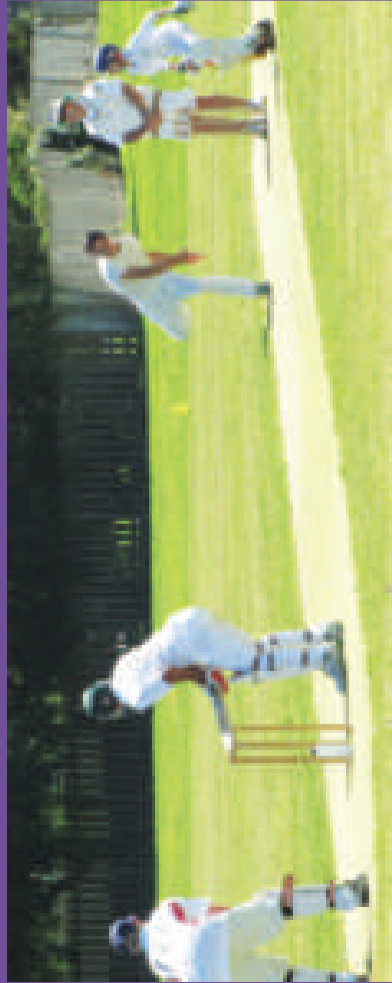


RUAPEHU COLLEGE

2010

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Piki mai kake mai
Whakatau mai. E nga kaumatua, e
nga whanau, e nga matua
Ki a koutou ra nga manuhiri o te ra.
Nau mai, haere mai.
Te hau kainga,
Nga mihi tino aroha ki a koutou katoa
Tena koutou.
Huri atu ki a koutou te Poari, nga
kaiako, nga kaiawhina
me koutou nga tauira katoa. Tena
koutou
Kei te mihi atu ki a ratou ma kua
wheturangitia, e te whanau Dixon, te
whanau Voon, te whanau Haitana-
Tahau me te whanau Cornelius, kei
te tangi tonu matou mo o koutou
taonga kua ngaro atu.
No reira e moe, haere, haere ra, e
moe.
Ratou te hunga mate ki a ratou.
Tatou te hunga ora ki a tatou.
He mihi ano tenei ki a koutou mo to
tautoko i te ra whakangahau nei mo
nga tuakana o tenei tau.
Tena koutou.

Welcome all parents, friends &
whanau of the college; Koos and
our Board of Trustees, staff & all you
fabulous students, and a special
welcome to our invited guests &
speaker of the day: Pahia Turia,
te kai korero extraordinaire! Thank
you all for joining with us as we
honour the senior students at their
prizegiving today.

To our tuakana, this is a great way
for the college and the community to
recognise and celebrate the choices,
and sometimes the sacrifices,
you have made to achieve such
successes. But please don't breathe
a sigh of relief and become laid back
graduates of Ruapehu College!
We trust you know you must
continue to strive and achieve even
loftier goals. Our motto: Rapuhia
ko te Matauranga, embodies this
sentiment and the NZC echoes the
same message. Kia kaha tonu!

The Ministry of Education deemed
that the new NZ Curriculum had to
be fully implemented in all schools
as of February this year. Here at
Ruapehu College our staff have been
involved in professional development
focused on the new curriculum since
2006. In term 4 last year the team
from the Education Review Office
noted how "dramatically prepared"
we were to fully implement this
new document which focuses on
the inquiry learning approach and
empowers each student in their
learning pathway. We are all fully
cognisant of the key competencies

implicit in the document.
These competencies:
relating to others, self-
management, participating
and contributing, thinking,
and using language symbols
and texts, encourage the
development of citizenship
and assist in the weaving
of humane, caring and
productive communities in
NZ for the 21st century.
The ERO team too, noted
the marked improvement in
our academic results over
the past three years. We
at the college are proud to
acknowledge our NCEA
Level one pass rate for 2009
was way over 60% again,
with the Literacy pass rate
at 76% and the Numeracy pass rate
at 89%. This is clearly related to the
outstanding teaching and support our
students receive from their teachers
every day at Ruapehu College. Nga
mihinui ki a koutou e nga kaiako.

We still need to strive to lift our
results at NCEA Level Two and
Three. It is noteworthy however, that
for 2009, the boys' cohort at Level
Two achieved a higher pass rate
than the girls. Also of note is that the
cohort of Maori students at Level 2
had a higher pass rate than the non-
Maori. Both of these results are in
direct contrast to the national trends.
We are committed to ensuring that
every student leaving Ruapehu
College after year 13, has a minimum
qualification of NCEA Level Two. By
the end of 2009 83% of the leavers
achieved this goal. This year our aim
is for 100% of the seniors to have
achieved this minimum bar before
they depart from our hallowed halls
of learning!

Gracious thanks to all the wonderfully
supportive whanau, who by
your actions and words, clearly
demonstrate to your children that you
VALUE education and CARE about
their future. Your presence at the
academic mentoring meetings with
your child and their school mentor,
and parent/teacher evenings, is very
much valued.

Coupled with the Mountain Hi 16+
our Academic Mentoring programme
is a programme that has clearly
contributed to our improved NCEA
results over the past year. You can
be proud of this success. To remind
you all, this programme is based on
the theory of the Triangle of Learning.
The three points of the triangle



represent firstly: the whanau/home,
secondly the school and thirdly, the
student. The theory is based on the
belief that students are best enabled
to achieve in education when the
home/whanau, the school and the
student all take responsibility for the
students educational outcomes.

We have a really talented bunch
of people here. Our students are
renowned for their sporting prowess
and their tenacious spirit, particularly
on the rugby field! Sporting
successes were celebrated in term 3
but I make special mention of some
outstanding achievements of 2010.
Our netball team were champions
in their grade in the Whanganui
region this season. Well done girls!
Jackson Campbell achieved national
distinction in golf being selected
to play in the U19 New Zealand
competition. He also won the local
Waimarino Club championship
title this year. Move over Michael
Campbell! Wonderful work and
dedicated commitment, Jackson.
Well done!

Our squash teams again competed
at national level and performed really
well against much larger schools.
Tamati Brooks, our Head Boy, is
currently the Ohakune Squash Club
champion for 2010. Justine Vaughan
also won national honours in the New
Zealand Maori Squash Tournament
achieving first place in her grade.
This year 4 students were selected
to represent the Whanganui region at
the North Island Secondary Schools
Athletics: Tautahi Rawiri, Llewellyn
Cadwallader, Me-Kayla Sue-Waara
and Zakira Tipene. They carried our
MANA with them and were wonderful
role models from Ruapehu College.
A huge bouquet of thanks is

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

extended to Maxine our rugby coordinator, to Kath and Ngaire for their teamwork as sports coordinators, and to all the sports coaches, managers and supporters of our sports persons. Your generosity of spirit is immeasurable. Thank you all.

Our students talents extend to many areas: Justine Vaughan and Elijah Pue-Feickert won medals in the Whanganui Junior Hospitality Industry competitions. Then Elijah continued on, gaining a silver medal for table setting in the New Zealand Hospitality competitions. Great work guys! We trust we will be wined and dined in your restaurant one day! And continuing with talent and achievement: it is heartening to note the rising number of students challenging themselves by entering the ICAS competitions. This is the International Competition and Assessment for Schools, wherein our students compete in English and Mathematics against students from the whole of Australasia. Rachel Hilson achieved a Distinction for writing and Sam Laurenson received a Distinction for mathematics. A Distinction award means these students are achieving in the top 7% in New Zealand, which is outstanding.

Another group I wish to thank is our board: Koos our board chair, Peter Porter, Bessina Pehi-Tamatea, Mana Brown, Roberta Williams, Bernie McPherson, Chris McLeod our staff representative and Elijah Pue-Feickert our student representative. I take this opportunity again to acknowledge and thank you all for your time, commitment, enthusiasm and for all that you contribute to guarantee a fantastic learning environment for our students. Thanks especially for continuing to follow the vision and investment set by past Boards in ensuring that our students and staff are techno-literate; supporting our ICT initiatives and purchasing Smart-boards, increased access to computers and internet, video conferencing facilities, and providing data projectors in every classroom. All of this gives the students the opportunity to co-construct their own learning programmes, and supports the Enquiry Learning model that is an important element of the NZC. I want to acknowledge the continued contribution of my Senior Management colleagues

John and Leigh. Thank you for your boundless support and your wonderful leadership. To our support staff, to the gems in our front office, to Kerren our ICT Queen, to our librarian, our Attendance Officer, to Kay, Phil our asset manager & team, and to our teacher aides; I offer my heartfelt thanks to you all for being the strength in the beams that hold our school together. Nga mihinui ki a koutou.

To our teachers, who we have high demands of: you exceed those demands and expectations every day. Thank you all so much for your commitment, care, loyalty and vision. What you invest of yourselves for these students and this school, cannot be quantified. I want to offer some words of comfort and support at this challenging time. Kia kaha tonu koutou! We look forward to a resolution between the PPTA and the Ministry of Education, that acknowledges the sacrifice and contribution that NZ teachers make to our society.

This year we bade farewell to Peter Bishop, who moved to Taumarunui. We wish him and his wife well in their retirement. Our Japanese intern, Akira Otsubu returns to his home in Japan after spending this year with us at Ruapehu College. We thank him and trust he has enjoyed his time with us. Sadly, Jean Wan our fabulous music teacher is returning to Canada for further study towards her teaching qualification. Amazingly our kids have not put her off the profession! Thanks a million Jean, we wish you well and hope you will return one day.

Our school leaders, Tamati and Cressida, Quaid and Hayley, Joshua and Caleigh, and Elijah the student BOT representative: you have grown well in your roles this year. The mantle of leadership is a huge responsibility. Thank you all for assuming the many tasks that we expected of you, both in the College and in the community. Tauria ma / our students: I cannot stress enough that you are the master of your own destiny. Unless you come to school every day and listen to your teachers, unless you heed the wisdom of your kaumatua / grandparents, parents & other adults about you, and put in the hard work, it's highly unlikely that you will enjoy any success in life. We have the best teachers in the country, you can have the most supportive whanau in the



world, but none of this matters unless you take personal responsibility for your own education as well. President Obama recently spoke to some graduating students and I echo his words here at Ruapehu College: "every one of you has something you are good at . . . you have a responsibility to yourself to discover what that is. That is the opportunity an education can offer you. And no matter what you want to do in life you'll need an education to do it. You can't drop out of school and just drop into a good job.

You've got to work for it, train for it and learn for it."

In my own words the greatest outcome of a fine education is freedom. Education empowers you. It is truly emancipating: giving you freedom to choose your life's pathway. We trust that Ruapehu College truly has made a mountain of difference for you this year and you are empowered to tread your own path.

To our seniors, on behalf of the Ruapehu College community, I wish you every success for the upcoming NCEA examinations. I remind you of the wise words of the author Robert Louis Stevenson:

" . . . everybody, sooner or later, sits down to a banquet of consequences . . . "

Your banquet will be revealed in January 2011 when you receive your results from the New Zealand Qualifications Authority. Keep the focus! Kia kaha tonu!

As the academic year nears the end and the halcyon days of summer arrive, I take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful festive season and special times with those we treasure most: our whanau and friends.

Tena koutou,
tena koutou,
tena noa tatou katoa.
Mrs Mikaere

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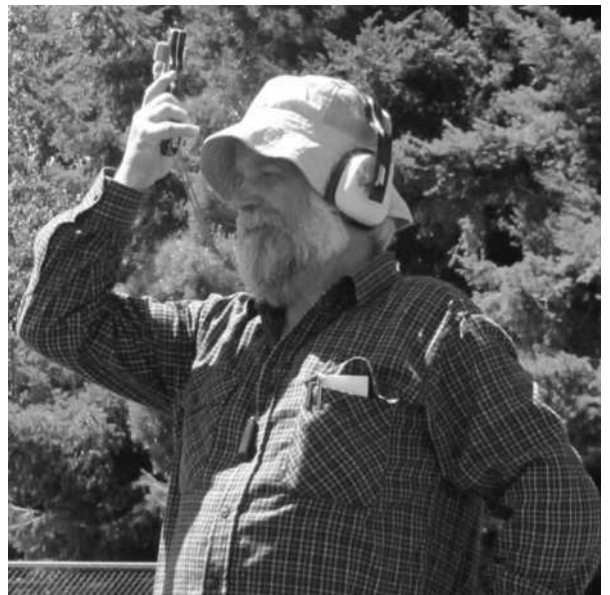
Front row: Mr K Hagener, Mrs M George, Mrs L Hynes, Mrs J Mikaere, Mr J Laurenson, Mrs A Stuckey, Mrs L Christiansen.

Second row: Mrs K Crossan, Mrs S McKernan, Mr Otsubo, Mrs W Hubbard,

Third row: Mrs M White, Mr B McManus, Mrs K Campbell, Mr R Prasad, Mr J Jordan, Mrs A Cranston, Mrs L Beukes.

Back row: Miss J Wan, Mrs K Sutton, Mrs R Wills, Mrs E Brewis, Mrs M Wilson, Mrs N Double.

Absent: Mrs J Voon, Mr C McLeod, Mrs A McIver, Mrs J Robb, Mrs S Laurenson, Mrs S Buck, Mr N Buck, Mr P Sutton, Ms L Poka, Ms J Gupwell, Miss M Gupwell, Mrs J Brown, Mrs C Cannan, Mrs G Joseph, Miss R Fluerty, Mrs M Hakaraia, Ms K Stout, Mr C Winters, Mr B Wilson, Mrs K Dixon Mr Ryan Jolie.



STAFF CHANGES

Girl Joseph joined the staff this year. She has been working as teacher support and also teacher relieving.



Peter Bishop left as he retired to Taumarunui. Peter had worked at the college for many years ensuring our school environment always looked pristine.



New Japanese intern Akira Otsubo arrived this year from Japan. He has been teaching junior Japanese language and culture to our students.



Former student Max Kelly was happy to do his teaching practicum at his old school.

Ex student Rachel Fluerty joined us to teach Dance in term four. With her Zumba experience and skills she has offered many hours of enjoyment to our students.



Jean Wan moves back to Canada to do further study towards her teaching qualification. Jean has been wonderful at motivating our students to sing with gusto!



Ryan Jolie has joined the Music Department encouraging our students to extend and develop their performance skills.

Student teachers

These five student teachers enjoyed our outdoor education opportunities while they completed their studies with AUT toward teaching qualifications. We are pleased that they enjoyed their time here.



From left to right Nicola McNabb taught in the Art department. Daniel Rattray taught in the Physical Education department. Sophie Morgan taught in the Outdoor Education and Physical Education areas. Mike Kantor taught in the Social Studies and History Department. Amadia Didsbury taught in the Health Department.

STUDENT LEADERS



Front row:
Hayley Van Hees,
Cressida Pue, Mrs
Mikaere, Tamati
Brooks, Quaid
McGregor
Second row:
Elijah Pue-Feikert,
Caleigh Goodley,
Joshua Hyde.

You guys rock!
To all our teachers
who have supported
and encouraged us all
while here at Ruapehu
College. A huge thank
you goes out to you all.
Mr Jordan and Mrs
Mikaere, thank you
for all the ongoing
encouragement and
support throughout the
year you have given
us.

LEADERS REPORT

It's finally over, another busy yet successful year! We as the head students for 2010 have taken on a life journey leading our kura as role models to the best of our ability. It is quite amazing how fast time flies, especially this year. First off, we started the year with the annual leadership camp down at the Raukawa Falls YMCA camp. It's safe to say everyone enjoyed this trip. We had serious fun doing team building exercises, physical challenges and fun games. Our second event was another annual event. The Halogen Foundations National Young Leaders Day hosted in Palmerston North was a pretty cool event. The conference aimed to develop student leadership and be both inspirational and practical. Many of us left the conference feeling inspired. These two trips proved to be a great time to unite the year group as senior leaders. It helped the Year 13s start working together better as a team and brought us much closer than ever before.

"Good morning school, please stand"... We have had many assemblies to recognize our school achievers in all areas such as academic, sporting, regional and national competitions. It has been great to see more students striving to achieve academically. Well done to

you all!

Many highlights this year would have to have been the last minute organisation of the school ball. Our Hollywood themed ball was a headache but eventually we pulled through and it turned out to be a very successful and fun night enjoyed by all. Staff vs. Year 13 challenges haven't been as frequent as we would have liked them to be. It was easily seen by many that the wooden spoon would have ended up lonely in the senior common room. We're sure it misses the comfort the staffroom provides it and it's now in the arms of our Year 12s soon to be 13, to make sure this happens.

We would like to thank our deputy leaders Hayley Van Hees and Quaid McGregor, also the Sports Leaders Josh Hyde and Caleigh Goodley for all the combined support we had to lead our school. Together we made a great group of leaders.

Our fellow Year 13s students, thank you all for the many memories we have shared together over the past years we have been together.

To all the students we leave, we wish you all the best for your future study and life. Remember to keep your options open and strive to achieve your goals and dreams. Our future student leaders for next year, we hope you do well in all aspects and lead the school to your very best. Rapuhia ko te Matauranga!

Your Head Girl and Head Boy of 2010,
Cressida Pue and Tamati Brooks

On a much sadder note, there have been ex-students of the college that have tragically passed away. Our sympathy goes out to the Dixon and Voon families for their losses.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Ruapehu College – Chairman's Report – 2010.

Since the last report in 2009 there were two significant events that impacted on the activities of the BOT.

Firstly the final ERO report was released in December last year and Ruapehu College received a fine report that acknowledged some very good work that has taken place and a few areas that need attention. I would like to thank Jo and the staff for their consistent efforts to deliver an academic programme that meets the New Zealand standards and also the expectations of the community. This report certainly reflects your efforts.

Secondly BOT elections were to be held and it was a bit of a struggle to get enough volunteers to establish a new BOT. The required 3 nominations were received to form a BOT, but it was clear that more hands were needed. One of the new members resigned shortly after the establishment of the new BOT and so a supplementary election was called. We succeeded in filling all vacant positions now, and co-opted other willing parents as well. We look forward to getting the wheels turning faster. Thank you to all those volunteers, your participation is appreciated.

Like many secondary schools in New Zealand, Ruapehu College has been experiencing a falling roll. One effect of this is that some spaces in the school need to be closed off. Historically the school was built to 'house' 450 students. The Board and the staff are now busy identifying the areas that are surplus to use. The maintenance of the school is a high priority and during the year the external painting of the school was undertaken. The weather did not always play its part as the contractors wanted it, but the job is completed and the school looks well presented.

At the moment planning has started on the 10 year plan for maintenance and developments/improvements to the school. The strategic approach is also to enhance our ICT capability through a planned programme for the replacing of computers and acquiring advanced electronic equipment, like Smartboards. The drive is to provide resources to enable the learning outcomes we require now, and into the future.



Ruapehu College certainly excelled on the sports field again. Too many names to quote, but I am glad to report that successes in academic and skill competitions also came along at regular intervals. The purchase of new equipment and sports uniforms for our students representing the school, certainly put pride in their steps and I am sure, instilled more confidence in their efforts.

The current economic climate certainly has an effect on all of us. In recent times the message is that government is budgeting for deficits. Certainly not a good thing to keep living on borrowed money. As a BOT I can report that the accounts of Ruapehu College are in a good place at the moment, mainly due to well planned budgets and wise controls over expenditure.

We will certainly face new challenges in the New Year, but I am sure that with the team we have, we will be able to meet the challenges and drive forward to succeed in our goals.

I hope all of you have a safe and happy holiday season. We look forward to seeing everybody back here in the New Year.

Koos Beukes
Board Chairperson.

Front row: Mrs Josephine Mikaere (Principal), Mr Koos Beukes (Chairperson) Mrs Bernie McPherson, Elijah Pue-Feickert (student representative)
Back row: Mr Chris McLeod (Staff representative) Mrs Ann McIver (Board Secretary), Mrs Roberta Williams, Mr Peter Porter, Absent: Mrs Bessina Pehi-Tamatea, Mr Mana Brown.



VISITORS

Ben Goddard our local Fire Chief shared his experiences of years in the volunteer fire brigade at our civic assembly



Former head girl and dux Suanne Sue spoke at our Academic Assembly urging students to take every opportunity Ruapehu College offers.

Ukelele concert
The Nukes performed some of their humorous songs, and brought the ukulele spirit to Ruapehu College, inspiring the formation of a ukulele band.



Jeff Pitman shared his life experiences in the world of golf, sharing his message: that excellence in sports can open many doors in the world.



Year 8 open day. Again it was wonderful to note how much our year 8 students enjoyed their taste of secondary school for a day. We look forward to welcoming them in 2011.



Tararua College brought their rock music talents on the road, and got our students dancing in their seats.

Celia Lashlie spent time talking with staff, students and parents. Her advice on raising "beautiful" young men is always valued. Our boys had the benefit of free discussion and question time with her.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS



Jackson Campbell has had a very successful golf season this year. He was runner-up at the Waimarino Match Play tournament. He played representative golf for the Manawatu-Wanganui golf team. He represented Waimarino Golf Club and Ruapehu College at the NZ U19 championship in Dunedin and the North Island Stroke Play championship in Wellington.

Jackson became the first student from Ruapehu College to make the cut at the NZ U19 championship.

More recently he became the youngest golfer to win the senior Waimarino Club Championship.

Hospitality student Elijah Pue-Feickert came home with Silver from the New Zealand Culinary Fare finals in Auckland for his skills in innovative table setting. Competitors take 45 minutes to complete their table in a competition against the best secondary college students across the nation. Elijah, along with other college students competed in the NZ Junior Hospitality Challenge Regionals, in Palmerston North. Elijah won the event overall in the Front of House; which earned him a spot to compete against the nation at the New Zealand Culinary Fare; where there were 21 finalists out of over 900 regional competitors.



On Labour weekend Justine Vaughan went to Nga Hau e Wha (a Maori national squash tournament). She played in the Open Women's C and won all three games 3/0 to win her division. Justine received a special taonga at the prizegiving.

Hayley Van Hees won the first Miss Central Plateau held on Friday October 29 2010. There were three rounds to the contest with different outfits and questions. Hayley found her leadership role at Ruapehu College helped her with speaking on the night.



Gabriel Hakaraia and Anaru Hansen attended an U14 Rugby Development camp at Taupo in the holidays. During their time there, they were given positional guidance and training. This also involved a quad tournament playing teams from 3 other Provinces. Wanganui won all 3 games comfortably. Gabriel and Anaru went on to be selected for the Wanganui U14s, training and travelling to Wanganui 2 times a week. They finished their season undefeated.

During the September holidays Felicia Fredericksen, along with eight other chosen cadets from around New Zealand, attended the South Australian Army cadets annual field exercise, held at Cultana Military Base, a six hour drive from Adelaide.



This year a number of students entered the ICAS (Australasian) competitions in Mathematics and English.

Sam Laurenson received a distinction in Mathematics which is only given to the top seven percent of students. Rachel Hilson also received a distinction certificate in Reading. Well done for an outstanding result.



Tautahi Rawiri, Lew Cadwallader, Me-Kayla Sue-Waara and Zakira Tipene were all chosen to represent the Wanganui region at the North Island Secondary Schools Athletics Championship earlier this year.

OVERSEAS STUDENT

Henrik Hose arrived in New Zealand from Hamburg, Germany at the start of 2010.

He came to New Zealand to improve his English, and he certainly achieved that goal, getting better grades than many other students in a number of NCEA assessments. He also had the confidence to speak in the speech competitions and took part in the inter whanau Kapa Haka competition. Henrik loved the outdoors.

He went on several kayaking trips with Mr McManus and was really pleased when he finally managed to do an Eskimo roll. He walked the

Tongariro Alpine Crossing, and did most of the shorter walks around Ohakune. Henrik also had a passion for photography. He took thousands of photos whilst in New Zealand and marvelled at the small things we take for granted, like the brightness of the stars in the sky here, the amazing colours of the rocks in thermal areas etc.

Henrik found school here had far fewer pressures than in Germany. In Germany, he studied 13 subjects and had several hours of homework each night.

Henrik stayed with the Laurensens and fitted into the family extremely



well. The one food he hated was chocolate, which was great because it left more for everyone else!!
Mrs Laurensen

Henrik's leaving speech to the school.

20 assemblies, 100 days, 300 periods, 400 000 minutes. That seems to be a lot of time, doesn't it?

Good morning everyone.

Time is a funny thing. I spent about 400 000 minutes here at this school. I can remember jokes, I laughed about.

I can remember conversations with nice people.

I can remember exciting moments, when I went kayaking or learned about New Zealand's culture.

All that, and much more happened in this time. It was half a year. But, many of you will agree with me, that it did not feel like half a year, no.

Time ran fast, very fast!

In my opinion, it is quite a good sign when time is running fast. It means that we experience something new, that exciting things happen to us, and that we enjoy our life.

My stay here is a perfect example for that: I went to a school, which is totally different to what I am used to. I learned kayaking in a stunning environment. I could improve my English a lot. I met many nice and friendly teachers and students. That and much more happened here at the College in the last two terms, and it made time run fast for me.

I already said that I can remember jokes, conversations and events, but all those things are just moments: I will never forget some of my classes, the Kapahaka or the enthusiasm of many students for the sport events. When you think back in the past, you just remember moments. You do not

remember the time in between them;

you just remember a moment, and probably the feeling that is connected to it.

Time is an illusion.
Albert Einstein

Enough philosophy!

Now, I am about to go home, this is already my last week. I want to say thank you to Ruapehu College for fast-running time.

Thank you to all the students, who helped me, learned with me and laughed with me.

Thank you to all the teachers, who taught me and showed me a part of life in New Zealand.

Thank you to everybody who made 400 000 minutes exciting!

ACADEMIC MENTORING

Success comes with hard work and by setting goals and reaching milestones on the way to achieving these goals. This is made easier when an academic mentor is involved.

Academic mentoring continued in 2010 for our senior students. Each student chose a staff member to be their academic mentor. In Term 1, time was set aside for students, caregivers and mentors to meet to set goals and look at credits needed to achieve qualifications.

As the year continued, many students

met both formally and informally with their mentors for progress updates and continued goal setting.

The academic mentoring system works well for the students, caregivers and teachers who make it work. I hope academic mentoring grows from strength to strength in 2011 and we all support the academic goals of our students.

Mrs Robb



IN MEMORY

MAIMAI AROHA

Logan Dixon: 2002-2006 student at Ruapehu College.

It was with heartfelt sadness that we heard of Logan's fatal accident on the 13th April earlier this year.

Logan was a student at Ruapehu College for his 5 years of secondary schooling. In my first year here, 2006, Logan sat up the front in school assemblies as a member of the student leaders team. Logan was the student BOT rep & ably presented student views to the board as he was very eloquent and an astute thinker. He was a young man with a great sense of humour, a wonderful intellect, loads of sporting ability which TUI WHANAU really appreciated, and a great love of music. Logan packed so much into his life and had so many wonderful experiences within the context of his loving whanau. At his service the people that loved him most shared a special message, which I believe is really important for us to remember in our busy lives each day. They reminded us all how important it is to speak every day to the people we love & care for, and to tell our loved ones that we DO love & care about them.

Logan will always be fondly remembered by us all at Ruapehu College. For myself, Logan's affirmation "in my eyes Miss you have been the best principal in all my years of schooling" was truly touching and spoke volumes about the young man that would articulate his feelings.

Nga mihi aroha ki a koe, Logan.

Our hearts remain with Logan's whanau: the Dixons, the Georges, the Hakaraias. He mihi aroha ano, te whanau.

Mrs Mikaere

New Year's Eve

Written by Mei Ling Voon

who sadly passed away on the 3 October 2010

Even though it is said "time is money"
In the minutes of the last hour
In the last night of the year,
You realise, time cannot be measured
On this earth here.

A passing day seems like nothing
And although you can reach out
And re-live the memories in your mind,
They are left far behind
In the hands of time.



NATIONAL CYCLE WAY

On the 2nd July this year a group of senior students represented the College at the opening of the first of the NZ National Cycle way trails. This was opened by our Prime Minister, Mr. John Key on a beautiful day at The Junction. After Mr. Key cut the ribbon a large contingent of bikers headed off to participate in a bike ride on part of the cycle way. We biked from the Junction to the old Hapuawhenua viaduct (part of the Old Coach Road cycle/walk way) and did a loop back to the Junction. Ruapehu students turned out wearing the new tracksuits and singlets and could be seen from the air, some at the front of the group. This was a competitive ride but some of our students were the first to complete the trail with Hadlee Radford steaming in to be first back. For others of us the ride up hill was a good challenge, not to mention poor old Zach Clarke who didn't even make the trail, losing his chain on the initial sprint along the road. A great day had by all ... even our Principal was there to support, not that we saw her anywhere along the track!!

K Campbell



STUDENT COUNCIL



Front row: Elijah Pue Feikert, Josh Hyde, Shem Brown, Quaid McGregor, Caleigh Goodley, Hayley Van Hees, Cressida Pue.

Second row: Miss J Wan, Tangaroa Joyce, Henere Larsen, Tamati Brooks, Kolo Tomu, Mrs K Campbell.

Third row: Reenal Kumar, Gabriel Hakaraia, Ethan Hyde, Amber Ryan, Mikayla Bates.

Absent: Branden Albertyn, Jayden Hakaraia, Jordan Heron, Samuel Hoeta, Jack Kristiansen, Jordan Tinsley-Yates, Sarah Waiomio-Togiaono, Laurance Williamson.

Student Council this year comprised a representative from each form group and a larger contingency from our Year 13 class. Co-Chair persons were Quaid McGregor and Caleigh Goodley, Secretary was Cressida Pue and Treasurer was Shem Brown. We also had Elijah Pue-Feikert on the Council and he took the student voice to board meetings each month.

This year we continued to sponsor Gavin from Zambia, raising the money necessary through school mufti days. We also held a mufti day to support the people of Canterbury after the devastating earthquake down there.

The Student Council is student run and driven and is a challenge to find time to devote to in an otherwise

busy student school life. There is a keen crew returning to school in 2011 who are keen to stand on the Council and represent the students voice and help grow the Council from strength to strength.

The staff supporting the students were Mrs. Campbell and Miss Wan.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPRESENTATIVE

As recently elected Student Representative on the Board of Trustees, for the second term, I have found it different to any leadership role I have held before. As student rep, I am the voice of the students at the BOT meetings. Attending the meetings is often quite interesting, I was anxious at the start that the meeting would be extremely formal, but the members are very

approachable and always listen to my perspective. There are many different matters that are discussed and many lead to good heated debates and amusing anecdotes from the rest of the members. All in all, this role has many different facets and I enjoy everything apart from school after hours!

Elijah Pue-Feikert

STUDENT LEADERS



Weka

Junior Leaders: Jackson Kui-Rickit, Cina Metekingi, Anaru Hansen, Brooklyn Double.

Senior Leaders: Shaquille McDonnell, Adriana Callaghan, Tyler Eades, Xanadu Tipene.



Huia

Junior Leaders: Tangaroa Joyce, Amber Ryan, Trae Maihi, Me-Kayla Sue-Waara.

Senior Leaders: Zach Ryan, Justine Vaughan, Josh Hyde, Anahera Tauhau-Haitana.



Kiwi

Junior Leaders: Tuhoi Hemara, Jessica Rowe, Eli Rivlin-Myers, Tessa Milne.

Senior Leaders: Jackson Campbell, Jess Hotter, Hadlee Redford, Jordan-Lee Heron.



Tui

Junior Leaders: Luke Deadman, Hayley Fredericksen, Sam Hoeta, Raukura Johnson.

Senior Leaders: Tautahi Rawiri, Katie Bates, Te Uhi Hakaraia, Krissy Reuben.

9BM



Front Row:

Ringitia Mako, Brooklyn Double, Lysjahn Wood, Lucy Lyon, Parekura Mako,.

Second row: Mr B McManus, Ethan Mears, Paneta Richards-Wiari, Anaru Hansen, Tihi Ote Ora Mareikura, Mrs A Stuckey.

Third row: Jacob Larsen, Trent Faneva, Gabriel Hakaraia, Tayna Tihore, Shaquille McIlroy.

Absent: Sam Keast, Lew Cadwallader, Harlem Hawira, Bridget Hiroti, Cina Metekingi, Shayna Selwyn, Jordan Tinsley-Yates.

9KC



Front Row: Kevin McDonnell, Jackson Whale, William Church, Trae Maihi, Rii Williams.

Second row: Mrs K Campbell, Leighton Richards, Creedence McNaught, Monique Collett, Jessica Rowe, Mrs A Stuckey.

Third row: Me-Kayla Sue-Waara, Ngawai Kaire, Reenal Kumar, Lynessa Albert.

Absent: Branden Albertyn, Jordan Winata-Dixon, Merekatene Haitana, Hamu Kahukaka, Kayla Pehi, Manaia Rapana, Waipuna Ratapu-Williams.

10MG



Front Row: Anthony Journeaux, Leishae Katene, Dana Paul, Ashleigh Griffin, Kalijah Rapana-Paul,
Second row: Mrs M George, Samuel Hoeta, Shaun Brown, Mrs L Christiansen,
Absent: Zantina Waipouri-Kaata, James Stace, Summer Richards-Warbrick, Tui McLeod, Jackson
Kui-Rickit, Tuhoi Hemara, Kahl Elers-Green, Cornelius De Beer, Ropata Cribb, Wiremu Blake,

10MW



Front Row: Kiri-Joy Rapana-Bell, Hayley Fredericksen, Hannah Brown, Jess Agate, Odette Edmonds.
Second row: Mrs M Wilson, Andre McDonnell, Kane Pakai-Dewes, Luke Deadman, Cleveland Todd, Mrs L Christiansen.
Third row: Amber Ryan
Absent: Tyson Vaughan, Tayla Pearce, Melissa Larsen, Raukara Johnson, Mariah Hiroti, Shayden Eru, Shamon Barker-Pehi, Manu Barham.

10RP



Front Row: Kanyakon Kosinanonth, Jane Devonshire, Raina Kohu, Rachel Hilson, Tessa Milne.
Second Row: Mr R Prasad, Joseph Metekingi, Tangaroa Joyce, Waylon Clapp, Conner Kupa-Caudwell, Mrs L Christiansen.
Third row: Eli Rivlin-Myers, Kendall Thompson, Kereru Mako, Tiere Walker Rapana, Ethan Hyde.
Absent: Chrystal Waara, Carlos Tauhau-Haitana, Montel Pehi, Wananga Kaata, Tanika Evaroa.

11KH



Front row: Tia Maraeta Purnell-Te Wano, Mikayla Bates, Darrien Brown, Meaw Kosinanonth, Zakira Tipene.
Second row: Mr K Hagener, Callum Long, Slade Elers, Sas Maihi, Atara Moke.
Third row: Tyler Berry, Jayden Hakaraia.
Absent: Sharn Wilson, Tio Waipouri-Kaata, Anton Waara, Zivana Richards-Winter, Greta Renata-Maihi, Mossimo Pekamu, Lydia Metekingi, Leroy McLeod, Tristan McDonnell, Jerricka McClutchie, Raylene Bishop, Machaela Christensen, Vicky Condon, Adele De Beer, Christian Hawira, Tisha Hawira.

11LB



Front row:

Cory Blaney, Joshua Howell, Mac-James Edmonds, Tyson Hiroti, Calvin Bouskill.

Second row: Dylan Chisholm, Kolo Tomu, Jack Kristiansen, Jidis Hiroti, Mrs L Beukes.

Third row: Kaitlyn Yeow, Ciana Kui-Rickit, Courtney Taylor.

Absent: Sabrina Tahau-Haitana, Anahera Tauhau-Haitana, Melissa Steedman, Alesha Ruka, Sensi Rangiahua, Zaquoia Ponga, Tunuiarangi Ponga-Te Hiuia, Jesse Pehi-Tamatea, Ezekiel Hiroti, Chinade Delamare, Tia Brown.

12AC



Front row: Jenny Rapana-Bell, Justine Vaughan, Benny Biddle, Rachel Rowe, Rena Richards.

Second row: Ms A Cranston, Elijah Pue Feickert, Zach Ryan, Henere Larsen, Daniel Mears, Miss J Wan

Third row; Hadlee Radford, Zach Clarke

Absent: Laurance Williamson, Bianca Taylor, Chiao Ruri, Puaoterangi Richards-Wiari, Mere Ponga-Tehuia, Shaquille McDonnell, Korimako Mako, Hine Henare, Kelly Greenfield, Jorian Callaghan,.

12SM



Front row: Felicia Fredericksen, Toni-Renee Henare, Chevaugn Maihi, Jess Hotter, Kahurangi Hira.
Second row: Ms A Cranston, Samuel Laurenson, Dennis Collett, Jackson Campell, Shem Brown, Mrs McKernan.
Absent: Aidan McNaught, Waima Kaire, Henrik Hose, Te Uhi Hakaraia, Dane Christensen, Frances Bishop, Tyler Barham.

13JJ



Front Row: Joshua Hyde, Michael Grossart, Elijah Taylor, Quaid McGregor, Tamati Brooks.
Second Row: Jess Long, Katie Bates, Jordan Heron, Cressida Pue, Mr J Jordan.
Third row: Caleigh Goodley, Tiaraukura Condon, Hayley Van Hees.
Absent: Adriana Callaghan, Ben Deadman, Jonny Donaldson, Tyler Eades, Materangatira Hern, TeAwa King, Hereina Paul, Roy Prince, Tautahi Rawiri, Krissy Reuben, Kenzi Stier, Arorangi Taylor, Xanadu Tipene, Jayden Turei, Sarah Waiomio-Togiaono, Charlie White.

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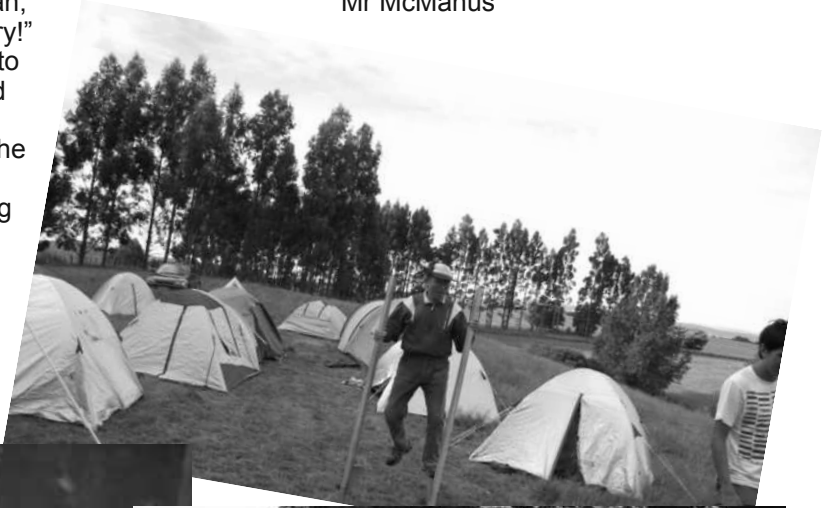
YEAR 9 CAMP

Based at Karioi these 2-day outdoor camps were like a travelling circus as vans were loaded up and taken to National Park for rock-climbing and swimming at Tawhai Falls. Papa Chris imparted local Maori history and legend, before improvised throwing spears were made from flax observing harakeke tikanga. One group managed to get up the mountain for the traditional Turoa cleanup – job well done! The infamous muddy Burma Trail was well received. Then marshmallows were roasted

around the campfire and Mrs Cranston told us all about “Bob” and her woman, No Cry!”

Thank you to Girl who did a great job managing the camp and encouraging students to take ownership of all the duties. Our

senior-student leaders also showed good leadership and made our Year 9s welcome to Ruapehu College. Mr McManus



YEAR 13 CAMP

Heavily footed driver + Sharp
Corners + VERY CARSICK PRONE
SENIOR =

A Very harsh and disgusting trip to
YMCA. (Should have let Ngaire drive
the girls!)

That was just the beginning! On the
7th of February we all ventured down
the Parapara to the YMCA camp with
activities involving high ropes, low
ropes, rock climbing, raft building,
team building skills, and games.

Spotlight become part of our nightly
routine but shortly ended when Quaid
lost part of his "manhood" after being
electrocuted by the electric fence.
Which is almost as bad as Michael
losing his fight against the almighty
Sandfly, leaving his eye badly
wounded for several weeks.



apparently doing the splits at old age
is not a very wise idea, especially
around teenagers who aren't willing
to help you up! (We still feel bad,
Jerry)

This one time at Year 13 camp...
Jerry was extremely irritated with the
almighty quote "THIS ONE TIME..."
Love the AWESOME year 13's of
2010!

Jordan Heron



All in all camp was a
very enjoyable and
memorable class
trip. It brought us all
closer together and
we left with great
leadership skills.
Thank you, Thank you,
THANK YOU
to Ngaire and
Jerry!! Without you
guys we wouldn't
have made it
there and had
the fun we did,
but we definitely
would have had
loads more ice
cream. (Year 13s
of 2011 TAKE



Another night routine was the famous
ONE AT A TIME flying fox although
some girls thought that one at a time
meant 8 at a time which resulted
with trails of legs, feet and heads
everywhere, leaving Adri with minor
head injuries!

Flying fox also revealed secret
"Bromances" with a couple of the
boys (for confidential reasons we
cannot say first names). Flying fox
was a bundle of laughs, even for
those who "failed to launch"!

Singing wars lead to Ben and J-lee
battling it out for who could sing
"Party in the USA" the best and

THE FREEZER KEY OFF
JERRY)!!!!!!!



YEAR 13 VERSUS STAFF CHALLENGES

A year of hope crumbles around the year 13s!

The year got off to a great start if you were a member of the Year 13 class in the challenges against the staff.

Year 13s put on a huge performance to win the opening event Tug of War. For the first time in over six years the year 13s pulled off a major upset by winning this opening event. Things got even better for this opportunistic bunch when they followed this up with a victory in the relay challenge as they proved to be too fast for the staff. With this victory words of greatness were flowing and the staff would be eating soup with the Wooden Spoon all year.

Listening to the year 13s you would think they would break Olympic records in the swimming pool and the staff had no chance. But this is where the story takes a tragic turn. In the pool the year 13s found out that the staff had three members who could swim and the final staff member who could only dog paddle was able to come home with over half the pool to spare



for a Staff Victory! After the pool things went from bad to worse for the poor year 13s, as they were then soundly beaten in volleyball not even winning a game! Soccer proved to be another poor choice because once again they found the staff too strong. From soccer they tried their luck at hockey and after a promising two goal start they quickly fell apart and again were well beaten by the staff! Finally they thought they would destroy the staff in dodge ball. Just imagine getting the right to throw things (balls) at

your teacher, but what they did not realise is a similar thought was going through the minds of their teachers. Who would have ever dreamed that this would be the easiest victory of them all for



the staff! Like other years much does not change. Again it is the year 13s who are left standing ever so proudly holding the Wooden Spoon!

Mr Jordan



YEAR 13 PROFILES

Name: Jess Long (Wong Wong)
Occupation: Farm girl
Famous for: Hiding evidence of bloneness
Famous saying: "vitamin is said vitman (pom accent)
Wants to be: Racecar driver
Most likely to be: A Hill billy
Thought on life: I eat beef!

Name: Ben Deadman (Benith Quanay Nay)
Occupation: Goddard Engineer
Famous for: Partying in the USA
Famous saying: "chur da bo"
Wants to be: A mechanic
Most likely to be: in love with Miley Cirus
Thought on life: Life's nothing without KT

Name: Jayden Turei (Big J)
Occupation: Horseman
Famous for: Being chief of year 9's
Famous saying: "a juggernaut"
Wants to be: busher
Most likely to be: An Indian Cowboy
Thought on life: Guitar starts with a G

Name: Te Awa King (Adam L)
Occupation: Cow milker
Famous for: Kissing boys
Famous saying: "I didn't kiss him"
Wants to be: Not gay
Most likely to be: Gay
Thought on life: Whaddaya want from me

Name: Hayley Van Hees (Hailz)
Occupation: Keg girl
Famous for: Best waitress
Famous saying: "what about me?"
Wants to be: A Vet
Most likely to be: A pooper scooper at the zoo
Thought on life: Save the whales

Name: Tamati Brooks (Puke of Raetihi)
Occupation: Rubbish picker upper
Famous for: Being a snob
Famous saying: "wonna go for coffee"
Wants to be: Accountant
Most likely to be: Ruapehu College Caretaker
Thought on life: Kool starts with JL

Name: Caleigh Goodley (Egroeg)
Occupation: Kitchen Crew
Famous for: Being vain
Famous saying: "Don't be mean"
Wants to be: Chef
Most likely to be: Running the school canteen
Thought on life: Live with no regrets.

Name: Cressida Pue (cda)
Occupation: Waitress
Famous for: Being a role model
Famous saying: "ain't bothered"
Wants to be: Maori party leader
Most likely to be: A stay at home mum
Thought on life: School's for cool kids

Name: Tia Condon
Occupation: Professional wrestler
Famous for: numerous near death tragedies
Famous saying: "niggaaaaay"
Wants to be: Policeman
Most likely to be: EMA
Thought on life: RPS 4 life

Name: Arorangi Taylor
Occupation: Kohanga girl
Famous for: being the quiet one
Famous saying: "hello (lunchtime) bye"
Wants to be: A singer
Most likely to be: Te kura worker
Thought on life: Rapuhia kote Matauranga

Name: Adriana Callaghan (Adri)
Occupation: Fulltime Facebooker
Famous for: The hand sniff
Famous saying: "I love J-Lee"
Wants to be: Lawyer
Most likely to be: In love with J-Lee
Thought on life: Beauty is from the inside

Name: Krissy Reuben
Occupation: Stunt girl
Famous for: Not being at school
Famous saying: "move"
Wants to be: A Nanny
Most likely to be: Working at Stutz
Thought on life: I love chips

Name: Tyler Eades (Big T)
Occupation: Mumma's boy
Famous for: Jonesy
Famous saying: "where's my lunch?"
Wants to be: Electrician
Most likely to be: Ohakune taxi driver

Name: Josh Hyde (Horis)
Occupation: Sports gear distributor
Famous for: Getting picked on
Famous saying: "Where's Tamati"
Wants to be: Sports Journalist
Most likely to be: Josh Brooks
Thought on life: Sports rule

Name: Katie Bates (KT)
Occupation: Nanny Annie look alike
Famous for: Founder leader of RPS
Famous saying: "ling ling, where's yo bling bling?"
Wants to be: A McLeod's daughter
Most likely to be: Kapa haka kaea
Thought on life: Negativity is for Maths!

Name: Tautahi Rawiri
Occupation: Outdoors man
Famous for: Perfect smile
Famous saying: "He brew"
Wants to be: Builder
Most likely to be: Living with Rachel Wills
Thought on life: If you ain't the best eat the rest.

YEAR 13 PROFILES

Name: Jordan-Lee Heron (J-Lee)
 Occupation: New World girl
 Famous for: Defeating Spanish Armada
 Famous saying: "do you have flybuys?"
 Wants to be: A youth advocate
 Most likely to be: New World owner
 Thought on life: Good things come in small packages

Name: Elijah Taylor (ET)
 Occupation: Ski distributor
 Famous for: Gangster signs
 Famous saying: "What's that about nothing?"
 Wants to be: Chef
 Most likely to be: Eminem mimic
 Thought on life: West is best

Name: Quaid McGregor (EQO)
 Occupation: Full time gamer
 Famous for: debating with teachers
 Famous saying: "first pump"
 Wants to be: Game tester
 Most likely to be: Volunteer game tester
 Thought on life: forget to regret

Name: Michael Grossart (Horse)
 Occupation: DVD distributor
 Famous for: Pauly "D" look alike
 Famous saying: "In the Navy..."
 Wants to be: Seaman
 Most likely to be: A stain
 Thought on life: You only live once so live it the way you want



PROPERTY

2010 saw us complete the target of a data projector in each room. Further to that we have upped the number of interactive smart boards to 11 with five new ones installed in 2010. Our grounds continue to be well maintained thanks to the efforts of Phil Sutton and Peter Bishop. Unfortunately Peter moved to Taumarunui during the year which will be our loss. We wish him all the best and thanks for the many hours he has put into the college grounds over the 30 or so years he was groundsman or assistant. Also as part of Peter's departure we have moved to using senior students after school in a paid capacity to do the end of day grounds clean that Peter did. Whilst good pocket money for the students involved in some ways it is a waste if other students used the bins more consistently.

The astro Turf reseal on the tennis courts and new cricket practice wicket came into effect for 2010 and was well utilised throughout.

The gymnasium has had attention on two counts. Firstly the heating in the ceiling has been replaced at huge cost and secondly the moss build up on the exterior has been killed off to stop the leaking that had started on a

too regular basis. Unfortunately at time of print we now have a much larger problem with the flooring surface delaminating and putting the gymnasium out of action on a safety basis. It is possible that this repair may need to come from our own development funds and could be as high as \$150,000.

Of most significance interest this year was the bursting of a pipe going in to the boiler header tank above room 2. This happened on July 11 in the school holidays after some of our most severe frosts. The consequence was that many litres of water gushed into the ceilings above room two and the new video conferencing rooms until they both caved in. The damage was huge, losing video conference gear, security cameras, computers not to mention the complete destruction of the rooms. Whilst the electronic equipment was all replaced by term 4 no movement on the room had started at time of print as the loss adjuster required to sign off the paper work for the ministry had been fast tracked to Christchurch to do earth quake assessing.

This time last year I wrote "A

complete repaint of the whole of the outside of the school over the summer will improve the appearance of the College will hopefully be completed before the start of the 2010 school year." Well there is a huge improvement, but such a big job that the contractors, Tongs from Wanganui, are up to their one year anniversary but still not yet complete. I am now hopeful they will be completely finished by the start of the 2011 year.

Looking ahead we still haven't progressed on the redesign of the music prefabs to include a recording studio or the redesign of the open space inside the senior studies block outside rooms S1 and S2 to include a new office/resource area or the redesign of the staffroom. Hopefully these will happen in 2011. What does have to happen with urgency is the resetting of our 10 year plan from 2011 onwards. The most difficult part of this will be establishing which of our three classrooms will be removed due to the buildings being over that which we are entitled to. Mr Laurensen



HORTICULTURE

With a full timetable of senior students for Mrs Hynes, Mrs Chrissie Cannan, well-known local peony grower, was called in to take the two year 9 classes. These classes successfully grew seeds and cuttings, and looked at the importance of horticulture in the local area.

The year 11 class studying for NCEA Level 1 were a great bunch, although there were a couple of moments, eh Jack? Slade could beat everyone in the class on identifying fertilisers – a great visual memory! Kolo was the bomb at the practical work, Mikayla was great at drawing tattoos on Dylan's arm, and Josh spent a lot of time gazing at his friends instead of listening to the teacher. Don't you know that boys can't multi task, Josh? Courtney was the most improved, Callum was the person who knew the most while writing down the least. Cory was always thinking up the next trick to do at lunchtime, while Tyson gazed lovingly at pics of his son on his phone.



Jayden tried to work the subject of rodeo riding into every aspect of Horticulture. Calvin shone out with his improved knowledge, but every so often had to take days off to go pig hunting. How does that happen? Tyler, well he was very quiet, even quieter on the days he came to school.

Mrs Hynes is looking forward to this bunch's results because they were a fun group to teach.

The Level 2 class dwindled away during the year, I hope it wasn't the subject matter.... But Toni stayed true and kept working, Hadlee...well still waiting to hear if he is going to make the end of the year, and Shaq got into forestry and lost the thread of his studies. Benny added a new dimension to the class, managing to sound really knowledgeable but never actually finishing any written work.

Now the Level Three class. Well I could call KT the leader of this mob of sheep but leaders do need to come to school more regularly. The other rams in the class all baaed their

way through the year, all vying for the cut above placing in the class. How many FAHMAHS will come out of this class? There was a lot of talk, a little work and a lot of fun from Henere, Elijah, Jacko, Shem, Tyler, Tia (when she turned up) and Daniel. Hopefully some of them will pass their credits because the internals are looking pretty sad. Ben was too busy planning road trips to come to class, and KT ended the year with a high tea.

In the department, we got a Smartboard but it is taking a lot of taming. It seems to have a mind of its own, and jumps all around the place. Mr Sutton even replaced it with a new one, but I think we have narrowed the problem down to the laptop. Maybe 2011 will see the end to these problems. Lincoln University will join with the school to offer first year university papers in Horticulture. Watch this space. Despite all the fun, we do some work in the Hort department.

Mrs Hynes



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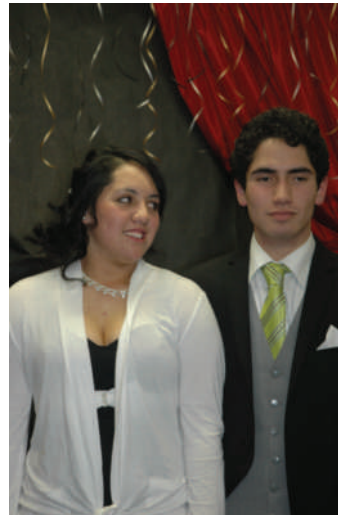
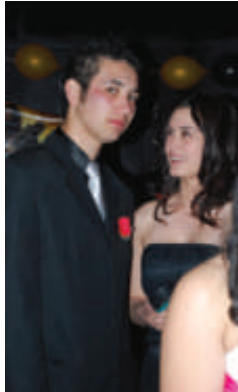
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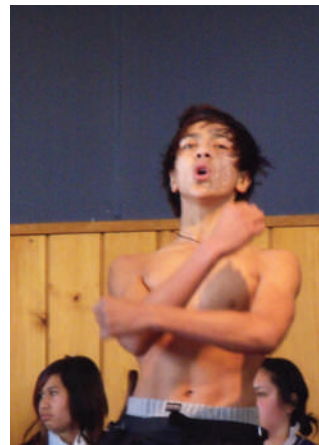
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TECHNOLOGY HARD MATERIALS DEPARTMENT

We had a busy year with two

we had some outstandingly good results.



The year 10 group was a very good bunch of students. They had the right attitude towards learning and were responsible in the workshop. It was a teachers dream. I implemented a new programme for all students, with the result that all who continued achieved NCEA credits. The learned that effort and the right attitude give you success.

The year 11 (level 1 NCEA) class had a reduced programme

to do, compare with previous years. Some of the students rose to the challenge and developed and built a well-crafted piece of furniture they can be proud of. It will be a great asset to the family for many years. Some students gained a number of credits due to units studied during their year 10 and carried them over into year 11.

Level 2/3 NCEA (Year 12/13) was a group of 26 students with a positive attitude. They enjoyed one another's company very much. Some of the class developed their whole range of ability and gained the 16+ credits, but other didn't manage their time so well. I wish them all the best for their future.

Mr Hagener

year 9 classes coming through the Technology Hard Materials Department. Each group was very different. Almost all students of one group have been outstanding in effort, commitment and attitude. Most made good progress and



HEALTH

The Health department has again shown signs of growth and expansion. The New Curriculum is being applied, and links to the Waimarino are being made. Student enquiry learning has helped students take ownership of their learning. It has also given students the opportunity to work in co-operative groups. The "Flip" video has been a great tool to help the students reflect on their learning. The instant feed-back is often humorous and telling. The Smartboard continues to be a

favourite learning tool for all. Junior classes have enjoyed the structure of lessons that include scenarios, posters and other creative



expression. Seniors have been diligent - especially Level 2 NCEA, and the credits gained are pleasing. Ces Lashlie's visit stimulated good

discussion around the choices we make. Many of the boys were impressed with her no nonsense approach to decision making and the consequences.

The "Attitude" team from Auckland again addressed the junior students, and added value to learning around relationships and sexuality. The Health Department also values the input of the health nurse and other outside agencies that help provide the best for Ruapehu College students.

Mrs Cranston

LIBRARY

This year the library had three keen year 9 students who ably assisted me in the basic running of the school library. My thanks go to Jordan Tinsley – Yates, Brooklyn Double and Samuel Keast for their help during lunch time library sessions with issue and return of library books. Next term I will be eagerly looking for volunteers to replace Sam and Jordan who sadly have left the area.

There's a saying which goes "Someone's misfortune is another's fortune" or did I just make that up?! Anyway due to some flooding in various school areas the IRC room (Information and Resource Centre) has been used as the Video Conference Room only and the folding doors between library and the IRC room have been locked. This means no foot traffic through the library to the IRC room plus the bonus of the library now having a "wall". I have managed to re-cycle two

display shelving units to use for magazines and quick read books and they fit perfectly against the "wall" and students can now easily choose some quick reading material and settle down to read at a table. Half way through the year the school library received a generous donation from Mazda of \$500 to purchase new books. Our thanks must also go to Mrs. Kerren Dixon who successfully applied for the donation. There's nothing a librarian loves more than purchasing new books although having overdue returned promptly comes a close second !! The books ranged from top New Zealand non-fiction – The Penguin History of New Zealand Illustrated by Michael King to graphic novels by top British writer



Anthony Horowitz. Hopefully there was something for everyone in the selection of 25 books. Next year I hope to have new shelf indicators which will make it that much easier for students to quickly find the books that they need. Who knows perhaps even new carpet, a fresh coat of paint.....! Mrs Hubbard

LAND BASED TRAINING

The programme provided by Land Based Training is a brief introduction to some of the skills required in the farming sector.

The STAR funded course is designed across the year to fit the farming seasons, with 1 day per week.

A mix of theory and practical skills taught by well respected agricultural tutor Brian Wilson appealed to the students.

Year 11 -13 students keen on farming were taught ATV Safety, tractor safety, fencing, animal handling, and health & safety.

The learning is all based on NZQA Unit Standards and the credits count towards their NCEA performance.

The culmination of the programme was the opportunity to compete at the finals of the Land Based Training Interschool Agriculture Competition at Otiwhiti Station, where the team performed very well.



Front row: Shem Brown, Katie Bates, Henere Larsen.
 Second row: Hadlee Radford, Elijah Pue-Feickert, Tiaraukura Condon, Mrs L Hynes, Jayden Hakaraia, Daniel Mears.
 Absent: Tyler Eades, Jess Long.



VIDEO CONFERENCING

Video conferencing continues to be an essential learning tool for a small school such as Ruapehu College. It enables our students to have access to classes taught by other teachers from throughout the country and makes available various subjects that they otherwise would not be able to take.

In 2010, our students were involved in Economics, Chemistry, Level 4 computing, and media studies classes.

In March, students attended an e-hui at Tauhara College in Taupo where they were able to meet their teachers in the flesh and also meet up with some of their fellow classmates from the Volcanics cluster. This was a very worthwhile day and the students attending were a credit to themselves and the school. Elijah spent most of the day counting the badges other student leaders were

wearing and tried his best to outdo all others. Little did the others know that he was not all he claimed to be!!

At the end of the July school holidays, following a very heavy frost, a water pipe in the ceiling of the VC room burst. By the time this was discovered, the ceiling had collapsed, the gear was soaked and Mr Mc Manus and the Outdoor Education class could have canoed down the stairs by Room two!

This was so disappointing. The Video Conferencing Room which had just been revamped in 2009 and was such an awesome facility, was now a disaster zone and no longer available to be used. With the Christchurch earthquake, the insurance assessors were not able to get onto the paper work for the



rebuilding of the room and nearly two terms on, the room still cannot be used. However on the up side, the insurance company replaced all our rather aged gear with brand new equipment and students at Ruapehu College will soon be very fortunate to have what is probably the best video conferencing facility out of all secondary schools in New Zealand. Mrs Laurenson

GRAPHICS

Half way through term one the year 10 class was well on the way to solid work habits, and then we were joined by a group of nine extra students!

This created new dynamics in the class and most coped well.

In term three some of these students had the opportunity to work on level 1 NCEA unit standards.

They completed the work with competency and can be proud of

their achievements. I am certain they will use these new skills in their future life.

The Year 9 group worked very well in Graphics. There are some real stars in these classes, showing good learning and work habits. Students who put the extra effort in came out as winners.

Mr Hagener



TRAVEL AND TOURISM

A new year and a new course for this subject. ATTTO, the organisation that controls and administers all training and courses in travel and tourism, introduced a new course called the National Certificate in Travel and Tourism (Introductory Level) which is the first requirement for beginning a career in travel and tourism. Once this course is completed, a large number of other courses and degrees are available specialising in whatever aspect of travel and tourism the student is interested in. Options range from being a travel agent, becoming a tour leader, working as a flight attendant, being in marketing or research, developing Maori tourism or working in a casino.

A small group of students have

made a great start to their careers in travel and tourism through this course. It involves 53 credits and take two years to complete and deals with a wide range of topics which look at what tourism is, how tourist businesses work, what tourists want to do and what they want to see. Business practices are important as is working in a team and developing extensive research skills.

This is a great opportunity for anyone wanting to get into travel and tourism for a career as the programme is also available at other learning institutions but the fees are much more than the fees charged at college.

This year's students have made good progress in completing their certificates but the real results will only come in 2011 when they have



the opportunity to finish either at college or in the workplace if they choose to leave at the end of 2010. Mr Buck

SCIENCE

The Science department continued this year with Ms Meredith Wilson teaching Science and Senior Biology. Mr Buck stayed in department

also found out about themselves and the ways in which they can relate to others. Later at the end of term one a small group were able to go to a second Kiwi release and hopefully the Science Dept will be able to support the wildlife trust in the future and attend more kiwi releases.



Rachel Wills, our great Lab Tech continues to manage us and our resources. We continue to value her contribution and thank her for her diligence. Without her help the staff would not be able to do so much practical work with their

forward to how these develop and the other challenges a new year brings. As the students learn to learn and the teachers learn more about teaching them to learn the world evolves and more science is made!
Mrs Buck



teaching Year 10. Mr Laurensen has been teaching the year 12 Physics class so the department has zoomed to 4 teachers.

classes.

The junior classes were taught under a new programme designed to try and relate the Science learning to the students. Year 9 were under the umbrella "Science in the Waimarino" and year 10 "Science in Antarctica". These new courses were to align our Science teaching and learning with the new New Zealand curriculum.

Science is becoming increasingly important as our lives involve more technology and science based thinking. We hope to move towards more skills based teaching in the coming year, helping students to learn about learning. Using computer skills and the internet as a resources for information is becoming increasingly important and it has been good to see classes at all levels able to use some of these resources for their Science work.

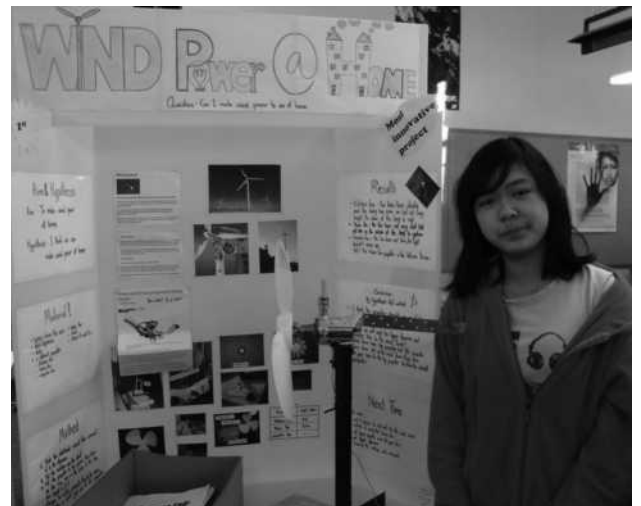
Also this year we tried a new strategy in Year 11, with a choice each term of two courses and pupils able to change groups each term. It has proved popular and successful with some students achieving up to 15 internal credits in Science even before the externals are taken.

Both year 9 and year 10 undertook a unit of work this year which involved them in science investigating with projects of their own choice. The Science Fairs which resulted from this took place in term 2 and term 4 and some great prizes were awarded to the winners.

The student numbers at senior level were larger this year so we had more students in taught classes with only 12 Chemistry on video conferencing. The year 13's decided they were not science based but next year these subject will return.

We sent another group of students to the week long Kiwi Forever programme in term one. They did very well and thoroughly enjoyed their experience. A wonderful week, the students learnt not only about the Kiwi but also their heritage and the richness of the native forest in our area. They also were involved in a Kiwi release, a great moment. They

Next year there are big changes at Year 11 and more development of our Science in the Waimarino and Science in Antarctica courses. We look



JAPANESE

The year 10 class this year have learnt basic Japanese writing , daily conversation and it's culture.

They learned as follows:

- describing people physically eg Hana ga takai.(My nose is big.)
- telling the time eg Nanji desu ka. (what time is it?.)
- expressing days of the week, months and numbers to 100 eg Nanyoobi desu ka. (What day is today?)
- talking about school subjects and likes and dislikes eg Nihongo ga sukidesu. (I like Japanese.)
- talking about the weather eg Kyoo wa atsui desu. (It's hot today.)
- giving personal information eg Doko kara desu ka. (Where are you from?)
- talking about animals and pets eg Nan desu ka. (What is it?) Inu desu. (It's a dog.)
- Hitsuji wa nani iro desu ka. (What colour is the sheep?)
- the basic hiragana and katakana chart eg zutsuu (headache) tsuduku (continue) posuto (postbox)



The year 9 class this year have learnt basic Japanese writing, daily conversation and its culture.

In Japanese writing, we concentrated on learning 46 characters which are called HIRAGANA and learnt a lot of Japanese words like classroom objects and family members names.

In daily conversations, we have learnt basic greetings and many phrases about giving and asking for one's nationality, telephone numbers and talking about their likes and dislikes.

Thanks to all who support the Japanese Department. I hope my students will keep studying Japanese a little every day in their future. Kansya!!

Otsubo Akira

OUTDOOR EDUCATION



and ate roasted marshmallows around our open fire. The next day saw Quaid attempting an impressive kayak "kick-flip" in the G3 rapid above Blue Pools and confidently rolling in the rapid before the whole group did the Grade 2 Blue Pools to Turangi trip. What a full-on and fun trip! During Term 1 and Term 2 we continued

assessments at Blue Mountain Adventure Centre (BMAC).

In Term 3 we managed to get a few days up on the snow, skiing and mountaineering. Unfortunately, the weather was against us and the mountain-craft assessment was cancelled.

In summary, 2010 had a very positive vibe and students had a chance to push themselves to overcome personal and inter-personal challenges.

Other Activities

Kayaking club in Term 3 was good fun and it was great to see new students enjoy kayaking at the Waiouru pool and climbing at the impressive SLR Climbing wall in Ohakune. Close links with NZOIA and BMAC enabled our students to participate in a canoeing trip in Term 3.

Mr McManus

Senior Outdoor

12 Outdoor students experienced a wide range of activities. Rock climbing, abseiling, kayaking, mountaineering and snowsports. 2010 began with an awesome 2 day camp in the Central Plateau. Students climbed at the National Park climbing wall, flat-water kayaked at Lake Rotoaira and abseiled at Tree Trunk Gorge before camping near the Poutu Canal Intake on the Tongariro River. Jude Hotter's company was appreciated that evening as we shared stories

with the kayaking, rock-climbing and abseiling focus. Students paddled the Rangitikei, Waikato, Mohaka, Tongariro and Manganui o te ao rivers. The students and Luigi Hotter made great progress on the NZOIA Kayak 1 course. Thanks Luigi for your help and great tales of your rafting days! Henrik taught us all about German organisational efficiency during these trips and in class time. Henrik, Jess and Zach all developed fantastic skills and easily passed their Grade II Kayaking and Rock Climbing



MUSIC

(Sung to the tune of "Jingle Bells")

Ruapehu College –
Our music is the best
We have heaps of instruments
Who cares for all the rest?

We got a brand new drum kit
We got some old guitars
We got some coloured ukuleles –
Playing like the stars, oh!

Chorus
*Music room, music room,
We know you're the best!
We made posters, we made music
And we even jest, oh!*

*Melisma, melody,
Rhythm, beat and blues.
We played almost everything
And here is some more news!*

We welcomed Mr. Jolie,
Who plays a mean guitar
And reinvented drum notation
Elijah T's a star!

We went to Palmy North
To hear the orchestra,
And photograph us with the tower
To make a quaver, oh!

*And we had Tia come,
The new kid at school.
Christian learned to play the drums
And Jayden plays so cool!
Ciana and Justine
Both sing like a star.
Tamati on piano
Can now play at a bar!*

Tuition was so fun
The Year 9s worked real hard
We had Waipuna
And Harlem on guitar

Lucy on piano
And Brooklyn with her voice
We've got so much talent here,
Next year will be choice!

*Our bassist, his name is
Elijah P-F.
Rachel, Jane and Hannah
Play guitar and piano with sass, oh!*

*Raukura and Sade
Made a ukulele band,
And Tiera joined us for the singing –
TC Crew is grand!*

Performances are scary
Performances are tough
But we'll have lots to show –
I know you've got the stuff!

We've got the Arts Fiesta
With Art and DTC,
And Dance and Textiles all
together
Making arts the key, oh!

*Prize-Giving, Prize-Giving
What a fun old time!
We'll do our assessments
there and
Have a swinging time, oh!*

*We will sing "Rapuha",
"Slice of Heaven" too.
Coupled with the anthem we
will
Rock the entire school!*

It wasn't always good
Some students couldn't last
'Cause music isn't easy,
Although we have a blast.

But those who came would
stick
And those who came would
stay
And I can only thank you
guys
For rocking all my days, oh!

*Music rocks, music rocks,
Music is the best
This has been an awesome
year –
It's time now for a rest!*

*I will miss everyone,
I've had a great time.
But don't worry 'cause this
is the
Last time I will rhyme!*

Miss Wan



LEARNING ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

2010 saw the Learning Enrichment programme entering the hi-tech world. We purchased the Lexia Reading Programme with financial support from our local RTLB and the Board of Trustees. The Lexia Reading programme supports reading on various levels: for example phonetics, blending, spelling, comprehension and speed reading. Currently we have 18 students from Year 9 to Year 13 doing Lexia reading twice a week. Some of these students have shown a great improvement in their reading

skills. Another exciting purchase was three NEO writers for the school. This supportive writing technology enables our dyslexic students to overcome the barrier or writing. It is very gratifying to see how these students are more and more engaged in their learning and writing with the aid of the NEO writers, achieving success in writing. We have also built closer relations with the local TWIST team and Group Special Education. Without their support and guidance, many of our

students may have left school without any qualification.

A heartfelt thank you to our RTLB (Resource Teacher Learning and Behaviour) Tiri Sotiri, Mrs Mikaere and the Board of Trustees for the continual support given to our students.

A very special thank you to Rachel, Kaylene, Girl, Kerry, Jeanna and all the relievers who worked very hard and patiently with the students.
Mrs L Beukes

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

As we draw to the end of 2010, a chance to reflect on our year in the English Department.

What a year it has been. As always thanks goes out to our HOD Jane Voon, Louise Beukes and Boyd McManus. Our team has worked well this year. As acting HOD, I would also like to thank Ann Stuckey and Maxine Hakaraia for stepping in and stepping up to the challenge of helping the English Dept in Term 4.

Jane and I have had some great PD this year working with the Manawatu/Whanganui cluster of English teachers as we move towards the alignment of the new standards. This kicks off for NCEA level 1 in 2011 so it has been great to be able to work at getting it right. Louise has also had some exciting PD for SPEC which she has been using in the Communication English classes.

As always when we reflect, we become aware of areas in which we need to improve. I hope as our students reflect, they see some of the areas they should work on improving when they return to college next year. Here are a few ideas!

Slowness to face assessment was an issue for too many students.



Wouldn't it be better to have a go and learn something from a first submission? Putting off assessment of what we have learned is postponing what HAS to happen. Managing self begins with me. As the old people said, "Procrastination is the thief of time".

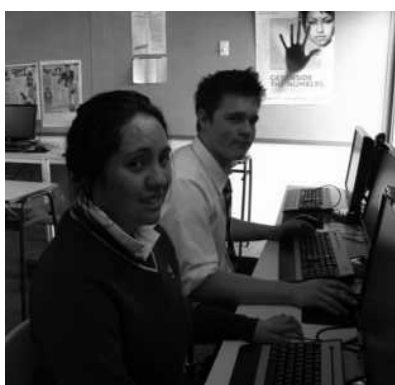
Remembering "stuff" is something students HAVE to do. This "stuff" includes spelling, times tables, chemical formulae, meeting times and so on. Remembering is not the only thinking skill, but it is the one that all the others are built upon. We CAN remember if we train our brains to remember. How many times this year did we consciously use a

memory improving strategy such as, LOOK, SAY, COVER, WRITE, CHECK? ".

For those who throughout 2010 have tried hard to self-manage, think, participate, contribute, relate to others and squeeze as much knowledge out of language, texts and symbols as they can, we say, "Well done. And if you are sitting final exams, may you get the questions you deserve."

I wish you all a happy holiday and great 2011.

Mrs Robb
Acting HOD English



TECHNOLOGY FOODS-FOOD AND NUTRITION

Smells of food wafting over the school buildings brings more visitors to the Foods area than we have food to share. Students do love cooking for their friends and others, which is why we are often catering for one event or another, such as the Year 8 visit, The Australian Rugby visit, and St Bernard's College soccer team. The core business, however, is learning to prepare and cook foods in an interesting way, providing good nutrition for individuals and families, and in the senior school to look nationally and globally at food and nutrition issues.

School programmes in the junior school follow the technology curriculum and it is planned that students learn basic cooking skills

that they can put into practice at home. In the senior school students are studying NCEA Food and Nutrition with a large part of that solving realistic food situations in our families and community. Level Three study global issues. Meeting with local Health agencies and plans of action to implement change locally and nationally are part of the study. Meal making is an important practical application of these studies. The Beef and Lamb Burger competition is an annual national event that we as a school take part in. This year the junior winner was Samuel Hoeta and the senior winner Josh Hyde.



Both competed extremely well at the regional competition.
Mrs M George

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The year has gone so quickly and it is hard to believe that we are nearly done and dusted for 2010. Prior to writing this report I reread last years report and a big goal for 2010 was 100% participation. Sadly, we did not manage to achieve that but will continue to strive for 100% in the future. Our biggest barrier continues to be getting Year 10's off the couch!! Obesity in this country continues to become a bigger and bigger problem. Every student we help to motivate to become active and continue to be active (and enjoy it) will go a long way to making sure that we are helping people to live healthy lifestyles.

On the whole, senior classes have gone well this year. Year 11's enjoyed run, jump, throwing in an athletics unit of work and some gained excellence with their combined performances. They also enjoyed a tramp, camp, caving unit of work. The highlights were the stunning one day tramp on the Tongariro Crossing and

the caving experience at Okupata. One of the worst memories for me was being stupid enough to be the judge of the cooking competition. The Year 11's should probably not pursue a career in becoming chefs!! The class enjoyed being introduced to squash and some have continued to play in their own time.

The Year 12's enjoyed a Circus unit of work taught to them by Miss Morgan, one of our student teachers. They all became proficient cup stackers and enjoyed some great in-house competition trying to be the fastest in the class. We also studied a sporting event and students chose between the FIFA World Cup and the Super 14 rugby competition. Many of us enjoyed and became more and more enthused by the game of football.

The highlight for the Year 13 class was probably our triathlon. We kayaked on Lakes Reserve, then biked and ran around Lakes Road. Te Awa King took the lead at the

beginning of the bike and we never saw him again. Dare I say, that the aging teacher was very pleased to hold her own!! There are already Year 12 students keen for the race next year and wanting to have a crack at a record time. We also enjoyed some excellent workouts at Waiouru using their fantastic gymnasium, weights room and pool complex.

All senior classes have enjoyed trips to Turoa skifield and all who attended the assessment day were successful in their practical ski and snow board assessments, some gaining merit and excellence credits.

Next year the Year 11 course is changing and becoming more practical which I'm sure will suit the majority of our students. The junior programmes will also change to hopefully encourage even more junior students to participate and enjoy being active.

Mrs Campbell

KRYPTON CHALLENGE

On 20 October the NZ Army hosted the "Krypton Challenge" for schools around the Central Plateau. Teams came from primary and secondary schools and our team this year was made up of mostly Year 10 students. They were Tiera Walker-Rapana, Hayley Fredericksen, Tessa Milne, Brooklyn Double, Kendall Thompson, Captain Luke Deadman, James Stace, Eli Rivlin-Myers, Tangaroa Joyce and Waylon Clapp. We won

the inaugural challenge last year, so this crew were out to defend our title and bring the trophy home again. There were six different activities through the day where our team competed against other schools. When competing against primary schools, the secondary schools were handicapped in some way eg. When doing the tug of war the college students could only use one hand and had to stand on one foot!!

The activities were reminiscent of TV programmes like Survivor, Fear Factor and Wipe Out!! This made for some great team work, physical challenges and lots of hilarity. Unfortunately we did not defend our title this year and the trophy went south to Taihape Area School with their senior team. But ... there's always next year!!

Mrs Campbell

TECHNOLOGY SOFT MATERIALS (TEXTILES)

The best description for this teaching and learning area is 'a relaxing place to design and make whatever is needed to solve a problem or issue we have in our lives'. Skills for needs are taught as they are required, and students work on individual programmes in small classes. Year 9 classes refreshed the use of the sewing machine by making different articles subject to an issue, which had to be solved to bring about a good outcome. Skills like stamping, stenciling, rubbing, computer generated printing, applique, quilting, drawing with the sewing machine are covered in a skills unit, ready for a type of surface decoration to be used on the storage container. They planned, consulted stakeholders, measured and sewed. Our first batch of articles were storage containers and then the classes generally chose to make a wall hanging. They used the computer to generate photo or art images printed onto cloth and then used a form of raw edge applique to complete a wall hanging to demonstrate their skills. Students who advance quickly have opportunities to begin clothes sewing. The Year 10s have worked on a number of projects this year. A recycled project where the class went shopping to 'op shops' with a limited amount of money, was designed to think 'reuse, recycle, re'. The students each chose a garment to remodel into something they would be happy to wear. Stories from Our



Place, a unit based on stories from our local area was a great unit, creating an exhibition of students work in Ohakune Electrical in Ohakune, an exhibition 'on-line' and students were able to achieve NCEA Level One credits at the same time. We visited areas of historical interest, heard stories of the place, wrote komninos about the stories, and then designed a cushion based on the story with poetry printed on it. Senior classes all follow different plans but are all working towards NCEA. Amber Ryan successfully exhibited her quilt at the Craft Fair and Quilt Aotearoa in Hamilton and Christchurch. Other projects are korowai using the taaniko method of weaving, medieval costumes, ball dresses, children's clothes, taaniko

weaving patterns, wall-hangings and quilts.

This year again we invited Mere Keating to spend two days with a small group of students learning to do rāranga (weaving with flax). It is pleasing that the Pā Harakeke (flax plantation) planted by Year 10 Technology class in 2003 is bearing robust flax for projects now, and that students can achieve credits through weaving.

Textiles Technology is a wonderful subject allowing very individual and creative work. Students can work at their own pace against a criteria set down by the technology process. Mrs M George

ART

What a great bunch of year 9 students we had this year. By all accounts the year 9s enjoyed their entry level art classes researching artists and art movements, then drawing, sculpture, printmaking and painting. Experimenting with mixed-media as they did, hands were often messy; but controlled messy! Year 10 students displayed very good drawing and paintings skills with many well on their way to banking credits for next year's NCEA Level One. Year 11s investigated Maori and European ideas about how art is/was made that improved their research and critical thinking skills. Year 12 undertook two Art History assignments looking at

local architecture to compliment a photography assignment. Using the historical architecture of the Raetihi and Ohakune townships, they brought these buildings into a modern day outlook. This year, Visual Literacy and Inquiry Based Learning were useful techniques to teach students that focused on questions, through to problem-solving activities, and the use of critical thinking. Using these two methods, students were able to understand visual concepts more. It was great to see them develop aesthetic awareness as they manipulated and transformed visual, tactile, and spatial ideas to solve problems. As a result, there were lots

of great ideas and artwork made. I have to say that the standard of artwork coming out of the art department has been superb! To all our Ruapehu College art students, well done! One of the highlights this year was one of our junior students winning the Young Artist category of the 2010 Waimarino Art Award - great stuff! Our appreciation, as usual, goes out to our principal Mrs Mikaere and the Board of Trustees for their ongoing support of the Arts in our school. I wish every one of my art students a safe and happy Christmas break and for those returning look forward to your return to art next year. Mrs Christiansen

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

This year the old Information and Communications Technology has been changed to Digital Technology to align with the new New Zealand Curriculum. Digital Technology is now under the Technology Curriculum. However, it is a stand alone subject. Major changes are taking place in this subject area to incorporate the new strand in Digital Technology. Digital Technology is expanding to include the strands in Digital Society, Business Technology, Digital Media, Programming and Electronics.

Year 9 DGT

Students have been working on the introduction of Business Technology (PowerPoint, Excel, Publications, and Word Processing). Students have been exploring the use of Web 2 Tools and the use of internet as a tool for inquiry learning. Skills learnt were applied in creating documents, assignments and presentation of topics of their own choice. Students enjoy working with Web 2 Tools. At this level, it is just an introductory stage, however, at senior level these skills could be applied to gaining achievement standards and unit standards toward NCEA.

Year 10 DGT

Year 10 students are working more towards building skills and students were encouraged to work on assessments at Level One NCEA. Students were prepared for the new DGT achievement standards and exploring some work in programming using Scratch. All the students this year were able to gain some credits

in level one both in Information Management level one and unit standards Level One. Kanyakon Kosinanonth will be sitting the external examinations in Information Management and I wish her well. If successful, 12 credits in achievement standards will be added to her results this year.

Years 11, 12, and 13 DGT

At these level, senior students are working on an individual programme to recognize skills, prior learning and ability because students are picking up this subject again in the last two years of their study. Students were given the opportunity to work on multi-level standards and credits

gained will go towards their NCEA certificate. Students who have carried on through to Year 13 have the opportunity to gain a National Certificate in Computing at the end of the year. One of these students has also achieved some units in level four. I would like to congratulate my senior students for their hard work. There were also some year 13 students had not done the Computing course in 2010 but requested to

work on some assessments and they were given the chance to do so. I am delighted that ICT can contribute to them reaching their goals before leaving school this year.

Last but not least, I would like to thank the Senior Management and Lyn and Chrissy for looking after my classes during my illness at the first



half of the year.

To that end, I look forward to the new Digital Technologies curriculum for providing a career pathway to our students to be able to access to what the digital world could offer.

Merry Christmas to all!

Mrs McKernan

ACCOUNTING

S4 has once again been the hub of business activity in the college. Some very pleasing merit and excellence results were achieved by students in all levels in internal assessments. The results were well deserved and it wasn't a case of Mrs Laurenson being generous. The internal achievement standards were all moderated and the moderator agreed with all results. An additional note was made by the moderator on the level one standard which stated that the students who had been awarded excellence had produced work of the highest standard – well done Meaw and Mikayla.

The level two students produced

all merit and excellence results in the MYOB computing standard and worked well enough throughout the year to actually get some revision time before the externals. They are looking forward to being rewarded with a big lunchtime shout by the teacher.

Level three students had what seemed to be a year of disruptions. There was seldom a week when students were able to attend all classes. Hopefully the desire to achieve will overcome this obstacle, after all accountants are meant to be level headed, focused and professional !!!

Mrs Laurenson



STAR

Secondary Tertiary Alignment Resource is funding provided to all state schools to meet the identified learning needs of senior students that cannot be catered for within the traditional school curriculum. The courses run this year that were supported with this funding were the Land Based Training Course which is a yearlong course offered to students with interests in working in an agricultural environment. Along with the theory within the classroom where they have the opportunity to achieve as many as 40 credits, they were taught practical skills such as, four wheel motorbiking, fencing, reversing with/without trailers, along with other farm based activities. These students then pitted their skills and knowledge against other teams from other schools to come second overall in the Land Based Training competition. Their instructor Brian Wilson said they were a team

member down and would definitely have achieved first place had they been a full team. We congratulate them on their results. Weaving also took place this year with ten students turning their hand to this art. Those who completed the course achieved 10 credits along with some very fine weaving items, excellent skills and valuable knowledge along the way. Seven students took part in a coffee appreciation course which when completed they will have achieved eight level two unit standards in Coffee Appreciation. This course is an excellent opportunity for our students to learn barista skills which is a popular career choice for many today in the

hospitality industry. The teachers have also enjoyed purchasing a yummy coffee at break times and giving quality feedback to the students. We are always open to suggestion for other short introductory courses that could possibly be run within the school to enhance the learning of our students. We welcome any suggestions from the community. Mrs Double



GATEWAY

Gateway has enjoyed a busy year with a larger than usual class of 47 students. A number of these students were enrolled in a number of very successful Gateway run courses such as Wool Handling & Safety, Forestry, Land Based Training and a Coffee Appreciation unit. Along with these courses there were also a large number of industries that have continued to support us. These include Farming, Butchery, Hospitality, Engineering, Building & Construction, Horticulture, Media, Surveying, Animal Care, Sport & Recreation and Administration. The students who were successfully placed in an industry of their choice have enjoyed their learning experience outside the classroom and the valuable insight they have gained into the workforce. For some it has proved to be instrumental in their career choice, for others it has meant they needed to re-evaluate their goals and decide on another career path. This is what Gateway is helping students to achieve and we are grateful to the Employers who give our students this opportunity. Learning within the classroom has come from a number of outside providers – Ag Challenge, Hospitality Standards Institute, Land Based Training, NZHORTITO, Skills 4 Work, Tectra Ltd and Telford Rural

Polytech. We would also like to acknowledge the tutors who have helped our students gain their credits under their guidance. Catherine Laing (Hospitality), Brian Wilson (Land Based Training), Chris Winter (Forestry), Russell Knight (Wool Handling & Safety) and Leah Stuckey (Coffee Appreciation Unit). We congratulate Ben Deadman who is now employed with Goddards Engineering and TeUhi Hakaraia who has gone on to an Electrical Apprenticeship. Also Elijah Pue Feickert who after competing in the Regional HSI Junior Hospitality competition in Palmerston North in May, went on to the National HSI Junior Hospitality competition in Auckland recently to achieve a silver and a bronze medal for front of house and Mocktail Mixology. We wish these

students the very best in their career paths. These students have these opportunities presented to them because of our local industries and employers. We are very grateful for their support and look forward to continuing this working relationship next year. Mrs Double

Photo of Ben Deadman who started doing the Gateway Programme in automotive engineering and is now employed at Goddard Engineering. NISSSC



SOCIAL SCIENCES

Year 9 Social Studies was taught by Miss Wan and Mr Jordan. Students learned map skills by mapping the Ruapehu Region. This project also helped students to understand the area that they live in. Following this the students then looked at New Zealand and how the country developed from its origins. Students also began to learn countries and capitals of the Pacific and Asia regions.

Year 10 Social Studies was taught by Mrs Christiansen, Miss Wan and Mrs Cranston shared a class and Mr Buck. Year 10 Social Studies looked at different social and natural issues around New Zealand and the rest of the world. Students also learned the countries and capitals of the different

continents.

Year 11 Geography was taught by Mr Jordan. Students looked at geographic issues such as migration, land use, and the effects that these issues have on New Zealand and the world. The class also looked at extreme natural disasters and how people dealt with these problems. Year 12 History was taught by Mr Jordan. Students studied the cause and effects of World War I and how these events allowed an individual such as Adolph Hitler to gain control of Germany and much of Europe. The class then studied the rise of Ho Chi Minh and the influence he had on Vietnam and southeast Asia. Year 13 History studied the Elizabethan era. Students

researched about Henry the VIII to Charles the II. The class looked at all aspects of society and how we can still see lasting influence even today in our society.
Mr Jordan



MATHEMATICS

Mathematics had a quiet year in 2010. Junior classes in 2010 were taken by Mr Prasad, Mr McManus and Mrs Stuckey. Mr Laurenson gave up teaching Mathematics to Year 9 students because he was needed to teach Year 12 Physics students.

The focus for the Mathematics Department was work. Wait a minute... there was some play usually when studying probability. What are the chances of getting a total of one when throwing two die? Believe it or not there was a year 9 student who thought it could happen. We are not going to mention any names. Some of our better mathematical thinkers entered the Australian and ICAS Mathematics competitions. Well done Sam Laurenson, Trae Maihi, Luke Deadman, Rachel Hilson, Jess Hotter and Zach Ryan for achieving credits

in at least one of the competitions. Congratulations Sam Laurenson for gaining a Distinction in the ICAS Mathematics Competition. This puts you in the top 6% in New Zealand.

Big changes are happening in Mathematics next year. Mr Prasad and Mrs Stuckey spent a lot of time on courses this year making sure Mathematics at Ruapehu College is at the same standard as the rest of New Zealand. Unit standard assessments will no longer be available to students in Mathematics and numeracy standards have been introduced instead. This will clear up the confusion that has surrounded Mathematics in the past where students have gained numeracy but are unable to cope with the difficulty of Level 2 Mathematics. Next year students of Mathematics will be working even harder to gain credits in Level 1 Mathematics. This will be a



good thing as it will make us more realistic.
Mrs Stuckey

TE REO MAORI

Ngā mihi atu ki te hunga kua wheturangitia, haere, haere, haere atu rā; kāti.

Tēnā tātou te hunga whai hā i te ao mārama nei, ki ora mai tātou katoa. As another year draws to an end, the Te Reo Maori Department has seen many successes for 2010. People who deserve special mention are: Tangaroa Joyce who completed his speech credits at year ten level, Mere Ponga and Jayden Turei for their improved

focus on achieving credits. There are also many upcoming students in the junior school who should achieve very well at senior level in the coming years.

Ngā mihi nunui ki koutou ngā tuakana ka rere atu ki tēnā, ki tēnā o ngā pito o te motu a te tau e heke mei nei.

Ngā mihi o te kirihimete me te tau hou ki ō tatou whanau katoa, noho ora mai.

Mr McLeod



SQUASH

Lots of students again took advantage of the squash facilities available to them here at school.

We had both boys and girls teams go to National Secondary School Champs in Christchurch, fortunately just before the earthquakes. A big thanks to Mrs Double and Mr Laurenson for organising and managing these teams.

The boys had placed 20th in Palmerston North the year before and wanted to improve on that. After losing their first match against close rival Hawera, that went into the plate which meant the best result could be 17th which would require them to win all remaining 4 matches. They achieved that goal which meant they won the Ross Norman Plate trophy. This is the first time we had returned with a trophy from nationals. Team members were:

Boys - Tamati Brooks, Josh Hyde, Jackson Campbell, Sam Laurenson, Shem Brown, Zach Ryan and Henere Larsen.

The girls were also keen to improve on their previous years placing of 14th. Whilst losing their first three games, their last match was against Westlake Girls who had beaten us 3-2 last year for 13 place. This year we had to play them last again but this time we reversed the result to become a 3-2 win. Felicia had to play the same girl last up to decide the result. We finished 11th in the end.

Girls – Justine Vaughan, Caleigh Goodley, Felicia Fredericksen, Amber Ryan, Jorian Callaghan, Rachel Rowe, Hayley Fredericksen. Jessica Hotter was unable to travel due to sickness.

Tamati Brooks and Sam Laurenson were the only ones playing regular competitive interclub squash mid-week as the Ruapehu zone interclub did not run in 2010. Justine and Jackson played as reserved some times.

We were offered the hosting of the Wanganui Sports Open College competition again this year and had several teams competing against teams from throughout the Wanganui region. The girls section was won by Wanganui High School but our boys team of Tamati Brooks, Sam Laurenson and Jackson Campbell was too strong.

In the mixed section there were sixteen teams of which we had seven teams. Team number four comprising Josh Hyde, Amber Ryan, Tautahi Rawiri and Ethan Mears, were the winners.

Some good contact were made for interschool fixtures here at home but unfortunately none actually eventuated. Hopefully next year.

Inter-Whanau squash was again run as part of school champs.

Huia ran out victors with 26 points with Kiwi (23), Tui (17) and Weka (11) second third and fourth respectively. School champions were Tamati Brooks and Justine Vaughan in the seniors and Eli Rivlin and Amber Ryan in the juniors.

Jackson Campbell, Felicia Fredericksen, Tangaroa Joyce and Hayley Fredericksen were the respective runner ups.

Josh Hyde and Felicia Fredericksen both went to F grade national teams finals in Te Puke. The Women's team were national runners up and the men's were fourth.

Looking ahead to 2011. We wish Tamati and Josh all the best for the future. Both have taken up squash at school and stuck with it and taken their skill levels to a high level and made many life long friends as a result. With Tamati gone it will leave a gap at the top for others to fight over. To the others returning, 2011 will be exciting with hopefully many more junior events and opportunities. Mr Laurenson



Front row: Samuel Laurenson, Tamati Brooks, Jackson Campbell. Second row: Joshua Hyde, Zach Ryan, Henere Larsen, Mr J Laurenson. Absent: Shem Brown.



Front row; Hayley Fredericksen, Jess Hotter, Caleigh Goodley, Justine Vaughan, Felicia Fredericksen. Second row: Jorian Callaghan, Amber Ryan, Rachel Rowe, Mrs N Double



SKI TEAMS

We had an enthusiastic team who participated in weekly race training during Term 3. The Rangitikei Interschool races were a chance to “flex our muscles” and Jess Hotter was placed 1st and our girls team was also placed 1st. With great excitement the following teams were selected to compete in NISSSC at Turoa.

Team 1

Jess Hotter

Luke Deadman

Hayley Van Hees

Tessa Milne

Jackson Campbell

Lucy Lyon

Team 2

Zach Ryan

Ethan Mears

Sam Laurenson

Felicia Frederickson

Due to weather conditions, Monday saw our squad investigating the waterproof qualities of modern fabrics while narrowly missing out on a chance to run in the Junior Girls GS. Tuesday saw us learn from the previous days experience and spend more time at rentals playing cards before some individual boys went up for a single run on the GS course.

Overall results based on limited racing:

Team 1 36=

Team 2 82=

Mr McManus



Front row: Felicia Frederickson, Lucy Lyon, Jess Hotter
 Second row: Tessa Milne, Ethan Mears, Hayley Van Hees.
 Third row: Luke Deadman, Jackson Campbell, Zach Ryan, Sam Laurenson.

SNOWBOARD TEAMS

This year students started a training program for one afternoon every week. This involved instructors from Ruapehu Alpine Lifts putting students through the Giant Slalom and running them through freestyle skills. Due to weather conditions, students were only able to participate in three of them. Caleigh Goodley was impressed with one instructor that improved her confidence enough so that she attempted a big jump in the park.

Students were selected for the team by their participation in these training sessions and then the interwhanau results. It was not much competition with the girls team and a very close competition between the senior boys. Our team was: Cory Blaney, Josh Howell, Jack Kristiansen, Eli Rivlin-Myers, James Stace, Laurence Williamson, Caleigh Goodley, Raina Kohu, and Hayley Van Hees.

Unfortunately the weather was against the North Island Secondary Schools Snowboard Competition this

year and no competition took place. We did however still attend the prize giving where many spot prizes were handed out. Our students helped out by giving out wrist bands for free mountain dew. After prize giving I took the students to the social which was held at Hot Lava. This was a

successful event of and a great way to meet students from other schools and enjoy good music.
 Ms Wilson



From left to right. Jack Kristiansen, Hayley Van Hees, Hadlee Radford, Eli Rivlin-Myers, Cory Blaney, Caleigh Goodley, Joshua Howell, Mrs M Wilson
 Absent: Raina Kohu, James Stace.

INTERWHANAU SNOW SPORTS

SKI AND SNOWBOARD INTER WHANAU RESULTS 2010

SNOWBOARD

Junior Girls	No entries			
Junior Boys	1st	Eli Rivlin-Myers	K	24.306
				secs
	2nd	James Stace	W	27.359
	3rd	Tayna Tihore	W	DQ
Senior Girls	1st	Hayley Van Hees	K	25.146
	2nd	Caleigh Goodley	W	33.446
Senior Boys	1st	Josh Howell	T	24.572
	2nd	Jack Kristiansen	W	25.259
	3rd	Laurance Williamson	K	25.886
	4th	Cory Blaney	T	26.226
	5th	Michael Grossart	K	27.387
	6th	Quaid McGregor	W	27.511
SKI				
Junior Girls	1st	Tessa Milne	K	22.186
	2nd	Lucy Lyon	K	23.986
	3rd	Hayley Fredericksen	T	24.426
	4th	Amber Ryan	H	26.387
Junior Boys	1st	Luke Deadman	T	18.626
	2nd	Ethan Mears	T	22.917
Senior Girls	1st	Jess Hotter	K	16.886
	2nd	Hayley Van Hees	K	19.500
	3rd	Felicia Fredericksen	T	21.556
	4th	Rachael Rowe	K	22.416
	5th	Jenny Rapana-Bell	T	29.326
Senior Boys	1st	Jackson Campbell	K	20.306
	2nd	Zach Ryan	H	20.887
	3rd	Sam Laurenson	K	23.166
	4th	Leroy McLeod	W	24.338
	5th	Tyler Berry	K	29.776



NORTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS SKI COMPETITION

Ruapehu College again hosted the North Island skiing and snowboarding champs in the last two weeks of term three.

There was a staggering 120 teams in the skiing this year with 540 competitors, this is the greatest number of competitors we have had in the 31 years the competition has been running. In the snowboarding there was a further 61 schools entered.

The weather was disappointing for

both events. In the skiing the teams lost both weekend training days to poor weather then in the actual competition on Monday and Tuesday we only managed to get through most of the junior boys and junior girls. Fortunately we were able to get a result in the Freestyle, held early on the Tuesday.

The RAL staff and those involved as assistants did everything possible to try and get through the giant races but the weather was just too bad. In the snowboarding the following

week the weather was worse with noone even getting started on any of the days.

All in all very disappointing after the huge amount of preparation.

The feedback from all those who attended was still amazingly positive and appreciative of the efforts Ruapehu College had made in hosting.

Mr Laurenson

TABLE TENNIS

Table tennis- this year we had the inaugural table tennis championships. Table tennis has taken off at school this year, keeping many a student busy during every interval and lunchtime in the gym mezzanine. I'm sure that next year the champs will be even more highly contested with so many more students showing excellent skills.

Mrs Campbell

Table Tennis Champions

Junior Girls	1st	Amber Ryan
	Runner up	Hayley Fredericksen
Junior Boys	1st	Kereru Mako
	Runner up	Jordan Winiata-Dixon
Senior Girls	1st	Caleigh Goodley
	Runner up	Justine Vaughan
Senior Boys	1st	Jackson Campbell
	Runner up	Shem Brown

SNOW DAYS

In term three this year all year nine and ten students had the opportunity to experience a day on Turoa skifield. We made sure that we went in good weather so that we could enjoy blue skies, great snow conditions, and a great day had by all.

Our aim is to get every junior student up the mountain and it was a little disappointing to find that some students made no effort whatsoever to take advantage of the great opportunity presented to them.

The cost of the day for each student was only \$10.00 which included rental, lift pass, transport and

even a lesson if they wanted one. Students who went took advantage of snowboarding, skiing, sledding or just relaxing and taking in the atmosphere.

Some views from this year's juniors follow:-

- Having cool fun on the High Noon Express
- Blue skies and bright sun
- Wipe outs!
- Almost falling off the chairlift
- The magic carpet
- Expensive food in the cafes
- A wonderful day
- Racing each other
- Yummy food in the cafes
- Putting each other off

- Snow ball fights
- Fun!!
- Sliding down hills
- Falling over a lot
- Taking photos and being posers
- Teachers skiing and boarding
- Doing jumps ... and landing them
- Hanging out with friends
- And ... hooting about and wanting to go up again tomorrow!!
- Mrs. Stuckey being home base
- Hanging out in the café having good laughs

Mrs Campbell

SOCCER

We had an annual fixture against visiting St Bernards College from Upper Hutt. The visiting team displayed some wonderful basic skills but our students matched them in quite a few areas. The game was played in very good spirit with good sportsmanship often displayed. A good number of teachers turned up with their students for the early morning kick off but most ran for cover when the heavens opened up. It was a blessing as the game finished on time. Mrs George provided lovely soup and garlic bread and the visiting officials thanked the college for its rural hospitality once again. It was also good to see a lot of non-soccer students showing a bit of interest after the National team's great performance in the soccer world cup this year.

Raj Prasad
Manager

Soccer Team

Front Row: Samuel Laurenson, Jackson Campbell, Callum Long, Quaid McGregor, Shem Brown.

Second row: Joshua Hyde, Tangaroa Joyce, Kolo Tomu, Zach Clarke, Mr R Prasad.

Third row: Tyler Berry, Gabriel Hakaraia, Eli Rivlin-Myers.

Absent: Reenal Kumar, Te Awa King.



BASKETBALL

2010 was a very exciting year for girl's basketball at Ruapehu College. The senior team was very young with the many of players in year nine and ten. The season began with several difficult losses and a lot of learning and the team's progress was also slowed by a number of untimely injuries. However, the girls never gave up and continued to work very hard. After only winning one game in the first round of the competition the girls really stepped up and began moving up the competition ladder by beating several teams higher than them. They also produced an outstanding effort against the team that finished second and only lost by one point. With only two year 13s on the team the future is very bright for this hard working group. The team: Captain – Caleigh Goodley, Hayley Van Hees, Chiao Ruri, Zivana Richards Winters, Amber Ryan, Tiera Walker Rapana, Kendall Thompson and Me-Kayla Sue-Waara. We would also like to thank Katie Dixon and Holly Pearce for their time and help during the season.

The junior team had an outstanding season. The team had a nice mix of experienced players and players who were playing for the very first time. The girls began the year with some very close wins, but by the

time we were into the second round the girls were beating most teams by very large margins. The girls worked very hard and continued to learn as the season went on. The team played a very fast and exciting brand of basketball that saw them only lose three league games all season. The girls ended the season as the runner ups for the competition. This group has the potential to do some very exciting things in the future if they continue to work hard and stick together. The team: Captain- Tessa

Milne, Amber Ryan, Tiera Rapana Walker, Hayley Fredericksen, Kendall Thompson, Lucy Lyon, Me- Kayla Sue-Waara, Tayla Pearce and two year eights who joined our team this year Kataraina Hakaraia and Catherine Pakai-Dewes.
Mr Jordan



Front row: Hayley Fredericksen, Hayley Van Hees, Caleigh Goodley, Zivana Richards-Winter, Tessa Milne.

Second row: Lucy Lyon, Tiera Walker Rapana, Amber Ryan, Kendall Thompson, Mr J Jordan.

Third row: Me-kayla Sue-Waara,

Absent: Chiao Ruri

NETBALL

This year we had a very new look netball team with a few old experienced hands to guide the new. From the onset they played with conviction and were keen to gel as a team and play some exciting, competitive netball.

They were lead by captain Krissy Reuben and were fortunate to have Krissy's sister, Leanne offer to coach the girls. The rest of the team were Hannah Brown, Odette Edmonds, Toni-Renee Henare, Chevaugn Maihi, Mere Ponga-Te Huia, Cressida Pue, Arorangi Taylor, Bianca Taylor and Courtney Taylor.

The girls new to netball improved in leaps and bounds and the team was rewarded by winning their division in the Wanganui competition and receiving a trophy for their efforts.

It is a big ask to commit to every Saturday for the whole season as it does take up the whole day. But we are sure that this group of girls had not only netball, but food and shopping on their minds each Saturday too!!

Thanks to all supporters who helped out, drove for us and turned up on the sideline on Saturdays. It was very much appreciated and motivated us to succeed.

Mrs K Campbell



Krissy Reuben, Odette Edmonds, Cressida Pue, Toni-Renee Henare, Hannah Brown, Courtney Taylor, Bianca Taylor.

Absent: Chevaugn Maihi, Mere Ponga-Te Huia, Arorangi Taylor.

TENNIS

Tennis champs this year were exciting and nail biting as the top seeds battled it out for the trophy. The atmosphere was electric as a hushed crowd (or not so hushed, they were a very noisy

bunch!) gathered to cheer on their colleagues, they held their breath to see who had the stamina and concentration to gain the crucial point to win the rally. There were some outstanding moments and exciting games played well into overtime. We congratulate those who played their very best to come out on top as this year's tennis champions!
Mrs Double

Junior Boy	Champion	Gabriel Hakaraia
Runner up		Paneta Richards-Wiari
Junior Girl	Champion	Amber Ryan
Runner up		Hannah Brown
Senior Boy	Champion	Tamati Brooks
Runner up		Jackson Campbell
Senior Girl	Champion	Justine Vaughan
Runner up		Caleigh Goodley



CRICKET

We had a good summer of cricket in term one this year as we managed to play four games with one rained off. It was good to witness the great leadership skills of captain Josh supported ably by Quaid, Shem and Jackson. This will give the latter two an opportunity to lead the team next year. It was also worth noting that some junior players stepped up to the mark and displayed some wonderful cricket skills. Sam's batting skills and Tangaroa's bowling skills are some examples of that. Josh managed to score in the

seventies and that should set a good platform for the senior batsmen next year. We are still hoping for a few games this term (with the Principal's permission) to round the year. Thanks to Josh and his mates for preparing the gear before we travelled down the Parapara Highway. A

wonderful New Year to all.
Raj Prasad
Coach/manager/driver/
umpire/scoresheet/laundry

Team
Jackson Campbell
Te Uhi Hakaraia
Josh Hyde
Shem Brown
Waylon Clapp

Caleigh Goodley
Gabriel Hakaraia
Ethan Hyde
Joshua Hyde
Tangaroa Joyce
Samuel Laurenson
Quaid McGregor
Eli Rivlin-Myers
Tyler Berry
Hadlee Radford



RUGBY

This year started with 3 rugby squads.

The U19 team was coached by Karl Christensen and managed by Kelly Arahanga. The U19s performed very well in the first division going into the last few weeks of competition with a strong chance of finals. However, their season was once again marred with the irregular competition and defaults, along with wavering interest as inconsistency of games continued to be a factor. Their end result placed them 3rd in the competition..

The U16s started the season with a very large squad. They were coached by William McDonnell and managed by Annie Chisholm. They had good numbers at trainings and played in division two this year displaying great team spirit. With continued enthusiasm to the game and a focus on personal fitness, they will become competitive as they move through the grades.

The girls team were unfortunately without any competition this year due to no other girls' teams in the area. They did train under Wayne Te Huia and although they had no competition their enthusiasm and interest in the game was not compromised.

Jackson Campbell was nominated for the Hurricanes Camp this year and spent a few days in training.

Tautahi Rawiri, Michael Grossart and Te Uhi Hakaraia made the Wanganui U18 Representative team.

Shaquille McDonnell made the Wanganui U16 Representative team.

Anaru Hansen and Gabriel Hakaraia made the Wanganui U14 Representative team.

A big thank you to coaches, managers and all those who have supported our teams in any way large or small. Your continued support makes a difference to the success of our teams, so once again, thank you..

This year we also had 9 students starting a referees course "You make the call", facilitated by Matt Peters of the Manawatu Rugby Union. All boys gained level 2 credits from the course and Jayden Hakaraia and Josh Howell also passed their practical assessment.

'You make the call' students were:

Josh Hyde
Tautahi Rawiri
Shem Brown
Daniel Mears
Jayden Hakaraia
Josh Howell
Cory Blaney
Dylan Chisholm
Tio Kaata



Front row: Joseph Metekingi, Leighton Richards, Mac-James Edmonds, Tyson Hiroti, Anaru Hansen. Second row: Kevin McDonnell, Waylon Clapp, Slade Elers, Sas Maihi, Cory Blaney, Dylan Chisholm. Third row: Andre McDonnell, Jidis Hiroti. Absent: Josh Howell, Jackson Kui-Rickett, Kolo Tomu, Kahl Eler-Green, James Stace, Callum Long, Christian Hawira, Harlem Hawira, Leroy McLeod, Mossimo Pekamu, Tunuiarangi Ponga-TeHuia, Tristan McDonnell, Tio Kaata, Anthony Journeaux, Kereru Mako, Sharn Wilson



Tautahi Rawiri, Quaid McGregor, Te Awa King, Gabriel Hakaraia, Shem Brown, Te Uhi Hakaraia, Laurance Williamson, Aiden McNaught, Hadlee Radford, Shaquille McDonnell, Josh Hyde, Charles Alabaster, Jayden Turei, Dane Christensen, Hayden Campbell, Michael Grossart, Eric Chitty, Tyler Barham, Jayden Hakaraia, Absent: Tyler Eades, Jackson Campbell, Anton Waara

A team of mainly division 1 players with the inclusion of a handful of division 2 players played a touring Australian School (St Hills Grammar) from Sydney during the season. The game was played on a wet Wednesday afternoon but the mountain did display himself to show our visitors the glorious playing field we have. There were an enormous number of spectators and support from the community who braved the wintry conditions to come and support the team. It was played in very good spirits with Ruapehu College winning comfortably. St Hills Grammar congratulated our boys and school on their ability on the rugby field and their hospitality off the field. They were given a 3-course meal after the game, in the foods room put on by a keen group of foods students.

SWIMMING

There was some excellent competition in the pool with more school records broken. Also great to see more students keen to get into the pool and enjoy and compete hard in the fun events. Keep up the great participation next year.

From left to right: Amber Ryan, Hayley Fredericksen, Mrs K Campbell, Felicia Fredericksen, Anaru Hansen. Absent: Sam Keast



		Swimming Champions	
Junior Girls	1st	Cina Metekingi	34
	2nd	Hayley Fredricksen	33
	3rd	Brooklyn Double	25
Junior Boys	1st	Anaru Hansen	36
	2nd	Sam Keast	30
	3rd	William Church	6
Intermediate Girls	1st	Amber Ryan	36
	2nd	Courtney Taylor	13
	3rd	Anahera Tahau-Haitana	8
Intermediate Boys	1st	Zach Ryan	36
	2nd	Carlos Tahau-Haitana	26
	3rd	Sam Laurensen	13
Senior Girls	1st	Felicia Fredericksen	36
		(broke SG 1 length breaststroke record)	
	2nd	Caleigh Goodley	25
	3rd	Xanadu Tipene	19
Senior Boys	1st	Jackson Campbell	36
		(broke SB 1 length breaststroke record)	
	2nd	Tautahi Rawiri	31
	3rd=	Hadlee Radford	12
		Quaid McGregor	12



CROSS COUNTRY

Cross Country Team

Front row: Mikayla Bates, Me-Kayla Sue-Waara, Katie Bates, Jess Rowe, Tessa Milne.

Second row: Lucy Lyon, Jackson Campbell, Anaru Hansen, Jess Hotter, Mrs K Campbell.

Third row: Jayden Hakaraia

Absent: Lew Cadwallader, Jane Devonshire, Harlem Hawira, Tyson Vaughan.



Cross Country – this year we had an excellent course which took in some good hills and scenery on the Whalefield Estate. A huge thank you to Alan Whale for allowing us to use his land. Alan has always been a strong supporter of cross country at our school and can tell a good yarn from many a cross country from days gone by. He is a strong advocate of young people getting off the couch and becoming more active, something that has declined over the years. Next year during cross country season, let's make a concerted effort to drop the computers, the phones and the play stations and participate fully and try our best in the 2011 event!!

Mrs Campbell

Cross Country Champions

Junior Boys	1st	Harlem Hawira	17.27 min
	2nd	Lew Cadwallader	17.29
	3rd	Anaru Hansen	17.51
	4th	Gabriel Hakaraia	
	5th	Kevin McDonnell	
	6th	Branden Albertyn	
Junior Girls	1st=	Jessica Rowe	18.58
		Lucy Lyon	
		Me-Kayla Sue-Waara	
Intermediate Boys	1st	Jayden Hakaraia	16.54
	2nd	Tyson Vaughan	18.43
	3rd	Christian Hawira	19.18
	4th	Sam Laurenson	
	5th	Tyler Berry	
	6th	Eli Rivlin-Myers	
Intermediate Girls	1st	Mikayla Bates	14.48
	2nd	Tessa Milne	14.52
	3rd	Amber Ryan	20.10
	4th	Jane Devonshire	
	5th	Rachael Rowe	
	6th	Courtney Taylor	
Senior Boys	1st	Jackson Campbell	15.34
	2nd	Hadlee Radford	17.23
	3rd	Te Awa King	18.33
	4th	Tamati Brooks	
	5th	Elijah Taylor	
	6th	Shem Brown	
Senior Girls	1st	Katie Bates	16.55
	2nd	Jess Hotter	16.57
	3rd	Caleigh Goodley	16.58
	4th	Felicia Fredericksen	
	5th	Jenny Rapana-Bell	
	6th	Rena Richards	



ATHLETICS

It was great to see so many students participate and enjoy our athletics day this year. There was some great competition and even some long-standing records broken. Also great to see some healthy inter-whanau competition and students wearing their colours with pride. The staff just can't seem to cut the mustard when it comes to the 4x100m relay challenge, the students were just too quick!!

Mrs Campbell



Athletics Team

Front row: Lynessa Albert, Rachel Rowe, Kendall

Thompson, Hayley Van Hees, Lucy Lyon, Me-Kayla Sue-Waara, Tessa Milne.

Second row: Justine Vaughan, Katie Bates, Jess Hotter, Gabriel Hakaraia, Tyler Berry, Mikayla Bates, Mrs K Campbell.

Third row: Tyson Hiroti, Quaid McGregor, Jackson Campbell, Elijah Taylor, Zach Ryan, Kolo Tomu.

Fourth row: Jayden Hakaraia, Amber Ryan, Anaru Hansen, Joseph Metekingi, Andre McDonnell, Hadlee Radford.

Absent: Shem Brown, Lew Cadwallader, William Church, Zach Clarke, Jonny Donaldson, Brooklyn Double, Merekatene Haitana, Harlem Hawira, Toni-Renee Henare, Joshua Hyde, Jerrika McClutchie, Shaquille McDonnell, Tristian McDonnell, Cina Metekingi, Jesse Pehi-Tamatea, Mere Ponga-TeHuia, Roy Prince, Tautahi Rawiri, Krissy Reuben, Zivana Richards-Winter, Jessica Rowe, James Stace, Kenzi Stier, Xanadu Tipene, Zakira Tipene, Jayden Turei, Anton Waara, Sarah Waiomio-Togiaono, Tio Waipouri-Kaata, Zantina Waipouri-Kaata, Jackson Whale, Rii Williams, Laurance Williamson.

Athletics Champions

Junior Girls	1st	Me-Kayla Sue-Waara	36 points (broke JG Jav record)
	2nd	Jessica Rowe	21
	=	Mere Haitana	21
Junior Boys	1st	Harlem Hawira	33 (broke JB 300m record)
	2nd	Andre McDonnell	31
	3rd	Anaru Hansen	20
Intermediate Girls	1st	Mikayla Bates	36 (= girls 800/1500/3000m)
	2nd	Zakira Tipene	33
	3rd	Rachael Rowe	20
Intermediate Boys	1st	Jayden Hakaraia	18 (=boys 800/1500/3000m)
	=	Laurance Williamson	18
	=	Anton Waara	18
Senior Girls	1st	Katie Bates	36 (=girls 800/1500/3000m)
	2nd	Xanadu Tipene	28
	3rd	Caleigh Goodley	27
Senior Boys	1st	Jackson Campbell	35 (=boys 800/1500/3000m)
	2nd	Hadlee Radford	34
	3rd	Quaid McGregor	25



Wanganui Athletics Results

Junior Girls

Me-Kayla Sue-Waara - 1st Javelin
Cina Metekingi - 2nd shot put 3rd Discus
Junior girls relay 3rd

Junior Boys

Harlem Hawira - 2nd 200m 2nd 300m
Llewellyn Cadwallader - 3rd long jump 1st high jump
Andre McDonnell - 2nd shot put
William Church - 2nd javelin
Gabriel Hakaraia - 3rd shot put 3rd javelin
junior boys relay 1st

Intermediate girls

Zakira Tipene 3rd 200m 1st shot put
Justine Vaughan - 2nd javelin

Intermediate boys

James Stace - 2nd 100m hurdles

Senior Girls

Mere Ponga Te Huia - 3rd shot put

Senior Boys

Roy Prince - 3rd hammer throw
Tautahi Rawiri - 2nd discus 1st javelin 1st hammer throw
Senior Boys relay 3rd

INTERWHANAU COMPETITIONS

Event	Category	HUIA	KIWI	TUI	WEKA
Swimming	Junior	2	1	3	4
/ whanau nos.	Inter.	4	2	3	1
	Novelties/relay	1	4	2	3
	Senior	1	4	3	2
Athletics	Jnr Girls	3	4	1	2
/ whanau nos.	Jnr Boys	3	2	1	4
	Int Girls	1	3	4	2
	Int Boys	3	4	1	2
	Snr Girls	1	4	2	3
	Snr Boys	2	4	1	3
Cross Country		2	8	6	4
/ whanau total					
Summer	Cricket	3	4	0	2
	Tennis	4	2.5	1	2.5
	Volleyball	3	4	2	1
	Touch	1	2	4	3
	Softball	1.5	1.5	4	3
Winter	Squash	4	3	2	1
	Basketball	2.5	4	2.5	1
	Badminton	*	*	*	*
	Hockey	*	*	*	*
	Soccer	2	4	2	2
	Rugby				
	Netball	4	3	2	1
Skiing		2	4	3	1
Snowboarding		0	3	2	4
Tug of war		3	1	2	4
Maori Speech		*	*	*	*
Kapahaka		2	1	4	3
English Speech Senior		4	3	2	1
English Speech Junior		4	3	2	1
Maths Senior		*	*	*	*
Maths Junior		*	*	*	*
Science Senior		4	3	2	1
Science Junior		4	2	3	4
English Senior		4	3	2	1
English Junior		4	2	3	1
Social Studies Senior		4	3	2	1
Social Studies Junior		4	2	3	1
Totals		87	98	76.5	66.5



Watch out KIWIS!!! Here comes Green Power HUIIIIIAAAA!!!. Not only have they been crowned overall academic powerhouse, they have won all the quizzes in both junior and senior levels. Amazing feat considering that they were lagging six years ago. Congratulations to all the Huia leaders and teachers for a fine job. Keep up the good work, Huia. As for the KIWIS, WEKAS and TUIS, you have a lot of catching up to do if you wish to topple them in future. Thanks to all those teachers who took their valuable time out to prepare, conduct, mark and collate the quizzes. It was great to witness the competitiveness amongst students and teachers as well.

Raj Prasad



STUDENT CALENDAR

Term One

02 Feb Start Term 1
 05 Feb Interwhanau Tug of War
 08 Feb Senior Leadership Camp
 15 Feb Year 9 Camps start
 17 Feb Twilight Athletics
 24 Feb Swimming Sports
 26 Feb 12 and 13 Outdoor Camp
 01 Mar Civic Assembly
 03 Mar English Quiz
 04 Mar Year 11 PED Camp Tramp
 10 Mar Wanganui Athletics
 12 Mar Wanganui Swimming
 15 Mar Tennis Champs begin
 17 Mar Science Quiz
 22 Mar Ukelele Workshop
 24 Mar Math Quiz
 25 Mar 11 PED Tramp Camp Cave
 26 Mar Airforce visit
 30 Mar Massey University visit
 31 Mar Summer interwhanau
 01 Apr Term 1 finishes

Term Two

19 Apr Start Term 2
 21 Apr Kapahaka 1
 22-27 Apr 12/13 Out Tramp/Surf
 22-23 Apr 12 Ag/Hort Taupo trip
 26-30 Apr Literacy Week
 28 Apr Kapahaka 2
 29 Apr Music class field trip
 05 May Cross Country
 07 May Academic assembly
 10 May tennis champs
 11 May Study Link
 12 May Kapahaka 3
 14 May Smokefree Rockquest
 17 May Kapahaka 4, Waikato University visit
 19 May Wanganui X Country, Attitude Health
 20-21 May 12/13 Kayak
 26 May Kapahaka 5
 28 May Kapahaka Final
 03-04 Jun Non Interruption week
 07 Jun Queens Birthday Holiday
 08-09 Jun Non Interruption week
 10-15 Jun Assessment week
 22 Jun Science Fair, Parent/Teacher evening
 23 Jun Wanganui Squash regionals
 24 Jun Tararua College Bands
 25 Jun Smokefree rockquest
 29 Jun Speech evening
 30 Jun Social Studies quiz
 02 Jul Term 2 finishes



Term Three

19 Jul Start Term 3
 21 Jul Clubs 1
 26-30 Jul Literacy Week
 28 Jul Clubs 2.
 02-06 Aug 12/13 Mountain Craft, Work experience
 04 Aug Clubs 3
 09 Aug Badminton champs start
 11 Aug Clubs 4
 12 Aug Winter Interwhanau
 13 Aug Winter Interwhanau backup
 18 Aug Clubs 5
 25 Aug Snow interwhanau
 26-28 Aug 12/13 OUT Tramp 2
 04 Sep School Ball
 05-08 Sep 12/13 PED Tukino Trip
 09-15 Sep Non Interruption week
 12-15 Sep NISSSC Ski
 16-21 Sep Assessment Week
 19-22 Sep NISSSC Snowboard
 24 Sep Sports Assembly, Term 3 finishes

Term Four

11 Oct Start Term 4
 13 Oct School Photographs
 18-22 Oct Literacy week
 25 Oct Labour Day
 04 Nov Music Fiesta
 11 Nov Senior prizegiving and Leavers Dinner
 15 Nov NCEA exams start
 17-23 Nov Junior Assessment week
 23 Nov Science Fair
 01 Dec Junior tabloids
 01 Dec NCEA exams finish
 02 Dec Sign out day for all
 03 Dec Junior prizegiving
 06-10 Dec Activity Week
 08-10 Dec 12/13 OUT Tramp 3
 10 Dec Last day of term 4.



PRIZEGIVING

Ruapehu College Junior Prizegiving 2009

SPORTS AWARDS

ATHLETICS, Junior Girl Champion, (PTA Cup), Zakira Tipene; Junior Boy Champion, (PTA Cup), Tristan McDonnell; Intermediate Girl Champion, (Woodward Cup), Mikayla Bates; Aggregate Girls 800m 1500m and 3000m, (ECNZ Trophy), Mikayla Bates. **CROSS COUNTRY**, Junior Girl Champion, (Mary Whale Cup), Tessa Milne; Junior Boy Champion, (Herbert Smith Trust Cup), Tyson Vaughan. Intermediate Girls' Champion, (ECNZ trophy), Mikayla Bates. **SWIMMING**, Junior Girl Champion, (Trophy), Laura Boxer-Paki; Junior Boy Champion, (TG Drayton cup), Tyson Vaughan; **NETBALL**, Junior cup for the most outstanding Player, (Checkers netball cup), Zantina Waipouri-Kaata. **TOUCH RUGBY**, Most Improved Player, (Certificate), Kolo Tomu. Most improved player in 2nd XV, (Richard Lindsay Cup), Sas Maihi. Best and fairest player in 2nd XV, (Golden Oldies Trophy), Jidis Hiroti. Best team man in 2nd XV, (Kui and Proude Trophy), Tunuiarangi Ponga-Te Huia. **GIRLS' RUGBY**, Most Outstanding Player, Certificate, Zakira Tipene. **SQUASH**, Junior Girl Champion, (Trophy donated by Megan Laurenson), Amber Ryan; Junior Boy Champion, (Trophy donated by Jackie Laurenson), Sam Laurenson. **SKIING**, Junior Girl Champion, (Knight Family Trophy), Tessa Milne. Junior Boy Champion, (Knight Family Trophy), Luke Deadman. **SNOWBOARDING**, Junior Girl Champion, Trophy donated by Murray Swan, Raina Kohu. Junior Boy Champion, Trophy donated by Murray Swan, Cory Blaney.

Year 10 awards

Ciana Kui-Rickitt, MERIT AWARD (Merit Award) for consistent effort in Dance; Michaela Christensen, MERIT AWARD for perseverance in Dance; Ezekiel Hiroti, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Art; Leroy McLeod, MERIT AWARD for achievement in SPEC; Cory Blaney, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and achievement in Mathematics; Jack Kristiansen, MERIT AWARD for improvement in attitude, behavior and work habits in English; Gen Takiwa, MERIT AWARD for steady and careful application in Social Studies; Tio Kaata-Waipouri, MERIT AWARDS for perseverance in Design Technology and effort in ICT; Tia Brown, MERIT AWARDS for effort in Mathematics and for improvement and consistent work in Textiles Technology; Sabrina Tahau-Haitana, MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in English and consistent good achievement and management in Food Technology; Matthew Evans, MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Mathematics and improvement in attitude and participation in Physical Education; Dylan Chisholm, MERIT AWARDS for improvement in Science and careful, steady application in Social Studies; Joshua Howell, MERIT AWARDS for achievement in Physical Education and improvement in ICT; Kolo Tomu, MERIT AWARDS for excellent effort and achievement in Physical Education and improvement in Science; Zakira Tipene, MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and achievement in Mathematics, consistently good work and the best attendance in Textiles and improvement in Design Technology and wins the Fetzer Family Award for the most improvement in

English.; Anahera Tahau-Haitana, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Food Technology (wins the Country Women's Institute Prize); Christian Hawira, SUBJECT AWARD for first in 10R Science; Callum Long, SUBJECT AWARD for second in Social Studies; Calvin Bouskill, SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Design Technology and shares the Dixon Engineering Trophy; Tyler Berry, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Textiles and MERIT AWARD for excellent effort and achievement in Physical Education; Mikayla Bates, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Social Studies and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and achievement in English and excellent effort and achievement in Physical Education; Courtney Taylor, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Dance (wins the Raylene Sue Whanau Award) and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort and achievement in Physical Education and careful, steady application in Social Studies; Panhira Kosinanonth, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Art, first in 10U Science and second in Mathematics and MERIT AWARDS for consistent good work and self management in Food Technology and for perseverance and diligence in Social Studies.; Sam Laurenson, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Mathematics, first in English, first equal in Design Technology (shares the Dixon Engineering Trophy) and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Science, steady and careful application in Social Studies and excellent effort and achievement in Physical Education.

Year 9 awards

Andre McDonnell, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Mathematics; Jackson Kui Rickitt, MERIT AWARD for attainment in Dance; Rangjata Pui, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in English; Ropata Cribb, MERIT AWARD for outstanding improvement in self-management in Health; Eli Rivlin-Myers, MERIT AWARD for improvement and perseverance in Food Technology; Tere Walker- Rapana, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Art; Tuhoi Hemara, MERIT AWARD for improvement in behaviour and good achievement in English; Jeremy Curtin, MERIT AWARD for most improved in Dance; Kalijah Rapana-Paul, MERIT AWARDS for attainment in Dance and improvement in English; Anthony Journeaux, MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Mathematics and excellent effort and achievement in Physical Education; Samuel Hoeta, MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Art and consistent creative effort in Textiles; Ashleigh Griffin, MERIT AWARDS for steady and careful application in Social Studies and consistent effort in Horticulture; Kereru Mako, MERIT AWARDS for improvement in ICT and consistent effort in Horticulture; Luke Deadman, MERIT AWARDS for achievement in Horticulture and high achievement and consistent effort in English; Kane Pakai Dewes, MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Health, consistent effort in ICT and consistent effort in Science; Zantina Waipouri-Kaata, MERIT AWARDS for perseverance in Dance, creative work and machine maintenance in Textiles and effort in Health; Hannah Brown, MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Food Technology, achievement in Horticulture and improvement in ICT; Ethan Hyde, MERIT AWARDS for steady, careful application in Social Studies and ICT and consistent effort in Science; Raina Kohu, SUBJECT AWARD

for first equal in Dance; Raukura Johnson, SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Dance; Tayla Pearce, SUBJECT AWARD for first in 9U Food Technology and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and application in Health; Kendall Thomson, SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in 9U ICT and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Horticulture; Rachel Hilson, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in 9R Social Studies and second in Mathematics; Kanyakon Kosinanonth, SUBJECT AWARDS for second in Mathematics, second in Art and MERIT AWARD for diligence in the face of hardship in ICT; Hayley Fredericksen, SUBJECT AWARD for first in 9R Textiles, first in 9R Food Technology and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Dance, consistent effort and achievement in Science and consistent effort in Health; Tangaroa Joyce, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in 9R Science, and for first in Horticulture (receives a new cup from Turners and Growers for achievement in junior Horticulture) and MERIT AWARDS for steady, careful application in Social Studies, excellent effort and achievement in Physical Education, consistent effort in Food Technology, for achievement in Mathematics and consistent effort and perseverance in Design Technology.; Summer Warbrick, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Art, first in 9R ICT and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Horticulture, diligence and consistent application in Health, consistent effort in Science, consistent creative effort in Textiles, consistent effort in Food Technology and diligence in Social Studies; Tessa Milne, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in English, first in 9U Social Studies, first in 9U Textiles and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Art, consistent effort and achievement in Physical Education, consistent effort in Food Technology, consistent effort in ICT and consistent effort in Science; Amber Ryan, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Mathematics, first in Design Technology, first equal in 9U ICT, first in 9U Science and for second in Horticulture and MERIT AWARDS for steady and careful application in Social Studies, consistently good achievement in Textiles and consistent effort and achievement in English.

Special awards

Speech Competitions: Junior Whai Korero – wahine, Anahera-Tauhau Haitana; Junior Whai Korero – tane, Tunuiarangi Ponga-Te Huia. Year 9 (LD Eden Cup) Amber Ryan. Year 10 (Mr & Mrs FA Martin Cup) Sam Laurenson. Impromptu Speeches (Alan West Cup) Sam Laurenson. Wanganui Chronicle Junior Literary Award, Mikayla Bates. 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, Zivana Richards Winter. School Supplies Award (junior) – for outstanding service to the College, Ciana Kui Rickitt. Junior Excellence in Sport, Sam Laurenson. Ruapehu College Citizen Award – for a student of good character, having personal integrity including the qualities of honesty, caring for other people and supporting the peer group. (A new award donated by the Lyon family), Sam Laurenson. Jim Perry Prize – for the Year 10 student who has shown the most improvement across a range of academic, sporting, social and cultural activities, Zakira Tipene. Junior Excellence Award, for excellence in the academic area, Sam Laurenson.

PRIZEGIVING

Ruapehu College Senior Prizegiving 2010 SPORTS AWARDS

ATHLETICS Intermediate Girl Champion, (Woodward Cup), Mikayla Bates; Intermediate Boy Champion, (Walter Warner Cup), Jayden Hakaraia; = Laurance Williamson; = Anton Waara; Senior Girl Champion, (Turners and Growers Cup), Katie Bates; Senior Boy Champion, (Turners & Growers Cup), Jackson Campbell; Aggregate Boys 800m, 1500m, 3000m, (Michael Cleary Cup), Jayden Hakaraia; = Jackson Campbell; Aggregate Girl 800m, 1500m, & 3000m, (ECNZ trophy), Mikayla Bates; =Katie Bates.

CROSS COUNTRY Intermediate Girl Champion, (ECNZ Trophy), Mikayla Bates; Intermediate Boy Champion, (Leo Cleary Cup), Jayden Hakaraia; Senior Girl Champion, (ECNZ Trophy), Katie Bates; Senior Boy Champion, (Dillon Shield), Jackson Campbell.

SWIMMING Intermediate Girl, (PTA cup), Amber Ryan; Intermediate Boy Champion, (TG Drayton Cup), Zach Ryan; Senior Girl Champion, (John Evans Trophy), Felicia Fredericksen; Senior Boy Champion, (John Evans Trophy), Jackson Campbell.

NETBALL Kapai Enterprises Trophy (presented by Ken and Marilyn George), For the person who by her actions displays the qualities of sportsmanship that we regard as important at Ruapehu College – achievement, dedication and loyalty, Courtney Taylor.

BASKETBALL Contribution to basketball, Basketball Supporters Club Trophy, Zivana Richards Winter; Most Improved Girl, (Basketball supporters trophy), Amber Ryan.

RUGBY Most consistent player in 1st XV, (DA Loye Cup), Te Uhi Hakaraia.

Most improved player in 1st XV, (Cup), Jayden Hakaraia; Best and Fairest Player in 1st XV, (Cup), Tautahi Rawiri; = Jackson Campbell; Best Team Man 2nd XV, (Kui and Proude Trophy), Josh Howell. **SOCCKER** a senior achieving a high level of ability and showing dedication to the game, Journeaux Senior Soccer Trophy, Jackson Campbell.

TABLE TENNIS Girl Champion, Caleigh Goodley; Boy Champion, Jackson Campbell.

BADMINTON Girl Champion, Justine Vaughan; Boy Champion, Jackson Campbell.

SQUASH Boy Champion, (Triggell Trophy), Tamati Brooks; Girl Champion, (Triggell Trophy), Justine Vaughan; Junior Girl Champion, (Trophy presented by Megan Laurenson), Amber Ryan.

SKIING Senior Girl Champion, (Taharangi Cup presented by Vic Keppel), Jess Hotter; Senior Boy Champion, (Mangaturuturu Cup presented by Graeme Brebner), Jackson Campbell.

SNOWBOARDING Senior Girl Champion, Trophy donated by Murray Swan, Hayley Van Hees. Senior Boy Champion, Trophy donated by Murray Swan, Josh Howell. Supreme Snowboarding Award, (Callum Green "Pink" Memorial Award), Josh Howell.

TENNIS Girl Champion, (Cup presented by S Laurenson), Justine Vaughan. Boy Champion, (Cup presented by John Laurenson), Tamati Brooks.

CRICKET Best Team Member Cup (Presented by 1986 1st XI), Shem Brown. Best All Round Bowler, (Cup presented by Darren McDonnell), Josh Hyde; Batting Award, (Presented by David Archibald), Josh Hyde.

Interwhanau Competition

Huia Leaders- Justine Vaughan and Shem Brown. Netball cup, Tennis, Junior and Senior Science Quiz, Junior and Senior English Quiz, Junior and Senior Social Studies Quiz, Squash, and English Speeches (cup).

Kiwi Leaders- Jess Hotter and Jackson Campbell. Swimming cup. Athletics (EF Buck cup), Cross Country (Pearce Cup), Basketball, Soccer, Skiing Cup, Volleyball, Cricket, Winter Interwhanau Trophy (Frances Hoterini Memorial Award), Summer Interwhanau Trophy.

Tui Leaders- Katie Bates and Tautahi Rawiri. Touch Rugby, Interwhanau Kapahaka (Joan Akapita and Matiu Mareikura Memorial Trophy).

Weka Leaders- Caleigh Goodley and Quaid

McGregor. Tug of War, Snowboarding. Champion Whanau Jess Hotter and Jackson Campbell, Kiwi (Cup presented by Ruapehu Old Pupils' Association).

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Year 11

Joshua Howell, MERIT AWARD for good skills in Digital Technology. Courtney Taylor, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Practical Science and receives the Errol Sue Taonga for commitment and dedication to Dance and the George Chan Trophy for Dance. Dylan Chisholm, MERIT AWARD for improvement in Digital Technology. Tia Brown, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Textiles Technology. Callum Long, MERIT AWARD for consistent achievement in Horticulture. Tyson Hiroti, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Food and Nutrition. Kolo Tomu, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and improvement in Communication English. Slade Elers, MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Practical Science and improvement in Physical Education and wins the Fruit Federation Supplies Ltd Prize for practical achievement in Horticulture. Machaela Christensen, SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Te Reo Maori. Cory Blaney, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Physical Education. Sas Maihi, SUBJECT AWARD for reliability and application in Art. Ciana Kui Rickit, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Music. Jack Kristiansen, SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Applied Mathematics and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Physical Education. Atara Moke, SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Te Reo Maori and MERIT AWARD for improvement in Design Technology. Kalvin Bouskill, SUBJECT AWARD for first equal in Applied Mathematics and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Design Technology, consistent effort and improvement in Communication English and consistent effort in Practical Science. Panthira (Meaw) Kosinanoh, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Accounting and MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort, perseverance and improvement in English, consistent effort in Food and Nutrition winning the Sue Hardwidge Memorial Cup for excellence in Practical Foods and consistent effort in Science, and consistent effort and achievement in Level 2 Mathematics. Mikayla Bates, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Horticulture, winning the Turners and Growers Ltd Prize for achievement in Horticulture, first in English, first in Science, and first in Design Technology, winning the Bunnings Award for first in DTC and MERIT AWARDS for achievement in Mathematics and consistent effort in Accounting. Amber Ryan, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Mathematics, first in Geography, first in Food and Nutrition winning the Home Economics Incentive Award and first in Textiles Technology and MERIT AWARDS for high achievement in English, and consistent effort in Science.

Year 12

Zach Clarke, MERIT AWARD for improvement in Outdoor Education. Chiao Ruri, MERIT AWARD for perseverance in Te Reo. Kahurangi Hira, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and perseverance in SPEC in Communication English. Jackson Campbell, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Physical Education. Shaquille McDonnell, MERIT AWARD for forestry and receives the Andrew Beggs Memorial Trophy for a student in the Forestry Academy who uphold the values that were held by Andrew Beggs: a good work ethic, respect for the environment and concern for others.. Shem Brown, MERIT AWARD for improved effort in Digital Technology and wins the Land Based Training Cup for the best achievement in Land Based Training. Henerer Larsen, MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort, improvement and diligence in English and consistent effort in Level 3 Agriculture and Horticulture. Felicia Fredericksen, MERIT AWARDS for work ethic and dedication to improving English, consistent effort and achievement in Mathematics, consistent effort in Physics and consistent effort in Biology, winning the Winstone Pulp International prize for achievement in the Sciences. Mere Ponga Te Huia, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Te Reo Maori. Rachel Rowe, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in English and first in Physical Education.

Elijah Pue Feickert, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Level 3 Agriculture and Horticulture, winning the Horticulture Incentive Award donated by Ian Forster of Waimarino Tree Resource. Chevaugn Maihi, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Travel and Tourism and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Textiles Technology. Jess Hotter, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Outdoor Education winning the Kaimanawa Cup for Outdoor Education presented by R Rowles and G Brebner and first equal in Biology. Toni-Renee Henare, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Agriculture and Horticulture, first in Applied Mathematics and MERIT AWARDS for improvement in Physical Education and persistent effort in Health.. Bianca Taylor, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Level One Digital Technology, first in Textiles Technology winning the Migos Trophy for Practical Clothing and first in Art (winning the Dr Jordan Memorial Prize for excellence in Art) and first equal in Biology and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort, improvement and diligence in English. Sam Laurenson, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Accounting, first in Digital Technology, first in Physics and first in Design Technology, winning the Winstone Pulp International prize for achievement in DTC and first in Mathematics.

Year 13

Katie Bates, wins the Robin Rowles Memorial Award for leadership in Practical Areas (Land Based Training). Hayley Van Hees, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Health. Tyler Eades, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort in Gateway. Krissy Reuben, MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and perseverance in SPEC in Communication English. Jess Long, MERIT AWARDS for consistent effort in Digital Technology and consistent effort in Travel and Tourism. Quaid McGregor, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Physical Education. Michael Grossart, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Calculus, winning the Cast Family Prize for a student who attains a high standard in both Year 13 Calculus and Statistics. Josh Hyde, SUBJECT AWARD for first in Gateway. Elijah Taylor, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Level 2 Communication English and first in Level 2 Health and MERIT AWARD for dedication to the Music program. Jordan Heron, SUBJECT AWARD for first in History and MERIT AWARD for consistent effort and improvement in English and wins the Early Settlers Award donated by the Scarrow Family for diligence and showing class spirit in History (book). Tamati Brooks, SUBJECT AWARDS for first in Statistics, first in Digital Technology, winning the Lines Company Ltd Prize for excellence in DGT, first in Music, first in English and first in Accounting, and wins the Peck Campbell Cup – presented by the Rev and Mrs RL Peck in the memory of Ralph Edward Peck and Jeanette Helen Campbell for excellence in the Humanities.

Special awards

Senior Speech Competition. (M S Gould Cup), Sam Laurenson. Te Whai Korero - wahine, Arorangi Taylor. Te Whai Korero – tane, Atara Moke. Service Awards.

For service to the College, Felicia Fredericksen, Caleigh Goodley, Amber Ryan.

School Supplies Award for a person who has enhanced the reputation of the College by his or her work outside the college, Hayley Van Hees. Maungarongo Trophy, for showing commitment, initiative and loyalty in Te Ropu Kapa Haka during the year, Jayden Turei. The Ruapehu College Sports Cup for best overall senior in sport, presented by John and Sue Laurenson, Jackson Campbell. Brian Eades Award, for perseverance and endeavour, Joshua Hyde. 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, Katie Bates. Principal's Awards – for leadership and service to the school, Caleigh Goodley, Cressida Pue, Elijah Taylor. Loftus Shield, for services to the College, including providing a good example and reliability in all areas – academic, social and sporting, Tamati Brooks. Proxime Accessit, Trophy donated by Peter Berry and Family, Hayley Van Hees. Dux, Trophy donated by Ian & Dorothy Meredith, Tamati Brooks.