should hold their heads high.



NETBALL

Girls, you've done yourselves proud this year!

1998 started off slowly with one week to choose players and two weeks practice before opening day for the Waimarino Netball Division. We had 10 teams in this year's competition to play round robin. The girls didn't start off well because there were a lot of new faces in this year's line up, a lot of individual play and a lack of confidence, but we got there in the end, working as a team unit.

Trips that took place included the Secondary Schools Caltex Cup held during May (six losses and one win), the Quadrangular Competition in June (lost all three games), and Flaxmere College which was a weekend trip in August (surprisingly winning).

The girls didn't start getting things together until during the first half of the year when they took to the top of the competition in Ohakune.

A big thanks goes to Marie Scarrow for taking time out to drive us to Wanganui and back in the college van - we couldn't ask for a safer driver. I would also like to thank Karen Hammond for guiding the girls and to all those who supported us, thank you - the girls really appreciated it.

I wish you all the best for the future.

J Condon



Senior B team



Junior A team



Junior B team



Senior A team

SQUASH



Nolana Marsh, Megan Laurenson, Jenny Murdie, Kirsty Litt, Sue-ann Wilcox, Vanessa Irwin, Sarah Lind, Robert Fraser, Toby Hutchings, Gareth Nixon, Mervyn Gardner, Cory Saunders, Jeremy Mott and Ashantha Perera went to Dunedin to compete in the Secondary Schools Nationals Competition. The boys team finished 23rd and the girls, achieving their best result so far, finished 7th.

This year our Squash team has been very successful. They played regularly on Tuesday nights and as a result the girls team won the Ruapehu Zone Women's Competition.

The Wanganui Secondary Schools Competition was an inaugural event for boys and girls teams. Twelve teams participated including teams from Wanganui Collegiate, Wanganui Girls College, Waverly, Taihape, Nga Tawa and Ruapehu College. We were very successful and both our boys and girls teams won trophies.



1st XV team

RUGBY

The 1st XV from 1997 had a disappointing year and a lot of pressure was put on the 1998 team to perform to their full potential - and they did. With a new coach and management team, and a few new players, the 1998 team had everything to gain.

The first division that the 1st XV came second in last year, was a complete success. They won 13 of 13 competition games including beating City College 13-11 in the final.

As well as this, they beat Rangitikei College and narrowly lost to the Manawatu College 1st XV in the first Quadrangular Tournament. Last year's 95-0 loss to Taihape was reduced to a narrow 17-15 loss this year and the huge Flaxmere College 1st XV team was given the run around with the game being lost in Hastings by 34-19 which could have been a lot closer if opportunities weren't lost.



2nd XV team

Highlights of the season have been many players making the Under 15s, Under 16s and Under 19s Wanganui regional sides. As well as this some players got to play an American team with the Country Schools side.

Top points scorer this year was Steven Sue, who won games with his penalty goals on numerous occasions including the final. Kanin Clancy finished as the top try scorer with 11 tries.

The 1st XV would like to thank the coach, Alan Proude; the assistant coach, John McIlroy; the managers, Des and Jill Evans; Rex Oliver for the training gear and rugby grounds and other helpers and parents for their support.

SOCCER

Julius Caesar described the success of his empire in three words - veni, vidi, vici - I came, I saw, I conquered. Unfortunately, soccer this year did not aspire to big Julie's greatness. There were new players and a new coach and therefore new demands. We struggled to get enough players to practise and we spent much time trying to ease internal conflicts. The result was an unfocused team and disappointing results. However, the team did redeem itself at the Winter Quadrangular tournament in Taihape and played very well ...away from school. Overall, it was a disappointing season for everyone and we hope that next year will be more focused and rewarding.

M Fairbrother



FLAXMERE EXCHANGE

Friday 28 August

We arrived over an hour later than expected and were welcomed by Flaxmere College. There was tension in the air when the college students waited to be matched up with their billets for the weekend. (What if they wake up too early! What if ...)

Saturday 29 August

Ruapehu College started the exchange well with the netball winning 50-41. Cheryl Bergesen got the team off to a fine start with some excellent goal shooting. Very good team work was shown throughout the game and Flaxmere were never allowed back into the game.

Volleyball played next with the college team having to survive some hard spiking and strict refereeing. The team worked hard to compete but lost 3 sets to nil.

The rugby also started well when Kanin Clancy scored an intercept try to start the scoring. The forwards had to work hard to hold the heavier Flaxmere pack. The 19-34 loss was the best score we've had against Flaxmere.

All games were played in good spirits on a very good day.
D. Hynes

HOCKEY

After having no coach and being stranded with our 'milo' coloured uniforms - YUMMY!! - the 'Legendary' hockey team was back in business.

Hopefully permanent coach, Vicki Blair, kicked the team back into order with practises three times a week and all of her dedicated time.

Generous donations were raffled to the community in order to raise money for new uniforms. Money was raised, uniforms came in dribs and drabs - with shirts still to come and a spending expedition was held in Wanganui.

The team consisted of a bunch of keen, talented players - not to mention the boys!!! As the season progressed, players dedicated all of their lunchtimes to practising their skills and whack a few high balls.

This year the team travelled yet again to Taumarunui to finish up second equal with the older and more experienced Rovers, gaining the KCLHA Challenge Cup presented by Merceg and D Fishwick Cup, with Steven Bishop taking out the 'most improved player'. Kirsten Kilmartin bloomed even further with her impressive skills and 'gutsy' nature achieving the Fairplay award.

Ruapehu was invited to Wanganui to play on turf, which is a totally different game as it is a lot faster. With poor communication, a return journey was needed to get the hockey sticks - while the cat's away the mice will play (won't we guys). Ruapehu finished up with a 3-6 loss, which proved to be an excellent score, as we had never played on turf before.

Overall, the input into the college team has proved its worth. Thanks heaps to Vicki, Mr Lane, the Bates family and parents, oh, and not to mention, the players.

See you all next year.
Angela Fraser
Captain



RIFLE SHOOTING

Over the last four years Mr Hynes has run a successful smallbore shooting club as part of the Clubs/Electives cycle. The club shoots most Wednesday afternoons at the Waimarino Smallbore Club in Raetihi with the voluntary help of Mr and Mrs M Dennis, Mr M Maru, Ms D Reynolds and Mr K Summerhays. The club usually consists of ten students which changes from term to term.

Sports Exchange

They have participated in a number of both national and local competitions. First was the Quadrangular Winter Tournament sports exchange with Manawatu, Rangitikei and Taihape Colleges when we came second. This was their first major disappointment. As they understood it, they could shoot from a wooden block unpenalised. But when they arrived, they were informed of a considerable penalty of 10 points per card. An extremely good score, in fact the highest in the competition of 95.4/100.10 was gained by Dion Nicholls, who was unpenalised as he shoots from a sling.

Postal Competition

In both 1996 and 1997 they participated in the New Zealand Smallbore Rifle Association Secondary

School Postal Competition. Both years their top team scored between 20th and 40th out of nearly 140 teams. But yet another disappointment. Nothing had been sent to them regarding this competition and when they contacted the NZSRA, we discovered that the competition had already gone. This was increasingly disappointing considering some of the outstanding scores students had achieved throughout the year, such as Keri Bates' 97.5/100.10

Inter Whanau

As well as organising weekly shoots, Mr Hynes has also organised an annual Inter Whanau shoot. This year's shoot was held on Wednesday 28 October. The winning whanau was Tui with a score of 705.2/800.80 and the highest individual score of 192.5/200.20 was shot by Dion Nicholls.

Altogether it has not been such a good year for the Ruapehu College Smallbore Rifle team, mainly due to poor communication. Team member Samantha Black said she "enjoyed herself regardless of missing out on the postal shoot". Hope they have better luck next year.

CRICKET

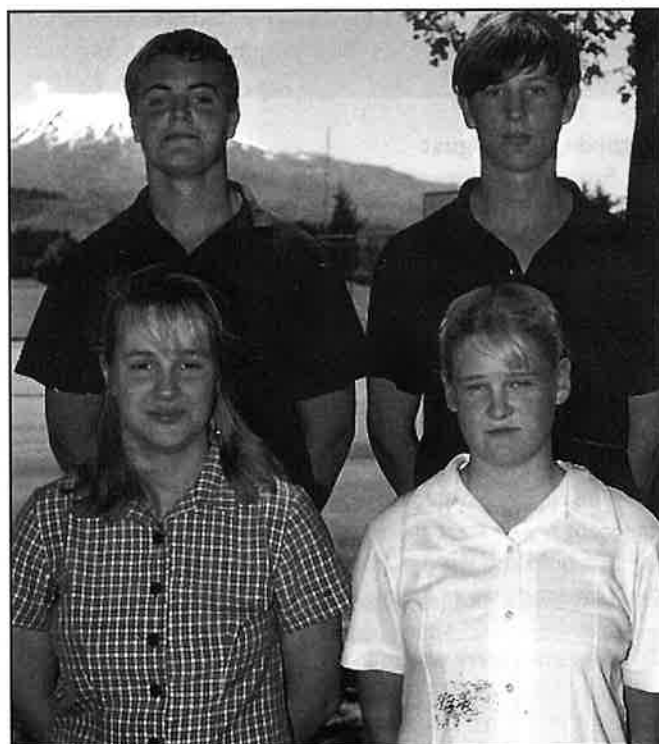


Back: Michael Proude, Brad Hays, Brian Hays, Matthew Richards
Middle: Josh Hill, Hamiora Tangiora, Ashantha Perera, Gareth Nixon
Front: Dwayne Marsh, Mr B Perkins, Andrew Evans (Captain), Steven Sue, Cory Saunders

Cricket at Ruapehu College has had a reasonably successful year. The team loved playing under lights at Cooks Gardens at the Inaugural Secondary School Wanganui Cricket Max Tournament. Cricket Max allowed for some big hits, especially from Gareth Nixon who hit a massive 12 Straight over the bowler's head. Steven Sue batted consistently for most of the games he played and deserves recognition.

It is anticipated that regular games will be able to be arranged for next season with 'friendlies' against the Ohakune Club scheduled for later this year.

Brendon Perkins



CROSS COUNTRY

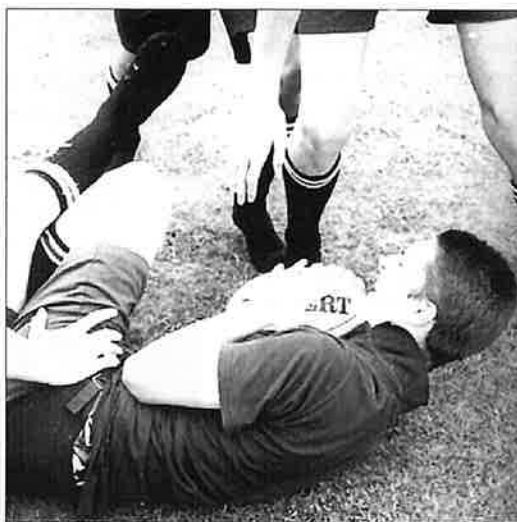
INTERWHANAU WINTER SPORTS

Junior Boys		Junior Girls	
1st	Steven Bishop	1st	Kirsty Litt
2nd	Coleman Albert	2nd	Kristen Forster
3rd	Corey Carmichael	3rd	Vicki Hiscox
Intermediate Boys		Intermediate Girls	
1st	Andrew Evans	1st	Erin Martin
2nd	Matthew Jacobsen	2nd	Cleo Rothschild
3rd	Kieran McPherson	3rd	Emma Forster
Senior Boys		Senior Girls	
1st	Stewart Hammond	1st	Angela Fraser
2nd	Sharleszane Mareikura	2nd	Jenny Murdie
3rd	Michael Proude	3rd	Cheryl Bergersen

Overall Results			
First	Weka	185 points	
Second	Kiwi	183 points	
Third	Tui	164 points	
Fourth	Huia	152 points	

Rugby		Soccer	
First	Weka	First	Kiwi
Second	Kiwi	Second	Huia
Third	Huia	Third=	Tui /Weka
Fourth	Tui		
Basketball		Netball	
First	Weka	First	Huia
Second	Kiwi	Second	Kiwi
Third	Tui	Third	Tui
Fourth	Huia	Fourth	Weka
Hockey		Skiing	
First	Kiwi	First	Weka
Second	Weka	Second	Tui
Third	Huia	Third	Huia
Fourth	Tui	Fourth	Kiwi

Overall Results			
First	Weka	17.5 points	
Second	Kiwi	17 points	
Third	Huia	14 points	
Fourth	Tui	10.5 points	



ENGLISH: NEW LOOK

New course: It's called, wait for it, English in the New Zealand Curriculum. We are getting used to it, and hearing about which of the eight levels we are achieving at. Check the wall chart in your room or ask to see your teacher's copy.

New assessment called Unit Standards: Year 12 Communication English students pioneered Level 2 this year, while Level 1 standards were offered for the second year in 1998. Thanks Ms Gibson for your hard work in this area.

New portfolios: Thanks Mrs Allomes for getting the clear files ready for the portfolio system of holding pieces of assessment work at the back of the classroom.

Fresh from teachers' college: Mr Fairbrother a.k.a. Cheerbrother, a hard worker who has your best interests at heart.

New Year 10 teacher: Mr Perkins established a niche for himself this year in the support reading area.

New team leader: She's called Mrs Voon and has been around long enough to need no introductions.

New media link: We provided the Wanganui Chronicle with a scintillating, illustrated run down of sporting achievement at Ruapehu in 1998. Well done, 6 Media Studies!

New look third Formers with attitude: the I Could's, the I Can's and the I Will's. They were a great bunch.

Old, but very cool: Reading. Keep it going through the holidays, if only the ice cream wrapper and the court page, at the very least.

J Voon

Results of the Interwhanau English Quiz

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



OTHELLO

The 7th Form English class, as part of their course and accompanied by Mr and Mrs Fairbrother, travelled to Wellington to watch the stage production of Shakespeare's 'Othello'. After making it out on to the main road, it was discovered that the Fairbrothers left behind some essential items. This was our first return to school, the second being the food we left behind.

Once in Wellington, we stayed at a former monastery that was being looked after by a friend of Mr Fairbrother. This was a huge building which had great views of the city. That night we roamed the city. Some of the girls were more fascinated by the doors on buildings and how cheap petrol was. There was even a suggestion that we go and visit the Sky Tower. I can't say who she was but her initials are J.M. and it wasn't Jenny Murdie. The next day we visited Te Papa (well, some of us did. The ones that didn't went shopping) and in the afternoon we saw the production of Othello. The play was a new experience for most of us and we learnt that the applause at the end is almost as long as the play itself. We returned home that night, playing I Spy, which got a bit out of hand with people seeing Michael Proude in a different way.

Overall the trip was very enjoyable and the 7th Form would like to thank Mr and Mrs Fairbrother for making the trip possible.

Steven Sue



Read all about it!

This year Mrs Voon was appointed teacher with library responsibility. Mrs George, Mrs Spencer and I joined the Library 2000 committee which reported regularly to staff. By the end of the year, we hope to have completed the automation of the library catalogue thanks to the extra work by Alison Munn. It has been a big job because of the amount of information that has to be recorded. The more keying in done at the beginning of the exercise, the more effective the system is for students to use.

There have been 12 very dedicated librarians working in the library this year, sacrificing their lunch hours to tidy shelves and do other necessary jobs. Their efforts are much appreciated.

We published a research management plan and the official Ruapehu College research protocol, so students can clearly see what steps to follow and where to access research information. The National Library and the Document Supply Services have been well used by students and teachers. We have been building up our own information file and the Internet has been well used.



Over the year, work from 5 Science, 6 Biology, static images from English classes and the Science Fair have been displayed in the library. We have bought over 200 new books, with a focus on building up the New Zealand fiction section and other subject areas that were lacking in resources relating to the new curricula. We purchased 20 new chairs to furnish the multi-media room, a television and a video cassette recorder. All in all, 1998 has been a productive year.

K Dixon



This year several students from all levels of Ruapehu College went to Wanganui to participate in the Model United Nations General Assembly (MUNGA).

The meeting was held at Wanganui Collegiate and was attended by all the Wanganui Secondary Schools as well as schools as far away as Marton and Feilding.

Each school was given a number of countries to represent and speak about issues concerning that particular country including nuclear weapons and/or surrounding oceans and their protection.

The countries Ruapehu College represented were:

- Kuwait - Alex Davy, Natalie Hodder and Rebecca Lind.
- Pakistan - Nolana Marsh, Kylie Nixon, and Leanne Odom.
- Tahiti - Sarah Lind, Michael Proude, Steven Sue and Ei Leen Voon.

The purpose of the meeting was to debate issues until a resolution was reached. In the end France retaliated to the idea of stopping nuclear testing which resulted in their saying they would bomb all nations which claimed to be nuclear free.

The day was a great day enjoyed by all participants.

Michael Proude

On a Summer's Day

The class breathes
gently on a summer's day,
While Nolana
clicks her pen
non-stop and loud.
Jessica's small feet
climb slowly up the
wall as a spider
in her daydream
While the teacher
is rustling his papers,
trying to look big
in front of our class

GEOGRAPHY

The first Form 6 trip we had this year was looking at land use patterns over Wanganui by chartering a small aircraft. Mr (Danley) Vince didn't travel well due to over indulgence the previous evening.

A few months later in April, we undertook a study of the forces which are and have been shaping the Mangatepopo Valley. It was an absolutely glorious day trip.

In August, we went to Wellington to study CBD patterns as well as residential differences. We stayed at Trekkers Backpackers which was situated in the heart of Wellington. The Geography students enjoyed the out of town experience.

7th form Geography undertook a major field trip to Rotorua. The purpose of the trip was to investigate tourism development in the Sulphur City. We visited various tourism destinations and our students have a much better understanding of what tourism means to Rotorua and New Zealand in general.

5th form Geography undertook a one day field trip to explore the interaction between climate, vegetation, relief and soil on the south western slopes of Mt Ruapehu. Our field trip took us up to Turoa Ski Resort as well as exploring the Rangipo desert.

A Swart



HISTORY

This year the combined Form 6/7 History classes travelled to Wellington by train for a field trip. As expected, no nasty surprises awaited us in the form of parked cars on the lines at Hunterville.

The field trip was held in high spirits and the students enjoyed their time in the capital city. Visits to Te Papa, the National Archives (home to the Treaty of Waitangi) and Parliament were some of the highlights. The new Museum of New Zealand, Te Papa, was highly recommended by the students, however one visit is not enough to see everything. Question time in Parliament reminded many of kindergarten.

Many thanks to those students involved who made it such an enjoyable trip. This year the Government House trespassing activity unfortunately did not take place. We did however, get to stay on Cuba Street, which was very busy at night and certainly a different experience for the country kids of Ruapehu.

B Perkins



CLASSES OF '98

COMPUTING

The biggest change in the Computer Department this year was moving up to the typing room. All the electronic typewriters were sold, in fact we could have sold two rooms full. We also sold off the monitors from the old Commodore 64s - it seems they are very good for Playstations. The new Computer Room gives us much more space and more computers - we have room for 24 now. We have bought two new laser printers and a new file server.

A new programme installed on all the computers is The Learning Portfolio. This enables all students to set goals and plan pathways through to careers from the third form onward. It also includes a record of achievement. We are definitely moving toward doing more and more tasks on computers and using the computer as the tool it is meant to be.

The Level 10 Keyboarding class were offered the opportunity of sitting School Certificate Typing, and three students took up the challenge. External examinations in Text and Information Management were offered for the first time (replacing the British Pitman exams). TIM has an important component of composing at the keyboard which Typing did not give such emphasis to. This is proving a greater challenge to students.



CORRESPONDENCE

In 1998, 35 students were enrolled to do various subjects by correspondence. This was considerably higher than previous years and was in part due to some senior classes not going ahead because such small numbers opted to do them.

Subjects studied by correspondence in 1998 included Forms 3 and 4 Japanese, Form 7 Maori, Form 6 Physics, Form 6 Economics, Form 5 History, and some individual learning programmes in English and Maths.



ACCOUNTING

A period each week was spent in the computer room where Jenny Cresswell discovered that no computer in the room liked her and she was never able to complete an exercise without something going wrong.

The level 13 class was a fine example of quality not quantity. The three students should have won the cream buns each week for the best class award, but their teacher felt it wouldn't be fair on the other classes and refused to nominate them.

HORTICULTURE

It was a good year in the Horticulture Department with the level 13 course running for the first time in a number of years. Angela and Michael were the only ones to make it through to the end of the year, and Angela's end of year efforts stirred Michael into the competitive mode again.

Level 10 students had their first opportunity to sit School Certificate horticulture this year and the class was very motivated. We should see some excellent results in the end of year exams. Level 9 students had their first taste of horticulture and we look set to run another School Certificate class next year with a good calibre of students.

ART

It's finally over and we're all exhausted, sick and tired of Art. The last of the paint lines containers, squeezed flat and then cut apart to get every drop we can. Mrs Stuckey is guarding the last of the pencils, the pastels are small scraps and we'll use any paper we can find. Yes, it's the end of another year in Art. Portfolios are finished, the last late night in the Art room is over and we're all relieved to think the courier has taken everything to Wellington for the moderators and markers to do their stuff ... oh, let them be kind!!!

This has been a quiet year in Art with students working better than usual and taking the subject more seriously.

Art is still an attractive option for 3rd and 4th Formers. Thirds have looked at the Art of the Pacific Islands and 4th Formers have worked hard to develop skills for next year.

5th Formers started the year with a camp in Raetihi to spend time drawing the landscape, buildings and visit the museum. This was a good two days out of school but won't happen in Raetihi again as too many of the locals had nowhere else to go at night and Mrs Stuckey got sick of chasing people around the bushes all night ... we won't mention names.

6th Formers did Ceramics again this year and had a good weekend in Wanganui working ...aren't we dedicated? Mariana got the opportunity to meet well-known ceramic artist, Wi Taepa, and also got to tell him it was "5 past 4". Mrs Stuckey got the opportunity to give her name and address to a young man she hadn't met before. He became uninterested when she told him her birthday and let her off with a warning ... too bad Miss!!!

The 7th form attracted one painter, Ei Leen Voon, and several photographers this year. The photographers have all learnt to make a fairly good photograph but Ei Leen took top awards with her awesome paintings based on the bank in Raetihi. Hey! Raetihi really is the place to visit if you're an artist.



Anyway, good holidays, everyone!! And don't forget - you can only learn about Art by doing it, so get a pencil, paper and draw your way to success for next year.

MUSIC

Every Monday and Thursday, 12 Form 3 students were pulled by their collar to the music room. Once there Ms Spencer would start talking at 100km/ hr about music that no one understood.

No, that's not what really happened. We did go on Mondays and Thursdays to the music room, all 12 of us, but we were not being pulled by our collars - we were there of our own free will. We were studying for a Grade 1 music exam. We had just over three weeks to study. Ms Spencer, our teacher, did not talk 100 km/ hr. She explained it in a way that we all understood. The exam took place on 7 November. The results don't come in until after Christmas.

1998 CHORAL DAY

In the third term, a group of seven students travelled to Wanganui for a Choral Day. The day didn't start out too well because we arrived at Wanganui Collegiate about half an hour late. We tried our best, even though half of it was out of the correct order. Time went by fairly quickly after our music was sorted out, and when lunchtime came, we sat on the grass behind the van, while everyone else sat on chairs.

After lunch, a man came in to teach us a few songs but I think he spent more time teaching us about the origin of the songs. We then sang them and a few people lost interest in what we were supposed to be doing.

After he finished teaching us, we left. We were all annoyed because we'd been there the whole time, had learnt all the songs, and then we couldn't stay for the concert, which was what we'd been learning the songs for. But overall, I think most of us had a good time.

Lee-Anne Odom



TE REO MAORI AND TE REO RANGATIRA

Tenā Koutou e koro mā e kui mā, ngā mātua, e hine mā, e tama mā. Ka nui taku mihi ki a koutou katoa.

Our year has had its highlights and its low points. We were very saddened in August by the death of Matiu Mareikura. His support for our school in times of special need, and his always being available during our school trips away is going to be sorely missed. And again in October another kaumatua, Mark Cribb died. He has also been a great support to our school.

Haere, haere, haere, haere ki te kaihangā.



Nga Whatataetae Manu Korero

Every year our school runs an interwhanau Manukōrero competition. Students are in sections of Senior or Junior and may choose to speak in English or Māori. The winner of each category goes to the regional competition which is held each year in a different school in the Taranaki, Whanganui, or Ruapehu district.

Should any of our students win the regional they go to the Nationals. The results of the school competition this year are as follows.

Rawhiti Ihaka
(Junior Māori)

Rangihopuata Rapana

Turi Kara
(Junior English)

Susan Luff

Pei te Hurinui
(Senior Māori)

Marama Akapita
Channel Wood

Korimako
(Senior English)

Mariana Johnson

The students acquitted themselves well this year but did not win a place for the nationals. Maybe next year!
M George

Kapa Haka

Although we haven't had the biggest Kapa Haka group, we had one of the best. The majority of our roopu were juniors and they caught on quickly to the action songs. As the year went by our roopu slowly diminished but we didn't lose the drive to keep going.

At the best of times there was laughter and at the worst there was sadness. We cried for many people that we have lost during the year.

"Haere atu ra ngā mate katoa i te Atua
Haere, haere, haere."

Aunty Vera and Nanny Kay were there for us at the start and right there till the end. They spent a lot of time with us "no ears kids" and taught us many things. In that I say: "He iti ra, he iti papihi pounamu" (Small indeed, but made of greenstone). Thank you both.

All in all, the Kapa Haka Roopu have stuck together and have had a good year.

Channel Wood

Taku Koro

In August this year a great and well respected Rangitira of Ngati Rangi passed away, leaving many friends and family lost without his guidance as a role model.

He was well known throughout the country in the many different aspects of Māoridom. He was a humble grandfather, koroua, uncle, father and husband that many could talk to. He was a proud supporter of our school and always there to give advice or help out with a whaikōrero when important Manuhiri came.

Matiu Mareikura will be remembered as a highly regarded man, a true Christian and a proud Māori.

na Hubba Mareikura



SCIENCE

Competition in 1998

During 1998, quizzes and competitions in Science have involved a number of students who have performed well in representing the College.

MANAWATU CHEMISTRY QUIZ



This happened in August and merits were earned by Abbe French, Shayne Jacobsen, Bojan Legner, Carolyn Mastrovich and Emma Forster.

Quotes of the Year from 3R Science

When asked to do research on the discovery of oxygen, as the gas we need to survive, Sam Penning was very concerned and said, "But Miss, if oxygen was discovered by Lavoisier until 1837, what did everyone live on before that?"

When discussing puberty and sexual reproduction, I admonished the class for being a bit immature. Tod Anderson agreed by saying, "Yes Miss. Sex is just an ALL DAY matter, now!" (I think he meant everyday!)



BP TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE

This fun, problem-solving event was held in Wanganui on Thursday 22 October. Our team had to use various bits and pieces (mainly newspapers, Sellotape and string) to create a banner. They performed admirably and were rewarded with an ample supply of Moro bars!

The team of juniors were: Joshua Campbell, Callan Bennelick, Cameron O'Dwyer, Reuben Wallis, Ben Thompson, Megan Laurenson, Nolana Marsh (team leader), Vicky Cranston, Rebecca Lind and Jessica Marsh.

AUSTRALIAN SCIENCE COMPETITION

This competition took place in May. Michael Proude, Steven Sue entered in the senior competition. Serena Keast, Carrie Donaldson, Megan Laurenson, Susan Luff, Kylie Nixon, Jeremy Mott, Lee-anne Odom, Suanne Sue, Chaise Tasker and Melissa Hodder also took part.

BODY BITS

Kyle's smelly feet shuffle
slowly along the ground

Nolana's soft hands move
quickly across

Terri's loud mouth talking
and moving fast

And Connie's long, wriggly fingers
moving fast with her pen

Jessica Marsh

4A – WHAT DID THEY THINK OF SCIENCE IN 1998?

Interesting
Natalie

Experiments are
Choice
Nicole

Too much
writing

A better understanding
Erin

Science is much
better than last
year
Stephanie

Science helps
us in life
Janko

Words can not
explain it

Brad

Science makes you think
Abbe

Science is
Life
Jeremy

Interesting and easy
Nicola

Science is sitting in a
lab, 4 hours a week
and doing **stuff!**
Alice

Science is like a box of chocolates
You never know what you're going to get
Rebecca

Science was all right
this year
Deane

It was the best of times,
it was the worst of times

Robert

The nice sinks and taps in
lab B are sparkly and clean

Chaise

A lot more interesting
than last year
Shayne

It's all right. I think I'll ask the teacher
David

Experiments
beat
writing
any day
Nick

TRANSITION

This year, Transition students have been working on their Employment Skills Certificate. It is the first time the Certificate has run and on the whole it has been challenging but rewarding for most students.

Units of work have been taken from the fields of Business, Law, Health, Communication, Management and Work and Study Skills. The Certificate takes about 18 months to complete. This means that students are choosing to come back for a seventh form year to complete their certificate. We all feel that this is a very positive direction to be moving in. This qualification is flexible and allows students to demonstrate competencies in alternative fields.

This year the Transition Department has purchased a new computer and has logged on to the Internet. Students continue to develop their computing skills and develop their technological and research skills.

Automotive

Automotive was run in association with Hutt Valley Polytechnic this year. Our tutor was Doug Eves, for most of the year, with Lawrence Furlong stepping in for six weeks while Mr Eves was overseas.

The course included some audio graphic link ups with Hutt Valley Polytechnic. Next year we are looking to develop an Internet link to the Polytechnic, which should encourage the development of the theoretical aspect of the subject.



Forestry

It's finally 9.00 am and we're in the van heading to Karioi, to our block, to start pruning the trees. When we get out there, we have a cup of tea and something to eat. After that we start pruning. We have lunch at any time we want. After lunch we start pruning some more and sometimes we go for a swim or carry on pruning until 3.00 pm. Then we come back to school so that we can catch the bus home. I am tired and my legs are sore from all the walking we do.

Shaun Mott

STAR Courses

Schools receive STAR funding for the purpose of offering courses to their senior students. The goal of the policy is to assist schools so they can meet the needs of senior students better. STAR funding should lead to students undertaking courses of study and/or work place experience that lead to skills and qualifications which promote their transition from secondary school to either employment or further education.

In 1998 Star offered the following courses:

Hip Hop Performance Art and Music workshop
Hairdressing
First Aid
Agriculture
Kiwihost
Automotive Taster
Forestry Taster
Wood Turning
Food Handling
Tourism
Childcare
Ceramics
Ski Tuning



Aotearoa Hip Hop Collective from Auckland worked with 16 of our students as part of the STAR programme. The workshop concentrated on performance music and art. The students presented three graffiti art works to the college to be displayed around the school. The students learnt how to produce rhyming rap lyrics and perform them while backing this with music.

CAREERS

The careers suite was well used again this year with many students seeking information about career pathways. This year the school did not run a careers evening or visit an expo in another centre but they did have a level 13 visit to Victoria University and planned one to Massey University which was cancelled because of the varsity students' takeover of the Registry in Palmerston North. Next year will see more visits out of school, especially for those at a more junior level.

Work Experience

Work experience week for the level 10 students was well supported by students and employers in the area and thanks to all those employers out there who supported the students and give them the experience they seek. One last bit of advice from the careers advisor - try as many different challenges as you can - they all make you into a well rounded personality which is what the employers are looking for in this competitive world.



FOOD TECHNOLOGY

This year saw not only a name change for this department but also several programme changes. Students at Level 9, 10 and 12 were lucky enough to be the guinea pigs for the new technology based curriculum and fortunately it was well accepted by all guinea pigs involved. Further programme changes are about to occur with the incorporation of the new health curriculum and the introduction of unit standards at the senior level.

GUIDANCE

"What's that?" you say.

The Guidance Department is responsible for making sure that all students have the support they need.

This support includes things like helping new students settle into school; the 'Health Nurse' service; Special Needs help, matching students up with services outside the school if we are unable to help; educational, careers and personal counselling. (Mrs Ryland will explain more about careers in her report).

This year, we have had the guidance suite extended to give us more space to provide support services. The Health Nurse began holding her clinics in the new rooms in Term 4. The rooms have also been used for small group interviews, Japanese classes, and space to spread out and look at careers information. There have been varied responses to the colour scheme - "You'll need to provide sunglasses." "Yuk - hospital colours." "Who chose the colours?" "Cool." - but Mrs Ryland and I like it!!!!

Lots of people have asked me "What is counselling? What happens when people go to the Guidance Counsellor?" I figure you'll read this magazine from cover to cover so this is a good opportunity to let everyone know the answers to these questions. Through counselling, I will help you develop skills and strategies to deal effectively with your environment. You will be required to look at your way of thinking and behaving to decide if they are helpful to you. If they are not, we will work together and change them.

If changes are required, we will develop both short and long term goals (yes, I hear the groans of you Senior Health students at the mention of goals!!) that will be realistic and worthwhile for you. It will be necessary for you to share equally in the responsibility of counselling. I can not "save you". You must make decisions and carry out actions. I will help you where I can. Your best interests will always be the most important consideration.

This is a confidential service - that means if you tell me things you want kept secret, I won't be able to blab to all the staff!!! Do make use of the support services - they are there for you!!

F Fraser

ECONOMICS

Levels 9, 11, and 13 enjoyed the contrasting issues which economics looks at. The prevailing economic climate in New Zealand and the world provided an ideal opportunity to see economics in action.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

I'm sure everybody has heard how wonderful Bursary P.E is - all the trips we go on and how much time we have off school. I'll tell you now, it's hard work. All the trips we went on had assignments to go with them. Even though we did watch Matchbox 20's concert and went blackwater rafting, white water rafting, bungy jumping, played cards and played golf most of our periods in the third and fourth term, it's still hard work. It's quite a costly course also but it's worth every cent. If you're keen to do this course and go on all these trips, I strongly suggest you stay in school and do this course. It's well worth it.

Danley Vince



GREAT BLUE WAVES

GREAT BLUE WAVES

CRASHING

THE BEACH THROWS THEM

TO THE SEA

VANISHING AWAY

JENNIFER CRESSWELL

SENIOR PRIZEGIVING 1998

ATHLETICS

Intermediate Boy Champion (Walter Warner Cup) Andrew Evans; Senior Girl Champion (Turners & Growers Cup) Donna Cranston; Senior Boy Champion (Turners & Growers Cup) Sam Pope; Aggregate 800m, 1500m, 3000m (ECNZ Challenge Cup for Girls) Donna Cranston

CROSS COUNTRY

Intermediate Boy Champion (Leo Cleary Cup) Andrew Evans; Senior Girl Champion (ECNZ Challenge Cup) Angela Fraser; Senior Boy Champion (Dillon Shield) Stewart Hammond

SWIMMING

Senior Girl Champion (John Evans Trophy) Margaret Mowat; Senior Boy Champion (John Evans Trophy) Danley Vince

DIVING

Senior Girl Champion - Rochelle Te Huia
Senior Boy Champion - Joshua Goddard

NETBALL

Kapai Enterprises Trophy (presented by Ken and Marilyn George) An award for the person who by her actions displays the qualities of sportsmanship regarded as important at Ruapehu College: Achievement/Dedication/ Loyalty - College A winners of Waimarino Netball Division - Runners up in A Grade Round One - Winners of A Grade Competition - Jenny Cresswell

RUGBY

Best and Fairest Player in 1st XV Steven Sue; Most Consistent Player in 1st XV (D A Loe Cup) Michael Carmichael; Most Improved Player in 1st XV Stewart Hammond; Best Team Man in 2nd XV (Kui & Proude Trophy) Richard Carmichael; 1st XV Winners of Wanganui Secondary School Rugby Union Division One (Alan Proude Trophy)

HOCKEY

Captains Trophy presented to the most valuable team member Angela Fraser
Winners of King Country Hockey Association Challenge Cup

CRICKET

Best All Round Bowler (presented by Darren McDonnell) Brian Hays; Batting Award (presented by David Archibald) Gareth Nixon

TENNIS

Girl Champion (presented by Sue Laurenson) Donna Cranston
Boy Champion (presented by John Laurenson) Stewart Hammond

SOCCER

Service and Skill (Journeaux Trophy) Gareth Nixon

SKIING

Senior Girl Champion (Tahurangi Cup presented by Vic Keppel) Fumi Suzuki
Senior Boy Champion (Mangaturuturu Cup presented by Graham Brebner) Sharleszane Mareikura

SQUASH

Girl Champion (John & Yvonne Triggell Trophy) Jenny Murdie; Boy Champion (John & Yvonne Triggell Trophy) Gareth Nixon; Winners of Wanganui Secondary Schools Girls Squash Competition
Wanganui Secondary Schools Boys Squash Competition

VOLLEYBALL

Contribution to Volleyball - Carolyn Mastrovich
Best and fairest player - Ei Leen Voon

SHOOTING

Champion Shot Dion Nicholls

BASKETBALL

Contribution to Basketball (Basketball Supporters Club) Julie Imhoff and Danley Vince; Winners of Wanganui Secondary

School Tournament Under 16 Girls and Under 16 Boys

INTERWHANAU COMPETITION

HUIA (Sarah Tumataroa and Anton Gray) Cricket, Softball, Netball, English Senior quiz, Social Studies Senior quiz

WEKA (Janelle Martin and Joshua Goddard) Swimming, Athletics (Mr & Mrs EF Buck Cup), Cross Country (N Pearce, R Jenkins & D Bond Trophy), Basketball, Rugby, Skiing, Science Senior quiz, English Junior quiz, Social Studies Senior quiz, Social Studies Junior quiz

KIWI (Belinda Marsh and Shane Albert) Tennis, Volleyball, Touch Rugby, Badminton, Hockey, Soccer

TUI (Emma Forster and Stewart Hammond) Diving, Touch Rugby, Shooting, Speeches in Te Reo Maori (Peachey Trophy), Speeches in English, Mathematics Senior quiz, Mathematics Junior quiz, Science Junior quiz

Champion Whanau Cup (presented by Ruapehu Old Pupils Association) Weka

Academic Awards 1998

Year 11

Kendyl Edgarton MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Text & Information Management; **Gareth Nixon** MERIT AWARD for consistent standard and effort in Mathematics Applied; **Pauro Mareikura** MERIT AWARD for perseverance in Workshop Technology Wood; **Melissa Hodder** MERIT AWARD for effort and attainment in Food Technology; **Chris Adams** MERIT AWARD for improved effort in Science; **Louisa McIlroy** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and improvement in School Certificate English; **Martin Holman** MERIT AWARD for improvement in Workshop Technology Wood; **Robert Fraser** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and attainment in Mr Roger's Science class; **Amie Vine** MERIT AWARD for improvement in Practical English; **Candy Morris** MERIT AWARD for achievement and willingness to start afresh in Practical English; **Bojan Legner** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and concern for the learning process in School Certificate English; **Kieran McPherson** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Workshop Technology Wood; **Shaun Mott** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and achievement in Forestry; **Julie Imhoff** MERIT AWARD for achievement, effort and perseverance in School Certificate English; **Toby Hutchings** MERIT AWARD for achievement in Graphics; **Sean Dobbs** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Workshop Technology Metal; **Sarah Thomson** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and attainment in Mr Roger's Science class; **Kane Simpson** MERIT AWARD for improvement in Workshop Technology Metal; **Amoa Crossan** MERIT AWARDS for effort and attainment in Food Technology and consistent effort in Mathematics; **Kara Houlston** MERIT AWARDS for improvement in spoken and written English and improvement and consistent effort in Mathematics Applied; **Tamara Taputoro** MERIT AWARDS for consistent, sound effort and achievement in English, consistent effort in Mathematics, consistent effort in Science, and high attainment in Geography; **Tracy Fowle** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Text & Information Management; **Andrew Evans** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Workshop Technology Wood (L K Horne Memorial Award); **Andrew Taylor** SUBJECT

AWARD for first in Workshop Technology Metal (Dixon Engineering Company prize); **Sharleszane Mareikura** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Graphics; **Sue Ann Wilcox** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Mrs Voon's Practical English class

Christine Sue SUBJECT AWARD for second overall in School Certificate Mathematics; **Kataraina Cassidy** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Workshop Technology Textiles and Migos Trophy for practical clothing (joint award); **Catherine Godfrey** SUBJECT AWARD Migos Trophy for practical clothing (joint award); **Carrie Donaldson** SUBJECT AWARD for practical achievement in Horticulture (Fruit Federation Supplies Ltd prize) and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and achievement in Horticulture; **Kristen Forster** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Horticulture, and Turners & Growers Ltd prize for achievement in Horticulture; **Kelly Brock** SUBJECT AWARD for first overall in School Certificate Mathematics, and MERIT AWARD for high attainment in Geography; **Jennifer McIlroy** SUBJECT AWARD for first overall in Mathematics Applied and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Computer Studies, consistent effort in Text & Information Management, and improvement in Practical English; **Jeffrey Baylis** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Mr Roger's Science class, and first in Art; **Naida Rudkin** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Food Technology, first in Geography, and first in Mr Fairbrother's School Certificate English class; **Katie Woodhouse** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in School Certificate English, first in Mrs Buck's Science class, and first in History, and MERIT AWARD for achievement in Art; **Linda Grave** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Economics, first in Accounting and first in Te Reo Maori and MERIT AWARD for achievement, effort and perseverance in SC English

Year 12
Bridget Johnson MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and achievement in Transition; **Cameron Morris** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and achievement in Transition; **Belinda Marsh** MERIT AWARDS for effort and attainment in Food Technology, and perseverance and endeavour in Geography; **Christine Sue** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Biology, and effort in Media Studies; **Angie Preater** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Computer Studies, and consistent effort and achievement in Practical English; **Keri Bates** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and attainment in Biology, perseverance in Chemistry, and consistent effort in Mathematics; **Jade Smith** SUBJECT AWARD for first in History; **Kelly Ann Craig** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Text & Information Management; **Channel Wood** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Practical English; **Dion Nicholls** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Forestry

Bojan Legner SUBJECT AWARD for first in Automotive; **Angela Fraser** SUBJECT AWARD for first in class and perseverance and consistent effort in Computer Studies; **Louisa McIlroy** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Art (Photo Life Studios Ltd Award); **Anton Gray** SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Geography, and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mathematics Applied; **Selena Anderson** SUBJECT AWARD for first overall in Transition (joint award) and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and achievement in Practical English

Year 13
Mariana Johnson MERIT AWARD for independent study and commitment to Te Reo Maori; **Emma Forster** MERIT AWARD for attainment in Mathematics with Calculus; **Sarah Lind** MERIT AWARD for participation and excellent attitude in Bursary Physical Education

Janelle Martin MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and attainment in Biology
Angela Fraser MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and improvement in Agriculture /Horticulture, and perseverance and endeavour in Geography; **Donna Cranston** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Biology, participation and excellent attitude in Bursary Physical Education, and perseverance and endeavour in Geography; **Jenny Murdie** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Bursary Physical Education; **Michael Proude** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Biology, first in Agriculture/Horticulture, and the Horticulture Incentive Award donated by Ian Forster, Waimarino Tree Resource; **Ei Leen Voon** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Art (Dr Jordan Memorial Prize), first in History, first in English and the Peck-Campbell Cup for Excellence in the Humanities (presented by the Rev and Mrs Peck), and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Chemistry; **Steven Sue** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Accounting (Sewell and Wilson Award for high attainment in Accounting), first in Chemistry, first in Mathematics with Statistics, first in Mathematics with Calculus (Cast Family Senior Mathematics Award), and MERIT AWARD for attainment, effort and perseverance in English

Higher School Certificate: **Donna Cranston**, **Sarah Lind**, **Janelle Martin**, **Jenny Murdie**, **Michael Proude**, **Steven Sue**, **Ei Leen Voon**.

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Kristine Clark SUBJECT AWARD for first in Mathematics Applied, and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and achievement in Transition, and high attainment in Computer Studies; **Christopher Adams** SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Geography and MERIT AWARD for effort and achievement in Automotive; **Sharleszane Mareikura** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Te Reo Maori and MERIT AWARD for achievement in Design & Technology; **Fumi Suzuki** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Design & Technology (Winstone Pulp Industries Ltd prize) and MERIT AWARDS for improvement in spoken and written English, and consistent effort in Mathematics; **Jenny Cresswell** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Mathematics, and MERIT AWARDS for high attainment in English, and high attainment in Economics; **Mathew Deadman** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Graphics and first in Physics; **Leah Stuckey** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Food Technology (Country Womens' Institute prize), and first in Media Studies; **Sarah Tumataroa** SUBJECT AWARDS for first overall in Transition (joint award), diligence and showing class spirit in History (Early Settlers Award donated by the Scarrow family) and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Text & Information Management; **Emma Forster** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Accounting, first in Biology, first in Chemistry (Winstone Prize for achievement in Year 12 Sciences) first in English, "Daily News" Senior Literary Award, and first in Economics

Year 13

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JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING 1997

SPECIAL AWARDS (Seniors 1998)

Senior Speech competition (MS Gould Cup) Michael Proude

Impromptu Speech (Alan West Cup) Ei Leen Voon

Te Whai Korero - Wahine Speech making in Maori Language (Girls) Channel Wood (TG McCullough Cup) Marama Akapita

Te Whai Korero - Tane Speech Making in Maori Language (Boys) (TG McCullough Cup) Sharleszane Mareikura

Dance Award (George Chan Trophy) Mariana Johnson

Multiple Sclerosis Society Award for showing initiative and commitment to willingly helping others - Vanessa Irwin
Robin Rowles Memorial Award for leadership in the practical areas Angie Preater.

Maungarongo Trophy presented for unfailing loyalty and commitment to Te Ropu Mahi a ringa and being a good role model for other students Julie Imhoff

Brian Eades Award for perseverance and endeavour Linda Grave

ECNZ Scholarships: Sarah Lind, Steven Sue, Ei Leen Voon

Waimarino Shield donated by the Maori community of the district for all round student in academic, sporting, and social areas including Maori culture and values Anton Gray

Principal's Award Angela Fraser

Loftus Shield for services to the College - Ei Leen Voon

Proxime Accessit trophy donated by Peter Berry and Family - Ei Leen Voon

Dux trophy donated by Ian & Dorothy Meredith - Steven Sue

1997 Junior Prizegiving

ATHLETICS

Junior Girl Champion (PTA Cup) Tamara Taputoro; Junior Boy Champion (PTA Cup) Brad Hays; Intermediate Boy Champion (Walter Warner Cup) Andrew Evans

CROSS COUNTRY

Junior Girl Champion (Mary Whale Cup) Erin Martin; Junior Boy Champion (Herbert Smith Trust Cup) Chris Journeaux

SWIMMING

Junior Girl Champion Carrie Donaldson; Junior Boy Champion (TG Drayton Cup) Kieran McPherson; Intermediate Girl Champion (PTA Cup) Terehia Richards

DIVING

Junior Girl Champion - Pinenga Williams
Junior Boy Champion - Samuel Arahanga

NETBALL

For the Junior who has made an outstanding contribution to Netball within our school (Checkers Netball Cup) Ainsley Sands

RUGBY

Most improved player in 1st XV Fabian Marumar; Most improved junior in 2nd XV (Richard Lindsay Cup) Phillip Herewini
Best and fairest player in 2nd XV (Golden Oldies Trophy) Sean Dobbs; Best team man in 2nd XV (Kui & Proude Trophy) Coleman Albert

CRICKET

Batting Award (presented by David Archibald) Andrew Evans and Gareth Nixon

BASKETBALL

Contribution to Basketball - Julie Imhoff
Most Improved Girl - Ainsley Sands

Most Improved Boy - Mathew Richards

SOCCER

Most valuable player (Journeaux Trophy)

Jason Nuku; Most improved junior (Dave Billmore Trophy) Renata Takitimu

SQUASH

Most improved junior Gareth Nixon; Commitment and enthusiasm Sue-Ann Wilcox

SKIING

Junior Girl Champion (Knight Family Trophy) Cleo Rothschild; Junior Boy Champion (Knight Family Trophy) Nathan Horne

ACADEMIC AWARDS

LEVEL 9 (Form 3)

Nathan Horne MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Art; **Robert Lilburn** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and reading improvement in English; **Erin Martin** MERIT AWARD for effort and application in Horticulture; **Mindy Pakinga** MERIT AWARD for achievement in oral language and reading improvement in English; **Simone Hawira** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and attainment in Te Reo Maori; **Cameron Atkins** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mathematics; **Jason Nuku** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Food Technology; **Fleur Howell** MERIT AWARD for outstanding achievement in Computer Studies; **Nicholas McNie** MERIT AWARD for effort and application in Horticulture; **Shantal Hemara** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Food Technology; **Cleo Rothschild** MERIT AWARDS for effort and achievement in English, and attainment in Social Studies; **Mervyn Gardner** MERIT AWARDS for effort and application in Horticulture, and improvement in Social Studies; **Kim Surtees** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Food Technology, and effort and achievement in English; **Ema Bates** MERIT AWARDS for second place in Graphics, and high attainment in Mathematics; **Gordon Cribb** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Metalcraft, improvement in Woodcraft, and consistent application and reliability in Science; **Nicola Peretini** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Food Technology, high attainment in Consumer Studies, and consistent effort in Social Studies; **Brad Hays** SUBJECT AWARD for first in 3A Physical Education; **Alice Mastrovich** SUBJECT AWARD for first in 3A Social Studies; **Patricia Condon** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Te Reo Maori; **Vicki Cranston** SUBJECT AWARD for first in 3U Social Studies, and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mathematics; **Janko Legner** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and achievement in Science, improvement and consistent effort in English, and consistent effort in Physical Education; **Chaise Tasker** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and attainment in Computer Studies, diligence in Social Studies, and consistent effort and achievement in Science; **Jacinta Newell** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Mrs Voon's English class, and MERIT AWARD for perseverance in Physical Education; **Cory Saunders** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Woodcraft, and MERIT AWARD for outstanding achievement in Computer Studies; **Lisa Hennessy** SUBJECT AWARD for first in 3R Science, and MERIT AWARDS for creativity in English, and consistent effort in Physical Education; **Kristen Forster** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Horticulture, and first overall in Mathematics and MERIT AWARD for effort

and achievement in Science; **Carrie Donaldson** SUBJECT AWARDS for 1 = in 3R Social Studies, and first in 3R Physical Education, and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Mathematics, and consistent effort in Art; **Steven Bishop** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Metalcraft, and first in 3U Physical Education, and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Woodcraft, and consistent effort in Mathematics; **Rebecca Lind** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in 3A Science, first in Art, and third overall in Mathematics, and MERIT AWARD for diligence in Social Studies; **Chloe Goodwin** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Japanese, and first in Mrs Allomes' English class, and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Social Studies, outstanding achievement in Computer Studies, and high attainment in Art; **Susan Luff** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in 3U Science, first in Mr Mackay's English class, and second overall in Mathematics and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Food Technology, consistent effort and attainment in Te Reo Maori, and consistent effort in Physical Education; **Suanne Sue** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Graphics, first equal in 3R Social Studies, and first in Consumer Studies, and MERIT AWARDS for outstanding achievement in Computer Studies, application and achievement in Science, consistent effort in Mathematics, consistent effort in Food Technology, and consistent effort in Physical Education

Level 10 (Form 4)

Kara Houliston MERIT AWARD for effort and improvement in English; **Gareth Nixon** MERIT AWARD for improvement in Woodcraft; **Kane Simpson** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mathematics; **Jennifer McIlroy** MERIT AWARD for effort and achievement in English; **Colin Thrupp** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Physical Education; **Cameron Woon** MERIT AWARD for improvement in Mathematics; **Sean Dobbs** MERIT AWARD for high attainment in Mathematics; **Sarah Thomson** MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Keyboarding; **Sue-Ann Wilcox** SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Te Reo Maori; **Melissa Cameron** SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Art; **Sharmese Wallace** SUBJECT AWARD for second overall in Mathematics; **Catherine Godfrey** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and improvement in Computer Studies, and consistent effort and attainment in Textiles Technology; **Tessa Mangos** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Food Technology, consistent effort in Mathematics, and consistent effort in English; **Vanessa Irwin** MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and improvement in Computer Studies, consistent effort in Graphics, consistent effort in Science, consistent effort in English, and consistent effort all year in Social Studies; **Robert Fraser** SUBJECT AWARD for third overall in Mathematics, and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Social Studies; **Jeffrey Baylis** SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Art, and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Physical Education; **Terehia Richards** SUBJECT AWARD for first in Keyboarding, and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Food Technology; **Andrew Evans** SUBJECT AWARD for first in 4A Physical Education, and MERIT AWARDS for perseverance in Metalcraft,

and consistent effort and improvement in Social Studies; **Hikoi Teriaki** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Woodcraft (Taupo Total Tools Supplies prize), and first in 4R Physical Education, and MERIT AWARD for high attainment in Art; **Kelly Brock** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in 4A Social Studies, and third overall in English, and MERIT AWARDS for achievement in Science, and consistent effort in Physical Education; **Amoa Crossan** SUBJECT AWARD for first overall in Mathematics, and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Physical Education, consistent effort in Social Studies, and effort and attainment in Science; **Julie Imhoff** SUBJECT AWARDS for first equal in Te Reo Maori, and first overall in English, and MERIT AWARDS for attainment in Social Studies, consistent effort in Mathematics, and high attainment in Art; **Toby Hutchings** SUBJECT AWARDS for third overall in School Certificate Mathematics, first in Graphics, and first in Metalcraft (Trade Tools prize); **Tamara Taputoro** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Textiles Technology (Migos Trophy), and first in 4U Physical Education, and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Science, consistent effort and achievement in English, improvement in Social Studies, and consistent effort and achievement in Mathematics; **Katie Woodhouse** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in 4U Science, first in 4U Social Studies, and 'The Daily News' Junior Literary Award, and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and attainment in Textiles Technology, and consistent effort in Physical Education; **Naida Rudkin** SUBJECT AWARDS for first in 4R Science, and first in 4R Social Studies, and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and achievement in Mathematics, consistent effort and excellence in time management and record keeping in English; **Jasmine Robertson** SUBJECT AWARDS for second overall in School Certificate Mathematics, second overall in English, first in Computer Studies, and first in 4A Science

SPECIAL AWARDS

Service Awards

Helpfulness, service and reliability in the Library - Nicola Peretini
Dedication and commitment to Te Ropu mahi a waiata - Julie Imhoff, Kataraina Clarke, Pauru Mareikura
Lions Award for service to the school - Vanessa Irwin
Te Kaahu Trophy
Donated by Mr & Mrs Murphy-Peehi for leadership, initiative and dedication in the promotion of cultural activities among juniors at Ruapehu College - Mindy Pakinga
Speeches
Level 9 (L D Eden Cup) Vicki Cranston
Level 10 (Mr & Mrs FA Martin Cup) Katie Woodhouse
Whai korero Wahine (T G McCullough Cup) Te Kawai Mareikura; Tane - Gordon Cribb

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