



Our Challenge Week programme is over and whilst we've had a heap of fun, **everyone** here is ready for a well-deserved break.

Unfortunately, the poor weather which started on

Monday evening and set in for the entire day on Tuesday, put an unplanned end to our Year 9 Camp at Tawharanui. All the Year 10 activities went ahead smoothly however, and students once again had the opportunity to participate in some valuable learning experiences. We had two camps for Year 10 students, Mahu Madness led by Charlotte Eyre and Great Barrier Island led by Sean Kingsley. So a huge thanks to all teachers and staff involved, and especially to our 2024 Student Leaders who attended the Year 9 Camp and who have been running a number of activities with students this week. There is a huge amount of blood, sweat and tears that goes into the planning, organisation and execution of the Challenge Week activities on offer. Well done to all for going that extra mile.

Sadly, we must farewell three of our hardworking teachers at the end of this year. Ruth Chitty joined the English Dept in Term 4 last year. Ruth is a very experienced teacher but has decided it's time to leave the profession to explore other avenues. Karen Daniel, Food Technology extraordinaire is also leaving after two wonderful years teaching our students how to produce tasty culinary delights. Finally, Matua Arapeta Waata has been successful in his pursuit of a study scholarship that allows him to pursue tertiary

studies for the next 3 years. We thank all three for their sterling service to the college in the short time they have been here and wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

Our School Magazine has arrived and is available for purchase (\$15) at the Student Office. As usual, it is a very polished publication, encapsulating the year's events and the warm spirit and pride we all have for our college. Congratulations to Dara Mateeva and her Magazine Committee who have all put in many hours of mahi to produce this very impressive publication.

I hope to see many of you at our Junior Prizegiving on Friday 8 Dec. Junior reports are being sent out to you electronically on this day also. So finally, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas with loved ones, and a safe and enjoyable summer break.

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Irene Symes **Principal** 

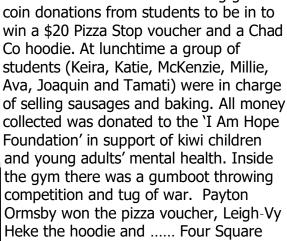




#### **GUMBOOT DAY**

Our AC class 10AC LAD got the opportunity to help organize activities for Year 9s and 10s on Gumboot Friday! During interval, Richa and Sophia stuck gumboot cutouts around the school for other students to collect for a lolly

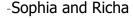
prize. Ms Jones went around collecting gold



At the end of the day, our school made

around \$450 in total. Special thanks to Ms Jones for organising this event

and Pizza Stop Wellsford, Top Four Square and Chad Co clothing for the donations that helped us make Gumboot Friday a big success!



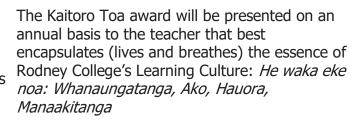




#### KAITORO TOA TEACHER AWARD 2023

Champion, teacher, leader.

We are pleased to announce that Sean Kingsley is the recipient of Rodney College's inaugural **Kaitoro Toa** Teacher Award. This award was donated by Stephen Rowe, ex-deputy principal, who left in 2022. The award is made of locally sourced swamp kauri and is in the shape of a paddle.



This year Sean Kingsley has gone above and beyond for our students in numerous ways. His passion for learning is not confined to the

> classroom. He has been an enthusiastic Miles House Lead teacher, a dedicated coach to a very successful boys soccer team and an inspiration to all in his organisation of the **Shave** For a Cure held at the college in October. Sean's finale this year has been to take ten students away to Great Barrier Island for an amazing EOTC experience during Challenge Week. We salute you Sean, you are a deserving recipient of this award.



## SEMOR ACADEMIC PRIZEGUNG

#### YEAR 11 ACADEMIC AWARDS

2 <sup>nd=</sup> 2 <sup>nd=</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup>	Physical Education Math with Statistics Wood Technology Visual Arts Physical Education	Emma McCardle Amber Nightingale Salvina Picton Shiahn Davis Cody Watson- Walker
1 <sup>st</sup>	Visual Arts	Katherine Tameris
1 <sup>st</sup>	Drama	Tayla Elliot
1 <sup>st</sup>	Wood Technology	Carlo Denton
1 <sup>st</sup>	Engineering	James Kerrigan
1 <sup>st</sup>	Hospitality	Cassie Gibbs
1 <sup>st</sup>	Math with Statistics	Gisele Cooper
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Science	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Geography	Kaya Davis
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Music	
1 <sup>st=</sup>	Digital Technology	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Math with Algebra	Nerissa Lay
1 <sup>st</sup>	Business Studies	
1 <sup>st</sup>	English	Koen Hare
1 <sup>st</sup>	Performing Arts	OL : ( N :
1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd=</sup>	Design & Visual	Shristy Negi
2 <sup>nd=</sup>	Physical Education Math with Statistics	
2 <sup>nd</sup>		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Geography	Mila Thomas
2 <sup>nd</sup>	English Hospitality	Willa Hiloillas
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mathematics with Alge	ahra
1 <sup>st=</sup>	Digital Technology	Join
1 <sup>st</sup>	Music	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Science	Angel Dai
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Angel Dai (left)

Cornes Trophy & Prize Mila Thomas (right)

YEAR 12 ACADEMIC AWARDS

2 <sup>nd=</sup>	Physical Education	Hanna Kerrigan
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Physics	Logan Matheson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gateway	Nate Harper
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Biology	Izabella Walstra
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Business Studies	Regan Pennings
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wood Technology	Takara Whittle
1 <sup>st=</sup>	Tourism	<b>Kaylee Dingemans</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Design & Visual	Michaela Morrison
1 <sup>st</sup>	Music	Thomas Tameris
1 <sup>st</sup>	Photography	Mia Ward
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Photography	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gateway	Harry Oldfield
2 <sup>nd</sup>	History	-
1 <sup>st=</sup>	Performing Arts	Benny Manson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hospitality	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Math with Statistics	
1 <sup>st=</sup>	Tourism	Rebecca Lay
2 <sup>nd=</sup>	Physical Education	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Chemistry	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Biology Online	Jack Pennefather
1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Business Studies</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Digital Technology	Reef Brown
1 <sup>st</sup>	Visual Arts	
1 <sup>st=</sup>	Performing Arts	
1 <sup>st</sup>	History	<b>Charlotte Dunn</b>
1 <sup>st=</sup>	Health	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Hospitality	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Biology	Zara Yorke
1 <sup>st</sup>	Drama	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Design	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Media Studies	Abby Fairweather
1 <sup>st</sup>	Wood Technology	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Engineering Technolog	gy
1 <sup>st</sup>	Chemistry	William Clapham
1 <sup>st=</sup>	Geography	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Math with Calculus	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Physics	
1 <sup>st</sup>	English	Peter Sundvick
2 <sup>nd</sup>	English	

Health

Geography

**Physical Education** 

Math with Statistics

General Science

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**Kyla Middleton** 



1<sup>st</sup> Overall Year 12 Izard Irwin Cup & Prize **Peter Sundvick Kyla Middleton** 

#### YEAR 13 ACADEMIC AWARDS

$2^{nd}$	Tourism	Lexi Bevans
2 <sup>nd</sup>	English	Fitz Dumlao





PROXIME ACCESSIT 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall Year 13 **Anthony Grindlay** KEVEY CUP & PTA AWARD (\$500)



**DUX** Highest All Round Academic Achievement 2023 **Toby Henderson** WRIGHTSON'S CUP & PTA AWARD (\$1,000)

#### **SPECIAL AWARDS**

Hospitality Prize - Practical Achievement -Hospitality **Shannon Elliot-Palmer** Whitecliffs Timber Prize - Practical Achievement Gateway Cup and Prize - Excellent Commitment Wood Technology Joel Broadhead **Machinery House Prize** - Practical Achievement - Engineering Technology William Clapham

PhotoLife Prize - Practical Achievement -Michael Hodge Photography Soul Hair Salon Cup - Excellence in Creative Arts Michael Hodge and Work Ethic Harry Oldfield **Technicians Cup - Outstanding Student** Technician Michael Hodge



Gray/Roughan Cup - Excellence in Multimedia

Cody Watson-Walker

**Hackett Media Trophy -** Contribution to the School Magazine **Tatiana Chan Chui** 

**RD Construction Award -** Showing respect for themselves, their peers, their teachers, and their

school Cullen Wee
Granville Cup - Services to the College

Michael Hodge

Rikki Patten Memorial Trophy - Effort and

# Endeavour in Year 11 Nerissa Lay The Julie Small Trophy - Best Motivated Student in Year 11 Madeline Wallace Dowson Cup - Endeavour in Year 12 Hanna Kerrigan







TAIOHI PUMANAWA AWARDS
The Matua Ted Hetaraka Memorial Tauira
Giles Whanau Awards - Improvement in Studies,
Endeavour and Personal Perseverance – Maori

The Matua Ted Hetaraka Memorial Tauira

Motuhake - Outstanding Overall Achievement

– Maori Student

Norah Williams

Level 1 Wahine Salvina Picton

student

Tane Rico Hotene

Level 2 Wahine Charlene Masiutama

Tane Kaleb Ruka

Level 3 Wahine Sapphire O'Keefe



Davidson Cup - Outstanding Contribution to Social
Action

Madison James
Daniella Isla





**Taumata Awards -** Performance, Academic and Citizenship – Maori student

Level 1 Wahine Kaya Davis

Tane **Ashdyn Woodcock** 

Level 2 Wahine Kiki Te Haara

Tane **Azariah Hare** 

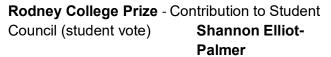
Level 3 Wahine Norah Williams

Te Tama Wahine Trophy Best All Round Wahine

**Rachel Came** 

**Te Tama Tane Trophy -** Best All Round Tane **Azariah Hare** 





**The Julie Small Trophy** - Outstanding Leadership in Whanau Support **Rachel Came** 

Michael Hodge

Simeon Rowe Memorial Cup - Sports Captains
Rabbi Battu

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**Alex Barnes** 

Rodney College Cup & Izard Trust Prize - Head Leader Norah Williams

Rodney College Cup & Izard Trust Prize - Head Leader Toby Henderson





#### **HOUSE AWARDS**

Olsson Cup - All Round Excellence - Hanover

Keziah Baker Norah Williams

Millennium Cup - All Round Excellence - Miles Evah Pirini

Evah Pirini Anthony Grindlay





Sheenagh Smart Cup - All Round Excellence - Tyburnia

Shannon Elliott-Palmer Samantha Wilson Brown Cup - All Round Excellence - Wattenbach

Joel Broadhead Johannes Van der Walt



**House Shield** 

Hanover



#### **YEAR 13 GRADUATES**

Letisha Anderson
Rabbi Battu
Rachel Came
Fitz Dumlao
Toby Henderson
Madison James
Kelly Partington
Amelia Prictor
Tane Stewart
Cullen Wee

Kaylea Armstrong
Lexi Bevans
Hayden Carmichael
Shannon Elliot-Palmer
Samuel Hendry-Powell
Olive Maisey Evans
JM Peconcillo
Sophie Reid
Jorja Thompson
Norah Williams

Keziah Baker
Jared Brain
Vayne Cuadra
Kenneth Felizmena
Michael Hodge
Mackenzie Mill
Keneth Peconcillo
Ethan Sheffield
Johannes Van der Walt
Samantha Wilson

Alex Barnes
Joel Broadhead
Phoebe Dingemans
Anthony Grindlay
Daniella Isla
Sapphire O'Keefe
Evah Pirini
Hayley Smith
Nadia Walker



#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

McDonald Adams Optometrists Scholarship (\$500) **Toby Henderson**Michelle Moir Art Scholarship (\$1,000)

Nichelle Moli Art Scholarship (\$1,000)

Sponsored by friends and family of Michelle Moir

**Rachel Came** 



Izard Trust Scholarship (\$1,000)

#### Daniella Isla

Wharehine Contractors Civil Engineering Pathway Scholarship (\$1750)

#### Rabbi Battu

Prime Ministers Vocational Excellence Award

(\$2000) Ethan Sheffield

Poland Motors Vocational Pathway Scholarship

(2x \$1500) Johannes Van der Walt

**Cullen Wee** 

Mary J Partington Music Scholarship (2x \$1500) **Thomas Tameris** 

Sebastian Kashammer

Waitapu Farms Helping Hand Scholarship (2x

\$1500) Olive Maisey-Evans

**Evah Pirini** 





University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarship (\$10,000)**Toby Henderson**University of Canterbury Horomata and Hiranga Scholarships (\$11,000) **Toby Henderson**University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship(\$10,750) **Toby Henderson**University of Otago Maori Entrance Scholarship (\$17,850) **Norah Williams** 

#### **STUDENT LEADERS 2024**

Head Boy Azariah Hare
Head Girl Kiki Te Haara
Cultural Leaders Tatiana Chan Chui
Thomas Tameris

Social Action Leaders Rebecca Lay

Zara Yorke

Randaya Amarasekara

Whanau Support Leaders Hanna Kerrigan (T)

Caitlin Cramond (H) Koby Wattam (W) Jakob Clapham (M)

Hanover House Leaders Jack Pennefather

Charlene Masiutama

Miles House Leaders Jeremiah Guevara

Erin Ostermann

Tyburnia House Leaders Isbe Kuinikoro

Regan Pennings

Wattenbach House Leaders

Peter Sundvick
Tia Jones

**Sports Leaders** 

Kyla Middleton Matthew Came William Clapham



Head Boy - Azariah Hare & Head Girl - Kiki Te Haara



#### **VOLLEYBALL**

It has been pleasing to see sport continue in Term 4 for our junior athletes. We had both boys and girls teams representing our school in the Junior Volleyball Cup in Whangarei. Both teams engaged in closely contested matches, securing a few victories throughout the day.

On 30 November, four teams took part in the outdoor mixed Volleyfest at Kensington Park. The students showcased exceptional skills, relishing the opportunity to play outdoors in the sun. We commend these students for their dedication to improvement and their commitment to training during lunchtimes.







#### BLUELIGHT LEADERSHIP CAMP

Katie Hardman and George Russell were given the opportunity to attend the five day Bluelight Leadership Camp at Whenuapai Air Force Base. Both had a great time experiencing life on base where they covered several aspects of leadership

training, including confidence building, teamwork, communication, physical activity and coordination.

This was an amazing opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills and become more confident in who you are.





#### SPORTS ROUNDUP DECEMBER 2023

Another year almost over! Term 4 was another busy term with Sports and Cultural Prizegiving and Senior Prizegiving. Senior students were also busy with exams. Sport Northland events were for Year 9 & 10 students only.

We competed at Northland Secondary Schools Volleyball Girls and Volleyball Boys tournaments and also a Mixed Outdoor Volleyball. (See write up)

We had four students compete at NSS Y9 & 10 Tennis tournament held in Whangarei. This was

another great result for Poppy Howse and Kacey Williams, winning for the second year in a row. A great result also for Levi Dixon and Izaac Warahi, placing 3<sup>rd</sup> overall. This was their first time competing at this event. Big thanks to Mili Williams for taking these students.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful parents and community that help with coaching, umpiring, refereeing, time keeping and transporting our students. Without your support we

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wouldn't be able to offer our

students all the opportunities that we

#### SPORTING EVENTS FOR TERM 1 - 2024

House Swim (lots of fun games in Pool - Period 5) 16 February Swimming Competitive (Period 2 - Period 5) 20 February 1500m Track lunch time 22 February 800m Track lunch time 27 February 28 February Shot put Boys lunchtime **Touch Senior Champs** 1 March 4 March Shot put Girls lunch time 5 March Athletics Day Whole School @ Centennial Park 7 March Futsul Y9 & Y10 Whangarei 8 March Athletics Whole School (Backup day) 8 March Mountain Biking Whangarei Surfing #1 Event of 3 (location TBA) 13 March 15 March Athletics Track & Field Northland NSS Whangarei 19 March Hockey Fives Y9 - Y13 Volleyball Senior Boys Cup Whangarei 26 March 27 March Tennis Champs Y9 - Y13 4 April Swimming Northland 9 April **Equestrian Combined Training** 10 April Surfing #2 Event of 3 Pickleball Y9 - Y13 12 April

Term 1 will also include Netball Trials and Football/Rugby/Hockey Signups.

Entering events will depend on how much interest we have and how many trainings the student has attended.

There may be additions and changes to the above list. It is essential that you read the daily notices so you can keep up to date with what is happening. Daily notices are available on the Rodney

College Website; teachers have a daily copy; and on display the outside student office on both notice boards. Lunchtime Athletic events are Competitive and Non Competitive (students can choose at each event). Competitive points go towards overall Athletic age group Champions and Non Competitive points go towards students' Houses. Please phone/txt me on 0276944480 or email <a href="mailto:maria.northin@rodneycollege.school.nz">maria.northin@rodneycollege.school.nz</a> if you have any questions. We are always requiring parent help with transport, coaching, refereeing etc, or help with timekeeping at Swimming Sports and Athletics Day. Please contact me if you can be of help.

Maria Northin Sports Coordinator 0276944480



### RODNEY COLLEGE SWIMMING SPORTS SWIMMING RECORDS 2023

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	JUNIOR	BOYS			GIRLS		
	25m Freestyle	J. Eagle (M)	2013	13.50	V. Currie (T)	1998	14.38
	50m Freestyle	J. Eagle (M)	2013	30.52	R. Ewing (M)	2017	32.45
	100m Freestyle	J. Eagle (M)	2013	1.10.25	R. Ewing (M)	2017	1.14.25
	200m Freestyle	J. Eagle (M)	2013	2.44.35	R. Ewing (M)	2017	2.40.31
	25m Backstroke	J. Eagle (M)	2013	16.34	R. Ewing (M)	2017	17.53
	50m Backstroke	J. Eagle (M)	2013	35.41	R. Ewing (M)	2017	38.37
	25m Breaststroke	S. Currie (T)	1996	18.70	V. Currie (T)	1997	19.13
	50m Breaststroke	J. Eagle (M)	2013	42.16	V. Currie (T)	1998	42.46
	25m Butterfly	J. Eagle (M)	2013	15.88	R. Ewing (M)	2017	15.96
	75m Medley	J. Eagle (M)	2013	1.00.32	V. Currie (T)	1998	1.02.77
	INTERMEDIATE						
	25m Freestyle	L. Connolly (T)	1987	12.81	R. Tumbull (T)	2011	13.88
	50m Freestyle	S. McPherson(W)	1999	29.28	R. Ewing (M)	2019	30.34
	100m Freestyle	R. Bootle (W)	1991	1.05.27	R. Ewing (M)	2019	1.05.44
	200m Freestyle	S. Carr (M)	1999	2.41.81	R. Ewing (M)	2019	2.21.22
	25m Backstroke	A. Davis (T)	2000	16.45	R. Ewing (M)	2019	16.44
	50m Backstroke	S. Carr (M)	1999	34.97	R. Ewing (M)	2019	34.69
	25m Breaststroke	E. Whyte (W)	2017	16.78	V. Currie (T)	2000	18.24
	50m Breaststroke	P. Humfrey (M)	1990	38.87	R. Ewing (M)	2019	40.11
	25m Butterfly	R. Howard (W)	2009	13.97	R. Ewing (M)	2019	15.03
	75m Medley	P. Humfrey (M)	1990	57.51	R. Ewing (M)	2019	56.53
	SENIOR						
	25m Freestyle	L. Connolly (T)	1988	12.22	S. Karlsson (H)	1996	13.88
	50m Freestyle	R. Bootle (W)	1993	27.58	S. Karlsson (H)	1996	29.67
	100m Freestyle	R. Bootle (W)	1993	1.03.30	S. Karlsson (H)	1996	1.04.87
	200m Freestyle	R. Bootle (W)	1993	2.25.43	S. Karlsson (H)	1996	2.22.76
	25m Backstroke	C. Turnbull (T)	2011	15.59	N. Torrie (H)	2011	17.56
	50m Backstroke	C. Turnbull (T)	2010	33.66	R. Ewing (M)	2021	36.81
	25m Breaststroke	E. Whyte (W)	2018	16.66	G. Brierly (M)	2019	18.69
	50m Breaststroke	Y. Sawaki (W)	2001	38.33	A. Currie (T)	2005	41.70
	25m Butterfly	R. Howard (W)	2011	13.25	S. Karlsson (H)	1996	14.48
	75m Medley	C. Turnbull (T)	2010	54.87	S. Karlsson (H)	1996	56.77
	HOUSE RELAYS						
	Junior Boys 4 x 25m Frees		Hanover		2015	1.06.83	
Junior Girls 4 x 25m Freestyle		Wattenbach		2012	1.06.84		
	Intermediate Boys 4 x 25r	,	Hanover		2012	1.00.65	
	Intermediate Girls 4 x 25n	,	Hanover		2023	1.04.28	
	Senior Boys 4 x 25m Frees		Wattenbach		2010	53.78	
	Senior Girls 4 x 25m Freestyle		Wattenbach		2013	1.03.53	
	Medley 6 x 25m		Tyburnia		1998	1.51.09	

## UNIFORMS 2024

The uniform shop will be open in the hall for you to purchase uniforms

## MONDAY 22 TO FRIDAY 26 JANUARY

9am - 12 noon

(The Uniform shop's normal hours are every Tuesday 10.30am – 2.30pm except during senior exams the shop is closed)





The school holidays are nearly upon us – keep the kids entertained by taking them to an action-packed game of basketball.

The BNZ Breakers have 8
Auckland games remaining this season and every single game promises plenty of fun, giveaways, and entertainment for the whole family. Choose the dates that suit you and get behind the BNZ Breakers.

Tickets are on sale at

www.ticketmaster.co.nz



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023 - 24

Friday 8 December	Last Day of Year (half day)
Monday 22 - Friday 26 January	Uniform Shop open 9am - 12pm
Monday 29 January	Auckland Anniversary Day
Tuesday 30 January	Teacher Only Day
Wednesday 31 January	Teacher Only Day (Year 11-13 Subject clashes)
Thursday 1 February	Year 9 & Year 13s (& new students) Orientation Day
Friday 2 February	Year 9 & Year 10 Junior Induction Day
Monday 5 February	Holiday
Tuesday 6 February	Waitangi Day
Wednesday 7 February	All students start (Year 9 - Year 13)

A warm invitation is extended to all family and friends to attend all events during the year.

We look forward to seeing you.



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We like to highlight every achievement for our students. If you become aware of one of our student's adventures / achievements, please contact Jo Warahi in the front office.

