



Palmerston North Boys' High School

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(left) The whole crew at Tama Tu Tam Ora camp. See Leadership report

(above) The French tour party - evidence of one of the enjoyable aspects of the tour!



Kaea Taylor wins Manu Korero Speech Competition



Callum McRae, newly appointed prefect, is currently away with the NZ Junior Tall Blacks



(above) Benji Pritchard speaking at the World Vision Art exhibition opening
(right) Old Boy Simon van Velthoven with the Auld Mug



Tama Nikora trying to get through the New Plymouth boys in the Niger House game

Junior Cross Country team: (l-r) Billy Davidson, Aden Porritt, Luke Brown, Nelson Doolan, Thomas Harding, Connor Managh



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From the Rector Mr David Bovey

Dear Parents

Many of you read the articles that we share with you on our school Facebook page, articles that deal with young adulthood, and the challenges and opportunities that come with this phase of life. These articles sit alongside news of what is happening in our school which highlight the achievement of our young men, as well as Old Boys and other members of the Boys' High community.

We are certainly proud of the many successes of our young men, whether this success is achieved in academic, cultural or sporting fields. The sheer number of young men who are achieving at a high level continues to amaze us as a staff and as a school community. The opportunities that we as a school can provide certainly gives our young men an excellent platform from which to launch.

But there are a number of young men who do not take their opportunities, who instead prefer the soft option or the easy way out. As we do every year, we are forced to deal with a small number of young men who choose to act in a way that reflects poorly on them as young men. We will continue to deal with this behaviour, some of which is condoned by some base elements in society, sometimes even by parents. It is extremely frustrating for the school to have to deal with young men who have failed to live up to our expectations only to have parents riding to the rescue rather than letting their son deal with the consequences of their actions. Thus, some young men fail to learn how to take responsibility and will struggle to learn from their mistakes and develop resilience.

A number of the article mentioned above (on Facebook) deal with concepts such as responsibility and resilience. They make for very interesting reading, and as you and your son negotiate the turbulence of teenage years they stress the importance of communication with young people; they also stress the importance of being a parent to, rather than a friend of, young adults. I do encourage you to read those articles that catch your eye – they may well have some nuggets in them that could help you with your son

We will continue to provide stability and structure for our young men. Expectations will remain consistent, and we will continue to insist on polite, respectful behaviour; on grooming and punctuality. While many regard such things as minor, we do not. We believe that, if our young men are able to get these so-called little things right, then they will be in good stead for life after school.

Staffing

At the end of Term II we farewell Miss Adams from the Art department who has been with us as maternity leave cover for Mrs Fogarty, who will be returning at the start of Term III. We have recently welcomed back Mr McTamney after a period of ill-health. Congratulations to Mr Siebert, who has been appointed to the SCT (Specialist Classroom Teacher) role and to Mrs Kendal for her appointment to the NZQA Principal's Nominee position.

School Reports

Young men who have clear goals inevitably have a more focused and determined approach to their academic work and it has been gratifying to see the number of outstanding reports.

The 2017 mid-year reports were posted to parents in the last week of term. I would encourage you as parents to take time to sit down with your son to discuss his progress and his attitude in all subject areas. The most important aspect of these reports is the attitude grade for each subject, and, while I have congratulated those who have done well, it is also worth noting that a number of young men have let themselves down and not given anything like their best effort in some areas. This needs to be addressed with some urgency if that is indeed the case.

Term 3 Calendar of Events

Included with this newsletter is a copy of the Term III events to enable young men and families to diary key dates.

Open Day

For parents of Year 8 boys considering enrolment at PNBHS in 2017, our Open Day is on Thursday 3 August. Presentations followed by tours of the school will begin in the Speirs Centre at 9.45am, 5.30pm and 7.00pm.

While PNBHS will continue to operate an enrolment scheme, we have been able to accept all applications for enrolment, received by the closing date, since the scheme was introduced and would like to be able to continue to do so. Out of zone enrolments after the closing date are unlikely to be accepted. This year we were unable to accept a number of out of zone enrolments that were received after the closure of the enrolment period.

Enrolments for 2018 will open on Monday 24 July, the first day of Term III.

If you require further detail please contact the school office on 06 3545 176.

School Ball

Date: Saturday 19 August, 8pm – midnight

Venue: Silks Lounge, Awapuni Racecourse Function Centre

The school ball is a long standing tradition at PNBHS. Despite the often adverse publicity that comes with such functions, it is my preference to continue this tradition so our seniors have the opportunity to experience a formal social occasion with young women. The parameters we set have grown through time to recognise the availability of drugs and alcohol and the growing pressure that consumption of these before and/or after a school ball is the norm for teenagers today. This belief needs to be dispelled.

Our senior school ball has very clear expectations and we want young men and their partners to have a night to remember; one that is alcohol and drug free.

We do have systems in place that will monitor this so that those who ignore our warnings are identified for their own protection and the protection of others. The use of alcohol and drug detection services may initially detract from the quality occasion our seniors have in mind, but at the same time the outcome of the evening needs to align with our school's integrity and standards.

As we approach the 2017 Senior School Ball, the seniors, who choose to attend the ball, will be reminded that it is an official school function and that fundamental rules in respect to drugs, alcohol and cigarettes apply.

I encourage you to talk to your son about behaviour that is appropriate at a formal occasion of this nature. We, as a school, will clearly reinforce the rules and expectations associated with our school ball. The young

men and their partners who choose to attend are expected to abide by our guidelines. It is your son's responsibility to ensure his partner understands the meaning of attending a PNBHS Senior Ball.

This is not a compulsory school activity thus if your son cannot agree with our rules, guidelines or expectations then he does not have to attend.

Each young man who wishes to purchase a ticket to this year's ball will receive a letter regarding the conditions of attendance. I would ask you to read through this letter with your son and complete the return slip.

The conclusion of the School Ball is midnight and, thereafter, you, as parents, are responsible for the safety and well-being of your son. There are to be no after-ball parties, which have a clear tendency to quickly deteriorate. I thank you in advance for the support you will provide the school and your son.

This school event is an important social occasion for young men and their partners. We wish to continue offering such an opportunity to our young men and their partners. We will continue to do so, as long as the Ball is the key event our young men want to attend on the evening and the formality of such an occasion is retained.

School Fees and donations

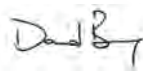
Recently the media has covered a number of stories related to school fees and donations and has reported comments from the government about state schooling in New Zealand being 'free'. I would like to take this opportunity to shed some light on what is often a rather simplistic view of the situation.

Schools in New Zealand are funded on the basis of their 'decile'. In this system schools are ranked based upon the income of the parents of the students attending the school. The schools with the wealthiest 10% of parents are banded as decile 10, the next wealthiest 10% of parents as decile 9 and so on, down to decile 1. School funding – additional to the basic operations grant which each school receives – is then allocated based upon these decile rankings, with schools where parents earn the most receiving less funding than those schools where students' parents earn less. The theory behind this model is that parents at wealthier schools can afford to pay for the many extras the schools provide that

parents at low decile schools cannot afford

As a decile 8 school Palmerston North Boys' High School receives a minimum level of funding over and above our operations grant. The school receives enough government funding to cover only two-thirds of what is required to offer the opportunities that we as a school offer. This means that the many extras we provide have to be funded through money we raise from our community i.e. school donations. These donations go towards additional teaching staff so that we can offer a diverse curriculum with a wide range of subject options, additional support for learning assistance classes, support programmes for students who are struggling with their academic progress at all year levels, mentoring programmes for at risk Year 11 and Year 12 students, alternative programmes at Level 2 and Level 3, the literacy programme, the Leadership programme, the academic accelerate programme, alongside a full range of sporting and cultural activities with teams and groups to cater for students of all abilities. These programmes would cease without the subject fees and donations.

We pride ourselves on the young men who leave our gates. We strongly believe that in order 'To develop educated men of outstanding character' a full breadth of opportunities must be available and this approach is strongly entrenched in our school history. Unfortunately, we believe the level of funding we receive from the government does not allow us to achieve our vision. Without these donations, the school would not be able to offer the quality of all-round education that it does. We would encourage you to support your son's education and Palmerston North Boys' High School; if you are yet to pay the donations and costs we would certainly encourage you to do so, and arrangements can be put in place at the school's finance office. Finally, we would like to thank the large number of parents who have paid this year's school fees and donations – without your support our young men would not have the opportunities they do.



D M Bovey
RECTOR

Student Achievement

- **Super Eight Competitions** – at the Super Eight Cultural Festival the Kapa Haka group finished fourth; the Senior Debating team finished runners-up; the Junior and Senior theatre sports teams both finished third. In rugby, the 1st and 2nd XV's both defeated Gisborne BHS in Gisborne. The U15 Colts team also won in a non-Super Eight fixture. At the Super Eight Cross Country held in Tauranga the team finished runners-up for the second year in a row. Individual with top ten finishes were: Aden Porritt, Nelson Doolan, Connor Managh (Year 9); Andre Le Pine-Day, Jack Pronk (Junior); Benjamin Wall, Luke Scott (Senior). Year 9s were placed second, Juniors third and Seniors second – and PNBHS were second overall. In rugby, the 1st XV had wins over Gisborne and New Plymouth and losses to Hastings and Hamilton.
- **Athletics** – Bradyn Popow's time in the 5000m walk in Wellington earlier in the year has been accepted as a New Zealand U17 record.
- **Leadership** – a group of Year 13 pupils visited Hato Paora College for a combined leadership presentation.
- **Junior Examinations** – Year 9 and 10 pupils recently completed their mid-year examinations; for many Year 9 boys it is their first taste of such things.
- **Judo** – Tristan Vignes won a gold medal in his weight category at the Wellington Judo competition held in Palmerston North.
- **Volleyball** – Joseph Mafi has been selected for the NZ Junior Men's volleyball team which will compete in the USA later in the year. Leejean Engu has been selected for the NZ Junior Development team (effectively an NZSS team) to compete in Australia.
- **PN Youth Council** – David Murphy, Jack Watson, Benji Pritchard and Daniel Hodgetts were recently awarded PN Youth Council Scholarships.
- **Basketball** – Callum McRae has left with the New Zealand Junior Tall Blacks team that will compete in the World Championships in Cairo. Before he left Callum was named as a school prefect.
- **Rugby League** – Usaiah Fonongalao has been selected for the NZ Maori U17 rugby league team.
- **Music** – the Stage Band performed with distinction recently at the NZ School of Music Jazz Project, which was part of the Wellington Jazz Festival.
- **Water polo** – Cam Pomana has been selected for the NZ U17 team that will travel to Montenegro in July and August.
- **Wrestling** – Jack Scrimshaw has been selected for the NZSS Wrestling team that will compete in Australia later in the year.
- **Basketball** – Rangimarie Mita has been selected for the NZ U18 3x3 basketball team which is playing in the World Cup in China.

- **Mountain biking** – Ben Orr won the intermediate event and Max Taylor the senior event at the Wanganui Mountain Biking championships.
- **Basketball** – Cooper Boyce-Towler, Tama Fa'amausili and Oscar Oswald have been invited to the NBA Asia/Pacific Camp in China.
- **Nga Manu Korero** – Kaea Taylor won the Korimako Senior English category at the Regional Manu Korero competition. He will represent the region at the national event later in the year. Piripi Pinfold-Whanga finished runner-up in the Sir Tui Carroll Junior English section.
- **Music** – 'No Frets', made up of Ciaran Carroll, Paul Teoh and Nathan Lau, won the regional Chamber Music competition and in doing so qualified for the Central regions finals where they again performed well.
- **New Plymouth BHS winter exchange** – match reports are in this newsletter. A 5-3 overall win for PNBHS.
- **Weight lifting** – Harrison Richards won the U74kg Junior category at the North Island Power lifting Championships.
- **Prefects** – Keun Hee Lee, Josiah Nevell and Harrison Ward were recently named as school prefects.
- **Music** – the Concert Band and Stage Band both performed with distinction at the Feilding Festival of Bands. Both were awarded a gold award, while Digby Werthmuller was awarded Best Solo Performance.



From the Deputy Rector

NCEA Achievement Recognised

Last week we made presentations to young men who excelled in NCEA assessments in 2016. Pleasingly, the number of young men recognised in these presentations has increased from 82 in 2016 to 114 in 2017, with the same criteria being applied. The young men identified below were presented with certificates and cheques in recognition of their hard work.

Young men who gained between 10 and 14 Standards at Excellence level: Sam McCreary, Triam Tongskul, Angus Craw, Liang Wu, Christopher Bing, Cameron Harridge, Horatiu Susa, Michael Ye, Joseph Medyckyj-Scott, Alex Nguyen, Manjeet Panwar, Sam Russell, Martin Joseph, Dan Heaphy, Lachlan Eavestaff, Korie Winters, Sean Collins, Hayden Osborne, Roland Clayton, Daniel Soveini-Nejhadi, Greg Shaw, Luke August, Matt Pearn, Tom Buckley, James Harris, Ben Roberts, Braiden Mudford, Jaymon Furniss, Cam Pomana and Jordan Richard.

Young men who gained between 15 and 19 Standards at Excellence level: Alex Chapple, Zane McGoldrick, Jonty Lombard, Alex Hoek, Joshua Morris, Zac Frida, Roman Jensen, Kieran Sanson, Ryan Joe, Luciano Lanham, Isaac Chan, Adam Martin, Matthew O'Leary, Richard Bell, Nasir Choudhary, Matthew Joe, Asa Ngirazi and Gordon Zhao.

Young men who gained between 20 and 25 Standards at Excellence level: Xavier Hill, Eric Kwon, Harrison Porritt and George Brown.

Year 12 student Jake Faville was recognised for gaining 29 Standards at Excellence Level.

Accelerate students who achieved a minimum of ten Achievement Standards at Excellence level, including up to 9 Standards in advance of their year level: Bede Skinner-Vennell, Kaleb Humpage-Pinto, Nico Lieferring, Patrick Takurua, Liam Quelch, Aidan Berkahn, Aidan Holroyd, Steven Jiang, Kevin Xu, Josh Van Rynbach, Lachlan Walcroft, Roger McEwan, Jae Lee, Thomas Walshe, Rishabh De, Nick Slegers, Jack Harvey, Henry Leck, Christopher Dewhurst and Jonathan Nanguzgambo.

Accelerate students who achieved between ten and 14 Achievement Standards at Excellence level, in advance of their year level: Caleb Martin, Robin Park, Campbell Stevens, Uzair Masud, Nathan Lau, John Cole, Thiliner Ariyaratne, Josh Ellingham, Victor van Eyk, Tom Kirk, Wade Bennett, Gregor McIntosh, Stanley Jackson, Kaykay Adeyinka, Max Edwards, Phillip Lee, John Robinson, Nelson Braddon-Parsons, Sam Leabourne, Alexander Antoine de Joux, Joe Reddish, Alan Kirk, James Rosendale, Kaleb Idemaru, Jack Nesdale and Thomas Lieferring.

Accelerate students who achieved between 15 and 19 Achievement Standards at Excellence level, in advance of their year level: George Red-

dish, Ajay Bansal, Callum Walcroft, Wei Lim, William Hunter, Denzel Chung, Alistair Keay-Graham, Ronan Carroll, Ryan Adams, Dineth Rajapakse, Jarod Govers, Emmanuel Joseph Shaji and Finlay McRae.

Accelerate students who achieved between 20 and 25 Achievement Standards at Excellence level, in advance of their year level: Junius Ong and Finn Martin.

Congratulations to all of these young men.

Parental Support and Involvement

A significant way for parents to show their support for their son's education is through attending parent/teacher interviews. These take place in Term #three on Thursday August 10 and Monday August 14. Information about booking interviews will be emailed to parents at the beginning of Term Three. Parent/teacher interviews will allow you to get a more detailed picture of your son's progress, and in particular, information about the next steps in his learning – crucial information if he is to achieve to his potential, and vital information for parents if you are to support his progress.

NCEA and Scholarship Fees

A reminder that NZQA and Scholarship fees are now due. Individual invoices have been provided to parents with sons sitting NCEA assessment and it would be appreciated if this fee (\$76.70) could be paid by the end of Term Two. Late entries do incur a fee and require you to deal directly with NZQA. NCEA qualifications will not be recognised unless fees are paid. If you have any questions about the payment of NCEA fees, or believe you qualify for financial assistance, please contact the Finance Office. Scholarship entries, for interested students studying Level Three or advanced subjects, are made through a separate process and the cost for this is \$30 per subject. An entry form for Scholarship can be obtained from the Finance Office and needs to be returned, along with the entry fee, by Friday, July 28.

PNBHS Open Day

We are approaching the time of year when intermediate age young men and families in our community begin to make decisions about which secondary school they will attend. Our school Open Day is on Thursday, August 3. On this day there will be presentations in the Speirs Centre at 9.45am, 5.30pm and 7.00pm, followed by a tour of the school. If you have friends or family who are looking at secondary school options, please share this information with them. The 2018 school prospectus will be available from the main school office at the beginning of term three. Further detail about our school can be found on our website and Facebook page.

Why a Boys' School?

The Association of Boys' Schools of New Zealand has commissioned two separate independent research projects in recent years to examine the achievement of boys in boys' schools in comparison to the achievement of boys in co-educational schools. Both of these research projects (2014 and 2016) reached the same conclusions, mainly that boys in boys' schools achieved at higher rates than boys in co-educational schools (based on NCEA achievement data). This finding held true across all deciles and all ethnicities – Maori and Pasifika students were more likely to leave school with qualifications in boys' schools than in co-educational schools.

The New Zealand Council of Economic Research (NZCER) Chief Researcher, Cathy Wylie, summarised the 2014 report's findings thus: "What was really interesting was how the high-performing schools stressed the importance of a student-centred approach, offering co-curricular activities alongside academic programmes for holistic development, and developing self-managing students who set high goals for themselves.

Other strategies mentioned by the high-performing schools included: Providing leadership opportunities for senior students; identifying student need early on, particularly with targeted literacy and numeracy strategies; close tracking of student achievement in relation to student goals; and threading core school values through the school day."

We believe strongly that boys' schools are havens for young men and provide environments in which they can be nurtured and have their academic, cultural and sporting talents developed. The emphasis on values and character, that is central to many boys' schools, will also help young men to develop the resilience that is essential if they are to thrive in the world beyond school. Unfortunately for New Zealand our young men are over-represented in a range of negative statistics: educational underachievement, car crash fatalities, suicide, depression and risk taking behaviour including binge drinking and recreational drug use. Boys' schools are uniquely placed to challenge the place of young men in these statistics so that they can go on to make a valuable contribution to New Zealand society for their benefit and the benefit of all New Zealanders. Further information can be found on our school website (<http://www.pnbhs.school.nz/at-palmy-boys/developing-young-men/why-a-boys-school/>).

Families living in Palmerston North have the advantage of being able to choose from a variety of secondary schools with differing cultures and philosophies, with relatively few of the zoning barriers that exist in many larger centres. The choice of secondary school is a crucial one, and we encourage parents and young men to carefully consider their

options so the choice that is made is best for them.

Curriculum Review

Thank you to the many families who contributed to our recent curriculum review questionnaire. While there were a wide range of responses, there were some themes that came through very strongly. Providing opportunities for young men to achieve the highest possible qualification they can was overwhelmingly identified as the key priority. Parents recognise the importance of developing relationships and making life-long friendships and want their sons to be happy and engaged at school. The importance of developing well-rounded young men who have opportunities in a diverse range of cultural and sporting activities was also highlighted. Other common responses, in no particular order, related to the importance of having an understanding of values and morals, developing leadership attributes, having social confidence, developing emotional intelligence, being accepting of others points of view, having respect for females, being a life-long learner, having a bi-cultural perspective, developing the skills to work cooperatively with others and being accepting of diverse groups of people.

Society's expectations of masculine behaviour have changed considerably. While moves away from the acceptance of stereotypical expectations of male behaviour – the traditional 'hard man', strong, silent and emotionless – are to be applauded, there is something of a vacuum in our society about what is acceptable and indeed what should be encouraged. The media, in particular social media, has a propensity to emphasise material worth and 'looks' at the expense of valuing a life founded on strong moral principles and values – the outstanding character we strive to assist our young men to develop.

As a parent community you have provided us with feedback about what you believe we need to develop in our young men. Being resilient and acting with integrity at all times were the most common responses. Other common themes through the parental feedback, in no particular order, included: the importance of being a positive role model for others; understanding, respecting and accepting other people regardless of their sexuality, culture or religion; understanding the importance of family life; be emotionally literate and able to share and discuss feelings and concerns and being able to respond appropriately to the feelings and concerns of others; having the skills to form meaningful relationships with people from diverse backgrounds and young men understanding the consequences of their actions – both positive and negative.

The information we gathered from our parent community, along with that from our recent old boys, will be added to the results of previous consultation with local employers, our young men and staff, as we look to consider the academic and other programmes we offer for the future.

World Vision Art Exhibition

Well done to the PNBHS World Vision committee for a successful fundraising art auction.

From the 1st June till the 20th June student art work was on display and for sale at Square Edge to raise money for Syrian refugees. Alongside the student work were two pieces donated for auction.



The first of these was from PNBHS art teacher Julie Fogarty. Her painting showed a point in the school cross country where one young man had stopped for a moment to help out a fellow competitor stuck in a swampy part

of the course; a small, unextraordinary gesture that yet speaks volumes, calling to mind these key sentiments from within the school's haka: TŪ



HĀPAINGA RĀ! TŪ HĪKITIA RĀ! - To Uphold! To Uplift!

The second work up for auction was from well known local artist Sarah Platt. Their support was really appreciated in this fundraising venture. The photo below is of Leanne Brown and her son Cameron who won the auction of this picture

Thank you also to Shaun and the team down at Square Edge for hosting the exhibition and to Old Boy Grant Smith for opening the Exhibition.

Through the support of the community, the exhibition raised over \$1,600.



Leadership Report

While a manager focuses on systems, a leader focuses on people.
While a manager is operational, a leader must be visionary.
While a manager thinks tactically, a leader thinks strategically.
While a manager fosters routine, a leader drives change.
While a manager is conservative, a leader must be creative.
While a manager seeks to control, a leader seeks to inspire.
While a manager is replicable, a leader is unique.
While a manager requires training, a leader requires education.

Some rearranged and borrowed words from "Leaders and Misleaders" by Andre van Heerden and Warren Bennis

As we ready ourselves for NZ Leadership Week and a Leadership Forum to be hosted by the school and delivered by Andre van Heerden, our leading eyes remain on the horizon to seek out and exploit opportunities to develop educated men of outstanding character.

Returning recently from another foray to the NZ bush in the Taranaki's, we were reminded again of just how fortunate our young men are to be able to experience really authentic growth in their individual character, genuine leader development, life changing relationship building and personal growth and development. The entries the young men made in their diaries made it clear that minds were unwinding (from constant



screen attachment), willpower and patience were being tested, and as sure as sedimentary rocks and metamorphic rocks were being changed slowly by the environment, young diamonds were being created as the heat was turned up on individuals to perform outside their comfort zones. 33 Year 10 students (joined by 20 Year 11-13 seniors to mentor them on their 24-hour SOLO) completed the most recent two-week Tama Tu Tama Ora excursion.

Another group of up to 40 students will venture into the unknown during Week 3 of Term 3. This means that if you want to do it, and put your mind to it, up to a quarter of the Year 10 cohort each year can attempt this character development and leadership opportunity.

Coupled with the Year 10 camp opportunities in Term 4, all Year 10 students have an opportunity to stretch their horizons and limits of endurance. There are no soft options if you want to put your mind to it and it was noticeable just how many young men thought they had reached their limit on a number of occasions and were surprised just how far they were capable of pushing themselves by whispering quietly to themselves, "I will not give up – I can do this."

The reflections of the young men reveal just how much our young men learn in adversity: how to make better choices; how to forbid complacency creeping into their lives; how to be tolerant and patient with people they do not necessarily like or get on with by exercising self-control;

how to consider the team before self when making decisions; how to get oneself organised so as not to let the team down; how to give a good set of instructions in a group to ensure important information is received and understood by all members of the team; how to be comfortable being uncomfortable; how to speak up and lead a team even if it is not your natural personality to do so; and then there were all the technical skills learnt around mapping and compass work; bush craft, fire lighting, whittling, tying knots, making an emergency bivvie and cooking a meal in the field. Lessons were learned around personal hygiene and staying well in adversity, as well as how quickly the body can bounce back from an "unwell" event.

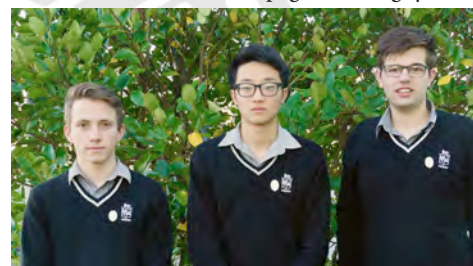
In other areas of the school, seven young men took up the challenge to complete the Massey Global Summit on 29th June 2017 – a UN based event.

There is great depth to "Leading through Music" in the school at the present time and our musicians are certainly setting a great tone and standard for the whole school to follow.

The World Vision team led by Benji Pritchard (right) and Matt Watts continue to thrive in their work to raise funds for World Vision. Benji speaking at the Art Exhibition opening.



Five new Prefects have been appointed. Callum McCrae (on front page) Alex Nguyen, Jo-



siah Nevell, Kuen Hee Lee, Harrison Ward

The legacy of the Sir Peter Blake Leadership Week this year takes on a new meaning with the recent outstanding success by Emirates Team New Zealand in winning the America's Cup in Bermuda – great leadership and great values in action – courage, humility, industry, respect, pride and integrity in abundance. Nihil Boni sine Labore. Thank you for your continued support of your young men. The Leadership Journey continues.

Paul King
Leadership Director

Māori and Pasifika News



Tēnā koutou katoa

PNBHS Matariki Celebrations

On Thursday 15 June we celebrated Matariki with our whānau and boys. We had an amazing array of performances which reflected the diverse talents and passions of our students. It was fantastic to see so many of our boys being nominated for awards by our staff, coaches and our senior masters. This year we introduced three special awards which reflect the following criteria:

Te Rau O Titapu Award - Michael Malu

- Leadership
- Puts others needs ahead of their own
- Someone with chiefly qualities

Te Ara Poutama Award - Tiwha Rukuwai

- Learning and improving
- Determined
- Motivated
- Engaged

Te Whetu Tarake I Te Rangi Award - Kaea Taylor

- Person of outstanding character
- Participates in Cultural, Sports and Academic

Tāne Te Wānanga Awards

Michael Papanui, Isaiah Tuputupu, Tasi Vaha'i, Kaea Taylor, Cail Terry, Leejean Engu, Cameron Pomana, Dontae Stanshall, Harlen Chase- Raharuhi, Carson Hepi, Carson Taare, Potiki Watling, Luke August, Tamati Ruawai, Zody Takarua, John Cole, Camryn Caffell, Zayden Meyers-Giesen, Reuben Davis, Xzavia Mason, La-Quahn Matakatea, Logan Pomana, Zac Engu, Piripi Pinfold-Whanga, Tiwha Rukuwai, Tevita Fonongaloa

A special thanks to all our whānau who attended and supported the evening.

Super Eight Cultural Festival

Kei ngā kōrou hūhuka

Kei ngā ripowai tapu o te motu

Kei ngā waka tiwai e tetere nei.

Wairua mauri ora.

Ki ngā mate kua hei ake ki te mātoru o te pō. Rere atu koutou ki te waitapu o ō matua tipuna. Haere, haere, whakangaro atu rā. Rātou ki a rātou, tātou ki tātou, mauri tū, mauri ora.



Māori Performing Arts is one of many forms of transmitting knowledge. It is a tool in which we use to immerse our students into kaupapa Māori. The Super Eight kapa haka is a great example of how we transmit knowledge in a way in which our students would understand. The kapa committed three months to this kaupapa. This meant a lot of their lunchtimes were taken up. If you wanted to observe what great leadership looked like, D6 classroom was the place to go. Our senior students of the kapahaka were great examples of how to be the best you can be.

'Ko te paetawhiti whāia kia tata, ko te pae tata, whakmaua kia tina.'

Endure until your distant goals are near. Once near, seize them and hold them close.

Rotorua Boys' High School had the honour of hosting the 18th annual Super 8 Cultural Competition and every year the quality of performance gets higher and higher. Super 8 kapahaka have a few rules of its own. Only the 8 Boys' High Schools within this franchise can participate, only 16 performers can take stage and only 5 items can be performed.

Thank you to John Kendal for supporting the kapa. To the students who worked tirelessly, thank you for your time and effort you put into the kaupapa. It is you who have inspired people. You are our future and present leaders; you all are men of outstanding character.

Super 8 Kapa Haka Placings:

1st Rotorua Boys' High School (Senior group)

2nd Hamilton Boys' High School

3rd Palmerston North Boys' High School

Mai i te upane o Tararua ki Ngongotaha, nei te ngā whakamiha ka rere ki Te Arawa mo o koutou manaaki nei i te tēnei kaupapa nui whakaharahara.



Māori Achievement Committee

We welcome the following whānau who have joined our committee to help support the growth and development of all initiatives that help our young men academically and culturally. If you have ideas to support this kaupapa, please do not hesitate in contacting one of our parent representatives.

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Book Fundraiser (www.illustrated.co.nz)

TE HUA TUATAHI A KUWI - Children's Choice Award, Te reo Māori Award - WINNER New Zealand Book Awards for Children & Young Adults. We would like all students taking Te Reo Māori or Māori Performing Arts (MPA) to be part of the above fundraising opportunity. Money raised will be put toward the purchasing of new pui pui.

Each student will be given one book to sell, which makes an ideal Christmas or Birthday presents. We make \$9.50 on each book sold. Each book retails for \$18.00. The Kuwi series are written in Te Reo Māori and English.

Homework Club

This takes place every Thursday between 3.30 p.m and 5.00 p.m in the C10 computer lab. It is supervised by a staff member and is open to junior and senior students. Nau Mai Haere Mai!

National Ngā Manu Kōrero Speech Competition 2017

Ngā Manu Kōrero Regional Speech Competition was held at the Convention Centre on Friday. We were represented by Kaea Taylor in the Korimako -Senior English section and Piripi Pinfold-Whanga in the Sir Tui Carroll - Junior English section. There were a total of 31 speakers from many schools across the Manawātū/Horowhenua region.

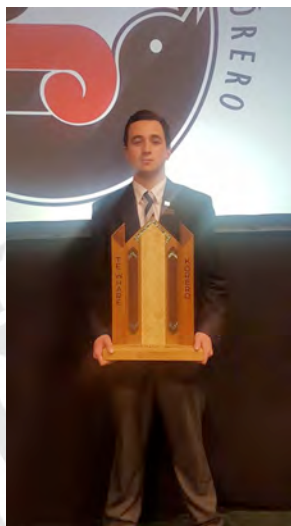
Piripi presented his six-minute prepared speech on the topic, 'My Essential Guide to Achievement'. In his speech Piripi spoke about – keeping it simple, setting goals, having ambition and maintaining a growth mindset. The judges awarded him second place and commented that Piripi was “able to capture the audience through strong and commanding language.” The future certainly looks bright for Piripi in the realm of public speaking. This was an amazing accomplishment for someone competing in this prestigious competition for the first time.

Kaea Taylor presented an outstanding impromptu speech which included creative ideas and a bit of poetry slam. Then in the afternoon he presented his prepared speech “Education Opens Many Doors”. Comments made by the judges included “Great controversial discussion and challenging of government actions and school curricula”. Kaea’s commitment to succeeding in this competition certainly paid off and he was awarded 1st place in both sections, therefore, winning the Korimako trophy. A special thanks to Mrs Kendal for her mentoring and support.

National Ngā Manu Kōrero Speech Competition 2017

Date: Thursday 21st September

Venue: TSB Stadium, Mason Drive, New Plymouth



Sports Talk with Peter Finch



Can we learn from the America's Cup?

Whether you are one of the tens of thousands who are waking up to watch the current battle, one of the tens of thousands who choose to sleep a little longer and watch the first replays or whether the results are acknowledged later in the day via social media the Auld Mug is gripping the Nation and in fact the

sporting world.

The new format has produced a fast exciting competition at the cutting edge of technology and introduced highly trained athletes to a sport more commonly associated with portly admirals of the old guard.

The structure of this competition seems ludicrous as it is stacked very much in favour of the defendant. So questions need to be asked: Is this something worth striving for? Is it even winnable by a challenger? Can passion/effort win over money? Are there lessons we can gain from this spectacle that can transcend into family, sporting or business life? I believe: yes, yes, yes and yes.

Lessons can be learned: The greatest comeback in all time must send a powerful message to all who possess or wish to learn resilience. Being humble does not infer inferiority and at times the very opposite. Underdogs should all be respected for they have less to lose. Being of the growth mindset can allow thought outside the box and eliminate limitation perceptions.

The big teams and corporates don't always hold 'all knowledge and ability'. Small teams that are: focused, clever and team oriented have a place in all competitions.

The application of learnings is often a real challenge but the Emirates NZ Team have shown they have both learned and are now demonstrating what can be achieved if the desire and resourcefulness is there

Careers

Careers Week

This year we featured 15 different presentations from employers and tertiary providers, who covered a huge range of possibilities from University Degree programmes in retail management, commercial music to Vocational programmes available at Ucol and employers from the energy and construction sectors. All of the listed presentations and follow up information are listed on Careerwise – pnbhs.careerwise.nz Under the heading “From Careers Week”

Careerwise is our new online tool that enables to keep students and



parents informed about careers activities happening in the school. It contains News, Jobs, Events and Advice.

The school community is invited to subscribe to weekly careerwise newsletters as a way of keeping up to date with the opportunities that are out there for students. Go to pnbhs.careerwise.nz to subscribe.

Gateway and Trades Academy 2018.

It is not too early for Year 11 and 12 students to start talking to us about a place on the Gateway or Trades Academy programmes for next year. There are some fantastic opportunities here, with boys picking up apprenticeships as a result of their involvement.

Talk to either Mr Johnson or Mr Adams about the possibilities.



On Monday 12 June, Year 13 student Jacob Massicks took part in the UCOL City & Guilds Secondary Schools Cooking Competition held in Palmerston North. Jacob, a Gateway chef student currently undertaking his work placement at Bethany's Restaurant in Palmerston North, was required to produce two dishes. The first was 6 muffins and the second was a main meal of chicken risotto. Marks were awarded not only for how well the meal was prepared and tasted but also for the cleanliness and tidiness of the preparation area, knife technique and presentation. Jacob was awarded a silver medal for his

main dish and a bronze medal for his muffins. A very pleasing day for Jacob considering he is the first pupil from PNBHS to have been entered for this competition. #PNBHSpeople

Pictured: Jacob Massicks and Reuben Leung Wai (Owner and Head Chef at Bethany's Restaurant - also an Old Boy!)

UCOL Semester 2 courses are about to start. There is a full list of these courses on Careerwise. If boys are looking at these programmes they are encouraged to also apply for a fees-free place under the Youth Guarantee scheme.

Testimonial Applications are now open (and close on August 11) – all seniors who intend leaving school at the end of the year, regardless of where they're going should apply for a Testimonial. Details on Careerwise and Stratus Careers.

2017 Language Tour of France

In April twelve senior French students left for Paris. When we arrived at Charles de Gaulle airport in Paris, we were all exhausted and did not know all the other members of the group. We had a quick bus tour of Paris en route to our hotel, glimpsing the main monuments which we would later get to see.

Our time in Paris was very busy - finding the right metro line, climbing steps, buying cheap snacks from the local Franprix and delicious treats from the bakeries ... we probably visited them a bit too much.

It was a combination of historical, cultural and sporting visits along with gourmet food, so there was something for everyone:

- Notre-Dame Cathedral with its huge rose stained-glass windows and high vaulted ceiling
- Sainte Chapelle, the oldest church in Paris
- The Panthéon, originally a church but now containing the remains of distinguished French citizens
- Montmartre, the artists' quarter with the white basilica of Sacré-Coeur overlooking the city of love. We respectfully waited for Mrs Dickinson and Mr Richards as we ran up the various stairs.
- The Moulin Rouge, a cabaret in the entertainment quarter
- The Louvre with the glass pyramid, made famous in Dan Brown's The da Vinci Code
- The Eiffel tower, rising above the Parisian skyline
- The boat ride on the river Seine for a different perspective of the city
- Galeries Lafayette, a huge mall with any shop you can imagine – as long as you can afford it!!
- Napoleon's tomb in the Invalides
- The Arc de Triomphe looking huge at the end of the Champs-Élysées, the main street which is full of all the top brand shops from Audi and Ferrari to Nike, Abercrombie & Fitch ... Shopping here was a real experience.
- The Tour Montparnasse, the second highest building in Paris, for a panoramic view of the city
- The Stade de France where many a football match has been played. It was great to sit in the changing rooms where our favourite international players had sat before matches.
- The historical Palace of Versailles, which greeted us with golden gates, 800 hectares of gardens that take days to explore with lakes, fountains and marble statues.

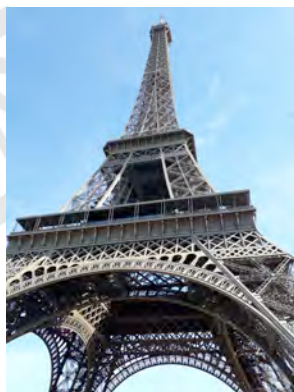
On our way south to our first homestay families in Vic-en-Bigorre, we stopped at Guédelon, a 13th-century style village and castle, constructed using medieval methods. The castle, begun in 1997, will take another 20 years or so to complete. We even met a Kiwi carpenter who worked there! We also visited three beautiful castles in the Loire Valley: Chenonceau, built out over a river, with stunning gardens, Amboise, in a commanding position on the banks of the Loire, where Leonardo da Vinci's ashes are buried, and Chaumont-sur-Loire, which now



houses a modern art gallery.

Staying with families in Vic-en-Bigorre was a great experience. After settling in and getting to know our hosts, we were able to spend some time learning about their lifestyle and culture, as well as testing out our French linguistic skills, or lack thereof. We had the opportunity to visit the neighbouring city of Toulouse, where we had a guided tour of the Cité de l'Espace space museum and town centre, and also to experience the French school system and the school canteen - three course sit-down meals! A few

boys were able to travel into the Pyrénées mountain range, while some went to the beach at San Sebastian.



After about a week in Vic-en-Bigorre, we said goodbye to our homestays and made an 11-hour journey at speeds of up to 299 kms/hr on the TGV train, to Hirson, a small town in the north, about 10 kilometres from Belgium. Lycée Joliot Curie is our partner school in the Shared Histories Project, a project between France and New Zealand to commemorate World War 1. Our French and History classes work on World War 1 related topics and share their work with students at Joliot Curie. We were warmly welcomed here and enjoyed seeing French culture from a small-town perspective, as well as visiting

historical buildings, including impressive fortified churches and war cemeteries. We saw a famous battlefield of WW1, Chemin des Dames, and the Dragon's Cave, a position occupied by the French and Germans at different times. We walked down into the cave to see the underground passages where the troops were holed up. We also saw the old town of Craonne, or at least the bombed area which is now mainly craters - we had to use our imagination to picture what the town would have looked like. We visited the British, French and German cemeteries and a small chapel where we laid poppies to remember the New Zealanders who fought for peace here and never returned home. We also remembered Mr Jimmy Crosswell and his final battle.



Far too soon, it was time to leave Hirson and spend our last night in Lille, before reluctantly boarding a plane to Hong Kong the next day, and settling in for another 12-hour flight. It was au revoir to delicious bread and pastries, amazing art and culture, fast trains and exotic people. At least with modern technology we can keep in contact with our new foreign friends.

Personally, the best part of the tour was not seeing the Eiffel Tower or Arc de Triomphe, but spending time with a great group of lads and homestays, as well as Mrs Dickinson and Mr Richards, whom we would like to thank on behalf of the boys for working so hard to make the trip possible. We would also like to thank Lycée Pierre-Mendès-France and Lycée Joliot Curie and their students for hosting us and their teachers for organising our homestays and activities. If anyone has the chance to go on a tour to another country, we would certainly recommend taking it, as it is a truly life-changing and unforgettable experience.



Performing Arts - it's all go

Drama

This is one of the “quieter” periods in the Drama year. However, there is still plenty happening:

- Ms Sophie Belcher reports below on the Theatresports trip to Super 8.
- All classes from Year 10 to Level 3 are rehearsing for their Dramafest performances in Term 3: Year 10 Dreams, Level 1 Mountain Language, Level 2 Niu Sila, Level 3 Shuriken
- We are about to take some Levels 2 and 3 students to 1984 at the Globe Theatre. After concern was raised about the appropriateness of some content only a week before our attendance, four Drama staff viewed the show last week and decided to restrict it to these senior levels. We have not had to do this before but must make the decisions we feel reflect the wishes of the majority of parents. We have asked the Globe Theatre to warn schools in future about material that may be inappropriate for younger students.
- In the first week of Term 3, all Years 10-13 Drama students will attend Lord of the Flies at Centrepont Theatre. This features current Y12 student Finn Davidson and will be the performance students analyse and write about in their exams
- Junior Musical Theatre A and B Companies are rehearsing on Thursday mornings for their performances in the November Junior Performing Arts Showcase
- Following initiatives from two local Dance studios, Evolve Performing Arts Centre and Danceworks, some 35 students from PNBHS and PNGHS have been upskilling on their tap dancing in preparation for Term 4 auditions for Anything Goes. It is superb to see such enthusiasm so early!
- Recent former student Mitchell Alexander has graduated from The NZ Broadcasting School and has been employed by TV3. He has been appearing on the AM TV show and is also working with Patrick Gower to present Ticked Off which informs us in a very user friendly way about current issues such as the election.

On Friday the 26th of May, students travelled up to Rotorua Boys' High School to compete in the annual Super Eight competition.

The Junior Theatre Sports team of Ollie Grant, Fergus Congdon, George Ambridge and Matthew Cao. They had a strong competition against the Super Eight schools. The games consisted of three rounds with two blind rounds, which tested the students' impromptu skills. The boys performed extremely well and were placed third overall.

The Senior team of Charlie Johnson, Leveson Jensen, Roland Clayton, Trent Hooper and Finn Davidson also had an extremely tough competition against some very skilled performers. The competition also consisted of 3 rounds with 2 blind rounds. However, the boys kept their composure and used a variety of drama specific techniques and conventions. They were placed with a strong 3rd place.



Front: Fergus Congdon, George Ambridge, Matt Allen, Ollie Grant; Back: Leveson Jensen, Charles Johnson, Finn Davidson, Trent Hooper, Roland Clayton

The competition was a great opportunity for them to develop their confidence and learn from other students. Palmerston North Boys' High School were applauded for their use of drama conventions and original storylines.

Busy Term for Musicians

As more and more is crammed into the school calendar and a large percentage of the events that the music department are involved in, move from Term 3 to Term 2, the pressure on the students is increasing. A huge thank you must go to all the families that work so hard to accommodate our commitments and ensure that the students are at their respective events when they should be. So many of our students are in more than one group and their workload is heavy and this year has been no exception.

The exceptionally bad weather in the first term saw two of our major events cancelled, The New Plymouth Boys High cultural exchange was curtailed by the weather bomb and flooding that hit Wanganui, and the Stage Band trip to Tauranga at Easter for the NZ Youth Jazz Festival, was cancelled with the impending cyclone about to take a direct hit on Tauranga. We were unable to justify putting two vans of

students into the path of the predicted weather event, as it turned out the cyclone deviated from its predicted path and hit lower down the East Coast. The Stage band had worked hard for this competition and after a weekend band camp had looked in fine form.

Term 2 started with the **OK Chorale and Stage Band** performing at the Manawatu Tattoo held



at Manfield Park Feilding on the Saturday and Sunday of the last weekend in the school holidays. The groups were very well received and

appreciated for supporting this local event. The first week of term ended with a trip to the *Hastings Festival of Bands* for the Concert Band and Stage Band (below), departing early



on Sunday 7th. Both bands played well for the start of term and received Bronze for Concert Band and Silver for Stage Band. Year 13 student and Leader of Stage Band received the award for Best Soloist in the competition.

Stage Band had a busy couple of weekends with a performance at the Manawatu Jazz Club on Sunday May 14th in preparation for the *Manawatu Jazz Festival* at Queen's Birthday



weekend. A good warmup along with groups from the other high schools in the region. The Stage Band put in an excellent performance for the Manawatu Jazz Festival and were justifiably awarded Best Manawatu Big Band and Best High School Band overall. Keun Hee Lee once again received the award for Best Trombone with his excellent solo.

The same week saw the Stage Band head to Wellington on Thursday for the NZ School



of Music Jazz project, a flying visit as students from the band were then required to be back in Palmerston North for the Chamber Music competition starting at 4.30pm. Another quality performance was

praised by the adjudicators and just pipped for Best Band by Rangitoto College from Auckland. Best solo was awarded to Keun Hee Lee for Trombone giving him the hat trick for instrumental solo awards at the competitions.

The instrumental competitions continued with the NZ Chamber Music regionals held on Thursday June 8th. The school had three groups entered, 'Live Wires' guitar ensemble (Chris Dewhurst, Josh Hubbard, Sam Waru, Victor Van Eyk), and two string groups '**Sonata Problem**' (Ray Su, Robin Park, Krit Sitkrongvong) and 'No Frets' (Nathan Lau, Paul Teoh,



Ciaran Carroll)(below). Ciaran Carroll, Ronan Carroll and Changhee Cho also competed as part of a piano trio '**Six Hands**' and Changhee Cho was part of a Girls' High group 'Grazioso'. Six Hands were awarded the Best NZ piece for a piano piece composed by old boy Nick Hunter. The Girls' High group "Grazioso" were highly commended and "No Frets" string trio won the award for Best performance and the invitation to compete in the Central Regional finals to be held in Napier on Saturday June 24th. An excellent achievement amongst a very high standard of competition for a group

that comprises two Year 10 students.

Rockquest this year was very low on numbers and we had two solo singer songwriters in Lewis Halewood and Carson Taare. Carson was awarded the award for Best Male voice.

On the vocal front the groups have been equally in demand and busy. Two quartets ventured down to Wellington for the *Wellington region Young Singers in Harmony competition* and competed with 10 male quartets to gain entry into the national Young Singers in Harmony event to be held in Auckland in September. "**Noteworthy**" (below: Patrick Takurua, Carson Taare Robin Park, Keun Hee Lee,) placed 3rd and "**Mango Peel**" (Joseph Medyckjy-Scott, Daniel Hodgetts, Josiah Nevell, Kyle



Dahl) placed 4th, just one point behind. Both have qualified to compete at the National competition.



The **OK Chorale** was chosen in February after a busy weekend of auditions and workshops. They then settled quickly and easily into their work and have become a very strong group. A concentrated weekend of workshops with Andrew Withington, (Director of NZ Secondary Schools Choir) towards the end of May and several public performances at Rotary Youth Festival and Music Viva, fine tuned them ready for the *Big Sing held at the Regent*



Theatre on Wednesday June 14th. The school had four choirs entered this year. "**PMU**" is a choir made up of all Year 9 and 10 Performance Music students and is a requirement of their subject option. "**Pasifika**" is a choir that is part of the Pasifika club and is student directed and run, this year they had a student group of

some 40 plus students and it continues to grow every year. **Son of a Pitch** is the big allcomers choir and caters for any student that wishes to participate and sing in a choir and this year we have a group of 83 boys singing, from this group OK Chorale is auditioned and that is our elite acapella choir.

All of these groups worked very hard for the Big Sing this year with PMU choir being commended, Son of a Pitch were awarded a highly commended in the noncompetition category. Pasifika were awarded the "Spirit of the Festival" award.

The evening Gala concert was capped off with OK Chorale being awarded the Best A Capella performance for their German piece 'Grab und Mund' and Best overall Choir performance. While unfortunately not making the final 24 choirs for the Finale, they were selected as one of 4 reserve choirs.

The many successful performances by groups in the Music department this year can be put down in part to the strong leadership being modelled by the senior students, led by Head Boy, Patrick Takurua, who is a king pin in many of the groups and aided by prefects, Keun Hee Lee, Joseph Medyckjy-Scott, Daniel Hodgetts, Josiah Nevell, and Benji Pritchard who all contribute a lot to many groups. The music department is represented at the highest level across a range of instruments and genres. We have five students we in the NZ



Secondary Students Choir, ((below l-r) Robin Park, Carson Taare, Andrew Withington, Daniel Hodgetts, Keun Hee Lee, Josiah Nevell); Nathan Lau is a member of the NZ Secondary Schools Orchestra and Sebastian George, Lachlan McKean, Douglas Bilsland and Reuben Bilsland are in the NZ Youth Pipe Band. With a good representation of junior students in many of our elite groups the future is looking good for many more successes. None of this is achieved without a huge amount of input, time and money from parents. Trips away, instruments, uniforms etc are all costly items and to gain selection into a national Final is all good, but the expense is huge to get the groups to these events and must be managed along with time and organisational commitments.

The focus for the coming term is now on those quartets selected for the Young Singers in Harmony finals in Auckland in September and a cultural exchange with New Plymouth Boys' High School in August.

New Plymouth Boys' High School exchange

1st XI Football

Boys' High played New Plymouth Boys' High losing 2 - 1. PNBHS got off to a solid start, dominating the game from the get-go, however several chances on goal went begging. Against the run of play New Plymouth pounced on a defensive error to open the scoring, just before half time. In the 2nd half, Boys' High again had more of the game and were able to pepper the New Plymouth goal, with no reward. New Plymouth stuck to their game plan of playing long balls and found the back of the net to make it 2 nil. Jaeden Shaw immediately struck back with a well taken shot to take the score to 2-1. However, despite good work from strikers Josh Davenport, Kaykay Adeyinka and Jacob Cranston, Boys' High could not find an equaliser.



2nd XI Football

New Plymouth came out strong in surprisingly good conditions at Skoglund Park and the first 15 minutes of the game were played at a fast pace with end to end action. The home team broke through first, when Jamie Bronlund (sensing that the Rector was watching) headed home a Matthew O'Leary cross in the 12th minute. PNBHS then held the game by the scruff of the neck, slowing the game down and controlling the ball. Caleb Young scored from a corner in the 37th minute and the 2nd XI took a commanding lead into the half-time break. Apart from an initial 5-minute burst after the break, New Plymouth were starved of virtually all possession by the PNBHS mid field trio of Fergus Roy, Alex Bowden and Caleb Henry. A superb team goal in the 26th minute, finished by Izaak Franklin after every PNBHS player touched it, sealed the deal for PNBHS.

You can judge yourself by the comments of your opponents, so it was gratifying when the New Plymouth staff graciously said "there was not a weak player on (the) team, it was a complete performance". High praise from worthy adversaries indeed. We look forward to facing New Plymouth again during Winter Tournament.

Result: 3-0 win to PNBHS 2nd XI.

1st XI Hockey

The first traditional interschool this year against New Plymouth Boys' High School was played last Wednesday. PNBHS started under a brief period of pressure until Ben O' Connor launched a long-range overhead to Caleb Hansen. This resulted in a penalty corner in which Ben O'Connor scored from a drag flick. 1 - 0 and with only a few minutes elapsed the match was looking hopeful.

Shortly after, Jake Hanna scored off a successful reverse shot making the score 2 - 0. New Plymouth BHS remained resilient and through a strong drag flick and an unsuccessful 'wall' defensive run by PNBHS they managed to get themselves back into the game making the score 2 - 1.

Another successful run by Jake Hanna resulted in another goal. Shortly

thereafter, the half time whistle blew with the score being 3 - 1 at half time.

New Plymouth started the second half with a lot of energy, but we were not to be outdone. After several unsuccessful New Plymouth BHS attempts, Matt Peel dribbled into the circle and earned a penalty corner in which Ben O'Connor scored off. Final score was a win to PNBHS 4 - 1.



Premier A Basketball

With PNBHS and NPBHS missing the bulk of their starting line-ups, this game was a good chance for both teams to get lots of minutes for their bench players. PNBHS started well and got out to a 28 - 8 lead at the end of the first quarter, defence was outstanding and everyone stepped up. Haize Walker was everywhere, scoring 38 points and leading by example. Jacob Collis scored 19 points and secured 9 rebounds. Final score was a 95 - 46 win to PNBHS.



U16 (Junior A) Basketball vs. New Plymouth

After beating Hamilton Boys' High School earlier this term,

New Plymouth U16's arrived with a quiet confidence in their ranks. At our previous meeting back in May we had won by 24 points, so we were hoping for a repeat performance. The game started strongly for us with our height dominating the paint, and NPBHS were reduced to 3 point attempts. A strong half saw the boys pull out to be leading 46 - 26

at the hooter. A good lead and scoreboard dominance allowed those players who didn't usually get many game minutes to have a good run against a team we will likely meet at regionals later this year. These guys performed really well and stretched our half time advantage ever so slightly, with the final score favouring PNBHS 74 - 51. An excellent full team performance.



1st XV Rugby

The second home game of the season saw the 1st XV contest the Barnes Cup with New Plymouth Boys' High School. Both teams had had a difficult run into this game and so both were keen to prove a few points. We started brightly and gained set piece superiority, especially at scrum time. Strong running from the forwards in particular had us on the front foot and we were able to spend a pleasing period of time in the oppositions 22. This resulted in an early try after some sustained pick and go play. From the kick off, a surging run from the returning Tyler Laub-scher resulted in more excellent field position. However, some poor handling meant further points went begging. Indeed, throughout the game we were guilty of handling mistakes when presented with scoring opportunities but given we had not seen the ball for the last two weeks, our attack was rusty. As the half went on, there was further dominance with ball in hand as well as some stinging defence and we were rewarded with a second try. New Plymouth finished the half with a well-worked try and the halftime score was 12-7.

The second half saw a return of the linespeed and dominant tackling that had underpinned our winning period at the start of the season. This resulted in us making ground without the ball in the hand. Another try



saw us get out to 19-7 and playing with returning confidence. This resulted in the team maintaining a possession based game when perhaps a territory game would have been more prudent. Further breaks were made and we pressed for the fourth try and a bonus point but again our game was punctuated with mistakes as pressure was being ramped up and we let New Plymouth back into the game. Our defence was again to the fore until the end of the game when New Plymouth drove over from a lineout to close the gap up to 19-12.

In the end a game that was mistake ridden at times but the team re-discovered some of their early season form. As we head into our next traditional encounter against St Pat's Silverstream, we will need to continue our defensive resurgence and minimise our errors to combat a very competitive opponent.

Points Scorers:

Tries: Jackson Scully, James Stratton, Mackenzie Tansley

Conversions: Stewart Cruden x 2

2nd XV

A poor start from the PNBHS 2nd XV allowed NPBHS to score an early try. A penalty from Jack Harris reduced the deficit before poor defence allowed New Plymouth to build a 17-3 lead. A try to Soane Fakahau reduced the deficit before more poor defensive errors allowed New Plym-

outh to build a 34-10 half time lead.

Superb character in the 2nd half saw PNBHS dominate up front led by Dion Poynton and Soane Fakahau with Soane grabbing his second try.



Ultimately a poor 1st half cost the team but the second half gives us something to build on.

Colts XV

Another frustrating day at the office.

PNBHS had the better of the opening exchanges, dominating the smaller New Plymouth pack and were rewarded after 10 minutes with a long-range penalty to Logan Love.

However, 2 quick tries to New Plymouth in the 15th and 20th minutes saw the tide start to turn and New Plymouth got back into the game and started to out muscle the larger PNBHS forward pack, dominating the close exchanges and counter rucking effectively, then stretching the PNBHS defence.

Another blockbusting try to Lafo Takiari-Ah Ching on the stroke of half time meant PNBHS went to the drinks break 10-8 down, but still in the game.

PNBHS paid the ultimate price early in the second half when they tried to exit their goal line by running the ball out and from there on, it was all New Plymouth.

A try to Kalis Mason from a series of "pick and go's" wasn't enough to bring PNBHS back into the game with the final score blowing out to 37-13.

This was a disappointing performance with a number of our big forwards guilty of being mere spectators, while the backs reluctance to commit to the tackle and talk on defence showed up our defensive frailties.

This team is capable of much better, However, they must learn to put in a 70 minute effort if they want to achieve a positive result.





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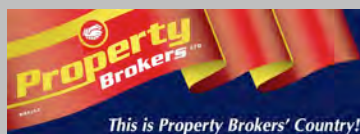
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Sam Benthams (66th)
Samuel Phillips (91st)
Alex Hull (DNF- illness)

Three Man Team- 11th

For a very young team, all runners should be proud of their achievements. With over a 1000 athletes competing our runners have gained plenty of experience which will hopefully help them in future events.

Super Eight Individual Results:

Year 9 Team: Placing
Aden Porritt 5
Nelson Doolan 6
Connor Managh 10

Junior Team: Placing

Andre Le Pine-Day 6
Jack Pronk 8
Jamie Dennis 12

Senior Team: Placing

Benjamin Wall 5
Luke Scott 9
Harrison Porritt 12

All runners gave it their best on the day with some impressive individual performances. However, a number of our runners were not

at full health which impacted on their performance.

Three Man Team Results:

Year 9 Team- 2nd Place
Junior Team- 3rd Place
Senior Team- 2nd Place

A medal in all three grades was a great result for our three man teams. This shows the strength we have within our Cross Country team across all levels.

Overall Team Placing:

2nd place behind New Plymouth Boys' High School.

For the second year in a row, the team picked up second place. This is a sound result which the whole team should be proud of. With all runners apart from two returning to school next year hopefully the team can go one better in 2018.

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NO GEAR=NO RIDE: Protective gear must be worn inc. boots (lace up/steelcap) helmet, full length pants and shirts. Also recommended: Chest protectors, goggles, gloves and knee pads

Bikes must have mufflers, functional brakes and be in good repair. No safety checks, riders responsible for own bikes.

For registrations please contact Monty

Email: tamatis@xtra.co.nz

Mobile: 0210 2474 125

<http://silver-bullet.co.nz/event.php?id=14087>

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- 15-16 YRS OLD
- COMPREHENSIVE HOMESTAY SUPPORT FROM PNBHS
- NEED THEIR OWN BEDROOM
- WILL ATTEND NORMAL SCHOOL DAYS
- LEARN ABOUT A NEW COUNTRY, CULTURE & LANGUAGE
- REWARDING & ENRICHING EXPERIENCE



9 NIGHTS (31 JULY – 9 AUG) | TOTAL \$315 PAYMENT

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

WENDY CHRISTOPHERS, ACCOMMODATION MANAGER, ON:

homestay@pnbhs.school.nz or 06 354 5176 ext 775

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MANAWATU CRICKET ASSOCIATION SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS 2017

Following on from the successful 2015 and 2016 school holiday clinics, the MCA will again be operating 3-day training sessions for local young cricketers. Coaches will include former internationals Jacob Oram and Michael Mason, current Central Districts senior representatives Dane Cleaver and Melissa Hansen, along with Manawatu representatives Dave Meiring and Scott Davidson. Another great opportunity to develop your cricket skills in the middle of winter!



JULY 11 – 13

YEARS 6 – 8

&

YEARS 9 – 10

JULY 18 – 20

YEARS 11 – 13

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FORMER
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For more information, costs
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Walker on:
[mcacoachingclinics@
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Or visit the MCA or NZCT
Cricket Centre Facebook
pages for details.



2018 ENROLMENTS



2018 Year 9 enrolment packs and application forms will be available to download from our website (or pick up from the School Office) at 8:00am on Monday 24 July 2017 & closes 4:30pm Monday 4 September 2017.

LOST PROPERTY

I am not only getting unnamed, school and sports gear, but on average one lap-top computer per day !!!

Please ensure everything bought to school is named or labelled in some way.

I have a huge pile of mufti gear which will be going to some OP SHOP!!!! It has been photographed and shown on the screen at assembly at least twice.

Thank you

Barbara Shorter
Student Support



Xavier Reuben



Harry Kinghorn



Chris Wills



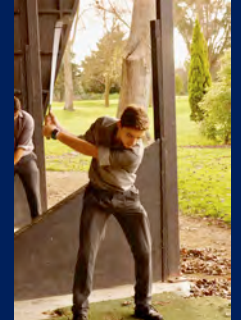
Learning to play golf in
Y13 PE Studies



Harrison Richards won the
U74kg Junior category at the
North Island Power lifting
Championships.

(above) Artwork from Year 12 and Year 13 students

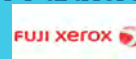
(below) New Plymouth Boys' High School exchange.
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