



Rodney College



TENA KOUTOU
MATUA MA

Kia ora e te whanau o Rodney College

It's been a long, eventful summer term and I have been impressed with just how much we managed to

pack in. Whilst Easter Weekend gave us all a chance to recharge the batteries, I know that staff and students are looking forward to a well-earned term break.

The end of daylight saving and the drop in temperatures signals the approaching winter season. It is important that students use the term break to make sure their warm and wet weather school uniform is ready for the get go. This includes regulation **Black** leather footwear.

The Rodney College **Away for the Day** policy will be in full force as of the start of Term 2. As

you are aware, this is a compulsory regulation that all New Zealand school must implement. Our request to whanau and students is that students don't bring their phones to school at all. However, if there is a valid reason for them needing to have them, then they must be switched off and out of sight for the **entire** school day. This includes interval and lunchtimes, and when participating in school trips. I thank you in advance for your support in helping us keep the college a **phone - free** learning space.

Ka kite ano

Irene Symes
Principal

PARENT STUDENT TEACHER (PST) CONFERENCE THURSDAY 9 MAY 2024

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Counsellor.



NCEA ENDORSEMENTS 2023

LEVEL 1 Excellence

Angel Dai
Kaya Davis
Koen Hare
Nerissa Lay
Mila Thomas

Merit

Michayla Buis
Gisele Cooper
Shiahn Davis
Tayla Elliott
Cassie Gibbs
Sophia Hackett
Sophie-Leigh Henderson
Katherine Tameris
Madeline Wallace
Cody Watson Walker

LEVEL 2 Excellence

Logan Matheson
Kyla Middleton
Jack Pennefather
Peter Sundvick
Zara Yorke

Merit

Reef Brown
Tatiana Chan Chui
Jakob Clapham
William Clapham
Corbyn Dunn
Abby Fairweather
Jeremiah Guevara
Hanna Kerrigan
Rebecca Lay
Antea Mele
Michaela Morrison
Erin Ostermann
Bhavya Sharma
Thomas Tameris
Izabella Walstra

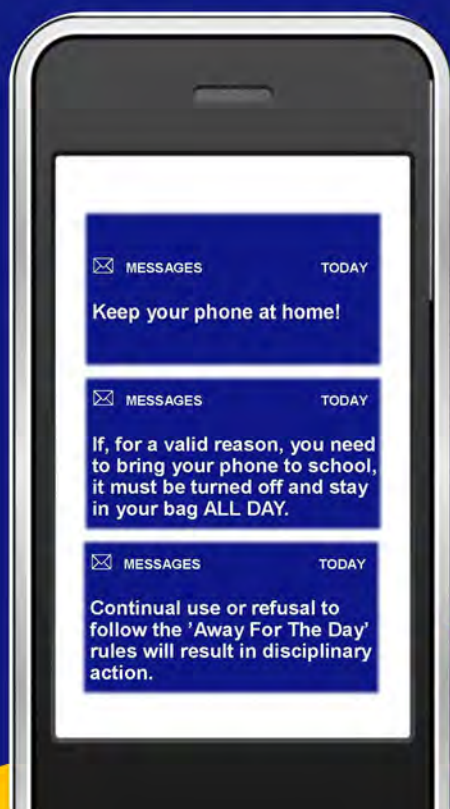
LEVEL 3 Excellence

Toby Henderson
Daniella Isla
Norah Williams

Merit

Rabbi Battu
Anthony Grindlay
Kelly Partington
Cullen Wee

Is your **phone** at **home**
or **away** in your bag?



Congratulations

Congratulations to Jamie Bridson, a past student of Rodney College (Dux 2001) who was awarded his Doctorate of Philosophy in Chemistry.





JACK ABSOLUTE FLIES AGAIN

Off we fly into the wild blue yonder - the seniors play this year is Jack Absolute Flies Again. A modern adaptation of a restoration play - The Rivals. Set in 1940 at the Battle of Britain, Jack and his fellow RAF pilots are busy fighting the Hun up in the skies when not falling in love on the ground.

A hilarious comedy full of wit and WWII shenanigans.

Watch out for the confirmation of dates for the up and coming performances for our senior production.

POOR KNIGHTS

On March 27, Mr Davie-Martin and Mrs Yorke with the L1 Geographers headed off to Tutukaka to join the Dive! Tutukaka "Perfect Day" boat. The weather was a little blustery but the 24 km



crossing to the Poor Knights Islands was good.

After anchoring at South Harbour we got into our wetsuits and snorkeling gear and spent a couple of hours snorkeling through "Blue Mao Mao Arch" and the surrounding bays. The water was still reasonably warm and the fish life was abundant. A large school of trevally was frequently swimming around the boat feeding near the surface, and several large snapper too.

Apart from the snorkeling we enjoyed the SUPs and kayaks.



The wind picked up on the return crossing and the swell was a little larger than the initial crossing, but we all managed to avoid the dreaded sick bags!

We arrived back at Tutukaka at around 4pm and drove back to Rodney College via Mangawhai as the Brynderwyns was closed. Students even convinced Mr D-M that a stop for Macca's and KFC was necessary!





RELAY FOR LIFE

On Saturday 6 April, a group of Year 13 students from Rodney College participated in the Relay for Life at the AUT Millennium. The Relay for Life is a 12 hour relay where all participants fundraise money for the Cancer Society, who use this to support cancer patients and their whānau to get the care and practical support they need.

The Rodney College team, on short notice, managed to raise \$1,660 from generous donors.



The team had lots of fun and were able to participate in all of the planned activities including, yoga, zumba, line dancing and a candle lit ceremony.

Morale remained high throughout the whole day and the team all managed to cover large amounts of distance, with most of the team breaking the half marathon mark. As the day came to a close we finished the event with the candle lit ceremony where we were all touched by the designs and messages left by those in attendance; this was a very emotional experience for all involved.



Overall, it was a great day out for a great cause and we definitely suggest giving this a go in future years.
Matthew Came



WELLSFORD SQUASH CLUB


JUNIOR SQUASH

SCHOOL TERMS 2 & 3

ALL LEVELS WELCOME, INCLUDING BEGINNERS

UP TO AND INCLUDING YEAR 8
MONDAYS - FROM 4PM to 7PM
CONTACT: SIMONE WEDGWOOD
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YEAR 9 TO 13
TUESDAYS - FROM 4PM TO 8PM
CONTACT: STU OLDFIELD
EMAIL: stuartoldfield@gmail.com
PHONE: 021 423 778



Rodney College Music Presents

Senior Performance Evening

Wednesday 15 May
6.30pm
Rodney College Hall



GOLF TOURNAMENT

For the first time in a number of years Rodney College and Wellsford Golf Club hosted a student golf competition on Wednesday 20th of March. 13 of Rodney College's keenest golfers enjoyed an 18 hole stableford competition. With representation from every year group the nature



of the competition created a more level playing field. It was a beautiful blue sky day and the students thoroughly appreciated the friendly competition and the chance to practice their golf. I was thoroughly impressed with all students' attitudes and

understanding of golf etiquette and I look forward to organising a similar competition next year. The standard of golf was impressive and students are developing skills in both the

physical and mental sides of the game.

The following students were awarded prizes; 1st place Jimmy Hardman, 2nd place Eli Heywood, 3rd place Levi Dixon and prizes for birdies to Koen Hare and Brayden Wedgewood.



This event would not have been possible without the support of the Wellsford Golf Club and Marie Rambaud, who both hosted the event and provided generous prizes for the winners. Also thanks to Maria Northin for organising and Andrew Walter for donating spot prizes.



VOLLEYBALL CUP

Rodney College participated in the Senior Volleyball Cup held at Kensington Stadium in Whangarei during Week 9, fielding two boys' teams and three girls' teams.



The matches were closely contested, with our teams showcasing their talents. The Year 13 girls' team secured an impressive second place in their pool, narrowly missing out on first by a mere two



points, finishing 5th overall. Our Year 11 boys' team secured 6th position overall. The students had

an exceptional day, demonstrating their skills and supporting one another.

Special recognition goes to Isbe and Poppy for taking on the responsibility of umpiring during their team duty. We look forward to the mixed competition in Term 2. Well done to all participants!



Thanks to Miss Jones who gave up her time to coach all the teams; we wouldn't have done it without you.



CRICKET MATCH UP

The cricket team's annual match against Mahurangi College took place last Wednesday. A number of injuries and absences on the day made the team definite underdogs in this matchup. Rodney won the toss and elected to bowl first, managing to make the most of the first few overs and picking up key wickets that saw Mahurangi just 8/2 after the first 2 overs. Mitchell Elliott and Bhavya Sharma joined the attack alongside Koen Hare to face down an experienced Mahurangi batsman and despite exceptional performances by all bowlers were unable to stop the surge of boundaries that followed. A retiring batsman allowed Rodney to get back into the game as Ethan Joplin delivered some cheap overs to slow the run-rate, allowing more wickets to fall with stellar fielding performances from Alex Manual and Jack Pennefather. The damage had already been done, however, and the score to chase was a daunting 209.



Rodney took to the batting crease, the early wicket of Peter Sundvick leaving Bhavya Sharma and Mitchell Elliott out in the middle. Bhavya hit some much needed boundaries for the team before departing on 12. This trend continued as Rodney batsmen continued to make small contributions before being dismissed. Some strong hitting from William Clapham and a huge six from Alex Manual gave the team some hope but in the end they fell short of their goal as the final wicket fell in the last over.

It was a great team performance which saw some key roles being played by the younger players. Although undone this time by an impressive individual performance by a Mahurangi batsman, it was a great game all round with some positive signs for the future.

Thanks to Mr Davie Martin for all his support and umpiring, it is much appreciated.

Peter Sundvick



GIRLS

Ayla Brien

6 th	12-13yr 100m Freestyle	1.32.98
4 th	12-13yr 50m Breaststroke	57.58
8 th	12-13yr 50m Freestyle	41.34

Kacey Williams

6 th	14-15yr 100m Breaststroke	1.47.96
3 rd	14-15yr 50m Breaststroke	47.42

Sienna Purcell

4 th	14-15yr 100m Freestyle	1.30.34
5 th	14-15yr 50m Freestyle	38.79

Mackenzie Oldfield

3 rd	14-15yr 50m Backstroke	40.61
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Mila Thomas

2 nd	16-19yr 50m Backstroke	41.06
5 th	16-19yr 50m Freestyle	36.18

BOYS

Brayden Wedgwood

2 nd	12-13yr 50m Backstroke	45.20
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Harley Wade

2 nd	12-13yr 100m Freestyle	1.24.60
2 nd	12-13yr 50m Breaststroke	50.56
3 rd	12-13yr 50m Freestyle	34.94

Joaquin Hare

3 rd	14-15yr 50m Backstroke	40.92
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Finn Andrews

8 th	14-15yr 50m Freestyle	34.39
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ATHLETICS SPORTS

CHAMPIONS

Junior Boys

1 st	Brayden Wedgwood	38	H
2 nd	Coby Rudolph	33	T
3 rd	Devero Riri	30	M

Junior Girls

1 st =	Ellie Russell	30	M
1 st =	Metallica Richardson	30	T
3 rd	Tala Smith	23	T

Intermediate Boys

1 st	Finn Andrews	39	H
2 nd	Lincoln Clapham	37	H
3 rd =	Kaelebe Harris-Foster	23	T
3 rd =	Cairyn Waite	23	T

Intermediate Girls

1 st	Millie Brierly	37	M
2 nd	Sienna Purcell	34	M
3 rd	Kacey Williams	32	H

Senior Boys

1 st	William Clapham	32	H
2 nd =	Jack Pennefather	27	H
2 nd =	Elye Berry	27	T

Seniors Girls

1 st	Kyla Middleton	41	T
2 nd	Kiki Te Haara	34	H
3 rd	Isbe Kuinikoro	30	T

House

1 st	Hanover	883points
2 nd	Tyburnia	775 points
3 rd	Miles	599 points
4 th	Wattenbach	498 points





NORTHLAND ATHLETICS

NORTHLAND RESULTS

Junior Boys

Jayden Brown

9th High Jump 1.30

16th Long Jump 3.90

Devero Riri

6th 100m 13.72

6th 200m 26.82

7th High Jump 1.35

Coby Rudolph

9th Long Jump 4.48

4th= High Jump 1.40

Harley Wade

3rd High Jump 1.48

12th Long Jump 4.38

Brayden Wedgwood

3rd 300m 46.83

3rd 800m 2.24

11th Long Jump 4.43

8th Shot Put 8.40

Junior Girls

Jaylah Clinton

4th= High Jump 1.28

Ellie Russell

7th 200m 31.00

8th Long Jump 3.70

10th Shot Put 5.43

Tala Smith

4th 200m 28.87

3rd 300m 47.83

3rd 1500m 6.47

Rahera Vaipou

4th Shot Put 8.05

4th Discus 17.92

Intermediate Boys

Finn Andrews

21st= Long Jump 4.46

9th High Jump 1.50

4th Discus 26.57

Lincoln Clapham

8th 800m 2.44

14th Long Jump 4.82

Intermediate Girls

Millie Brierly

2nd 200m 27.73

3rd 800m 2.47

Mila Thomas

5th 100m 14.49

6th 200m 29.89

Kacey Williams

8th 100m 15.28

7th 200 30.21

7th Shot Put 8.63

9th Discus 18.85

Senior Boys

William Clapham

3rd 200m 24.52

2nd 400m 54.42

5th= Long Jump 5.30

Kodi Kerr

6th 200m 25.54

2nd Long Jump 5.39

Jack Pennefather

2nd High Jump 1.71

Peter Sundvick

5th 200m 25.15

4th 400m 56.51

2nd 800m 2.24

Seniors Girls

Isbe Kuinikoro

8th 100m 20.76

3rd Long Jump 3.86

5th Shot Put 9.24

Kyla Middleton

5th 100m 14.98

3rd 200m 28.33

1st 800m 2.34

1st Long Jump 4.58



SPORTS ROUNDUP

Term 1 is always an action packed term with lots of events and this one has been no exception. A highlight for me was the Golf Tournament we held with support from Wellsford Golf Club and Marie Rambaud. This was the first time in many years we have had so many capable golfers and it was very exciting to be able to run this event. (See writeup)

Congratulations to the many students that competed at Oceania and Tag Nationals over three days in Auckland.

We took five teams; two boys', three girls', to the Volleyball Cup Competition in Whangarei over two days. (see writeup). We also competed in the Northland Secondary Schools Tennis Championships, which we are still waiting the final results. Big thanks to Sheila Russell for transporting the students.

Mili Williams and Ben Wade took nine students to the Northland Secondary Schools Swimming Championships. This is a very competitive event with Club Swimmers competing as well as non Club swimmers. This was a great opportunity for our students to experience how a swim meet is run.

Jack Pennefather represented Northland in Senior Boys High Jump at the North Island Secondary Schools Athletics in Palmerston North last weekend. He placed 7th, with a recorded personal best of 1.75m.

Term 2 is also a very busy term with Midweek Football starting in the second week. We have entered a boys' team coached by Sean Kingsley

JUNIOR OCEANIA CUP

Indigo Byrne-Whiteoak was selected for the U16 Mixed Aotearoa Maori Tag team that played in the Junior Oceania Cup for Tag Football on 8-10 March 2024.



Even though her team didn't place anywhere the Aotearoa Maori contingent were the recipients of the JOC 2024 Rise and Shine Josiah Mika Spirit Award for great sportsmanship, and showing cultural pride and mana.



and a girls' team (first time for a few years) coached by Brooke Jones and Kyla Middleton.

Netball trials have been completed and teams and coaches organised. Huge

thanks to Mili Williams for organising all of this and we really appreciate Lisa Te Haara and Kelly Ayres for taking on the selecting role. Thanks to all those that have volunteered to coach and manage our six teams.

Hockey trainings have started but the team has not yet been finalised.

We have been extremely fortunate to have Kaylem Tana from Northland Basketball coaching again this year. He has been coaching girls on Tuesday lunchtimes in our school gym, boys in Kaiwaka at 6am at Kaiwaka Sportsground and on Thursdays at school. New players are always welcome. Basketball Boys will be competing in the Friday Night Kaipara Basketball competition that they were runners up in last year. We are also planning to enter Squash, Turbo Touch, Mixed Volleyball, Golf and Cross Country.

Maria Northin
Sports Coordinator

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SO WE CAN REALLOCATE
FOR
WINTER SPORTS**





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RODNEY COLLEGE SCHOOL BALL

SATURDAY

8 . 6 . 2024.

TICKETS \$85

WARKWORTH TOWN HALL,
ALNWICK STREET, WARKWORTH 0910

Year 13 6:00 pm, Year 11 & 12 7:00 pm

Doors Close 8:00 pm

Finishes 11:30 pm



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024

Friday 12 April	End of Term 1
Saturday 13 April - Sunday 28 April	Term 1 Break
Monday 29 April	Term 2 starts
Tuesday 7 May	RYDA - Year 12
Thursday 9 May	PST 1 (Parent Student Teacher Conference)
Sunday 19 May	Rockquest Northland Heats
Thursday 23 May	PUM (Paid Union Meeting) TBC
Friday 31 May	Teacher Only Day
Monday 3 June	Kings Birthday Holiday
Saturday 8 June	Senior School Ball - Warkworth Town Hall

**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.

