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### You have been looking at the creative works of:

The Exceptionally Good Magazine Committee: Mrs Lorena Strother, Sarah Vining, Trudi Dawson, Cushla Lichtwark, Jenyce Campbell, Tania Farmilo, Theresa Matich, and the Computer God himself, Sandy MacDonald.

Thank you to all the people who's art we stole. Cover Page: Elizabeth Surgenor and Linda Sabbage. Black and White Art: Our supremely cool art teacher Linda Sabbage, Carrie Taipari, Owen Johnston, Kotiro Turner and the Fifth Form students: Elizabeth Surgenor, Mathew Tukere, Brad Wharakura, and all the students we couldn't identify.

Colour Art: Trudi Dawson, Sarah Vining, Kane Hanna, Abby Gorman, Brad Wharakura, Owen Johnston, Pakihana Wara and Elizabeth Surgenor.

#### Principal's Report

## Babs' Bit

Well, what an exciting year it has been - the greatest excitement, of course, being the aerobics' teams becoming **national winners** - such an achievement!!

There have been other highlights too. The Smokefree Stage Challenge performed magnificently at the Founders Theatre in Hamilton, and took out the second prize. Our wonderful girls' Rugby team played for the first time and reached the finals. Both our senior basketball teams reached the finals and we could go on and on. Read the magazine to discover more.

I would particularly like to congratulate the whole school. This year has been settled and students have participated in events in a way they have not done before. Both the swimming sports and the athletic sports had more entries than ever, and the whole school entered the cross-country. That's a really great achievement and I congratulate the senior students who acted as role models in order to make it happen.

I would also like to acknowledge our very enthusiastic, dedicated and skilled staff. The staff work hard to develop relationships with the students that are supportive and caring. They do this because they want the best for each student. They want each student to achieve academically to the highest potential and to discover for themselves new interests and passions. They want students to leave here with confidence and pride. When I look at the senior students leaving this year, I think to myself - What a great job they are doing.

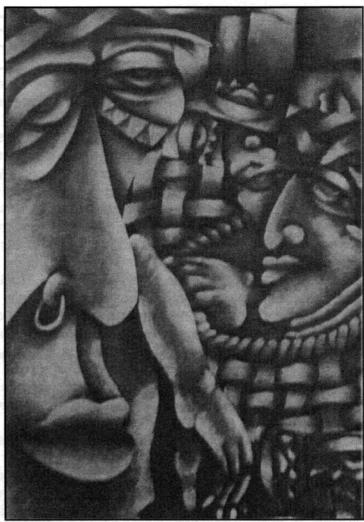


I'd like to sincerely thank the senior students for their contributions to the life of the school and I wish them well as they find their way in the world. One lesson that can be taken from the experiences of this year that, even if you come from a small place, you can still go out there and be the best.

I hope you all have a very happy and safe holiday.

No reira e hoa ma, Tena koutou, Tena koutou, Tena koutou katoa.

Barbara Cavanagh







### BOT Reports

Once again this year has been a great challenge to us, the Board of Trustees. With the addition of Mr Crawford to the management team, we feel that the school has the leadership to take our school into the future for the community and the students. We would like to take this opportunity on behalf of you, the students, to thank the staff for their commitment to the school and its students. We continue on our mission to improve the facilities and equipment in order to enhance your education.

We would like to commend the students who take part in school activities such as productions and sporting events, also those who have, over the last year, represented our school in events such as science fairs and maths competitions. We are proud of your achievements and encourage junior students to keep this trend going to enhance the school's image to an even higher level. The Trustees are pleased to hear reports of good behaviour from the places which you visit.

We would like to commend all the students in making our exchange students so welcome in our school, and caring for them while they are with us. To those students who have, and will be travelling overseas, I wish you all the best in your adventures. We hope that you will hold your head high, be proud of where you come from, not only New Zealand but Ngaruawahia High School. To those returning to your native lands, we hope that our school has enhanced your year as an Exchange Student.

The Trustees would like to extend congratulations to all three aerobics' teams on their achievements at national level. Ms Rogers is also to be recognised for her amazing contribution and commitment to the students involved. The achievements made are very inspirational for other students of the school, for this we thank you.

All the best for the seventh formers and others who are leaving the nest for other fields of endeavours, whether it is to be work or further education. We hope you will keep our good name, keep in touch and inform us of your achievements in your future.

So long, farewell, its time to say goodbye!

Jim Lichtwark, Chairman, Board of Trustees

#### student rep

This year has been very interesting. I was definitely not expecting to be nominated for the Board of Trustees, but I'm glad I was.

Being a student you don't realise what goes on behind the scenes and what the Board does to make your school more interesting.

I definitely recommend people to apply for the position of Student Representative as you learn to appreciate what other people do for you. It is an interesting job that not only helps you gain more confidence to speak in front of adults, but looks good in you Curriculum Vitae. Being paid is an added bonus.

Thanks to the Board for listening to my thoughts and opinions, and good luck to next year's Student Representative and School Leaders.

Rachel Billington, Student Representative for BOT



## CARPE DIEM

This years magazine has been a confusing time for all. The stress of getting it finished on time was the worry. But the final was a relief.

Being a part of the magazine team has been really enjoyable and fun at times. In the time that I have being doing the mag, I have enjoyed finding out all the stuff that our school has entered for and come out with a win or close to it. Also just how much stuff our whole school has done together.

I hope this is enjoyed by all younger and older students/teachers.

ENJOY - BYE, BYE.

This magazine was brought to you by the letters U, S, and the numbers 1, 9, 9, and 7. mistakes, complaints and screw ups that occur in the following or previous pages we take no responsibility for. This is your mission: to read the magazine, to praise those who stressed over it, and send these HUGE Christmas pressies (My people measurement are 50m x 20m). This magazine will self destruct if too many complaints are made. So complain wisely, or your life could be in threat. We definitely needed some male input. McD' tried his best, but the ratio of seven to one scared him off a bit, so if it's all a bit soppy and romantic blame Tania, and if it looks like it's more pretty than quality...blame Trudi. Theresa has been the cynical one, and probably the only one who has continued to laugh, whilst Cush has been a spoon as usual. Sarah and I have tried to get all the stuff done, keep the stress level down, and generally annoy Trudi to the point of insanity. I now know everything about computers - minus the fancy certificate to prove it (6FC). Finally thanks Strothers for your time, help, and most importantly your food (bring on the pizza).

Let's just say doing the magazine this year was an experience to say the least!!! But definitely a fun one and one I would recommend to others for next year. Just make sure that if you do, you know the other little magazine workers very well because believe me, after spending a couple of stressful weeks with them in a confined room, you will definitely get to know them real well!!! At times it has been rather stressing chasing up people who were supposed to be writing us things (thanks everyone!!!), and then spending days straight trying to it done. And now, in the end, when it has all come together, it has definitely been worth it?????? You had all better appreciate it too!!!

This magazine is the product of hours and hours and hours of work produced in a small room with seven scratchy, stressed out females. So don't bitch at the mistakes. It has been fun attempting to be creative, having the chance to have a dig at teachers, and pretty much everyone in general. The horribly sad part was having to return to school, when I should be at home lying on the hammock, working hard attempting to tan my shocking white legs.

But I guess there is that feeling of satisfaction (or horror) when the final magazine is sitting in front of me. All I can say is - thank the monkey's in Africa that it is all finished! Bring on Christmas and my whopping great pay cheque. Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha!!!!!!!

Woo hoo! It's finally over, and although I've had a great time making this dang magazine, I'm sick to the death of everyone, as they are with me.

We started off with a hiss and a roar in late July, with many people turning out in response to our cries of "Help us please!". Thus, we formed the Magazine Committee, basically all newcomers to the yearbook producing thing. As time went by, more and more people dropped off our core list, leaving just the bare seven of Strother, Truds, Tan, TC, Cushie, Nees, and myself. Thank you to McD for giving us many helpful time-saving tips to help us on our way and Mrs Sabbage, thank you for all the art photos you took for us

Believe me, this magazine thing isn't a mosh at a Prodigy concert, but I enjoyed bossing everyone around, and I guess I'll see all you excited new magazine committee members queuing up outside the downstairs Computer Room doors next year.

What a great year! I tell you this book is greater than the year it is about. The reason for this is that the people who put in the effort to produce these ink filled pages are even greater that this indescribable book.

What a big, stupid, time-wasting task this is, telling people about events which they already know about. All of you already know about this stuff because you took part, or witnessed the events unfold. So we really sat down and put this book together for the 'see no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil people. So for all of you out there like that, eat your heart out. I must point out the fact that it was my idea to add the colouring page. When you have nothing to do in holidays just flick to the "colour me" page and colour for your life. This new page brings our magazine into a new category, that is the interactive category. So pick up your felts, colouring pencils, crayons and set to work and make sure you don't cross over the lines.

## THEBIGIE

# Head Boy



#### JAMIE LICHTWARK

1997 for me has been an interesting year, a character building experience. At times it was frustrating, but when I look back it has overall been an enjoyable experience.

Being chosen for Head Boy was rather overwhelming. I have been lucky to have reliable counterparts to help me along the way. Carrie and Erin, otherwise known as Caz and Erin Eyeballs have been amazing during the year. They had a good keen attitude towards things and their 'get up and go' spirit has been great to work with.

My involvement with the Smokefree Stage Challenge was lots of fun, although my standard of dress could've been called undesirable for a head boy. It was just as uncomfortable for me, and it paid out in the end.

It has been good supporting different sports teams and seeing them achieve in their chosen activity. I have to give thanks to the teachers who selflessly gave up their time, which has given me the chance to represent the school in the sports of my choice over the years.

Thank you to those who gave me this great opportunity and all the other bonuses that came with it. Thank you to all my friends, Owen,

Rachel, Carrie, Erin and Anna. You've all been so helpful. Trudi, Jenyce, Tania, Sarah, Theresa, Cush and Mrs Strother - You're the best.

Well, enjoy life everyone. To next years' Head Students: Don't lose sight of where you are going.

# Head Gill



#### CARRIE THIPARI

Every bird eventually has to leave it's nest, fly the coop. Each person needs new experiences to start life outside the nest.

It's a scary thought. We get so used to tramping the footpath to the school, we could do it with our eyes closed. School is so open, people love to share their thoughts, especially on picnic tables and desks. You get used to hassling teachers and being hassled back.

You get so used to all these things that once you finally realise it's time to leave, you don't really know what to do. All these years of 'I can't wait to leave', you finally get there and it's "ahh what, hang on a minute".

Being Head Girl at Ngaruawahia High School is not the easiest job to do, it's had its ups and downs. Being head girl is not only a responsibility but also a privilege. You get to

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know people, and people get to know you.

Helping teachers organise sporting activities, whanau activities, student council, the ball andgetting to represent the school in various activities is all part of the job and even though it is challenging, it is also rewarding. Being part of the Kapa Haka group was also an added bonus for me. I thoroughly enjoyed the experience and thanks to all those students and teachers who helped me and put up with me.

As a head student you get up close and personal with the top corridor. Mr Crawford was like a second father, looking down on us, helping and guiding us from his office. You are continually reminded of your position, 'As Head Girl it is your responsibility to feed me', this came with the job.

Throughout the year I have had wonderful support from my parents, my family and teachers. I have also had great support from my friends, Margo, Anna, Rachel, Leon Bird (my mentor) Becks, David, Kotiro, Ginnine and all the seventh form group. To Erin and Jamie it has been an interesting year. It has been a pleasure working with both of you and to Owen thanks for stepping in when we needed you. Trudi, Jenyce, Tania, Sarah, Theresa, Cush and Mrs Strother - You re the best.

Every bird eventually has to leave its nest, fly the coop in order to find new experiences.

For five years I've had these experiences. For years to come I'll never forget them.



#### ERIN POLLFIRD

Five years ago when I came to Ngaruawahia High School, the teachers probably thought that this quiet, softly spoken girl with curls wouldn't even be brave enough to make it to Seventh Form. But make it I did!

No, the curls haven't straightened, nor has the voice changed (much to the amusement of many at assembly). I am still continually told to 'Shut up, and stop giggling Erin', so maybe the quietness has.

I have been honoured to have the responsibility of Deputy Head Girl, it was a lot of fun and stress.

1997 has felt full of laughs and great memories. I want to say a big thanks to Carrie and Jamie for their support and encouragement. Trudi, Jenyce, Tania, Sarah, Theresa, Cush and Mrs Strother - You re the best.

All the best to the Seventh formers of 1997 in the years ahead.

God Bless you all.





## Pare Hauraki

#### **LEADERS**

We are the hard working Whanau leaders of Pare Hauraki, the best Whanau ever! Alan Whanga and Kristin Heldaas.

We are really proud to be the leaders of such an awesome Whanau. We think we won the swimming sports, for sure we won the cross country, and also did really well as a team in the athletics.



This year members of the Pare Hauraki Whanau have been horse trekking (PHPR - thanks to Abby for the organisation), rollerblading, to Burger King (thanks to the seniors for their input), ten pin bowling and movies (the fourth form), and other fundraising stuff.

#### WHY?

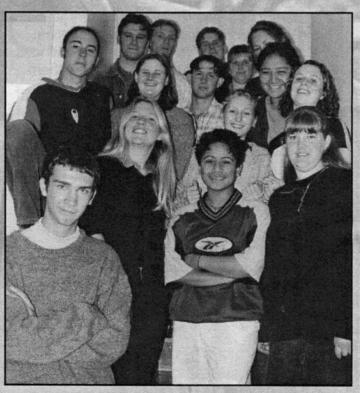
As a whanau we will travel to Rotorua on the 7th of December to check out the luge, the skyrides, leisure world, the cliffs (abseiling and rock climbing), ropes, the inside of a tent (the lucky ones), and each others' company for two whole days and nights (watch out Ms Umaki).

#### AS FOR THOSE WHANAU LEADERS

We want to thank Miss Umaki for helping us, she's very generous and nice. Thanks to the Whanau and the 7<sup>th</sup> formers for guiding us as leaders. And I, Kristin, want to thank PH for voting for me - you guys didn't know me at all. I could have been a crazy axe-murderer from Norway. It was a great experience for me.

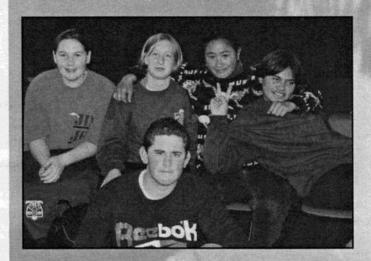






## Pare Waikata







#### Pare Waikato - Wonderful Whanau, Wonderful year!

Whanau leaders this year were Jaime Allen and Jolon Pointon, who pretty much did squat. The year started with Mr Short at the helm. He decided to go off to Wellington with Ms Mataira in search of new challenges! Along came Mrs Tuck to take charge with PW students' tails between their legs.

We kicked butt despite the other cheating whanaus - the Swimming Sports, the Athletics Day, the Cross Country, the Trivial Pursuit quiz, the Maths Quiz and so it goes on! Ha Ha. Social highlight of the year (which may give a clue to how exciting our whanau is!) was the Halloween Social organised by John Ropoama and Richard Lloyd, ably assisted by a Pare Hauraki refugee (Matthew "put his name in lights" Roche.) We don't blame him for coming to the superior Whanau.

Tutor groups were presented with the Whanau awesome attendance challenge - to have all tutor members present at school all day - not a simple task as it turned out!! Congratulations to everyone but PWMD (Ha Ha losers) for meeting the challenge at least once and sometimes twice!! (PWVW is still awaiting their prize Mrs Tuck).

Trip day this year was Rainbow's End by popular request, with Juniors all taking part and even some Seniors taking a break from strenuous sunbathing to enjoy a day out!

1997 has been an experience for all the Whanau especially our new third formers who have tackled their Secondary School careers with enthusiasm.

Thanks also to the awesome tutor teachers who have done their bit encouraging, cajoling, praising, and generally being part of the team.

1998 should be an even better year. Remember, "If you're not going to school you're not going anywhere!"

## Makau

#### MOKAU-THE UNDEFEATED .

Think of athletics, you cannot help but think of Mokau, the champions. In the Juniors we have **Tangitu Bone-thug Joseph**, who won the junior championship, also scoring a lot was **Richard give me some of that Whare** who came a close second to Tangitu. Mokau Juniors are a happy bunch who take part in all events just for the fun of it.

Representing Mokau whanau with true honours are the Intermediates. Off and on the track a lot of champions were produced, Carl the sheep Shepherd was one of them, winning events all over the paddock. Following Carl was Conrad gangsta Pita, and if that wasn't bad enough we also had another champion raising up from the grave Nat I love myself Middleton who came in third.

The seniors also ran away with their competitions. Scoring first was Marrin James Bond Jr Haggie in the running (1500m, 3000m ..), in all the throwing events we have the Mokau POWER-HOUSES Jesse & Bo-Willie. Last but not least was Leon SUPERMAN Matthews who won all the events he entered. Another glorious day for Mokau whanau.

Swimming. Mokau could have won that with their eyes closed. The whole day went really well and it was a day to remember. Everyone who went had a really choice time. And so did Mokau whanau.

That is as far as Leon got, kia ora Leon.

#### THE REST OF THE YEAR

Cross-country - aaaaaaahhhhhh!!!! Whanau netball. Mokau were there, somewhere.

Whanau prizegiving. That was a bonus! Ian Foster brought the 'log of wood' along to impress us, and we were impressed. Heaps of certificates and awards were given out in order to recognise our seniors. The entertainment was awesome and so was the food. Thanks heaps Ms Hari for your time, effort, support and encouragement.







## amaki





Tena koutou katoa.

E rere ana aku mihi tuatahi ki te atua koia te timatanga me te whakamutunga.

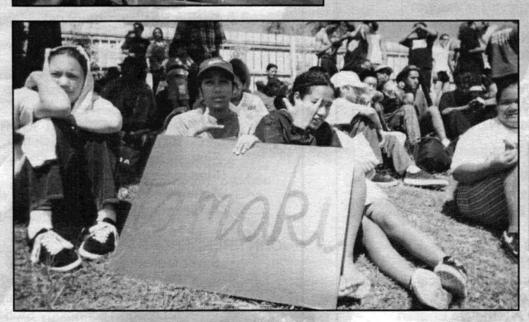
Ki te kuini a Te Atairangikaahu tena koe, tae noa ki nga maatua tipuna, nga maatua tatau nga rangatahi tae atu ki nga tamariki mokopuna tene taatau katoa.

He korero poto tenei mo aku nei mahi e paa ana ki tenei turanga i waenganui i te kura rumaki. Ko te mahi matua kia whakarite i etehi mahi ma nga tauira o tenei whanau. Ko tetehi mahi i whakaritea e toku hoa, e pupuri nei i tenei turanga hoki, a Awhina kia whakarite i nga tima netipaoro. Ahakoa kaore i toa i a matau he mahi koa he mahi whakangahau hoki ma to tatau whanau kura hoki.

Ko tetehi atu mahi kia haere atu ki nga hui i whakaturia ma te poari tauira o te kura. Ko etehi o nga kaupapa i korerotia ko nga kakahu o te kura me etehi mahi ma nga tauira i nga waa tina me te wa whakataa.

He tino waimarie maua ko Awhina ki te whiwhi i enei turanga motuhake. Koira noa aku mahi i tenei turanga no reira me mutu au ki enei korero kia koutou e matatau ana ki te reo, e ako tonu ana ranei tena koutou kato. Kia koutou kaore ano kia tae ki enei taumata kia kaha tonu.

Tena ra koutou katoa.



## Prizegiuing

**SENIOR MAJOR PRIZEGIVING 1997** 



DUX

#### **ERIN POLLARD**

McNamara Cup for Science
- First in Biology
Ives Cup for Mathematics & Physics
First in Mathematics with Statistics
Ian Brownlee Cup for Geography
First in Geography
First in English



PROXIME ACCESSIT TO DUX

#### **OWEN JOHNSTON**

Templeton Award
- First in F.7 Graphics
Art Cup
- for Contribution to Art
First in Art - Photography
Design

#### **FIFTH FORM**

JASON BERRY

First in NZ Mathematics First in Alternative English

FREDERICK BROWN

First in Waikato Science Progress in NZ Mathematics

JANIE GILL

First in NZ Mathematics Progress in Home Economics Effort in Economics

NIGEL HOUNUKU

First in NZ Mathematics Achievement in Physical Education Progress in Science Effort in Alternative English KUI-A-RANGI PAKI

First in English
First in Maori
Achievement in Accounting
Achievement in Mathematics

KELLY POLLARD

John Sargent Award for Top F.5 Girl in Science First in History First in Economics Achievement in English Achievement in Mathematics

JOHN PRENDERGAST Silver Mallet

Best Senior Technical Student
Whitecliffs Award - Best F.5 Graphics
& Design Technology Student

#### KAMETA PUKE

First in Maori Progress in Typing

#### KATHLEEN SAUNDERS

Form 5 Geography Cup
First in Mathematics
Achievement in Accounting
Achievement in Science

#### ANNMARIE SPRAGG

Home Economics Cup Best F.5 Home Economics Student
First in English
First in Typing
Progress in Itinerant Music - Guitar
Effort in Mathematics

#### FLIZABETH SURGENOR

First in Graphics & Design
Achievement in English
Achievement in Mathematics
Effort in Art

#### **BRAD WHARAKURA**

Best F.5 Science Student
First in English
First in Mathematics
First in Art
First in Accounting

#### SIXTH FORM

#### JENYCE CAMPBELL

Jan Plummer Cup for Form 6 English First equal in Biology First in History Achievement in Mathematics Achievement in Chemistry

#### TRUDI DAWSON

First in Typing Achievement in Mathematics Achievement in Computer Studies

#### NATASHA DERECOURT

Waikato Geography Cup First in Form 6 Geography

#### TRACEY DOUGHERTY

First in Alternative English

#### TANIA FARMILO

First equal in Biology
First in Computer Studies
Achievement in Art

#### OLSEN I'A

First in Graphics and Design Achievement in Mathematics with Applications Achievement in Design and Technology

#### TEREREAWAI KIPA

Effort in English Effort in History Progress in Computer Studies Progress in Maori

#### THERESA MATICH

First in Mathematics with Applications Effort in English

#### MAERA PAKI

First in Physical Education Effort in English

#### CARLY RURI

First in Maori

#### KIRK SPRAGG

First in Mathematics
First in Physics
First in Computer Studies
First in Economics
First in English

#### AARON TAHANA

First in Craft
First in Music
Progress in Physical Education

#### SEATON THICKPENNY

Fletchers Award - First in Design and Technology

#### SARAH VINING

First in Art Achievement in Chemistry Achievement in Computer Studies

#### KURA WALKER

First in Maori

#### CAROLINE WOOD

Felicity Young Cup for Form 6 Accounting Achievement in Mathematics Achievement in English Achievement in Computer Studies Progress in Economics

#### SEVENTH FORM

**AARON BILLCLIFF** 

First in 7th Design and Technology Effort in Graphics

ANNA MORELL

Achievement in Geography
Achievement in Mathematics with
Statistics
Effort in Biology
Effort in Physics
Effort in English

CARRIE TAIPARI

Storey Cup - First in History Progress in Art

GINNINE WATTS
First in Maori

#### MAJOR PRIZES

#### THE TE RAPA ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

This is a \$1,000.00 grant awarded annually to students from Ngaruawahia High School to assist with the funding either at a university or a polytechnic. This year the Te Rapa Rotary Club Scholarship is awarded to

**ERIN POLLARD** 

A second grant from The Te Rapa Rotary Club of \$500.00 has been awarded this year to ROIMATA POUTAPU

This year, for the first time the NGARUAWAHIA LIONS CLUB have decided to award a Scholarship - THE KEVIN CRYER SCHOLARSHIP. This award is worth \$500.00 and will assist a student attending a tertiary institution. This year the award goes to

MARGO CLARK

KIRI MORGAN

Erana Coulter Memorial Award - for Maori Studies

KIRI MORGAN

Maori Trust Award
- for Leadership in the Cultural Group

KURA WALKER

Ngahia Gregory Award
- for Excellence in Te Reo Maori

GLEN MURRAY

Jeanne Gilbert Cup for Language

LEON MATTHEWS
Stone Cup for Drama

MANAWA-ROA TEINAKORE F.6 Speech Contest Winner

ANNA MORELL

Te Rapa Rotary Award

- for Contribution to the School

MARGO CLARK

KT Footwear trophy for Integrity

RACHEL BILLINGTON

Board of Trustees Award

- for Service to the School

ERIN POLLARD

Violet Jolly Cup for Citizenship

OWEN JOHNSTON
Collins Cup for Citizenship

MAERA PAKI Service to the School

JENYCE CAMPBELL Service to the School

JAMIE LICHTWARK
School Leader's award

CARRIE TAIPARI School Leader's Award

LEON MATTHEWS, MAERA PAKI, JAIME ALLEN, SARAH UMAKI, DANNY MAHARA, BRAD WHARAKURA

Principal's Award for Contribution to the school

CUSHLA LICHTWARK & MAERA PAKI
Davison Cup
- for Best Allround Sportswoman

JAMIE LICHTWARK

Davison Cup

- Best All Round Sportsman

#### SPORTS AWARDS

#### ATHLETIC AWARDS

JAMIE LICHTWARK
Senior Boys' Athletic Champion

CUSHLA LICHTWARK
Senior Girls' Athletic Champion

#### **SWIMMING AWARDS**

TIANA HAEHAE
Senior Girls' Swimming Champion

ANDREW GRAHAM
Senior Boys' Swimming Champion

#### **CROSS COUNTRY AWARDS**

MARRIN HAGGIE Senior Boys' Crosscountry Champion

KRISTIN HELDAAS
Senior Girls' Crosscountry Champion

#### **NETBALL AWARDS**

CUSHLA LICHTWARK
Goodwill Cup
- Contribution to Netball
Eastern Waikato Netball Trophy
- Outstanding Players Award

#### **VOLLEYBALL AWARDS**

CUSHLA LICHTWARK
Outstanding Female Volleyball Player

MARRIN HAGGIE
Outstanding Male Volleyball Player

#### BASKETBALL AWARDS

CUSHLA LICHTWARK

ANZUS Cup - Awarded for All-round
Excellence, Effort & Team Spirit.

#### DAHLIA TAHU

Basketball shield for the most outstanding Basketball player within the school

#### **RUGBY AWARDS**

CUSHLA LICHTWARK

Outstanding Player of the Year in Girls' Rugby (sponsored by Newcastle BP Ngaruawahia)

CAROLINE WOOD

Most Improved Rugby Player of the Year (Girls' Rugby)

SARAH UMAKI

Best Forward in Girls' Rugby

MARGO CLARK

Best Back in Girls' Rugby

ANNA MORELL

Best Team-mate in Girls' Rugby

DAHLIA TAHU

Fair Play Award in Girls' Rugby (Sponsored by Sport Waikato)

#### **BADMINTON AWARDS**

ANNA MORELL & JAIME ALLEN
NHS Cup for Badminton
- Girls' Doubles

#### SPORTS SPECIAL AWARDS

ANNA MORELL

NHS Fair Play Award - for Fair Play in any Sport

**LEON MATTHEWS** 

Principal's Award for Excellence in Sport

CUSHLA LICHTWARK

Principal's Award

-for Contribution to Sport

SARAH UMAKI

Principal's Award
- for Contribution to Sport

### The Chemically Imbalanced Cerebal Correses of 1997

By the end of January 1997 the exams held in November of 96 were a distant memory, except for one thing - the results. This meant many ex 5th and 7th formers were hanging around their mailboxes like bad smells and hounding the postman for news. Anxiously they awaited those precious results.

Those Bursary elites who gained an A Bursary included N H S's fantabulous Dux of 96, Amanda Farmilo, and our ex editor of the student magazine. Murray Nathan.

The B Bursary brainboxes who also 'did the school proud' were Paul Singh, Joanne McLean, Grant Lee and Anna Campbell.

The little bubs (5th's) had their first taste of REAL pressure in School Certificate. The cream of the 96 crop were Trudi Dawson, Kirk Spragg and Sarah Vining, who all did very well.

#### Wai Maths '97

Wai Maths this year was a very exciting and challenging event for all who competed!! Even though I did not go as a competitor, I still had fun working out the puzzles they had for the spectators! Those who competed were:

3rd Form:

Vicki Crosby

Shantelle Simon Kelly-Anne Jackson

4th Form:

Jeremy Bennett

Jonathan Derecourt

lan Cameron

5<sup>th</sup> Form:

Kathleen Saunders

Anne-Marie Spragg Natasha London

Although they did not get a placing, they deserve recognition for all their hard work. Wai Maths was a great experience for them and I think Miss Umaki and Mr Crawford deserve a **HUGE** thanks for their contribution.

## A & B Bursaries '96 Central Districts' Geography Award

The following 5th form students entered an examination competition run by the Manawatu Geography Association. They attained the following results:

MERIT:

Vaughan Blair

CREDIT:

Dale Hills

Sonny Shepherd Terasina Poihipi Kiley Colwell Kathleen Saunders

#### Australian Science '97

Kirk Spragg Vaughan Blair Jeremy Bennett

(Y12/F6) (Y11/F5) (Y10/F4)

Credit Credit Credit

Credit = Top 30% of the local region

Erin Pollard Kylie Blade

(Y13/F7) (Y9/F3) A

A = Top 20% of the school

#### Australian Maths '97

Of the people who entered this outstanding competition, two people gained credit passes. They are:

Ian Cameron Jeremy Bennett Credit

Credit

## SCHOOL FAIL School and NIWA

#### School-

On Wednesday 28 May approximately one hundred students exhibited their Science Fair projects. These were a result of hard work and based on their own choice of a science topic.

WEL Energy Trust sponsored all schools in the Waikato \$250. This was used for paints and prizes. The prizes helped busy students make the Science Fair more of a priority than they might have otherwise (Yeah, money!!). Students spent the morning polishing up their exhibits and gluing everything together, with increased pressure as lunchtime approached.

During lunchtime everyone had the opportunity to look at the displays and vote for their choice of best junior and senior exhibit.

After lunch students stood beside their exhibits and talked to the celebrity judges (Ms Cavanagh and Donna Thompson from the Police) about their project. Everyone was confident and enthusiastic. There was a real buzz of excitement and pride at their own achievements.

The top quarter of these exhibits were polished up for the NIWA Science Fair in Claudelands. The other students had the opportunity to produce their best work in an encouraging environment, without being totally overwhelmed by the standard of many exhibits at the NIWA Science Fair.

The winners were:

#### \$50 BEST SENIOR EXHIBIT:

NHS Wildlife - Jenyce Campbell, Sarah Vining, Kristin Heldaas.

#### \$50 BEST JUNIOR EXHIBIT:

FIRST EQUAL: Freeze Drying - Jeremy Bennett, Oil Slicks - Elizabeth Saunders, Kelly Williamson, Jaimee Thorpe.

Highly Commended and continued to the NIWA Science Fair:

#### SENIORS:

Leaching from the Dump - Helen Crosby, Jennie Thorpe.

How good is your Nose - Annmarie Spragg, Nyree Hopa

#### JUNIORS:

Crystals - Amy Parnwell, Alicia Sunnex, Amanda Bull.

Boats - Ian Cameron, Danny Shea. Chestnut Opener - David Hagan.

Quail Farming - Mason Moana, Zane Cameron, Jonathan Mackie.

Solar System - Navreet Singh, Kimberly Bell.

Stereo Speakers - Rhyan Taylor, Duran Walters, Brinley Muru.

Spider Drawing - Hannah Tobin, Dianne Brown. - Kathy Anso

#### NIWA

Several students attended the NIWA Science Fair, the Waikato Science exhibit competition. All these students represented the school well, and had an enjoyable day with the other 'science freaks' of the area. The following students achieved recognition and prizes, that were worked for and well deserved.

David Hagan - Second in Fm 3-4 Technology, \$50.00 Jeremy Bennett - Third in Fm 3-4 Technology,

\$30.00

Zane Cameron, Mason Moana and Johnathon Mackie as a team received an award of 'Highly Commended' in their section of Fm 3-4 Biological Display, and also a special award of \$60.00 for animal production exhibits.

## Graduates

The University of Waikato

Miria I Te Karaka BRADSHAW Bachelor of Law

Tuti Judy COOPER
Bachelor of Social Sciences

Stephen Graeme CROWTHER
Post Graduate Diploma of Social Sciences
Technology with Distinction

Peter Neal DAWSON Bachelor of Social sciences

Amelia Rangiahua GRAY
Continuing Education
Te Timatanga Hou

Andrew GRAY
Bachelor of Social Sciences

Donna Margaret HOLLIS
Backelor of Managements Studies with First
Class Honours

Kimai Fatalehi HUIRAMA Bachelor of Science and Technology

> Halen Marie KEAST Diploma of Teaching

Scott Warren MACKENZIE
Bachelor of Education

Karen Lee-anne MATTHEWS Bachelor of Management Studies with Second Class Honoars

Rangimarie MORCAN
Diploma of Teaching

Mapera NAERA
Continuing Education
Te Tivaatanga Hou

Tabi-O-Hurae Teaomarana RANGIAWHA Continuing Education Te Timatanga Hou

> Arthur Tepa KHIND Diploma of Teaching

Terence SINGH International Professional Law Studies

> Tracy Ellen WADE Bachelor of Social Sciences

Hera Sally WHITE Master of Business Administration

The University of Auckland

Bradley Reuben James BOTTING Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Law

Brent Thomas MCGRATH
Diploma of Management

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#### Mental Asylum Escapees

Back Row: Wai Matthews, Daph Wharakura, Steve Mellor, Alastair Johnston, Jackie Koelet,

Sandy MacDonald, Doug Marsh, Gail Wharakura, Trewyn Small.

4th Row: Vicki Williams, Mary Rogers, Kathy Anso, Leonie Graham, Lorraine Middleton,

Rosemarie Cann, Yvonne Nikora, Myrtle Reid.

3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Hinerangi Eketone, Lena Mabbett, Robyn Cresswell, Raewyn Rapana,

Noel Haworth, Donna West, Rawinia O'Brien, Sindy Hanes, Justine Chinnery.

2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Alison Tuck, Poppy Ranga, Chris Jarnet, Sandra Umaki, Paul Royal,

Geoff Short, Jackie Crush, Joan Myles, Linda Sabbage, Rita Horomona.

Front Row: Lalita Hari, Jessie Johnston, Phil Rietema, Robyn Roa, Barbara Cavanagh,

Richard Crawford, Peter Mans, Pam Gray, Rowan Mataira.

Absent: Charis Rata, Paul Flanagan, Meri Taha, Junelle Williams, Betty Cooper,

Colin Smith, Paul Van Wering, Sarah Kirk, Leighton Edwards, Beverley Oliver.

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#### Poppy Ranga (Maori)

HOD of Maori, with a great attitude and a friendly nature. She's always there to tautoko (support) any student and peers. We might add that she's a terrible driver (Poppy, you can take that up with a certain English teacher

who wishes to remain anonymous).



#### Vicki Williams (English)

First year teacher. taking on the junior and some senior English classes. Fresh out of Uni, but no timid signs. Great fashion sense. Unknown to her that is greatly admired by the students, a stalk of vouth among a barrel of

elders!!!!

#### **Richard Robyns** (English)

Yet another Cavanagh's imports from Fairfield. New HOD English, who loves to laugh, generally at the students, an old man trying to be young - 'I'm going to the Blur concert' 'I had tickets to the Oasis

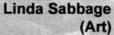
concert' - really an up and coming politician





#### **Henry Jacobs** (Maths)

A new and improved maths teacher with a babe son (literally). All the info on the wine anyone could ever wish for, his mission is to graduate a class of Vintologists.



A new and awesome asset to the Ngaruawahia High School Art. whose visualisation and unique style has totally changed the student perspective on Art, and life in general. A great teacher who dared



students and teachers to break the norm (bring



## THE GONNERS

Geoff Short (English)
Came in 1994, met the
students, met Mataira, fell in
love with both. However
subsequently the latter won,
and followed her to the windy
south.



**Justine Chinnery** 

(P.E)

Sports Co-ordinator and general in the gym person. Taught health to the juniors, and managed to co-ordinate the 6<sup>th</sup> form P.E classes.



Rowan Mataira (English)

Caught a Jon Dory on her fishing line as she charmed the students. Then the capital called, so begrudgingly sailed out of our lives (with the Dory caught hooked, line and sinker).



Sandra Umaki

(Maths)

Heading the Maths Department with grace and style. A foreign topic to most, however she managed to understand it completely. A tolerance level bewildering the most 'trying'



students, and patience that surpassed all of our

understanding.

Dean of Pare Hauraki who has served us well and gained the admiration of many students along the way. Thanks heaps for your time and valued input (Also manager of the successful girls First XV rugby team of 1997)



Alistair Johnston (Music)

21 yrs of blood sweat and huge tears, in the mouth of the NHS Music Department. Totally liked and enjoyed by all, NHS won't be the same again. Thank you so much.

Steve Mellor

(Maths)



He came, he conquered, he went. A short lived reign. An English gentleman, with a great accent.

Kathy Anso

(Science)

Nine yrs of Chemistry and general Science teaching, famous coiffure styles, ranging from B-52 landing strips, chess boards, to Joseph's techni-coloured 'hair' dreamcoat. Flying South to Naenae College for a new, and better position.



Leighton Edwards (P.E)
Whakatane graduate with
not-so-great balance on the
water, but great paddling
techniques (Waikato River),
a sporty teacher who livened
up the year, though grossly
out-numbered by the women.



## Up Yer Kilt!

#### NO JOB, NO HOUSE, NO MONEY.

In October 1995 my family, all six of us, left the fine shores of Godzone and traveled for 36 hours in an aeroplane to the land of kilt and haggis, Scotland.

The decision to travel with nothing planned may seem at first a little irrational, but this was our great adventure and to plan too much would take away the edge and excitement. We traveled to Scotland to view at first hand our long and proud heritage. My family have lived in the same area of Aberdeenshire for at least the past four hundred years.

I did find a job, in fact I had seven for most of the 14 months we were away. I taught in four different schools, drove trucks, worked as a carpenter and for a month worked all night in large supermarkets checking the computer systems. We found an excellent house and even made a little money.

The school system is very similar to New Zealand. In fact a lot of our school system is based upon the Scottish. All teachers wear business attire; suits and ties for men, dresses and jackets for women. All Primary School children wear a uniform, but no High School students wear uniform apart from private schools. Students start High School at our form two year and are called first year students.

Living in another country means you need to be aware of the many differences. I stopped saying YES, (nobody understood). The word aye now became 'Nay, or Noo.

I had to slow my speech down because Kiwis speak quite quickly and it took some time for the locals to get used to my accent. More often than not you are called Australian, but that was easily fixed when you called them English. You will need to read your history to understand why.

People live in much smaller homes than we do, and do not have very much private land. Parks are very popular, especially in the Summer. The weather is very similar to New Zealand, don't believe the rubbish about it raining all the time. It does get cold in the Winter however, -21 degrees. The only difference is you wear a hat, gloves and a heavy coat.

The Scots are a wonderful people, I should know, I am part of them. They are very generous in both time and assistance. From bus drivers to policemen, every person we met was kind and helpful. Students are exactly the same as Kiwi students, same interests, worries and attitudes.

We lived in Edinburgh, the Dunedin of the North, where humans have lived since man has been in Europe. History is everywhere in the buildings. Locals live in homes that are four to six hundred years old. Of course they have been modernised inside. Any new buildings built in Edinburgh now must match existing buildings.

The Scots are very proud people, who know their history and what they believe are the right and wrongs of it. The kilt is being worn on a more regular

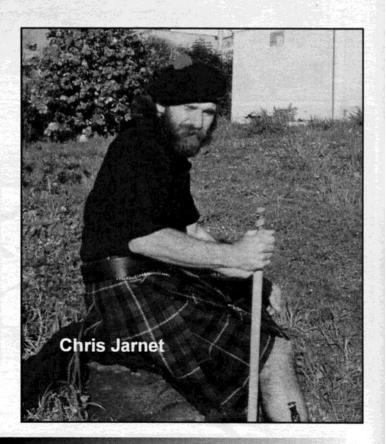
basis during the day, especially by the young to sporting events and socials.

We traveled throughout Scotland, Wales and England during our stay and although we saw many wonderful things there was a lot that we did not see. One of the more unusual things that we found were the dozens of beggars on the main streets of the cities. Some of these people are professional beggars and make a good living out of begging. Some play musical instruments but most just sit and beg. Unemployed people can also sell a magazine called 'The Big Issue' and keep some of the proceeds.

Christmas is not celebrated as much as Hogmanay (New Year) where Viking boats are burnt. There are processions with flaming torches and lots of toasting. Hogmanay also has traditions such as first footing, which takes place at midnight.

Halloween is also celebrated with great zeal. Children dress up as Goblins and Ghouls and visit neighbours who give them small amounts of cash and lollies after the children have sung a song or preformed some sort of theatre. This of course takes place in October which is in the Northern hemisphere's cold Autumn.

The decision to leave New Zealand and the manner with which we did it has left us with no regrets. The experiences, the people and the personal growth that each of us has had cannot be measured.



Organised - In the absence of Teachers

Friendly - 9/10 of the time

Fantastic - always

ntelligent - all 4 of us

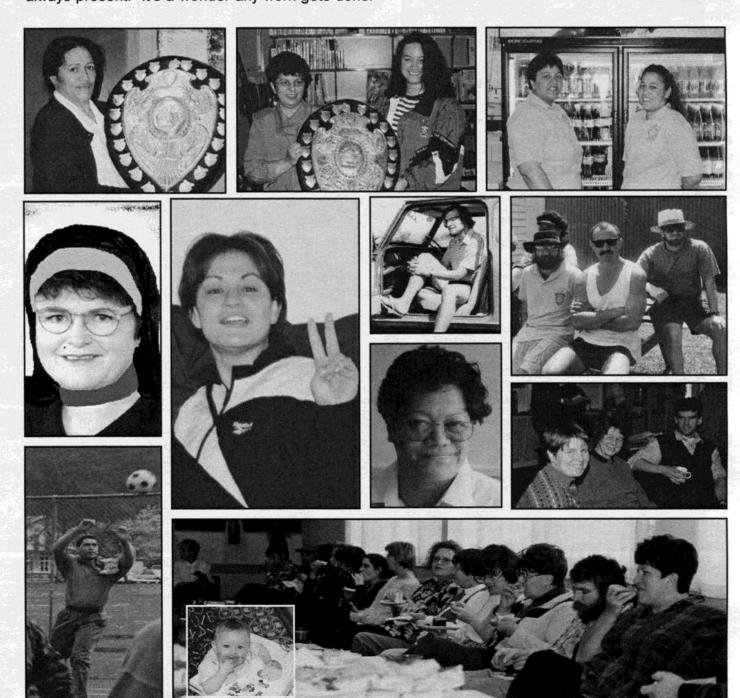
Courteous - Even when teachers interrupt us

Energetic - Before morning smoko

With Yvonne at the helm the office manages to run well, of course with the support of Sindy, Gail and Caroline. When the phone rings constantly, the teachers nag endlessly and the students' needs are always present. It's a wonder any work gets done.



However we manage due to having such a gun team. Besides without all of the above we'd be redundant and bored. Truth be known we enjoy every bit of it year after year.





### OH NO! It's the dang

#### Kees Van Den Munckhof

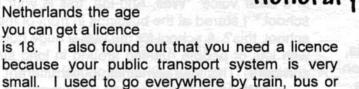
Kia Ora

My name is Kees and I'm from the Netherlands. Some of you already know me, but I'll still write something about myself, my country and what I think of New Zealand.

Before I came to New Zealand I heard that it was a very beautiful country with a lot of space, especially on the South Island. I heard that there were lots more sheep than people over here. I found this to be true and a big change for me. I am from a small country with a much bigger population than New Zealand. New Zealand has about 3 million inhabitants and the Netherlands have 15 million, while New Zealand is about 20 times bigger, maybe more.

I enjoy this school because it's so small

compared to my old school. Everybody knows each other. I had quite a big culture shock in my first week over here. There are a lot of things I'm not allowed to do here which are normal in Netherlands. like going out to bars drinking and alcohol. On the other hand you can have your drivers licence when you're 16, while in the Netherlands the age vou can get a licence



bicycle in Holland. I found out that its not really

#### Kristin Heldaas

**Kia Ora Mates!** 

This is "Norway" speaking, what's up?
Well, hopefully, you've guessed that this is Kristin who's trying to write something sensible for the magazine. Actually, it doesn't seem right to call myself a Norwegian anymore. I feel just like I'm one of you guys. Norway, where's that!!!???

This has been the best year in my life. I've been so lucky to be the one selected to stay with my family here in Ngaruawahia, and to attend Ngaruawahia High. I feel, like I'm the luckiest AFSer in the world. I'll never forget the first day at school. All the crazy slang words, a new language, heaps of people walking around, no wonder I felt so confused. But thanks to some

awesome 7th formers I survived my first day at Ngaruawahia High and I'm still alive.... WOW! No, seriously, the staff, teachers, students, have all friendly. been so helpful and nice. You've made me feel like I'm one of you. THANKS HEAPS!!!

You guys have something that's really unique here at this school. The relaxed relationship between teachers and students, the whole school stand together



#### Honorary Maoris

(Smokefree Stage Challenge - which I really enjoyed!), and how easy going and relaxed everybody is. Some of the stuff people do here - the art and craft work, Kapa Haka, the aerobics team etc. - are

## EXCHANGE STUDENTS!

awesome! Be proud of yourselves! I think you don't realise how lucky you are, it's easier for me, I'm used to boring subjects, hard competition between students, stress and hours of homework. This year is like a cruise, and I love it! I really feel like a Kiwi now. I dream of cows and count sheep (that was another stupid joke). The only thing I can't stand is vegemite and marmite, how can you eat that crap!

I don't want to think of what I'm going to feel when I leave New Zealand in January. I will probably cry so loud at the airport that you will all hear me. Oh, how I'm going to miss Aotearoa.

I will never forget this very special year, I have learned so much! If you ever have the chance to do AFS or go overseas, JUST DO IT!

To all the 7<sup>th</sup> formers, you're so lucky to have finished with school. I've still got 1 ½ years to go. Graduation is when I'm 20 years old. To all my nice, sweet friends who call me a funny speaking foreigner and hassle me all the time, thanks for all you've done for me. I'll really miss you heaps and you will always be in my heart. I know for sure that I'm coming back one day and you are all invited to my reunion when I sail up the Waikato River in my submarine as the Captain. So see ya there!

If you ever come to the home of Santa Claus, Barbies, Blonde girls and boys, polar bears, reindeer and midnight sun - Norway please come and see me, my house is always open.

The brown cheese sandwiches will wait for you while we have a game of basketball and ride the reindeers (some 7<sup>th</sup> formers actually believed that one).

LIFE IS SHORT LIVE IT TO THE FULLEST WHILE YOU CAN!

> I'll never forget you, Heaps of Love KRISTIN (Who once used to be a Norwegian)

#### Ben Wax

My name is Ben Wax. I live in Columbia, Missouri. Columbia is about the size of Hamilton. I have lived there my entire life. I left Columbia on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1997 to come to New Zealand for 6

months through a student exchange program.

Everyone has made me feel very welcomed. After I graduated from High School in June of 1997, I figured that I'd learn more through a student program than I would at my first year of University. So I came here.

I have been here for two months now and I've really enjoyed it. New Zealander's are some of the most friendly people I've ever met.

Over the last couple of months I've noticed many differences between America and New Zealand. For example, the schools are set up differently. Instead of forms, we have grades. The 7<sup>th</sup> form here is equivalent to the 12<sup>th</sup> grade in America and when we complete the 12<sup>th</sup> grade, we graduate from High School and have a big graduation ceremony.

Another thing that I've noticed is that very few teenagers here have jobs whereas back in America, nearly everyone starts working after school by the time they're 15. Subsequently most American teenagers usually have a car when they get their licence at the age of16.

A misconception that many New Zealander's, and people all over the world, have is that there is a great deal of violence in America (Yawn). Well there is no more violence in America than there is anywhere else in the world. America is a very safe and peaceful place and I am proud to call it my home. The big cities in America do have their problems, but so do Auckland, Sydney, London, Tokyo, and every other large city in the world.

Those are some of the major differences I've seen in the time that I've been here. I've really been having a good time and I know that I'm gonna be sad to leave.

#### Ann-Ida Eliasson

My New Zealand mum, Nancy Lichtwark parked the car, turned around to me and declared in a clear voice: "Well, Ann-Ida, this is your new school." I stared at the buildings in front of me. A school, this? A school for me was a huge building with lots of people running around in long sterile corridors, This was something quite different.

When I came inside and saw all the photos on the wall and the carpets on the floors I

## Oh, No! Not another

got even more surprised. This was not a school - this was a home.

I have been here for almost two months and realise it is a school, even if it is very different

from my old school. My old school has about 1200 students aged between 16 and 20 years old, so you are more anonymous. I can still get that 'home feeling' here. probably because of the nice atmosphere and the fact that everyone knows everything about everybody.

To come here was like getting a big hug, as all the pupils

and most of the teachers are very nice, so talkative and open-minded. Swedes are often quite shy (I am not), so it is easier to get to know people here than it would be if I was an exchange student just new to Sweden.

The biggest difference is that I live on a farm here. At home I live in Stockholm, the capital of Sweden. It was a bit of a shock at first, but now I really like the peaceful quietness and to live so close to nature. I will miss these things the most when I return next year to Sweden.

Kiwis and Ngaruawahia High School have got right into my heart. I am lucky to have a great family here which tries really hard to make me feel at home and become a Kiwi. I am sure this year in New Zealand will be the best one of my life.

Arohanui Ann-Ida

(PS: Blonde is clever!!)

#### Nina Spinner

Hello to all NHS students. I'm sure most of you already know me, my name is Nina Spinner. I am from Germany and have come to

NZ for a schooling year through EF.

From the time when I first thought about spending a year abroad, I was sure I wanted to come to NZ. I watched a film one day about NZ

on TV and I was impressed by the b e a u t i f u I countryside and the culture, plus there is no further destination. Yes I was a bit bored of seeing the same things every day, every week, every year.

My mother allowed me to come here because she thinks the people are as innocent as their sheep (she has

some weird misconceptions about NZ)!! But have no fear, I haven't told her the truth - yet. I like what I've seen so far, so I'll be here for a while!!

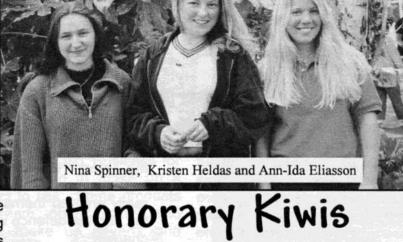
Everything here is completely different from what I know. In Germany I live in a village with approx 2,800 people and I thought that quiet. Now I live in a house between Taupiri and Orini, in the middle of nowhere - like many of you!!. I had some problems with this fact in the beginning, but now I'm used to it and I enjoy it.

This school is very likeable. Back home, I have to study 12 subjects and the schooling is very hard, we even start at 7:30am!! (what she doesn t tell you however is that she finishes at 1:30pm - Ed.). What I enjoy most is art and craft, because I am able to work with my hands, compared to mostly intellectual subjects, that I can study at home.

At home, I attend the Albertus Magnius Gymnasium, and I will still be in school when the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> formers go to university.

Most people are really nice and friendly here so I'm not yet home sick. I'm enjoying my stay in NZ and I hope that I can go home with a lot of new friends.





#### **Duffy Books 1997**

Duffy Books are actually quite cool (for a turd!) You get free books in the third and fourth form, and a special assembly where they are presented by special guests. Each student was given at least six books, some managed to get twice that many. I'd just liketo thank Duffy for the books that they havegiven us! It is greatly appreciated. Can't wait till next year!

#### The Maths Man

On the 26<sup>th</sup> of June all the third and fourth formers of Ngaruawahia High School were asked to attend a show all about Maths. Due to the fact that not everybody was very enthusiastic about the subject, many were not looking forward to it. When the time came for us to go, we were all really surprised at the enthusiasm of 'The Maths Man'.

A lot of us thought he was a bit strange at the time, probably because he wore his tie backwards and the funny little pictures he drew were made entirely of numbers. He was funny, bouncy and had really great ways of getting the idea of how much fun maths can be into everybody's head. Over all I think everyone enjoyed the show, I bet they can't wait till he comes back next year.

Kelly Williamson

#### **3PH's Court Session**

Sometime around the second semester of this year, 3PH's Social Studies class had their own court session. Mrs Roa had the job of assigning certain jobs to certain people. To many people's surprise. Mrs Roa chose Victor Gomes as the Judge. With him being judge, everyone was in for a laugh! We had prosecuting lawyers who were Megan Montford and Stuart Whitehouse. They put up a very good fight against the two defence lawyers. Saunders and myself. Kelly Wlliamson. There were also three offenders, a jury and all the people you would expect to be in a real court session. Mr Rietema came in to watch us in action. He was very impressed by the work that had been put into the organisation of the court session. Everyone really enjoyed themselves, and (of course!) in the end the defence won, but one offender was charged.

Kelly Williamson

#### Romeo & Juliet

Earlier this year our 3rds and 4ths went to see the famous Shakespeare film "Romeo and Juliet". The general consensus was that it was 'OK", a little sad and the language hard to understand in parts.



#### Te Ao Hou

Sometime during the year the 4th formers went to Te Ao Hou, a careers' advice day that was held at the Hamilton Gardens Pavilion. Mike King. the comedian, and Emma Paki. singer, were there to give advice and to meet the students. A good time was had by all

#### 4ths Debate

Sometime during this year a group of 4th formers - Mason, Tuhonia and Jeremy travelled to Sacred Heart High School to compete in a few Debates. They all represented NHS very well winning one debate and narrowly losing the other.

#### Economics

The 4th form had a busy time in Economics this year. They had an Economics quiz to find out 'who's the best' and they also did 'Business for Economics'. In this they had to make up a business with a product to sell. Some products included selling ice-cream, photo frames and pants. They had to make up adverts and newsletters to promote their products. The point of the exercise was to see just how a business runs and how much work it really is.







### 5ths Stuff

The 5th formers this year had a pretty busy year but unfortunately it was mostly exams and study. Our S.C art students produced some amazing work this year and we would like to commend them on that. We would also like to add **Good luck for your exams!!!** 



## The Seven Dwarfs

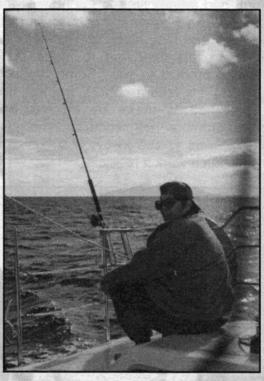
Three days in April changed the lives of seven brave students, two boisterous teachers and one bobby, thanks to Mr 'Unbelievably Short' Rietema. After testing his brakes by leaving skid marks all over the road Mr Rietima led no longer brave, but weak kneed students from the school van to the docks.

After a crash course in 'how to sail', Unbelievably Short and his side kick Dopey Bacon Man (Daryl the Bobby) pushed off and we were at their mercy. The first day turned out to be great but after a delicious meal cooked by Birdy, soon to be renamed Greasy, we let our guards down and began to relax. Suddenly a whole bunch of strangers were revealed and we began, once again, to doubt our sanity.

Andrew Skinner's true nature was revealed whilst trying to become better acquainted with Kristin (the Viking), he was subsequently renamed Sleazy. David due to his naievity, or stupidity, earned the name Easy. Following an interesting (NOT!) conversation on agriculture Anna was renamed Guernsey due to her amazing knowledge on the topic. Rachel's usual self-obsession gained her the name of Precious. With a few days to go each member of the crew revealed their innerselves.









# And Three Clowns

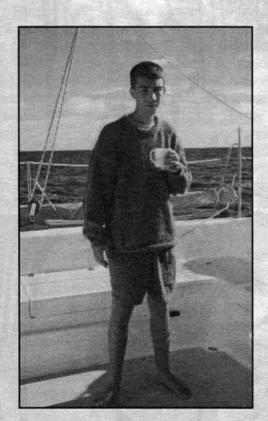
Miss Umaki, Homie Girl, gained her name due to her awesome dress sense and Kiri, not wanting to be left out, gave plenty of reasons for the name Motor Mouth.

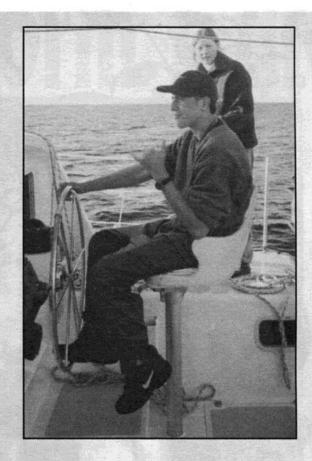
Due to the lack of an alarm clock, Greasy and Easy thought they would help Homie Girl wake up. The onboard CD player was the instrument they used and the melodious tunes of the Smashing Pumpkins permeated the whole boat.

After repeated trips to the 'head', Easy finally figured out how to flush it. After Unbelievably Short had returned from one such trip, we contemplated changing his name to Unbelievably Smelly.

That night was a turning point for Easy. Much to everyone's surprise, he managed to learn a new card game, pick up 52. His card playing future will never be the same again.

Due to Sleazy's intellectual genius the dishes turned from a five minute job into a three hour marathon. He mistook the drainage for a garbage disposal and decided to shove all the left over food down the hole.





The last and most eventful day will be the most memorable for everyone, especially Greasy. Being the adventurous and trusting person that he is he decided to jump behind the boat with a rope and only just managed to keep his pants on.

A special highlight of the trip was the presence of the dolphins. They swam alongside the boat and we were awed at their grace and beauty. The Viking attempted to take photos of them on the side of the boat where there were three while on the other side the seven played blissfully in the sun.

All in all it was a brilliant experience which none of us will ever forget. We gained some incredible insights and experiences and will never again drive with Mr. 'Unbelievably Short' Rietema.



Go Sailing



## seventh form stuff



Feeling hungus? Got the tummy rumbles? Come now to BURGER KING for all your hunger needs, or something like that.

Burger King - a great place for a bunch of hungus social freaks?! with it's absolutely social venue. A full smorgasbord - Breads (hamburger buns), Meat (patties) and Salads (a piece of lettuce), complemented with the finest serving of the best watered down soft drinks and hands-on entertainment - virtual thrills, a little "Time Out" perhaps?

But that's not all. Before we dined we dived head first, some of us, into a game of Tenpin Bowling, where Mr "of course I can bowl" Crawford going hard for 1<sup>st</sup> (as if) in-fact came first at the wrong end (not). Rachel "oh Queen of Pins" Billington skinned all our butts and Leon "superman" Matthews tried his best, but fell just under Mr Crawford.

Was it fun? Fun indeed, watching Mr Crawford slide down the aisle - Sir, I think that's what they made bowling balls for, you should use them sometime. The aim of our outing was to establish a closeness - I think we almost did around the spacie machines. But really we did have fun and we are in the process of planning more outings. A 7<sup>th</sup> form dinner - teachers allowed and hopefully an end of year camp. Not sure about the teachers allowed in this part!! But it's all with the aim of increasing our togetherness and bonding in our final year together.

"Whose shoes?" says Shortie with a smirk on his face. "Mine" she advances proudly as her team just took victory. "Add 10 seconds for that" Shortie's Smirk gets bigger - 7<sup>th</sup> From Camp. What can I say? It was awesome. Just ask Anna Morell and her bunch of merry friends about their late night toilet cleaning duties. The secret is don't talk so loud. And the boys that got locked outside their cabins and spent the night freezing in their sleep.

We also did a range of team building exercises. The blind fold team leader made us all look ridiculous as we ducked for a tree that wasn't there or crawled under a twig which we thought was a huge branch.

We attempted to construct what was supposed to be a tent, and tested each other's patience in a seaweed paddle boat fight.

The two days we had was really not enough. However, it was two days of mayhem and fun. Bonding, closeness and preparing for the year to come in only two days.

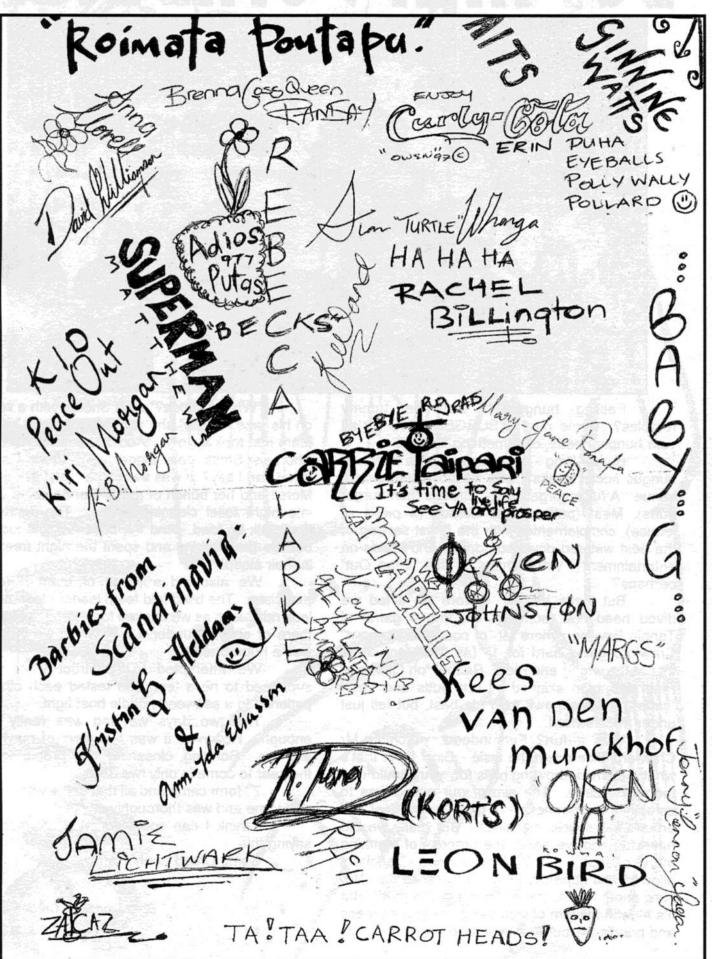
7<sup>th</sup> form camp and all that came with it was awesome and was thoroughly enjoyed.

I think I can speak for all 7<sup>th</sup> formers in saying this.

Camp Dread - hah! Hardly.

Both Stories by Carrie Taipari

## THE ELECT



## SWITH FORM Productions

Here s our wonderful Seventh Form s Future Occupations (FO) and Likely Occupations (LO).

Andrew Skinner: FO - Be an NBA player.

LO - Selling hot dogs to NBA

fans.

Erin Pollard: FO - Polly Wolly Puha goes to

Polytech to be a nurse.

LO - Minnie Croziers double in

Shortland Street.

Rebecca Clark: FO - Goes to Costa Rica on

AFS.

LO - Driving the Kaumahia bus

around Waikato.

Ginnine Watts: FO - World traveller.

LO - Ends up travelling the

Waikato region on the Kaumahia

bus.

Kotiro Turner: FO - A teacher.

LO - Doesn't make it out of Te

Tima Tanga Hou.

Roimata Poutapu: FO - Accounting/Business

management.

LO - Manager of Horotiu Dump.

Kiri Morgan: FO - Wants to be Head of

Tourism.

LO - On her first mission gets

stuck on Gilligan's Island.

Carrie Taipari: FO - Teacher of History and

English.

LO - Opens a chain of muffin outlets after failing 1st year Varsity

called "Carrie Marrie Muffins".

<u>David Williamson:</u> FO - Big time cartoonist.

LO - Becomes Ren's stunt

double.

Owen Johnston: FO - Olympics 2000.

LO - Gets held back after

marrying Rachel.

Rachel Billington: FO - Loving housewife to

Grant.

LO - Dumps Grant to marry

Owen.

Olsen la: FO - Graphic Designer.

LO - Ends up designing the dream toilet for the NHS janitor.

Jamie Lichtwark: FO - Wants to act with

Schwarzenegger.

LO - Starring role in Priscilla,

Queen of the Desert II.

Leon Matthews: FO - Wants to be the next

Superman.

LO - Stars as Aladdin's carpet.

Leon Bird: FO - A lead guitarist in a band.

LO - Backing guitarist for the

Wiggles.

Aaron Billcliff: FO - Carpenter.

LO - Renovates the common

room to be his house.

Raungaiti Ngawhika: FO - Plays league for the Junior

Kiwis.

LO - Water boy for Turanga'

women's league team.

Raymond Moana: Raymond who?

Brenna Ramsey: FO - Wants to be Prime Minister

of NZ.

LO - Winston Peters' wife.

Jenny Fagan: FO - Wants to own her own

business.

LO - Opens an op' shop.

Margo Clarke: FO - Makes it into the NZ

Women's All Black team.

LO - As their uniform girl.

Racheal Kingi: LO - Stuck with Kiri on Gilligan's

Island.

Annabelle Maipi: FO - Wants to be the next

Whitney Houston.

LO - Back up vocalist with Leon

for the Wiggles.

Joy Ward: FO - Crown lawyer

LO - Ends up being the

defendant.

Mary Jane Panapa: FO - A famous actress in

America.

LO - Becomes Jemima on

Playschool.

Kristen Heldaas: FO - Wants to go to Navy.

LO - Marries Fetateech in a

dinghy in Scandanavia. Becomes the Barbie from Scandinavia.

Shauntain Mahara: FO - Check-out girl in New World.

LO- Still mopping the floor for the

Butcher.

Anna Morell: FO - Primary school teacher.

LO - Working at Anchor Mart.

Demelza Adams: FO - Wants to be a Nanny.

LO - Becomes a Nun.

## Stage challenge 197

We arrived late at Founders' Theatre, AGAIN, on the overloaded and stylish (!)



Simpson's buses. (thank you Mr Simpson). The theatre, as usual. was packed with hyped try-hards screaming at the top of their pathetic little lungs. The positive thing about arriving late was missing the boring "we're here for a good day", "it doesn't matter who wins or loses.

we're here to have fun" and "do this, don't do that....." speeches.

As usual, the morning and afternoon was filled with practices and experimenting with lighting and dry ice (in other words, checking out the competition and the 'talent').



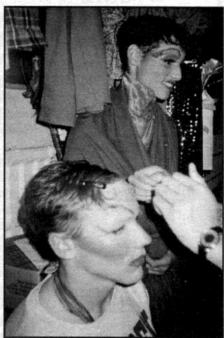
To make the day more interesting, there was a "Comments' Box", in which people who knew they were going to lose could write "good luck", and desperate

chicks from girls-only schools would throw themselves at our proud, good looking, charming, drop dead gorgeous guys. (They enjoyed the attention). There was a few 'I love myself' people who would write love letters to themselves "from the girl across the room", and friends who would kindly drop their friends in it - "the guy in the blue and gold jacket, you are a babe" (!!!).

We were celebrating when we found

out there was no marquee (in which about four or five schools would have to share as a

dressing room), only to find out that we (one of the largest schools) had to share an itsy. teeny, bitsy. tiny, squashed, cramped, and suffocating little room with another school. This year, as we had learned a harsh lesson from the previous year we took extra



precautions to avoid our gears getting pinched when we went to have a feed. This year, to the best of our knowledge, nothing was stolen from anyone.

As the sun was setting, everyone had eaten and began to head back to Founders. Richard, our props and backstage man, took this opportunity to use our video camera as a

ploy to get chicks. We have reason to believe his mission was really only partly successful.

Ngaruawa hia High School was up third to perform thanks to



Ms Mataira's great picking out of the hat talent, which was a great step forward from performing second to last, last year.



Surprisingly, our performance was flawless, no one made a single mistake. The all - female panel of judges were totally impressed with us. Unfortunately, when questions were being asked to our four representatives (our chance to grease up to the judges), we were cut short as our stage crew was just too sharp. To this very day, we are puzzled as to why we didn't get the stage crew and the props award.

After we had finished our stunning performance, we were allowed to be seated amongst the paying audience. We watched with awe, and with admiration at the other schools' performances. When everyone had

finished, our representatives, Jenyce, Jamie, Trudi, Kristin, Maera and Erin proceeded to the stage for the prize giving. A sense of de-ja-vu occurred as all the awards were being announced, and no one seemed to be calling Ngaruawahia High School's name.

Our fingers were totally crossed as they announced the last award - Most Entertaining Performance. And we won it

111111111111111111111111111111 11111111111 finally called out third place. second and then first place. High Fraser School came away with third, Ngaruawahia School High and Tauranga

Girls'



School came away with first.

'Twas a good night for all involved.











#### Smokefree Stage Challenge





# A Night At The Oscars

Once upon a starry night when the moon was shining brightly, about 150 students tottered off to the fairy-tale ball. Okay, back to reality now, but it was a lovely night with the moon shining and plenty of stars filling the sky. This year the annual NHS ball was dubbed "A Night at the Oscars", and was held at Trust Bank Park's Oak Lounge in Hamilton on Saturday 23rd August. The decorations looked Ngaruawahia High School, the food tasted exceptionally good, with plenty to go around this year. Our DJ provided a good range of music to suit all tastes with the odd ballroom dancing song thrown in for good measure.

This years 'Belle of the Ball' went to Margo Clarke and the 'Beau of the Ball' award went to Alan Whanga. Niki Elvy got the award for 'Most Transformed', whilst Jamie Lichtwark and Carrie Taipari came away with the award for 'The Cutest Couple' (in which we still believe to be rigged!!!). Each winner was awarded an Oscar (a hairless gold painted Barbie - nicely painted, thanks to Owen and his little team of helpers). Congratulations to the Ball Committee for an outstanding evening. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and we look forward to next year.







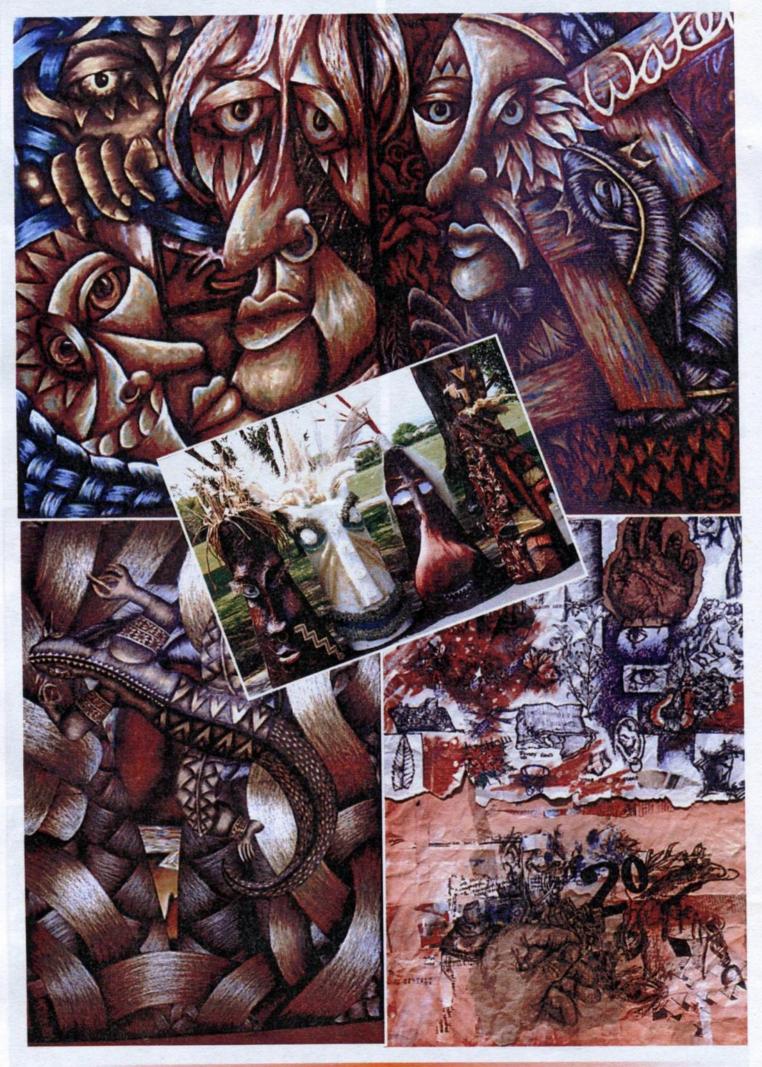


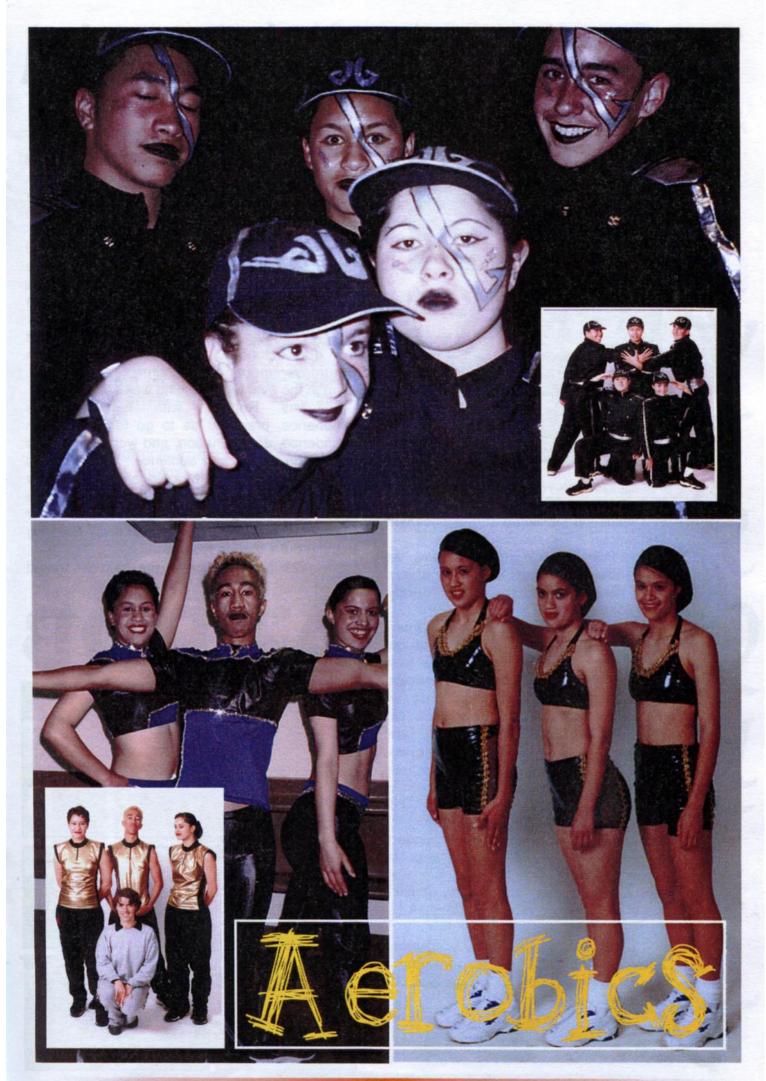












#### MEMBERS:

Quantrelle King, Casey-Mia Hawkins and Deanna Haggie

The 1997 Smokefree Stage Challenge was our first taste of Aerobic Competition. The three of us had trained hard because we really wanted to do our school proud. At that time the focus was Stage Challenge, so we really only had our sights set on the millennium production.



We enjoyed ourselves so much that night, we decided we wanted more. We were stoked when our school was announced 2<sup>nd</sup> in the competition.

Due to this huge success we were able to realise our potential and then decided to pursue our aerobic ambitions.

With the added encouragement of friends, teachers and most of all our family, we decided to train for the New Zealand Secondary Schools Aerobics' competition. Again training was hard.

We had our ups and downs, but with perseverance, commitment and comradeship, on behalf of ourselves, Maria, Mary and the rest of the troop, we blitzed the field. Ngaruawahia proved to be the dazzlers, the winners, "THE BEST".

Being part of the Secondary Schools Aerobics' competition was an amazing buzz. Just to be there was awesome, and then to take out first place in our category was the "CREME DA LA CREME".

So to all you up & coming aerobic FREAKS, set yourselves a goal, work out your objectives and GO HARD!

Deanna Haggie & Casey-Mia Hawkins

### THE GALA

#### MEMBERS:

Maera Paki. Leon Matthews and Jaime Allen

This year has been one of frustration and excitement for the U19 Galaxy aerobics' group. Undertaking <a href="Proud Mary">Proud Mary</a> sung by Tina Turner was a challenge that put us under pressure to complete our routine once, without getting tired!!

Obviously we overcame that pressure and came off with victory, claiming a first at the regional's held at Melville High School. But it wasn't finished just yet!!! We now had to try even harder for the nationals.

Dragging our bodies to training day in and day out: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, even Saturdays, morning, lunchtimes, after school, even in the evenings, nothing was sacred.

Mrs Rogers, with her awesome experience, prepared us to go to the top with confidence, determination, and lycra uniforms to dazzle the judges and audience. Being used to the **LONG** lycra shirts Mrs Rogers had plans for us girls up her sleeve. Beautiful crop tops exposing our very much loved abs, and as for Superman, his 6 pack was hidden away exposing nothing but a man in lycra !!!

Our performance at the national wowed

### AEROB









### XY TEAM

the crowd and the judges, to claim a 2<sup>nd</sup> in the U19 category, losing by only **3 points**!!!!!

We give many thanks to our coach and friend Mary Rogers. Thanks must also go out to Maria Gillet for her encouragement and support. Last but not least our supporters that travelled down to Wellington to be with us - a big THANKS to you all. Our sponsors also came through when we needed them, assisting us with the essential finances.

Leon Superman Matthews - Mr Smooth in all ways ... loved the stage, Casey and lycra. We'll miss you next year, from Jamie and Maera.

Jamie Do it on the night Allen - Miss I don't want to wear the blue stuff ... loved the facials and the abs.

Maera Mighty Morphin Paki

Miss full of energy ... loved the facials and the gears!! Next Power ranger and Arlene Thomas.

Maera Paki

1CS '97











#### MEMBERS:

Maera Paki, Brad Wharakura, Sarah Umaki, Danny Mahara, and Vicki Crosby.



Our aerobics' and dance teams were all very successful winning a 1<sup>st</sup>, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> at the nationals, but I felt we got a lot more out of it than just a couple of medals.

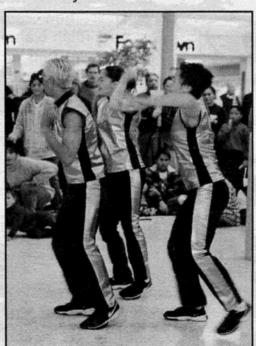
We all got to know each other inside and out. It was choice that we all acted normally around each other, doing things we only usually do at home.

Flying to Wellington was a cool trip but we also performed in lots of other places that included travelling together as Ngaruawahia High School.

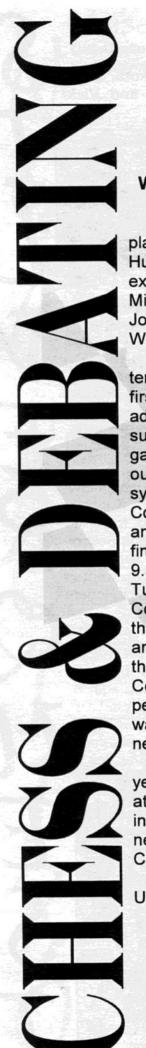
It also involved some fun activities like our dance group went to a step aerobics' class that Mrs Rogers was taking.

Overall, I (being the youngest) found it fun and a great way to meet new people.

Vicki Crosby.



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#### CHESS

WE ARE NOT
INTELLECTUAL, GLASS
WEARING, COMPUTER
TAPPING NERDS.
We are normal average guys.

This year the team only played in one competition versus Huntly College at the annual sports exchange. The team consisted of Mighty Baz, Bruce the Archbishop, Jordan 'Tell us were to go', and Te Whainoa, the 'young' one.

The first round was really tense with each team trying to get and the mental points advantage over each other. To our surprise we won four of the first five games in that round. From then on our team went through and systematically slaughtered Huntly College. When the dust had settled and the clocks stopped ticking the final victory was ours 18.5 points to 9.5 points. We want to thank Mrs Tuck who drove us to Huntly College and our many supporters that filled up many a bus to come and support us. We also want to thank Mr Somebody from Huntly College who let us be the first people to use their new toilets and walk on their new carpet in their new hallways (blah blah blah).

All up, we had an awesome year competing against each other at different times and places, including having full access to the newly established Ngaruawahia Chess Club.

Until the next pawn moves...

Jordan Barber.

#### debating

WE ARE NOT GEEKS! We are true athletes. We work up a sweat just like league players. We stumble like rugby players, we even crash and burn like the New Zealand Cricket team. Debating is a world-class sport and this year's debating team was filled with world-class athletes.

There were seven hard and strong athletes in all. There were four speakers that rotated with each debate, and they were: Matthew 'the Saint' Roche, Kirk 'Slow down' Spragg, Bruce 'I know what I'm doing' Bishop and Kerry 'Point of Order' Callaghan. The three other hard athletes on the team helped with the research part of the debate. They were: Jordan 'Tells All' Barber, Sarah 'I'm not wasting my time' Vining and Trudi 'Don't piss me off' Dawson'!

This year we had ten debates against 'STIFF' opposition. We whittled four of the opposition teams into tears which lead to the eventual winner of the debates. The other debates were a tight finish, either ending up in a draw or a narrow loss.

This year our team was coached by Mrs Middleton and the debating team wishes to thank Mrs Middleton for giving up her time to take us to debates, and her lunchtimes to help us with our speeches.

Until the next debate, see you all later.

Jordan Tells All Barber.



Bruce Bishop, Kirk Spragg, Jordan Barber

## ADUT STUDENTS

Wow! Another year has raced by, passed by, flown by. Yes, I am still here, having completed the gruelling seventh form English load, cool teacher though (Mrs Strother). I have gained a tremendous amount from her and will take that with me where ever I go.

Computers are always a challenge and pleasure. This year was no exception. I would like to thank Mrs Myles for her patience and perseverance and hopefully will walk out with my National Certificate in Computing, an amazing achievement when you consider the fact that I only started it as a leisure activity.

This year there has been five adult students attending Ngaruawahia High School - by choice! We have taken subjects ranging

from Workshop Technology to English to Computer Studies.

It is always a hard step to return to school where everyone is soooooo much younger and brighter. It is also hard to balance family, school life and still try to maintain the lifestyle we are used to.

My dealings with the students have always been interesting to say the least! Most are friendly and welcoming.

Walking through the school without feeling out of place is neat! I thank you all for that. To all the other adults contemplating returning to school ... Give it a go! You will not regret it.

See ya next year, maybe?

Cheryl Bason



Back Row: Brenda Paekau, Christine Simon, Lena Mabbet (Adult Student Administration)
Front Row: Betty Brighouse, Robyn Roa (Adult Student Co-ordinator), Cheryl Bason, Colleen Rynolds

#### THE BEGINNING

The 1997 Kapa Haka group was filled with talented and committed students of all sizes, ages and forms.

Giving up her time and voice, Aunty Pare took the group head on. With her son Matt Paki, by her side, she prepared the group for the Manu Ariki competition held down in Taumaranui, 'the wops' Adapting waiata's from Tipene and Wikitoria, Nga tama A rangi, and the talented Matiu Paki our programme was DA BOMB!!

Our time finally came to express ourselves on stage. It was now time to see if the stress full, hair pulling live-ins and practices Aunty Pare, Matt, Whaea Roa, and Whaea Poppy had seen, would pay off.

We entered onto the stage, strutting our stuff, with ihi and mana impressing the judges and audience. Coming off with pride and strength we knew we had done the damage. That was at the beginning of the year....

Now after months of relaxation, we got back together to prepare for the

#### MANU ARIKI REGIONALS

Manu Ariki regionals.

Earlier this year Ngaruawahia High School was lucky enough to compete in the national cultural festival held at Manu Ariki marae in Taumaranui. I was feeling very privileged to compete in a national competition for the first time.

We left after school which was pretty cool, we didn't have school the next day.

I thought we were going to have a quiet trip after a stressful day at school but no such <u>luck!</u> Some people were listening to some mean sounds, others were either cracking heaps of hilarious jokes or trying to relax before the big day.

The road was continuous, and I was starting to wonder if we were ever gonna get there. I felt really relieved when I saw a sign saying MANU ARIKI MARAE.



Once we were in the marae we were shown our room. We dumped our stuff and were led to the whare kai for one beautiful meal. After that we either checked out the magnificent place or had a shower and settled in for a good night's rest.

The next day was here and it was time for us to get changed into our "FLASH" uniform. We had breakfast, and then waited around for the powhiri at 9:00 am.

It was finally time for the powhiri. It took ages and there were heaps of groups attending this. We were even accompanied by a local school which was also competing in the cultural festival.



The first category, was of course, the midgets from the kohangas. They looked cute in their piupius. A while later it was our turn.

We were led onto stage with the boys being led by Jesse Royal and the girls being led by Te Manawaroa Teinakore. Our start was extraordinary, and the rest of the performance followed on.

We did not gain a place but overall performed extremely well. However, we did get first for dress and discipline, second for our primo choral and third for our poi. We were delighted.

Before we got into our drop off zones, we had tea at Mac Donald's and KFC in Te Awamutu. Once again, delightful!

After dropping off the Hamilton crew and the people who wanted to get dropped off along our journey, we were eventually greeted by some waiting parents at school.

We would just like to give our thanks to Whaea Pare and Matiu Paki for their time and hospitality.

Thanks to Mrs. Roa and Whaea Poppy for their time and help they gave to the group.

Finally thanks to Leon, Jes, Bo, Marrin Maera, Hori and the boyz for teaching us 'turd formers' so much in such a short time.

**Thanks** 

Dallas Tai Rakena and Tutereinga Holland

Leaders for 1997 were: Kiri Morgan and Kotiro Turner,

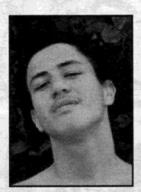
#### THE PEOPLE

Maera Paki Leon Matthews and Jesse Royal

Tutor's: Mrs Pare Paki Matua Waaka Graham

Timeline of events:

March 1997 - Manu Ariki Nationals September 1997 - USA Tour Concert October 1997 - Manu Ariki Regionals (placed second)



Jesse Royal



**Leon Matthews** 



Kiri Morgan





#### WE'RE OFF TO AMERICA THE STUDENTS' SPLURGE

Finally being noticed for our talents and culture, the advantage of performing in a totally different country has come our way. We are off to "America", to travel the nation of crime, sky-scraper buildings, and up most technology.

Aware of the price for airline tickets and other expenses a group of parents and students was formed to bring in ideas to try minimise the expenses for some students. Having monthly meetings, arranging fundraising ideas, and informing the parents of the students attending the trip, generally what's happening, the places we are stopping by, the time of travel, how long it takes to get to our destinations, and the amount the whole trip will cost.



Earlier this year the "Waikato Kapa Haka Regionals" were held at Claudelands show grounds. Taking advantage of this huge event the Kapa Haka group had a stall, selling the very muched loved Maori food. Boil-up, bacon and eggs rolls, chips, steak and egg burgers, cups of tea, coffee and selling our products loudly, was Whaea Poppy. Bringing in heaps of customers we reached an amount over \$700.00 dollars, which was the starting point for our fundraising.

During the June/July holidays, Hopu Hopu camping grounds were hosts for the national league competitions for the U16, and the U18 boys' teams. So off again we went to bring in even more money.

Hiring a 'Big Ben Pies' caravan our shop was stocked up with lollies, chips, pies, drinks, you name it we had it. In competition with other stalls beside us we were out numbered as they sold more of the burgers, chips, boil-ups, and fried bread. But we still brought in a sum of money.

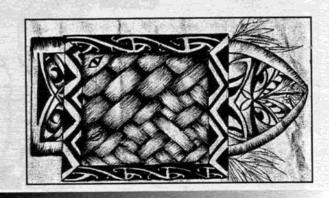
The next biggest fundraising event was the variety show. Set up by the senior students, the night was one enjoyed by many. Special guests starting off with the descendants of Hawaiki expressing their culture with the hula skirts and the drums. Ngaruawahia Primary and their Kapa Haka also attended, as did the many beautiful girls of Queen Victoria, performances by Huntly College, Fraser High School and the well known Rakaumanga.

Music was also a feature in this year's variety concert-music varying from the school's Big Band and the different styles of rapping and dancing from 'Hori's' group.

The main attraction of the night were performances given by the aerobics' groups, who were all place getters at the national aerobics' competitions. First on was the dance group with their slick Michael Jackson uniforms, then 'Nga Kotiro' with their skimpy uniforms and skinny pencil legs. Finally the long awaited aerobics' moves pulled off by Leon, Maera and Jaime to the funky sounds of Tina Turner. But one could not forget the brilliant and funny hosts Womble and Blossom.

There was also a lot of food provided by our very own Daphne Wharakura - thank you very much.

Maera Paki



## WHAEA ROA'S SPLURGE

There will be approximately 30 students travelling to the United States of America next year. This has been an excellent response and we are grateful to the students and their parents for the commitment they have shown. Those who are going have earned their place on this tour.

Throughout the year we have worked

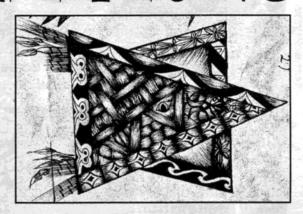


hard fundraising. We have been involved in a variety of activites from catering, to raffles, to organising very successful concerts.

We appreciate the time, effort and organisational skills of parents, students and staff in all the activities we undertook.

There are still a few months left before we leave and we will continue to fundraise for the tour. I would like to thank, in particular, those parents who are always there for us when we need them.

We all look forward to flying out of the Auckland International Airport on the 2nd of April 1998.



**School Promotions** 

The Kapa Haka group teamed up well with our famous aerobics' teams to do promotional concerts for the school around the Waikato. These were most enjoyable and gave each group excellent publicity as welll as promoting the school in a very positive way.

I would like to express our thanks to Lorraine Middleton and Vicki Williams for giving us these opportunities.

Whaea Robyn Roa



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Where would you meet Witches? Where did Richard III entertain unwanted visitors?

What was Shakespeare's wife's iob?

If you know the answer to these then you would probably have done well in the week long Shakespeare Week Quiz that was held in August this year.

Shakespeare seems to be riding a new wave of popularity. Some of this must be due to the new teen hunk

Romeo -Leonardo Di Caprio, but it is the discovery that every generation of students has tales of



love and war, power and corruption that makes sure that Shakespeare will always remain popular.

Along with daily competitions, Shakespeare Week was also celebrated by a costume competition amongst the staff. The costumes were supposed to represent different Shakespeare characters. The range of costumes went from "cor-blimey" to brilliant. As is the nature of these things, everyone won a small prize.

Shakespeare Week coincided with the assessment of 6th form student performance work. The students had spent about six weeks studying the language of Shakespeare, the characters and themes of his plays and how scenes were structured. The students had to form groups in which



they chose themes from the bard's plays, and then scripted, planned, rehearsed and performed before the 6th form

English classes. The amount of effort and energy that went into the successful performances cannot be overstated.

We now look forward to next year, when the Shakespeare Week will be bigger, brighter, flasher...I wonder what the old Bill would think of it!!!







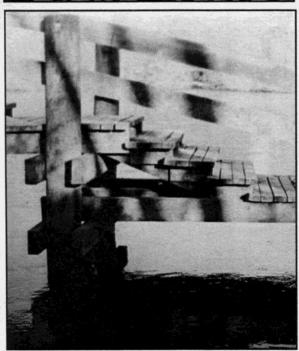


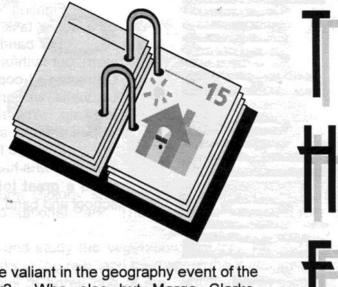


The Weeks: 5 day periods when bribery ran wild, when subject teachers strutted their stuff and tried - real hard to make their subject the most beneficial and most applicable to real life situations.

They began - the 'Weeks' in June. The topic; Geography. The prize; Food - canteen vouchers to be exact. The week consisted of quizzes and trivial pursuits, the questions - totally geographical. So, who won this geography event? Whose hunger was stronger than all others? Whose hunger drove them to pursuit and to succeed -







to be valiant in the geography event of the year? Who else but Margo Clarke, James Harker and David Williamson.

Next came Maths Week in late July. This involved many-a-math questions in the daily notices with tempting prizes such as KING SIZE COCOLATE BARS!! The week ended in an all out stake between the Whanaus in a Math Quiz. Pare Waikato's team (Tania Farmilo, Trudi Dawson, Kylie Blade and Haley Osborne) won the event - but purely by fluke.

The highlight of 'the weeks' was the great tester of mathematical methods and philosophies - the good ol' fashioned 'how many jellybeans or jaffas are in the jar' competition. Many a mischievous method went into winning these prizes - especially the jaffas (just ask Marrin Haggie the undeserving winner of the jaffa competition). All around it was a good week for hungry students such as ourselves.

Finally came Shakespeare Week. This kind of came and went, due to the huge workloads of the sixth formers (ha ha) and the English Department teachers. When Friday came, the teachers let everyone down with their pathetic efforts in their job to dress up Shakespearian. Ms Sabbage, Mr Jarnet and Mr Rietema (and his interesting perspective on Shakespearian dress - lovely blanket that) came ready and prepared. As for the rest of them, well.......

So all in all the weeks were a helpful addition to make the year pass that little bit faster. I don't know if any students fell for their bribes, though many received prizes. Let's just say no-one lasted the year without gaining a kilo or three!!!

W f K

Fighting for tone, timing and treble clefs - the school band takes on a 'super' task.

The band was led again this year by 'Captain Piano' (Mr Johnston), our faithful conductor, with his side kick,' Bugle Boy' (Mr Smith). Gathering a troop of dedicated (when they felt like it) musos, they guided us while we once again dominated music workshops around the Waikato. Why all the references to Superheroes? Because its a pretty 'super' effort by all involved.

Firstly to the big (big?) band this year and most importantly to Mr Johnston who has been our head of music for 21 years, we think you ve done a great job, and to Mr J, we'll definitely miss your input into the school and band. It won't be the same without you!

Erin Pollard

STOP PRESS: They all played so well at the Prizegiving, with their Huntly imports by their sides as always. It was also great to see Ex-Head Boy Grant Lee reprising his role on the drums, banging out those catchy tunes.

#### THE MEMBERS

#### SAX

Leon Bird Owen Johnston David Williamson

#### CLARINET

Erin Pollard Kirk Sprogg Kylie Blade Kelly Williamson Mason Moana Hayley Osborne

#### FLUTE

Kelly Pollard Tuhonia Tihirahi

#### **BASS GUITAR**

Ben Wax

#### GUITAR

Jared Priestley

#### TRUMPET

Brad Wharekura Mr Smith Those Huntly Fullas

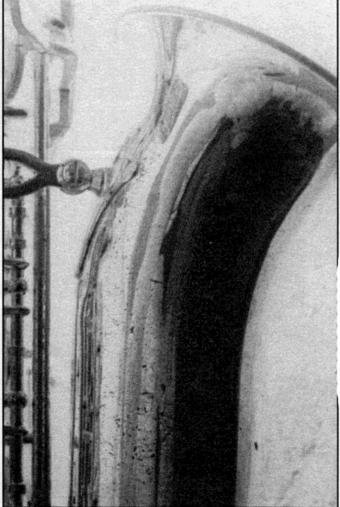
#### **PIANO**

Mr Johnston

#### **DRUMS**

An encore performance by Grant Lee





## 6th Form Bio/Geo

Near the beginning of the year the 6<sup>th</sup> form Biology students combined with the 6<sup>th</sup> form Geography students for a Bio/Geo trip to Tongariro National Park. The trip lasted 3 days (of rain and rage) and 2 (very long) nights.

Our original purpose was to do field work and study the vegetation and land forms (exciting huh!!). We ended up going for very long (fun?) walks in the rain, and then spent the evenings drawing graphs and collating data. I think most would have to agree one of the highlights was stopping in Taupo for Mc D's. No; it wasn't as bad as that and we would like to thank the teachers who came for their time and effort. And Mrs 'J' I hope your leg is better!!. A last word to next years 6<sup>th</sup> form Biology and Geography students......have fun!!!!!!!!.

#### **GEO TRIP**

Two van loads of 6th form Geography students descended upon Victoria Street in a bid to complete part of a unit standard. In Geography terms they were 'mapping' the main drag, well part of it. The students went their various ways and did what they needed to do. Mrs Strother, our trusty driver, and Mrs Tuck, our mentor, found a vantage point wonderful Armadillo's. Eventually we all came back together in Garden Place, took photos and then returned to the fold.





## SIXTH FORM

All Sixth Form students were involved in a three week transition program to end our fantabulous year. The course included a number of visiting speakers which covered a variety of topics relevant to the students needs. (?!?!?!?!?!?!?)

A very interesting, not at all boring!!!, well educated First Aid course was also an aspect that the students focused on in two of the weeks which we had, with everyone passing.

Next, Martial Arts expert Terry Hill ran some exciting, and very enjoyable Self Defensive sessions. I think he left some of the guys with hurt prides as he tackled them to the ground (and he ain't that big a man either). He was too scared (or should I say reluctant) to challenge the girls in case one of the girls injured him (um....well...yeah we wish anyway!!)

Glenys Wood from FPA took the issues surrounding relationships while drink driving issues were the focus for Brenda Richardson, the Police Education Officer. And, of course, Joe Barton covered issues on drug awareness.

To keep students on the move, John Gillet ran a fun and laughable Funk Aerobics session while the sixth form Physical Education class organised a Top Town session. WELL DONE GUYS !!!.

Mr. Marsh accompanied students with the freezing cold adventure ( Good one sir) of tubing from Horotiu to Ngaruawahia in his newly built canoe. We had so much fun jumping off the Horotiu bridge especially Jenyce, who met the water with a rather BIG slap. Praise Gravity.!!! Thanks also to Mr. Rietema and Mrs. Myles who came to our rescue in the boat and also carried our beloved flour bombs for us.

Maori lore was presented by Mr. Royal and Mrs. Roa in Tikanga Maori, and Ms Cavanagh, our Principal, focused students on the year ahead. Also to spice up the life of the students, a Staff/Student debate. The staff were kept on their toes by supposedly not knowing the topic until the actual debate, (Robyns is a crafty man!!!!!!) which if I had to describe in one word would be 'super-fragacalisticexpelodocious.' By the way, baked beans live forever!!!!.



toasting marsh-mallows (or at least the ones who could afford them anyway). I can pretty honestly say a great

A camp for two nights was organised by Mrs. Cann, Mr. Edwards and Mr. Royal during our last week. The destination was Waimango near Kaiaua. Dinner was from the best 'Fish 'n' Chip' Shop in 1980 and 1995 in New Zealand. In the evenings hot baths/swims were taken at the lovely Miranda Hot Pools. The 3 days at the camp were filled in with games, taking a hike up a (big, big, big, big, steep, steep, steep cousin to MT Everest!!!) hill with a ROCKING view, that was I suppose worth the strain. Going for walks along the beach, swimming and sitting around a beach fire singing (well, some of the more confident ones anyway) and



time was had by all and it was one of the best camps I have ever been on. Thanks to the 5 teachers who came along for the ride and who I actually think might have had a enjoyable time. (Though we made sure they risked the wrath of our mothers, and stayed up past our bed time - bring on the sunrise)

Lastly we would like to say a BIG, BIG, BIG, BIG, BIG, BIG, BIG THANK YOU to Mrs. Cann for all her time and energy she put into organising a truly unforgettable last 3 weeks!!!!!!. We had heaps of fun, and it was a great end to the year (For some, even the highlight, eh Andrew?)











\*\*WHAT A VEAR

## VAIKATO REP'S

NETBALL

Under 17

Under 19 Under 21

Awhina Matthews Tiana Haehae Maera Paki **Cushla Lichtwark** 

RUGBY LEAGUE

Under 14

Under 16

**Drew Fletcher** 

Whitu Mete

**Victor Gomes** Richard Whare

**Tangitu Joseph** 

Koro Inia

**Nathanial Middleton** 

**Hayden Wilson Conrad Pita** 

GOLF

Under 21

**Kylie Blade** 

RUGBY

Secondary School Girls

Sarah Umaki **Charlene Brown** Rongomai Berryman **Margo Clarke** Dahlia Tahu

**TOUCH** 

Youth Women's

Dahlia Tahu **Cushla Lichtwark** 

SOFTBALL

Under 17 Female

**Talia Tupp** Tiana Haehae

Under 17 Male

Alex Burt

**ATHLETICS** 

**Damian Hopa** 

Congratulations !!! Keep Up The Hard Work And You'll Go Places!

### NEW YORK NEW YORK

I left NZ on Tuesday the 9th of October and arrived in NEW YORK the next day. Everything was so big, especially the buildings. It was winter in NY, but generally it got hot at lunchtime.

The Achilles Group and myself stayed in the Madison Hotel for six days. We went for a boat tour, saw the Empire State Building and the Statue of Liberty. We had lunch at the Boat Ramp Restaurant in Central Park and also did the Haka there, it sounded mean. Heaps of people from different countries were cheering.

On Sunday was the NY marathon. We got up at 4am to catch the 6am bus. It took half and hour to get to Statten Island and then we had breakfast, I had a bagel, two buns and a hot chocolate. The race started at 8am and there were 30 000 competitors. I was the first person to run over Stratten Island. We ran over the four famous bridges: The Manhatten, Queens, Brooklyn and The Bronx. It took me four hours and 54 minutes to complete the race.

I was the first person out of the Archilles Groups of runners from every country to cross the finish line. I felt really good after the race and was really relieved to finish.

Our last day in NY we rode to the airport in limousines and did not wake until we got to the airport. We then flew to LA on United Airlines and had dinner on the plane.

We stayed at the Howard Johnson Hotel which was not far from McDonald's and Denny's. We went on a tour of Universal Studios and saw the makings of Jaws and Beetle Juice. We then went on heaps of different rides: Back To The Future and Water World to name just a few.

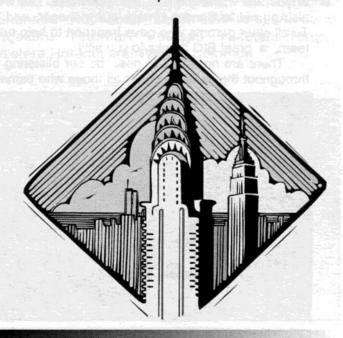
The next day we went to Disneyland and I took heaps of photos of Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck. The next day we came home.

I really enjoyed myself and would like to go back to New York, it is COOL! But I have no real desire to go back to run for four hours and 48 minutes, although I could probably do it a lot faster next time.

Who knows???



Damian Hopa in New York









**Back Row:** 

Rongomai Berryman, Tahlia Tupp

Winifred Sutton, Ritihea Barrett, Riki-lee Peters, Kiri Morgan, Caroline Wood, Middle Row:

Anna Morell, Malana Gray

Front Row: Cushla Lichtwark, Sarah Umaki, Margo Clarke

What a boomer season, for this legendary bunch of talented girls. They are as good as the mighty ALL BLACKS when it comes to doing what they do best, rolling in the mud!

Starting the season with a win at the pre-season tournament, the news breaking story was splashed across all the major daily notices in the school, our heads expanded to an 18-DD.

As we went along more of our players learnt how to play because of the help from John (John Hart) and Shane, we thank them to the muchness. Our thanks also go out to Sandra Umaki, our manager, and Bub. To all other parents who gave transport to help out our team, a great BIG thanks to you all!!!

There are no words to describe our blistering form throughout the season, so for all those who came and

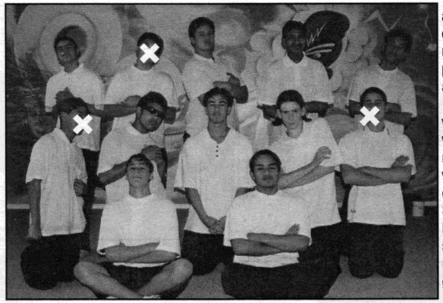




watched, you must feel privileged to have seen the only rugby team in the world that were greater than the ALL BLACKS!

Our season of great play came to an end on a wet and muddy Saturday morning when we faced Te Awamutu in the grand final. Once again a stunning performance by all, only going down by one try. A close but great game!!.

Great season Girls, lets do it all again next year!



Back Row: Glen Allen, Interloper, Rawiri Watene,

Dallas Don, Peter Symons.

Middle Row: Interloper, Brinley Muru, Carl Shepherd,

Jared Jones, Interloper.

Front Row: Duran Walters, Shannon Ropoama

The season started very early. Training began with the Ngaruawahia Rugby Sports' Club senior codes. A few of us even had the occasional game for the under 19 squad who were actually struggling to get a team this year. Thanks to a few of us they ended their season quite well. After that it was time for us to concentrate on our own team.

The first official game began against Tokoroa High School at Tokoroa. We won that game, but as it was with many of our games, it can be a real struggle to play our opposition and referee as well. Through commitment, fair-play, sportsmanship and a positive attitude, our boys were a credit to both the Ngaruawahia High School and to the Ngaruawahia Rugby Sports' Club whom they represented.

They were a keen bunch who were always ready to train and play regardless of the atrocious weather conditions. All of them were disappointed when either a game was cancelled or defaulted. For a few weeks they played with a team of ten. They didn't do too well during that time but from comments made from the opposition's coaches, parents and referees, these boys really did themselves proud.

One of our toughest games was against Hamilton Boys' High and we were totally annihilated. Fortunately we could console ourselves with the fact that they had come second in the National Secondary Schools' Tournament. We congratulated Hamilton Boys' High on a great season this year - but they won't take us lightly next time. So watch out guys!!!!

A great big thank you must go to all those in the team whose dedication, heart and team spirit was something that made us really proud of them this year. We hope to have you all back again next season. Best of luck to all the boys concerned if

they are involved in cultural activities and your

Summer sports.

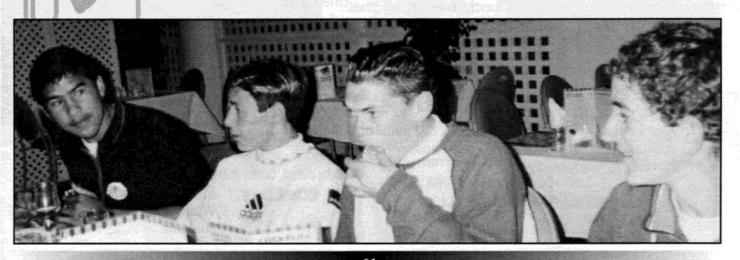
We had a final get together on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> of Septmber at Valentines' Restaurant. It was a really enjoyable night. Special thanks to our supporters (parents) whom we could not have done without.

Our recipients for 1997 are as follows:

Most Improved - Piripi Ranga, Best Forward - Dallas Don, Best Back - Glen Allen, Most Dedicated - Motuwha Kumeroa, Player of the Year - Dallas Don, Sportsman of the Year - Carl Shepherd, Coach - Trevor Don, and Manager - Adrienne Don

#### **Under 15 Boys**

Glen Allen, Dallas Don, Ian Cameron, Zane Cameron, Motuwha Kumeroa, Piripi Ranga, Jared Jones, Carl Shepherd, Billy Muru, Peter Symons, Shannon Ropoama, Duran Walters, Alduane Ngakuru, Tauwhare Poutapu, Tukotahi Tengu, Wetere Herangi and Wetere Solomon.







Back Row: Casey-Mia Hawkins, Te Ngaru Brown, Tahlia Tupp, Courtney

Te Hira,

Front Row: Quantrelle King, Te Aomihi Kumeroa, Deanna Haggie

1997 was a supreme year for our 4<sup>th</sup> form netball team. We had a real struggle keeping our team intact and had to borrow third formers nearly every Saturday. Some of our girls got a bit carried away when it came to aggression, but we played every game to win. This attitude paid off because we narrowly lost to Sacred Heart and were placed second in the final competition.

Our coaches were Sharon Royal and Claire Tapara. They both gave up their Tuesday and Thursday lunch breaks so that they could come and kill us, making us run up and down the courts at least 100 times. They made us see how much Netball talent we really had.

Every Saturday our mothers were on the side line shouting, "Tuck your t-shirt in, or watch your language." They were also a big influence upon us. It was a great season and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

We, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Form A Netball team finished our season successfully by winning our section of the Netball competition and accomplishing the goals we set for ourselves at the start of the season. Some of the teams that were in our section included Sacred Heart, Hamilton Girls, Diocesan, Hillcrest and Fraser High.

Our main key to success was working as a team. If one person did something like spit on her shoes for good luck, the rest of the team would do it! We entered a tournament and did the best we could, but unfortunately we didn't get a placing. We also had a couple of girls selected from our team to trial for the U15 Waikato representative team. We feel we did ourselves, our coach Cushla, and Ngaruawahia High School proud!

Last of all, we would like to say a big thanks to the parents and guardians that helped out with transport and were always there to support us. To Cushla Lichtwark, our coach, thanks for her dedicating and the time devoted to getting us ship-shape!

Vicki Crosby



Back Row:

Shantal Simons, Jacqui Pouaka, Tiriti Waiti, Angela Billington, Marcel Waters

Front Row:

Elizabeth Saunders, Maringi Waiti, Vicki Crosby, Kelly-Anne Jackson

## VOLLEYBALL 1997

#### SENIOR GIRLS 'B'

This year's Senior Girls B Volleyball team was interesting to say the least. Some of us hadn't played since 3rd form, some never for Ngarua's and luckily a few had played for the last year or two. The team consisted of Sabrina 'Big serve' Taha, Ngawai 'ha ha ha' Inia, Caroline 'Come on girls' Wood, Nina 'I can't serve underarm' Spinner, Ann-Ida 'Look out, I'm coming through' Eliasson, Sarah 'I actually hit it' Vining and Tania 'Queen of the floor' Farmilo.

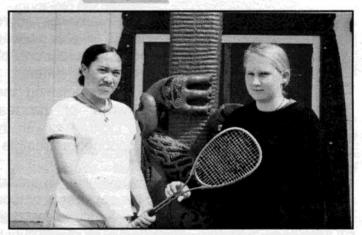
Even though we had never actually had a real practice as such, as we had no coach, we did pretty well the first time we played winning one game and losing the other. As the season came to an end we managed to win most of our games with the exception of only a few. I must make a special mention of Miss Koelet who was a great support. Each week she provided transport for some of the girls, and was always there to cheer us on and wash our shirts. Thanks!!!!! I should also mention of Anna Morell and Natasha London who played a few games for us when we were a bit short of players. Also Vicky-Lee who coached us for a few trainings and gave us some pointers on the fine tuning of our game. Thanks guys!!!!

The actual games themselves were sometimes a bit of a laugh, especially when we played a team who thought they were so hot they could play with their heads. You'll be happy to know we beat them and man did it feel good!!!!! What can I say we're just legends.



The "Legendary" Senior B Girls VolleyBall team

## SQUASH



Sabrina Taha and Caroline Wood, the 'dynamic duo' on the squash court. These 2 performed very well and showed their commitment by going to lessons each week at the Waikato Squash courts.

Look out Susan Devoy!!!!!!!!!

## BASKET BALL PREMIER BOYS V16 BOYS

This year the Ngaruawahia Senior boys Allstar Basketball team had a successful season reaching the senior grade grand finals. The team was comprised with an Allstar selection of players.

Alan **Spud Webb** Whanga dazzled crowds with his stunning ability to rebound. Sam 'Da Man Tapine with awesome ability to dumbfound his unwary opponents, unfortunately could not be with us in the final due to other commitments. Then there was Jolon 'Smile Pointon who always put on a smile for the crowd. Isaac **Thinks he s the man** Royal with his great height tried to take on players bigger than him.



Hori III shoot it Rhind was a great necessity to the team with his reliable shooting. Unfortunately both Hori and Isaac could only play for us in the finals due to other commitments. LD Don t G Ngakuru with his astonishing three pointers. The Twin Towers of the team, Andrew Skinner and Jamie Lichtwark, with their great height made their opponents tremble in fear.

Marrin 'Air time Haggie with his amazing ability to fly, and out-jump his opponents on court. Leon Superman Matthews, a valuable player to the team with his energetic power plays. Last of all, Jesse You can t fade me Royal who tries to use his dribbling skills in any game.

Sadly the season ended and all the members of the team would like to thank their coach Richard Crawford for guiding them to the finals and to all supporters.

The season began with a lot of enthusiasm from a lot of the players. myself included. In the start there were a few wins and some losses which made the basketball teams feel like they. or we were not getting it together. But as the season went on, the team gained more confidence and that helped increase the wins and that also helped our self esteem.

In most games, we had supporters whether it be family or friends. This really helped the team, because we knew we had support on the side line. This was very much appreciated.





The basketball team saw a few different coaches through the season ending with Mr Crawford and Sam's expertise. Our skills had improved by the end of the season, perhaps if the team had one expert coach throughout the whole season, there would be an even greater show of skill and maybe a few more wins.

Overall the season was a good one for basketball. A highlight for me and some others was watching the Waikato basketball team train after one of our games. So you could say the year for basketball was alright.

Inia Hohua

## PREMIER GIRLS BASKETBALL

This years Premier Girls' Basketball team, coached initially by Richard Crawford and then by Lorena Strother, won against Sacred Heart College, Girls' High School, Te Awamutu College, St Peter's College and Diocesan School for Girls. We then managed to beat Cambridge in the semi finals by four points, securing ourselves a place in the finals.

At the Church College gym, support arrived in the loyal form of Ms Cavanagh, Mr Crawford, Mrs Rogers, Mr Edwards, family and friends. We were to play against Church College on the main court ( you know the one with the transparent backboards) in front of a huge crowd. Strutting into the gym trying not to look scared, but enthusiastic and confident we watched the Senior boys battle it out against Fraser in their final.

Changed and ready to go we came together once more as a team. The whistle blew and we drew first blood, Cushla left her opponent kissing the ground and our trusty captain cheered from the sideline as we took it to them. Rongomai played a strong defensive game getting fouled off in the last minutes, while Dahlia was a force to be



reckoned with outscoring everyone. Kotiro was everywhere doing her thing with style, while Maera was Superwoman incarnate. Anna played strong and didn't let the girls push her around, Jaime played as best as her foot would allow her to. Kiri was supportive, going out and doing her job well. It was good to have Shannah there keeping Mrs Strother in line (Or the other way around we aren't quite sure!).

We only lost to CCNZ by three points, they will not take us for granted next year and we plan to meet them again in the finals.

Rongomai Berryman

#### U16 GIRLS BASKETBALL

1997 was a time of learning, adjusting and improving. Our first game up was grading against Sacred Heart. Unfortunately I knew nothing about the girls' game so I sat and watched, noting their abilities. We started the season with a few losses, due to lack of practice. Once we

organized ourselves, learnt a couple of moves and settled into our rightful positions, we improved our game and had consecutive wins.

The game which impressed me was against my former school Church College, which everyone knows is extremely strong in this area. The girls had total control throughout the majority of the game, much to the opposition's dislike. The girls

kept their cool and played the game to the best of their ability, resulting in a 23-22 loss. We left with a victory in our own right and finished the season with fair results.

**DAHLIA:** A natural player, excellent ball skills, moves around the keyhole with ease, just needs fine tuning. Can go along way with the right coaching.

QUANTRELLE: Started off great, plays well when she's aggressive, a good battle for her size, needs more confidence on court.

FRANKIE: Worked the base line well, just needs to put more into her game.

COURTNEY: Has a lot of energy on court, has to learn how to use it to her benefit, learning ball skills would make a good impact on her game.

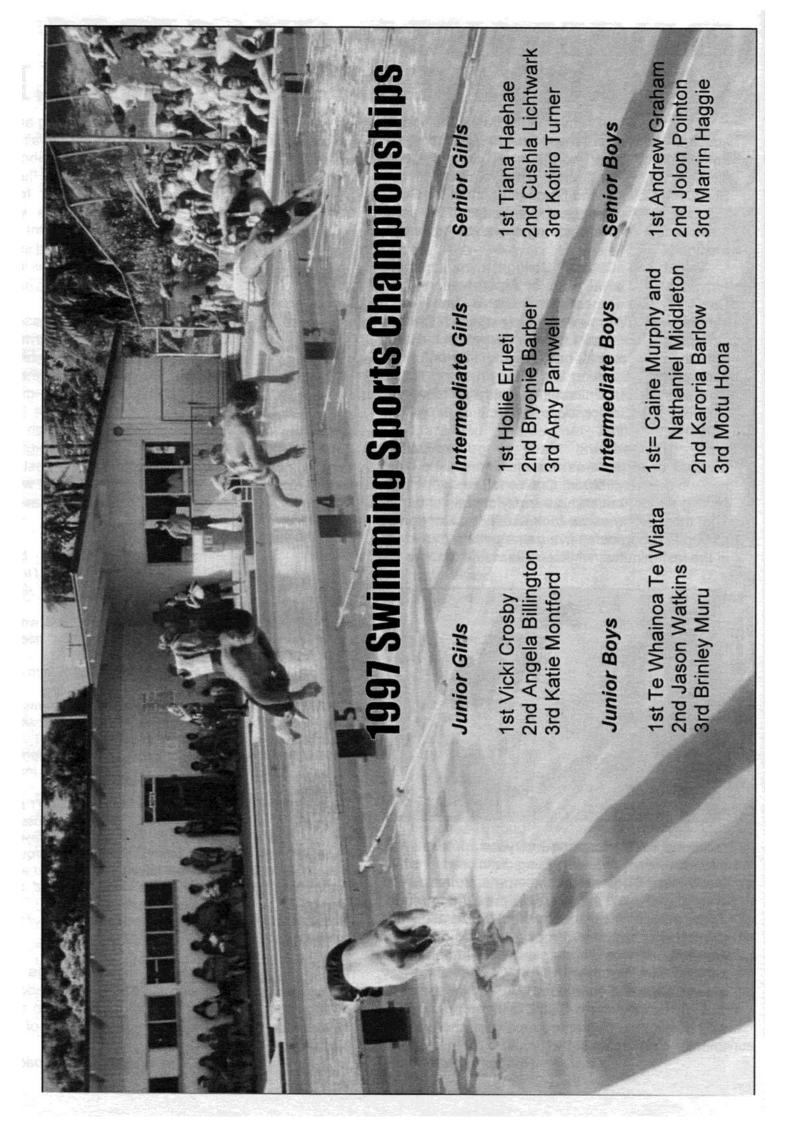
WHAKAPONO: Plays a lazy game - has the potential to be a good player if she lets herself get more involved.

TUHI: Started the season off a dark horse. Didn't say or do much during the season. I was so impressed with her - she is everything a coach loves about players - she listens - through listening, her game improved immensely with her continual talking on court and with the help of Fankie they have total control of the baseline.

AWHI: A consistent player - did well in all areas of the game - a good asset to have on board.

In conclusion, I acknowledge all the players and girls who filled in when needed. All the best to those who continue playing in the 1998 season. Play hard, play strong, most of all play fair.

Sharon Muru (Coach)



School Athletics Champions

Junior Boys: Tangitu Joseph

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Senior Boys: J

# Zone Athletic Results

fan Hopa: Intermaediate Boys Disabi

Ann-Marie Spragg: Intermediate Girls - 1st 400m Richard Lloyd: Intermediate Boys - 3" Shotput Cushla Lichtwark: Senior Girls - 2<sup>nd</sup> 100m

# Waikato Athletics Results

Ann-marie Spragg: Int Girls - 1st 400m, 3rd 200m

Damian Hopa: Int Boys Disabilities - 2nd 100m

James Curtis: Jnr Boys - 2nd 800m

Hayley Osborne: Good effort in Shotput.

3rd Shannon Ropoama Intermediate Boys 2nd Dane Nikora 1st Jared Jones 2nd Cushla Lichtwark 1st Kristin Heldaas 3rd Margo Clark Senior Girls 3rd Jason Watkins 1st James Curtis 2nd Stacey Weir 2nd Ann-Marie Spragg Junior Boys Intermediate Girls 1st Illia Clay CROSS COUNTRY 97 1st= Vicky Crosby & Kelly Faunch 2nd Te Aniwa Kohu 3rd Parihaka Kohu Junior Girls Jamie Lichtwark Marrin Haggie Senior Boys

#### LOVE & WISDOM

Soft brown eyes
That look like silk
And a smile of love and wisdom.

Winkles of love Anger and stress.

The black of a ponga tree And the silver fern Crown her head.

With the loving voice Which tells a melodious Story of her life.

Johnathan Mackie Form 4



Speeding along the water We're going so fast The motor is groaning Like a dying wolf Abruptly A log surfaces in front of us And the driver has to turn I get thrown off, Onto the water As hard as concrete My whole body aches Like I've been rolled like a steam roller I sit in the bent Amazed that something so soft Can turn into an amazingly Hard Nightmare

Frank Harticough Form 4



Denude mine strength
Advance to bliss.
View the local shoulder
Of elevating ability.
Arsenic flavour
Rains new
Knowledge chokes me.

Now you.

Tears of summer
Fall upon contact.
Complex question
No prizesfor guessing.

A chemical reaction.

Frequently gliding bouncing flying.

I'm going to burst.

Let the wind descend Let the sun breathe Denude mine strength.

Let me be.

Trudi Dawson Form 6



#### **FACE IN MY DREAMS**

The eyes glowing orange balls
Staring at me fiercely,
A cunning smile with black
pointed teeth
Scars snake up his cheek
His shiny shaven head is smooth
as glass
His big flat nose drips
His pointed ears twitch
A cold scratchy voice says
'Get out of this dream!'

James Harker Form 6

#### SIMPLE?

It's late
I should be sleeping
Sitting staring ahead into darkness
Not seeing but seeing images
Too many thoughts, feelings,
confusions, frustrations...anxieties.

Images start to move
Stirs anxieties
What if?
What if?
Why?
Too much to concentrate on
Too much to do, too little time
Isn't that how the saying goes?

Too much movement in my mind

How true
Lost train of thought
Good.

Images moving
Nothing settled
Nothing familiar
What if?
Why?
Why do I care?
Answer simple or complex
Simple
Love.

Tania Farmilo Form 6

#### The Hand That Rocks the Cradle

The hand that rocks the cradle Sits gently on the rail. To and fro I swing, Back and forth I go

The body that sits beside me Is decidedly not her own; The Reaper lives inside her, It's after me I know.

Help

I try to escape from the wall Within which I am jailed, But instead I am forced downward, Under the sheets I am shown.

A breast wedges its way
Into the only defence I have;
Nutritional growth and goodness
Or the poison from which I am drowned?

#### THE CAR

His fearless light eyes gaze at me from a distance. As his soft timid voice stands out in a crowd. His warm brown skin blends in with his figure. He opens his large muscular arms to greet me. As I get the feeling of him he wraps his arms around me.

" I feel so secure "

I lead the way to our destination as he guides me .
The romantic night is over and he lets me go.
All is forgotten , all is lost

But his name "His name"

MERCEDES BENZ

Awhina Solomon Form 4

#### Help

I cannot help but drink it in
The warm tenderness of which I am strangled,
Death's hand hangs over me,
And gives me the looped knotted rope

I fight to be untangled
From the snake's tight coils,
But she tightens with each
struggle,
I weaken with each stroke

#### Help

Will anybody help me? I'm stuck inside this jail, I'm too small to beat her, She's too big to fight on my own

The world sees my pain, Say they sympathise with me, But they know the snake for themselves They have the same backbone

Somehow they ignore me.

How can I escape?
The World! Stop spinning around.
The hand that rocks the cradle
Sits gently on the rail.

Form 6

Jenyce Campbell



#### Youth

Youth

Yes

No

Perhaps

Mortal

Moral

Companionship

Loveless Lover

**Empower** 

Enslavement

Complaint

**Empty** 

Choice

Blame

Blameless

Blind

Maybe

Trudi Dawson Form 6

### That Pathetic Drunk

Look at that pathetic drunk, just sitting there. What an animal, that's all I can call him.

He used to have a life, a good life, friends who liked him, even admired him. He had it all, a lovely wife, a beautiful baby boy and a gorgeous little girl. He used to read to his little kids, secure in their bedroom until they drifted off to sleep, even he knew he was lucky.

But luck is two sided, his best friend committed suicide after his wife left him, she'd been having an affair for years and told him she had never really loved him. After his friends death he found refuge

in the alcohol and like Aladdin once he opened the bottle his life changed forever.

He rarely smiled and even his best friends stayed away, with no-where else to turn he dived deeper into the bottle, drowning his sorrows everyday. When he would finally stagger home to his wife, his beautiful wife he saw in her the many things he hated in himself, maybe it was the suicide or the alcohol or something else that made him do it, he beat her, he beat her so bad.

That animal, that pathetic animal how could he do those horrible things to someone who really loved him. The next day he couldn't believe what he had done, but by the same night he once again was under the enchantment of the drink and what he had done the night before felt like a warm up on what she really deserved, for doing those things to him and his kids, so being the animal he is, he beat her but this time he didn't stop, he felt good. He actually felt good, that was until he heard the blood curdling scream that would haunt him until his last breath. The scream of a little girl watching her mother die. That image forced it's way on to the intoxicated brain of that monster as he recoiled from his actions.

He stumbled out the door and ran back to the bottle, knocking them back, trying to hide the image of his wife dying in his hands, but in vain, he stumbled in to the bathroom and fell to the floor.

Although he had blamed the suicide, the alcohol and his wife for his actions he now realised it was and had always been himself.

That pathetic drunk I can't, won't let him live, not for the crimes that he committed. So I pulled out my cold Smith & Wesson raised the barrel to that monster's head and killed myself.

Alex Burt (Jazzo) Form 6







# PARF WAIKATO



#### **PWDM**

<u>Back Row:</u> Kerry-Arapeta Callaghan, Richard Lloyd, Aaron Maru, Alex Burt, Doug Marsh (Teacher)

2<sup>st</sup> Row: Piripi Ranga, Ngawai Inia, Brad Wharakura, Damian Hopa, Tania Farmilo, Tracey McCracken

Front Row: Kelly Jackson, Erina Simon, Candice Morunga, Duran Walters, Tupou Tairakena, Beau Rawiri. Jason Watkins

Absent: Lewis Bishop, Rachel Kingi, Jason Moana, Theresa White, Brinley Muru



#### **PWJC**

Back Row: Andrew Graham, John Ropoama, Olsen la

3ª Row: Nigel Hounuku, Levi Paul, Adam Stuart, Tony Maisey, Jonathon Callaghan

**2<sup>st</sup> Row:** Tracey Dougherty, Caroline Wood, Amy Parnwell, Jill Caulfield, Shauntain Mahara, Raewyn Rogers

Front Row: Loretta Turner, Danielle Walker, Bryonie Barber, Mrs Jackie Crush (Teacher), Stacey Mears, Luke Matenga, Navreet Singh



#### **PWKA**

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<u>2<sup>™</sup> Row:</u> Miss Kathy Anso (Teacher), Janie Gill, James Curtis, Vena Lolohea, Quentin Muncaster, Marama Walker

Front Row: Tabitha Mes, Shea Brodrick, Jenny Adams, Amanda Bull, Corrie Wharakura, Kihana Wharakura, Clare Aberhart

<u>Absent:</u> Glen Allen, Karl Weti, Selina Fata, Shona Purdie, Tukukino George, Tawhirangi Hunapo

### PARF WAIKATO



#### **PWMD**

<u>Back Row:</u> Chad Kerapa, James MacDonald, Lionel Inia, Andrew Skinner, Derek Sadlier, Royce Taka

2<sup>™</sup> Row: Sandy MacDonald (Teacher), Maleesha Tengu, Daniel Wakenshaw, Jenny Fagan, Sarah Vining, Bruce Bishop, Roimata Kahaki

Front Row: Justin Megaw, Marcel Kerapa, Quantrelle King, Lois Ngatai, Calum Robertson, Barry Paki, Debbie Hedges



#### **PWPG**

Back Row: Casey Tahu, Rhyan Taylor, Jason Berry, David Hagan, Tiana Haehae 2™ Row: Mrs Gray (Teacher), Winifred Sutton, Megan Nepia, Matthew Vining, Frederick Mabbett

Front Row: Cynthia Broadmore, Rore Inia, Quentin Martin, Amber Henderson, Rachel Robson, Kimberly Bell

Absent: Maiori Apiata, Alicia Sunnex, Leona Koti, Dahlia Tahu, Noleen Nicholson



#### **PWVW**

Back Row: Kelly Reid, Matthew Gordon, Shaun Keepa

2<sup>st</sup> Row: Miss Vicki Williams (Teacher), Hayley Osborne, Jodi Bell, Samuel Tapine, Erina Babbington, Illia Clay, Trudi Dawson

Front Row: Dane Nikora, Caine Murphy, Renee Wairepo, Malana Grey, Tania Tawhi, Tukotahi Tengu, Kylie Blade

Absent: Paul Byers, Blair Hanna

# PARE HAURAKI



#### PHAT

Back Row: John Prendergast, Jamie Allen, Nathan Taukiri.

3" Row: Marcia Heke, Waimedia Solomon, Charles Hopa, Matthew Roche, Rochelle Cameron.

<u>2<sup>™</sup> Row:</u> Mrs Tuck (Teacher), Aroha Norton, Kurt Barakat, Brenna Ramsay, Mona-lisa Iosua, Melissa Turton, Shannon Ropoama.

Front Row: Amy Matich, Aaron Te Are, Whitu Mete, Te Uarangi Hiwinui, Kelly Pollard, Annamarie Manhire, Natasha London.



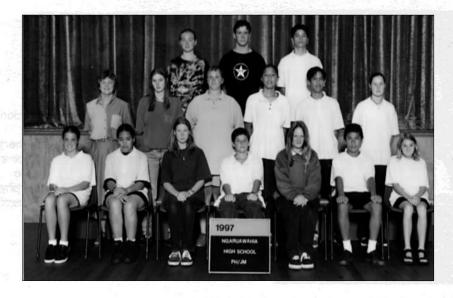
#### **PHJK**

<u>Back Row:</u> Rachel Billington, Zane Cameron, Aaron Tahana, Jamie Lichtwark, Curtis Crawford, Ernest Goodwin, Helen Crosby.

**2<sup>st</sup> Row:** Jackie Koelet (Teacher), Angela Billington, Danny Shea, Ian Cameron, Vaughn Blair, Jonathon Sutton, Aroha Hopa.

Front Row: Anna Walker, Rhiannon Ried-Hoff, Nyree Hopa, Katarana Puke, Melissa Hunter, Aaron Bird, Gwenie Heke.

Absent: Nigel Connolly.



#### **PHJM**

Back Row: Carina Dooley, Owen Johnston, Harley Monsall.

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Absent: Jacky Tengu, Stacey Paekau, Shane Randall.

# PARE HAURAKI



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<u>Back Row:</u> Kirk Spragg, Bronson Holm, Aaron Billcliff, Leon Bird, David Williamson, Victor Gomes

Row: Michelle Knuth, Chanel Strawbridge, Mason Moana, Glenn Richards, Jennie Thorpe, Rachael Webber, Lorraine Middleton (Teacher)
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#### **PHPR**

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<u>2<sup>st</sup> Row:</u> Phillip Rietema (Teacher), Kathleen Saunders, Erin Pollard, Caleb Ahu,

Kristen Heldaas, Jessica Todd, Emma-Rae Tengu

Front Row: Katie Montford, Drew Fletcher, Kiley Colwell, Abby Gorman, Elizabeth Saunders, Teresa Colwell, Megan Montford



#### **PHSA**

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2<sup>™</sup> Row: Jamie Lee Tapp, Lisa Jardine, Elizabeth Surgenor, Alan Whanga, Jonathon Mackie, Steven Dooley

Front Row: Catherine Stokes, Tania Hills, Lisa Taipari, Linda Sabbage(Teacher), Johnathan Derecourt, Haley Hunter, Valerie Speers

Absent: Stuart Whitehouse, Harley Hopkins, Charlotte Webber

# MOKAU



#### MCJ

<u>Back Row:</u> Annabelle Maipi, Peter Symons, Jesse Royal, Richard Whare, Chris Jarnet (Teacher).

**2<sup>m</sup> Row:** Joni Ia, Kawana Holland, Motiwha Kumeroa, Takahia Poutapu, Kiri Morgan, Sharna Tawhara.

Front Row: Karleena Auvaa, Teri Simon, Isaac Roberts, John Young, Marcelle Waters, Arana Paekau, Rosalyn McGillivray.

Absent: Daniel Waitere, Shannah Tairakena, Linda Hurinui.



#### **MCR**

Back Row: Santana Mahara, Joe Tango, Conrad Pita

3ª Row: Jeremy Tarawhiti, Carl Shepherd, Raungaiti Ngawhika, Morgan Henare, Whitiora Marino.

**2<sup>m</sup> Row:** Lalita Hari(Teacher), Te Aomihi Kumeroa, Ritihia Barrett, Hayden Wilson, Rebecca Clarke, Ginnine Watts, Charlene Brown

Front Row: Mark Rankin, Kui Paki, Min Yoon, Pat Takiari, Jared Jones, Christopher Wendt, Corina Baker.



#### **MMR**

**Back Row:** Kotiro Turner, Tony Sadlier, Reagan Wilson.

2<sup>st</sup> Row: Mary Rogers (Teacher), Courtney Te Hira, Carly Ruri, Lianne Sylva, Jared Priestley. Front Row: Kelly Woolridge, Parihaka Kohu, Atareta Moeke, Mason Ia, Pokaia Matthews.

Absent: Amy Williams, Ngawai Hohopata, Willie Ngahere, Pohunui Henare, Roylene Tapara, Tawhiri Morgan.

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#### **MRM**

<u>Back Row:</u> Hector Taukiri, Bo-Willie Wells, Marrin Haggie, Pakihana Wara, Dallas Don.

2<sup>™</sup> Row: Rowan Mataira (Teacher), Lance Wiggins, Nathaniel Middleton, Leon Matthews, Stephen Tango-Wilson, Hannah Tobin.

Front Row: Johnnie Tumaki, Maryes Ia, Tuta Tamati, William Turner, Tangitu Joseph, Canaan Tairakena, Dianne Brown.

Absent: Aroha Paul. Te Aroha Herd.



#### **MSM**

<u>Back Row:</u> Shane Durham, Mana-Hemi King, Frederick Brown, Aundre Cooper, Darren Tapara.

<u>2<sup>∞</sup> Row:</u> Tia Simon, Hohepa Renata, Talia Tupp, Riki-Lee Peters, Deanna Haggie.

Front Row: Ian Tahana, Gina Paul, Paul Tengu, Tracey Turuwhenua, Chantelle Simon, Steve Mellor (Teacher).

<u>Absent:</u> Raymond Moana, Queeni Mathews, Kylie Mathews, Raymond George, Jules Campbell, Jeannette Peeni.



#### **MWT**

<u>Back Row:</u> Patrick Katipa, James Maniapoto-Clancy, Conrad Pagel, Tauwhare Poutapu, Jane Maipi.

<u>2<sup>™</sup> Row:</u> Donna West (Teacher), Tauru Parata, Mary-Jane Panapa, Tuhimaiterangi Tai, Daniel Jerry, Kataraina Ward, Vicky-Lee Wong.

Front Row: Chante Drummond, Dallas Tairakena, Tahauriki Paki, Aani Riki, Ngaraka Miller, Hoturoa McRoberts, Michelle Raihi.

Absent: Roimata Poutapu, Dallon Karetu, Sabrina Taha.

# TAMAKI



#### **TRL**

Back Row: James Ngataki, Taane Barlow, Karoria Barlow

**2<sup>st</sup> Row:** Paul Royal (Teacher), Saphire Bellas, Te Waiti Walker, Te Whainoa Te Wiata, Isaac Royal, Awhina Matthews, Kura Walker

<u>Front Row:</u> Rikki lwihora, Turipapa Tukere, Te NgaruBrown, Kameta Puke, Joshua Cowan, Jacqueline Pouaka, Adam Dobson

Absent: Hori Rhind, Paora Walmsley



#### **TRP**

<u>Back Row:</u> Terereawai Kipa, Te Manaakitanga Kingi, Nuke Turner, Wetere Herangi, Te Manawa-roa Teinakore

<u>aw</u> Row: Whakapono Wara, Quinton Joyce, Terasina Poihipi, Mahinarangi Te Kata, Huiroa Tamati, Whaea Poppy Ranga (Teacher)

Front Row: Te Aniwaniwa Kohu, Tiriti Waiti, Darling Campbell, Tahipapa Taipari, Janine Taipari, Teri Paki, Tutereinga Holland

Absent: Piata Murray, Irohanga Kingi, Inai Hohua



#### **TRR**

Back Row: Cheyne Paikea, Mathew Tukere, Atihana Barton

2<sup>st</sup> Row: Mrs Robyn Roa (Teacher), Katarina Harihari, Casey-Mia Hawkins, Motuiti Hona, Lee-Hui Gate, Te Aroha Hohua-Ward, Waiata Kingi

Front Row: Kahu Williams, Maringi Waiti, Zane Ward, Tahiopipiri Kirkwood, Rangiherehere Katipa, Rihi Mita-Watene, Te Hautana Reti Absent: Aria Conner, Kiriwai Mangan,

Anthony Joseph

# Predictions 1998

- Prince William will marry Dodi Al-Fayed's estranged daughter and run away from the palace to live in T a u m a t a whakatangihangakoauau-a-Tamatea-Pokaiwhenua-ki-tanatahu.
- Mr MacDonald will continue teaching for another century or leave in which case the school will close.
- There will be yet another Will Smith vs Alien movie released.
- Andrew and Alex will star in the next Beavis and Butthead movie.
- The new 3<sup>rd</sup> formers will be even smaller and skinnier than this year.
- Pinky and the Brain will finally take over the world!!!
- All virtual pets will die of RCD. (The Rabbit Disease)
- The whole world will be sick of the over-use of the Spice Girls, who will then be sent up to man the M.I.R space station.
- Sean Fitzpatrick will be the first professional rugby player to play his 1000<sup>th</sup>







- game for the All Blacks with still no intention of leaving.
- Many of the Swedish girls will leave Sweden on AFS exchanges in about July 98 to escape the AFS import from NHS.
- Leon will fulfill his lifelong dream and get to pose for every single magazine cover in the world.
- ZinZan Brooke will miss all the New Zealand media attention and return to New Zealand, picking up where he left off.
- The cult that believes the world will end in '98 will be wrong (or so we hope !!!!!!!!!)
- The Ngaruawahia High 1st XV rugby team might actually field a full side for once in 3 years!
- Everyone will vote to send all politicians to the Chatham Islands, instead of shifting the Parliament buildings.
- Mr Marsh will catch his biggest fish ever, a sprat !!!!!! on a 9 pound fishing line from the fish sanctuary in Turangi.



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