

Kuranui Korero

1 August 2017

"Be the best you can be"- "Whāia te iti kahurangi"

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Dear Parents/Caregivers

We are currently focusing on lifting the standard of uniform worn by all students. Students who wear an incorrect item of uniform without a note from will be warned once.

Further incidences of wrong uniform will be treated as continual disobedience and will result in serious disciplinary consequences.

The recent uniform survey completed by large numbers of parents, students and teachers showed overwhelming support for our current uniform.

Students sometimes tell us they are wearing an inappropriate item because it is a cold day. Our uniform provides a range of items which, when worn correctly, keep students warm and dry.

Inappropriate items of clothing include: hoodies of any kind, black trousers or jeans, white socks, non-leather shoes and non-regulation scarves.

Parents, we need your support to ensure students leave home in full, correct uniform.

Music Competitions

At the recent "Hutt Valley Performing Arts Competitions" three of our students gained high honours.

Maya Templer won the Original Composition under 18 with "Prettier than I!", was placed second in the Song in Costume, third in the Folk song, Sacred Solo and Lullaby and second in Song with Own Accompaniment!

Corban van Manen, competing in a class of 20, won the cup for Most Promising Competitor under 16 years (which Ellie Lucock won last year – two in a row for Kuranui!) He was second in the NZ song, Highly Commended in the Vocal Solo and Folk Song, and Very Highly Commended in Musical Theatre!

Ellie Lucock had huge competition this year – 20 to a class! – She was Highly Commended in Musical Theatre, the Vocal Solo, third in the Humorous Song and she was Very Highly Commended in French Song.

Rangatahi Leadership Wānanga

Some of our young people have begun an exciting leadership development programme, starting with five days in Ruatoki in the last holidays. There are still a few places for other senior students who wish to join. There is no charge to attend the wānanga or to participate in the programme.

The next wānanga are in the Wairarapa, from 3-6, and 10-13 August. Later in the year, the wānanga are in Rotorua in October and in Whanganui in December.

Māhuri Tōtara is a wānanga developed and facilitated by rangatahi for rangatahi and supported by pakeke, kaumātua, whānau, hapū, iwi. The facilitators provide a safe space for rangatahi to explore their potential. All the wānanga are Noho Marae based. They will learn basic things around mana, tapū and mauri – respect for self, respect for others and respect for spaces in between. They will use games, skits, waiata, our tūpuna, the taiao, roles on Marae/roles within whānau as ways of gaining knowledge. Most importantly they will be given time for self-reflection.

If interested, please contact Reuben Tipoki, Kuranui BOT member, rrtipoki@gmail.com or 0273045422 or speak to Ms Wards at school.

Everyone is invited to join us in the staffroom on Tuesday 22nd August at 6pm, when our rangatahi will share with us what they have learnt so far.

Ngā mihi.

More News from the Enviro Club



The Enviro Club ready to start planting at Lake Ferry

Three goals have been set this year. One of those goals was to find out more about our waterways in the Wairarapa and develop an Action Plan.

As part of that action plan, we joined with Sustainable Coastlines and the South Wairarapa Biodiversity group to pioneer a planting of native plant species on our southern coastline.

The week before, the students had listened to Oliver Vetter of Sustainable Coastlines about the value and importance of maintaining a healthy environment and what WE can do to help nature improve our environment. He showed us other communities and how he had been involved with monitoring the Auckland Harbour and the wildlife that is suffering from our unsustainable practices.

On the 6th July, on a sunny but cool day, we headed to our southern Wairarapa coastline to meet with Oliver, Jane and Diane. Jane told us how the area we were going to plant past the Lake Ferry hotel had been fenced off from motorbikes and quad bikes and how we were going to be the pioneer planters.

The following is copied from an email from Oliver Vetter

Thank you so much for being a part of our Love your Water 2017 Lake Ferry Planting with the South Wairarapa Biodiversity Group. Huge thanks to Jane and Diane for all their hard work. The planting was so much fun! In all we planted more than 300 trees in less than 2 hours!

They had expected us to plant a hundred plants. Go the Enviro Club!

Typing Classes

Learn to type with all of your fingers really fast. This is a vital skill in today's online world. Call Eunice for an after school appointment on 06 3049515. Lessons are \$10.00 per session.

“I Shall Fly”



Amber as Jean Batten



Tommy as Fred Truman

Year 13 student Jessica Buckham's one act play, "I Shall Fly" was recently performed in conjunction with the Greytown Little Theatre. The play is based on the relationship between the ambitious aviatrix Jean Batten and her boyfriend Fred Truman. Set in the 1930s, the play tells the story through the eyes of Fred who will do anything to gain the love of Jean and how she, in return, will do anything to become a famous flier. The short run at the Little Theatre saw full houses and very favourable feedback.

Mumps Alert

A large number of Auckland and Waikato schools have reported outbreaks of mumps this year.

Mumps causes painful swelling in the glands around the face, pain in the jaw, fever and headaches. It can lead to meningitis in about 1 in 10 people.

Mumps is spread through the air by breathing, coughing and sneezing, or through contact with infected saliva (ie, kissing, sharing food and drink).

If you've caught mumps, it usually takes 12–25 days before you get sick. You'll be infectious from 1 week before swelling appears until 5 days after.

How do you stop mumps spreading?

If your child has mumps, they should be kept home from school for 5 days after swelling develops. This will help prevent the spread of mumps in your community. If your child is still unwell after 5 days they should remain at home until they are well.

Risks associated with mumps

In about 1 in 10 people, mumps causes meningitis, but it is usually relatively mild.

It causes encephalitis (inflammation of the brain) in about 1 in 6000 people, of whom 1 in 100 will die and nerve deafness in 1 in 15,000 people.

If infected after puberty, 1 in 5 males gets testicle inflammation and 1 in 20 females gets ovary inflammation. In rare cases this leads to infertility.

Vaccination

All children in New Zealand can be immunised against mumps as part of their free childhood immunisations at 15 months and 4 years old.

This disease is covered on the New Zealand Immunisation Schedule. The vaccine used is M-M-R® II.

Risks associated with the vaccine

Aseptic mumps meningitis occurs in 1 in 800,000 vaccine recipients. This is less severe than the illness caused by the mumps virus.

Immunisation is your choice. If you have questions, talk to your doctor or practice nurse or call the Immunisation Advisory Centre free helpline 0800 IMMUNE (0800 466 863).

Community Driver Mentor Programme a Real Success for Kuranui Students



Carli McArthur and Wanita Namana



Jennifer Gault



Remy McDonald



Stefan Balks

This is the second year that our students have participated in the Community Driver Mentor Programme. The programme is designed to allow students who do not have access to best practice driver training and who have already completed the learner phase of their licence, to independently gain their restricted licence and improve their levels of safe driving in a registered and warranted vehicle.

The programme, which for the students is entirely free, relies on generous sponsors and community volunteers. The volunteer mentors act as coaches supervising a range of practice driving experiences. They help our students to think about their driving and how they need to manage the vehicle, keeping their focus on what they need to practice. The students also undertake professional driving lessons with a qualified driving instructor 3 times during their learning programme.

To date, we have had the following students pass their restricted licence: Remy McDonald, Jennifer Gault, Stefan Balks, Wanita Namana, Carli MacArthur, Jack Cadwallader, Tane Jensen and Manaia Apiata.

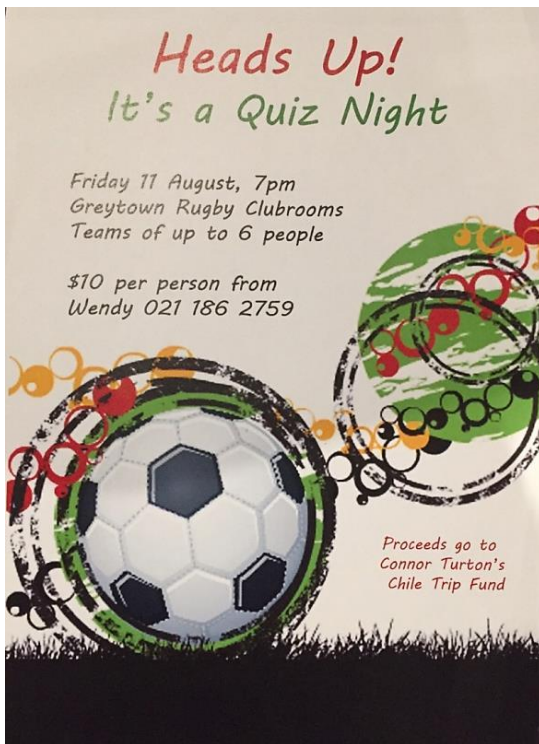
Organisations helping to fund and operate the programme include: The Wairarapa Road Safety Council, Trust House foundation, District Councils, Southey Honda, Caltex Masterton, REAP Wairarapa, The Sign Factory, Julia Londa, Frazer Mailman, Greater Wellington Regional Council, Kuranui College support staff and Community Volunteers.

Fresh Jam

On Friday 11 August, Kuranui College will host jazz/rock bands from the region's secondary schools at the annual Fresh Jam jazz workshops and concert. Internationally renowned NZ jazz musician Rodger Fox will take each band for a workshop during the day and in the evening, beginning at 6:30pm, all of the bands will perform. Come along and hear the best of the Wairarapa's young musicians perform everything from traditional jazz to contemporary rock.

Connor Turton is Fundraising

Connor Turton has been invited to join a team of talented footballers from around the Hutt Valley and Wairarapa regions to go to Chile for two weeks in 2018. The team will be hosted by an ex coach while playing local Chilean teams. This is a wonderful opportunity for Connor so please support him in his fundraising efforts. Get a team together and come along!



Enrichment opportunities

Love creative writing? Canadian author, Catherine Cooper, will be running a fiction writing workshop for young adults at Carterton District Library. The workshop is free, and is open to writers aged 16-24. The first meeting will be on Thursday 3rd August 5.30pm - 7pm and runs every 2nd Thursday until Oct 12th. If you're interested go along or see Ms Butler-Peck if you'd like further details.

Budding filmmaker? Don't miss out on "The Outlook for Someday" short film competition. The challenge is to make a short film about sustainability, either individually or in a team. Any camera, any genre and up to 5 mins long. There are awesome prizes. Go to www.theoutlookforsomeday.net for more information or speak to Ms Butler-Peck. Entries close 8th September.

Electoral Panel Discussion

Maya Templar, who is about to take up her scholarship at the UWC Changshu China, has been hard at work arranging for representatives from the main electoral parties to visit the college. On Monday 7 August, from 10am – 11am, representatives from the Green, Labour, Maori, National and NZ First parties will speak to and answer questions from our Year 12 and 13 students. Our former Board Chairperson, Chris Giles, will also speak briefly about the election process in his capacity as the Chief Electoral Officer for the Wairarapa Electorate.

Digital Technologies Curriculum Consultation

Digital technologies are transforming how we live – shaping our homes and our workplaces, and changing the way that we interact with each other and live our everyday lives. Our education system needs to change how we prepare our children and young people to participate, create and thrive in this fast-evolving digital world.

The Ministry of Education encourage you to think ahead as to how this proposed curriculum content will impact on the learning of New Zealanders over the next 5 to 10 years. The proposed curriculum content is available online at <https://education.govt.nz/ministry-of-education/consultations-and-reviews/digital-technology-consultation/>

The Ministry want to ensure that the proposed new curriculum content will work for teachers, kaiako, schools and kura, so our students can achieve the best possible learning outcomes.

They need your feedback to ensure we have got it right. Your feedback will also be invaluable for determining the support leaders and teachers will need to effectively implement the new curriculum content in their schools and kura.

<http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/3628791/DT-HM-consultation>

Haere Mai – Welcome to...

- Anje Runge from Germany who will be with us until mid-2018.

Haere Ra – Farewell to...

- Thomas Parry who has left us to travel to Iceland for a year long student exchange

Coming Events

2 August	Massey University Open Day
7 August	Year 12 and 13 students meet the Wairarapa electoral candidates.
9 August	Mufti Day
11 August	“Fresh Jam” - Wairarapa Secondary Schools’ Jazz festival at Kuranui College

Geoff Shepherd

Tumuaki - Principal

From the Sports Desk...

Time-table: Sports Exchange vs Tararua College, Friday 11 August

11-00am Boys Hockey @ Clareville

12.30pm Girls Hockey @ Clareville

11.00am Boys Basketball

11.30am Girls Football

1.00pm Boys Football

1.15pm Netball Senior A

1.30pm Rugby 1st XV

We welcome parents/caregivers and supporters to come and support our teams.

Inter-house Sport Competition- If you are interested in representing your house in the inter-house sport competition for football, please put your name down on the paper outside the Sports Office. We need 4 Seniors and 4 Juniors per house team with a minimum of 3 girls. Please listen out for the notices to hear more details on when the games will take place.

Ikaroa Kite Tonga- Maori Under 15 & U17 Netball trials, register online

<http://sporty.co.nz/viewform/52843>

U15 Rugby - Our Kuranui U15 Boys have secured a home game against Makoura College U15 Team on Friday 4th August with a kick off time of 2pm. Team management, John Lyford and David Hume are very excited at having this weekday match and invite you all to come and support the boys.

Kuranui College Sports Hoodie- Price = \$65-00 each (includes Kuranui Logo on front, Kuranui on the back and your name on the back). Order forms available from the Sports Office door. NB: Hoodies are not part of the regular school uniform

Rugby Boots and Football Boots- If you have updated your playing boots and your old ones are still in reasonable condition we would love to have them! They can be dropped off to the Main Office at Kuranui.

Kuranui College Wall of Fame- I am once again updating our Wall of Fame at our main entrance. Currently the wall features Maahi Baker-Softball and Hockey, Clare Crawford-Hockey Umpire, Jake Rance-Speech Maker, Jesse Workman-Hockey, Jeremy Linton-Barefoot Water Skiing, Melissa Reeve-Shakespeare, Neil Rodger-Rugby, Civic Cruz-Shakespeare, Mary Grigson, Barbara Mason-Hockey, Irene Miller-X-country, John Cornes-Rugby, Grant Batty-Rugby, Robert Algie-Wrestling, Barry O'Neale-Pistol Shooting, Terrance Grant Parker-Wrestling, Robyn Blackman-Hockey, Jimmy Cotter-Softball, Gail Rodburn-Hockey, Sarah Linton-Barefoot Water skiing.



If you have represented New Zealand in a sport or in a cultural activity or know of current or ex-students who have, please contact Mr Donald Yee on yeed@kuranui-college.school.nz with details.

Kuranui Sport wish to thank the following Sponsors-

Strength Nation Gym, Mitre 10 Martinborough, Crighton ITM -Greytown, Greytown Lions Club, Carterton Lions Club, Comag Ltd, Carterton District Council-Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund, South Wairarapa District Council-Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund, Rotary Club of South Wairarapa, Trust House Foundation-Masterton, Prime Community Trust, Pelorus Trust.

Mr Donald Yee
Sports Co-ordinator

Whakatauki

“Whāia te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei”

Seek the treasure you value most dearly: if you bow your head, let it be to a lofty mountain