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For long hours they stared with unflinching focus at 15" coloured monitors as they manipulated the digital data required for the 2001 school yearbook.

Under the predator-like gaze of Rosemary Spragg and Tara-Lee Hansen the team fashioned a publication of high quality and unique style.

Unfazed by the limited budget and desirability of the establishment to retain a monochromatic publication style, the team worked tirelessly for uninterrupted hours on end.

The group maintained an acceptable gender balance of five females and two males with an older model of the male variety overseeing the efforts. A slightly less older female counterpart took care of information gathering and general staff hassling.

The readers' ability to spot our deliberately inserted errors should be well tested, and any correspondence into the discovery of such should be addressed to the Ngaruawahia High School student body representative.

Many trees voluntarily offered their very all in their personal contributions towards this year's celebration of the Ngaruawahia High School record.

Many thanks to Mrs Vicki Gyde and Mr Richard Robyns who spent long hours translating this work into acceptable English.

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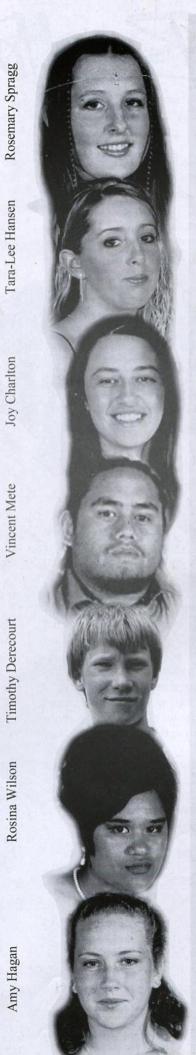
This years magazine was constructed by a dedicated team of seven enthusiasts who slaved their guts out (well, close!) during lunch-hours and weekends as well as an hour or two after school.

MSPublisher 2000 and Photoshop 5.5 were used on the school computers and we had over 1,200 photos to choose from, all scanned or taken by our school digital camera.

The completed pages were arranged for printing in A3 layout and then converted to 1200 dpi Adobe PDF files. These were burned onto a CDROM and used directly by John Walker Printers. A limited run of 400 copies was printed.

Cover art (external & internal) by Rachel Robson Cover Design by Sandy MacDonald

Most art featured inside this Yearbook is courtesy of the Year 13 art students based on a "Wind in the Willows" theme.



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### Vavid Bradford, Principal



To provide a balanced curriculum in a nurturing and challenging environment so that every student achieves academically, socially and culturally, and is well equipped to enter a changing world.

Tauaki Matua
Ki te matua whakaroto i têtehi marautanga
tautikanga i roto i têtehi taiāo
atawhainga me te mātakinga kia tāea
ai e ia akonga te eke ki ngā taumata o te
mātatauranga, o te hakau panga pāpori,
o te tikanga ahurea hoki, ā, e tino
whakarawe ana ki te uru mai
ki te āo pononi nei.

The Mission Statement of our school is like the Tuanui or the backbone of a Wharenui. It provides the structure, the support, the focus and the drive for all that the school does.

Embodied in this statement are the basic core values of respect, honesty, fairness and integrity.

Our school has a strong conviction that all students can learn academically and socially and achieve to their fullest potential.

As a school and indeed a nation, we must be willing to recognise and acknowledge achievement and success.

We must shake off this "tall poppy" syndrome so prevalent in our society. This way of thinking only promotes mediocrity, lowers expectations and engenders the fear of taking risks.

Nelson Mandela, in his 1994 Inaugural Presidential Address, said:

"Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.
Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure

It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us.

There is nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. As we let our own light shine, we consciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear our presence automatically liberates others."

Success can be achieved without putting others down. Success is about being the best you can be.

A school cannot educate an individual on its own. Society has a collective responsibility for the nurturing and educating of its rangitahi. It is with the help and support of our local community that this can be achieved.

So the challenge for us as a school is to develop a network of mutual support involving student, whanau, school and community.

It is our Mission Statement that binds us, that provides the kaupapa, the tautoko and the essence of the school.

I would like to publicly acknowledge the enormous amount of time, effort and enthusiasm both Barbara Cavanagh and Richard Crawford have put into the school over the past few years. I wish them well in their new positions.

I would also like to pay tribute to the teaching staff, office staff and support staff. They are a very capable, committed and very professional group of people.

I thank the Board of Trustees for allowing me the opportunity to work in such a stimulating and challenging environment. I look forward to working closely with them over the next few years.

I praise the efforts of our very small but select magazine committee, ably directed by Mr MacDonald, for producing such a fine record of events for the 2001 year at Ngaruawahia High School.

To our Year 13 students - I wish you all the best for the future and leave you with this message:

Kia hora te marino.
Kia whakapapa pounamu te moana.
Kia tau karohirohi I mua I tou huarahi.
May the calm be widespread.
May the sea glisten like greenstone.
May the shimmer of summer dance across your pathway.

For those of you who are returning, I wish you a very safe and

For those of you who are returning, I wish you a very safe and happy Christmas. I look forward to seeing you in the new school year.

Kia ora tatou

### Haere Mai Mr Bradford

Our new principal David Bradford is itching to make our school the first choice for students in this town.

Just a few months after moving from Hamilton's Fairfield College to become Ngaruawahia's deputy principal, Mr. Bradford's application to fill the shoes of Ms Barbara Cavanagh was accepted before the beginning of term four.

Mr. Bradford's focus is on pushing the concept of achievement among the students at our school and developing the existing wairua (spirit) within the school to reach that goal.

"I feel that this school has a spirituality about it that some larger schools don't," Mr. Bradford says.

Because of the small size of the secondary school, Mr. Bradford says students can thrive when they might otherwise get "lost" in a larger school. Mr. Bradford is setting his goals early.

"I want Ngaruawahia High School to be one of

the best schools in the country. It's not about pushing other schools down, it's about being the best that you can be... it's about pushing yourself and getting outside the comfort zone."

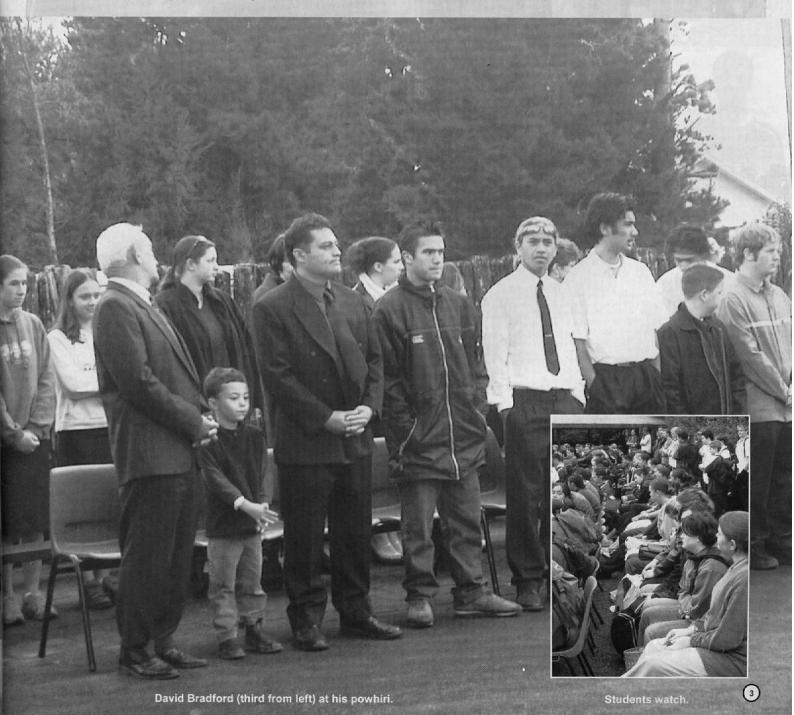
Mr. Bradford says he sees in Ngaruawahia a school that lets the students take some of the leadership roles and play a part in the decision making.

His philosophy partly comes from a news item he saw on TV a few years ago.

During the item a scientist was explaining that it is genes that provide the potential while the environment surrounding a person provides the opportunity.

Following that, it is the decision- making that determines destiny.

Mr. Bradford says this applies to the students and it is the school's job to both provide that opportunity and equip them with the ability to make decisions and go with them.





### Barbara's Farewell

Being Principal at Ngaruawahia High School has been the highlight of my career. I will always treasure my time in this school. Ngaruawahia High is a school with a heart.

Over seven years there are so many people who stand out in my mind – Jim Litchtwark who has been the Board Chair since I have been here, has been loyal, supportive and a good friend. I really appreciate that. The office staff, Noel, Caroline, and the TuTangata team, Kaff and the attendance team, and parents – it has been a privilege to work with all of you.

To the staff, all I can say is that this community is very fortunate to have you teaching its young people. I am in awe with your dedication and commitment to teaching and learning. I have loved my time with you as my colleagues.

I have to make special mention of Sandy MacDonald mainly because I can't imagine being in a school without him – we all know the extra things



Barbara Cavanagh, Now principal at Te Awamutu College

Sandy does – his generosity is extraordinary and his knowledge of the school and all the background has been invaluable to me. I have certainly appreciated all of that.

And of course the students – in seven years, seven teams of wonderful head students, whanau leaders, high academic achievers, outstanding art and technical students, talented kapa haka students, superbly creative stage challenge students. What a tremendous group of people. I really believe the future is in great hands when I think of all these individuals.

Thank you to all of you. You have made my time here a treasure and pleasure. I wish you all the best in coming years. Ngaruawahia High School is a creative, happy school and the students who attend are very lucky.

Arohanui,

- Barbara Cavanagh



Vincent Mete performing

Addressing the students for her last time.

Ms Cavanagh at her farewell.



The Senior Boys Basketball team farewells Barbara



The staff sing their goodbyes



The Head Students say goodbye

### Board of Trustees Student Representatives

This year as a student representative has been such an experience for me.

When you're a student you don't really get to see what goes on behind the scenes, be it the board, principal, teachers, everyone. But being a student representative gives you that insight. I recommend anyone and everyone to go for it.

To next year's representative, don't be afraid to ask for help and always say what you think, (even if no-one on the board completely gets it!!) you're there to give the perspective of a student. Good luck and enjoy it.

Lastly, I'd like to thank the board for receiving my ideas and thoughts with open minds (mostly), you made my last year at Ngaruawahia High School an experience that I'll always remember!

Kelly Williamson

Kia Ora Koutou.

I am a seventeen year-old sixth form student here at Ngaruawahia High School. I have been given the chance to be Student Representative for our school during 2002. I am very honored and privileged to play such an important part in our school.

It is a great opportunity for me to express my ideas and hear other students ideas and suggestions so they can be put through to the Board of Trustees. I am so thankful and grateful to all those students who voted for me and helped me get this awesome position. I plan to represent the school well and with pride.

If you have any ideas or suggestions please do not hesitate to come and talk to me. I will love to hear your ideas and also put them through to the Board.

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa.

Rangiwhaia Mete

### Board of Trustees (hairman Iim Zitchwark

Another year has passed and the time has come to say goodbye to our seventh form so they can move on to their chosen path for the future. We wish them well.

This year has been one of achievement and changes within our school. Our School Certificate passes were up with the better schools.

Stage Challenge was a credit to you all, your commitment to achieve the top placing in Hamilton was a just reward and the dance team was placed second in New Zealand which shows the talent we have around us.

We have had changes in leadership. We had appointed a new Principal — Mr David Bradford. There will be another new person to replace Mr. Bradford. The school will go forward again with new ideas. Support from all

students as part of the team will make our school what it is known for around New Zealand—picking up the challenges.

I commend all students in the way you farewelled Ms Cavanagh. The Board of Trustees found it a very moving occasion on her last day at school. It showed us how she was accepted as an important part of each one of your lives at school.

We often get reports back to us when our students visit other places and schools about how well behaved you are. Lets have this attitude throughout the whole school and when at home. Then success will come to all of us.

We have had a good year and we can strive to make the new year even greater. Your teachers are there to help and make it all come together.

Have a good vacation, come back refreshed and we wish our seventh formers good luck for the future.

## Staff



Back Row: Penni Heu, Kaff Maru, Raewyn Rapana, Tania Gray, Vicki Gyde, Pam Harding, Lalita Hari 3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Jackie Crush, Gail Wharakura, Yvonne Nikora, Chris Hill, Phil Rietema, Gerry Clarke, Pam Gray, Poppy Ranga,

Megan Vernall

2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Gracie Isaacs, Morgan Kingi, Peter Mans, Michael Maguire, Harko Brown, Harold Ranui, Richard Robyns, Richard Murphy, Doug Marsh, Joe Mahara

Seated: Jane Kerr-Bell, Mary Rogers, Donna West, David Bradford (Deputy Principal), Barbara Cavanagh (Principal) Sandy MacDonald, Kimai Huirama, Joan Myles, Rosemarie Cann

Absent: Chris Jarnet, Noel Haworth, Mariana Whanga, Linda Sabbage, Robyn Roa (Deputy Principal), Mareea Paitai, Sindy Haines, Jessie Johnston, Waikato Matthews, Junelle Williams

Penni Heu, Transition Kaff Maru, Tu Tangata Raewyn Rapana, Teacher Aid Tania Gray, Sports Co-ordinator Vicki Gyde, English Pam Harding, Information Technology Lalita Hari, Special Needs Jackie Crush, Food Technology Gail Wharakura, Financial Secretary Yvonne Nikora, School Secretary Chris Hill, History Phil Rietema, Geography Gerry Clarke, Itinerant Music Pam Gray, Information Technology Poppy Ranga, Maori Studies Megan Vernall, Laboratory Technician Gracie Isaacs, Tu Tangata Morgan Kingi, Tu Tangata Peter Mans, Science Michael Maguire, Mathematics Harko Brown, Student Teacher Harold Ranui, Physed



Art by Stacey Robson
This was used for the cover of the 2001 Senior Prizegiving programme

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### Head Student Reports

As the year comes to an end, I reflect on

what has been a truly satisfying experience at

Ngaruawahia High School. Being chosen as one of the head students for the year 2001 was totally amazing. I have thoroughly enjoyed my five years here and look forward to life after school. I now have a lot of confidence in facing the outside world because of my time here.

The greatest aspect of being a
Head Student at Ngaruawahia High
School is, of course, the students. Each
and every single one of you are
awesome achievers. You have all
achieved so much, whether it be
through sports, art, academics or dance.
For example, the Smokefree Stage Challenge
once again was awarded to us. The Sports
Academy is proving to be a great asset as
students are able to succeed through sport, and
the dance team has qualified to go to the
National competition in Dunedin (again.)

To all teachers, you have been great to me and have given me more opportunities than I could wish for. I am forever grateful. To Mrs Gyde, Brother Hill, Ms Hari, Mr Robyns and
Ms Cavanagh, thanks for putting up
with me and being my role

models.

I would like to thank my fellow Head Students, Tahau, Corrie and Kelly. It has been great working with you and I have enjoyed every part of it.

A huge thank-you to my Mum and Dad for believing in me and being behind me 100%. My three beautiful sisters for all their support and great advice, and the rest of the whanau for being as great as only you can be. To Jaimee, Aaron and Stuart, it was

awesome working with you guys as Whanau Leaders, you made my job much easier. And last but not least, the entire 7<sup>th</sup> form ( too many of you guys to name), thank you for so much for the laughs, the good times and even the bad times. Good luck for next year, I will definitely miss you all.

Elizabeth Saunders

My seventh form year is something I'll always remember.

I have been given so many opportunities by Ngaruawahia High School, not just this year but throughout my whole secondary education. This year I have been privileged enough to have the position as one of the four Head Students. (Thanks to Liz, Corrie and Tahau for the great experiences guys!) I was stoked to be involved in the

winning Smokefree Stage Challenge we did this year (it was awesome), and also being the B.O.T rep.

Whoever said your high school days are your best, they were right. I've met some great people, made some excellent friends and will never forget my time at Ngaruawahia high school.

Good luck to everyone for next year!

Kelly Williamson

I'm not going to bore you with "as

the year comes to an end" or "as Head Boy", but inform you on what Ngaruawahia High School has meant to me.

As a third former I never really liked school (still don't) and thought that school was boring and it wasn't for me. But as a seventh former I realise that school was more than fun and games. It was a place of learning and responsibilities.

A lot of people have criticised Ngaruawahia High School, but those people have never experienced what Ngaruawahia is about. We are a school of mana, pride and spirit.

No one has ever won the Tahawriki Paki Roa, Mr. Robyns, Pizoppee and Smokefree Stage Challenge Title three times, created the best aerobic dance teams in the Waikato SUM YUM GUYS and EXPLIZIT AZZ, contain the greatest teachers in any school and the most excellent seventh

formers in the world.

To me, school has played a major role in my life and I have been involved in many activities within the school.

I was in the Smokefree Stage Challenge of 2001, which won the first place title for the third time. I chilled with the most marvelous brothers of SUM YUM GUYS dance team, which took out the first place in the Waikato dance and aerobics competition.

Now it's time to thank people. A big thank-you to all the teachers who put up with me for the last five years, especially to Mrs.

my man Brother Hill.

A big shout out to the boys, Pokaia, Corrie, Drew, Karl, Riki, Makiha and Luke. And finally to next years seventh form, GO HARD SON.

As I finish my 5 years of secondary education, I look back on all the opportunities that Ngaruawahia High School has given me, like the Kapa Haka U.S.A Tour in 1998, the numerous Stage Challenge wins, Aerobics/Dance Comps in Gold Coast Australia and finally being appointed as one of four Head Students for 2001. Being at this school has taught me a lot and has given me many experiences.

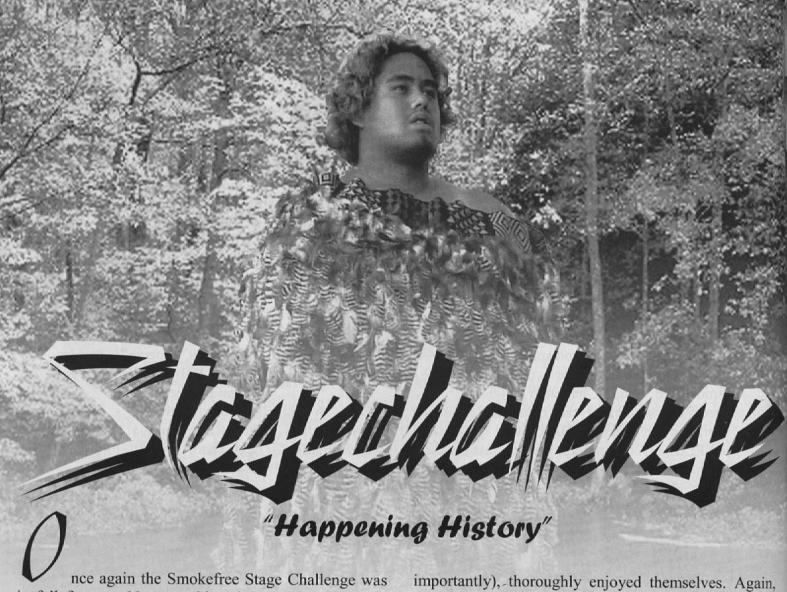
As Head Students we have had a fair bit of responsibility to do with the school like maintaining the composure of the students after a highly respected associate principle left in Term 1. The departure of our Term 1.

Principal Barbara Cavanagh (who went to Te Awamutu in Term 3) created even more responsibilities for the N.H.S Student Team. Those responsibilities were then passed on to

the new Principal, David Bradford. To Tahau, Kelly and Liz,

thanks for all the help. Thanks to all the teachers who have helped me out over the past years. To all my mates in the 7th form, thanks for all the good times.

I would also like to thank Marcelle Waters for everything she has gone through for me. I hope we prosper. Lastly I would like to thank my family for their undying love and support.



nce again the Smokefree Stage Challenge was in full force at Ngaruawahia High School. Once we finally settled on our theme of "Happening History" it was all guns blazing. For two months we practiced after school, during the holidays and at the weekends. A lot of hard work was put in by students, staff and parents, making the production vital and memorable.

Finally the day of the Stage Challenge rolled around and Ngaruawahia was, once again, late. We were told that there would be three rehearsals for each school. Ngaruawahia was to be the second school to rehearse. We didn't have a great start with our soundtrack cutting out during the final song. After we finished rehearsing it was outside for everyone for another hour of practice to get us looking sharp.

After everyone got back from the tea break, it was full on in the Marquee outside the Founders Theatre where everyone was getting ready. The whole tent was just buzzing with excitement, everybody was so nervous. Finally it was our turn to go on stage, but just before we did, Tahau Paki lead us in the Ngaruawahia High School chant.

When the MC introduced us, the crowd just erupted in anticipation. The performance by the students was awesome. Everyone gave 100% and (most

importantly), thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Again, the Ngaruawahia crowd was cheering throughout the whole performance.

Then it was time to go up on the stage to see who had won....

Third Place: Church College of New Zealand Second Place: Cambridge High School

First Place: Ngaruawahia High School

When they announced "Ngaruawahia High School" I just ran to the front of the stage and saluted the crowd. We were all jumping around and hugging each other. There were even a few with tears in their eyes, as it was awesome to win.

A big thank you to Ms Whanga, who did an awesome job. Considering it was the first time she oversaw Stage Challenge, she deserves a gold medal. To Gail Wharakura and the ladies who made our costumes, thank you for all the time and effort you put into it. To Ms Cavanagh – thanks for giving us drama lessons – it was well worth it. And finally to Vicki Crosby. Once again you proved to be invaluable with your knowledge and experience. Your dances were awesome (as they always are).

Go hard next years guys. I know you will do just as well. I will be watching.

Elizabeth Saunders.



### **SPORTS**

### Athletics

Senior Boys Champion: Tane McGrath Senior Girls Champion: Maringi Morunga

### Cross Country

Senior Boys Champion: Hector Taukiri Senior Girls Champion: Melissa Mes

### Nethall

Most Improved Player: Meretiana Rayner

### Rugby

Most Outstanding Players: Drew Fletcher & Karl Ruland

### Basketball

Excellence in Girls Basketball: Waimaringi August Most Outstanding Player: Mitchell Te Hira

### Swimming

Senior Boys Champion: Te Whainoa Te Wiata Senior Girls Champion: Kimberley Bell

### Volleyball

Outstanding Female: Sharee Ruland Outstanding Male: Drew Fletcher

### ACADEMIC

### Year 11

### Stacey Cameron:

Distinction in English, Achievement in Geography Gareth Dean: Meredith Trophy for Excellence in-Year 11 Economics, Year 11 Science Prize for Distinction in Science, Distinction in Mathematics, Achievement in English, Achievement in Graphics

### Phillip Derecourt:

Rachel Walker Trophy for Distinction in Food and Nutrition

### Lakeyta Edgecombe:

Distinction in Maths Applied

### Ben Gilby-Todd: Year 11

Geography Cup for Distinction in Geography, Distinction in English, Distinction in Accounting, Achievement in Graphics, Achievement in Science,

Achievement in Mathematics

### Mihi Haggie:

Distinction in English

### Huia Hunapo:

Distinction in History, Achievement in Art

### Sian McIntosh:

Distinction in Text and Information Processing, Achievement in English, Progress in Economics.

Progress in (12) Mathematics

### Melissa Mes:

Technical Award for Best Year 11 Design Technology Student, Distinction in Workshop Technology, Effort in English, Effort in History, Effort in Science Venita Robson: John Serieant Award for Best Year 11 Girl in Science. Distinction in English, Distinction in Graphics. Distinction in Text and Information Processing.

Distinction in Mathematics.

Achievement in Science

### Kaya Rupapere:

Distinction in Maths Applied 1

### Katrina Tarawhiti:

Distinction in Maori, Effort in English

### Kaysey Turner:

Distinction in Year 12 Maori, Progress in Text and Information Processing Michael Vining:

Whitecliffs Award for Best Year 11 Graphics Student

### Anaru Williams:

Distinction in Science, Progress in Maori, Progress in Geography, Effort in Mathematics

### Year 12

John Apiata: Distinction in Computer Studies

### Andrew Campbell:

Distinction in Motor Trades

### Joy Charlton

Achievement in Economics, Achievement in English, Achievement in Geography, Achievement in Computer Studies

### Amy Hagan:

Photolife Design Award for Outstanding Design in Art, Distinction in Art. Distinction in Biology, Achievement in English, Effort in Chemistry

### Tara-Lee Hansen:

Art Cup for Outstanding Contribution To Art, Progress in Art, Achievement in English, Achievement in Computer Studies

### Wiremu Katipa:

Distinction in History Tyler Moeke: Distinction in Physical Education, Progress in English, Progress in Physics

### Ria Murdoch-Huirama:

Distinction in English, Distinction in Graphics, Achievement in Art, Effort in Mathematics

Rosemary Spragg: Jan Plummer Cup for Distinction in Year 12 English, Waikato Geographical Society Cup for Distinction in Geography, Distinction in Economics, Distinction in Chemistry, Distinction in Mathematics

### Jonathan Sunnex:

Distinction in Physics, Achievement in Physical Education, Effort in English

Carina Wilson: Distinction in Computer Studies, Distinction in Maths Applied 2. Achievement in Biology, Effort in Tourism

### Year 13

Kurt Barakat: Distinction in Sports Academy

Aaron Bird: Silver Mallet for Best Senior Technical Student. Fletchers Award for Best Yr 13 Workshop Student. Templeton Award for Best Year 13 Graphics Student, Distinction in Furniture Making, Distinction in Motor Trades, Achievement in Computer

### Studies Jonathan Derecourt:

Distinction in Biology, Distinction in Physics. Progress in Mathematics

### Jacqueline Pouaka:

Best Maori Scholar Prize for Distinction in Maori

### Rhiannon Reid-Hoff:

Sloane Cup for Clothing, Distinction in Computer Studies, Achievement in Art, Achievement in Design For Living

Rachel Robson: Trophy For Distinction in Design For Living, Progress in Art

### Moana Turner:

History Cup For Distinction in History

### Corrie Wharakura:

Distinction in Physical Education

### Adults

### Helen Hagan:

Distinction in Art, Distinction in Computer Studies, Achievement in Furniture Making

### Waikato Matthews:

Achievement in Computer Studies

### 2002 School Leaders

Joy Charlton, Rosemary Spragg, Tyler Moeke, Tara-Lee Hansen

### Year 13 Leavers

Makiha Hose, Riki Iwihora, Annamarie Manhire, Luke Murray, Megan Nepia, Rachel Robson, Casey Sucich, Hector Taukiri, Te

Whainoa Te Wiata, Sarina Wawatai

### Year 13 Leavers with Higher School

Certificate

Jennifer Adams, Kurt Barakat, Kimberley Bell, Aaron Bird, Drew Fletcher, Malana Grev. Pokaia Matthews, Jaimi McCarthy, Tabitha Mes, Katie Montford, Megan Montford, Candice Morunga, Joanne Newell, Tahauriki Paki, Jacqueline Pouaka, Rhiannon Reid-Hoff, Karl Ruland Elizabeth Saunders, Jaimee Thorpe, Moana Turner, Marcelle Waters, Corrie Wharakura, Stuart Whitehouse, Kelly Williamson.

### National Certificate in **Employment Skills**

### Level 1

Jaimee Thorpe

### National Certificate in **Tourism Level 2**

Jaimee Thorpe

### National Certificate in Computing Level 2

John Apiata, Waimaringi August, Andrew Campbell, Joy Charlton, Drew Fletcher, Helen Hagan. Tara-Lee Hansen, Wiremu Katipa, Waikato Matthews, Rangiwhaia Mete, Purewa Peakman, Meretiana Rayner, Rhiannon Reid-Hoff, Rachel Robson, Karl Ruland, Sharee Ruland, Richard Suhr, Dane Tahapeehi, Pera Tumai, Carina Wilson

### National Certificate in Computing

### Level 3

Jaimee Thorpe, Aaron Bird

### Special Awards The Te Rapa Rotary Club Scholarships:

Jaimee Thorne. Elizabeth Saunders

### The Ngaruawahia Lions Club Kevin Cryer Scholarships:

Kelly Williamson, Kimberley Bell

### A Lions Club Special Award:

Tabitha Mes of the Sports Academy

Violet Jolly Cup For Citizenship: Kimberley Bell

Collins Cup For Citizenship:

Aaron Bird Erana Coulter

Memorial Award for Maori Studies:

Moana Turner Maori Trust Award For Leadership in the Cultural Group: Moana Ngahia Gregory Award For Excellence in Te Reo Maori: Jacqueline Pouaka Te Tokotoko O Te Manu

### Whakatu Wahine Manu Korero Senior Female Huia Iwihora

Korero Senior Male:

Anaru Williams

Stone Cup For Drama Ebony Tukiwaho Dianne Harper Cup for

Leadership in Music: Rosemary Spragg Mozart Trophy for

Contribution To School Music: Melanie Simon

Latta Cup For Special Endeavour in Music: James Dean

Cup For Excellence in Music -Hamilton Piano Co. Cup: Tyler Moeke Yr 12 Speech Contest

Winners: Dane Tahapeehi, Rosemary Spragg

Principal's Award for Contribution To The School: Kimberlev Bell.

Aaron Bird Westpac Trust Trophy **Board Of Trustees** 

Award: Kelly Williamson Kt Footwear Trophy For Integrity: Jaimee Thorpe 2001 School Leaders

Award : Elizabeth Saunders, Kelly Williamson, Corrie Wharakura, Tahauriki

Davison Cup-Best All Round Sports Girl: Waimaringi August

Davison Cup-Best All Round Sports Boy: Drew Fletcher

### Proxime Accessit To Dux: Katie Montford -

Schwass Cup For Senior Economics, Distinction in Economics, Distinction in Mathematics, Achievement in Biology



Dux: Jaimee Thorpe -Linda Sabbage Prize for Outstanding Effort in Art. Ian Brownlee

Cup for Geography Distinction in Geography, Distinction in Art, Distinction in Computer Studies, Distinction in Tourism, Distinction in English

Year 11

Andrew Campbell - Whitecliffs Award For Best Yr11 Design Technology Student, Achievement In Science, Effort In Graphics

Amy Hagan Achievement In Mathematics. Achievement In English, Achievement In Science, Achievement In Music, Progress In Art Tara-Lee Hansen Art Cup For Outstanding Contribution To Art, Distinction In Art

Tukuiho Huirama Distinction In Maori

Craig Jarnet Whitecliffs Award For Best Yr11 Graphics And Design And Technical Student, Progress In Science, Progress In Graphics

Rangiwhaia Mete Distinction In Art

Tyler Moeke Rachel Walker Trophy For Home **Economics** 

Ria Huirama Distinction In Graphics

Purewa Peakman Distinction In Information Processing, Progress In Economics, Progress In Science, Effort In Maori

Natalie Pellow Distinction In Nz Science, Distinction In Maths With Application, Progress In Information Processing

Meretiana Rayner Meredith Trophy For Excellence In Yr 11 Economics, Distinction In History, Achievement In Science, Achievement In Mathematics

Rosemary Spragg John Serjeant Award For Best Girl In Yr 11 Science, Yr 11 Geography Cup For Best Student In Yr 11 Geography, Distinction In Mathematics, Distinction In English, Distinction In Music

Jonathan Sunnex Yr 11 Science Prize For Best Boy In Yr 11 Science, Distinction In Mathematics, Achievement In Art

Lois Tipa Distinction In Nz Science, Progress In Maths With Application, Effort In Art

Rebecca Van Houtte Distinction In English Honoiwi Verstappen Distinction In Year 12 Maori, Achievement In Economics

Year 12

Aaron Bird Distinction In Mathematics. Achievement In English, Achievement In Computer Studies, Progress In Graphics

Vicki Crosby Waikato Geographical Society Cup For Distinction In Geography, Achievement In Mathematics, Achievement In English

Makiha Hose Distinction In Physical Education Katie Montford Distinction In Biology, Distinction In Distinction In Economics, Mathematics, Achievement In English

Jacqueline Pouaka Best Maori Scholar - For First In Class, Distinction In Bursary Maori, Achievement In Tourism, Achievement In Information Processing, Progress In English

Rachel Robson Sloane Cup For Distinction In Home Economics, Distinction In History, Progress In Art

Karl Ruland Distinction In Chemistry Elizabeth Saunders Distinction In English, Achievement In History, Progress In Biology

Mathew Scown Silver Mallett For Senior Technical Student, Fletchers Award For Best Yr12/13 Technical Student, Distinction In Carpentry, Distinction In Motor Trades, Distinction In Physics, Distinction In Graphics. Achievement In Mathematics

Te Whainoa Te Wiata Distinction In Music Jaimee Thorpe Distinction In Art, Distinction In English, Distinction In Computer Studies, Achievement In Mathematics

Moana Turner Distinction In Accounting Corrie Wharakura Distinction In Maori Kelly Williamson Jan Plummer Cup For Distinction In English, Distinction In Computer Studies, Achievement In Economics. Achievement In Music, Achievement In Geography

Year 13

Matthew Gordon Design For Living Trophy, Progress In Home Economics, Effort In History David Hagan Templeton Award For Top Graphics Student, Fletchers Award For Top Workshop Student, Achievement In Craft,

Progress In Computer Studies

James Harker Ian Brownlee Cup For Geography

Maria Lindstrom Distinction In Physics. Distinction In Home Economics, Achievement In Mathematics, Achievement In English

Alicia Sunnex Distinction In English, Achievement In Art

Tukotahi Tengu Distinction In Design Technology

### Sports Awards

**Athletics** 

Richard Whare Grinter Trophy as Senior Boys Athletic Champion

Vicki Crosby NHS Senior Girls Athletic Champion

**Cross Country** 

Dane Nikora Comins Trophy For Senior Boys Cross Country Champion

Netball

Vicki Crosby Eastern Waikato Netball Trophy For Most Outstanding Player

Paul Tengu Fijian Schools Rugby Trophy For Most Outstanding Player

Basketball

Isaac Royal & Richard Whare Basketball Trophy Most Outstanding Basketball Players

Swimming

Piripi Ranga NHS Senior Boys Swimming

Kimberly Bell & Rachel Robson NHS Senior Girls Swimming Champions

Volleyball

Rangiwhaia Mete NHS Volleyball Trophy for Outstanding Female Volleyball Player Carl Shepherd NHS Volleyball Trophy for Outstanding Male Volleyball Player

Presentation To American Field Scholars:

Maria Lindstrom (Sweden) Romulo Souza (Brazil)

2001 School Leaders

Elizabeth Saunders, Kelly Williamson, Corrie Wharakura & Tahau Paki

Year 13 Leavers

Taane Barlow, Joshua Cowan, Jonathan Derecourt, Matthew Gordon, David Hagan, James Harker, Motiwha Kumeroa, Maria Lindstrom, Santana Mahara, Whitu Mete, Riihi Mita-Watene, Mason Moana, Dane Nikora, Piripi Ranga, Isaac Royal, Carl Shepherd, Awhina Solomon, Alicia Sunnex, Tania Tawhi, Rhyan Taylor, Tukotahi Tengu, Hannah Tobin, Richard Whare.

### National Certificate In Computing Level 2

Kurt Barakat, Makiha Hose, Tabitha Mes, Luke Murray, Maioha Tukere, Marcelle Waters, Kelly Williamson, Kimberley Bell, Amy Matich, Katie Montford, Megan Montford, Megan Nepia, Joanne Newell, Tahaurika Paki, Elizabeth Saunders, Joshua Cowan, Motiwha Kumeroa, Santana Mahara, Tania Tawhi, Rhyan Taylor, Aaron Bird, Jaimee Thorpe, Carl Shepherd, Taane Barlow, Matthew Gordon, James Harker, Isaac Royal, Morgan Henare, Jane Kerr-Bell.

### **National Computing Certificate** Level 3

Carl Shepherd

2000 Special Awards

The Te Rapa Rotary Club Scholarship This Is A \$1,000.00 grant awarded annually to a student from Ngaruawahia High School to assist with the funding for a tertiary student at either a University or a Polytechnic. This year the Te Rapa Rotary Club awarded two \$1,000.00 Scholarships to: Rhyan Taylor & David Hagan

The Ngaruawahia Lions Club Kevin Cryer Scholarship Award worth \$500.00 which will assist a student attending a Tertiary Institution. Rhyan Taylor & Tobin Hannah

Violet Jolly Cup For Citizenship - Rhyan Taylor

Collins Cup For Citizenship - Te Whainoa Te Wiata

Erana Coulter Memorial Award For Maori Studies

- Riihi Mita-Watene

Maori Trust Award For Leadership In The Cultural Group

- Isaac Royal

Ngahia Gregory Award For Excellence In Te Reo Maori

- Jacqueline Pouaka

Stone Cup For Drama

- Vicki Crosby

Dianne Harper Cup For Leadership In Music

- Kelly Williamson

Mozart Trophy For Contribution To School Music

- Dane Nikora

Latta Cup For Special Endeavour In Music

Hector Taukiri

Hamilton Piano Co Cup For **Excellence In Music** 

- Te Whainoa Te Wiata

Whakatu Wahine - Manu Korero Senior Female

- Riihi Mita-Watene

Te Tokotoko O Te Manu Korero Senior Male

- Mason Moana

Yr12 Speech Contest Winner - Elizabeth Saunders

Te Rapa Rotary Award For

Contribution To The School - Isaac Royal

Westpac Trust Trophy Board Of **Trustees Award** 

- Mason Moana

Kt Footwear Trophy For Integrity Motiwha Kumeroa and Riihi Mita-Watene School Leaders Award

- Isaac Royal and Rhyan Taylor Robson Cup For Best All Round Sports Girl

- Vicki Crosby

Robson Cup For Best All Round Sports Boy

- Carl Shepherd

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- Isaac Royal

Distinction In Physical Education, Progress In Art, Progress In Chemistry, Progress In English

Dux

Hannah Tobin History Cup For Distinction History, Distinction In Art, Distinction Biology, In Achievement In English







With Five newcomers to the aerobic dance scene, and the strategy was to maintain the school's participation for the future our team's goal was to uphold the school's reputation, but in order to do that, we had to put aside that word PRESSURE!!

Regionals approached quickly and were a nervewracking experience.

After a long day we had safely made it through to the finals, and were placed 3<sup>rd</sup>. We knew we were on our way to the Nationals. We are the Smuv Gruva'z!!

Through the support of our school, our community, and our loving families, the biggest stress was out of the way for us, FUNDRAISING!!! It took a lot of time, effort and commitment, but together we hit the target that we set.

After a dawn karakia from Dennis and words of wisdom from Aunty Gail Wharakura we left the school marae with our heads held high, knowing the mana we were carrying with us was strong.

Arriving in Dunedin was definitely a hype, but looking at the hills gave us a fright. Looking for a venue to practice led us to the First Church of Dunedin, just down the road from our accommodation. What better place to be when you are so far away from home? Dancing in the church was an awesome spiritual uplift and a humbling experience.

Competition time was finally here and before we knew it we were on stage. Going into the finals we were ranked 3<sup>rd</sup>, so we all knew that we still had room for vast improvement. We came off the stage knowing we took our performance up another level and we were honored to receive runner-up, 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

We couldn't have done it without our coach who dedicated a lot of time and effort to our group. We "luv ya" Vicks and thanks for an awesome experience.

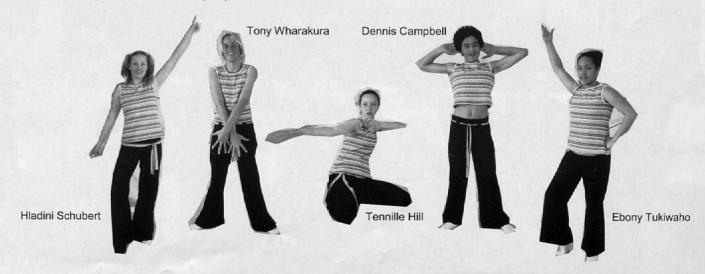
Much love must go out to Nan and Grandad Taha who, from the start and throughout, as well as sharing the moment with us in Dunedin, supported us unconditionally.

To the future contestants, we leave you with this, "Remember, you take the pride of Ngaruawahia with you, for Ngaruawahia has pride in you!!".

Te ohonga ake I taku moemoea Ko te puawaitanga o te whakaaro

I awake from my dream To the realisation of my desires.

- Ebony Tukiwaho



# Tongariro

I think it was March or April and we were leaving Ngaraz for Mount Tongariro and we couldn't wait.

About 5 hours and numerous songs later we reached the Education center at the mountain and damn was it cold. As soon as we got off the bus we ran for our bags and put on 3 more layers (or was it 4?).

Anyway after watching a very "informative" movie at the center we took off to our whare for the next three days. As we pulled into the driveway and saw our cabins we were like "oh yeah sweet". But Mr. Reitema blew the bubble and told us that our cabins were to the right and there was nothing sweet about them.

The next day we took a long as walk into the Mangatepopo Valley, drew some pictures, listened to sir talk about why this, when that and how the valley was formed (blah, blah, blah).

Three hours and some sore legs later we returned home to relax, which meant wrestling for Dini and Jared, sounds for Me and Mae and what you *might* call dancing from Becka and Tara (*nah sweet ow*).

Day three consisted of more walking but this time to make it go faster we took the radio and disturbed the silence of nature.

This walk took us up and down some rocky cliffs, over some big rapids, through a swamp and last but not least up the bush which may sound *hoha* but it was quite cool (the sounds helped).

Thinking we had earned a break we returned home to do some "follow up work". But after that we got to relax.

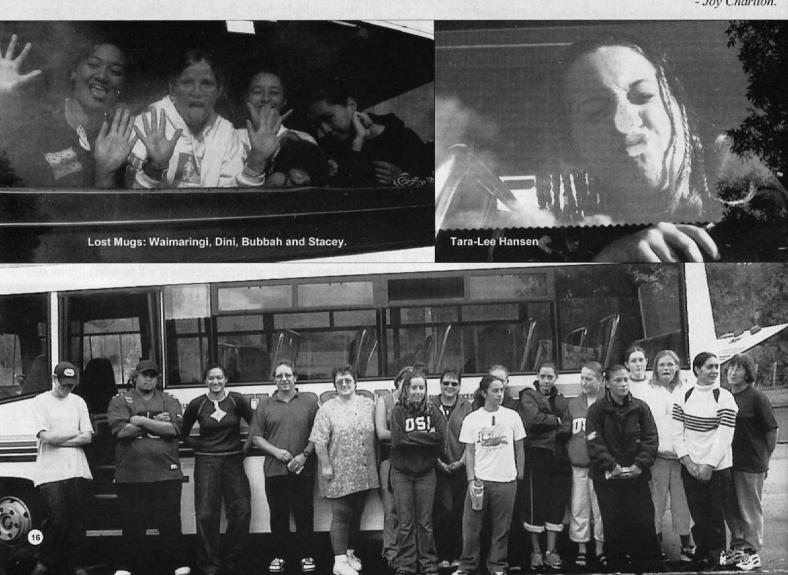
On our last day we packed up as fast as we could as we were home sick, but the trip wasn't over.

On the way home we stopped at Huka Falls in Taupo and watched 300,000 litres per second rush down river (I think it was 300,000) not something you wanna bomb into boys.

Then to McD's it was for a feed and a roam around Taupo. But wait there's more.

We stopped again at HatuPatu's Rock or The Rock Of Refuge and donated some silvers and Amy's Minties. That was the last stop until we got home sweet home.

- Joy Charlton.



### t 7:30am on Tuesday 22 May, fifteen senior history students gathered for karakia with Mr. Hill, Mrs. Cann and Mrs. Sucich. Thus began a three day field trip to the bay of Islands to explore the history of contact between Maori and Pakeha during the nineteenth century.

After a five hour drive, the first stop was the Kauri Museum in Matakohe, followed by a visit to the battle site at Ruapekapeka Pa. In Kawakawa we made use of the Hunderwasser toilets before continuing on to the Te Tiriti o Waitangi marae where we were to stay. Eventually we were welcomed with a powhiri and set about preparing our dinner.

We again started early on Wednesday, assembling at Waitangi after breakfast for an extensive guided tour. Next we visited the museum, New Zealand's oldest church and went up Maiki hill to check out the flagstaff that offended Hone Heke. One of the students had a serious asthma attack and while she was at the doctor's, the other teacher who shall remain nameless, drove the

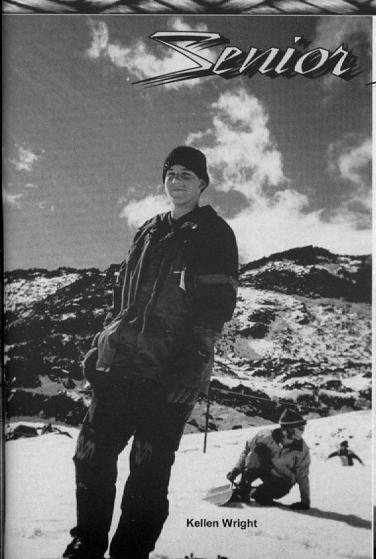
### Senior History Trip

school van into a pole-it could have happened to anyone Mrs. Cann! We finished the day with a hands on visit to the tannery and printing press at Pompallier House. Back at the marae, we had a history quiz after dinner.

Our final day began with a cruise from Paihia out to the hole in the rock at Cape Brett on a large catamaran, encountering dolphins on the way. In the afternoon we drove across to Kerikeri to visit New oldest building, Kemp Zealand's house and he adjacent Stone Store.

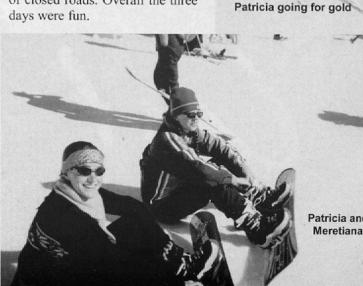
By this stage, some of the students had succumb to the rigors of our trip and began to exhibit flu-like symptoms. So much to the disappointment of Mr. Hill and a few of the boys, it was decided to curtail the itinerary and head for home. The disappointment was mitigated some what by the extended visit we paid to Wendy's Restaurant in South Auckland.





Some 6th and 7th formers choose to go on the annual senior ski trip this year. This trip went for three days and

the students enjoyed themselves. This year was excellent for skiing with the huge snow fall. Everyone thought that the trip was going to be canceled because of closed roads. Overall the three





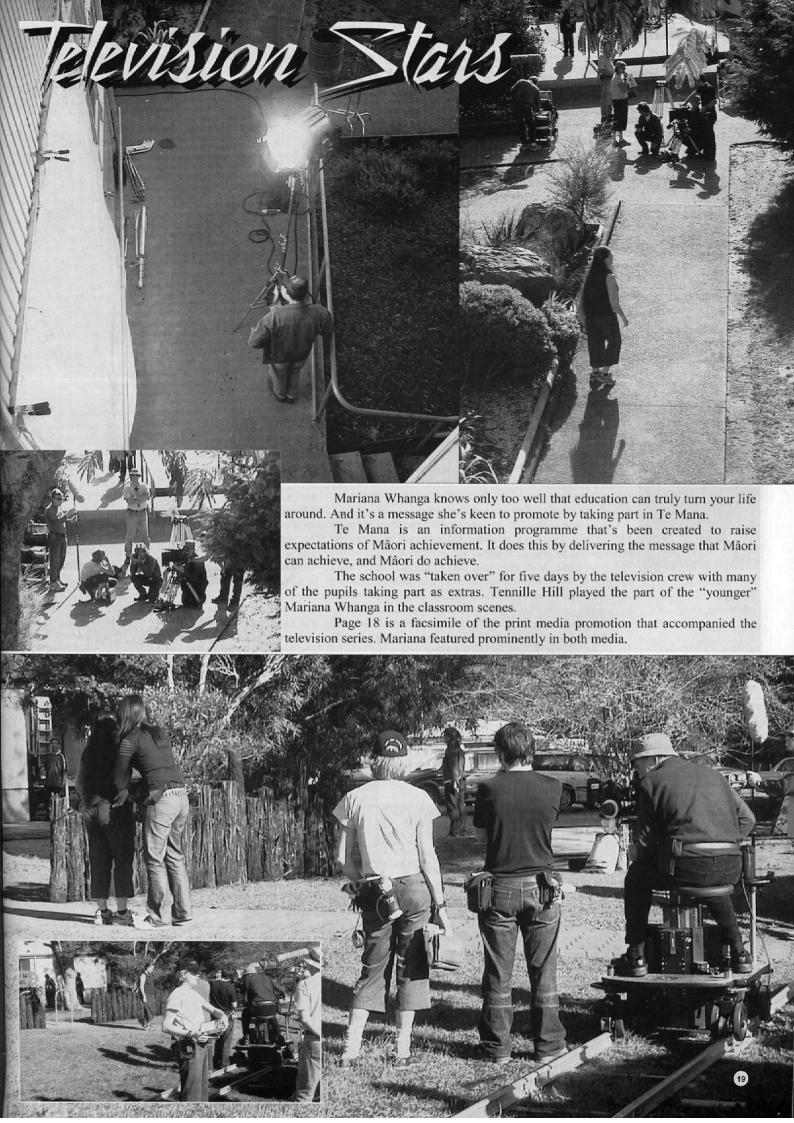


Annabel Whaanga



Without Muca tion Charles Berghan

Mariana Whanga



### ARK Exchange Students



Gotz Nitsche Gundelfingen, Germany

What is the biggest difference between Germany and New Zealand? Central Heating! Yeah, guys, I really have to say: "It's bloody cold in the winter". I mean in Germany the winters are colder, but at least it is warm inside the houses.

Actually, I think it is commendable that you don't want nuclear energy. But don't you think there are more effective ways of producing energy than the way you use?

Seriously, of course there are bigger differences between our countries. Literally, for example, the sun literally goes from the right to the south, due to the Southern Hemisphere and so does the moon. I can tell you, this is really confusing in the first couple of weeks.

And what about the traffic? You drive on the left side of the road, probably a remnant of the British Empire. Left side means that you are driving on the wrong side, as we drive on the right side.

Any further major differences? No, I think that's about it. Maybe that a tiny village like Ngaruawahia is shown on the map of New Zealand. In Germany you might have a chance to find a town with about ten times as many inhabitants. Or that there are heaps of different plants and fruit, like fern trees, oranges, lemons, grapefruit and kiwifruit. Not to mention the fauna. And maybe I shouldn't forget the fact that New Zealand is an island and Germany hardly has a coast at all.

But that's all. I really cannot think of any more differences. Oh maybe..... no, enough for today.

Anyway, in spite of the fact that Germany and New Zealand are almost the same, I promise if you want it or not, I will come back.

- Götz Nitsche



Patricia Van Den Kerckhove Antwerp, Belgium

Hi everyone.

No, no... I'm not leaving Ngaruawahia yet. I'll stay for another 6 months. So this is not a goodbye letter but more of a mid-year evaluation!

So... I'm Patricia, the exchange student from Belgium. Belgium is a very small but very crowded country somewhere between the Netherlands, Germany and France, and it's famous for it's beer and chocolate!

I came to New Zealand to get experience, to learn how to take care of myself and I really wanted to know how those people on the other side of the world live.

Time here goes too fast. I remember when I arrived in New Zealand, I was nervous of course to meet my new family, the school and the people. But now I've learned to say: "sweet as..." It's great here, why was I so nervous?

Although the lifestyle is quite different here, I am really enjoying my stay here. School is completely different from my school in Europe, but I love it. It's more relaxed and people are not as stressed, and people are friendly!

I've already seen quite a lot of New Zealand, although I've only been in the country for fifteen weeks. I went to Taupo, Tauranga, Rotorua, Waihi Beach and I went snowboarding on Mt Ruapehu. Next month I will go on a sailing trip, and I will spend two weeks in the South Island.

The snowboarding trip organized by the school was awesome. We had a lot of fun in the snow and discovered that you don't <u>have</u> to use a snowboard to snowboard. But you can also sit on the board, slide down the hill and 'terrorise' Happy Valley.

Yeah, I wouldn't mind living in New Zealand. I've had a wonderful stay so far! I already know that it will be difficult to leave this place.

I'd like to thank my kiwi parents who are just the best, my kiwi brother and sister, the school and students, and the organization WEP. Thank you all for everything. I'll come back to New Zealand, that's for sure... See you all after the holidays!

- Patricia Van den Kerckhove.



Kellen Wright Santa Barbara, USA

Kellen Wright first came to Ngaruawahia High School in July.

His interests included acting, guitar, snowboarding, hiking, and basketball.

He returned to Santa Barbara at the end of term three.

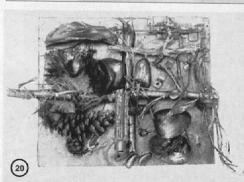
Anne Bachman first came to Ngaruawahia High School in July.

Her interests included volleyball, movies, guitar, and friendships.

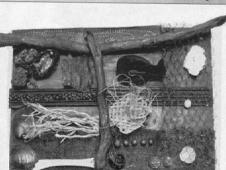
She returned to Bonn at the end of term three.



Anne Bachman Bonn, Germany







Hi! Well, I don't know how to start. Is this a goodbye article or a descriptive one? Whatever it's suppose to be, I'll say what I think about this country, this town and those different but friendly people.

Before I came they said to me I'd find Ngaruawahia small, with lots of farms (I live in one). Also, you have lots of Maori people, especially in the school. Okay, I thought, but I had no idea what would actually be like. Now I can laugh in delight when I remember what I imagined. Perhaps it's because I came from a big city, which has about 3.5 million people.

Anyway, I'm not saying it was bad. I was shocked, definitely, but the purpose of a exchange is to live with differences, and that's exactly what I have done since I arrived in New Zealand.

In Brazil I used to wake up earlier for school, to study a lot (3 tests every Friday noon), to take care of my little brothers and sisters, to watch TV and those kind of things. At the weekend I used to go out with friends, to shopping malls, cinema, particular or public parties and barbecues with the people from school.

I was probably busier than here, but not happier. I'll miss this quiet place with those funny teachers and wonderful people. It's a pity I'm talking with the students now, 'cause now I know what good friends I could have made here! By the way, it's too late and I'd like to thank all the people who talked to me, even some fifth and forth form girls who used to come sometimes during lunchtime and talk with me and Sabrina.

Thanks also to my classmates who talked to me. Remember to always be nice to the exchange students. You can't imagine how embarrassing it is when you arrive in this different world!

I also must thank the other exchange students and my host family who supported me especially in the bad "homesick times".

After all, I want you to know I enjoyed Ngaruawahia a lot and I really don't want to go back now. But that's the way things are and I'll keep good souvenirs with me. I'll miss you.

- Elaine Rodrigues



Elaine Rodriques. Belo Horizonte, Brazil

Hannover, a large city in Germany.

When I go back home I will return to school where I will be in Year 11 of a Year 5 to Year 13 system.

The differences between my life here and my life in Germany are very big - school, food and family life.

I am 17 and normally in Germany I'd go to parties or pubs on weekend nights. Here you are not allowed to go into the pubs and there is little else to do, so we often just do video nights.

You do more activities with your families in New Zealand. In Germany I just eat tea with my parents and everything else I do in my warm room where I have a heater. Here in NZ I sit with my host mother and host sister (and often my host niece too) in the living room doing homework and talking.

I am in the same family with Elaine Rodrigues, will remember you. another exchange student from Brazil, and in the first

I am from Hemmingen, which is near couple of weeks we sat directly in front of the heater because of the cold weather.

> I love my school in Germany where there are 1500 students and I know everyone who is in the 4th form or higher. I have a lot of friends there and the breaks and the lessons are very funny. Our school starts at 8:00am and finishes at 1:30pm.

> I find Ngaruawahia High School also pretty cool because I have only 6 subjects compared with Germany's 12. I enjoy Design for Living - it's very funny, despite needing more than the allotted time for the lessons.

> All in all I enjoy my time at school, although the kind of learning here is different from that in Germany. What I really miss here in NZ is not being able to play Handball as it is not well known here. I have enjoyed my time here so far and I know I will enjoy what is to come.

Maybe in the future you will forget me, but I

- Sabrina Bertram



Sabrina Bertram. Hemmingen, Germany

Hi! My name is Flo. I come from Berlin, the capital of Germany where about 3.5 million people live. I've been here since the middle of July. That's been 3 months now, and in 2 months I've got to pack up my stuff and leave Ngaruawahia.

Well, am I looking forward to going back to Germany? I'm honestly not too sure about it. Of course I miss my family and friends over there, but I really regret that I didn't choose the 1 year programme because I don't know when I will come back and one thing is for sure: I will miss my family and friends here when I'm back in Germany.

But enough about that. Now I will tell you a bit about my life in Germany. The life in Berlin is very busy. It is the same as if you put every Kiwi into one city. The school is very different from here but who wants to talk about school right now? Probably no one so I will just skip this point and go on to my free time.

After school I do my homework (ha ha) and then I meet my friends, play soccer, go to the movies, go swimming and so on and so on... On the weekends I sometimes go to soccer games of the Berlin team and in the evenings I go clubbin' or to other parties. On Sunday I usually have a soccer game for my own club.

And now to some differences between New Zealand and Germany. In Germany you are allowed to drink, smoke, and go clubbin' when you are 16, but you have to wait until you are 18 to drive a car. In New Zealand the people are much more relaxed and friendly. Not that Germans are unfriendly, but they don't go to people and welcome them as much as the New Zealanders.

Now some people might think "Ah the Germans don't like foreigners, they are all Nazis", but that is not true. Of course we have got a terrible history and you can't excuse it, but especially because of this history it is different today.

There are people in Germany who don't like other people because of their colour, religion, or the country they come from, but these are just dumb people who are bored and unsatisfied with their own life, and the majority in Germany are totally against these dumb people and there are also big demonstrations against them in public.

At the end I want to thank all the staff, especially Sandy MacDonald, Chris Hill, Phillip Rietema, and Vicki Gyde (for giving me so much work), the ball committee for the nice evening (we don't have anything like that in Germany), the students especially John Apiata, Jonathan Sunnex, and Vincent Mete (niiiice), my brother Cameron, and my sister Kaley.

- Florian Liegl



Florian Liegt Berlin, Germany

### Arrivees

This year we have had a few new additions to the staff of Ngaruawahia High School.

It was a strange coming back in Ngaruawahia, this time not as a student but as a teacher. As I re-familiarised myself with the buildings, a weird sense of deja vu followed me and I

found myself reliving some fond school day memories.

I have had a wonderful year as a first year teacher – some highs and definitely some lows, but for the main part, lots of fun.

The staff as a whole have been incredibly supportive. They are an awesome group of individuals with a great sense of humour. The staff room constantly glows with warmth and positive energy.

As for the students, what can I say? I am constantly blown away by the abundance of raw talent and vitality I have seen in our kids. They are natural athletes,

entertainers and artists. It is neat to see that from the heart of this small town has emerged an amazing group of young people who it has been privilege to work alongside.

Of course there will always be the "hoha" few but even then you will occasionally get a glimpse of the greatness that lies hidden below the surface.

My greatest hope for the school is that we continue to maintain the high standards that we have set in areas such as art and the performing arts and that we extend this excellence into other areas like academic performance and sporting success.

With the support of staff, students and the community, Ngaruawahia High has a great future ahead of it!

- Kimai Huirama



Kimai Huirama Chemistry/Mathematics



Astrid Guicherit briefly visited Ngaruawahia High School as a replacement teacher for James Martell in the music department.

### Other New Arrivals

Harko Brown
A new student teacher involved in the P.E department

Sakkie Marais
Current relieving music/maths teacher

Ms. Chapman
Previous relief music teacher

Mrs. Wylie
Provided teaching relief while Ms. Whanga and other teachers were away

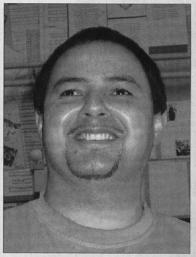


David Bradford
Deputy Principal/Principal/
Commerce





Unfortunately this year we have had to farewell some of the most talented and popular staff members at Ngaruawahia High School.



James Martell teaching music at CCNZ



Michael Maguire on study leave



Astrid Guicherit working in Whitcouls



Richard Robyns to teach in Rarotonga



Lovey O'Brien



Mareea Paitai moving up North



Richard Crawford Deputy Principal at Whakatane High



Barbara Cavanagh Principal at Te Awamutu College



Linda Sabbage to Summerville Intermediate, Auckland. (23)

# The Journey

The history of dad's fishing rods wafted through his 1966 Triumph as he drove. Solid Gold FM was blasting the Beatles over the radio and I couldn't have been happier about spending a day with my dad.

I had the spacious back seat all to myself and I settled next to the window, watching countless paddocks pass by. The road seemed to ripple under the car as we sped away from the complications of civilization, and I began to anticipate the possibilities that lay ahead.

It wasn't until we reached Kopu that I was even able to glimpse any sign of the ocean. But when we crossed the sky-blue estuary, I was invigorated by its unique scent. The smell reminded me of when I was young and my whole family would drive down to Kawhia for the holidays, and dad would take us kids to the wharf to fish for bait.

Dad drove on and the road began to meander around the coastline as if following the trail of a lazy snake on a morning stroll. Soon there was nothing to be seen but the fresh quilt of green that draped over the hills, adding life to all it touched. The long journey tired me, but whenever we passed through a small coastal town I was revived and awaited my arrival with greater anticipation than ever before.

When we started travelling along thin metal roads I knew that we were closing in on our destination. Dad's big old car created huge dust clouds behind us as he weaved his way around the corners, some which seemed to be circles just pretending. The wild ride gave me an amazing adrenaline rush, but although I trusted my dad and felt safe within the walls of the Triumph, I couldn't stop myself from feeling pangs of terror whenever he raced towards tight corners, slamming on the brakes in the nick of time. It was even worse when the road fell away at the edges into a huge gully, and my eyes conveniently chose to peer into its depths. The anxiety created by the image of our car soaring off a cliff was enough to persuade me to ask my father to slow down.

He never would drive slowly for long, usually just long enough for my heart to relax into a steady rhythm; but I've become accustomed to my dad's somewhat reckless nature he adopts whenever he's around cars. I think it's a guy thing.

Fantail bay was beautiful. The flaming star overhead glittered in the tranquil ocean. I had never seen such an alluring bay before. I stepped out of the car onto thick, bouncy lime-green grass and breathed in the unique smell of the sea, the finely tuned orchestra of insects harmonized as a feeling of serenity washed over me. I was in another world now. A place where I could be myself with no one to judge me but the ocean. I was free. Charcoal rocks had jumped out of the sea, inviting us to explore. We climbed, the jagged rock felt rough against my skin, but once we were at the top, the view took my breath away. The water seemed to flow for miles, tempting me, enticing me to explore its depths.

But something was moving below me, a stingray was basking in the light as it lazily swam between the rocks. Its size amazed me; it seemed too big to be allowed. It had a history, scars and cuts disfigured its glossy skin and it knew not to fear us. Yet I was unsettled by its presence. I could see its whip like tail with its serrated venomous spine. I saw its intimidating power staring through me. The stingray obviously didn't find me as fascinating as I found him, as he was soon on his way.

When the stingray had disappeared under the cloak of blue, dad began fishing. I was unsure of what to do so I stood alone on a rock, holding a rod as the hours passed by like minutes. Finally I could understand why dad loved fishing so much, it gave you a chance to escape, time to be alone with your thoughts, time to relax...

Suddenly I caught something; the fishing rod was bent over, almost in half, ready to snap. The force pulling me towards the water was growing and I knew that I couldn't hold the rod for much longer. I began to panic, shouting and screaming to my dad. My arms ached as the strain on the line increased, but still I held on. It seemed to take dad forever to come to my rescue and release the tension on the line. Its amazing power had scared me, and now it was angry.

Dad battled his new enemy for what seemed like an eternity. Whenever he started to reel it in, it would break away, frustrating him. Sometimes it would surface and stretch dad's line, but mostly it kept close to the ocean floor where it felt safe. I was relieved when the line broke, and I smiled as dad's triumphant enemy swam away.

The water had been slowly rising and unexpectedly we found ourselves stranded on the rocks. We had no choice but to wade through the water. When my feet touched the cobblestoned ocean floor, I felt a chill and I knew that I didn't belong there. The water was pleasantly warm but I wanted more than anything to be back on the beach, out of the infested sea.

When we were safely on the seashore, dad lit a small fire for us to dry off around. The bright orange flames glowed as they radiated near, and the murky black smoke stung my eyes as it floated along the sea breeze.

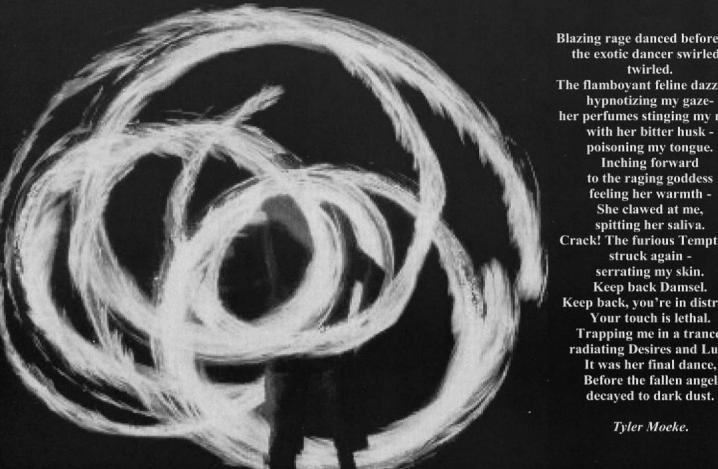
I stood facing the sea, imagining the marvelous creatures it hid, when the placid water was disturbed once again. The stingray had returned to bid me farewell. Now that he was no longer in combat with my dad, I was able to appreciate his true beauty and grace. His movements bewitched me, yet as beautiful as he was, I was dispirited by the thought of having to leave

All too soon, with a final beat of his wings and a wave, he was gone. When I retreated back to the car, a golden pathway of light glistened along the sea as the sun settled in his aqueous bed, whispering goodnight.

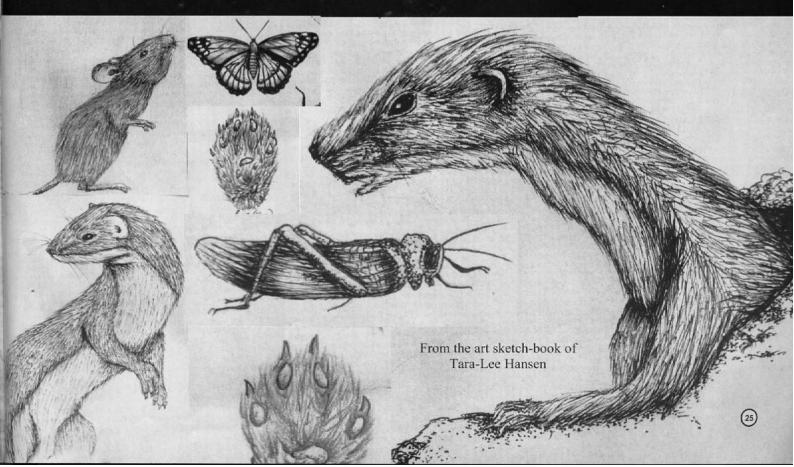
Rosemary Spragg Year 12



### Exotic Embers

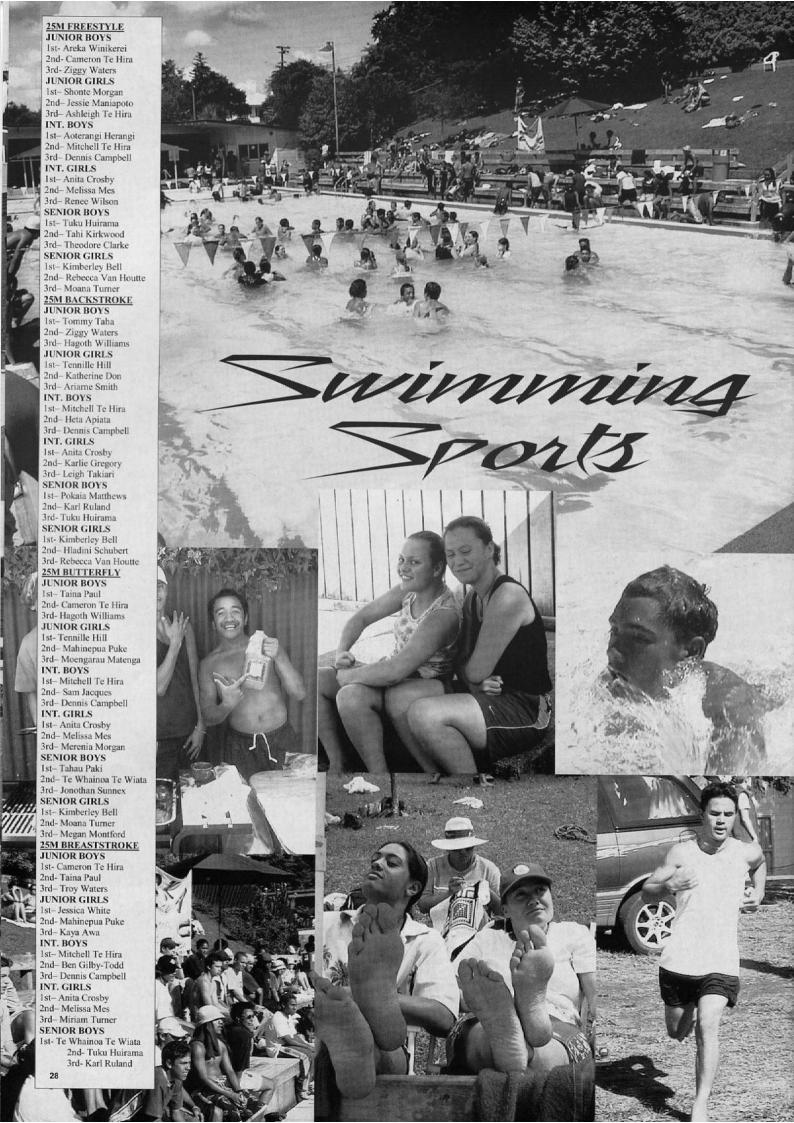


Blazing rage danced before me, the exotic dancer swirled -The flamboyant feline dazzling, hypnotizing my gazeher perfumes stinging my nose with her bitter husk poisoning my tongue. Inching forward to the raging goddess feeling her warmth -She clawed at me, spitting her saliva. Crack! The furious Temptress struck again serrating my skin. Keep back Damsel. Keep back, you're in distress. Your touch is lethal. Trapping me in a trance, radiating Desires and Lust, It was her final dance,

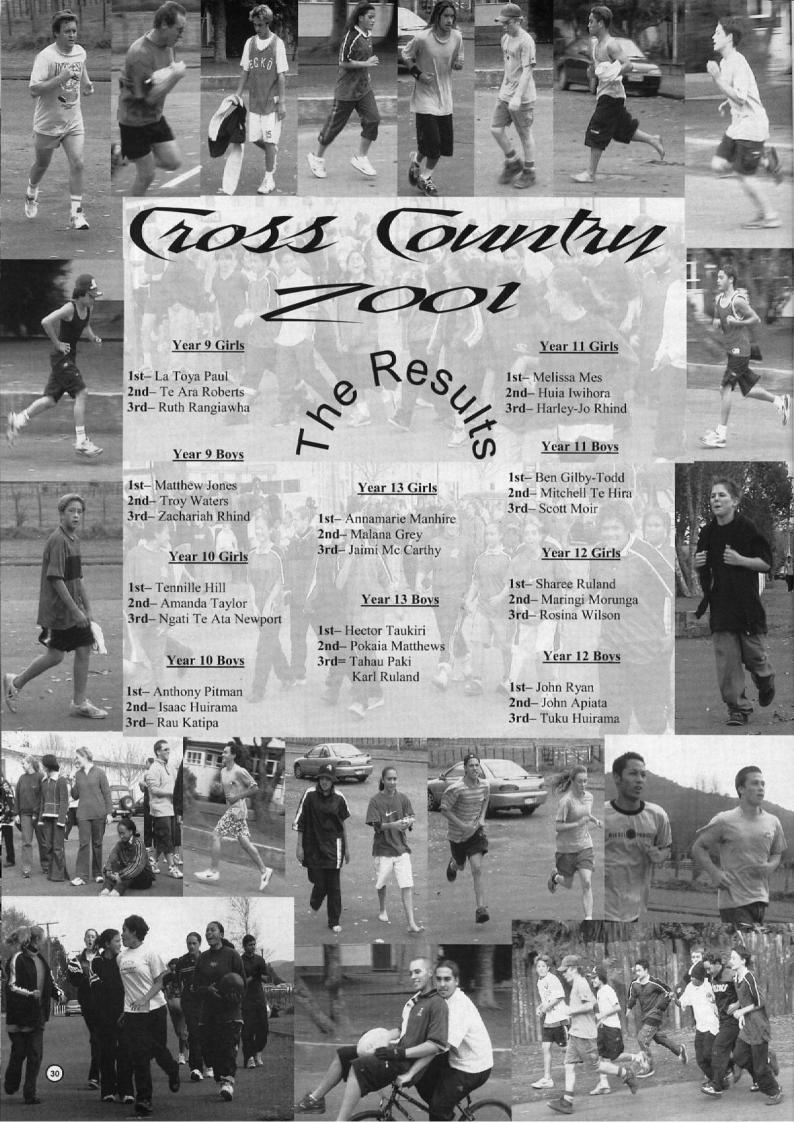












### Year 12 P.S. Camp

We set off to our destination—Long Bay's "Marine Education Reserve Center". Year 12 PE were off, as the team of ten worked the highway to Auckland. Since our hacked up van had no soundz, Vincent and co entertained us with the guitar (cheers bro).

When we got there we received a warm welcome. We bunged into our dorms ready for the day. We kicked off the day with some team activities, in which we were penalised a million times (Rangiwhaia and co), which made each event extremely difficult! But we made it, squashing each situation thrown our way with our strong team efforts.

After scoffing McD's we had a try at the rock climb and some abseiling! This was when Elaine freaked out and almost did a suicide-dive, wrapping herself around a pole! Far out!

Finishing a mean-hearty lasagna, we wrapped up the night with some spine-tingling stories (no more from you Tyler!), a few games of murder, then settled with supper.

Next morning the wind was howling! Just right for sailing. After banging our heads on the sail, almost tipping out, and lots of people panicking (Elaine), I was very, very glad to feel dry land beneath my feet! we all fell off balance and flipped into the sea—so did Ms Rogers cause she had her eyes elsewhere—what's his name Ms...you know?

Anyway, we had lunch then we canoed round the bay and then made our way back for some chicken stir-fry! Yummmm! And if we didn't have enough water activities for the day, sailing, canoeing, kayaking, we decided to end the day with more water! Going to Waiwera Hot Pools. While some kept the water warm (Jono and Elaine), the rest of us laid back, watching space jam in the warm resort.

The next day we rose ready for the leap of faith. But it broke—Damn—so we had to be one with nature and climb the tress—how exciting. The scenery was great. We did some body boarding and finished off with some archery. Farewelling the instructors, pleading Ms Rogers to stay for one more day, we sadly packed the van, trailing home.

Overall, we had an awesome as time! Didn't we guys? I would like to thank all the instructors at MERC, also a big loud shout to Ms Rogers for organizing the camp. Thanks Miss! And also to all the members of Year 12 PE 2001! You guys rock! I had 'the bomb' of a time there, thanks to you. TOO MUCH Y12 PE—





SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL: Rangiwhaia Mete, Sharee Ruland, Waimaringi August, Tennille Hill, Joy Charlton and Lois Tipa

2001 proved to be an interesting year with regards to the sports teams. We were able to field two rugby teams, one volleyball team, three basketball teams and three netball teams.

As the Sport Coordinator I was responsible for appointing coaches for the teams and entering the teams in their respective competitions. Finding coaches proved to be difficult, as many community members were unable to volunteer their time to the school teams, which meant we weren't able to enter as many teams as we wished. Those who did come forward were invaluable in their commitment to the teams and we would like to say a special thank you to those people, as without them we wouldn't have any sports teams.

### TERM ONE SPORTS

Reported by Lois Tipa

Volleyball

Senior Girls Coach: Tania Gray
Manager: Julia Crutchley

Competed in the 2000 College Games, North Island Secondary Schools Beach Volleyball Tournament, and the 2001 Secondary Schools Tournament.

The team consists of: Joy CHARLTON, Lois TIPA, Rangiwhaia METE, Waimaringi AUGUST, Hladini SCHUBERT, Sharee RULAND, Jean MIDDLETON, and Tennille HILL.

Lois TIPA, Joy CHARLTON, Hladini SCHUBERT, and Sharee RULAND, entered in the North Island Secondary Schools Beach Volleyball Tournament, held in New Plymouth in December 2000.

The partnership of Ruland/Tipa finished in eighth place with Charlton/Schubert finishing closely behind in ninth position. It was a pretty good effort from the girls considering the fact that they only learnt how to play in the two weeks leading up to the competition.

The whole team was entered in the 4-a-side Quattro Volleyball Competition as part of the College Games held in

December 2000. The whole team was great and supportive in everything. In the last few games of the Collage Games we had to play in the Hillcrest High School Gym because of the weather. The team finished in third place, earning themselves a bronze medal.

In term one of this year the team was entered in the Waikato Secondary Schools Senior Volleyball Competition. This year the team competed in the Division Two grade winning five out of six games, finishing eighth overall. The team showed some brilliant displays of skill and agility, with some definite improvement on last year's efforts. The best game of the tournament would have been their final game against Fraser High School. The girls adapted well to their new coach and showed a lot of promise for next year.

### TERM TWO & THREE SPORTS

### Nethall

This year a committee of community members and parents set up the Ngaruawahia High School Netball Club. The club had enough players to enter three teams in the Saturday Netball Competition held at Minogue Park in Hamilton.

Each of the teams won their grades at Minogue Park and our congratulations go out to all team members, coaches, and managers.

Senior A Coach: Catherine Petero Manager: Iri Middleton

Competed in the Saturday Competition and the Monday Night Secondary Schools Competition both held at Minogue Park, Hamilton.

The team consists of Anita CROSBY, Tennille HILL, Alicia MATTHEWS, Jean MIDDLETON, Maringi MORUNGUA, Meretiana RAYNER, Sharee RULAND, Ebony TUKIWAHO, and Camilla TURNER.





SENIOR BOYS v POLICE: Prime Television was on hand to record the lunch-hour game, which was narrowly lost by the senior boys.



SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL: Ria Huirama, Tennille Hill, Rangiwhaia Mete, Waimaringi August and Purewa Peakman

### Senior B

Coaches: Tania Gray, Mariana Whanga, & Daphne Wharakura Manager: Junelle Williams

Competed in the Saturday Competition at Minogue Park, Hamilton.

The team consists of Hikitia ENOKA, Huia IWIHORA, Ngati Te Ata NEWPORT, Helen SYMONS, Katrina TARAWHITI, Rearna TAYLOR, Waimaringi AUGUST, and Rangiwhaia METE.

### Junior

Coach: Tina Newport

Competed in the Saturday Competition and the Spaceframe Homes Secondary Schools Championships B, C, D Tournament both at Minogue Park, Hamilton.

The team consists of Rebecca MATTHEWS, Tangiarua NEWPORT, Taynah PAIKEA, LaToya PAUL, Mahinepua PUKE, Te Ara Mere ROBERTS, and Billie-Jay THOMPSON-RYAN.

This team showed a lot of promise throughout the season. They won their grade at the Spaceframe Homes Secondary Schools Championships B, C, D Tournament on the  $5^{\text{th}}$  of August. Well done.

### Basketball

### Senior Boys

Coach: Dawson Iti

Competed in the Waikato Secondary Schools Basketball Competition and the Blue Light Competition held by the Hamilton Police. The team consists of John APIATA, Tuku HUIRAMA, Riki IWIHORA, Luke JEROME, Wiremu KATIPA, Clayton KAUKAU, Tane McGRATH, Charles TAIPARI, Mitchell TE HIRA, and Pera TUMAI.

The team finished in sixth place in the Senior Elite Boys grade in their regular Wednesday night competition. They also finished in seventh place at the Blue Light Tournament run by the Hamilton Police, held at Church College. Mitchell TE HIRA was selected for the tournament team.

### Senior Girls

by Rangiwhaia Mete

Coach: Ingrid Huirama

Manager: Kimai Huirama

Competed in the Waikato Secondary Schools Basketball Competition.

The team consists of Waimaringi AUGUST, Tennille HILL, Rangiwhaia METE, Ria MURDOCH-HUIRAMA, Arihia PEAKMAN, Purewa PEAKMAN, and Natalie PELLOW.

This team finished in eight place in the Waikato Secondary Schools Basketball Competition.

Everyone played very hard and enjoyed playing together as a team. We all played to our full potential and had lots of laughs. All of the players deserve player of the year. Last but not least, the team would like to say thank you to our coach and our manager for teaching us new ball skills and for being there to support us. You gal's are simply the best!!

### Year 11 Girls

by Jean Middleton

Coach: James Martell, Steve Anderson

Competed in the Waikato Secondary Basketball Competition.

The team consists of Huia HUNAPO, Mihi HAGGIE, Karina TAWHI, Merenia MORGAN, Melissa MES, Kathryn DON, and Jean MIDDLETON

But we were denied our main goal, winning the league title, however, we were runners-up. The team had loads of talent, and played with enthusiasm throughout the year.

We all tried to play hard and fair throughout the competition, in doing so we found we gained a lot of skill, experience, and had a lot of fun. We all enjoyed the season, but one area of play, our shooting, wasn't consistent.

The final was an extremely hard and physical game, but we were determined to go out strong. At the end of the season we attained our personal and team goal to "have fun and hopefully get somewhere."

Many thanks to all our supporters and transporters, especially Mr. Martell and Steve for your coaching.

### Rugby

### First Fifteen

Clark Simon Coach: Ron Brownley Manager:

Competed in Division 3 of the Under 17's Waikato

Secondary Schools Rugby Competition.

The team consists of: John APIATA, Toti BAKER, Kurt BARAKAT, Drew FLETCHER, Makiha HOSE, Riki IWIHORA, Luke JEROME, Pokaia MATTHEWS, Luke MURRAY, Tahau PAKI, Karl RULAND, John RYAN, Jonathan SUNNEX, Charles TAIPARI, Hector TAUKIRI, Paul TENGU, Corrie WHARAKURA.

### **Under Fifteen**

Coached and Manager: Ron Brownley

Competed in Division 3 of the Under 15's Waikato

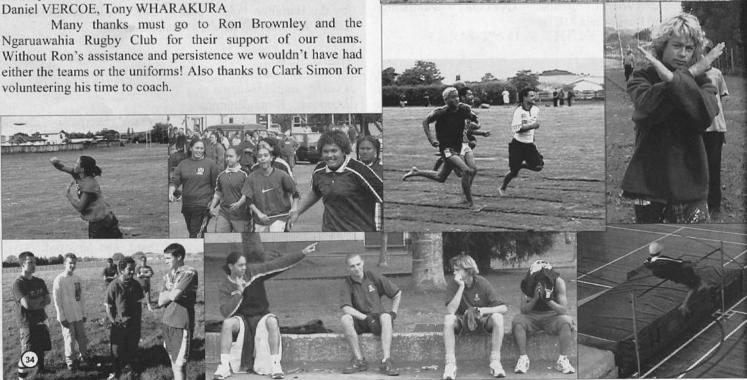
Secondary Schools Rugby Competition.

The team consists of: Heta APIATA, Rau KATIPA, Gregory MABBETT, Cayle MACKIE, William MATTHEWS, Karaka PAKI, Taina PAUL, Huritau SIMON, John SIMON, Tommy TAHA-WILLIAMS, Danny TAHU, David TUPP,

Ngaruawahia Rugby Club for their support of our teams. Without Ron's assistance and persistence we wouldn't have had either the teams or the uniforms! Also thanks to Clark Simon for volunteering his time to coach.



NICKY HEMOPO: Samoan Rugby League Representative.



# erresentative Honours

Nikki Hemapo started to play rugby league at the young age of seven. It's no wonder this young 13 year old has made it into the Samoa representative team (photo left).

He has played for a number teams such as Ngaruawahia, Turangawaewae and has made it into the Waikato representative team every year since he started playing.



Nikki Hemapo

He draws his inspiration from his Uncle Dean Hemapo who is the captain of the Ngaruawahia Panthers Premier league team.

At the time of this report Hemapo had played three games with the Samoa representative team, winning two games and losing by a narrow 17-16 margin to the Auckland Maori team.

I participate in judo in Hamilton at the Metro Judo Club. This year I started to do judo pretty seriously, training about 4 hours a week. I competed in a few tournaments which were only minor and I picked up a few medals.

In August I competed in the New Zealand Secondary School



Ben Gilby-Todd

Championships. I was in the under 66 kilo weight group and I had five fights. I won them all and got the gold medal.

In September I flew to Melbourne for the Victorian International Open Championships. There I competed in the under 66 and under 70 kilo groups and came out with a silver medal.

Danielle Van Houtte has had a very successful year in various wrestling competitions.

Our congratulations go out to her for winning a silver medal in her weight



**Danielle Van Houtte** 

class at the Secondary Schools Championships on Saturday June 9.

She has also won many other Gold, Silver and Bronze medals this year in her wrestling competitions.

I was lucky enough to be picked for the New Zealand under 16's team that played one test match against a England, combined youth under 16's that had just toured Fiji and was on their way to Australia after us.

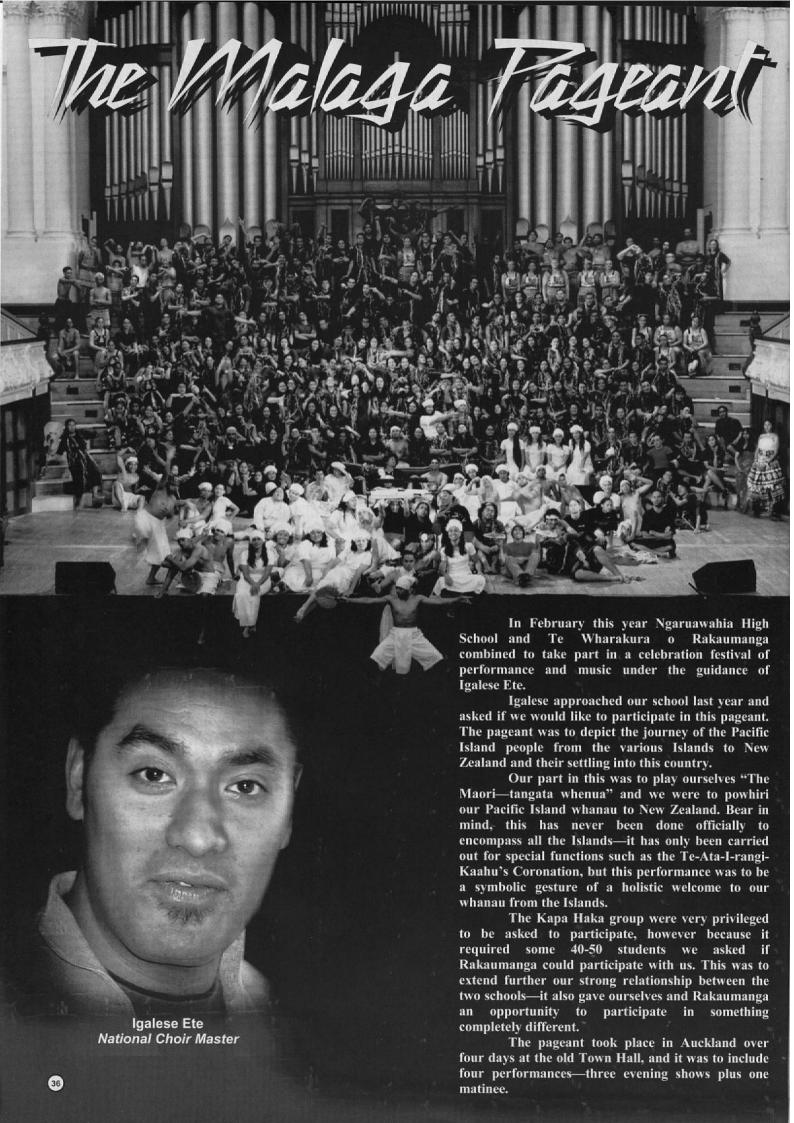
How I got picked wasn't actually through a tournament. Selectors from Auckland were looking for the players from the North and the South Island. We played England on July the 28th of this



Aotearangi Herangi

year and we beat them 20-4. It was a really cool experience for me because it was a dream and a goal of mine to make a New Zealand Rugby League team.

Now that I have achieved what I wanted I now have to make new goals and to think about where I want to go and what I'm going to be. I would really like to play professionally over in Australia.



The pageant was to take place in Auckland over four days at the old Town Hall, and it was to include four performances—three evening shows plus one matinee.

We selected 20 of our students and complimented this with 20 Rakaumanga students.

For those of you who have not seen Igalese in action as a conductor, he is truly something to behold. The pageant included people from all the Pacific Islands performing traditional and contemporary music and song.

To support each performance a 300 strong choir made up of young people off the streets in Auckland—from a 700 audition Igalese chose 300. Their singing was absolutely stunning. Igalese's ability to manage and train 300 cosmopolitan youth was astounding.

The talent that manifested over the four days was truly unbelievable. Each Island and ourselves, sang in their native language. The whole atmosphere during the performances was electric. Each house was a sell out.

For us the powhiri part, although only 15 minutes, was a significant aspect of the pageant. As the host people of this country we opened up the pathway for the Pacific to become part of this multi-cultural nation. Instead of the traditional "up the front" type powhiri, our students we placed around the hall—at the three different levels of seating. The stalls, the circle and the upper circle.

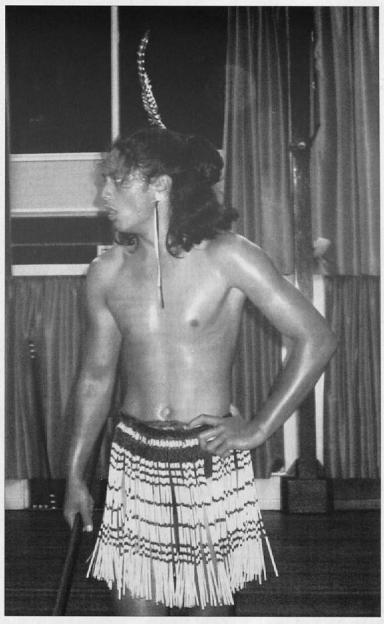
Our students were placed strategically around the hall among the audience and from here performed the powhiri in complete darkness, except for special red lighting that focused on our students silhouetting them. The effect was awesome. Moana Turner and Raunui (from Rakaumanga) were the first voices to be heard as they started the powhiri with the 'Karanga' - they stood on the upper circle level above spot lights casting light only upon them when they began their "karanga". The effect was spine chilling.

From their karanga the boys began the Haka Powhiri which reverberated around the hall—the effect of the students being spread apart served to enhance the overall sound that came from the group as they all joined in.

We sat with our students during each of the performances and each time we could not help but be moved by the whole experience.

To our students' credit, we had only one afternoon of practice—the rest of the 400 or so performers had been together for 7 weeks prior.

The whole event was an experience for our students. We were well looked after and cared for by Igalese and the organizing committee from the University of Auckland. I know that I will never forget this experience and am happy we had the chance to participate.



Tahi Kirkwood

Ki a koutou te Roopu Kapa Haka, nga mihi nui mo nga mahi katoa o te tau nei.

Ki a koe te Rangatira, Igalese, tena hoki koe mo o whakaaro rangatira ki a matou te roopu Kapa Haka o Ngaruawahia.

- Robyn Roa



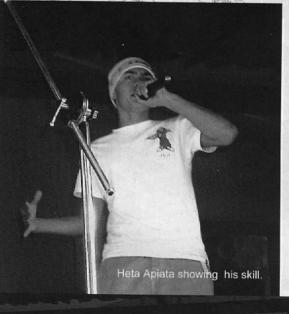


High School entered the Smokefree Rock Quest heats held at WestpacTrust Theatre.

The Dragon MC'S group of four were placed in the top four, out of over 50 groups entered.

Founder's Theatre on June 22nd. There the boys pulled in at second place in the Pasifica Beats Section winning \$150 for themselves.

Congratulations Tony, Heta, Aoterangi and Dennis. A win next year?







September 1st 2001, 150 odd students ranging from 5th form to 7th form attended the Ngaruawahia High School Ball at The Endowed College in Hopuhopu.

The Ball atmosphere started before you even got inside as each student was driven up to the college in a limousine and dropped off at the end of a red carpet (how classy) to be photographed like movie stars as they walked up the strip.

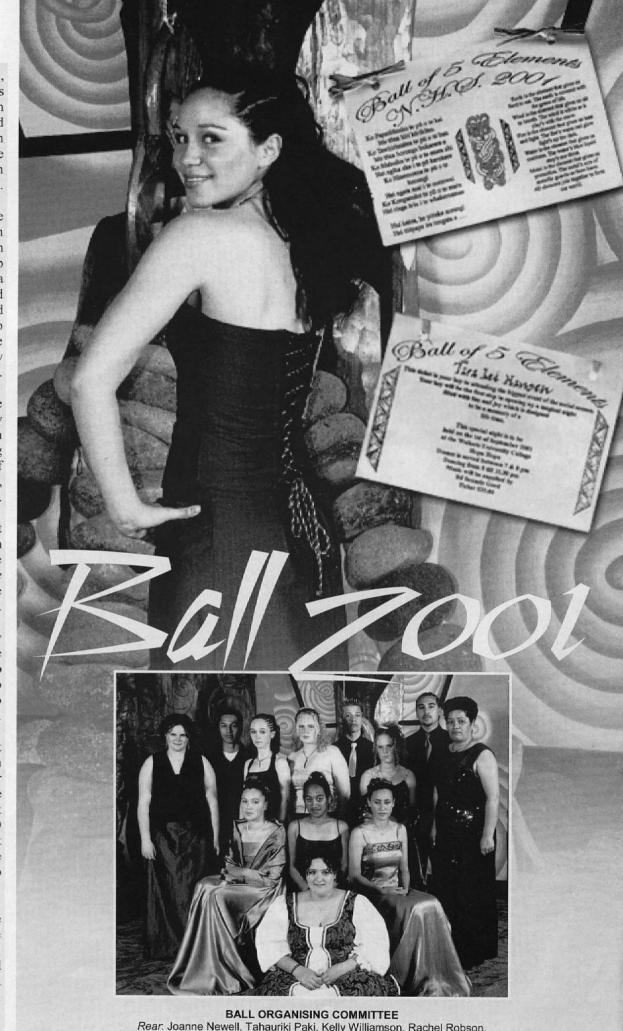
Once inside, the venue was beautifully decorated with graphics representing the Five Elements of nature - earth, fire, wind, water and metal.

It all started about 7.00 pm with about an hour for us to mingle with all the *niiiiiiice* looking people before we sat down to eat.

After dinner and a few words from Casey the sounds began and so did some crack-up dancing by people who shall remain nameless.

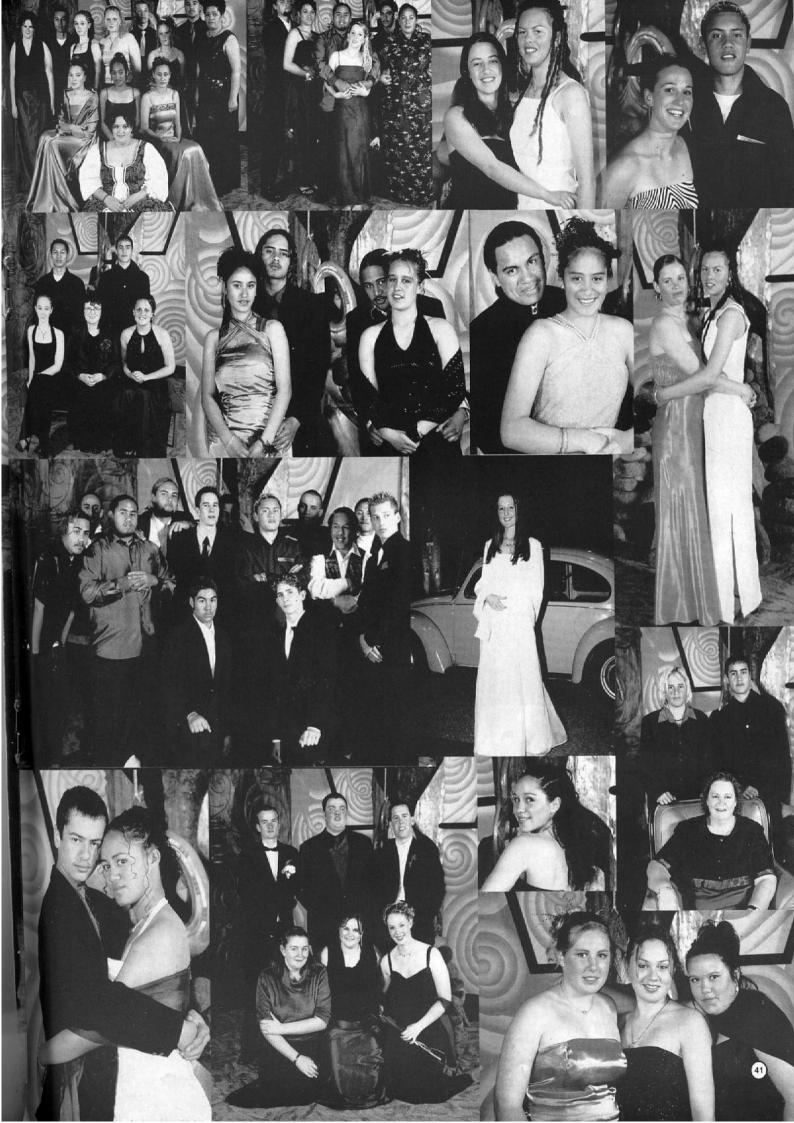
Those who were not getting their groove on were getting their photo on as the photographer took approximately 500 photos of everyone at their best, and some people scrubbed up very well.

Thanks must go to the ball committee (pictured right) for all their hard work and effort that went into a night to remember.

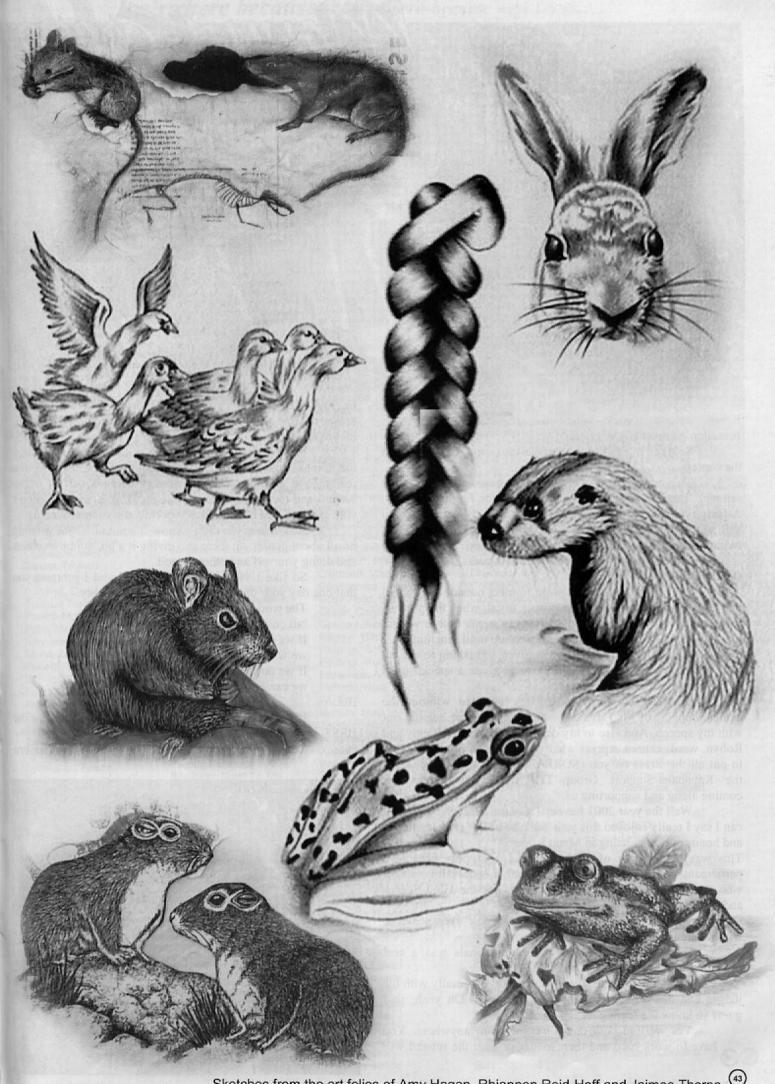


Rear. Joanne Newell, Tahauriki Paki, Kelly Williamson, Rachel Robson, Karl Ruland, Megan Montford, Te Whainoa Te Wiata & Whaea Poppy Ranga. Seated: Moana Turner, Jacqueline Pouaka, Candice Morunga. Front: Casey Sucich









Sketches from the art folios of Amy Hagan, Rhiannon Reid-Hoff and Jaimee Thorpe 43



Ngaruawahia High School entered this year's Manu Korero speech contest where the regionals were at the Hamilton's Fraser High School.

Schools from all over the Waikato came to compete in the contest.

This year there were four representatives for our school: Tennille Hill who entered the junior English Section, Ashleigh Turner who entered the junior Maori Section, Anaru Williams who entered the senior Maori Section and finally Huia Iwihora who entered in the senior English Section.

Overall the day was pretty cool I guess, or BEASTY should I say!!

All competing schools were to meet outside the school marae to open the day with a powhiri as usual; when the powhiri came to an end we had a good 15 minutes break before we got into it. The the speeches began...and went up until lunchtime.

All competing schools were given something to eat, all staff of the schools and competitors were given a special meal (sorry guys I had to say this bit)

The day wouldn't have been possible without the endless support of Ms Cavanagh. Thanks heaps for helping out with my speech. And also to my dear darling Aunties Poppy and Robyn, words cannot express what you both mean to me, having to put all the stress on you (SORRY) And at last but not least, the Kapahaka-Support Group-'THANKS' heaps guys for coming along and supporting us.

Well the year 2001 has finally come to an end and what can I say I really enjoyed this year because of the great challenge and honor of participating in Manu Korero.

This was made more of an honor as I not only became a participant for the regional speeches but a successful speaker who stood proud not only for myself but for the High School and the waikato region.

Well believe this "Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm!"

Being chosen to speak at the nationals was a real highlight in my year, scary but a great experience.

Being up on that stage is hard work, especially with the judges and the strangers giving you that look' Oh yeah, so I guess ya know the feeling ha'!!

Yes well success doesn't come from anywhere. You have to work hard and then sooner or later the reward will

be yours. If you don't put in any effort in all areas of work then you'll be sorry. So be prepared to give something, if not, be prepared to get nothing.

Finally, I offer some advice to those willing to enter the comps next year. Go hard and do your best because it is really good to remember the buzz of being a part of Manu Korero and the positives that come out of it, even if you don't win! But still you have to keep working at it to improve.

Just incase you didn't know it's not all about winning its all about getting up there and giving it a go, doing your best and doing yourself and others proud.

So like I said earlier. Work hard and I promise you that one day your dreams will translate into reality.

The world owes you a living, but only when you have earned it. If we do what we did yesterday we will be beaten If we do what others are doing today we can be competitive.

But...

If we fill everyday with new initiatives we will be the BEST

- Huia Iwihora



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Sunnex, Jonathan Tahapeehi, Dane Taipari, Charles Tipa, Lois Tobin, Joshua Tuatini, Leah Tukiwaho, Ebony Tumai, Pera Van Den Kerckhove, Patricia Van Houtte, Rebecca Verstappen, Honoiwi Whanga, Donna-Lee Wilson, Carina Wilson, Rosina Wright, Kellen

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**ADULTS** Adern, Norma Beggs, Val Bluegum, Marama Burrows, Dallas Derecourt, Jonathan Gaastra, Eric Gaastra, Tania Hagan, Helen Harper, Melissa Hughes, Jackie Kingi, Morgan Maru, Kath Matthews, Edward Matthews, Wai Rowell, Tony Tobin, Hannah Turton, Melissa Waitere, Christina

# School Zeaders 2002



Rosemary SPRAGG



Tara-Lee HANSEN



Tyler MOEKE



Joy CHARLTON

## Poes Maarnawahia High School Give Students A Fair Chance?

- Ben Gilby-Todd

Ngaruawahia High School is a great place for students to get a fair chance. Recently the school has had many academic and non-academic achievements. Students are given leadership roles, there is a lot of cultural influence and more attention is paid to students.

At Ngaruawahia High School students achieve well in a vast range of activities. There is sports, drama and performing arts and academic extension available. In the last five years Ngaruawahia High School has won the Smokefree Stage Challenge three times. There is also the Sports Academy and, last year, the top School Certificate marks were eighty nine percent for mathematics and ninety three percent for art.

To help students become more mature and independent they are given leadership roles within the school. One of the main leadership responsibilities is to do with Stage Challenge. The older students teach the other students the dance routines and also run and organize the show. Within the school community the older students set examples to the younger ones, act as advocates and organize activities for the students.

A lot of the activities and academic work done inside the school is culturally influenced. The kapa haka, marae life and protocols play a big part in the way the school functions. Turangawaewae Marae is very close and so a lot of the things that happen there, for example the Coronation celebrations, effect the school in some way, and many of the students use this to learn about their culture and heritage.

The school population is small so teachers are able to pay a lot more attention to their students. The class numbers are small so each student can have more individual tine with the teachers, therefore helping students discover their strengths and weaknesses, enabling them to be extended. Children stand out and it is easy for teachers to help them accordingly.

So, as you can see, Ngaruawahia is a great school for students to get a fair chance. The high School Certificate marks, the opportunity to be in a leadership role which makes students more mature and independent, the cultural influences and the small classes for excellent learning are what makes Ngaruawahia the best choice for any student to get a fair chance.

### Student Board of Trustees Candidates



Tara-Lee HANSEN



Lois TIPA



Rangiwhaia METE Successful candidate



Meretiana RAYNER



Joy CHARLTON

## Me are wired!



Meretiana Rayner, Eric Gaastra, Tania Gaastra, Honoiwi Verstappen and Andrew Campbell.



Half of the "new" computers stored in the B3 Science Laboratory.



Adult students Wai' Matthews, Tania Gaastra and Eric Gaastra in the senior computing class.

During the past year the school advanced its technological capabilities with the addition of a further 33 computers, bringing the number of machines accessible to students to 100, a ratio of one machine for every three pupils.

The school has taken advantage of the University/Polytech policy of recycling their computers and NHS has been able to build up the quantity of work stations because of this.

The school now has six computer suites, all internet capable and all networked to a central server and a proxy server for the internet.

The suites comprise the Library (20 machines), Technical Dept (5 CAD machines), Senior Computer Room (20 machines), Information Technology Room (24 machines), General Lab (26 machines) and the Staff Room (5 machines).

All pupils use the same software packages throughout the suites— Office 2000 with Word, Access, Excel, Powerpoint and Publisher with the addition of Paint Shop Pro and Internet Explorer. Several senior machines have Photoshop Lite. The CAD stations in the Technical Dept uniquely run AutoCAD Lite and FloorPlan 3D.

Future developments and enhancements being planned and investigated are: Wireless Internet, individual operator logons, access to the school system from home, expansion of further machines into classrooms and staff workrooms, more machines in the staff room, full computerising of reports, development and enhancement of the administration computers, acquiring a plotter for the CAD machines and the dream of a colour laser copier.

The Computer Studies Dept is ably led by Joan Myles, whose senior programmes give the pupils every opportunity to advance their qualifications. Also in the department is Sandy MacDonald who helps the school keep up to date with developments in hardware and software.



Meretiana Rayner, Honoiwi Verstappen, James Dean and Andrew Campbell unload 33 new computers.



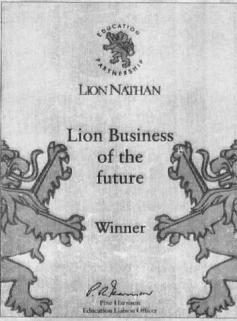
The other half of the "new" computers stored in the B3 Science Laboratory.



Kyle Suchich

### Zion Mathan Workshops 26th – Sth March

John Apiata Waimaringi August Andrew Campbell Joy Charlton Jasmine Clarke Ellen Chilton James Dean Amy Hagan Tara-Lee Hansen Kamira Hona Tuku Huirama Jared Hunt Craig Jarnet Luke Jerome Wiremu Katipa Tahi Kirkwood Waiata King Rangiwhaia Mete



Ria Huirama Stacey Paikea Purewa Peakman Natalie Pellow Meretiana Ravner Sharee Ruland John Ryan Hladini Schubert Rosemary Spragg Jonathan Sunnex Lois Tipa Pera Tumai Rebecca Van Houtte Tane McGrath Honoiwi Verstappen Carina Wilson

Tyler Moeke

This year, for the Lion Nathan business course, we traveled to Huntly College. We arrived at there at about 9.15am.

As soon as we got there we had to sit and listen to some guy talk about the course and the reason they organised it, then a lady started talking, and then another guy.

After all the talking we got split in half to form two lines. We had to count up to ten with each person saying a different number in order. After a few mistakes our groups were formed.

When we got to our group table we all had to introduce ourselves and basically tell everyone what kind

of personality we have. In my group there was me, Mae, Rangiwhaia, another girl and four boys that all looked the same.

The highlights of the business course were meeting new people, learning about business, forming your own business and for some, getting out of school for three days.

We would like to thank the Lion Nathan people for organizing a 'phat' course and for allowing us to get some experience in business to help us in the future with whatever we're going to do. Thanks again Lion Nathan and Mrs Cann.

Lois Tipa

## Graduates

The following have completed their studies at Waikato University:

Mei Cooper B SocSc

Amanda Farmilo BEd with First Class Honours

Anna Campbell BTchg/BA

Gale Glasson BMS with First Class Honours

Lee Grant BEd

Rodney Montford Grad DipT

Anna Morell DipT

Murray Nathan BMS with First Class Honours

Jeremy Pollard DipT

Rushphal Singh BMS Grad Dip Mtg Sys





Kelly Williamson, Kimberley Bell, Megan Nepia and Katie Montford getting a lot out of the careers evening in Term 2.



Karl Ruland and Drew Fletcher in the workshops.



A 'crafty' Jono' Sunnex.



Ashley and Luke training to be clowns.



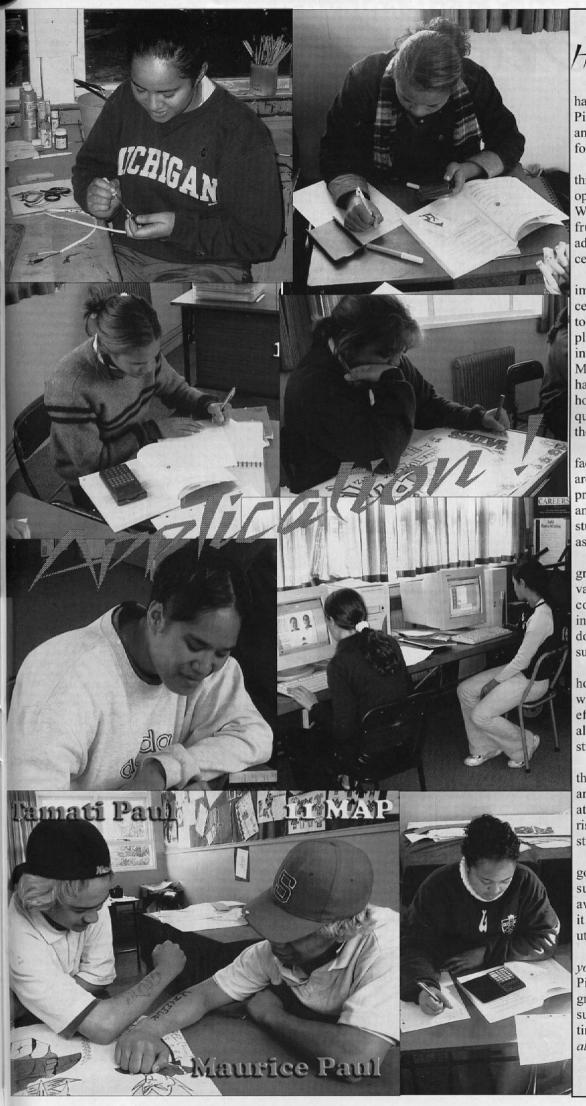
Tommy, Morgy and Hagoth heave ho.



The next Tony Hawk.



Mighty and Danny making a mess.



#### Te Piringa Homework (entre

Te Piringa means 'a haven' – the idea behind Te Piringa is to provide a sanctuary and atmosphere of quiet study for students.

Te Piringa operates three afternoons a week and is open to all year level students. We provide Milo, biscuits and fruit for those who take advantage of the homework center.

The major reasons for implementing the homework center is to encourage students to complete work, have a quiet place to study and to access information using the computer. Many of our students do not have access to computers at home so this facility provides quality resources and time for them to do this.

Our library is well facilitated. All of our computers are on intranet and internet. This provides valuable local, national and global information for our students especially in research assignments.

We have a regular group of students who see the value in using Te Piringa and I congratulate them on this initiative. These students will no doubt be rewarded with the success they have worked for.

My greatest thanks however, must go to our staff who volunteer their time and effort to supervising care, but also use their expertise to assist students in their study.

Our aim is to increase the number of users of the center and will look more towards attracting those who are more at risk. We also encourage junior students to attend.

A special thanks must go to Trust Waikato who supported the initiative by awarding us a grant last month – it is most appreciated and well utilised.

The challenge is for you out there to make use of Te Piringa – do not take it for granted – if you want to be successful you need to put your time into your studies. Come along to Te Piringa 2002.

- Whaea Robyn Roa

The Sports Academy (otherwise is known as SPAC) is an "Elite Group within the school". As we have been told time after time, usually after being told off for doing something that's not protocol for SPAC members to do.

We are a bunch of students who are not only coping with the stress of normal school life, but we also have to manage a whole range of other educational and sporting commitments. We are currently on our second polytech paper, after completing our first one at the end of the second term.

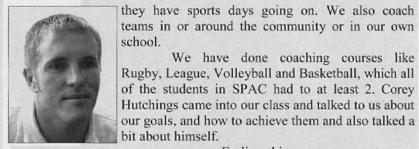
Our SPAC class ran the Huntly Half-Marathon in the second term. We trained for this event for the whole first term, running day after day. The training we did paid off as most of the students ran very well in the half marathon, with special praise going to John Ryan, who came 4th with a time of 1 hour 32 minutes. We also

did woodsawing at Fraser every Thursday after the marathon with a man named COACH.

Later on eight students got picked to go to the field days and compete in the teenage wood sawing competition.

Those students were: Maringi Morunga, Tabitha Mess, Sharee Ruland, Kurt Barakat, Tane McGarth, John Apiata, Luke Jerome, and Charles Taipari. Even though none of us came anywhere we all had some fun.

As part of our SPAC class we referee younger schools when



Richard Murphy



Maringi Morunga







Tabitha Mes



Tuku Huirama



been diving before. So far this is all the Sports Academy news that there is, well, that I'm going to tell you!

> You'll have to join if you want to know more. Be part of an "Elite Group."



Kurt Barakat



Waiata King



Riki lwihora



John Apiata



Nina Maniapoto



Makiha Hose

Gareth Baker



Hladini Schubert



Theodore Clarke



We have done coaching courses like

Earlier this year we went on a

camp to OPC (Outdoor Pursuit Center)

near Turangi. We were out there for a

week. With no TV we found other ways

to entertain ourselves. Some resorted to

the undie 500, on and off games of spot

light, a night game of volleyball, ping-

pong, and card games. With the exception

of people getting Tooth Pasted, Marmite

in people's shoes, Playing spotlight when

we weren't meant to and the First Aid Kit

good kids.

getting stolen we were pretty

fundraising to go on an open

water diving course, which

will happen in the fourth

term. The SPAC students are

looking forward for to this, as

most if not all of us have not

We are currently

Kamira Hona



Paul Tengu



Hector Taukiri



Sharee Ruland



Tane McGrath



John Ryan



#### Ngaruawahia High School

### Students of the Month

2001

This year Ngaruawahia High School implemented a Student of the Month programme. The purpose of this programme is to provide positive affirmation for excellent student performance and behaviour through official recognition and rewards.

YEAR 9

Ashleigh

Turner

The 2001 student of the month was chosen at each year level and received a prize of \$30.00 each. The aim of the programme is to motivate students to excel beyond their normal performance.

We received sponsors for each month and thanks must go to the following businesses for their support.

Hanes Engineering, Westpac Trust, Simpsons Buses,
Roberts Pharmacy, United Video, Turangawaewae Trust Board and Nga Miro Health.



Sarah

Wood

Jemma Neho Ashley

Whitehouse

Alison Maipi

Gloria

Parnell

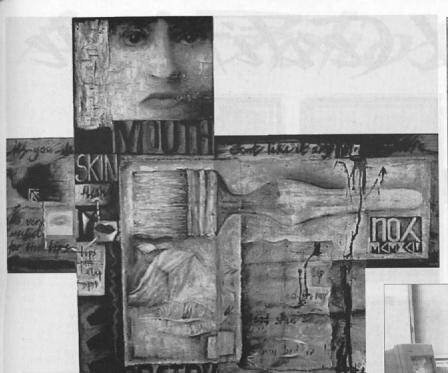






Members of the Ngaruawahia High School Tu Tangata Programme Morgan Kingi, Agnes Paul, Gracie Isaacs, Kaff Maru (Co-ordinator) and Joe Tahana.





Art by Linda Sabbage





Helen Hagan and Waikato Matthews, adult students who both gained the National Certificate in Computer Studies Level 2.

As I contemplate on writing this article my thoughts are tinged with sadness. After 22 years working amongst Maniapoto and Tainui adolescents I am moving further away from this my second home and from my birth place Waitara and iwi Te Atiawa, Ngati Ruanui, Ngati Rahiri, Ngati te Whiti and Taranaki to join my beloved whanau in the far North, Ahipara - Te Rarawa, Te Aupouri.

This year I wish to acknowledge the following 'guidance support' personnel for their dedication, knowledge, skills and empowerment of our students, staff and parents/ caregivers.

Deans: Donna West (Mokau), Chris Jarnet (Pare Waikato), Robyn Roa (Tamaki) and Michael Maguire/Phil Reitema (Pare Hauraki); Rosemarie Cann (Careers); Junelle Williams and Penny Heu (Transition); Lalita Hari and Helyn Huirama (Special Needs); Jane Kerr-Bell, Raewyn Rapana and Megan Vernal (Teacher-Aides).

All the tutor Teachers and senior administration (acknowledging the past work of Barbara Cavanagh and Richard Crawford along with the present staff of David Bradford, Robyn Roa and Michael Maguire; the Tu Tangata co-ordinators Joe Mahara and Gracie Isaacs along with the Educational Support personnel of Rewi Cork, Agnes Paul and Ropata Clark; Caroline Samson (Funding Co-ordinator).

Kaff Maru and the Field Officers of the Attendance Service, Morgan Kingi, Rahui Simon and Hamie Munroe. Eruera Pokaia, the Drug & Alcohol Counsellor of the Waahi Community Trust. Gaye Andrews and Ku Tukere, Community Health Workers.

Te Ahurei Rangitahi, Hamilton Youth workers in sexual and mental health; Health teachers Mary Rogers and Harold Ranui; Our Board of Trustees, especially those who tried many intervention strategies to keep our rangitahi 'at risk' students at school.

I have been in this privileged position for a short time. However I take with me many special and fond memories of everyone that I have come in contact with from the professional staff, dynamic and talented students and caring parents/ caregivers. Continue to do what you do well and that is tautoko, whanaungatanga and manaakitanga for each other. Keep on doing this; it is your strength, support and resilience in times of stress and hardship.

There are many positive changes occurring at Ngaruawahia High School but the school cannot do it all by itself, so please support it where you can. I leave the school in the capable hands of your new tumuaki David Bradford. Under his leadership I wish Ngaruawahia High School every success in continuing to create conditions in which students can develop their potential and achieve a personal sense of worth and mastery. My gifts to you all are these two special quotations that have been guiding forces in my life...

"Kotahi tonu te hiringa i kake ai Tane ki Tikitiki o rangi ko te hiringa i te Mahara." (There is only one power that allowed Tane to the uppermost heaven and that was the power of the mind).

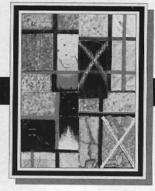
> If you think you are beaten you are, if you think you dare not, you don't. If you like to win but think you can't, it's almost certain you won't. If you think you'll lose, you've lost, for out in the world we find success begins with a person's will, it's all in the state of mind. Life's battles don't always go to the strongest or the fastest. Sooner or later those who win are those who think they can.



- Mareea Paitai Guidance Counsellor, 1999-2001

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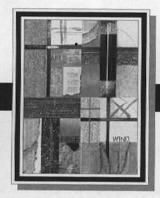






Amelia Heremaia









Helen Hagan



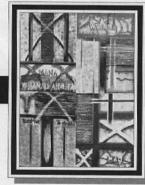






Huia Hunapo



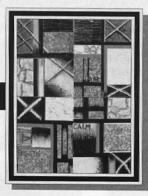






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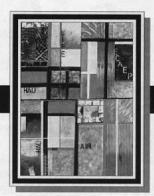


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Kayley Crown



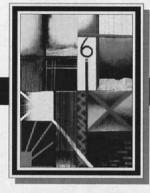






Kelly Cookson-Holm



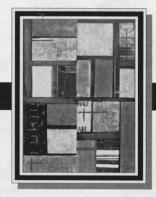






Mihi Haggie



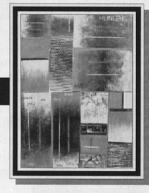






Natalie Jackson



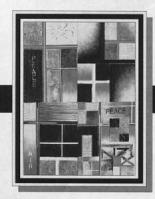


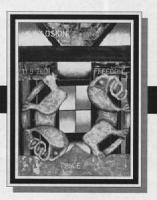




**Stacey Cameron** 









#### **Farewelling my Colleagues and Mates**

By Robyn Roa - Deputy Principal

## Richard Trawford



Richard Crawford, now Deputy Principal at Whakatane High School



It has been my privilege to have worked with both Barbara and Richard these past five years.

When I arrived at Ngaruawahia High School Richard was already a well entrenched member of the staff. It was funny because until we became Co-Deputy Principals we had hardly said five words to each other. I can assure you now, we say a heck of a lot more! Richard is like a brother to me.

As a colleague, I could not ask for a more supportive person (He didn't give me a hard time when I had to ring in for the day off!). But seriously, he was a very hard working, strong and energetic person to be with. This, for me, is his legacy.

He was innovative and always thinking of new ways to do things and how best we could implement programmes that would benefit our students. The neat thing about it, is that Barbara shows the sort of leadership that allowed innovations. I am not sure he is enjoying the same sort of freedoms at Whakatane – oh dear!

What was more significant was that I felt Barbara, Richard and myself worked well as a team. I have never worked so closely with a group of colleagues and fully enjoyed a relationship more than I have with both Barbara and Richard.

Everyone will have their own anecdotes about Richard but for me he will always be a special person.

Our Kapa Haka Tour to the United States was profound in terms of our relationship. We had a huge responsibility to care for students and our adults on that tour. This proved to enhance the bond we shared with each other and in many ways we complemented each other well...

One thing that I find precious is that Richard tells both Barbara and I that Ngaruawahia is so far ahead of other schools in many ways. He cannot help but notice these differences and he says that at nearly all levels we are so much more innovative, willing to take risks, willing to make changes where we can see a benefit. He also says that the programmes we offer are so much more appropriate for our students and that making sure this happens is important to us. So well done staff—from teaching staff to office staff.

I certainly miss him, but know that he is destined for other things and I am so pleased that he and his family are happy on their new path. It is great because we still keep in touch with each other. Richard, Virginia and his Mum are always keen to hear the neat things that are still happening here.



#### Farewelling my Colleagues and Mates

By Robyn Roa - Deputy Principal

E te hoa E te Tuakana E te Tumuaki

E te Rangatira

He aha hoki te korero Mou!

Now where do I start! Barbara has been, and always remain, an inspiration to me in all that I do.

I met Barbara long before I applied for the Assistant Principal's job at Ngaruawahia. Barbara Wadey (ex HOD Maths at NHS) persuaded me to apply for this job and made me come down to Hamilton to meet with Barbara C. From that time on I knew that Barbara C held the essence of what I admire so much - that ability to make people feel like they are worthwhile.

This was especially important to me because I felt that if this was her manner, then it would easily transfer over to the way in which Barbara felt about kids - and in this instance I instinctively knew, it would especially apply to Maori kids.

Now having worked with Barbara for just over five years I know my instincts were right. I am still amazed at the way in which Barbara continues to battle for the kids, irrespective of what they may have done. I know that this comes from her considering more than just what the kid did. She is taking into account all the external, internal, emotional family and peer pressures and issues that the child is facing daily and so she looks not at the outside, but at the inside of our students. How many Principals do you know who will bother to do that?

For me this is Barbara's legacy to the school.

I will miss Barbara tremendously, but like Richard I know that she too is destined for other paths and I count myself lucky I have shared in their journey.

It was hard when we took Barbara to Te Awamutu, but I took solace in the fact that she remains in the Waikato region so that we are able to keep in close contact often.

I believe there will always remain an essence of Barbara in the school and I know that she will retain a special place in her heart for Ngaruawahia High School, its staff and its students.

We wish you well Barbara and hope that Te Awamutu are smart enough to recognise and utilise the strengths that are yours and that we have most certainly benefited from.



Barbara Cavanagh, now Principal at Te Awamutu College

Kia korua hoki Ka nui taku tino aroha ki a korua A te wa ka tutaki ano

Engari kia haere korua ki runga I a korua huarahi whanui

Kaua e korua wareware ki a matou e noho mai nei ki tenei o o korua Kura.

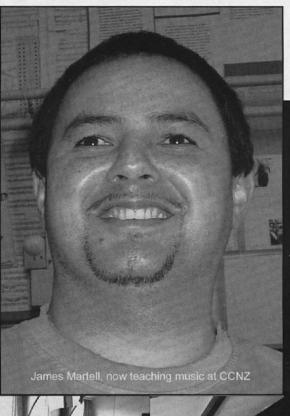
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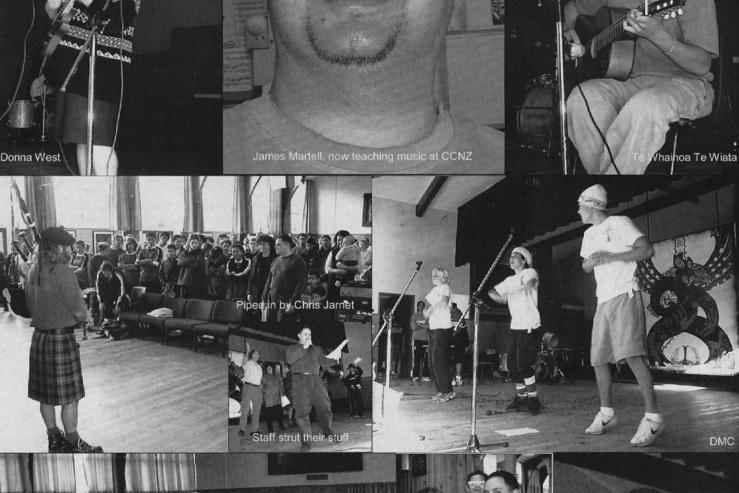
Barbara Cavanagh in a meeting with her fans.....

# The James Martell Farewell Concert

James Martell was farewelled by an 80 minute concert to a packed-out assembly hall on the last day of term two.



Staff and students participated in this expression of appreciation to their music teacher as he headed off to Church College









4th Row Jacqueline Pouaka, Kelly Williamson, Jaimi McCarthy, Elizabeth Saunders, Jennifer Adams, Malana Grey
3rd Row: Luke Murray, Stuart Whitehouse, Drew Fletcher, Rhiannon Reid-Hoff, Casey Sucich, Annamarie Manhire, Tahauriki Paki, Mahika Hose
2nd Row Lalita Hari (Dean), Hector Taukiri, Karl Ruland, Kurt Barakat, Te Whainoa Te Wiata, Pokaia Matthews, Aaron Bird, Riki Iwihora, Richard Robyns (Dean)
Front Row: Katie Montford, Tabitha Mes, Marcelle Waters, Jaimee Thorpe, Rachel Robson, Moana Turner, Megan Montford, Candice Morunga

Absent: Raewyn Rogers, Joanne Newell, Jonathan Derecourt, Megan Nepia, Sarina Wawatai

## Rumaki Report

The Rumaki unit has undergone many changes over the past few years. Some of the changes are more challenging to overcome than others, mainly as a result of the overall difficulties faced by the school in terms of funding and therefore people resources. The following are brief outlines of some of the changes we have had to implement this year.

#### **Mixed Class**

2001 has seen the junior Tamaki class combine as Y9 and Y10. This came about as a result of the drop in numbers entering the Rumaki unit.

The Y9 students who joined 10TT follow a Y10 programme and do all that Y10 do. We have found that the calibre of students entering Tamaki this year is very high. They have come with good Maori and good English skills, more so than in most other years in my time. I feel this can be attributable to Paul Royal's commitment to ensuring his students leave Y8 prepared to face a bi-lingual education.

It is generally a very good class, however, the dynamics of a combined level class can at times be challenging. I find though, that by the end of Y10 most students settle in to a good routine of learning.

#### Tutors

We are fortunate in that we have three staff members and myself attached to Tamaki. We have been able to release Whaea Poppy to assist both of our young Tutor teachers in their roles as Tutors. They are Matua Harold Ranui and Whaea Mariana Whanga. As young teachers both Harold and Mariana are very committed and very professional in their role as teachers and tutors.

I am very proud of the work Whaea Poppy had done in Term Two when she replaced me as Dean to alleviate the workload from me in the absence of a second Deputy Principal. She did a very commendable job indeed and I am so grateful.

#### Termination of Rumaki Bus

The decline in number of students coming from the Hamilton area, and the erratic nature of their use of the bus has meant the termination of the school providing the Rumaki bus. The cost has become too prohibitive.

Two meetings were held with parents of those students with a view to

looking at visible alternatives. Several options were touted, but the only really realistic option was that students use the Public bus service.

To this end Gail has communicated with Simpsons to facilitate the transition for our students. We are still able to sell the tickets from here and for those who live in Hamilton East we have secured an inner city ticket to get them to and from the city bus terminal. Barbara, in her continued commitment to these students, has recommended that this cost each student \$12 each per week, this cost equally applies to Hamilton East and City students.

A letter informing parents, and relevant bus timetables were also sent out. There is also the opportunity for parents to have further input. In essence this meeting will address particular concerns parents may have with regard to changes occurring.

The new system will begin when we are able to address these concerns.

#### **Ongoing Concerns**

The decline in numbers entering Rumaki is a concern of mine. There are several factors that I feel contribute to this occurring and it is the combination of these factors that may have long-term impact on the viability of this unit.

Primary among them, is the drop in clientele base in Hamilton with the opening of Hamilton's Fraser High Rumaki Unit and the impending new Wharekura (secondary school) in the Hamilton Area.

There is also a shift of some whanau groups away from Bernard Fergusson, further exacerbated by the desire of parents to move their children away from the environment that is Ngaruawahia. Adding to all of this is the issue of rural demographics, which affect the whole school.

For the most part these factors are beyond our control.

An issue that does concern me is the degree of Maori that our Rumaki students are exposed to.

Currently staffing is difficult, I know, but I wish to express my concern that if staffing limits mean we cannot employ another teacher of Te Reo Maori for the Unit, then we are also contributing to the decline in our numbers.

The feedback from the community that I hear is that, a continuance of The Reo is what we are supposed to be about – but we are not delivering to a degree that helps retention and use of the language. Whaea Poppy is charged not only with Rumaki Maori but also with offering and teaching Maori to the wider school. Over the past two years, she has had to double and even treble up on the levels of classes she teaches. This is very demanding.

It also discourages others to take up Maori as a subject. The impact that concerns me more is that, our community will look to sending more of their children to Rakaumanga to provide the level of Maori we are unable to provide.

These factors all contribute to the decline in numbers entering the Unit.

I am well aware that this is an issue that is greater than the Rumaki itself. We are currently undergoing redeployment and yet I know we need specialist staff for key areas, Maori, Music and Maths to name a few. I wish that the answer was simple, I wish that the answer did not bind itself to funding, I wish that the number of quality teachers available in these fields were out there, but they are not. I know that it is my responsibility to make it work – no matter what!

Robyn Roa

#### Rumaki Whanau Zeaders







Jacqui Pouaka



Riki Iwihora



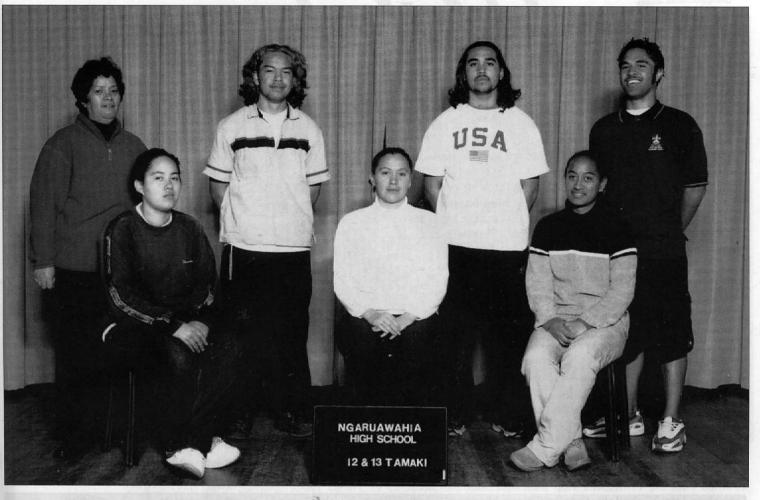
11 TAMAKI

2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Whaea Ranga, James Turner, Anaru Williams, Luke Tohu, Arahia Peakman Front Row: Camellia Turner, Kaysey Turner, Huia Iwihora, Katrina Tarawhiti, Hanna Turner Absent: Dennis Campbell, Awhina Paikea, Karlie Gregory, Tira Kaipara-Crosby



9 & 10 TAMAKI

3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Rebecca Matthews, Ngati Te Ata Newport, Raewyn Brown, Kaya Awa, Panekuhukuhu Muru, Eli Paul, Pikia Tarawhiti 2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Harold Ranui, Mahinepua Puke, Danny Mahara, Tommy Taha Williams, Morgan Tohu, Tangiarua Newport, Tawera Te Koi, Jordan Clark Front Row: La Toya Paul, Te Ara Roberts, Tukutuku Turner, Tapui Clark, Shana-Lee Campbell, Hikitia Enoka, Taynah Paikea Absent: Jonson Nepia, Aaron Moses, Tamatea Wilson, Stevye Te-Wai



12-13 Tamaki
2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Whaea Ranga, Kamira Hona, Te Whainoa Te Wiata, Riki lwihora
Front Row: Purewa Peakman, Moana Turner, Jacqueline Pouaka





athletics, swimming and cross-country. For example, Matthew Jones won year 9 boy's cross country, Melissa Mess won year 11 girl's cross country with a number of third places at other

levels. Congratulations also to Kimberley Bell who was awarded both the Principal's Cup for Contribution to the School, and the Violet Jolly Cup for Citizenship.

C W Jarnet DEAN-PARE WAIKATO

### Pare Waikato Whanau Zeaders





Megan Nepia

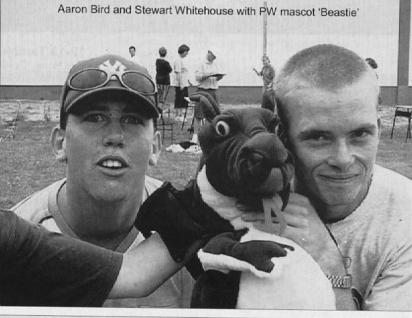


Kimberley Bell

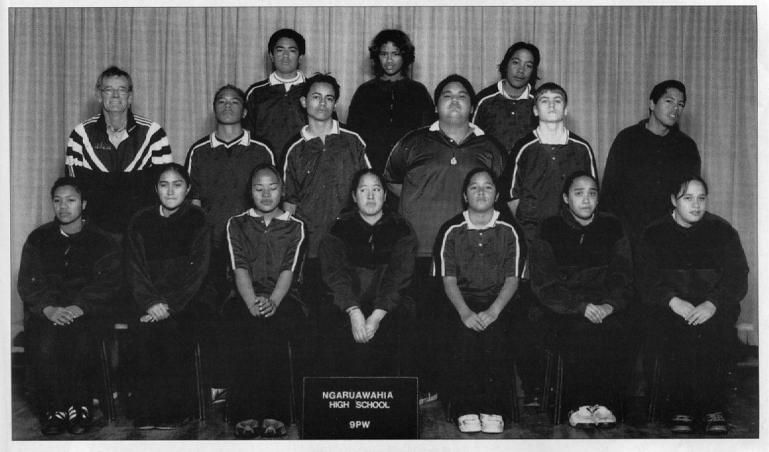


Rachel Robson









#### 9 Pare Waikato - Marsh

3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Bobby Roberts, Anthony Matthews, Kahui Herangi 2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Doug Marsh, Zachariah Rhind, Aaron Clay, Daniel Vercoe, Joshua Johnson, Taare Tupaea Front Row: Shonte Morgan, Teri Harper, Kimihia Opetaia, Ashleah Te Hira, Wikitoria Whanga, Ruth Rangiawha, Jemma Neho Absent: Cody Foster, Nikki Hemopo Matthew Jones, Kelly Tapine, Billie-Jay Thompson

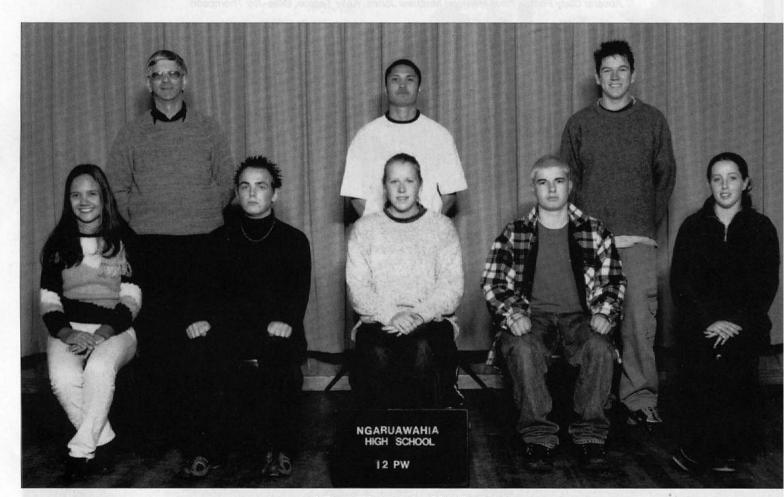


10 Pare Waikato - Gray

3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Dylan Mackie, Anthony O'Halleron, Ryan Timms, Areka Winikerei, Rayon Williams, Nicholas Kerr-Bell, Charles Hedges
2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Teacher (Mrs. Gray), Steven Boyer, Craig Wiggins, Steven Wiggins, Daniel Maglaughlin, Tracey Lockyer
Front Row: Jamie Whanga, Jessica Robinson, Jamie Lee Taipari, Charlotte Te Namu, Samantha Frankhouser, Leigh Takiari, Amanda Taylor



11 Pare Waikato - Gyde
2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Mrs Gyde, Te Putu Matthews, Whiti Apanui, Maurice Paul, David Tupp, Gareth Dean, Cayle Mackie
Front Row: Melissa Mes, Sian McIntosh, Venita Robson, Melanie Simon, Lakeyta Edgecombe, Madia Diamond, Inu Salvation
Absent: Harley-Jo Waaka, Luke Walker, Tamati Paul



12 Pare Waikato - MacDonald Rear: Sandy MacDonald (Tutor), Dane Tahapeehi, Joshua Tobin Seated: Elaine Rodrigues, Jared Hunt, Sabrina Bretram, John Edwards, Tara-Lee Hansen









### 9 Pare Hauraki - Rietema

3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Russel Symington, Christopher Walker, McClean Mihinui 2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Mr Rietema, Brian Syminton, Scott Syminton, Aden Morunga, Cameron Te Hira, Ryan Cameron Front Row: Sarah Wood, Te Ringa Herangi, Shayle Matenga, Ashley Whitehouse, Natasha Nathan, Alison Maipi, Rachel Marino Absent: Bronson Toia, Jessie Maniapoto, Kiri Rupapere, Waikeri Taha



### 10 Pare Hauraki - Mans

3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Cheyenne Emery, Shannon Tahu, Danny Tahu, Rearna Taylor,
2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Mr P. Mans, Isaac Huirama, Rau Katipa, Kawhena Moeke, Gregory Mabbett, Mighty Taua
Front Row: Amy Te Huia, Denise McDonald, Allyschia Tumai, Tawera Muru, Te Rehutai Matenga, Joanne Heremaia, Moengarau Matenga
Absent: TeKau Mahara, Cindy Strawbridge, Anthony Pitman

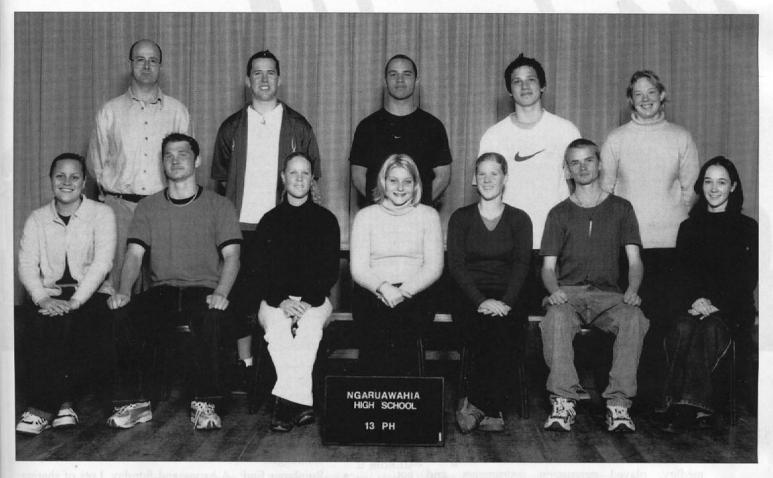


**11Pare Hauraki - Sabbage** 3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Jean Middleton, Ben Gilby-Todd, Karina Tawhi, Stacey Cameron, Huia Hunapo 2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Mrs Jackie Crush, Zachery Christie, Mitchell Te Hira, Clayton Kaukau, Steven Auvaa, Quinten Ottewill Front Row: Sherie McQuoid, Tini Bluegum, Amelia Heremaia, Kaya Rupapere, Robyn Thom, Jessica Davies, Mihi Haggie Absent: Matthew Te Are



12 Pare Hauraki - Myles

2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Mrs J.Myles, Tyler Moeke, Wiremu Katipa, Richard Suhr, Vincent Mete, Rangiwhaia Mete Front Row: Rosina Wilson, Amy Hagan, Pera Tumai, Rosemary Spragg, Andrew Campbell, Donna-Lee Whanga, Patricia Van Den Kerckhove Absent: Johnathan Sunnex, Waimaringi August, Joy Charlton, Leah Tuatini, Anne Bachman, Carina Wilson



13 Pare Hauraki

Rear: Mr Michael Maguire, Aaron Bird, Kurt Barakat, Karl Ruland, Jaimee Thorpe
Front Row: Elizabeth Saunders, Drew Fletcher, Katie Montford, Rhiannon Reid-Hoff, Megan Montford, Stuart Whitehouse, Kelly-Marie Williamson
Absent: Jonathan Derecourt

### Pare Hauraki Whanau Zeaders



# Mokan Mhanan



Being given the opportunity to be Mokau Dean meant the staff and I had the chance to work with and motivate the best bunch of students at our school! A platform for future school leaders has been laid as the year's highlights for Mokau presented here proudly shows.

- Began the year with a Mokau assembly where the teachers entertained the students. We sang a reggae medley, played percussion instruments, and got dressed up as Rastafarians. Just Juice drinks were given out to the students during the breaks and we dedicated the assembly to Bob Marley whose 20-year anniversary day was that week.
- James Martell played the piano during this assembly and his farewell assembly at the end of term 2. During the farewell assembly Mokau whanau performed a variety of items as their taonga to a wonderful teacher.
- February at The Point. We played patonque, Touch Rugby, Skateboarding on the ramp, shot a few hoops, listened to music and ate chips. Good bonding session especially with the leaders.
- Mokau Banners designed and painted by Lois Tipa, Ria Huiarama and Marcelle Waters.
- We won School Swimming Sports and had the highest participation rate in the School Cross Country.
  - The Mokau staff unveiled their Blues Brothers theme at the swimming sportsdressed in black and white, ties, glasses and hats to match.
- The whanau song "Mokau, We Will Rock You" also made its debut.
- Fundraising events: cake stall, sausage sizzle and Easter egg raffle. Monies raised are to go towards End of Year top tutor prize and whanau prize giving.
- Mokau Rangatira Awards have been issued to several students for academic, cultural or sporting achievements. In particular Heta Apiata, Tony Wharakura and Aoterangi Herangi for the Rockquest

- success, Tenille Hill as winner of the year 10 speech contest, Ebony Tukiwaho, Tony Wharakura and Tennille Hill for Aerobics team (second in NZ).
- Inter-tutor activities (to enhance social, communication and team building skills)
- Volleyball, basketball, board games, quiz and music challenges.
- Rainbows End: A happy and fun day. Lots of sharing between students and staff took place. All students were extremely well behaved, followed all the rules and were excellent role models for our school. Everyone looked after each other and no-one was left by themselves. The roller coaster proved to be a real scream- I can still hear Elise and Kyle! Ashley and Kelly enjoyed the motion master while Tony, Cameron, Rory, Kayley and Alicia had bountiful rides on the pirate ship. All the ARK Students joined us for this trip and enjoyed themselves too.

Thank you to all our Mokau Student Leaders for 2001: Tahauriki Paki, Pokaia Matthews, Paul Tengu, Marcelle Waters and Chantelle Simon.

Staff in Mokau for 2001:

- · Charis Rata, left for USA
  - James Martell, left for CCNZ
  - Astrid Guicherit, left to do temporary office work
  - Cherie Chapman, Relief Music teacher
  - Isaac Johannes Vandermerwe Marais, Relief music teacher for MML tutor group
  - · Mary Rogers, MRG
  - Kimai Huirama, MHU
  - · Chris Hill, MHI

There is a real whanau atmosphere that exists between staff and students and so I'm really looking forward to working and sharing with Mokau 2002.



Donna West, Mokau Dean

Mokan Whanan Zeaders



Pokaia Matthews

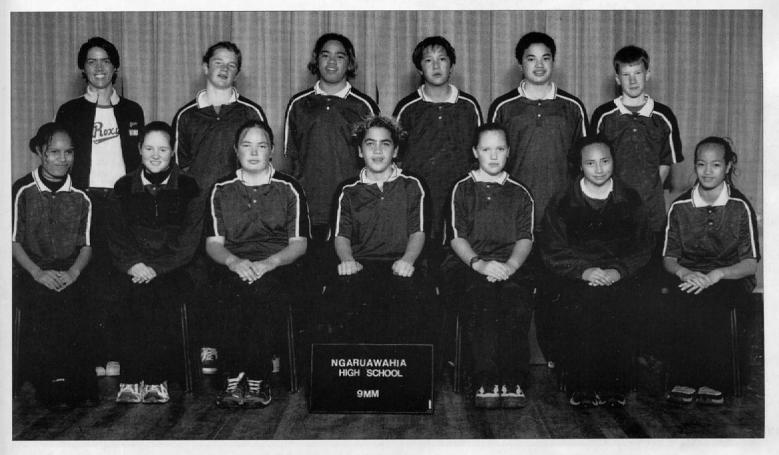




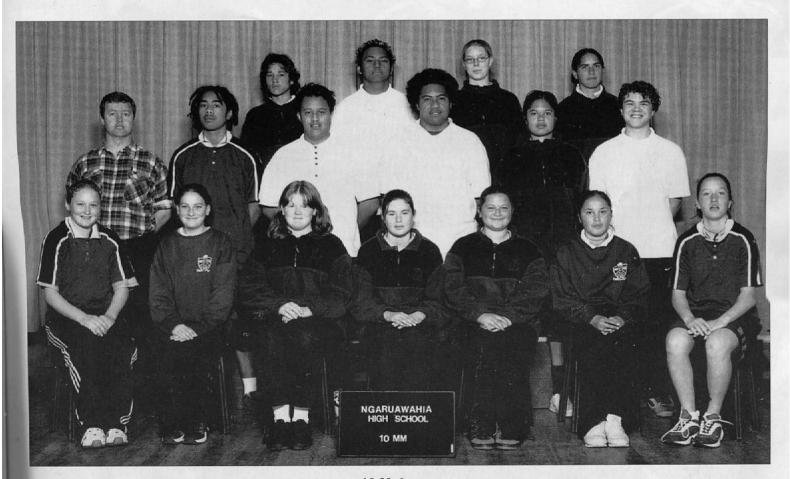
Chantelle Simon



Paul

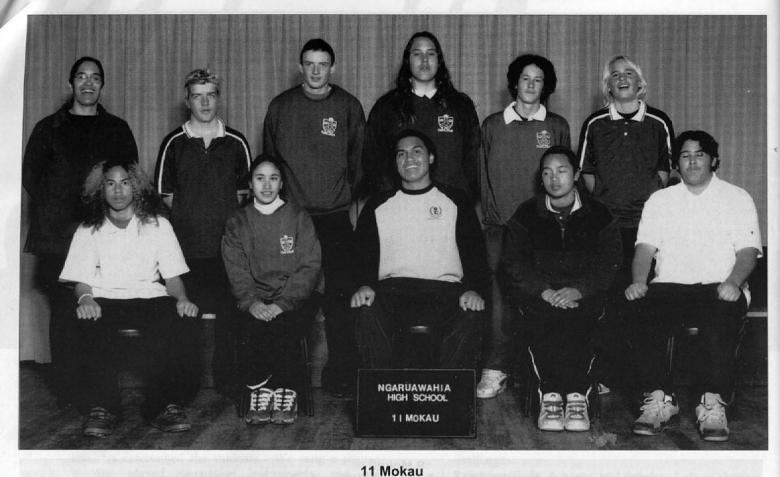


9 Mokau
2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Mary Rogers, Troy Waters, Manaia Grey, Hagoth Williams, Te Roriki Simon, Timothy Derecourt.
Seated: Elise Nahu, Christina Vandy, Amber Waters, Ziggy Waters, Natasha Smith, Manawa Gloria Parnell, Te Atawhai Rota Absent: Areka Herangi, Joshua Kelly, Heremia Symons, Troy Te Aweawe, Kallie Grace, Justine Edwards

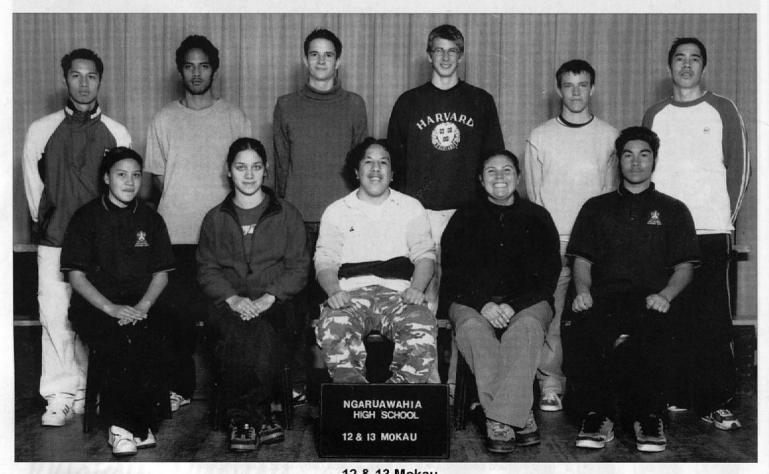


### 10 Mokau

3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Richard Kora-Paul, Karaka Paki, Jessica Gilby-Todd, Kathryn Don 2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Mr C Hill, Cameron Melsop, John Simon, Huritau Simon, Sharma Tahapeehi, Kyle Sucich Front Row: Kylie Garlic, Renee Bentley, Kaley Knuth, Jessica White, Ruiha Stevens, Nicola Kora-Paul, Tenille Hill Absent: Dallas Guymer, Damian Moana, William Matthews, Ariarne Smith, Shayne Tukiwaho



2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Kimai Huirama, Scott Moir, Maurice Phillips, Kelly Cookson-Holm, Cameron Ramsay, Tony Wharakura Front Row: Reco Tarawhiti, Kayley Crown, Jamaica Mahara, Sarah Williams, Ashley Pearse Absent: Kayla Charlton, Alicia Mathews, Megan Parnwell, Lovey King, Terri I'a, Rory Whare



12 & 13 Mokau

Rear: Tahauriki Paki, Hector Taukiri, Florian Liegl, Goetz Nitsche, Kellen Wright, Pokaia Matthews
Front Row: Waiata King, Marcelle Waters, Luke Murray, Natalie Pellow, Makiha Hose
Absent: Casey Susich

## Sxtras

Below: Whanau photos photographer.



The teachers held one of their staff-meetings at the Endowed College, Hopu Hopu.

# Autographs



