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NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL TE KURA TAMATĀNE O NGĀMOTU







2024 has been a year defined by successes and outstanding individual achievements. The dedication, hard work and determination from staff and students this year has been impressive. These qualities have driven us to raise our standards and set new benchmarks, striving to achieve more and "Be the Example" in everything we do.

### Headmaster's Report

#### In Sport

Our young men have excelled in a range of sports, achieving outstanding success at national and international levels.

Will Potts has shone in rodeo, finishing eighth in New Zealand's open men's category and first in his age group. He also achieved an impressive 128th in the world - a phenomenal accomplishment.

In football, Bruno Bisaga represented New Zealand in the U16 Secondary Schools team and won the Central Football Young Player of the Year award.

Brock Ironside was named Coaches' Player of the Tournament for the NZ U19 Secondary Schools team.

Our cross-country team placed second in the nationals, achieving the same honour in both the six-man and threeman teams event. Nick Dobbie's selection for the NZ Secondary Schools team, and his placing at the Australian All Schools Champs, speaks to the team's strength.

We saw strong representation in surfing, with Spencer Rowson placing second in New Zealand's U18 category and achieving 47th in the world. He also became the first NPBHS student to compete in a pro-league event in Australia, where he finished fifth. Jordie Luke added to our surfing success by placing fourth in the U16 Scholastic Surf Contest.

Jack Wiseman was named in the NZ Schools Barbarians and appointed Vice-Captain for the Chiefs U18 team, while Brayden Neilson was selected for the NZ Māori Schools U18 team and the Taranaki Men's 7s. Both Jack and Brayden made the NZ U18 Sevens team. Liam Davis and Luke Goodman joined the Chiefs U18 team, showcasing our rugby talent. Additionally, our Under 85kg rugby team secured first place at the National College Invitational Cup.

Mountain biking and sailing saw exceptional performances, with Seppy Binsbergen and Jack Parr pushing boundaries. We are also proud of Old Boy Oscar Goodman, who earned a Division One basketball scholarship to Michigan State University and was selected for the NZ Men's Tall Blacks. In hockey, Ben James, Ed Howlett, and Michael Lobb earned places at the NZ Future Black Sticks U19 camp, while our Hillary Challenge team achieved a commendable third at Nationals.

Touch rugby continues to grow in strength with Jaxon Steele as a NZ U20 Men's Touch Trialist, Halizeigh Daymond as a NZ U18 Boys' Touch Trialist, and Jerome Tamatea and Taylin Fox named in the NZ U18 team.

#### In the Arts

Our students thrived, with an exceptional showing at the Super Cultural Festival in May. The senior drama team won first place, and Alfie Healion earned second place in Senior Oratory, while our Senior Theatre Sports team finished as runners-up. Our chess team also took third place in the competition.

Alfie Healion continued his achievements by winning the regional Race Unity Speech Competition. Ezra Ruka's songwriting talents were recognized with an award at the Smokefree Rockquest and as a winner in the Play It Strange competition, leading him to establish 'The Ariel Project,' a live music event.

The Kapa Haka Roopu demonstrated their mastery of harmonies this year, and our Pasifika Group showcased impressive growth and presence. Special congratulations to Charlie Betts, William Broadmore, and Cormac Deegan, who contributed to the success of 'Jersey Boys' with the New Plymouth Operatic Society.

Our TheatreFest Drama Crew made an impact by taking first at Super 8 and achieving fifth in the national Theatre Fest competition—an achievement no other school matched this year.

Our stage band and premier brass band, 'The Maund Dawgs', excelled at the Waikato Bands Festival, with the stage band making the National Jazz Band finals. Congratulations to Tyrell Williams, James Peng, and Bryn Emett-Pene for their selection in the NZSS Development Band, and to Wesley Richards and Kyle Contreras for their selection for the NZ Secondary Brass Band.

House Music Competition again brought out the talent across our school, with every ensemble delivering outstanding performances. Thank you to Mr Davies, Mr Treweek, and Mr Benton for your guidance in bringing the arts to life at NPBHS.

#### **Property Update**

The school has started three large projects, all scheduled to be completed next year. Firstly, a new caretaker's shed will provide our property team with a long-overdue space to manage our extensive and demanding school grounds. We are also shifting the metalwork classrooms into the old caretaker's space, creating a modern and 'fit-for-purpose' area that will better support the school's future requirements. Finally, I am very excited to announce an upgrade of our famous "Gully" field. This upgrade will maximise the facility's usage for both the school and the community by installing lights and sprinklers on the region's first artificial turf, enabling Physical Education, traditional sports, and a variety of other activities to be played on it.

#### A Year of Growth and Farewells

Looking back, 2024 has been a year to be proud of. Staff, you have surpassed expectations and gone above and beyond. A heartfelt thank you to our pastoral team, from deans and mentors to our guidance staff. You tackle every challenge with dedication and compassion, supporting our students every step of the way.

To our new staff members, especially our beginning teachers, thank you for the passion and fresh energy you have brought this year. We are fortunate to have you.

We bid farewell to Mr Joseph Avery, who joined us last year with great enthusiasm and energy, always eager to assist. We extend our gratitude to Mrs Sue Scott, who is leaving to embark on travels after many years of dedicated service as Head of Faculty for Technology and IT Leader. Thank you, Sue. We also acknowledge Mrs Michelle Pukeridge for her contributions to the English Department. To Mr Michael Parker, Technology teacher, we wish you success in your future endeavours. We also bid farewell and thank Mrs Jen Togia from the Mathematics Department; we will miss you greatly - all the best in Wellington. Lastly, we bid farewell to our Deputy Headmaster – Education, Mr Michael Taylor, who has worked at NPBHS for twelve years, five of those as a member of the Senior Leadership Team. Thank you, Michael. Your wizardry with computers and spreadsheets, teaching prowess, work ethic, and dedication to the school have been exemplary. While we are saddened by your departure, we are also excited for you as you move forward to your next challenge as Deputy Headmaster at Napier Boys' High School. All the very best.

Thank you to our BOT student representative, Matt Weeks, for representing your peers with excellence and leadership.

#### Student Leadership

To our senior student leadership team, especially our Head Students, Qing and George, you've led with unity and purpose - it has been very impressive. George Stephens, your grace, kindness, and ability to connect with everyone have left a lasting impression on our school community. Qingcheng Du, your achievements this year, including being named Dux, reflect your dedication, hard work, and natural leadership abilities. I know you both will go on to achieve remarkable things, and we wish you all the best.

#### Farewell Year 13s

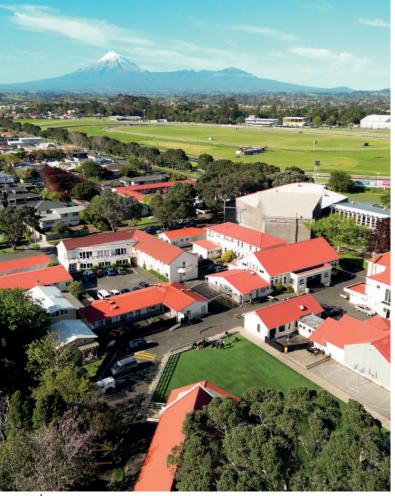
To our Year 13 students and their families, as you leave the gates of NPBHS, know that you are always part of this community. Thank you for your hard work, commitment, and presence over these years.

Thank you to our finance, administration, grounds, hostel, and general staff - you are the backbone of our school. And to our teachers, thank you for your dedication and support, helping guide and shape the young men in our care.

No reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tātou katoa.

Sam Moore Headmaster





### Board of Trustees Annual Report

As the presiding member, it is a distinct privilege to reflect upon a year marked by significant achievements and substantial growth. New Plymouth Boys' High School has continued to evolve, adapting to the changing needs of our students while honouring our rich traditions.

I acknowledge the invaluable contributions of my fellow board members, who bring diverse skills and expertise to the table. As a Board, we are committed to future-proofing the school to provide our students with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed. To prioritise student success, the board invests in additional staff beyond our ministry allocation. We recognise the crucial role of strong staffing in achieving optimal outcomes. New Plymouth Boys' High School is fortunate to recruit and retain exceptional educators.

The school's roll continues to grow, as does the challenge of providing modern, fit-for-purpose facilities. Balancing the preservation of our historic buildings with the demands of 21st-century learning has been a significant undertaking. We are proud to have transformed Pridham Hall into a flexible learning space and library, honouring its history while adapting it to meet the needs of today's students. The reinvention of our old library into 'Te Haumaru Learning Centre' has created a dedicated space, providing students with the resources and support they need to thrive. Property work is also being carried out on a modern metalwork classroom with the latest tools and equipment, and a new caretaker's shed. Another significant project on the horizon is revitalising the iconic gully into a multi-sports surface. This investment will ensure that this historic ground can be used year-round for most sports regardless of weather conditions. This project will enhance our sporting facilities and preserve the mana of this site. We are incredibly grateful to the Centennial Trust for their generous support in funding a portion of the gully project. Their partnership has been instrumental in bringing this vision to life.

We will continue investing in our facilities, curriculum and staff to ensure that our school remains at the forefront of education, and a vibrant, dynamic place for future generations.

Under the excellent direction of the Director of Boarding, Mr Stones, and his team, the boarding hostel continues to provide a supportive and nurturing environment for our boarders. The team has built strong relationships with whānau, adding to the hostel's success.

Our students continue to impress us with their exceptional academic, sports and cultural achievements. As a school of this size, we punch above our weight, demonstrating the power of hard work and dedication. Our teachers have created innovative subject choices that deliver the curriculum with engaging learning experiences. The dedicated support of our pastoral, administrative and support staff fosters a positive and nurturing environment that fuels our school's ongoing success.

Congratulations to the 2024 prizewinners. I also want to acknowledge and commend all our students for their hard work, dedication, and progress throughout the year. To the leavers, remember the importance of 'being the example' as you embark on the next chapter of your lives.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere thanks to Mr Moore and the senior leadership team. Their unwavering commitment to placing students at the heart of every decision has been instrumental in making New Plymouth Boys' High School a thriving institution and a model for schools nationwide. Thank you for your mahi.

In conclusion, education's true value lies in its ability to nurture well-rounded individuals and empower them to reach their full potential. New Plymouth Boys' High School is committed to adding value to every student and giving them opportunities to excel at their level.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to a successful 2024.

Nō reira

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tātou katoa

Julie Vickers BOT Chair

### **Staff Report**

Owing to the continued growth of our school's student roll, now well into the 1500s, we employed ten new teachers and five new support staff. This report also acknowledges the seven teachers and two support staff who left in 2024.

Old Boy, and all-round 'good guy', Luke Brown, returned to the technology workshops with a big smile on his face. As a student, Luke enjoyed eating lunch and playing rugby and so we have all been impressed, and slightly relieved, by the professionalism he has gained while plying his trade as a builder. Luke's building acumen and rugby coaching prowess make him a fine addition to our team.

Kris Craddock joined our school when her family relocated to New Plymouth from Auckland. Her previous experience as an Airline Engineer has brought a real-world approach to her Mathematics, Science, and senior Physics classes. We are fortunate to have such a 'high flyer' on our staff.

Andrew Cardy, also joined us from Auckland, having previously taught at Macleans College. Andrew may be an Old Boy of Auckland Grammar but his teaching is anything but 'old school'. The English and Art departments are better places because of his intellect and progressive teaching approaches.

Old Boy and former Head Boarder, Thomas Clark-Puia, returned to the school as a teacher of Accounting and Mathematics. Initially, he entered the workforce as an accountant, but after six years in an office, he decided he was better suited to the life of teaching. Not long after returning to NPBHS, a Hostel Master position became available which he snapped up.

After nineteen years of cooking in the Francis Douglas' hostel kitchen, Steve Muir decided that the time was right to teach others his craft. His wealth of hospitality and Army Cadet Force experience has enabled him to transition from chef to teacher without missing a beat. Steve's secret herbs and spices are always a talking point for the boys.

We also appointed Trent McGrath from Palmerston North Boys' High School. Trent joined the Social Sciences and Health and Physical Education Faculties. However, if you need to find him, you would be better off checking the cricket nets on the Top Field or in the Indoor Cricket Centre. The school is very lucky to have such a talented cricketer join our sports programme.

Also a fine cricketer and Old Boy, Dean Robinson joined us from Stratford Primary School to teach Mathematics full-

time and coach the school's 1st XI Cricket team. His caring, firm, and professional approach also makes him a valuable addition.

Grant Saul returned to the Mathematics classroom having previously run the Information Technology systems at Pinehurst School and Westlake Boys' on the North Shore. Despite a decade out of the classroom, his familiarity with schools has enabled a smooth return to teaching. We are very fortunate to have such a capable, IT-savvy teacher on our staff.

Jen Togia also joined our Mathematics Faculty on a parttime basis. Her cheerful positivity has been a powerful force in the classroom, as has her strong support for our Pasifika community. Unfortunately for us, her family is relocating to Wellington, so we have only had her on our team for one year.

The tenth and final teacher to join our school in 2024 was Jamie Turner. Jamie's high-performance approach and

array of experiences coaching Olympians has made him an outstanding addition to the teaching team in the Health and Physical Education Faculty. Jamie is a model of health, regularly cycling to school after having already completed a couple of kilometres in the Aquatic Centre pool before daybreak.

We also welcomed five support staff into the school this year; Rachel Jean took on the School Nurse role and Amy Brown, Jodie Steele, and Old Boys, Ethan O'Hallaran, and Pierre Lawrence joined Te Haumaru - Learning Centre as Learning Assistants. Their care for a large number of our boys' is invaluable.

Sadly, we also farewelled nine staff. The teachers are listed below in order of their length of service at our school:

After twenty years Suzanne Scott decided it was time to take a break from teaching. Over this period, Sue taught numerous subjects and led courses in Mathematics, Digital Media, and Computer Science as well as ably supported Music in the school. She also held



several middle leadership posts including Head of Faculty -Technology and Network Manager.

Craig Thomas also completed twenty years of technology teaching. During his tenure, he was Head of Graphics, Head of Woodwork, and for a short period, Head of Faculty - Technology. Craig moved across to our sister school, New Plymouth Girls' High School.

After fifteen years in the Engineering Department, Michael Parker has decided to retire from teaching but certainly not from inventing new things. For more about Michael's incredible technology career please see the article below.

Michael Taylor is also moving on after thirteen years at the school. Mike came to us as a beginning Economics teacher and rapidly rose through the ranks to end as Deputy Headmaster - Education. Over this time, he has managed and coached numerous football teams, including the 1st XI, as well as organised several overseas football trips. Mike is taking up a promotion at Napier Boys' High School.

Karlos Ruakere has spent the past four years teaching Drama and Social Sciences on a part-time basis. He has played a starring role in the revitalisation of Theatre Sports and Drama at the school as well as being a pivotal leader in our Performing Arts team at the annual Super 8 Cultural Festival. Karlos is moving to Inglewood High School. The staff of NPBHS are dynamic and everevolving, offering our boys a wealth of variety and experience. This is undoubtedly one of our school's greatest strengths.

Joseph Avery has been with us for two years, teaching Economics and junior Commerce courses. He has also managed two Under 14 rugby teams during this time. Joseph is now a fully registered teacher and is ready to travel the world.

Lastly, Michelle Puckeridge, our Kahui Ako Across School Leader and English teacher is also moving on after two years with us. This has been Michelle's second stint at our school and she will return to New Plymouth Girls' High School. Her teaching expertise, particularly with the English Scholarship students, will be greatly missed.

We also farewelled two support staff. Roger Harland after fourteen years working as our Science Laboratory Technician, and Katherine Wilkin, the school's Information Centre / Archivist after six years of service in the Library.

**Reid Archer** Deputy Headmaster



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### **Michael Parker**

After 15 years of dedicated service, Michael Parker is retiring from his role at New Plymouth Boys' High School, leaving behind a legacy of innovation, passion and unparalleled expertise. During his time at the school, Michael served as the head of both the Metal and Electronics departments, pioneering some of the most advanced and forward-thinking programs in the country.

Michael brought with him an extensive knowledge of Hard Materials Technology and Design, along with a diverse skill set that extended well beyond the classroom. An accomplished engineer, world-class woodturner, and master boat builder, Michael's talents also include photography and the invention of Hiko surfboards—achievements that underscore his broad creative and technical abilities.

His contributions to the Technology department are immeasurable, and his departure leaves a void that will be difficult to fill. But Michael's impact was not confined to just his technical expertise. Outside the classroom, he was also a passionate cycling enthusiast, serving as the Teacher in Charge of the school's cycling program for many years. Under his guidance, the program flourished, with students earning national accolades in road and track cycling.

Michael Parker's influence on NPBHS and its students has been nothing short of extraordinary. His commitment to excellence, both in the classroom and beyond, has shaped the lives of countless young men, preparing them not only for academic success but also for future careers in a rapidly changing world. He will be greatly missed, but his legacy will continue to inspire for many years to come.



### Staff Photo 2024

Back Row: Gordon Giddy, Grant Saul, Courtney Callaghan, Noho Robinson, Dean Robinson, Barney Fitzpatrick, Aaron Lock, Jacob Wiringi, Andrew Cardy, Ross Hanan, Jo Ander

Eight Row: Kevin Dixon, Matthew Benton, Carolyn Matuku, Chris Luke, Liam Younger, Brent Dunnet, Joseph Avery, Philip Hewlett, Jarrod Keegan, Kieran Oakes, Finn Peters

Seventh Row: Jade Tyrrell, Willy Silva, Jayden Davy, Kate Kilgour, Abbie Bailey-Nowell, Glen Hannah, Jamie Farquhar, Luke Brown, Trent McGrath, Kane Rowson

Sixth Row: Lynda Mace, Amanda Cooper, Karlos Ruakere, Jennifer Togia, Kristine Craddock, John Rutherford, Troy Standish, Julian Maraki, Anna Cleland, Vicky Soffe, Shelley Ingle, Amber Holdom, Dominique Simanke

Fifth Row: Warren Drought, Thomas Schaare, Brad Bennett, Teo Armes, Michael Townes, George Poole, Jamie Turner, Paul Martin, Adrienne Roberts, Raymond MacDonald, Kit Hacker

Fourth Row: Heather King, Katherine Wilkin, Lizaan Hale, Bernie Perkins, Jason Marshall, Jack Kirifi, Josh Angell, Sara Kovac, Stephen Muir, Rachel Jean, Michelle Puckeridge, Kerry Parker, Lina Tung

Third Row:Patrick Estrabillo, Blair Corlett, Reuben Creery, Felix Hartmann, Leighton Price, Simon Rangiwahia, Michael Somers, Rhys Clark

Second Row: Janine Wright, Rose Berghan, Hemi Coates, Jon Hawkins, Rob Wisnewski, Alana Cooper, Heidi Trent

Front Row: Yvonne Shanahan, Jamie Stones, Andrew Hope, Michael Taylor, Sam Moore, Reid Archer, Matt Cleaver, Hugh Russell

### From your Head Boy and Dux

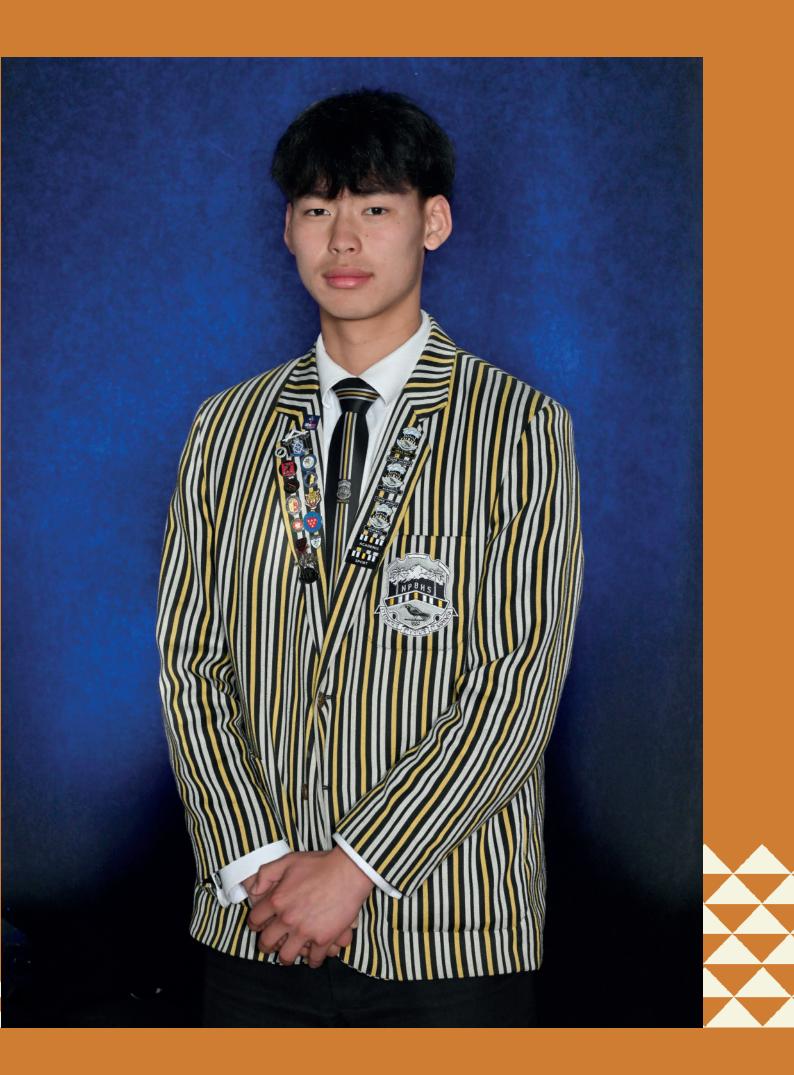
Once more, another year passes by, marked by this annual prize giving. Wind, hail or shine, time marches on, and the more it goes, the more it takes away. Five years at high school that little Qingcheng saw as an eternity have passed in what seems like a flash. Many minutes were wasted under the erroneous assumption time was unlimited, but thankfully there were many fond moments with my peers, teammates and brothers within this school that I will forever cherish.

To have served the school as its Head Boy this year has been a tremendous privilege. I struggle to find adequate words within my limited vocabulary to express my gratitude to those who put their faith into me to fulfill this role. The learnings, growth and maturation I underwent this year has been invaluable and have undoubtedly shaped me into a far better young man. Whilst it was a role I wanted, without the support from staff and students I would have been way out of my depth. A big thank you must be directed to Josh and the leaders before him. Our leadership journey was made easier by your work in laying foundations and carving paths as we continue our summit to bring New Plymouth Boys' High to unprecedented heights.

And what a truly impressive school we have. The calibre of the young men within our school continues to grow and I feel immense pride in wearing the same crest as them. Congratulations to Mathias and the cross country team on a fantastic season, finishing second at Nationals. To the golf team on another exceptional campaign and our U85kg rugby team for achieving national gold. Spencer Rowson and Jack Parr continue to impress in their chosen fields internationally and you two are absolute role models in work ethic, consistency and determination for the rest of us. To Jack Wiseman, Brayden, Brock, Ben and everyone else that has represented New Zealand, you make us all proud and we look forward to continuing to follow your achievements on a national and global scale.

I would like to acknowledge the stage band for their cultural achievements. To George and the drama team for their continued success in Super 8 and other competitions. On that subject, Mr Davies' tireless work must be mentioned. Having known you since before Boys' High, to be able to witness the significant impact of your commitment to the culture program has been inspirational, and I know how much the boys appreciate your efforts. Indeed, to the staff who have helped foster creativity and promote the arts at school, we all owe you a massive thank you.

The past five years have been an incredible experience and I'm honoured to have shared them with you all.





Being Head Boy was always going to be a journey of constant mistakes and learning, from the finer intricacies of ironing a shirt to delegation and trust. I am so lucky to have had the opportunity to represent the school this year, and I'm truly humbled to have interacted with you boys. Thank you for your support, your 'hellos' during break times and even the brief, fleeting conversations we've shared, they have meant more to me than you'll ever realise.

It's been a busy but rewarding year and I definitely could not have done it alone. Firstly to my deputy George Stephens, I have thoroughly enjoyed working with you. We may be very different people, but over this year our friendship has truly blossomed. I struggle to do George's character justice and those of you fortunate enough to have witnessed George's work will know how exceptionally talented and reliable he is. It is largely thanks to you that I have not been consumed with stress and I couldn't have asked for anyone better to face the challenges with. I know you will go on to achieve great things in life and I look forward to continuing our bond into the future.

Behind us were twenty other great young men in white shirts, setting the example for other students each day and maintaining our high standards. When named, we knew the prefect team this year would be strong and you did not disappoint. You have all done a fantastic job and your work within the school is not unnoticed; I thank you all for your excellent help this year. To the house leaders, Jack, Payce, Rylan and Aiden, you have all displayed your strong leadership qualities this year in leading your respective houses, motivating and inspiring the boys to continue to push themselves in all events. As always, the inter-house competition was fierce and tight, with Barak running away with a late and rare victory. These events are what builds the comradery and spirit within the school, and well done to all the boys that represented their houses with pride this year.

A personal highlight for me was the school ball this year and despite the late curveball thrown our way, we managed to hold an exceptional ball; a ball some have described as being up there with the best. Thank you to the ball committee for your countless hours and late nights in organising the ball and helping ensure it ran smoothly. In particular I'd like to thank the self labelled 'tradies' component of the committee, you have shown me the surprising enjoyment of manual labour and I will fondly remember the moments we shared spent slaving away on the hot sidewalk during weekends and afternoons.

Thank you to Mr Moore for your guidance and dedication to the school. You have created an environment where us students can strive for excellence and we are grateful for your work. Your constant drive for improvement has steered the school in a very positive direction and I am excited to see the developments our school will continue to make.

To the teaching staff, whilst not all of you have taught me, every single one of you has helped shape me into the man I am today. Your work extends far beyond the call of duty, from before school lessons and tutorials to after school training and classes, your commitment to the success of the students is heartwarming. There are many unsung heroes at the school from the caretakers and the accounting team, to Pip, Murray and the hostel staff, all of whom work thanklessly to help maintain the school's success. We do appreciate your work behind the scenes..



I would like to acknowledge the other Dux candidates, you are all equally, if not more deserving to be the Dux of the school and it could have easily been any one of us. Like every year, the battle was close, and this is testament to the aptitude and work ethic of those who competed this year. To Stephen with your extensive knowledge in Chemistry, achieving an outstanding scholarship in Year 12, to Gary with your freakish work rate and expertise with numbers, and everyone else; I know you will go on to achieve greatness, and our society is definitely in good hands with students like you.

On the first day of school Qingcheng Du was sent out of Yr g science by Mrs Dickson for being disruptive and made to sit outside. A rather rude awakening, but also a message that high school was not as easy as I had assumed. To have now developed into the young man standing before you today would not have been possible without the help of many significant people, and I must acknowledge those that have contributed and accompanied me on this journey of growth.

To Dr Wright, your commitment to us students is amazing. Your passion for statistics is infectious and I've loved our in-depth conversations beyond the level 3 syllabus. As I now potentially look into the world of statistics at tertiary education, I must thank you for your continued enthusiasm to us students, you are truly an inspiration.

To Mr Hawkins, your work within the Chemistry classroom is simply outstanding and you have made chemistry not only understandable but enjoyable for me. To spend an hour with me going through organic reactions last year when I wasn't even in your class effectively sums up the dedication you have as a teacher and I'm thankful to have been your student.

To Mr Dunnet. How I have loved our classes this year. Your company alone is enough to put a smile on my miserable face and I have thoroughly enjoyed our chats this year. I'm intrigued as to where the actual learning occurred, however the boys' grades show your quality in teaching the painful subject that is biology. To Mr Keegan, your logical chain of reasoning and emphasis on success through mistakes is motivational and something I have applied to other aspects of my life. To Mr Taylor, you have enabled my smooth transition back in economics and I thank you for your positivity in teaching. To all the staff that have aided me, and also those who have not, thank you.

Finally I must acknowledge my family. You have shared every step of this journey with me, directed me back on track when I have strayed from the correct path and always supported me. To my older brother Qingfeng, I must thank you the most. Having experienced these challenges already, you have always helped guide and advise me. It was you I came running to when things weren't going well, it was you I texted when I thought I choked the chemistry paper. I am so grateful for your help and I couldn't have achieved this without you. To my younger brother Qingchuan, good luck. I love you and don't tell you that enough.

To my fellow friends and peers, I wish you all the best in your future endeavours. Thank you for the times we shared together; these memories I will forever cherish.

Remember always how fortunate you are to be a part of this fantastic school and as I leave the school, I do so secure in the knowledge that Boys' High has a bright future ahead. To the students returning, I trust you will continue to represent the school well and achieve individual greatness. Together we will continue to reach for the stars, so we can land on the tallest peaks.

**Qingcheng Du** Head Boy and Dux 2024



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## Barak House Report

Barak started the year with only four wins in the house competition since 1983 and a clear aim was set to win the house competition at all costs in 2024. After a lacklustre year previously, finishing third, there was clearly a bit of work to do to get back to the top and with the boost of the new year 9s the house was energised to give this a real go.

The first event of the year was athletics on a beautiful day out at Inglewood. An enormous Barak performance by our top athletes meant that we started the year placing second in athletics.

The second event of the year was swimming sports – Asher Hales and Jaiah Otene produced some outstanding performances, but despite a great turnout and fight by the rest of the house we unfortunately finished last at swimming leaving us joint third after two events.

In summer sports we saw the boys step their game up and some fantastic performances in sports like tennis and futsal meant we finished second in the third event of the year and now put ourselves in a great position going into cross country.

In the cross-country event, the turnout from Barak boys and the "green wave" that surged in from the competitive race secured us a decisive win. Every boy who participated, even in the non-competitive race, deserves credit for giving their best for the house. This effort placed us second on the leaderboard, 12 points behind Donnelly. The boys knew they needed a mammoth effort in the final three events to overturn the deficit.

Our Kaea for the haka, Joeli Nakuta and Cooper Myers, laid the groundwork for a powerful performance. The boys' efforts resulted in a joint secondplace finish with Syme in the fifth event of the year.

After an anxious overnight wait for the winter sports results, Barak was tied with Donnelly as we approached the final event: house singing. The previous afternoon, we learned we had won winter sports, and the house was pumped. The ensemble, which had been practising 'Guerrilla Radio,' delivered a brilliant performance that had the house raring to go. Their mash-up of 'Wagon Wheel,' 'Take It Easy,' and 'Country Roads' brought Ryder Hall alive with the loudest atmosphere I've experienced during my time at school. The boys' efforts were a credit to the house, and it was clear this performance would decide the result.

After a year of hard graft, Barak was announced as the winner of the house competition for the first time in years - a result no one had anticipated. The boys' dedication and passion carried us to the top, with cross-country momentum serving as the springboard. Barak finished outside the top two only once all year, at swimming sports, and their consistent performances made all the difference.

To conclude, a big thanks to the Huia leaders who kept Barak running smoothly. To the Barak Prefect team - Liam Corrigan, Ben James, Thomas Hope, and Stephen McNeill - thank you for being an outstanding group of lads to work with and for helping bring the trophy back to Barak. A special thanks to Mr Creery, Mr Coates, and Ms Trent for all your behind-the-scenes efforts, which do not go unnoticed. Thanks also to the other house leaders for a great competition - it was a privilege to compete against you. Finally, to Barak House: thank you for getting behind us and believing in our potential. This victory belongs to you all.

Best of luck to Asher Hales, next year's prefect team, and the Huia leaders. Let's go back-to-back for the first time!

Aiden Goodin Barak House Leader 2024



## **Donnelly House Report**

The year started strong as Donnelly dominated inter-house athletics on a great, sunny day. It was amazing to see the huge turnout of young men who attended, not to mention the number of people participating in competitive events. The boys who represented our house gave it their all, and with the backing from their brothers in blue, we were able to come away with first place. This was a huge confidence booster and exactly the start we wanted, as I could see the potential within the house this year.

This success was soon carried on through swimming sports, where we gained a surprising second place. I was injured at the very start of the day, meaning I had to leave and get my injury checked. This meant that the Huia Leaders within the house were forced to step up in their roles, and they didn't disappoint. This solidified what was sure to be a good year for the house as the boys only gained more chemistry as we breezed through the events.

We kept this momentum going throughout cross-country as we picked up another second place through sheer numbers and great work from our competitive runners.

For me, the Haka competition was a personal highlight of the house events. Regardless of the fourth-place result, I'm glad I was able to lead the boys one final time. During the practices, we were lacking heavily in the motivation and confidence areas; there simply wasn't enough passion within the house. Despite this, the boys showed up on the day, and we did our best haka of the year, but unfortunately, we fell short. This was a disappointing result considering the momentum we had earlier in the year.

In credit to the boys, we came through and did what we do best during both winter and summer sports events, taking out first and second places. Winter sport was a stressful one, as Donnelly and Barak were neck and neck throughout the whole year. Despite huge efforts from the boys, we fell slightly behind, picking up second place behind Barak.

This meant our whole year was riding on the last event, which was house singing. We chose to take the classic Hakuna Matata route, which looked more promising with every practice. Unfortunately, I took a devastating blow the day before the event, breaking my collarbone, which meant the house didn't have a house leader for house singing. Despite this, the boys who showed up, along with the ensemble, did the best they could under the circumstances. Unfortunately for us, we fell short, and Barak came out on top for the year, which was obviously a tough pill to swallow.

Regardless of this, I was still proud of the boys for giving the year a good go and sending me off with a solid second place.

With the end of the year rapidly approaching, I want to thank those who backed me when things got rough, namely Mr Corlett, Mr Creery, and Mr Estrabillo. I thank them for their efforts in ensuring we had a successful year full of unity and passion.

I'd also like to thank my fellow Donnelly Huia Leaders and Prefects, who did the hard yards behind the scenes. I'm grateful that I had the opportunity to work alongside this great team of people, and I'm glad we could solidify our brotherhood through the ups and downs.

If I could give my house a message for next year, I'd tell them to embrace the spirit of the house and don't be afraid to step out of their comfort zone because your brothers are always standing beside you. Make sure you get it done next year; I'm positive that you can.

Payce Hetaraka-Wall Donnelly House Leader 2024



## Hatherly House Report

This year there was plenty of competition and rivalry in the house comps. The house competition featured a blend of swimming sports and athletics in the first term of the school year. This created an exciting and intense atmosphere, with Hatherly House being smaller in size, every race and event counted towards the final score. We were a house that was determined to outperform the other houses no matter how many numbers we had.

Unfortunately, in swimming sports we came third. We struggled to get any points in races due to a shortage of swimmers competing in competitive races. Non-competition races saw the whole house compete in one length of backstroke and freestyle.

Athletics is always a strong point in Hatherly House and it was something that we tried to target. It was great to see the whole house getting behind our boys that were competing in races throughout the day, and it pushed the boys who were competing to try and get a podium finish – we pulled through to come second. The long day in the heat was definitely worth it.

Summer Competition was another great chance for boys to step out of their comfort zone and try different sports and with our low numbers, it was great to see many boys step up into different sports. The momentum from Athletics was shown in this event as we came close to winning. Cross Country was another house comp that Hatherly House competed well in. Many individuals ran very well but we struggled to get many boys into top spots, the day ended in disappointment as we knew we let another opportunity slip through to gain maximum points.

The haka and house singing is always Hatherly's to lose and with the disappointment of losing the Haka comp the year prior, saw this as a chance to fix this. With the help of the masters this saw a much tidier and slower haka, with clearer words and better pronunciation. It was awesome to see the engagement of the hostel, not just from the students but the masters playing an active role too in teaching us. It had seemed the practices had paid off, everyone was on the same page and we took first place. Not long after we were into house singing, another highly prized event for Hatherley House and an event that we do well in. After the success in singing last year it was motivation for us to go all out again and present a lion king theme. The unique actions, lyrics and presentation ended in the boys pulling through to claim another first place. After the final two events (haka and house comp) it was satisfying to come away with two wins in a row.

With many wins and losses throughout the year, points were tight and every house was in for a shot of winning it. Although we tried to create a late comeback in the back half of the year this wasn't enough, eventually coming third place. The prefects and I will cherish these memories, which will last a long time. Thank you to the masters who helped us out throughout the whole year, we couldn't have done it without you.

Jack Wiseman Hatherly House Leader 2024



## Syme House Report

As 2024 comes to an end, I'm proud to reflect on Syme House's achievements across various competitions and events. Building on our past successes, our motivation was at an all-time high.

The house competition started with Athletics Day, held at TET Stadium in Inglewood. Historically a strong event for us, we excelled in competitive events with various numbers of Syme athletes producing amazing results, while also securing a win in the pivotal senior house relay. Although our numbers were light in the non-competitive events, those that fronted showed tremendous effort. Placing fourth wasn't the start we aimed for, but the spirit and perseverance demonstrated by each participant was commendable.

The second event was swimming sports, in which we had a massive turnout to dominate the champion and non-competitive events to secure a huge first place. Our Syme lads showed out in a sea of yellow, and it was great to see each member of our house giving it their best. A massive improvement from the previous event, we gained valuable experience and hoped to uphold our standards and momentum leading into summer sports.

In summer sports, we maintained our effort, though the results didn't match our ambitions. Syme athletes competed across a diverse range of sports with pride, earning a joint third place. While not ideal, it kept us in contention for the overall win, motivating us to step up in the following events.

Cross Country proved challenging, as it often does for our house. With a lack of competitive runners, we finished fourth. Despite the outcome, every Syme runner displayed grit and determination, knowing we had to rally in the final term.

The haka competition was pivotal, and Syme delivered an incredible performance full of mana and pride. After some shaky practices, it was rewarding to see our boys pull through when it mattered most, earning us a well-deserved second place - a highlight of the year.

Winter Sports and Cultural Day provided an opportunity to turn the competition around. While our athletes and debaters gave it their all, the results didn't reflect their talent, and we placed third. The final event, house singing, became crucial for our overall success.

Syme performed "Every Breath You Take" by The Police and an ensemble piece, "In the Air" by L.A.B. Despite significant improvement in practice and strong performances, we placed third in the ensemble and fourth in house singing. When Mr Cleaver announced the final results, Syme finished fourth overall. It was a tough blow but reflected our collective efforts throughout the year.

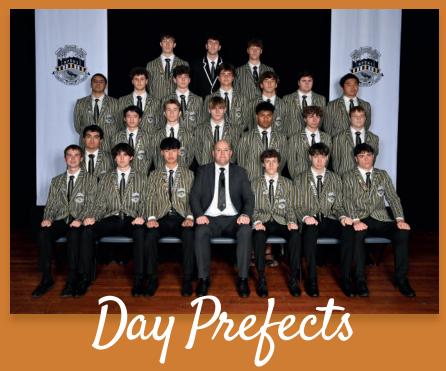
To conclude, I want to thank everyone involved with Syme House. To our house leader, Mr Somers, and our deans, Mr Rangiwahia and Mr Clark, your guidance was invaluable. To the Syme Prefect Team - George Stephens (Deputy Head Boy), Flynn Wilson (Cultural Leader), Brayden Neilson, Isaac Simon, and Samuel Salisbury - your dedication was exceptional, and it's been an honour working alongside you.

A special thanks to our huia leaders for upholding our house values, and to the other house leaders for fostering such a positive competition atmosphere. To Syme House, thank you for showing up and giving your best. Though the results weren't what we hoped for, your spirit and perseverance shone through.

Finally, good luck to Samuel Schofield and next year's leadership team. May you restore Syme to its former glory and take down Barak!

**Rylan Vesty** Syme House Leader 2024





Back Row: Brayden Neilson, Connor Day, Ethan Staddon Third Row:Isaac Simon, Taylin Fox, Thomas Hope, Liam Corrigan, Koby Haigh, Flynn Wilson, Ian Wong Second Row: Aaron Humphries, Stephen Mcneill, Samuel Salisbury, Neo Hatcher, Tualauta Toremana, Ben James, Jaxon Steele Front Row: Aiden Goodin, Rylan Vesty, Qingcheng Du (Head Boy), Mr Sam Moore (Headmaster), George Stephens (Deputy Head Boy), Payce Hetaraka-Wall, Jack Wiseman (Head Boarder)



Back Row: William Darke, Ethan Staddon, Connor Crowe Second Row: Harry Fevre, Regan Bevege, Cooper Patterson, Jayden Holland, Ian Wong Front Row: Aaron Humphries, Viliame Rova, Jack Wiseman (Head Boarder), Tualauta Toremana, Jaxon Steele Absent: Javarhn Rupapera

## **Awards Dinner**

### The Devon Hotel, Wednesday 30th October



Brayden Neilson (Rugby, Athletics, Rugby 7s) Nominees for the award

included Taene Nelley, Stirling Monk, Logan Hislop, and Qingcheng Du. Ezra Ruka (Music/Arts) Nominees for the award included Alfie Healion, Mason Bailey, and Flynn Wilson.



Nominees for the award included Tomi Avery, Seppy Binsbergen, Nick Dobbie, Edward Howlett, Ben James, Michael Lobb, Jack Parr, Will Potts, Jake White and Jack Wiseman.

Qingcheng Du Dux

Top Three Scholars included Gary Ye and Stephen McNeill.



Senior Cross Country Team Thomas Hooks, Makaia Grant-Fargie, Mathias Strohmeier, Nick Dobbie, Thomas Hope, Felix Field

Nominees for the award included Surfing Team, Golf Team, and Adventure Racing Team (Hillary Challenge).

Drama Team (The Man in the Glass) Emilio Gray, George Stephens, Flynn Wilson, Taine Knox, Thomas Grieve

Nominees for the award included Maund Dawgs and Stage Band.

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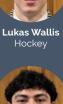


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## Adventure Racing



On Sunday 6th October ninety six students, and their managers and coaches descended on the Hillary Outdoors Centre in Tongariro National Park for the 24th annual Hillary Challenge event. Amongst this group of elite athletes were the combined NPBHS and NPGHS team of Petra Hofmans, Jacquelyn Kowalewski, Darcy O'Sullivan, Estelle Monk, Joseph Mulliss, Brody Matheson, Dylan Chilcott, and Henry Moffat. Would many months of training and preparation pay off?

Monday and Tuesday saw the twelve teams of eight students rotate through twelve problem solving challenges. These included process-based challenges, high ropes, technical rope work, navigation challenges, mountain bike skills, paddling skills, climbing skills, and complex communication challenges. All tested how the teams could assimilate complex information, and work as a team demonstrating robust problem solving processes. Teams were scored on their communication skills, trust and support, the problem solving process and how well they completed the task.

We felt we had a solid day 1 and 2, with the exception of one activity which was the difference between emerging at second or fourth place. With a young team, mostly new to the Hillary Challenge, we were pleased to be sitting in fourth, only 88 points behind second, though at 200 points ahead Motueka were looking strong.

Days 3 and 4 were the Rogaine. This was a huge trek with full packs to navigate to as many checkpoints as possible, with one night spent camping on the way. This year the trek started at the Mangahuia carpark between the National Park township and Chateau turnoff, and finished at the Chateau, mainly traversing the west and northwest slopes of Ruapehu. The weather was bleak









on Wednesday, rain and snow above 1100 metres, and the poor visibility made navigation difficult up high. Our team chose a high route, and found themselves bluffed out in the afternoon, costing time and points. They retreated to a cold and rocky campsite at 1400 metres, coping with constant snow showers overnight.

Thursday was redemption time and helped by fine weather, the team chose a great course and had an excellent day two. Great navigation, pace, and getting into the right terrain all made for a solid score. But would it be enough to peg back our nearest rivals, FDMC/SHGC, Whakatane, and Middleton Grange, all whom according to the trackers had a good rogaine, and were up with close scores, in the top half of the field, after days 1 and 2. Motueka had blitzed the field and were untouchable. The race was for the lower places.

Friday and the fine weather continued. Day 5 was the multisport race, four stages of blood and guts racing in the quest for the fastest time. An 8 km kayak was followed by a 9 km mud run, then a 30 plus km mountain bike ride. The final leg, another gruelling 6 km hilly run saw us finish in about 4-1/2 hours. We were rapt to come in second, 15 minutes behind Motueka, and with FDMC/SHGC just behind. At roughly three points a minute we felt the race wouldn't have a big impact on the final result but was great for confidence and team spirit.

We were wrong. We were expecting fourth place at prizegiving, with Whakatane and FDMC/SHGC having great rogaines according to the trackers. However we were delighted to have moved into third place, ahead of last year's runners up, Whakatane. Thirty points were the difference. We had started day 5 three points behind Whakatane, a lesson that it is never over until it is over. The result maintained the school's solid record of 14 firsts, seven times being runners up, and third twice.

Many thanks must go to all the sponsors and supporters who helped to make completing the challenge possible.



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## Athletics

The New Zealand Secondary Schools Track, Field and Road Championships is the pinnacle athletics competition for students. This year, we took sixteen of our best athletes down to Timaru to compete in this prestigious event spanning over three days. We travelled on Thursday the fifth of December ready to show off our ability through a variety of events on both the track and road.

Our first athlete to compete was Charlie Goldfinch in the Junior Boys 800m heats on Friday, earning himself a personal best time. Next on the track, we had Felix Field and Aidan Galley, who both competed in the Senior Boys 800m heats. The automatic qualification spots were fiercely contested with both boys being drawn in difficult heats. Felix performed brilliantly with a time of 1:56.18, earning himself an automatic gualification into the semi-finals. Not only did he find himself in the next round, but his time also broke the previous thirtyyear-old Taranaki record. Aidan also ran a personal best, just missing out on qualification in 2:00.78. Charlie returned to the track later that day, along with Lucas Erb. Both boys raced in the Junior Boy's 3000m B final, placing third and twelfth respectively in their race. Charlie ran a time of 9:51.00 and Lucas finished in a time of 10:33.46. Next up, Aidan, returning to the track to run in the 400m heats. Unfortunately, his time fell short of moving into the next round. Also running a 400m heat was Bryn Espin (Junior Boys), in which he posted a personal best time of 58.54. Our final competitors on day one would be Zavier Brown and Miller Ferguson in the Senior Boys 3000m finals. Zavier finished 28th overall in a slow and tactical A final, while Miller ran a 9:15.55 personal best for tenth in the B final.

Saturday, our second day of competing, we had our first competitor Lucas Erb, who ran in the Junior Boy's 1500m heats. Following that was the Senior Boys 1500m heats, where both Felix Field and Zavier Brown were unfortunately unable to qualify for the final, facing highly competitive and tactical races. Felix would then race again to conclude our efforts on day two. He raced in the 800m semi-finals, unfortunately falling short of the finals due to his exhausting racing schedule, with the semi-finals being his third race in two days.

Finally, day three, Sunday, the day most of the boys had been waiting for. The day of the road race. We had thirteen out of sixteen of the boys participating across the Year nine and Senior road races. However, it was on that morning at the track that Nathan Baylis set our spirits to a strong start, placing fourth in the Senior Boys 3000m race walk. Back at Caroline Bay, five of our year nine boys braved the 3000m road race. These boys raced around the bay with outstanding grit and determination, winning a gold medal in the three-person team event. The boys who raced were Charlie Goldfinch (12th), Bryn Espin (18th), Monty Darke (20th), Flynn McHugh (23rd) and Lucas Erb (24th). Although not all of these boys took home a medal, all of them played a pivotal role in pushing each other to perform at their best. Finally, the Senior Boy's 6000m road race. Eight of our boys took on a strong field of over sixty-five runners. These were the same boys who agonisingly lost out to a close six-person team gold medal at cross-country nationals earlier in the year. The boys were determined to claim gold. The team





3rd Place - Nick Dobbie

consisted of Nick Dobbie (3rd), Zavier Brown (26th), Miller Ferguson (31st), Jack Mason (35th), Cooper Ferguson (36th), Thomas Hooks (37th), Henry Moffat (54th) and Makaia Grant-Fargie (55th). Their training and determination meant we could bring home first place in the six-person team event. Acknowledgement must be given to Nick Dobbie's inspiring third-place finish, earning him a spot on the New Zealand Secondary Schools Championship team. These efforts both individually and together as a team took our medal total up to two golds and a bronze. Like the year nines, two of these boys would not take home a medal, but their efforts to motivate others to perform and push opponent runners back in the placings did not go unnoticed. This gold was extra special for our year thirteens as it was the final time racing in the black and gold singlets for Nick, Thomas and Makaia. All of them have raced for the school for years, allowing for a well-deserved send-off to their time at school.

Nick Dobbie, Thomas Hooks and Zavier Brown

## Badminton

Super 8 was contested in pools this year due to Napier BHS not considering that they had enough courts to play a full round robin. We were put into a pool with the two badminton powerhouses of Super 8, Hamilton BHS and Palmerston North BHS, along with Gisborne BHS. A win against Palmerston North BHS was our best chance of making the top half of the draw on the second day.

We fought valiantly with Aman taking the No. 1 singles and teaming up with Jeffrey to win their doubles match with some well executed tactics but we ultimately fell to a 2-4 loss. Hamilton BHS swept us 0-6, before we completed the day with a 6-0 win over Gisborne BHS, while still being pushed hard in a couple of matches. Ken held his nerve, with both games being tight, and Hayden teamed up with Jonas to take out a hard fought doubles match that went to three games.

Hastings BHS were our first opponents the following morning and we came out with a 4-2 win, after some nervy moments. Jonas came back from losing his first game to take the next two comfortably and Hayden teamed up with Aiden to only lose by two points in the third game of their doubles match. This led to a final tie against Palmerston North BHS 2, who we beat 5-1 to finish fifth overall. It was a shame the pool seedings kept us from meeting the teams who finished third and fourth, as we would likely have had very close matches against them.

Finally, a tribute to Aman Ali, who is signing off after playing in Super 8 teams for all five of his years at NPBHS. He is our school Open Champion, captain, and team MVP for 2024. Aman has played as our Number 1 seed since year 10 and has won many matches at this high level. He held his own at a time when Super 8 had more than one player ranked highly at a national level, who he had to take on. Most memorable for me though, have been the "against the odds" doubles wins that he claimed with different partners over the years. Aman always stayed calm under pressure and communicated tactics well with his partner, which more often than not made the difference in tight matches. Thank you for your contribution Aman, as a player, and a captain bringing the next generation up after you.

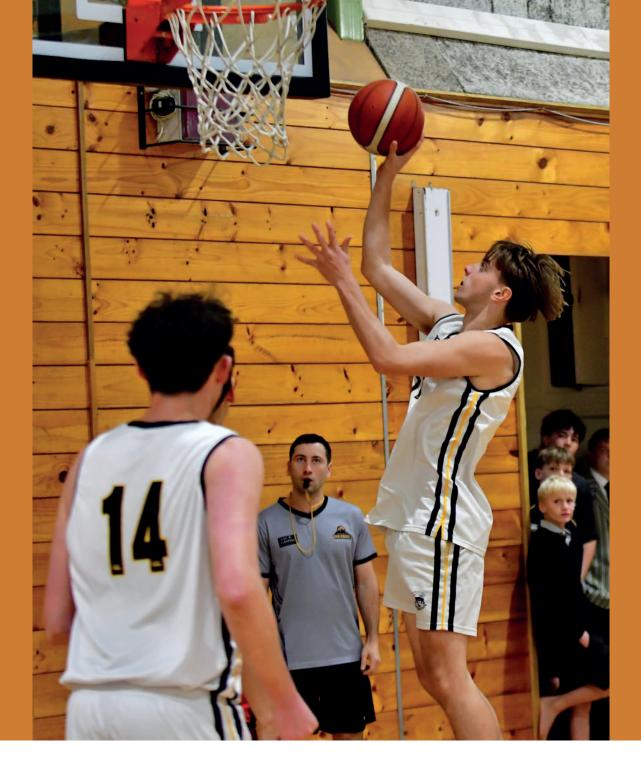


TOP 6 BADMINTON TEAM Back Row: Mr J. Flynn (Manager), Jeffrey Su, Aman Ali (Captain) Front Row: Jonas Su, Hayden Chan, Ken Tran, Aiden Lin



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## Basketball

#### 1st V Basketball Squad

The 2024 sqaud consisted of Eli Poulgrain (Captain), Kaleb Hinton, Jordan Cooper, Finn Brasell, Lyric Tuhaka, Rory Pepperell, Shaun Te Riini, Jerome Tamatea, Wyatt Kingi, Levi Carter, Oliver Braddock, William Campbell.

Mr Brendon Baxter (Coach), Mr Dwayne Tamatea (Assistant Coach), Mr Matt Cleaver (Manager).

#### **Traditional Fixtures**

The 2024 squad featured a mix of year levels with a range of experiences. The year started with a trip to Auckland Grammar to play against a team widely touted as a National championship contender this year. This game can always expose our weaknesses being the first game of the season, compared to AGS who have been in competition mode for a number of weeks. After a solid start we were unable to match their fire power and lost 70-108.

Next up were our cross-town rivals Francis Douglas. Always a fierce battle, this game was no different in their home gym. Francis Douglas never lacks the desire to win given how important they value this game, whereas us however, can at times be guilty of being too complacent. This game was a back and forth affair with lots of swings in momentum. We managed to pull away down the stretch to win 94-87.

During Week 5 the team jumped on the bus to Wellington to play St Patricks Silverstream, a team we have had some close battles with recently. In what turned out to be a very tactical game, we were able to win the key moments in the last two minutes and came away with a very important 74-69 win.

The Hamilton Boys' High School game was played at home in front of a packed gymnasium. Hamilton threw a curve ball early with a 1-3-1 press that we had not played against or practiced for. Eli Poulgrain managed to get hot from beyond the arc and we found ways to break down the zone, eventually winning 78-74 in a tight finish.

Tauranga Boys College away was the second last college match of the term and we were full of confidence after the recent wins. The first quarter was a one sided affair. We found ourselves down 20 early and spent the rest of the game trying to get back into it against a very passionate and physical team. Unfortunately we left our run too late and finished going down 83-88.

Palmerston North Boys' High School arrived in town a week later and our confidence was high after the win against Hamilton Boys' High School. We started fast and played with great pace and control, coming away with a big win 93-68. Coach Baxter was able to run his entire twelve and give everyone a much needed confidence boost heading into term 3.

Moving into term 3, Wellington College was last on the calendar before the regional qualifying tournament. We were eager to put on a good performance against the reigning

New Zealand Champs who boasted some high level talent. We fought valiantly throughout the game and fell short with a 79-86 loss.

The Super 8 tournament is an important part of the build-up to Regionals. We arrived in Palmerston North with confidence from our recent results against a number of Super 8 teams. We started with an easy win against Hastings Boys High, followed by a win against Tauranga Boys College. In our last pool game we came across a star studded Napier Boys and led for portions of the game. Some individual brilliance from one of their elite players took the game away from us late and we ended up losing 79-89. This placed us second in our pool and pitted us against Rotorua Boys. Led by their Year 14 NBL player, Rotorua were too strong and beat us 83-71. In our play off for third and fourth we played Hamilton Boys' High School winning 62-55.

#### **Regional Qualifying**

The goal for regionals was to qualify for Nationals. We went there with confidence in our abilities and played some excellent basketball early with wins in pool play. However, two really poor second half performances where we twice surrendered 20 point leads, against St Patricks Silverstream and Manukura, meant we missed out on qualifying for a second year in a row. Lessons will be taken from this and plans put in place to turn around our fortunes. Not the finish to the year we were after, but some valuable lessons learnt.

A huge thanks to coach Brendon Baxter for his tireless commitment to basketball at school, and to his Assistant Coach Dwayne Tamatea. The future from a playing and coaching perspective looks promising and 2025 is going to be an exciting year. Also thanks to Miss Berghan for her role in managing the team after returning from maternity leave midway through the season.

Matt Cleaver Assistant Coach/Manager



1ST V BASKETBALL TEAM Back Row: Finn Brasell, Lyric Tuhaka, Rory Pepperell, Shaun Te Riini Second Row: Mr Dwayne Tamatea (Assistant Coach), Jerome Tamatea, Mr Brendon Baxter (Coach), Wyatt Kingi, Mr Matt Cleaver (Manager) Front Row: Levi Carter, Kaleb Hinton, Elijah Poulgrain (Captain), Oliver Braddock, William Campbell Absent: Jordan Cooper



### 2024 Basketball Teams



#### Junior Black Basketball Team

Back Row: VJ-Immanuel Paese, Jayin Patel, Kahlo Tuuta (Captain) Second Row: Mr D. Bublitz (Coach), Seth Huntley, Liam Jordan, Jakob Coleman, Kenvon Togia

Front Row: Kace Raven, Nikau Jones, Kurtis Castles, Israel Hann



#### Junior Dev Basketball Team

Back Row: Jayin Patel, Cooper James, Pedro Taitoko Second Row: Mr D. Bublitz (Manager/Assistant Coach), Nikora Grindlay, Kahlo Tuuta (Captain), Izz Gatenby, Jakob Coleman Front Row: Israel Hann, Michael Seu, Seth Huntley, Kenyon Togia, Kurtis Castles

Absent: Mr A. Bailey-Nowell (Coach)



#### Junior White Basketball Team

Back Row: Izz Gatenby, Cooper James, Pedro Taitoko, Nikora Grindlay Front Row: Mason Heta, Corrin Jansma, Dominic Gray, Braxton Mahu, Eddie Wallace

Absent: Caleb Greenhill, Keon Bailey-Nowell, Mr A. Bailey-Nowell (Coach)



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#### Junior Yellow Basketball Team

Back Row: Ms J. Eliason (Coach), Michael Seu, Cairo Wilson, Jaysharn Graham, Ben Eliason, Zweli Pike Front Row: Kayliss Ross, Jaiah Otene, Nixon Winger, Tyler Kamilo, Gabriel Faselt-Watt



#### Year 11 Basketball Team

Back Row: Mr M. Cleaver (Coach), Deken Toole, Corbyn Awahou, Mason Fale, Acoya Fitzsimons Front Row: Matthew McKenzie, Paxton Cleaver, Taine Sadler, Chase Butler

Absent: Raven Falaniko, Davis Leaf, Hunter Ramage



Senior Black Basketball Team Back Row: Mr D. Tamatea (Coach), Will Thomas, Quinton Turner Front Row: Taine Sadler, Connor Day, Cale Olsen Absent: Rylan Spittal, Finn Brasell, Mikael Jones, Elliot Gray



#### Senior White Basketball Team

Back Row: Simon Nyman-King, Kauri Allen, Marcus Nyman-King, Kash Nathan Front Row: Mr B. Fitzpatrick (Coach), Qoqo Heinemann, Jesse Armfield, Shaun Simpson, Virgilius Saragena Absent: Finn Magon, George Slack



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## Canoe Polo

### Regional Secondary Schools Competition (February 23-24)

Having come together for some solid early season lake and pool sessions, training ramped up for the NPBHS Senior squad in late January to attend the Secondary School Central West Regional Div 2 competition in Palmerston North on February 24.

Breaking a historical quirk of losing our first game of the day, the team had an inspiring start to the competition on Saturday morning with a 3-1 win over PNBHS. Taking this confidence into the next game a strongly contested end-for-end 5-4 win over a combined Otaki-Horowhenua College team was probably their most energetic and satisfying game of the day. Managing to continue with the momentum the boys came up against a well drilled FAHS team and were able to hold on for a crucial 3-2 victory. By now they were feeling the effects of the intensity of the games played to this point and couldn't hold back a vigorous SPC team on the rebound, going down 5-3. However, their favourable goal difference and the fact they had beaten a team that SPC had drawn with was crucial to affording them a place in the final playoff.

They faced a determined Otaki-Horowhenua team in the game for the top spot but with renewed focus they showed great discipline to come away with a 4-1 win giving them the 2024 Division 2 title in the Central West division. This qualified the team for direct entry to the National Secondary Schools Competition.



### National Secondary Schools Competition (March 15-17)

The national competition was back at Lake Hokowhitu, Palmerston North, this year. After a frustrating first game loss (0-4) to Lindisfarne College on Friday afternoon, the team bounced back (3-2) over PNBHS. Saturday's schedule was full on and started with disappointing losses to the Otaki-Horowhenua combined team (2-3) and Napier Boys High School (3-6). A big win against St Peter's College (5-1) was encouraging but they couldn't hang on to a tight game against Havelock North High School, going down (3-4) at the end of the day. Solid Sunday morning wins against Fielding High School (4-2) and FAHS (3-2) was enough to gain fifth place overall in Division II. Many thanks to Mr Poole for managing the team for the weekend and Hannah Staples for her coaching input.

The secondary schools regional and national team members were: Sam Salisbury (c), Daniel Bentall, Troy Perry, Tyler Read, Kael Sparks and Duncan Poole.

### Taranaki Secondary Schools' Competition -Term 2 League

Again the dominance of NPBHS players in the Taranaki schools competition was clear from the outset so it was decided to 'balance out' the school teams within the league. With the consent of the players and schools represented in the secondary school league, we reconfigured the teams and spread the stronger NPBHS players around to support, train and lead the less experienced players in their teams.

After a term of close games and see-sawing positions, the final week proved the resilient and robust nature of the Rubber Ducks, downing the Sharks in a feisty encounter. The Killer Crocs snapped up third place while the Submarines surfaced in fourth place.

A special mention must be made of the standout senior NPBHS boys - Sam Salisbury and Daniel Bentall - who were involved in volunteering their time and energy refereeing, coaching and training less experienced players, and regularly 'giving back' during team training sessions and term competitions.





### 2024 NPBHS Players and Teams:

High School Competition - Term 2 Results Rubber Duckies (1st) Sharks (2nd) Killer Crocs (3rd)

**Open A League – Term 2** (points system - High School student rankings): Daniel Bentall (1st=)

#### **Open B League – Term 2**

(points system - High School student rankings): Gus McCullough (1st) Duncan Poole (2nd)

**Open A League – Term 3** (points system - High School student rankings): Sam Salisbury (1st) Gus McCullough (10th=) Daniel Bentall (3rd=) Duncan Poole (10th=) Kael Sparks (8th) **Joseph Mulliss** 

#### **Open B League – Term 3**

(points system – High School student rankings): Thomas Hope (2nd=) Alex Chadwick (2nd=) Andy Zaros (9th=)

Theo Kraayenhof **Quinn Mccullagh** Jack Cooper

### **Open League**

The Taranaki competition had good numbers to run two Divisions in the Open League competition in Term 2 and 3, with both adults and High School students competing for a ranked position and the title of individual 'strongest link' after 10 weeks of competition in each of the terms.

Term 2 - In the Open A Division, with consistent play and full attendance all term but still trailing the leading paddler right up to the final night, Boys High player Daniel Bentall, struck gold to share first place on the honours trophy for NPBHS. Boys High players also excelled in the Open B Division, which was an equally tightly fought competition over the term. In the final count Gus McCullough was a deserved winner, tipping Duncan Poole off the top spot by just one point.

Term 3 - After time on the sideline due to injury (from another sport) in Term 2, Sam Salisbury got on top of the action to take out first place for Open A Division by three points, with Daniel Bentall picking up third place, six points behind. Kael Sparks, Duncan Poole and Gus McCullough rounding out the top ten players. A combined total of 182 points for our NPBHS Div A top five, cemented their position as the top Taranaki team in 2024. After battling it out all term, Tom Hope and Alex Chadwick ended up on equal second place, four points behind the top Open B Division player.

Many thanks to the parents and volunteers who have helped out with administration for competitions, training events and trips away over the year, particularly training coach Hannah Staples. We again wish to thank Taranaki Canoe Polo for the use of their competition boats and equipment and to the TCP committee whose dedication and experience has supported many training and competition events during the year that have helped the development of NPBHS players.

#### Jonathan Dobbie

Manager/TIC Canoe Polo



### 1st XI Cricket Team

#### Super 8

The First XI Cricket team began their year with the annual Super 8 Tournament held in Palmerston North. Facing a strong Napier Boys High School side on Day 1 the boys knew we had to start the tournament well. After being sent into bat on a fresh surface which was going to favour the bowlers the boys dug in and posted a respectable total of 194. With runs on the board the boys bowled well, eventually bowling Napier out for 172.

Day 2 saw us up against Rotorua Boys High School. The boys were looking to back up their excellent performance from the previous day. Rotorua batted well and frustrated our bowler getting through to a defendable 182. After a solid start, consistent wickets through the middle of our inning kept the pressure on. Some mature batting from Year 13 veterans Rylan Vesty and Ryan Taylor saw the boys home with two wickets remaining. Day 3 brought about an effective semifinal against Tauranga Boys College. Win and we would book ourselves into the final, lose and face the potential of playing for fifth or sixth. Again, playing on a fresh pitch, the boys were sent in. Constant wickets throughout the innings restricted our ability to accelerate the innings towards a bigger total. Eventually being restricted to 184 of our 50 overs. Tauranga came out blasting and quickly took the game away from our boys and cruised to the total with the loss of three wickets. This saw three teams in our pool notching up two wins, but unfortunately with the poorest net run rate we found ourselves playing off for fifth or sixth on Day 4 against Hamilton Boys High School. Again, batting first saw a lot of our boys get started and not able to push on to a higher total being bowled out for 140. As with the previous day, Hamilton Boys chasing a low total came out aggressive and put our bowlers on the back foot and reached our total with the loss of four wickets.

#### Gillette Cup

We kicked off our Gillette Cup campaign against cross town rivals Francis Douglas Memorial College at Pukekura Park. After winning the toss and electing to put runs on the board the boys put together a number of partnerships with Logan Hislop scoring a well compiled 99 before getting bowled one run short of his century. Rylan Vesty also chipped in with a run a ball 58 getting us to a respectable 271 off our 50 overs. With runs on the board our bowlers went about their work taking regular wickets to restrict FDMC to 120.

Next up saw us making the trip down to Wanganui Collegiate. A win would see us advance to the Central Districts finals. Bowling first, the boys rallied well late in the innings to restrict Collegiate to 220 off their 50 overs with Jamie Ingram and Rylan Vesty both contributing three wickets. A strong opening partnership from Logan Hislop and Flynn Wilson who both scored fifties gave us a strong start which the boys took advantage of chasing the target down comfortably with 5 overs left.





The first round of the Central Districts finals saw us play Napier Boys High School in an effective semi-final. After being sent in, the boys struggled to put any meaningful partnerships together, facing some tight bowling. Losing constant wickets prevented us from posting a respectable total being bowled out for 148. Napier made light work of the chase reaching the target, losing no wickets in the 35th over.

After the previous day's disappointment, we had to dust ourselves off and put in a performance we could be proud of in the third and fourth playoff against Nelson College. Batting first, the boys played with freedom with Flynn Wilson, Stirling Monk and Cooper Patterson all scoring fifties in quick time, pushing us over the 300 mark. Knowing Nelson would have to come out quickly we saw the opportunity to take regular wickets. Capping off a man of the match performance was Cooper Patterson who picked up 5 wickets to bowl Nelson out for 138.

#### Traditionals

Our first traditional match against Auckland Grammar saw us having another opportunity to play on the picturesque Pukekura Park. Batting first, with some solid contributions from Taene Nelley (33), debutant Charlie Broadmore (29) and Riley Parker (46) we found ourselves in a reasonably strong position at 97 for 3. However regular wickets from then on saw us being bowled out for 165. Auckland Grammar then batted aggressively and put our bowlers under pressure to post a total of 249 with a lead of 84. Our batters struggled in our second innings with only skipper Taene Nelley reaching double figures to be bowlers out for 72. Losing by an innings and 12 runs.

Unfortunately our traditional fixture against Hamilton Boys High School was abandoned due to the weather and a pitch that was not suitable for play.

Our final traditional of the season saw us again travel to Wanganui Collegiate. The boys bowled first restricting Collegiate to 141. The aim from there was to bat well and get a lead and then bowl Collegiate out to earn an outright win. We batted well getting through to 191, with Stirling Monk scoring 66, before declaring with a 50 run lead. We pushed hard for a win and were unlucky to not get all 10 wickets, which would have seen us get across the line but had to settle for a draw.

The First XI had one remaining traditional fixture before the year was finished, which saw us make the trip down to Wellington College. Batting first, we put forward a competitive 214, with captain Taene Nelley anchoring the innings with 84. We bowled well to

Stirling Monk 115 vs FDMC

#### Representatives

Central Districts Under 17s Jamie Ingram Taene Nelley

restrict Wellington College to 144, with Ryan Taylor standing out, taking five wickets in his final game for the school. With a healthy lead, we set about batting positively to set up a run chase, with captain Nelley again notching up another well-compiled 69. This set Wellington College 250 to win in 54 overs. After taking three early wickets, the home side decided to bat out for the draw, ultimately denying our boys the chance for an outright victory.

Although we didn't get the win, this was an extremely positive performance and a fitting farewell for our Year 13 boys, whom we wish well in their future endeavours both on and off the cricket field.

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Back Row: Rvan Taylor, Oingcheng Du Second Row: Mr Noho Robinson (Manager), Jamie Ingram, Ethan Staddon, Flynn Wilson, Cohen Riddick, Mr Dean Robinson (Coach) Front Row: Riley Parker, Charlie Broadmore, Rylan Vesty, Taene Nelley (Captain), Logan Hislop, Tyler McCullough, Stirling Monk Absent: Cooper Patterson, Riley Staddon



## Cricket Teams



Jordans Cricket Premier Secondary Div 1 Back Row: Jonty Barr, Aidan Connole, Blake Cathcart, Billy Haldane, Aston Queripel, Xavier Kilgour Front Row: Chili Kearns-Grieve, Lucas Erb, Zac Dannefaerd, Jackson Sleep,

Luke Pennington, Brayden Duggan Absent: Fergus Armstrong, Mr M. Erb (Coach)



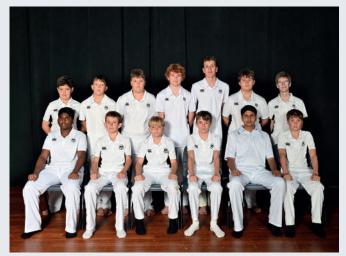
Hatherlys Cricket Premier Secondary Div 1 Back Row: Riley Staddon, Robert Carrick, Charlie Broadmore Second Row: Matua Noho Robinson (Coach), Sam Stewart, Blake Bennett, Brody Buck-McKimmie, Lorcan Honeyfield, Carter Briggs Front Row: Benjamin Cantlon, Edward Simpson, Blake Delehanty (VC), Blake Fleming (C), George Le Quesne, Flynn Murdoch Absent: Ethan Stewart, TK Brown, Aaron Humphries, Tyler Guckert



**Young Cricket Premier Secondary Div 1** Back Row: Mr M. Plant (Coach), Corrin Jansma, Lockie Urbahn, Liam Kinane, Lucas Caskey Front Row: Aditya Joshi, Jesse Plant, Jack Trethewey, Dylan Lobb, Louie Wright, Harry Singh Absent: Ethan Frew







**Donnellys Cricket Premier Secondary Div 2** Back Row: Ethan Miller, Lochlain McQuaig, Max Jury, Phineas Williams, Kobey Agent, Porter Waswo, Toby Flynn Front Row: Thiviru Vithana, Mac Dalziel, Edward Vickers, Preston Mann, Saksham Sharma, Markko Ayling-Emeny Absent: Mr K. Agent (Coach), Mrs K. Agent (Manager)



Robertsons Cricket Premier Secondary Div 2 Back Row: Cadyn Booker, Jacob Willemen, Thomas Chapple Second Row: Mr M. Broadmore (Coach), Qingchuan Du, Ethan Standish, Logan King, Mr A. Knowles (Manager) Front Row: Jake Haldane, Joel Siraa, Ollie Knowles, Tommy Broadmore, Mitchell Krogh, Benji Tooley Absent: Luke Harris



#### Junior 9/10 Cricket Squad

Back Row: Corrin Jansma, Blake Cathcart, Zac Dannefaerd, Riley Staddon, Liam Kinane

Second Row: Mr G. Giddy (Manager), Lucas Erb, Lucas Caskey, Chili Kearns-Grieve, Taylor Reid, Cohen Riddick, Xavier Kilgour

Front Row: Luke Pennington, Jackson Sleep, Fergus Armstrong, Charlie Broadmore, Jack Kershaw, Lorcan Honeyfield, Cruz Cooney Absent: Tommy Ingram, Keith Patterson, Dylan Lobb



Yellow and Black Cricket Senior Club Squad Back Row: Taylor Reid, Charlie Broadmore, Harry Singh, Riley Staddon, Zac

Dannefaerd, Cohen Riddick Front Row: Fergus Armstrong, Jackson Sleep, Cruz Cooney, Tyler McCullough,

Jack Kershaw, Lorcan Honeyfield Absent: Tommy Ingram, Braeden Plant, Keith Patterson, Cuba Foard, Wyatt Vinsen, Cohen Chard, Hunter Quinn, Tyler Guckert, Kade Froome, Mr P. Ingram (Coach), Mr B. Kershaw (Coach), Mr I. Patterson (Coach)



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The NPBHS cross-country team continues to cater for a wide range of running abilities, from the super-competitive to the more social runner. It is this inclusive nature that is one of the strengths of the team, with everyone able to find a niche for themselves with other like-minded athletes. The younger students benefit from 'rubbing shoulders' with the older age groups who, in turn, benefit from their 'role model' status as both athletes and sources of wisdom. It is not surprising therefore that it is an enjoyable experience to spend time with the cross-country team and witness the positive interactions between peer groups.

This year the cross-country team was really fortunate to have both Mathias Strohmeier (captain) and Makaia Grant-Fargie (vice captain) leading the team. Both have been members of the team for a number of years and are excellent role models. Mathias is a really strong runner, achieving a crosscountry Tiger Jacket last year. He had a fantastic season this year culminating in a top 20 finish at Nationals. Makaia has really embraced his role as team vice captain and made massive gains this year with his running. He achieved his cross-country Tiger Jacket this year for his great results and his leadership commitments. Both are extremely personable and humble, and have been a good source of knowledge and inspiration for the younger boys. Mr. Drought and I have certainly been impressed with their leadership and were particularly pleased with their inclusivity and supportive nature for all of our runners throughout the year. They have both gone out of their way to make everyone feel valued and welcomed, which is very much in keeping with the team and, indeed, the school ethos.

With a large group of boys returning this year and training regularly, joined by a large Year 9 contingent, we were able to enter strong teams in the major races, the relays, and a handful of local events as well. The highlights were the Super 8 tournament at Vogeltown Park, the NZ Secondary Schools Championships (Nationals) in Christchurch, as well as the Auckland Grammar exchange in Auckland. Ethan Frew ran really well this year, and was our first runner in the Super 8 and Nationals in the Junior (Under 16) competition. He was well supported by Ollie Dunning, Robert Harrison and Jesse Hoffmans. They were the third place team at Super 8. The Year 9 team was particularly strong, sweeping the first seven placings at the TSSSA, and placing third at the Super 8 event. Among the best in the year group on a regular basis are George Moffat, Monty Darke, Charlie Goldfinch, Bryn Espin and Lucas Erb. Perhaps the most impressive aspect of the Year 9 team is the great depth within the group. If the group stays together, they will be formidable in the years ahead. Perhaps proof of that is the senior team. Our current Year 13s were also a really large group in Year 9, and the senior team results this year were simply outstanding, the best we have ever had! With six of our runners in the top 50 at Nationals, we took out the silver in both the 3-man and the 6-man competition. Everyone competed with pride and determination, making for two very proud teachers! The top six runners were Nick Dobbie (Year 13), Mathias Strohmeier (Year 13), Felix Field (Year 12), Miller Ferguson (Year 11), Thomas Hooks (Year 13) and Zavier Brown (Year 12).

#### What follows is a summary of the year's results.

#### School Cross-Country

Thursday 11th April saw the school cross-country run over the now familiar Te Henui course. All three age groups start together and run the same 5 km course. This makes for exciting viewing and we get to see how close our Junior runners are to the Seniors.

Top ten results in each event were:

#### Junior

1st	Monte Darke
2nd	George Moffat
3rd	Charlie Goldfinch
4th	Lucas Erb
5th	Alex Pope
6th	Bryn Espin
7th	Jacob Willemen
8th	Braxton Mahu
9th	Ethan Cross
10th	Hamish Watkins

#### Intermediate

1st	Miller Ferguson
2nd	Jack Mason
3rd	Cooper Ferguson
4th	Jae Lallu
5th	Riley Hope
6th	Cameron Bell
7th	Henry Moffat
8th	Ethan Frew
9th	Riley Daken
10th	Jesse Hofmans

#### Senior

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1st	Nick Dobbie
2nd	Thomas Hooks
3rd	Felix Field
4th	Makaia Grant-Fargie
5th	Thomas Hope
6th	Stirling Monk
7th	Edward Howlett
8th	Not recorded
9th	Keegan Yates
10th	William Darke



#### Auckland Grammar Exchange

The 17th running of the Mildenhall Shield took place on Tuesday the 7th of May over the Auckland Grammar course at the Auckland Domain. With a well designed track for spectators, we were entertained with some very good competition over all the age groups. We were able to bring a sizable team this year and so after three years were finally able to compete across the usual five year levels. Our Juniors (Year 9 and Year 10) started off really well with the Year 9s taking a big win 22-14 and the Year 10s drawing 18-18. The seniors (Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13) then kept the pressure on, running superbly with the Year 11s winning 22-14, the Y12s going down narrowly 15-21 (despite only having two runners, so automatically getting positions 7 and 8!) and the Year 13s winning 22-14 to give us the victory overall. So it was rewarding to have the Mildenhall Shield - run over all year levels as is traditional – stay at NPBHS with a comfortable 99-81 win. It was particularly pleasing as the crosscountry team was the only senior team to get a victory in the AGS exchange this year!

Scoring runners were:

#### Year 9

George Moffat	
Charlie Goldfinch	
Lucas Erb	
Bryn Espin	
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2nd

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4th

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#### Year 10

Jesse Hofmans	
Ethan Frew	
Cole McNeil	
Finley Sheffield	

#### Year 11

Miller Ferguson Cooper Ferguson Henry Moffat	1st 2nd 4th
Brody Matheson	7th
<b>Year 12</b> Felix Field Dylan Chilcott	1st 5th

#### Year 13 Nick Dobbie Mathias Strohmeier Thomas Hooks Thomas Hope



#### **TSSSA** Cross-Country

Tuesday, 14th May, saw the familiar trip to the Hawera Showgrounds, just one week after the Auckland Grammar School exchange, for a bus load of 55 athletes. The boys ran really well, claiming the 6-man team victories in all three age groups. To top off an excellent day, we had two Taranaki champions with Monte Darke winning the Year 9 race and Nick Dobbie the senior race.

Scoring runners were:

#### Year 9 (3000m)

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Monte Darke	1st	11.09
George Moffat	2nd	11.11
Charlie Goldfinch	3th	11.25
Bryn Espin	4th	11.33
Alex Pope	5th	11.41
Lucas Erb	6th	11.45
Junior (4000m)		
Jesse Hofmans	5th	16.48
Ethan Frew	6th	17.03
Taylor Reid	7th	17.15
Robert Harrison	8th	17.27
Cole McNeil	9th	17.32
Ollie Dunning	10th	17.43
Senior (6000m)		
Nick Dobbie	1st	20.14
Mathias Strohmeier	3rd	21.18
Miller Ferguson	4th	21.23
Thomas Hooks	5th	21.39
Felix Field	6th	21.52
Cooper Ferguson	7th	21.56





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#### Super 8

Tuesday, June 4th, saw a large NPBHS contingent - 50 runners - arrive early at Vogeltown Park for our first home Super 8 cross-country since 2016. Our Year 9 team started us off by placing third in a very competitive race, our under 16 team also placed third and our senior team placed second. This meant that the team finished second overall, behind Tauranga Boys' College and well in front of third place Palmerston North Boys' High School.

#### Year 9 (3000m)

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George Moffat	4th	10.58
Charlie Goldfinch	5th	11.10
Bryn Espin	12th	11.30
Monty Darke	13th	11.33
Lucas Erb	14th	11.34
Alex Pope	15th	11.45
Flynn McHugh	16th	11.48
Ethan Cross	22nd	12.16
Tomas Ross Franco	25th	12.35
Jackson Rowlands	26th	12.39
Jack Vosper	31st	13.04
Josh Gwerder	32nd	13.10
Tai Gilbert-Barlow	34th	13.33
Qingchuan Du	36th	14.09
Kaito Chin	37th	14.14
Lewis Jones	39th	15.31
Kishen Govender	40th	15.35
Junior (4000m)		
Ethan Frew	11th	15.50
Ollie Dunning	12th	15.51
Taylor Reid	19th	16.25
Robert Harrison	20th	16.29
Charlie Poulgrain	22nd	16.34
Jack Widdicombe	24th	16.36
Jesse Hofmans	27th	17.14
Cole McNeil	28th	17.31
Aidan Connole	29th	17.50
Finley Sheffield	30th	18.12
Marcel Engels	33rd	19.45
Rory Rushton	35th	21.01
Samuel Tippett	36th	21.10
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Senior (6000m)		
Nick Dobbie	2nd	20.12
Thomas Hooks	5th	21.44
Mathias Strohmeier	7th	22.04
Felix Field	9th	22.26
Makaia Grant-Fargie	12th	22.36

Thomas Hope

Dylan Chilcott

Aidan Galley

Riley Hope

Liam Quinn

Keegan Yates

Riley Staddon

Sashen Govender

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Makaia Grant-Fargie	12th	22.36
Zavier Brown	14th	22.42
Cooper Ferguson	15th	22.46
Jack Mason	18th	23.12
Henry Moffat	19th	23.17
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#### New Zealand SS Cross-Country Championship

Friday, June 14th, saw a selected team of 29 athletes depart early from New Plymouth to Christchurch for the 50th New Zealand Secondary Schools cross-country Championships. We were too big a group to fit on the one flight, so flew 30 minutes apart. After a safe arrival we collected our minivans and headed to our accommodation at the Christchurch Park Motel on Westminster Street After dropping off our luggage and changing into running gear we headed to the crosscountry course at QEII/Ascott Park for a stretch of the legs. The boys took the opportunity to walk the course, to sort out race tactics and mentally prepare themselves for the race on Saturday. It was looking hard and quite flat - it will be a very fast race tomorrow!

Saturday, and it is race day - breakfast, and then off to the course. The course is in good condition despite the light rain the night before and the team is raring to go.

The Juniors (under 16) got us off to a great start in the second race of the day. Some great determination saw them all run personal bests. Ethan Frew ran particularly well to be our first runner home, placing 31st. Robert Harrison was our next runner home, followed by Ollie Dunning. In a very competitive field our boys gave it their all and Mr Drought and I couldn't have been prouder because the effort from all of the boys was plain to see.

Our Year 9 team, bursting with nervous energy, raced next in the fourth race of the day. Again, they gave it their all and did themselves proud. George Moffat ran really well to be our first runner home in 17th place. He was followed by Monte Darke and Bryn Espin. The effort of all the boys was really outstanding, a pleasure to watch.

The seniors raced the last race of the day. It is always difficult to wait and wait until that last race. Despite this, the boys gave it everything and were rewarded with second place in both the 3-man and the 6-man competition. In fact they were only two positions off first place in the 6-man race - a remarkable achievement and the best in our history. Nick Dobbie was our first runner home in seventh place. He was followed by Mathias Strohmeier and Felix Field.

Mr Drought and I were guite emotional at the end of the day's racing. We were incredibly proud and really pleased for the boys as we know how hard they have worked to achieve this. For our

elite runners, this result comes off the back of six training sessions per week, all throughout the year. Special mention must be made of Karen Gillum-Green, of Egmont Athletics, who has written the running programmes for these boys and provided transport from school to the track, up to three times a week throughout the year to help develop their running - thanks Karen!

The effort that we see in all of the boys, makes this a fantastic team to be associated with. It is just a bonus that at prize giving in the evening a number of our boys got called up onto the stage in the medal ceremonies. To cap it all off, Nick Dobbie was named in the NZ Secondary Schools team, later being selected for the NZ team to compete in the Australian All Schools crosscountry Championships where he won bronze in the 8000m U20 category!

Sunday is the regional relays. With the majority of the Taranaki teams being made up of our students, it is another exciting day. In all three age groups, Taranaki finished a very respectable fifth. Congratulations to all of our runners who represented Taranaki.

Our team at Nationals was:

Year 9 (3000m) George Moffat Monte Darke Bryn Espin Ethan Cross Mac Dalziel Tai Gilbert-Barlow Jackson Rowlands	17th 37th 39th 80th 93rd 103rd 111th	10.32 10.56 10.57 11.45 12.16 12.30 12.46
Junior (4000m) Ethan Frew Robert Harrison Ollie Dunning Jesse Hofmans Finley Sheffield Rory Rushton Samuel Tippett	31st 6gth 83rd 87th 112th 119th 121st	14:24 15.08 15.36 15.43 17.10 18.30 18.46
Senior (6000m) Nick Dobbie Mathias Strohmeier Felix Field Miller Ferguson Thomas Hooks Zavier Brown Makaia Grant-Fargie Jack Mason Cooper Ferguson Henry Moffat Thomas Hope Dylan Chilcott Liam Quinn Brody Matheson Riley Staddon	7th 17th 18th 40th 43rd 44th 69th 72nd 78th 87th 97th 117th 130th 145th 159th	18.58 19.36 19.38 20.11 20.18 20.19 20.58 21.03 21.12 21.26 21.47 22.36 23.29 24.23 25.26

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#### **TSSSA** Trail Relay

Run on Monday 23rd September, through Pukekura Park, the Junior race saw our three teams take out second, third and fourth place respectively. Our top team was George Moffat, Monte Darke, Bryn Espin and Charlie Goldfinch. The senior race saw our four teams take out first, third, fourth and sixth places respectively. Our victorious senior team was Nick Dobbie, Felix Field, Mathias Strohmeier and Zavier Brown.

#### Sports Team of the Year

The annual Awards Dinner took place on Tuesday 30th October at the Devon Hotel. This is only open to Tiger Jacket recipients and it is here that the schools top six "premier" awards are given out. The senior cross-country team was nominated for the "Sports Team of the Year" award. Given the results that the senior team achieved this year, we were hopeful, but also aware of a number of other outstanding teams and their results this year. It was therefore really special and exciting to hear the senior cross-country team announced as the winners. Mr Drought and I were absolutely delighted and very proud to see the team walk across the stage to accept the award. A special mention needs to be made to team captain Mathias who delivered a really well thought out and heartfelt acceptance speech.



#### **Final Comments**

There were many highlights this year for cross-country with perhaps our most successful year ever. Once again the team has won everything on offer locally, but it is the results in the competitions from further afield that have really stood out.

Retaining the Mildenhall Trophy against a very strong Auckland Grammar School – and the only senior team to beat them in the exchange – is one of the highlights.

The second place at Super 8, losing only to Tauranga Boys College, was another highlight. It was the first time we had hosted the event since 2016 and we were able to enter almost all of the team – 50 runners – on the day. They all ran with determination and performed admirably. Finishing second overall gave the boys extra motivation to try and top Tauranga Boys' College at the NZ Secondary Schools Championships in Christchurch.

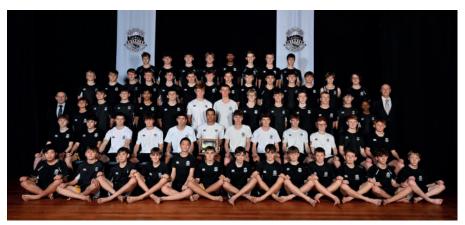
The national competition in Christchurch was the highlight of the year. With the senior team taking the silver medal in the 3-man race (and beating Tauranga Boys' in doing so) and also taking the silver in the 6-man race (only missing out on the gold medal by two places overall – so close!), it was our best ever result at Nationals. Yes, the NPBHS cross-country team is the second best in the country! Nick Dobbie was also selected in the NZ Secondary Schools cross-country team and won a bronze medal at the All Australia Championships in the U20 age group to top off a remarkable year of results. And then to top it all off - New Plymouth Boys' High School "Sports Team of the Year"!

The cross-country group has outstanding team spirit and was led exceptionally well by both Mathias Strohmeier and Makaia Grant-Fargie with good support from all of the senior boys.

Congratulations to Felix Field and Makaia Grant-Fargie for each earning a crosscountry Tiger Jacket this year; it was well deserved. Well done to all who trained, raced, and were a part of the cross-country team over the season. Special thanks also to Mr Drought for being totally supportive, always interested and for all of your knowledge of everything to do with cross-country running.

#### Jon Hawkins

Master in Charge of Cross-Country



CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Back Row: Liam Quinn, Thomas Hope, Joseph Palmer, Riley Staddon, Sashen Govender, Oliver Marsh, Taylor Reid, Finley Sheffield

Fourth Row: Jesse Hofmans, Aidan Connole, Ethan Frew, Rory Rushton, Charlie Goldfinch, Jack Widdicombe, Liam Smith, Dylan Chilcott, Marcel Engels, Tony Andrews, Riley Hope, Joshua Morgan, Stirling Monk, Jonty Campbell-Smart

Third Row: Mr WARREN Drought (Coach), Tomas Ross Franco, Jack Vosper, Jack Trethewey, Kishen Govender, Aidan Galley, Henry Moffat, Zavier Brown, Ollie Dunning, Jasper Rhodes, Maataatoa Matene, Cole McNeil, Qingchuan Du, Zweli Pike, Mr Jon Hawkins (Coach)

Second Row: Robert Harrison, Flynn McHugh, Felix Field, Miller Ferguson, Makaia Grant-Fargie (Vice-Captain), Mathias Strohmeier (Captain), Nick Dobbie, Cooper Ferguson, Thomas Hooks, George Moffat, Samuel Tippett, Jackson Rowlands

Front Row: Kaito Chin, Tai Gilbert-Barlow, MontY Darke, Alex Pope, Daniel Peng, Charlie Poulgrain, Josh Gwerder, Bryn Espin, Ethan Cross, Lucas Erb, Mac Dalziel, Harry Brown, Lewis Jones Absent: Jack Mason, Ben Wallace, Keegan Yates, Jacob Willemen, Oscar Gatenby



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## Esport

## This year, esports has been all about new beginnings.

Building on the success of last year, our team numbers grew with a surge of enthusiastic Year 9 students eager to test their gaming skills. Interest peaked at around 90 boys, many aspiring to become the next NZ Secondary Schools Fortnite Champion. However, when we discovered that the NZ Hyperfibre League wouldn't be running the Fortnite tournament this year, our numbers settled at a more manageable 30 Year 9 and 10 students. From there, we scrambled to find tournaments that would give the new boys a taste of competitive esports.

We entered the Waikato University-run Valorant tournament with four teams competing in a relatively new format. While we didn't place, the boys enjoyed the experience, gaining valuable insights into how events are run and the expectations on players. Next, we were thrilled to receive an invitation to the Australian Secondary Schools Fortnite competition, where we were one of five NZ teams participating in a 38-team tournament.

We entered five teams, who put in the hard work week after week in a game format that was quite different from what they were used to - making it a fantastic learning experience. Our highest-placing team finished fifth overall, which we were very happy with!

We look forward to next year and the reintroduction of the NZ Hyperfibre League, with six exciting new games to compete in.

> Matua Julian TIC Esport

ESPORT TEAM

Back Row: Jazpa Benny-Pearse, Malachi Aiken-Fisher, Kade Nicholls, Eliot Sagen Second Row: Matua Julian Maraki (Coach), Leon Mitchell, Ethan Miller, Blake Baker, Campbell Avery, Levi Cassidy, Isaac Marr Front Row: Connor Catlin-Maybury, Lewis Jones, Charlie Maxner, Cameron Catlin-Maybury, Ben Telfer, Zach Hunger Absent: Oscar Maraki, Hendrix Boyd, John Knapman, Cooper Stockman-Gedye

# Football

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## 1st XI Football 2024 Season

The 2024 football season was no different from any other year with high expectations of the team being competitive and successful in all competitions from the Taranaki Premiership to the NZSS National Tournament in September.

Pre-season started well with all the boys keen to get back onto the training pitch in January. Good numbers attended, with a good vibe and a sense of excitement amongst the squad. The squad won the Quad Angular Tournament in Hamilton against Hamilton Boys, Hutt International and St Peter's College Auckland.

Qingcheng Du was chosen as the 1st XI captain with Brock Ironside as the vice-captain. Each of these leaders had the full respect of their peers, as both had been involved within the senior squad for the previous two seasons.

In May, in the first college fixture, the squad suffered a massive blow with a season-ending injury to Brock Ironside. Everyone felt for Brock and were disappointed for the player himself, as he had given so much to the football program over the previous four years. A player of his ability, desire and commitment was never going to be easy to find a replacement for.

#### Taranaki Premier League

The League campaign was a very inconsistent one, with the team playing quality football at times and then the next minute, it looked like it was the first time they had played together. The squad had a good mix of players from Year 13,12 and 11. The squad was rotated each week, to try to give the younger squad members an opportunity to gain 1st XI football experience. Even with the squad being changed weekly, the team finished a respectable third place, behind champions Moturoa and FC Western which is still a very good effort by all players involved.

#### College Fixtures

The College season got underway with the first game against Whanganui Collegiate, which was a good warm up and a good start



with a comfortable 7-0 victory before travelling to play Auckland Grammar. The game against Auckland Grammar finished 3-3, which was a disappointing result after leading 3-1 with 15 minutes to go. As the head coach, I got it wrong by making changes at a crucial stage of the game. You never stop learning. Francis Douglas Memorial College were next up. This was also a National Tournament Qualifier. The boys totally dominated the game winning 3-0. A win against St Patricks, Silverstream 4-2 and a heavy 0-4 defeat by Hamilton Boys followed. Palmerston North was a very convincing 5-2 win, where everything clicked for the team. The final exchange was against Wellington College, which ended in a 3-4 defeat but was a very entertaining game which could have gone either way. A real credit to both teams playing a very attacking style of football.

#### Super 8

The squad was selected to play in a home Super 8 Tournament in front of our own school. The weather for the three days was terrible for all teams and the pitches turned to mud, making it very difficult to play a passing game and at times came down to which team wanted the result more. We were able to get two victories on the opening day against Rotorua and Gisborne winning 3-2 and 3-0.

Day 2 was a tough day, losing 0-4 to Hamilton meaning we finished second in pool play and played Tauranga in the semi-final. We got off to a great start scoring but were unable to hold on and eventually went down 1-3, after our best performance of the tournament.

This meant we were playing Palmerston Boys High for third and fourth. What a great team effort to win this game 4-1 and finish third for the second year in a row.

#### Nationals

The squad travelled to Auckland where all games were on turf which always puts the school at a disadvantage. The draw had been a favourable one for the team.

On Day 1, our first game was against Rongotai College but unfortunately, we were second best all over the pitch. With their one and only shot, they scored, winning the game 1-0. In the afternoon, the boys were up against St Thomas College in a must win match. We again failed to play anywhere near our potential, losing 1-4. On Day 2 our final pool match was against Rangitoto College. We started very strongly and raced into a 2-0 lead which was the result. We had finally come together as a team. Next up was Rangiora High School which finished 1-1 and went to penalties with the boys winning 4-3. Two victories were outstanding after 2 defeats the previous day.

Day 3 we turned up to play Otago Boys and came out of the starting blocks on fire but again we were not able to make our dominance count and found ourselves 1 down at half



#### IST XI FOOTBALL TEAM Back Row: Brock Ironside, Logan Hislop, Zach Haynes Third Row: Declan Johnson, Daniel Turner, Niels German, Stirling Monk Second Row: Mr Mick Curry (Coach), Mr Adrian Wright (Coach), Campbell Young, Cuba Foard, Oliver Foy, Mr Billy Charlton (Coach), Mrs Lizaan Hale (Manager) Front Row: Jamie Ingram, Riley Daken, Bruno Bisaga, Qingcheng Du, Cormac Johnson, Luca Coleman, Ano Chinembiri Absent: Cohen Riddick

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**Cross Country** 

time. The second half followed the same pattern as the first, with us creating the better chances but unable to convert them. All involved could not believe we had just lost this game 0–3 but that's sport.

Day 4 we played Whangarei Boys High School where the boys never gave them a chance from the first whistle. We were ruthless in front of goal and totally controlled the game throughout, winning 4-1.

Next up was Shirley Boys playing for 21st/22nd. This was a great game, where both teams just went for it. End to end attacking football, with us going on to finish with a 3-2 win. It is always good to finish with a win.

#### Summary

The 2024 season has been a mixed one, with lots of highs and low along the way. The year 12 and 11s have had lots of exposure to men's and tournament football which will aid their own growth as a football player and help the school to continue to be successful in all competitions in the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Year 13's of Qingcheng Du, Brock Ironside, Campbell Young, Niels German, Logan Hislop, Zach Haynes, Stirling Monk, Oliver Foy and Declan Johnson for their 5 years of hard work, commitment and loyalty to the school program and want to wish them the very best and good luck in the future.

A massive thank you goes to Mr Wright, Mr Charlton, Mr Armes, Mr Taylor, and Mrs Hales for their commitment and support throughout this season.

A big thank you to all the parents and supporters that have been on this football journey with us during the 2024 season.

Mick Curry NPBHS 1st XI Coach



Hillsdene Football Team

The Hillsdene Football team travelled to Tauranga for the National Tournament looking to continue their growth over the season.

Day One, as always, was going to be tough with three games and tight turnarounds between them.

Game One saw the team full of excitement and enthusiasm, they played some very good football, settling into what needed to be done, dusting off the nerves and coming away with a very composed 2-0 victory against Hastings.

Game Two was going to be one of the hardest games against HIBS, last year's runner-up. The boys played an excellent game and were very unlucky to go down 0-2.

Game Three was another very good game with the boys bouncing back from their earlier loss to secure a 5-1 win against Mount Maunganui. Knowing that goal difference so often comes into play, this was an excellent result.

Day Two, banana skin day, the boys knew they had to win game one to progress to the top eight of the draw and felt that they were definitely able to do this.

Game One we were asleep from the kick-off and within six minutes were down two goals. Much to the boys credit they were able to bring the game back to 2-2 and were dominating the game, we scored only to have it called offside, and then they returned with a goal that was controversial at best. This resulted in a 2-3 loss against Northcoat, and us looking at playing in the 9-16 section.

Game Two was unfortunately a chance to relax a little as the result did not impact the tournament. It was a chance for the boys to practice their humility and respect as we played a team that had been suffering some pretty heavy defeats in their previous games. The boys were amazing and were the example to others in being able to play a game and win, while allowing the opposition to enjoy the contest and to keep their mana. Hobsonville were able to score an amazing goal from a free kick that was probably the highlight of their tournament. We were very proud of how all the lads conducted themselves in this game.

Day Three, while disappointed with the loss yesterday, the boys knew they had it in them to finish in eighth place and were upbeat about this.

Game One was the game of the week for the team with everything that could happen, happening. We lost Nate at the start of the second half to a straight red card, up 2-1, so pulled everyone back to defend the lead, not something that we had practised at all. The boys defended everything and were looking good with three minutes to go, a well-taken free kick to Otumaotai gave them the equaliser, and with one minute to play we were all set for penalties. The boys pressed down the right-hand side of the pitch, a well-directed pass to switch the play and a pinpoint cross to find Freddies head at the back post, and the lads were off celebrating as the final whistle rang out. Turns out that if you tell the boys enough times that someone needs to run at the back post, it will finally pay off.

Game Two was a very close game with the boys narrowly losing to Tauranga. They played very well with some in new positions for the week, leaving us to play for 11th/12th in the last game.

Final day, the boys were in good spirits, the atmosphere at Ferguson Park was great with all the games being played there and lots to watch and teams to cheer on. St Johns Jnr looked well up for the game, being put through a very intense warm up. Our boys took charge and did what they needed to do as a team for their own warm up, something that they grew into over the week. A great way to finish with the team able to have a comfortable win and the Y10s all on the field to finish the week.

A huge thank you to all the parents that travelled over to support, a special thank you to Danica and Sarah for all of the extras you did for us over there. Well done to the lads, you had a massive season and the development of you all was exactly what we are looking for with the football program.

#### Rhys Clark, Jason Smith and Michael Somers

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HILLSDENE FOOTBALL TEAM Back Row: D'Angelo Squatriti, Jack Vosper, Taylor Reid, Frankee O'Brien, Kael Sparks, Xavier Holliday Second Row: Mr R. Clark (Coach), Freddie Chambers, Finn Norgate, Nate Macesic, Corban Hills, James Ogle Front Row: Owen Dickey, Benji Tooley, Eddie Mills, Zavier Rangiwananga, Quinn Henwood Absent: Tomas Ross Franco





## 2nd XI Football Team

From a personal point of view, it was another enjoyable season of coaching football with the 2nd XI football team this year. The players made steady improvement in their technical ability and developed a deeper understanding of 'the beautiful game'. Morgan Whalley captained the team and led by example with his calm, positive, yet competitive personality.

### Taranaki Championship/ Division 1 Combined League

The league format was changed by Central Football this season and we competed in the newly combined men's league, which was divided into two separate leagues once everyone had played each other once. We had some highs and lows during the Saturday league season, as expected, with a young side competing against men in a very physical league. As with all 2nd XI/reserve teams in sport, the squad changes quite a lot from match to match and impacts the results. However, I was always impressed by the players' attitudes, application and desire to improve no matter who we were facing or who was available for selection. As much as we would like to win every game in the men's league on Saturdays, we must always remember that the main objective is player development – both on and off the pitch.

## 2nd XI National Development Tournament

Our season culminated with our school hosting the annual New Zealand Secondary Schools Football 2nd XI Tournament, with a record 24 teams entering from across the North Island. Our squad for this tournament was quite different from our Taranaki League squad with some regular players unavailable and some excellent additions added. We played a new 3-4-3 formation and looked very sharp and hungry in our pre-tournament friendly matches and scored plenty of goals which gave the team confidence going into proceedings. Our first match was against the 2023 winners Tauranga Boys' College and we knew that a loss in this game would almost certainly result in us not winning our group and therefore not playing for a top four finish. This game was our best performance of the tournament, keeping a clean sheet and scoring two goals, and if it was not for an outstanding performance from Tauranga's goalkeeper, we would have scored even more. Final score 2-0. Our boys took immense confidence from this and the mood in camp was high. We then backed up this superb start with three more wins and a draw to top the group and play for a top four finish. In the semi-final we beat Whanganui Collegiate First XI to set up a final against Hamilton Boys' High. Hamilton started the game better than us and were awarded a controversial penalty early in the game which they scored from. We took a little time to settle down and equalised through Luca Dunn, but conceded shortly before the half-time whistle to a slick counter-attack goal. Unfortunately, we lost the game 2-1. I am immensely proud of all the players that played in this tournament as their attitude on and off the pitch was outstanding. Finally I would like to wish all of the year 13 players from the whole senior squad best wishes for the future and look forward to working with the next group of players in 2025.

#### Teo Armes



2ND XI FOOTBALL TEAM Back Row: Charlie Hayman, Ignacio Andre Henriquez Rojas, Braden Perry, Leo Waruhia, Hector Pulford Second Row: Mr T. Armes (Coach), Cameron Bell, Joel Dickey, Asher Hales, Mr A. Hope (Manager) Front Row: Riley Hope, Jake Towning, Morgan Whalley, Tiki Ngarangi, Malachi Puckeridge

Absent: Zachary Roukema

## U15 Black Football Team

Another very successful year for the U15 Black team, and with many players returning from last year to help guide the Y9s, we were quickly able to find our feet.

With a solid defensive setup and strength all over the park, we could utilise different skills in different positions and develop the team with an eye to the future and progress within the football programme.

Many of the players tried (were told) to play in new positions and as the season progressed, and as a result, we were able to win the Knockout Cup and finish the season in third on goal difference.

Thank you to the Y10s who supported and led the team and to the Y9s who all made huge improvements over the season, and either made or pushed for places in the school exchange or nationals team. It was a pleasure to coach you all this season, as mentioned at the prize giving you all brought so much to the team. Special mention to Jack who became a force in the middle of the field and covered off as a flying wing-back, and allowed us to play how we wanted. I am looking forward to watching the 10s progress in the program and retaking the 9s next season.



JUNIOR BLACK FOOTBALL TEAM

Back Row: Thomas Chapple, Kayne Green, Magnus Wellington, Jack Vosper, Corban Hills

Second Row: Mr R. Clark (Coach), James Ogle, Flynn McHugh, Xavier Holliday, Finn Norgate, Jayden Papprill

Front Row: Tomas Ross Franco, Benji Tooley, Caleb Daniels, Tai Gilbert-Barlow, Kobe Bullen

#### **Rhys Clark**

### U15 Orange Football Team

For the U15 Orange Team, there were two keywords that ended up defining our season; communication and intensity. These two words that often are hard to come by in youth football, were the key to our success.

Conceding just seven goals, it started with our defence; consisting of GK Eddie, Hayden, Dylan, Kael, Carter and Sloan. The engine room that dominated games consisted of Zavier, D'Angelo, Quinn and Jani. The speed and skill of our attacking threats Marley, Owen, Jackson and Logan who all scored and created some memorable goals.

We finished the season with six wins and a draw, winning the league by three points. Along the way we had our share of injuries, none more so than the coach, Mr Peters, who ruptured his achilles in May. Thankfully his call for help was received with Danica Lawrence and Monty Mills stepping into the role of co-coaches who immediately proved they were up for the job. By the time Mr Peters was able to get back, the co-coaches had built in a culture of positivity and spirit that saw us lifting the U15 Div 1 League Trophy.



JUNIOR ORANGE FOOTBALL TEAM Back Row: Kael Sparks, D'Angelo Squatriti, Marley Norman Second Row: Mr F. Peters (Coach), Logan Knuckey, Eddie Mills, Dylan Roderick, Hayden Futcher, Mrs D. Lawrence (Coach) Front Row: Sloane Tuffery, Jani Wipper, Zavier Rangiwananga, Quinn Henwood, Owen Dickey Absent: Mr M. Mills (Coach), Jackson Rowlands, Carter Stephens

#### **Finn Peters**







#### 3rd XI Football Team

Back Row: Oliver Davidson, Cohen Riddick, Adam Lashin Second Row: Mr M. Taylor (Coach), Finley Pendleton, Hunter Andrews, Rio

Pendleton Front Row: Joseph Palmer, Zach Davey, Luca Dunn, Nikau Kopu, Jasper Rhodes Absent: Max Baker, Leo Stern, Julian Pfau, Jai Bhana, Cooper Gordon



#### **UTH United Football Team**

Back Row: Ethan Staddon, Kaleb Hinton, Liam Corrigan Second Row: Corbin Potroz, Jack Parr, Taylor Bailey, Ryan Taylor, Ryan Marshall, Otis Dixon

Front Row: Tommy Li, Adam Skerrett, Aiden Goodin, Alexander Osten, Aman Ali



#### Merchants Football Team

Back Row: Tyler McCullough, Cooper Markham, Lucas Murray Second Row: Tiago Shaw, Dylan Chilcott, Harris Brayshaw, Oscar Gatenby, Taine Knox

Front Row: Adi Carmi, Matt Weeks, Alex Dunning, Robert Harrison, Essa Ongchangco

Absent: Cormac Deegan, Jesse Leach, Mr D. Knox (Coach)



#### **Development Football Team**

Back Row: Mr D. Hill (Coach), Viet Vu, Ollie Dunning, Mason McGregor, Lee Guiry, Benjamin Jackson

Front Row: Jaxon Stewart, Jake Hill, Ethan Chan, Carlos Chan, Jasper Rhodes Absent: Henry Matzner, Hunter Andrews, Adam Lashin, Connor Lines, Keaton Chase, Xavier Delport



#### Junior White Football Team

Back Row: Liam Smith, Taylor Reid, Frankee O'Brien Second Row: Nate Macesic, Jack Cleaver, Freddie Chambers, Charlie Cave Front Row: Jack Matuku, Hamish Watkins, James Garner, Aiden Shera, Thomas Hale

Absent: George Thomson, Yousef Lashin, Mr M. Macesic (Coach), Mr M. Somers (Coach)



#### **Raiders Football Team**

Back Row: Terriah Reade, Cole McNeil, Finley Sheffield, Jack Widdicombe, Ethan Frew

Second Row: Arash Momeni, Huw Edwards, Alex Pope, Ashar Mustafa, Tiaan Delport

Front Row: Riley Davis, Mac Dalziel, Logan Douwes, Isa Talab, Fergus Armstrong Absent: Harry Brown, Mr H. Brown (Coach)



#### **Trojans Football Team**

Back Row: Kaleb Smith, Qingchuan Du, Max Jury, Connor Weir Front Row: Coben Rhodes, Yeshen Govender, Ethan Sahin, Ethan Miller Absent: Zac Dannefaerd, Samuel Tippett, Riley Westell, Brooklyn Bosson, Zweli Pike, Harry Baker



#### The Iceman Football Team

Back Row: Thisal Gunasinghe, Jeffery Armstrong, Nick Dobbie, Thomas Hooks, Vaydim Noonan Front Row: Ben James, Samuel Salisbury, Thomas Hope, Friedrich Kemper, Alex Chadwick Absent: Taj Lallu, Connor Crowe, Joe Mathers, Kadison Hooper



#### **Rebels Football Team**

Back Row: Aidan Connole, Jacob Carre, Connor Sleep, Eliot Sagen Second Row: Kaito Chin, Timur Kuanbek, Jayme Cleary, Aryan Chand, Dylan Betts

Front Row: Jayden Wilmshurst, Levi Cassidy, Zach Plant, Sam Archer, Ethan Cross

Absent: Mr J. Cross (Coach)

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#### Junior Yellow Football Team

Back Row: Preyash Surti, Lachlan Castle, Blake Cathcart, Kingston Benton, Ryan Sarten

Front Row: Hedd Evans, Luke Eagar, Maxwell Beck, Kyle Reason, Tam Huynh Absent: Flynn Bradshaw, Kingston Davis, Matthew Broome, Tobey Davidson

## Junior Winners



U15 Orange Team Winners of the League 2024

Corban Hills MVP (Nationals)

Nate Macesic Blair Magon Cup

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## Super 8

This year the Super 8 golf tournament was held in Tairāwhiti (Gisborne) early in Term One. We left on Saturday 17th February, staying in Rotorua overnight. Departed Rotorua early Sunday morning to complete a practice round at Poverty Bay Golf Course.

The competition took place on Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th February. The weather conditions for the tournament were outstanding, playing golf in temperatures ranging from 28 to 30 degrees every day. All schools had two teams with the exception of Palmerston North Boys' fielding four teams. Each team had four players with the top team from each school competing for the Super 8 title. The rest of the teams competed in Division Two.

After two rounds of golf and approximately eight hours spent on the course on Monday, New Plymouth Boys' High School had a one shot lead over Rotorua Boys'. Teams are made up of four golfers with three of the top four scores counted in each round, these scores added together for the combined score for each round. This ensures that every shot an individual makes, can count towards the team score.

At the conclusion of the third round Rotorua and New Plymouth had the same score. The tie breaker was the nonscoring golfers score in the last round, both teams nonscorer scored a 79. It then went to the nonscorer of the 2nd round. New Plymouths' nonscorer was 78 to Rotorua's score of 79. Therefore we were declared as winners of the Super 8 competition.

Results - Division one (Medal Competition): 1st NPBHS 669 (strokes), 2nd RBHS 669 (strokes), 3rd NBHS 697 (strokes).

The team consisted of Alex Brooke with scores of 78, 77 & 74; Jackson Moorhead 74, 76, & 77; Jamie Anderson 69, 77 & 71 and Max Van Beers 79, 73 & 79. Jamie was also named as best individual golfer for the tournament.



SUPER 8 CHAMPIONS Jackson Moorhead, Jamie Anderson, Alex Brooke, Max Van BeersMoorhead

Division Two saw Gisborne Boys' High School win this competition. New Plymouth Boys' came fifth.The team consisted of Louie Wright, Seb Reid, Harry Mattson and Michael Objrea-Damian. All golfers had their moment to shine over the two days however Michael played some outstanding golf scoring 75, 75 & 73.

### Inter-school Fixtures

Auckland Grammar School 4 All

The event was held at Waitemata Golf Club on the North Shore, a twenty minute drive from Grammar.

Alex Brooke 1 down loss, Jamie Anderson 1 down loss, Jackson Moorhead 3/2 win, Max Van Beers 3/1 win, Louie Wright 1 up win, Michael Objrea-Damian 3/4 loss, Harry Mattson 2/1 win, Seb Reid 1 down loss.

Hamilton Boys' High School Win 6.5 - 1.5

Played at Ngamotu Golf Course in typical winter conditions with greens a little slow. The boys had a resounding win with the top 5 golfers winning their matches.





Back Row: Mr Dale Atkins (Manager), Jackson Moorhead, Sebastian Reid, Louie Wright Front Row: Michael Obreja-Damian, Alex Brooke (Captain), Harry Mattson

Alex Brooke 2/1 win, Jamie Anderson 3/2 win, Jackson Moorhead 5/4 win, Max Van Beers 6/5 win, Louie Wright 2 up win, Michael Objrea-Damian square, Harry Mattson 1 down loss, Seb Reid 1 up win.

Palmerston North Boys' High School Win 11 - 1

Played at Ngamotu Golf Course. This was a convincing win for the golf team, with an excellent contribution by all golfers. Alex Brooke 2 up win, Jamie Anderson 8/6 win, Jackson Moorhead 3/2 win, Max Van Beers 7/6 win, Louie Wright 6/5 win, Michael Objrea-Damian 9/8 win, Harry Mattson 8/7 win, Seb Reid 5/3 loss. The boys also paired up and played a four ball best ball, e.g. on each of the holes, the better score of you or your partner is counted.

## NZ Secondary Schools

This year the NZSS Golf Tournament was held in Waitara at the Manukorihi Golf Course. The course was in outstanding condition despite the fact that 100 ml of rain fell in the week prior to the event. Ryan Blackbourn (old boy) is the greenkeeper at Manukorihi and did an excellent job to prepare the course.

The boys struggled on Day One with Jackson Moorhead having the best round of 76 and the team was placed 15th after round one. Once again Jackson played well on Day Two and had another solid round of 77. Alex Brooke contributed with a score of 76. The boys improved and ended in 12th equal position.

## NZ Age Group Championships

The NZ Age Group Championships was held at Ngamotu Golf Course at the conclusion of the Secondary Schools event. The championship started in brutal conditions with 40 km/hour winds. The rough was very long and caught a number of golfers out with many of them only being able to hack the ball forward. Therefore it was important to keep the ball in the fairway.



We had four boys playing in this competition. Louie Wright played in the U16 competition finishing 23rd out of a field of 59 competitors. While Jackson Moorhead finished in 9th position, Alex Brooke in 31st and Jamie Anderson in 44th out of a field of 69 golfers. Jackson played some solid golf and improved his position every day. It was good to follow these boys around their home course. Kingston Taylor-Voyle (Old Boys) finished in fourth position.

## NPBHS Golfer of the Year

Jamie Anderson. Jamie was the leading individual golfer at the Super 8 competition in early February. He also had a golf result in the NZ speed golf Championships finishing as the top Under 20 golfer.

## Hockey

## 1st XI Hockey Team

2024 will be remembered as a good, but not great, year for the hockey programme. After losing eight Year 13 players in 2023, including several who had been part of the team for many years, this year was always going to be about rebuilding before making a strong push for higher honours.

Ben James was honoured with the captaincy in 2024, supported by an excellent leadership crew who assisted him throughout the year. The 1st XI continued with the same management team it has had in recent years: Mr Jamie Stones, Mr Thomas Schaare, and Mr Robert Wisnewski. Mid-year, they were joined by Mr Rakesh Desai, a former 1st XI player and proud Old Boy of the school. This consistent management team, along with a value-driven culture, has been a key ingredient in the success of the NPBHS hockey programme. We hope this foundation will continue to pay dividends in the coming years.

Unfortunately, the team missed the annual ANZAC tournament as players were away on the Malaysia tour.

#### Men's Grade

The 1st XI used the men's grade competition to provide players with experience and opportunities to prove themselves for exchange teams and tournaments. A total of twenty players participated in the competition, showcasing both the depth of talent within the school and the fierce competition for places.

The 1st XI achieved strong results throughout the year, finishing the regular season in third place. However, after losing the elimination final, they placed third overall in the competition.

#### Super 8

Rotorua Boys' High School hosted the 2024 Super 8 competition. Super 8 hockey remains one of the most competitive and intense tournaments, with at least six teams vying for the title every year.

NPBHS's first game was against Gisborne. Although it took a while to take control of the match against this improving side, NPBHS ultimately secured a 4–1 win. The second pool game was against Hastings, a team featuring several future stars. NPBHS managed to dominate large portions of the match, winning 4–1. The final pool match, against Palmerston North BHS, was a tightly contested affair. NPBHS took their chances and emerged with a 2–0 victory, topping their pool and advancing to the semi-finals.

In the semi-finals, NPBHS faced Tauranga Boys' College. Known for their passionate and relentless play, Tauranga proved to be a tough opponent. The game was tightly contested, with solid defence and goalkeeping on both sides. After a 2–2 draw, the match went to a shootout, where NPBHS lost 3–4 by the narrowest of margins.

In the third/fourth playoff match—often called the "game no one wants to play"—NPBHS came out strongly and defeated Palmerston North BHS to finish 3rd overall.

#### India Shield + Rankin Cup Tournament

The pinnacle event for secondary school boys' hockey was held in Tauranga, offering NPBHS a chance to compete against the best teams in New Zealand.

NPBHS's first game was against local side Bethlehem College. Despite a nervy start and determined opposition, NPBHS won 7–4. The second game, against King's College,



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#### **College Match Results**

Whanganui Collegiate: Auckland Grammar: FDMC: Hamilton BHS: Palmerston North BHS: Wellington College: Feilding HS: Won 10-1 Lost 2-4 Won 5-2 Lost 2-4 Lost 1-2 Lost 1-3 Won 2-0

#### **Representative Honours**

NZ U19 Future Black Sticks Squad: Ben James, Ed Howlett, Michael Lobb

NZ Junior Maori Team: Tyler Kennedy

was a closely contested match, with King's edging out a 3–2 victory. The final pool game was yet another encounter with Palmerston North BHS. This time, Palmerston North controlled most of the game, winning 3–0. NPBHS finished third in their pool, moving into the India Shield competition.

In their first crossover game, NPBHS defeated Hutt International Boys' School 4–2. The quarter-final against Cambridge High School was another thrilling encounter. NPBHS scored a last-minute equaliser to force a shootout, ultimately winning 4–3. In the semi-finals, NPBHS faced Whangarei Boys' High School. The match was a back-andforth battle, ending with another last-minute equaliser. Unfortunately, NPBHS couldn't replicate their shootout success, losing 1–3.

The India Shield bronze match was against Napier BHS. After a shaky start, NPBHS claimed the bronze medal with a 4–1 victory.







#### 1ST XI HOCKEY TEAM

Back Row: Philip Lutzen, Kodi Bretherton, William Darke, Jamie Anderson Third Row: Thisal Gunasinghe, Cade Johnstone, Max Vickers, Jae Lallu, Reeve Russell, Edward Howlett

Second Row: Mr Thomas Schaare (Coach), Regan Bevege, Lukas Wallis, Mr Jamie Stones (Coach), Michael Lobb, Caylen Blake, Mr Robert Wisnewski (Manager)

Front Row: Aiden Jackson, Friedrich Kemper, Liam Corrigan, Ben James, Tyler Kennedy, Oscar West, Kadison Hooper



#### Farewell to Our Leavers

This year, we bid farewell to several players who have made significant contributions to the NPBHS hockey programme:

Jamie Anderson - 2024, 1 Cap Regan Bevege - 2024, 1 Cap Liam Corrigan - 2022–2024, 2 Super 8 Hockey titles, 51 Caps) William Darke - 2024, 3 Caps Thisal Gunasinghe - 2024, 7 Caps

Kadison Hooper - 2023-2024, 25 Caps

Ben James - 2022–2024, 3 Super 8 Hockey titles, 63 Caps Tyler Kennedy - 2022–2024, 2 Super 8 Hockey titles, 60 Caps Michael Lobb - 2022–2024, 2 Super 8 Hockey titles, 46 Caps

Thank you for your dedication and service. You leave NPBHS hockey in a better place than you found it, and we wish you all the best for the future.

#### Looking Ahead

The future of hockey at NPBHS looks bright. The 1st XI is eager to build on the strong foundation of recent years, with plenty of talent ready to step up.

We are grateful for the ongoing support of our sponsors, including CMK Chartered Accountants, In2Kitchens and Guize, whose contributions make it possible to sustain the high standards of our hockey programme.

#### Robert Wisnewski

Manager

## **Boarders XI Hockey Team**

A third place finish for the Boarders XI came with highs and lows. A decisive 4-1 victory in the bronze medal match against the NPBHS Grizzlies, an 8-0 deconstruction of Opunake High School and holding Te PaePae O Aotea to their only draw of the season. We ended the season with a 5-3-2 record. One of these defeats came at the hands of the NPBHS Grizzlies who had us on the ropes the entire match and they came out with a deserved 5-0 victory.

There was one constant through win and loss and that was the Hatherly spirit. Body on the line, sprinting around the pitch until the final seconds and most importantly, anything to get out of prep. The lethal strike partnership of Ethan Staddon and myself could latch onto almost any pass sent by the maestro Arlo Wells and the rest of the midfield. The rock solid defence led by Oscar Yarrell and Peter Brown backed up by the brick wall James Campbell in goal led to us conceding our first goal of the season in our fourth match.

A massive thank you to our manager, Mr Corlett, for providing the leadership and guidance that enabled us to face and overcome every challenge throughout the season.



BOARDERS XI HOCKEY TEAM Back Row: Mr B. Corlett (Coach), Peter Brown, Connor Crowe, Ethan Staddon, Riley Staddon

Front Row: Aidan Connole, Oscar Yarrall, Arlo Wells, Aiden Hart, Zak Sturmer Absent: Ben Helms, Daniel Alcock, James Campbell, Jayden Holland, Joseph Mulliss, Riley Jackson



#### **Bears Hockey Team**

Back Row: Ronan van Deventer, Connor Sleep, Thomas Wilkinson, Kobey Agent, Jasper Miners

Front Row: Joel Siraa, Taylor Harvey, Ollie Knowles, Konna Moss, Kaleb Smith Absent: Camden Wells, Elliot Ross, Lochie Brasell, Tae Cations-Velvin



#### **Bulldogs Hockey Team**

Back Row: Aidan Connole, Matthew Cooper, Jesse Plant, James Drake Second Row: Andamann Yimpoonsap, Aiden Hart, Scott Jamieson, Luke Pennington, Oli Wisnewski Front Row: Monty Darke, Josh Gwerder, Xavier Kilgour, Liam Terry,

Front Row: Monty Darke, Josh Gwerder, Xavier Kilgour, Liam Terry, George Moffat



Sharks Hockey Team

Back Row: William Darke, Braeden Plant, Jamie Anderson Second Row: Tyler McCullough, Kodi Bretherton, Lukas Wallis, Adam Chilcott, Finn Butler

Front Row: Thisal Gunasinghe, Reeve Russell, Cade Johnstone, Dylan Chilcott, Regan Bevege, Caylen Blake



#### **Rhinos Hockey Team**

Back Row: Oscar Gatenby, Riley Staddon, Henry Moffat, Ryan Jameson, Campbell Donovan

Second Row: Ms J. Johnstone (Coach/Manager), Jae Lallu, Braeden Bradley, Cooper Ferguson, Kieran Plant, Niko Grant-Fargie Front Row: Achille de Bruyn, Miller Ferguson, Jack Mason, Cole Lobban, Izak

Cleaver, Edward Vickers



#### **Grizzlies Hockey Team**

Back Row: Mr T. Standish (Manager), Ethan Standish, Magnus Wellington, Jesse Plant, Miller Low, Rafa O'Sullivan

Front Row: Josh Gwerder, Andamann Yimpoonsap, Jonty Barr, Charlie Gatenby, Edward Vickers, George Moffat Absent: Mr M. Fisher (Coach), Tyler Kennedy (Coach), Archer Jones, Keith

Patterson, Lockie Urbahn



U15A Hockey Team Back Row: Aiden Hart, Arlo Wells, Matthew

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Second Row: Ms J. Johnstone (Manager), Achille de Bruyn, Braeden Bradley, Scott Jamieson, James Drake, Aidan Connole Front Row: Dylan Lobb, Monty Darke, Liam Terry, Andamann Yimpoonsap,

Edward Vickers

Absent: Mr O. Burmester (Coach), Mr M. Fisher (Co-Coach)



## Inline

We had no real expectations for 2024, knowing it would be a challenge with a young group of Year 9 players and the loss of six Year 13 students from 2023.

Our goalie, Troy Perry, returned from the previous year as a key player, supported by three Year 12s. In pool play, the boys surprised themselves by winning all three games, thanks to solid defence from Troy and the senior players, while the juniors contributed strongly up front.

We secured victories against Howick College, Rotorua Boys' High School, and Hamilton Boys' High School #2 team, which advanced us to a semi-final against Hillcrest High School. The boys rose to the occasion and won, earning a spot in the final against Hamilton Boys' #1 team, comprised mostly of senior players.

The final proved challenging, and Hamilton Boys' took control from the outset, securing a comfortable win. Nonetheless, finishing second was an excellent result for our team.

Hamilton Boys' #1 team later came down to play us in our only interschool exchange. They weren't as strong as they had been during the Secondary Schools Championship due to illness and some players being involved in other sports. Despite this, we lost 0-2.

A big thank you to coach Willy Harvey and the parents for their support during the year.

Back Row: Niwa Cations-Velvin, Tae Cations-Velvin, Mr Murray Watts (Manager), Scott Williams, Wyatt Vinsen, Tuani Drysdale, Dylan Perry, Isaac Wilson, Mr Willy Harvey (Coach) On Floor: Troy Perry (Captain)



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## Rodeo

Year 12 student Will Potts has gone from strength to strength in the New Zealand Rodeo circuit this year. As a result, he was invited to compete in the USA and Australia, where he also captained the team during both competitions.

At each rodeo in New Zealand, Will competed against the top contenders, being the youngest in the field. At the end of the season, the top eight competitors in the standings travelled to compete in the New Zealand National Rodeo Finals, held in Methven in the lower South Island.

After a solid New Zealand season, where he consistently placed in the top four while competing against adults, Will ranked eighth in the Opens division, qualifying for the National Rodeo Finals in Methven, where he maintained his eighth seeding. As Will is only 16 and competes against adults, this achievement is even more impressive. He was awarded the NZRCA Rookie Tie Down Roper of the Year award as a result.

Will qualified for and was selected for the New Zealand Trans-Tasman High School Rodeo team, where he was named captain of the 12-member team. The Australian High School Rodeo team travelled to Christchurch in February to compete against the New Zealand team. After some controversy, the Australians emerged as the overall winners.

He was then selected to represent New Zealand at the World High School Rodeo Finals. Fundraising began in April, as the trip was fully self-funded. Will travelled to the USA in July 2024 to compete.

The National High School Rodeo Finals (NHSFR) consisted of a six-day competition, made up of three go-rounds: two long go-rounds and one short go-round (the final). Each competitor had one run in each of the long go-rounds, and the top twenty from each event (after the two long go-rounds) would compete in the short go for the chance to be crowned world champion. Each long round consisted of six performances, with one run in the morning (gam - 12pm) and one in the afternoon (7pm - 11pm) from Sunday night to Wednesday morning, and again from Wednesday night to Saturday morning. The short go-round was held on Saturday night.

The competition featured the top four competitors from each state or country, with each state hosting its own competition to determine its top athletes. The countries involved included the U.S., Australia, Mexico, and New Zealand. This was the first time New Zealand had fielded a team for this event. Each U.S. state team had around 60 competitors, compared to New Zealand's five.

There were just under 200 competitors in Will's chosen event, and a total of 1,850 competitors across all events, with 2,250 horses stalled. Will placed first in tie-down roping at the Dubois Rodeo in Northern Wyoming.

During the week, Will placed 40th out of 260 competitors in a separate challenge at the event, competing against the world's best. Although he struggled with his run, Will made the most of his final opportunity, finishing 128th in the world.

In August, Will was selected to represent New Zealand in Australia as part of the Trans-Tasman Rodeo Challenge in September. He was named captain of the 17-member team. Will placed first in both the first and second high school challenge runs and secured an overall fifth place in the Kenilworth Rodeo. Although Will beat the Australian team in his event, the Australian team came out on top overall.

We look forward to seeing what 2025 holds for him.



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## Summary of the 1st XV Rugby Season

The 2024 rugby season was a mixed bag of successes and near losses. Many of the successes were off the field with an excellent group of players who epitomised the school motto to be the example. The team finished sixth in the Super 8, an improvement of two places from the previous year. There was also a big shift in culture off the field and in conjunction with an exciting structure and style of play, saw the team push every side it played.

The season began at the end of 2023. Strength and Conditioning Coach Mr Younger, put in place programmes for the players that would enable them to hit the ground running in 2024. There was a stable look and feel to the coaching and management group of the 1st XV in 2024. All of the coaches and managers were returning with Mr MacDonald as Head Coach assisted by Mr Luke and Mr Rangiwahia as Manager. Mr Younger continued to work with our young men in conjunction with Mr Maaka to make sure they were prepared for the typically hard season ahead. Aaron Humphries continued in his role as Student Manager, his fourth year in this position. The team was proudly co-captained by Jack Wiseman and Liam Davis.

Before the end of Term One we travelled to Hawera for our annual pre-season fixture against Feilding High School. As always, they provided a strong challenge and although we went away with a loss, there were significant benefits in terms of analysis and focus for the upcoming season.

Following feedback from the players in 2023 who asked for more pre-season games, a pre-season tour to Wellingtom was put in place. The focus of the tour was to expose the players to the types of teams we come up against in the Super 8. The two Wellington Schools, Wellington College and St Pats Town, were both physical sides that provided a strong challenge whereas Nelson Boys College played a high tempo, intensity based game. As the tour progressed, the team grew in confidence and benefited from spending time together. The first game against Wellington College was a close affair with Wellington coming out on top 15 - 7. Next up Nelson BC provided a tough challenge for the team, ultimately going down in a tough and spirited match 22 - 31. The final game of the tour was another physical challenge against St Pats Town. The team was hit hard by injuries and sickness but came through strongly to win comprehensively 43 - 12. A highlight of that game was Luke Goodman scoring three tries. Thank you to the parents who helped in the fundraising efforts that allowed the boys to travel and stay in Wellington. A special thank you to Callum Chapman of Weir Buses for providing a bus for the eight days the team was awav.

Our first traditional game was away against Whanganui Collegiate. Here the benefits of the pre-season tour were shown and the team was able to absorb a fast finishing Collegiate side to close out and take the win 24 - 21. A week later the next traditional game was against Auckland Grammar played in Auckland. This game is played for the Faull Trophy. In a close tussle where the scoreline did not reflect the intensity and effort both sides brought to the game, a converted try in the dying minutes saw Grammar extend its lead to 26 - 12.

Next up was the cross town game against Francis Douglas Memorial College. Always a tough and sometimes tricky game to play where emotions often play a major part. This year the team playing away from home was victorious and retained the Carroll-George trophy. In a game that the team dominated from the start and played in weather that helped the home side, the team took its opportunities and dominated through strong defence and constantly adding to the scoreboard to go on and win 27 - 7. The game will be

	<b>Pre-Season</b> Feilding HS Wellington College Nelson Boys College	Loss 7 - 41 Loss 7 - 15 Loss 22 - 33	Thank You to our Premier Rugby Sponsors
	St Pats Town	Win 43 - 12	
	Traditionals		W.R. Whillips
	Whanganui Collegiate	Win 24 - 21	🛞 0000 🕘 🜺 🌨
	Auckland Grammar St Patrick's College, Silverstream Hamilton BHS	Loss 12 - 26 Loss 30 - 31 Loss 0 - 29	canterbury
	Palmerston North BHS Westlake BHS	Draw 34 - 34 Loss 12 - 31	BTW BounceBack
,	Super 8		COMPANY SPORIS • SPINAL • WORK • REHAB
	Hastings BHS Tauranga BC Gisborne BHS	Loss 32 - 41 Loss 17 - 48 Loss 20 - 24	1st XV Prize Winners
	Napier BHS Rotorua BHS	Loss 36 - 44 Win 22 - 14	Players' Player (Taylors Cup) - Jack Wiseman Contributed Most to the 1st XV (DM Leuthart Cup) - Liam Davis
	<b>Chiefs Top 4</b> Francis Douglas Memorial College Hamilton BHS	Win 27 - 7 Loss 29 - 36	Most Improved Player (Watts Cup) - Luke Goodman 1948-49 1st XV Trophy - Jack Wiseman

remembered for the tackle made by Jake White on the FDMC fullback. This was the first game played since the passing of Max Carroll and the team proudly retained the trophy in his memory.

A change to the draw saw the start of the Super 8 competition begin with a game against Hastings Boys High School played on the Gully. The team started well in this, the first home game of the season scoring the first try through Luke Goodman and then adding penalties with Hastings replying with a converted try of its own. However two tries either side of half time put Hastings into a strong position which they never relinquished. The team finished well scoring three tries but it was not enough to get the win.

A quick turnaround saw the team travel to Wellington for the traditional game against St Pats Silverstream. In a free flowing game where penalties ended up being critical and although outscoring the opposition four tries to two, Silverstream kicked a late penalty in overtime to snatch a one point victory. This was a tough result for the team and in particular for hooker Shawn Matuku who scored three tries. Silverstream retained the McDonald Shield for another year.

After the previous two outings where the team showed promise and had played well, the team came up against a well drilled Hamilton side which demonstrated the level that the team must reach if it is to achieve success in the competition. Hamilton punished the mistakes the team made and often converted them into tries. An injury to a Hamilton player meant the game was shifted from the Gully ground to McNaught. Hamilton was leading 19 - 0 at this stage. After the 30 minute delay, they scored two more unconverted tries to secure the 29 - 0 win. Hamilton is a real benchmark for the team and the level of consistency, ability to handle pressure and skill execution showed much for our team to aspire to. As is typical for the team, they never gave up and played tough uncompromising rugby right to the final whistle.

After travelling to Tauranga, a tough game followed, where the team went behind early and were unable to get within striking distance at any time, going down heavily 48 - 17. Tauranga is one of the strongest sides in the Super 8 competition and punished errors by scoring tries. The scores were close leading into halftime but tries just before and just after halftime sealed the game for Tauranga. In what is becoming a trend, the result asked questions of the team facing a quick turnaround leading into the game against Palmerston North BHS.

The team played its next traditional game against Palmerston North BHS. This game was one of the better games seen on the Gully in a number of years. The lead changed many times throughout the game with a final converted try to PNBHS drawing the teams level on 34 points. This was a strong team effort and showed significant improvement on the previous game. Highlights of the game were the four tries scored by winger Viliame Rova and the incredible support from the entire school on the terraces. This game was shown live on Whakaata Maori and showcased a true spectacle of school rugby.

The next game was meant to be away against Gisborne BHS but for the second year in a row, poor weather on the East Coast meant the postponement of the game. Therefore our next game was against Westlake BHS at home on the Gully. The game started with the team dominating the early phases of the game, taking a 10 - 7 lead into half time. A moment of ill discipline gave Westlake the opportunity to take the momentum away by scoring two tries while the player was in the sin bin. Unfortunately, the team was unable to string enough phases together on a very wet Gully field and Westlake ground the win out 31 - 12

The next two games were at home. First up was Napier BHS, where the game started with a try to each team, however



three unanswered tries meant the team was constantly chasing and was unable to draw close. When the team played to its structures and game plan, it scored quality tries, but again the team lamented the fact that the opposition got out to a big lead that could not be overhauled. The final score was 44 - 36 with the team scoring five tries, with some of them being of high quality.

The next game was against Rotorua BHS on the Gully. In one of the best performances of recent years, the team displayed tenacity to hold out a strong finishing Rotorua BHS. Leading 10 - 7 at halftime, the team absorbed the pressure being applied by RBHS to grind out a hard earned win 22 - 14. At times the team was unstoppable when playing to its structure, coupled with ferocity on defence, this game was the game that the Coaches had been striving for all year.

The final Super 8 game was away to Gisborne. This game was a catchup due to the atrocious weather in the week leading up to the scheduled game. In a game dominated by referee decisions, the team was unable to convert opportunities into enough points going into the final quarter. Although leading for most of the game, a penalty try awarded to Glsborne gave them the win 24 - 20. However, the bonus point loss ensured the team would end up sixth in the Super 8.

In what was to be the final game of the season, the team hosted Hamilton BHS for the second time this year on the Gully in the Chiefs Top 4 Knockout semi final for the Nationals. The team went into this game with belief in the game plan, the structure and in themselves, and seeing HBHS as a team ripe for the picking. HBHS got out to an early start with two unanswered tries to lead 14 nil, but the team worked its way back playing an effective and entertaining style of rugby to score two tries and go into half-time 14 - 12. HBHS kicked a penalty and the teams traded tries and the score was locked up at 29 all. The team was unable to hold out HBHS who got over for a try in the last few minutes of the game. The team closed its season in style and walked off the Gully holding their heads high.

We had a number of players selected for the representative honours. In the Taranaki U16 side Brody Leicester, Jai Hann, Nate Werder, Samuel Graham, Ratu Qiokata, Kade Davis, Luke Goodman, Flynn Bryant and Jack Hurley. In the first week of the Term 3 holidays, Brayden Neilson, Jack Wiseman, Luke Goodman, Viliame Rova and Jake White attended the Chiefs U18 camp. Then to follow up, Jack Wiseman, Jake White, Brayden Neilson and Soane Aholelei were selected for the New Zealand Maori U18 Camp in the second week of the holidays. All of these boys represented the team and the school with pride at these camps. Jack Wiseman, Liam Davis and Luke Goodman were selected for the Chiefs U18 team. To top off the season, Brayden Neilson was selected for the New Zealand Maori U18 team and Jack Wiseman was selected in the New Zealand U18 Barbarian team.

To the boys that have finished their journey here at NPBHS and with the 1st XV, we wish you well in your future endeavours.

Special thanks to Todd Wolfe our physio for all that he did for our players both on the field and post injury and recovery, the hostel staff for their highly regarded aftermatch food and incredible job of cleaning the ever increasing amount of uniform and kit and to Mr Bublitz and Mr Stones for the assistance they gave throughout the season as Directors of Sport and Boarding. Thank you to Billy Preston for his video analysis and support. We also wish to give a special thank you to Aaron Humphries who leaves the team as student manager after 4 years of involvement with the team. Your into the team has been massive.

Thank you to the families of the players for the support and dedication you show to the team. A number of parents have travelled up and down the country to support the team and it is greatly appreciated by players and management alike.

Thank you to our sponsors: BTW Company, Canterbury, WR Phillips, Bounceback Physio, Phoenix Shipping, Weir Brothers and Centuria. Without their support of our school and the 1st XV we would not be in the position where we compete week in and week out with some of the toughest schoolboy rugby teams in the country.

Finally, thank you to the players, you have all left your own mark on the side and been a part of continuing the fine tradition that is 1st XV Rugby at New Plymouth Boys' High School. As coaches and managers, we know that you have put a huge amount of time and effort into the school and the 1st XV jersey and we thank you for that.

Simon Rangiwahia 1st XV Manager



#### 1ST XV RUGBY TEAM

Back Row: Taene Nelley, Jake White, Soane Aholelei, Jai Hann, Brody Leicester, Levi Clement Third Row: Kade Davis, Jake Dingle, Flynn Bryant, Luke Goodman, Samuel Graham, Shawn Matuku, Nate Werder

Second Row: Mr Ray MacDonald (Coach), Ramero Haami, Kade Bridgeman, Tualauta Toremana, Jason McGregor, Mr Chris Luke (Assistant Coach), Beau Henderson, Zane MacDonald, Kauri Roulston, Mr Simon Rangiwahia (Manager)

Front Row: Aaron Humphries (Student Manager), Ian Wong, Viliame Rova, Harry Fevre, Liam Davis (Co-Captain), Jack Wiseman, (Co-Captain), Brayden Neilson, Jaxon Steele, Mr Liam Younger (Strength & Conditioning Coach)

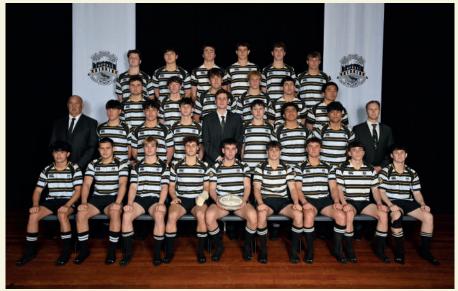
Absent: Malakai Benny, Jack Hurley, Ratu Qiokata

### 2nd XV Rugby Season

Our season started with a pre-season trip down to Wellington. First up, we played Wellington College. A massive team confronted us but through our steely determination we came away with a 15 to 5 win. A great start to the season. Next up we faced Nelson College. Nelson College are one of the strongest teams in New Zealand. We knew we had a tough task on our hands. Again we showed amazing defence and determination and we had a classic win 17 to 5. Our last game on our Wellington trip was against St Patrick's College. Here we showed exceptional skill, pace and talent. We won 41 nil. This win included a twenty metre solo effort from our prop Jake Stevens on the final whistle!

Before our Super 8 campaign started, we faced our NPBHS Under 18 Black team, where we had a good win 68 to nil. Next up was a game against our greatest rival Francis Douglas Memorial College. We turned up to their home ground in wet conditions and put on a clinic. Some fantastic tries to the likes of Cooper James, Corbin Rodgers and Corbin Potroz saw us with a 50 to nil win. An excellent result to take home and clear bragging rights of the strongest team in New Plymouth.

First up was Hastings Boys' High School. It was a tight tussle on McNaught but again our steely defence was the difference. We came away with a 17 to 12 win. That now is back to back wins against Hastings under Mr Angell's coaching (a first in a long time). Next up we played the defending champions Hamilton Boys' High School. We suffered our first loss, going down 15 to 24. Our first away game was against Tauranga Boys' College and undoubtedly we were the second best team on the day, going down to eventual Super 8 champions 15 to 31. After two consecutive losses we were keen to get back on the winning train. We faced a strong Palmerston North Boys' team. It was tit for tat. Noah Lobb nailed a 40 metre penalty to put us ahead 15 - 14. The opposition had a chance to win it with a penalty on the death. To the delight of the 500 plus crowd, the ball



2ND XV RUGBY

Back Row: Jake Stevens, Kaisei Ishihara, Monty Larsen, Jai Hann, Adam Sousa, Will Potts Third Row: Kade Bridgeman, Lachlan Harrison, Samuel Graham, Noah Lobb, Kauri Roulston, Ian Wong Second Row: Mr Dale Atkins (Assistant Coach), Cooper James, Kade Davis, James Day, Mr Joseph Avery (Manager), Levi Clement, Tuwhakaea Taylor-Tupaea, Dahzel Poinga, Mr Josh Angell (Head Coach) Front Row: Aidan Wano, Taj Parker, Zak Revell, Taylin Fox, Zane MacDonald (Captain), Corbin Potroz (Vice-Captain), Jackson Pari, George Le Quesne, Riley Parker Absent: Ratu Qiokata, Corbin Rodgers, Flynn Bryant, Cejay Cave-La Rue

sailed slightly to the left. A true nailbiter but we will take that win any day!

During the holidays Westlake Boys' from Auckland travelled down to play us. Westlake are a massive school, who are ranked second in New Zealand. On a rainy old day, we showed how to play footy. Kicking, defence and attack saw us win 22 to 7. What a win!

Our Super 8 campaign resumed against Napier Boys' High School. A true master class of rugby saw us with a comfortable win 30 to 14. Rotorua Boys' High School are a juggernaut of New Zealand rugby. They turned up to our McNaught field looking big and ready. This was a game for the ages. Back and forth went the score. With the score at 15 to 14 to us, our halfback dislocated his knee. This called for the ambulance. A twenty minute break allowed Rotorua and their massive team to regenerate. Starting with a scrum five metres out from our line, they managed to score, bringing the score to 19 to 15. In true fashion, which captures the essence of our team, we answered back straight away with a try to go 22 to 19 ahead. The next ten minutes Rotorua threw an onslaught at us. With fulltime up on the clock, Rotorua went twenty plus phases.

A relentless attack. Adam Sousa put in a solid shot and they knocked it on. We won! This game described and captured the heart of our team. Playing way above our weight grade, playing with superior tactics and playing with heart. This showed that anything is possible. Rotorua left the field stunned. We travelled to Gisborne for our last game of the season. Against a valiant side, we cruised to a 15 to 5 win.

We want to thank all our Year 13s for the season; Riley Parker, Zane MacDonald, Corbin Potroz, Jackson Pari, Kaisei Ishihara, Monty Larsen, Ian Wong, Cooper James, James Day, Taj Parker and Taylin Fox. You guys were the heart of the team, you should be proud.

Lastly, we would like to thank Mr Avery, who brought life and laughter to our team, thanks for being a great manager; to Mr Atkins for his inspirational speeches and for teaching us the dark arts; and to Mr Angell, thank you for coaching. You showed us how to play to our strengths, how to play with superior tactics against bigger opposition and for making us believe in ourselves. Our heart, determination and true Taranaki style, allowed us in 13 games, to come away with 11 wins and 2 losses.





## U15A Rugby Season

Spurred on by the spirit of competition, the chance of glory and the expectation of being the first U15A team to win the national tournament, 37 determined athletes took part in our U15A season which comprised seven traditional matches, six games at the national tournament as well as countless hours of practice. These 37 boys were tested on the field as well as off the field. Expectations were set at the start of the season along with the school policy of meeting the required standards of engagement and attendance.

This report is written mostly by the players and looks at key player performances to game-changing moments, the highs, lows and defining features of an unforgettable rugby season.

#### Traditional Game and Tournament Report By Lorcan Honeyfield, Jack Hurley, Richie van Parrgh, Dominic Gray and Jack McLaren

#### Auckland Grammar lost 7 - 19

This was a tough start to the season and the game as we went down 0-12 at halftime due to small errors and not taking all of our scoring opportunities. But we had a spark of hope as Blake Nicholls broke the line and scored, Jack Hurley converting it easily, but that was the only one we could get back with the final score being 19-7. We came away being positive as we had little training time prior and lots of work on what we can improve.

#### FDMC win 47 - 5

We went into this game knowing FDMC was going to come hard as always. We didn't score for the first ten minutes until Kace Raven scored the opening try, taking out the corner flag, which opened the floodgates as we continued to score with the likes of Dominic Gray, Lachlan Hewson-Baldwin and Cody Tantrum. But FDMC managed to get one back as they took a quick tap and plowed over the line ending the game's final score being 47-5 to the Huia.

#### Hastings BHS win 29-15

Leading up to this game, we felt confident as we had just come off a good win against an excited FDMC side. Hastings had the size advantage but we were determined and confident and managed to get a great result of 29-15 against a formidable opponent. Lachie Hewson Baldwin scored the opening try followed by Cooper Spice (2) and Cody Tantrum. They managed to hit back as they clawed back into the fight but with the precise kicking of Jack Hurley, we came out in front.

#### Hamilton BHS win 22-21

Heading into this game we knew Hamilton was the team to beat after losing 10-0 last year, so we came in fizzing, helped by the fact that we were playing on the Gully. A hot start for Hamilton with one try through the middle of the field and one down the sideline, we were determined to come back as Lachie Hewson Baldwin scored two back-to-back tries, one of a ferocious quick tap and one of a solid packed lineout drive, this made the score 14-12. Hamilton, being the quality they are, responded with a try and this put us 21-12 down. After a Lorcan Honeyfield turnover in front of the posts resulted in a penalty, Jack Hurley slots it cleanly putting us at 21-15. With a glimmer of hope still left, we charge up the field as we get a penalty on the 22-metre line the ball gets slung off to MJ who dives into the corner. As a result, one man has to step up to take the winning kick, Jack Hurley cool as ever slots it right over the sticks 10 metres from the sideline and with one minute left we receive the ball and kick it out. Making the final score 21-22 to the Huia.

#### Tauranga BC lost 19-31

After a long bus ride to Tauranga, we knew this would be a rough game as it was on their home turf. We arrived at the game with the intent to win but on this occasion, we couldn't. Tauranga came out with two quick tries meaning we were always on the back foot in this contest. After some silky chemistry from our backline, we scored with a pick-and-go. We started to claw back into the fight but Tauranga pulled away again as they took one more try before halftime. Going into the second half we had to lift, Joel Jones had an exquisite run down the sideline for our second try of the match, Tauranga again pulled away as their fullback had some slick chips and chases. Which gave them the win with a final score of 31 - 19.

#### Palmerston North BHS win 26-0

After a tough loss to Tauranga, the 15As were determined to come back stronger this was shown in a comfortable win over a well-trained Palmerston North team. Peyton Rose opened our account with a sleek backs move off a scrum 20 meters out scoring in the corner we also had Cody Tantrum go in after an overlap out wide. Palmerston North never had many attacking opportunities as NPBHS were on their A game defence-wise. More tries followed to Dominic Gray and Dela Prince off some good forward balls. The final score was 26-0 with Jack Hurley making 3 of his 4 kick attempts.

#### Westlake BHS lost 5 - 56

Very tough last exchange before the tournament. The game was scheduled to be played on the Gully, but the large amount of rain that had fallen meant we had to find an alternative venue, McNaught was out as the U14s and 2nd Xv had their games on there and with Races at the Racecourse it meant that we couldn't move our game over there either. After a few phone calls and sorting logistics, we ended up at the Tukapa Rugby Club. Westlake got off to a flying start, scoring down the left and right-hand sides as well as through the centre. No excuses, but with the change of venue, regular players away and others playing out of position we were in for a long day at the office. We needed to change something and after a sly blindside attack, Richie van Praagh slid into the corner, this was all we got muster. Not an ideal way to end our traditional season losing 5 - 56.

#### U15A National Tournament - Tauranga

The first game of the tournament saw us facing Westlake again. The scores were level for the first 10 minutes and the game was anyone's to take unfortunately for us Westlake managed to score in the last 10 minutes and we couldn't find the try line again losing 10 -18. Not the start we were looking for, but with the nature of tournament rugby we got to go again in the afternoon vs Mount Albert Grammar. Coming off the loss in the morning the boys were fired up for a win knowing a win here would keep our top 8 dreams alive. It was a hard-fought game as both teams knew the importance of taking the win. We managed to hold them out, taking the victory 21-14

We needed to beat Hamilton to make the top 8 of the tournament and after beating them by 1 in the previous exchange hopes were high. It was a close start as we both took a penalty each. Just on the stroke of halftime, they managed to score a try, taking a slight lead into the break. We hit back right after halftime closing the gap but unfortunately, we let them in another 2 times and we couldn't catch up to them with the final score being 15 - 27 in their favour.

After being knocked out of the top 8 by Hamilton we reset our goals and were determined to play well against Wesley and start our journey for 9th place. We got off to a flying start and were able to control the whole game winning 42-3. We then

"Every setback is a setup for a comeback. The strongest players don't avoid the storm; they learn to play through it."

moved on to face a very spirited Otago Boys High team who were not going to take a backward step in this game. After a very physical 60 minutes, Otago came away with the win 12 - 27. This loss saw us facing off with our Super 8 brothers, Palmerston North playing off for 11th or 12th place. We walked away with the win 20 - 0, ending the 2024 Nationals in 11th place.

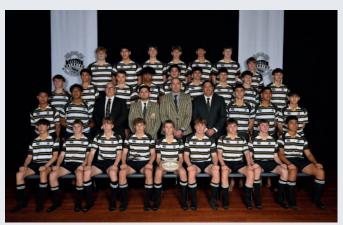
#### Wrap-Up and Thanks

While the season of results can best be described as a mixed bag that didn't meet our expectations, the 2024 season did its part in seasoning a great group of very talented young rugby players who are ready for the next challenge of pushing into the senior teams for 2025. Developing those off-field skills, attitudes towards training, self-belief and most importantly becoming a good young man is the key role of the U15As. While winning is nice, the time invested into those key skills will pay dividends for NPBHS rugby as a whole in the future.

On behalf of Matua Leighton, Matua Noho, Mr Brown and myself we would like to extend a massive thanks to all the players and whānau for the season, it was rewarding for us getting to know you and watching you contribute to the U15As and bigger picture of Boys' High Rugby. We look forward to seeing you continue your journey at the school, both on and off the field.

#### Aaron Lock

U15A Rugby Team Manager



#### U15A RUGBY TEAM

Back Row: Blake Nicholls, Kupa Robinson, Max Henderson, Joel Jones, Jacob Awahou, Jake Brady, Jack McLaren

Third Row: Cody Tantrum, Rauru Haerewa, Harlym Holmes, Deja Prince, Lachlan Hewson-Baldwin, Shane Rei-Hoskin, Cooper Spice, Jake Harris, Kace Raven

Second Row: Isaac Morrison-Fonoti, Paea Nau, Mr Aaron Lock (Manager), Mr Luke Brown (Coach), Matua Leighton Price (Coach), Matua Noho Robinson (Coach), Coredae Wipiiti-Boylan, Eroni Kito, Tio Roulston

Front Row: Neha Peri, Richie van Praagh, Kadin Jannenga, Jack Hurley (Vice-Captain), Lorcan Honeyfield (Captain), Liam Good, Heath Sheehan, Peyton Rose, MJ Muagututia

Absent: Mathis Lacoste, Pueata Etimani, Manasa Kaiyatia, Amani Rokotinaviti, Iosia Teawhe–Campbell, Malakai Rova, Rakai Wilson–Joyce



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#### **U14A Rugby Team**

Back Row: Hiona Ruakere, Blake McGlashan, Monty Mason, Daniel Fidow, Kingston Taite-Dewes, Jack Trethewey, Joe Smith

Third Row: Edward Simpson, Reeve Bridgeman, Jai Meyer, Jacob Willemen, Jai Whayman, Poutama Murray, Jake Read

Second Row: Mr R. Hanan (Manager), Bradley Gilbert, Lucas Hurley, Mr D. Van Wyk (Coach), Xander Vesseur, Evahn Beukes, Mr T. Clark-Puia (Coach) Front Row: Braxton Mahu, Lochy Leicester, Jude Chambers, Chili Kearns-Grieve, Taj Taogaga, Isaac Carter

Absent: Harper Bailey, Jake Harris, Viliami Schofield



#### U14 White Rugby Team

Back Row: Harry Allen, Lance Winborn, Daniel Fidow, Jacob Willemen, Taylor Ekdahl, Kruze Mitchell

Second Row: Mr T. Clark-Puia (Coach) Edward Simpson, Nikau Whana, Lucas Hurley, Xander Vesseur, Evahn Beukes, Jahziah Little-Feakins Front Row: Hunter Kerr, Lochy Leicester, Kingston Taite-Dewes, Chili Kearns-Grieve, Isaac Carter, Taj Taogaga Absent: Rylan Vesty, Ben Swan



#### U14 Black Rugby Team

Back Row: Jack Trethewey, Tamahae Stirling, Jai Meyer

Third Row: Poutama Murray, Maliepo Paunga, Hiona Ruakere, Sid Croad, Joe Smith

Second Row: Mr R. Hanan (Manager), Porter Waswo, Lachy Pedersen, Blake McGlashan, Bradley Gilbert, Kingston Rangitonga, Kael Whangapirita Front Row: Reeve Bridgeman, Braxton Mahu, Matt Johnston, Jude Chambers, Jake Read, Zane Johanson

Absent: Mr B. McGlashan (Coach), Mr C. Brown (Coach), Harper Bailey, Lars Dravitski, Viliami Schofield, Khan Te Paea



#### **U15 Black Rugby Team**

Back Row: Leo Petio, Max Henderson, Acoya Fitzsimons

Third Row: Isaac Morrison-Fonoti, Cody Tantrum, Tio Roulston, Levi Walker, Malakai Rova, Iosia Teawhe-Campbell

Second Row: Mr L. Brown (Coach), Cohen Dennis, Peyton Rose, Mr H. Mitchell (Coach), Lucas Robinson, Charlie Barkley, Mr A. Lock (Coach)

Front Row: Mathis Lacoste, Sam Stewart, Reeve Thompson (Captain), Lorcan Honeyfield, Harlym Holmes, Lochlain McQuaig

Absent: Thomas Bishop, Tamahou Carr-Rewi-Wetine, Rauru Haerewa, Jake Harris, Joel Hartley, Monty Mason, Kupa Robinson



U15 White Rugby Team

Back Row: Heath Sheehan, Eroni Kito, Paea Nau, Corrin Jansma, Cody Smith, Kace Raven

Second Row: Mr L. Price (Coach), Jai Whayman, Aidan Austen, Deja Prince, Nixin Laing, CJ Takie, Mr N. Robinson (Coach)

Front Row: TK Brown, Kiwa Lamb, Cohen Mudie, Dominic Gray, Neha Peri, Carter White, Pueata Etimani

Absent: Cooper Spice, Manasa Kaiyatia, Rakai Wilson-Joyce, Chase Saunders-Primrose, Aditya Joshi, Lachlan Hewson-Baldwin



#### **U15 Yellow Rugby Team**

Back Row: Shay Coomey, Jacob Awahou, Joel Jones, Jake Brady, Brodie Eggers Second Row: Mr J. Edmonds (Coach), Lucas Caskey, Blake Nicholls, Kingston Bevan, Tommy Ngapera, Kaden Richardson–Thomas, Stanley Cooper Front Row: Flynn Murdoch, Kadin Jannenga, Richie van Praagh, Ritikesh Singh, MJ Muagututia, Amani Rokotinaviti, Jack McLaren Absent: Oskar Abt, James Barnard–Perry, Jethro Campbell, Cruz Cooney, Riley MacLeod, Jai Patuwairua, Shane Rei–Hoskin



#### U18 Dev Rugby Team

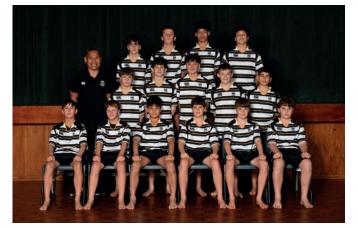
Back Row: Tae Rupapera, Finn Ingle, Rashaad Ngaia, Hunter Temata, Nathan Baylis, Mika Togia

Third Row: Lookie Urbahn, Boston Knight, Liam Puru, Payton Tamatea, Jack Kershaw, Tyler Guckert, Cohen Chard

Second Row: Mr J. Farquhar (Manager), Joeli Nakuta, Regan Hunger, Ethan Adamson, Josefa Cabenasiga, Jack Hurley, Mr D. Sinclair (Coach)

Front Row: Liga Junior Gukisuva, Blake Delehanty, Benjamin Sinclair, Lebron Fidow, Aidan Wano, George Le Quesne

Absent: Mr E. Togia (Coach), Neo Fraser, Jasper Mitchell, Samuel Schofield



#### U60kg White Rugby Team

Back Row: Bryn Espin, Theo Adamson, Lincoln Pauga, Rhys Wilson Second Row: Mr J. Kirifi (Manager/Coach), Parker Manley, Riley Cowley, Nikau Jones, Cooper Chatfield, Mahley Greenbank–Wilson Front Row: Raiden Gibson, Tyla Watson, Zion Leahy, Luke Tamatea, Travis Manley, Zac De Buisson



#### U18 Black Rugby Team

Back Row: Halizeigh Daymond, Blake Rawlinson, Adam Sousa, Kaiden Shotter, Charlie Gadsby, Ryan Mills

Third Row: Oscar Yarrall, Joseph Jones, Jordan Coomey, Lucas Jones, Kahduffi Wetini, Liam McQuaig

Second Row: Mr J. Quay (Coach), Kiwa Adams, Leyton Quay, Mr B. Bennett (Manager), Javarhn Rupapera, Harlem Rangitonga, Mr S. Rawlinson (Coach) Front Row: Lachlan Harrison, Manaia Adams, Paco Cisneros, Cooper Patterson, Kurtis Gooch, Raniera Maxwell-Parker



#### U60kg Yellow Rugby Team

Back Row: Corbynn Isaacs, Koa Wipatene, Taylor Ekdahl, Aiden Hart Third Row: Ryan Baumgratz, Raiden Rangi, Blake Brooks, Damon Hooper, Charlie Luxton–Symes, Lai Natoga, Clarke Auld Second Row: Mr T. Hamilton (Coach), Monty Darke, Teimana Chase, Saki Qiokata, Eta Uatiree Nakaoti, Ryder Perrett, Edward Vickers Front Row: Jimmy Parkes, Cameron Downey, Ollie Knowles, Lincoln Hudson– Bool, Liam Terry, Puku Stratford



#### U85kg Rugby Team

Back Row: Jackson Pari, Taene Nelley, Jai Hann, James Day, Liam Davis Second Row: Mr J. Kirifi (Manager), Will Potts, Benjamin Sinclair, Adam Sousa, Brody Leicester, Noah Lobb, Jaxon Steele, Mr J. Angell (Coach) Front Row: George Le Quesne, Zak Revell, Riley Parker, Kauri Roulston (Captain), Nate Werder, Aidan Wano, Jason McGregor Absent: Beau Henderson, Cooper James, Corbin Potroz (Vice-Captain), Harry Fevre





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The Senior Boys team competed at two tournaments in 2024, the Super 8 tournament held in Gisborne and the National Secondary Schools Tournament (the Condors) at Mt Maunganui.

A youthful team travelled to Gisborne in early November. As is typical of this tournament there were no easy games and Day 1 saw the team up against Hamilton, Hastings and Palmerston North in their pool. Unfortunately, the team played bravely and with much heart in hot, windy conditions, but the more experienced teams they were up against meant that wins were hard to come by. Day 2 saw the team playing in the lower side of the draw and losses to Rotorua and Gisborne placed the team at the bottom of the table. As the side was extremely young and still learning the finer arts of sevens rugby, the trip was a good opportunity for those boys to be exposed to top level game play.

In between the tournaments, a regular series of games against the Taranaki Sevens and cross town rivals Francis Douglas helped with conditioning and allowed the Senior Sevens Coach Mr Atkins to refine his team for the Condors.

A different team travelled to Mt Maunganui with a number of players who were unavailable earlier, boosting the squad. There was a quiet confidence as the team entered the tournament. Day 1 was played in wet conditions with constant drizzle over the day which didn't lend itself to fast flowing sevens rugby. The team played two games in their pool winning against Rosmini College 26 - 7 and then going on to play St Johns of Hamilton winning in a close encounter 24 - 22. A crossover game with Christchurch Boys High School followed and a win against this team would put the team into the Top 8 of the tournament. The game was played in drying conditions which allowed the team to play its expansive style and went on to win comprehensively 34 - 19.

This put the team into the top eight for the first time in a number of years and it was well deserved. Top try scorers on the day were Luke Goodman (4) and Brayden Nielson and Vili Rova (3 each). Day 2 saw the team play Super 8 rivals Hamilton BHS in a quarter final. Going into the last couple of minutes of the game, the team was down 14 - 21 but was unable to close the gap and with Hamilton BHS scoring a late try, the game was lost 14 - 26.

This meant the team was playing for fifth and sixth, but lost by golden point against Feilding High School 19 -24 after the scores were locked up at full time.

The Team then played for seventh and eighth and lost to Palmerston North BHS 10 - 19.

Day 2 didn't go as well but the team can hold its head high for the style in which it played. There was definitely talk around the ground about the team and how well it was playing. That performance was reflected by Jack Wiseman and Brayden Neilson being named in the tournament team. This is a massive achievement because this team is in essence the NZ secondary schools team.

A huge thanks to Dale Atkins for the massive amount of work he has put into the team over the course of the sevens season.

#### Simon Rangiwahia

Manager

#### 2024 Senior Sevens Squads

#### Super 8 Squad

Josefa Cabenasiga Cohen Chard Levi Clement Ramero Haami Beau Henderson George Le Quesne Kauri Roulston Richie van Praagh Nate Werder

#### Condor 7s Squad

Levi Clement Luke Goodman Ramero Haami Beau Henderson George Le Quesne Brayden Neilson Kauri Roulston Viliame Rova Benjamin Sinclair Jaxon Steele Nate Werder Jack Wiseman





# Squash

## 2024 was another successful year for NPBHS Squash.

LAURENSON

## FDMC Traditional Exchange

This year the boys knew that it was going to be another even match-up against long-time rival school Francis Douglas Memorial College. Held at Kawaroa Park Squash Club, players were familiar with the courts setting an even playing field. By the end of the day, FDMC had come away with the win 3-2.

## Hamilton Boys' HS Exchange

Hamilton Boys' High School have continuously fielded a solid team that strongly competes for the top position at NZSS Nationals, so the boys knew that when they came down to New Plymouth this year it would be a tough match-up. Toby and Logan both showed skill in their games and set the boys up two wins, unfortunately we couldn't quite get over the line and lost 3-2.





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## Cullinane College (Whanganui) Exchange 25th July

The Cullinane College Exchange runs slightly differently from the usual school exchanges as we use it as a way to develop up-and-coming school players and give them a real exchange scenario and experience. This year we travelled down to Whanganui with eight players. This exchange is just a few weeks before Nationals, making it a good way for the boys to develop their skills in high-pressure situations. NPBHS won the exchange 5-3.

## NZSS Nationals

Team: Toby Freyria, Logan Terrill, Zach Haynes, Ari Laurenson, Cooper Ferguson, Regan Bevage. Coach: Hamish Gray TIC: Kate Kilgour

Held during the start of August in Wellington's Upper Hutt, the team was seeded 15th this year, a slight drop from 12th seeding in 2023. After narrowly missing out on a top ten finish in 2023, the boys were keen to achieve the goal of a top ten finish this year.

First up the boys had a game of even match-ups against 18th seeds, St Bedes. The tournament's first game always comes with some nerves, but Zach, Logan and Cooper shook these nerves off quickly and came away with three wins putting the team through to the top 16.

Hamilton Boys' High School was the next in line for the top eight playoffs. The boys knew this would take a lot of work, having already played them in a school exchange. Although Hamilton was the second seed in the tournament, the boys did not let that get to their heads. They all put forth valiant efforts and performed exceptionally well. In the end, NPBHS lost 0-5.

Another highly seeded team was put up against us in the crossover, Marlborough College. Originally seeded seventh, this encounter was bound to be a challenge. With Logan up first, he wrestled in a closely contested match coming into the fifth set, unfortunately he couldn't quite get over the line putting the boys 1-0 down. Marlborough showed why they were seeded so highly in the subsequent games and in the end, NPBHS lost 0-5.

Now playing for a top 16 position the boys were fired up and were keen to come away with a win. After the previous two losses, the boys needed a win to keep morale high. The first game against Wellington College was Zach and he started well with a win, followed by another by Cooper. Next up was Toby taking a well-fought loss. Regan and Logan made quick work of their opponents in the next games resulting in a 4-1 win.



TOP 6 SQUASH TEAM Back Row: Mrs K. Kilgour (Manager), Toby Freyria, Cooper Ferguson, Mr H. Gray (Coach) Front Row: Zach Haynes, Ari Laurenson, Logan Terrill Absent: Regan Bevege

It was the last game of the tournament, the boys were tired and sore. Coming up against Christchurch Boys' High, another team seeded above them, the boys knew this would be another close match-up. Cooper fought hard and Ari narrowly lost. Toby and Logan then showed their experience in the following games. It was left to Zach, in his final game for the school, to fight hard and come through for the team. Zach's win resulted in a 3-2 win.

In the end, we finished 13th, two above our seeding of 15th and an improvement from last year's placing. The boys should all be proud of their performance at Nationals this year as there were some very challenging and competitive schools in our crossover games.

This year one student, Toby Freyria, was awarded his Tiger Jacket due to his exceptional skill and dedication shown to the sport through his constant participation in exchanges and national events throughout the year, congratulations Toby. Toby also placed first in graded boys for the TSSSA competition this year.

Logan Terrill, Yr13 Squash Captain

> Special thanks to Hamish and Kaye Carter for their continued support through SCP Squash and their invaluable assistance in player development.

2024 has been a great year for surfing at NPBHS. With a polarised team of mainly U18 and U14 surfers, we are right between a development phase and the culmination of some very promising surfers.

TSSSA is our first stop, and we take a large squad to this event, giving more surfers a chance at competing and helping to refine our top ten for our interschool events later in the year. The squad performed well, taking out all of the divisions and placing first school.

From there the team was formed and we looked towards Mahia for our annual Tri-School competition with Gisborne and Tauranga. This is always a great event as we explore the Mahia Peninsula and the various surf spots there. A highly recommended part of the country to visit. The boys battled the elements and the lack of cell phone reception with equal measure, and after several days of competition which was closer than ever before, we again came out on top as first school.

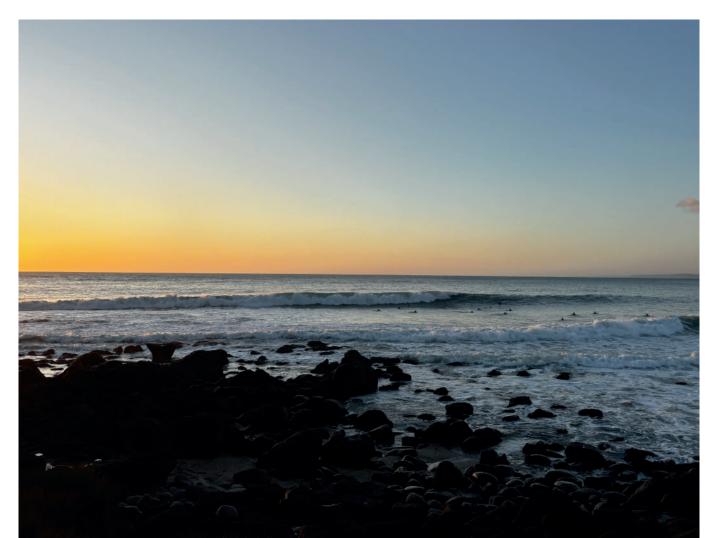
With two victories, the team travelled to Raglan for our annual National Schools Competition. This is our main event for the year and we compete against over twenty other schools with 180+ competitors. We aim to win the overall team title, plus individual divisions of which we enter three of six. Those are the U14, U16, and U18 boys.

The event was awesome and the surf gods provided ideal conditions throughout. Our team surfed well and held their own throughout the event.

Our best results came from the seniors<sup>\*</sup>. Spencer Rowson arguably never totally clicked during the event but still made the final, ending up fourth in the U18s. Soren Bucka-Christian

was on form but the waves avoided him in the semis and he missed out on the final. Overall we came fourth school in New Zealand. A decent result but a little under where we should have been.

\*Our actual best result came from Kane Rowson who made it into the prestigious Teachers' final. In what turned out to be the best conditions of the event, Rowson destroyed the lefthand walls at Manu Bay. Unfortunately, according to the Boy's High van judges, the contest judges underscored his oldschool power attack. Nonetheless, it was a lesson in water displacement that Archimedes would have been proud of and a third place.







Outside of school competition, Spencer Rowson travelled to Western Australia to compete in a World Surf League Qualifying competition. This is a professional qualifying event for the World Surf Tour. He made it through several heats and gained an equal fifth place finish.

This is his first step into the professional side of surfing competition and, as far as I am aware, NPBHS' first surfer to compete at this level. For his efforts in surfing this year which include being ranked nationally as second U18 Junior, seventh in Open Mens, and being a member of the NZ Junior Surf Team that competed in El Salvador for the third year in a row, Spencer was once again named NPBHS' Sportsman of the Year. A fitting end to his surfing here at school.

Age-wise, as aforementioned, it is a polarised team and we now move into a development stage. As such, this was a bittersweet year as we said goodbye to several surfers that Kane and I have known for a long time. The beauty of surfing is that we will still see them in the water.

#### Reuben Creery

Surfing Team Manager

#### Surfing Team

Back Row: Spencer Rowson, Mr Kane Rowson (Coach), Kai Shearer, Lee Takurua, Mr Reuben Creery (Manager), Koby Haigh

Front Row: Logan Verster, Occy Tapara, Nate Florence (Captain), Levi Devine-Collins, Soren Bucka-Christensen

Absent: Ben Dixon





## Tennis

The team had a mixed start this year with a convincing 15-0 win over cross town rivals FDMC and against Palmerston North Boys' High but a loss in our traditional fixture to Hamilton Boys'. Hamilton were very strong this year and, after having the better of them last year, our young team struggled against the hard hitting team

We travelled to Tauranga for Super 8, where again Hamilton proved too strong. Followed by a loss to Tauranga as well as wins over Palmerston North Boys' and Napier Boys', saw us with third place finish.

In March we travelled to Wellington to compete in the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Cup. In a cruel blow we missed the top four play-off by the dropping of one solitary set. We went on to beat Lindisfarne and Christ's College to finish fifth. While this is a decent result, we left feeling like the third best team in the competition but the round robin pools just didn't go our way.

The year finished with the Junior Quad in Tauranga. The junior tournament is a great chance for our Year 9 and 10 students to get to know our traditional Super 8 schools. Once again it was a great tournament with some excellent tennis played by our future stars. We finished up in third place with all schools showing there are some talented players coming through.

### We say goodbye to Tomi Avery and Alex Osten this year.

They have been our number one and two, respectively, this year and they leave big shoes to fill. We wish them the best as they go on to future study and look forward to seeing them on the court over the coming summers.



SENIOR TENNIS TEAM Back Row: Mr N. Creery (Manager), Cooper Ferguson, Aidan Williams, Henry Moffat, Tiago Shaw Front Row: Miller Ferguson, Alexander Osten, Tomi Avery, Jae Lallu, Lucas Erb Absent: Youssef Othman



JUNIOR TENNIS TEAM Back Row: Mr N. Creery (Manager), Blake Cathcart, Samuel Henderson Front Row: Lucas Erb, Luke Pennington, George Moffat Absent: Charlie Scott



### Super 8 Squad

Tomi Avery Alex Osten Jae Lallu Henry Moffat Lucas Erb

Nationals Team

Tomi Avery Alex Osten Jae Lallu



## Touch Rugby

What a fantastic year it has been for Touch Rugby at New Plymouth Boys' High School!

At the start of the year we played the second ranked team in New Zealand in Hamilton Boys'. We lost all three matches, only by one try in each game. This is the best we have ever done!

In the Term 3 holidays we flew down to Christchurch to play in the Christchurch Invitational tournament. We lost to St Bede's by one, beat Rolleston College, and drew with Christchurch Boys' in pool play. This meant a semi final against Christchurch Boys'. A cracker of a match. We won by one! Unfortunately we lost to the nationally ranked third St Bede's in a close match. The Hikaka Angell Shield was awarded to St Bede's.

Our next tournament was the Struddys Cup in Palmerston North. We beat St Patrick's Silverstream and Hato Paora. We faced Palmerston North Boys' in the final, a team who we have never beaten. What a game. It took the last play for us to score and to take the final 8-7, and to take the Struddys Shield home.









#### 1ST VI TOUCH TEAM

Back Row: George Le Quesne, Corbin Potroz, Kade Davis, Lachlan Harrison, Halizeigh Daymond

Second Row: Mr J. Edmonds (Assistant Coach), Jerome Tamatea, Kade Bridgeman, Keanu Prestney, Poutama Murray, Mr J. Angell (Head Coach) Front Row: Kace Raven, Jaxon Steele, Levi Clement, Richie van Praagh, Taylin Fox (Captain)

Absent: Cody Revell, Cooper James, Taj Parker, Mr. B. Bennett (Manager)

NZSS Touch Championship - NPBHS Touch Team

We competed in the National Championships during Week 9 of Term 4. In our pool, we faced St Bede's, St Patrick's Silverstream, John McGlashan College, and Auckland Grammar. Only the top team from each pool would qualify for the top eight. We knew it would be a tough challenge against such high-quality competition.

We comfortably defeated John McGlashan and St Patrick's Silverstream. In a dramatic final play, Kace Raven scored to secure a heroic draw against Auckland Grammar. Despite a 4–6 loss to St Bede's, our points differential was greater than Grammar's, allowing us to qualify for the top eight in New Zealand—a huge accomplishment!

In the quarterfinals, we faced New Zealand's number-one ranked side, Westlake Boys'. At halftime, the score was tied at 4–4, and we felt confident. The game concluded with the scores locked at 6–6, leading to a drop-off: four players against four for two minutes. We held them out, and as the buzzer sounded, it moved to a 3-on-3 sudden death. Unfortunately, we narrowly missed a defensive effort on a sprint down the sideline, resulting in a loss. It was a truly spectacular match.

Next, we played Palmerston North Boys' in another tight contest, securing a hard-fought 8–7 victory. This set up a match against King's College, where we narrowly lost 5–6. These results earned us a sixth-place finish in New Zealand - an amazing achievement for our team, especially as we came so close to the top four. The two finalists were St Bede's and Westlake.

We want to wish our six Year 13 players - Tay, Jaxon, Corbin, Cooper, Kade, and Cody - the best of luck as they move on to the next chapter of their lives. The future looks bright for our touch programme!

A big thank you to Mr. Angell, Mr. Bennett, and Matua John for all the time and effort you've dedicated to our success!

## Volleyball

### Senior Team

### HBHS Exchange

This year we travelled to Hamilton for our annual exchange. NPBHS took out the first game 3 -1 and Hamilton managed to get one over us for the second game 2 - 3. Being all tied up we headed into the final game fired up to take the title. The boys managed to grind out a well deserved win 3 - 1 in the final game.

#### Super 8

At the end of February, our Super 8 tournament was scheduled in Hastings and this saw us travelling and staying away together. Our boys topped our pool which saw us qualify first and hold the newly established Alani Samia trophy heading into the top four. The boys played well in the semi-final beating a strong PNBHS. This lined us up to face National Champions, Tauranga Boys College, in the final. Unfortunately we went down to a strong TBC team in the final finishing as runners up. They showed plenty of ticker in some high pressure moments.



#### Taranaki Regionals

Our own regional tournament was quick to follow on our return. We managed wins over Waitara, Te Paepae o Aotea, Inglewood, Spotswood B and NPBHS B in pool play, setting us up to meet Spotswood College in the final. The boys fought hard in the final which saw some very close sets and incredible moments. The boys managed to win the final and take the top spot for Taranaki at the National Tournament.

#### NZSS Championships

The National Tournament saw us compete in the Honours Grade - that's the top 32 teams in New Zealand. For context there are five divisions at the tournament with a phenomenal number of teams participating. After working our way through some tough teams in a challenging pool we qualified for the 17-32 bracket. We managed to grind out a number of close games against some very good teams to finish 23rd overall out of 64 teams.



#### Senior Awards 2024

Most Valuable Player - Kaleb Hinton Leadership in Senior Volleyball - Tommy Li

SENIOR VOLLEYBALL TEAM Back Row: Finley Jones, Rhys Scannell Second Row: Mr Hemi Coates (Coach/Manager), Malachy Herlihy, Astin Pope, Tommy Li, Mr Jason Marshall (Coach) Front Row: Cullen Bouterey, Rory Pepperell, Kaleb Hinton, Flynn Schrider, Sammi Annane

### Junior Team

We kicked the Junior Volleyball season off with a trial in Term 3 which saw a number of players interested in playing for NPBHS for 2024. We were lucky enough to select a Junior A team with plenty of Ygs in the squad. Our athletes were committed and trained hard in the build-up for the junior season.

### TSSSA

The Junior A started the season well coming second in the competitive TSSSA Junior Volleyball Championships, winning all of the games in pool play to face Spotswood College in the final. Unfortunately we went down to a strong Spotswood junior team in the final.

### Taranaki Regionals

The Junior Regional finals were between us and Spotswood College and much like the TSSSA they were too strong for us this year. Our 2nd place qualified us for the top 32 in the NISS.

#### **NISS** Championships

Our Junior A team travelled to Auckland to compete in the Top 32 of the North Island Secondary Schools Championships in late November. After tough pool play, we were pushed to the 17-32 bracket (Division 2), where we managed to qualify for the quarterfinals. We came up against a strong Massey High School, which put us in the playoff for 5th/6th in Division 2 against Whakatāne High School. The boys managed to grind out a win and finished 21st out of 48 teams.



#### JUNIOR A VOLLEYBALL TEAM

Back Row: Mr J. Reid (Coach), Cooper James, Taylor Reid, Malachy Herlihy (Student Coach)

Front Row: Tayvin Ibarra-Antioquia, Zac Dannefaerd, Oscar Huffam, Ngakau Rangi Absent: Phoenix Deshwal

#### Junior Awards 2024

Most Valuable Player - Taylor Reid Leadership in Junior Volleyball - Taylor Reid



A special acknowledgment goes to coach Jason Reid and student coach Malachy Herlihy for their coaching and mentorship of our Junior squad players.

Huge thanks to the parents for your support of our students getting them to and from games and allowing them to be part of the squad heading to national tournaments and exchanges.

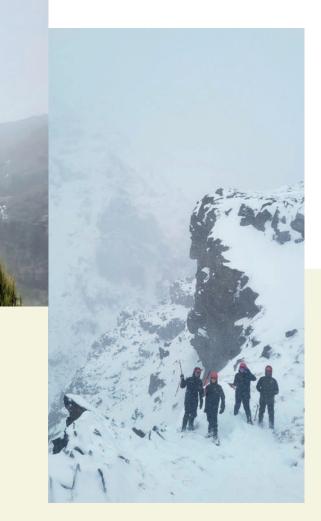
## **Outdoor Education**











Level 2 Tongariro Expedition Week

Week 9 of term 3 saw the annual week-long expedition to Tongariro National Park. On Monday morning, teachers, instructor Nick Brown and students headed off at 6.30 am, a less than positive weather forecast hanging over our heads. With a westerly wind at our backs in the afternoon we completed the crossing of Tama Saddle in a mixture of wind, sleet, and rain, to safely arrive at Waihohonu Hut.

The snow then came. We awoke to a world of white, and despite the snow showers and wind, broke into groups to complete the navigation assessment. After seven hours of being out in the elements, the hut was a welcome respite.

Sun greeted us on Wednesday morning, and we walked out to the vans and drove from the eastern side of the mountain to the western. The influence of the rainshadow was emphasised on this journey, sunshine in the east, snowing up on the mountain in the west. Snow skills up on the skifield, in wind and snow, were the order of the afternoon, wind and snow preventing us reaching our hoped for destination higher up the mountain. Again we retreated to the comfort of a hut lower down the mountain in the evening.

More of the same on Thursday, survival shelter building in the deep and sticky fresh snow that adorned the lower slopes of Whakapapa, it had been rock and scoria only a few days prior. Again a few hours in the snow and wind were enough, and we then hiked through snow to another hut, one of our favourites on the mountain, and the home for many a werewolf.

Friday was the first day it did not snow on us, just wind and cloud. We journeyed out to the van. One of the toughest expeditions because of the weather but though the weather dealt us lemons, we managed to make some good lemonade.

## Tour







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### Hockey Development Tour to Malaysia



After a delay due to the COVID years, the hockey programme was able to offer the Development Hockey Tour to Malaysia once again.

A group of 22 boys, six parents and three coaching staff ventured off for a 12-day experience in Malaysia at the start of the autumn holidays. While the heat and humidity were fierce, the warm and friendly nature of the Malaysian people made for an unforgettable trip.

The tour started with two games in Penang, both against local schools. The first game ended in a draw in hot but tolerable conditions. The second game, however, proved challenging, with the heat and humidity presenting obstacles the boys struggled to overcome.

Moving to the centre of the country, in Ipoh, the boys got to experience a real tropical thunderstorm. This led to a stop-start affair, as player safety became an issue.

The tour then moved on to the vibrant and bustling city of Kuala Lumpur. This stunning city hosted three further matches, including one at the National Hockey Stadium — probably the largest venue these players will ever play in.

The trip wasn't just about hockey, as there were numerous visits to attractions in the various cities. These included water parks, significant cultural sites like Batu Caves, other prime tourist spots such as the KL Tower, and plenty of shopping excursions to the markets in Chinatown. The boys also had the chance to experience using the MRT system to travel around the city.

Malaysia is a fantastic country to visit and tour. While the heat and humidity certainly make playing high-level sport a challenge, it is the warmth and friendliness of the people that leave the biggest impression. The games were played in a highly competitive spirit, but it was heartening to see both teams linger to chat and connect after the matches. A big thank you to all the schools that hosted us — we will be back again in 2027, all going to plan!

Finally, a huge thank you to the parents for trusting us with the care of their young men and for supporting the various fundraising activities. The trip also wouldn't have been a success without the coaching staff and tour management who made it possible.





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### International *Report*

In 2024, New Plymouth Boys' High School had 31 Fee-paying International students from nine different countries. We also had Margie Smith join the ESOL team. Her wealth of experience in International Education and ESOL was a very positive addition to the team.

Throughout the year, we had a variety of International trips: a Black test in Wellington, a trip to Hobbiton and Waitomo Caves in the Waikato, and a visit to Rotorua, where we experienced a zip-lining canopy tour, a Maori Village, and the Agridome.

At the end of 2024, we farewelled the following long-term International students: Ian Wong from Hong Kong, who has been offered scholarships to study health science in Auckland or Dunedin, and Thanarak Raethong, who has returned to Thailand for study or military service. Lucas Au is from Hong Kong and will attend university in Australia. Ben Ng will continue his studies elsewhere in New Zealand.

#### Hugh Russell Director of International Students Jade Tyrrell Student Welfare Manager









#### Farewell to Ian Wong

In 2020, Ian arrived as a Year 9 Boarder from Hong Kong. His parents dropped him off, intending to return to see him in the April School holidays. March 2020 saw New Zealand plummet into a COVID-19 lockdown, with the borders closed for three years. From 13 to 16, Ian could not see his parents in person or return to Hong Kong. While at New Plymouth Boys' High School, Ian excelled in music and captured 1500 students in Ryder Hall by playing the violin. He was awarded the Tiger Jacket for Music.

Ian was also a keen rugby player and was selected for the front row of the First XV. He became a very popular member of the team and within boarding. The boys often chanted his name as he came onto the Gully ground for First XV games.

Ian also obtained an Excellence Tiger Jacket by obtaining NCEA with Excellence at Level 2. This is a remarkable achievement, considering that Ian speaks English as a second language. He also rose to leadership positions as a school and boarding prefect.

Ian has had a remarkable journey at NPBHS as an International student, unlike anybody in the past, and hopefully, we won't repeat the isolation of a pandemic in the future. Special thanks must go to Ian's host family during this time, John and Ana and family, for providing such excellent care to Ian during the holidays and exit weekend from boarding.

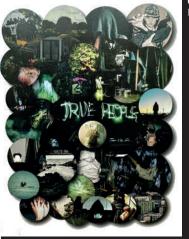


Good luck in the future, Ian.

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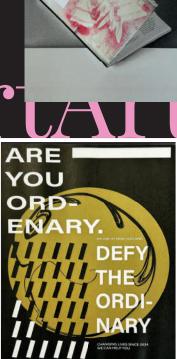


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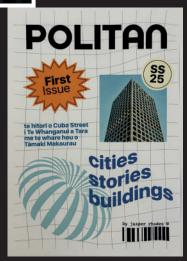






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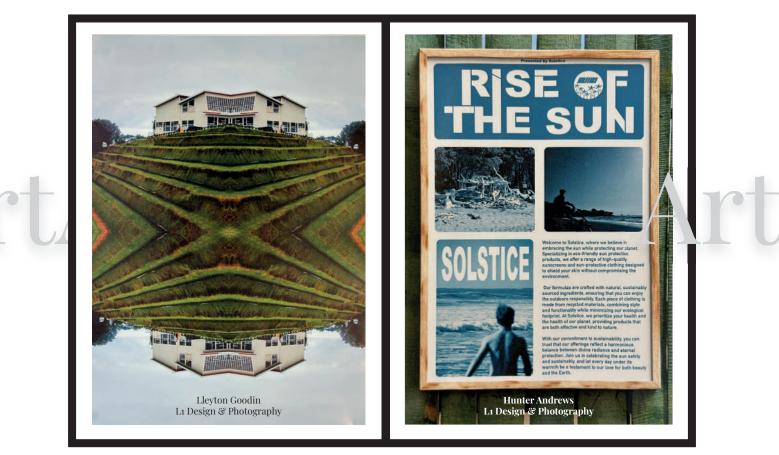
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Top (L-R): Dylan Lobb (Yr10), Tristan Hambridge (Yr10) Bottom (L-R): Thiviru Vithana (Yr10), Jack Cooper (Yr10)

## Painting

1. Aidan Galley (Yr12) 2. Thomas Hooks (Yr13) 3. Andric Malabanan (Yr11) 4. Jason McGregor (Yr12) 5. Tane Petera (Yr11) 6. Reeve Russell (Yr12) 7. Jonty Campbell-Smart (Yr11)



## Māori & Pacifika Art

1. Pueata Etimani (Yr10) 2. Poutama Murray (Yr10) 3. Kupa Walden (Yr10) 4. Amani Rokotinaviti (Yr10) 5. Leo Petio (Yr10) 6. Joweli Ligavatu (Yr10) 7. Israel Hann (Yr10)











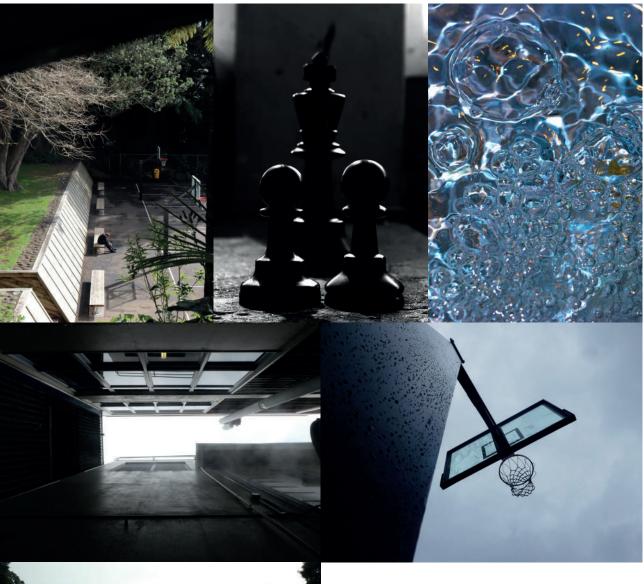






James Garmer (Yr10)

## Photography





From top left to right: Blythe Falden (Yr10) Bryzen Du Toit (Yr10) Ezra Ruka (Yr13) Ubed Hameed (Yr10) Dylan Roderick (Yr10) Corban Hills (Yr10)

## Music Department





All in all it has been a busy year, with junior performances, studio sessions, pop-up gigs and prizegiving – to round off another educational season.



The latter half of the year has flown by, marked by an incredibly busy yet rewarding schedule.

Our combined NPBHS/NPGHS Stage Band reached the finals of the National Jazz Bandit Stage Band Competition for the second consecutive year, placing in the top ten schools nationwide. They performed exceptionally well, reflecting the growing standard of our jazz groups under the direction of Matt Benton (The Black Seeds).

The Maund Dawgs Jazz Combo also competed at the National Jazz Band/Combo Competition in Tauranga over Easter, showcasing their steadily improving skills. In May, 30 of our students delivered a free concert at the Puke Ariki Library for NZ Music Month, which was met with an enthusiastic and supportive community turnout.

Super 8 Music proved to be another highlight, with Xavier Kilgour earning second place for his outstanding drum solo. Keep an ear out for his name in the years to come!

During Term 2, our students shone at the Chamber Music Competitions, where four NPBHS groups performed admirably, earning several awards. Although we narrowly missed first place, their efforts were commendable. Rockquest also saw our students achieve numerous awards and placements in their respective categories—while the top spot eluded us this year, we're already gearing up for a win in 2025! Term 3 was packed with musical achievements. Highlights included the Jazz Bandittrip to Wellington, participation in the Waikato ITM Band Contest, and our ever-growing School/House Music event, which reached new levels of skill and spectacle. Students also performed in Most FM radio concerts, all while preparing for their NCEA music assessments.

This year, we were thrilled to see an increase in scholarship music participation, with four students - Minh Dinh, Tomi Avery, Ian Wong, and Wesley Richards - pursuing practical scholarship music. This marks the largest number of scholarship music applicants we've had in the past two decades.

A special mention goes to Charlie Betts, who organized and produced the remarkable Whose Huia concert. We're excited to welcome him back in 2025 as our Cultural Prefect.

The year concluded on a high note with the TJ Awards and Senior Prizegiving. The Maund Dawgs delivered a fantastic performance, and the Barak Ensemble, crowned House Music Champions, showcased their talent at the Senior Prizegiving. A final congratulations to Ezra Ruka, our phenomenal drummer, who earned the title of Cultural Performer of the Year.

Good luck to all departing students and to the remainder, practise hard!

## Pridham Live







Pridham Live is one of our school's premier music events where students get the opportunity to play and perform in the school's iconic and historical hall - Pridham Hall. I (Charlie Betts) had the pleasure of being the Event Manager for this event and it honestly was the highlight of my year.

Nearly 30 students from all years of the school performed their hearts out with professional sound and lighting, while all being live streamed. The songs ranged from our school's premier band, 'The Maund Dowgs' playing jazzy tunes, to Triple Pulse who had the audience mesmerised by the amazing energy from their metal rock pieces. A personal highlight for me was watching George Stephens, our Deputy Head Boy play a beautiful song on the acoustic guitar, which sounded stunning in the hall. A special mention has to go out to Cooper Myers and Xavier Kilgour as not only did they play music onstage, but also helped setup and run the stage on the night as well! A massive thank you to all the performers - you were all incredible.

On the topic of behind the scenes, we had 35+ students help out whether it was backstage, setting up during the day, or working 20+ hours from setup to packdown. A massive thanks has to go to Steven Roach, Flynn Wilson, Adam Chilcott, Jack Brown, Elliott Holder and Brayden Douwes for their tireless work with me before the event as we created our HUGE spreadsheet planning for MONTHS; which I heard now rivals Mr Taylors spreadsheets?! (The war is on Mr Taylor.)

On a serious note, this event would have never been possible without you so thank you to all of you that helped out in any way.

Pridham Live was a massive success this year and it won't be the last as we plan to host bigger and better ones in 2025.



### Concert Band

The NPBHS/NPGHS combined concert band, under the musical direction of Ray Farrow, had a very successful year in 2024. Many NPBHS musicians returned to the band, including Wesley Richards on euphonium, James Peng, a talented trumpet and flugelhorn player, Kyle Contreras on trumpet, and me, Harris Brayshaw, on trombone. There were also several new faces from NPBHS this year. Year 12 students Mason Bailey, a jazz superstar on tenor saxophone, and Alex Dunning joined to strengthen and bolster the trombone section.

The concert band entered only one competition in 2024, the MusicWorks Ensemble Festival Aotearoa (MEFA), but it was a significant one. We spent the entire year rehearsing and preparing for this national competition, and the hard work paid off when the band brought home a Gold Award. James Peng gave a standout solo performance in the piece En Aranjuez Con Tu Amor. While at the competition, we had the chance to participate in workshops and play in a combined orchestra with students from other schools. Additionally, Mason Bailey and Zoey Verster of NPGHS had the honour of performing and soloing with the Royal NZ Air Force Big Band.

We ended the year with a performance at the NPGHS prizegiving on Wednesday, 30 October, which capped off a highly successful year for the concert band. With our numbers growing each year, we are optimistic about replicating - and surpassing - these achievements in 2025.

#### Harris Brayshaw Yr12

### Coronation 7

On15 May 2024, Coronation 7, a band of seven NPBHS students, travelled from New Plymouth Boys' High School to Taupō's eventcentrefortheannualSuper8CulturalFestival—ahighlight of our cultural calendar. This festival is a special opportunity for young musicians to perform in front of a live audience and showcase their talents. Our band, made up of myself (Cormac Deegan) on guitar, Charlie Betts as our lead singer, Josh Payne on bass, Kaleb Green on drums, Tyler Williams on cornet/trumpet, Mason Bailey on saxophone, and Harris Brayshaw on trombone, was proud to represent our school.

We performed on 16 May, and it was an unforgettable experience playing for such an enthusiastic crowd. But the festival wasn't just about the music. In our downtime, we fully supported our school's other performers, cheering on the chess players, enjoying drama and theatre sports, and being inspired by the stunning kapa haka and Pasifika performances.

After two days surrounded by incredible young talent, we returned home on 17 May, grateful for the opportunity to take part in this major event. The Super 8 Cultural Festival not only showcased our musical abilities but also helped us grow as a band and connect with other talented young artists from across the North Island.

## Pop-up Event

Students had the exciting opportunity to showcase their musical talent on 8th May at a special pop-up event organised by Mr Davies held at Puke Ariki. As part of a collaboration between the school and the library, around twenty students were selected to perform in front of an audience, highlighting many different talents of the school's music department. The event, which was free to attend, gave the public a chance to enjoy a lot of musical performances, from guitar solos to vocal performances, and many other musicians showcasing their talents.

I, Cormac Deegan, was proud to be part of the performance, playing guitar for the audience. It was awesome to be involved and a part of such a talented group of students, and the supportive atmosphere made the performance even more enjoyable. The audience loved listening to the music, and it felt great to represent our school in front of friends, family, and members of the local community.

Overall, it was a fantastic opportunity to perform in a relaxed setting and showcase the amazing musical talent at New Plymouth Boys' High School. The event was a huge success, and it's great to see locals come support and watch us.

## The Maund Dawgs What do we do? We play jazz. Why jazz? Why not?

About fifteen years ago, the Maund Dawgs were founded, under the previous name, Group W . The band was named after the infamous founder of the group, Mr. Maunder.

During our performance for the New Plymouth Jazz Band, I was lucky enough to meet Mr. Maunder. He said, "I was very, very impressed with Tunisia. I did not expect you to play an arrangement like that." This showed me that Mr. Maunder's love for jazz, just like in our band, still exists many years later.

To be able to take a piece of music and make it our own is a great feeling. When I joined the band at the start of this year, I couldn't name one jazz song and could barely play in key. However, the band saw my love for music and helped me grow into the musician I am today. The band took me around New Zealand performing at competitions, such as the Tauranga Nationals and the Waikato ITM Band Festival which showed me what competing in jazz is made for.

Jazz competitions were definitely not made to see who is the best soloist, or which group can play the hardest pieces. It was made to show which group can be most diplomatic and work together to create genuine art. That to me is the Maund Dawgs.

One moment that truly made me realise just how special this band is, was during our performance for the Tiger Jacket Awards dinner at the Devon Hotel, where we were asked for an encore by Mr. Moore and many others to play one more song.

While we were trying to figure out what song to play, all throwing our ideas on the floor, one of the band members started to play "All Blues" by Miles Davis. The band fell quiet and everyone joined in. We then played this staple of jazz, alternating solos between each other, giving us in my opinion, the best performance we had all year.





MAUND DAWGS Back Row: Harris Brayshaw, Ezra Ruka, Thomas Eberhard, Caleb Blackmore Front Row: Mr V. Treweek, Shion Boyd, Mason Bailey, Mr M. Benton

We were lucky this year to have a talented group of musicians, with three members leaving halfway through the year and one joining in later on. The band consisted of Shion Boyd (Piano), Mason Bailey (Tenor Saxophone), Harris Brayshaw (Trombone), James Peng (Trumpet), Cody Putt (Electric Guitar), Caleb Blackmore (Electric Guitar), Ezra Ruka (Drums), George Kopa (Vocals) and myself Thomas Eberhard (Bass Guitar), with Matthew Benton and Viv Treweek guiding and teaching us throughout the year.

Thomas Eberhard Yr13

### That's why!



## Smokefree Rockquest

The 2024 Smokefree Rockquest was an amazing experience for everybody involved. This year was probably my favourite Rockquest that I have taken part in. The entire TSB Showplace was filled up with family, friends and amazing people. There was this energy backstage - everybody getting along and being super hyped to get up on stage and perform.

The amount of youth talent that was displayed on the massive stage was humbling. Everybody was getting into it and there was a massive mosh pit in the band's section for almost all the acts. I'm so happy with my own achievements, with my band Brain Damage placing third and myself winning the best lyric award for bands. I have to also give credit to the rest of the NPBHS bands and solo performers. We all did our school and ourselves proud.

BRING ON ROCKQUEST 2025!

Cooper Myers Yr11







#### STAGE BAND

Back Row: Mr V. Treweek, Maataatoa Matene, Harris Brayshaw, Thomas Eberhard, Tonia Alamano, Te Kaha Tutahione, Mr M. Benton

Second Row: Alex Dunning, Tyler Williams, Ezra Ruka, Nikylah Brackstone, Shion Boyd, Isaac Thornhill, Mason Bailey

Front Row: Grace Warren, Zoey Verster, Kylle Contreras, James Peng, Kaylee Pollock, Ashton Green Absent: Melody Gordon, Marie Wilkinson

### Stage Band

This band continues to go from strength to strength. Their passion for playing together and improving as musicians is evident to all who hear them perform. In 2024, the Stage Band once again distinguished itself at the Waikato ITM Band Festival. They were thrilled to make the national finals of the Jazz Band-It Competition in Wellington, New Zealand's premier jazz band showcase.

Under the direction of Old Boy and teacher Mr Matt Benton, the mixed NPBHS/GHS crew delivered infectious grooves that turned heads and gained new fans throughout the competition. Most of the band members will continue in 2025, joined by some talented younger players stepping up to the plate. Next year promises to be another exciting chapter in the evolution of our jazz bands.



### Feilding High School Music Exchange

We had the pleasure of hosting a large number of music students from Feilding High School in Term 1 this year. This inaugural exchange was aimed at upskilling our concert band musicians with workshops involving students and tutors from both schools. The day-long sessions culminated in an evening concert in Ryder Hall. It was amazing the way both schools worked together and were able to perform songs that they had only learnt on the day. Our boys were superb hosts and these exchanges provide the opportunity for our boys to see and hear different perspectives on music performance. We will look forward to seeing where this school connection leads to in the future.



### Rhythm Ace Studio Sessions

This year again saw a small number of our boys have the privilege of spending five sessions at Rhythm Ace Studios in Oākura. We are in our fourth year of running these sessions - an avenue that has been made possible by STAR funding. The boys have learned the ins and outs of running a recording studio and have spent time being able to record high quality audio of some of their songs. Sam Johnson, owner/engineer and producer at Rhythm Ace has such an epic way of bringing the best out of the boys. Many of these students describe these sessions as some of their favourite parts of the school year. We are grateful for this opportunity and will continue to look for ways to keep upskilling our musicians in a challenging, yet highly encouraging and inspiring environment.



## TheatreFest

2024 was likely the biggest year for Drama the school has ever had.

The school calendar for Drama is usually marked by one standout main event - the Super 8 Cultural Festival in May. What usually happens is the team practices frequently for months up until Super 8 comes around, and then the momentum for the year and the competitive energy for Drama fizzles out. We went in to 2024 expecting the same thing, but one of the judges at Super 8 told us about the TheatreFest competitions happening nationwide and we knew we had a piece to perform. Seeing an opportunity, we entered and the competitive spirit was back in the team.

First came the regional (Taranaki-Waikato-Bay of Plenty) round which took us to Taupō, where there were performances from other schools but mostly by local theatre groups. We had practised as hard as we could going into the event and received a lot of positive feedback, eventually being told we had made the upper North Island regionals in Hamilton. These short day-and-a-half trips were very busy and we were exhausted by the end of them, but the boys loved it. In Hamilton, the pressure was on as we were determined to reach the final stage of the competition - the national showcase in Wellington. After watching performances from regional groups from around the North Island, we were thrilled to hear we had qualified for the showcase in Wellington and went on to have a trip that our team will surely remember for a lifetime.

Our Drama team's always been like a family and these trips meant so much to our crew. Our favourite parts about them were getting to go to places we'd never been on drama trips to, like Hamilton and especially Wellington, and the little moments, like killing time by playing American Football in the car park outside the theatre in Hamilton and enjoying the downtime at the accommodation with the crew. These moments have strengthened our friendships and brought us closer as a team.

This year wouldn't be possible without Mr Ruakere for giving us so much of your time to help us improve our performance and to Mr Davies for providing us with these opportunities we are lucky to have. Thank you - the whole crew is infinitely grateful to you both. We all agree: these trips have made memories that will stay with us forever.

As Drama continues to evolve at NPBHS, next year is looking to be the most exciting yet - with opportunities like the TheatreFest competitions springing up all over the place. We'll look to take as many opportunities and make as many memories as we can.

Taine Knox Yr12

Drama will keep growing, and we're looking forward to every bit of it!

### Drama Showcase

### 'Stories for Men'

The first Monday of Arts Week in Term 3 provided an epic opportunity for our senior drama students to perform to family and friends a collection of play extracts and devised theatre (physical theatre that is created through an ongoing process).

The year 11 students started the show with their powerful, full class piece of devised theatre that looked at the true cost of war and the courage that our forefathers showed. It was fitting that the boys performed this in Pridham Hall, 30 metres away from the Memorial Gates where so many individual old boys' names are etched into our history. This was a moving



way for these names and stories to come to life for our boys and their performance was filled with empathy, depth of thought and passion. A number of year 11 students then went on to perform extracts from Oscar Kightley and David Armstrong's play, 'Niu Sila', that deals with friendship and race in 1970's NZ. The boys' performances showed control and were compelling viewing.

Our senior year 12 and 13 combined drama class performed a series of extracts from 'Journey's End' - a physiological window into the trauma of war. The boys handled the scenes with real skill and dug deep to deliver heartfelt and impacting performances. To close the night, The TheatreFest finalists wowed the audience with their polished and challenging devised piece, 'The Man in the Glass' - an insight into the way that issues around masculinity can be passed down through the generations. The synergy between the group and the skillful way that they carried the performance forward was top shelf and they clearly showed why they were worthy finalists in a national drama competition.

Drama continues to encourage our boys for more innovative and impactful ways of expressing themselves. We are really excited about the possibilities that next year has in store and the boys are ready to go!

### Meka Mauriri

Māori Wood Carving Workshops (Whakairo)





We spent an awesome day with leading Taranaki wood carver and Old Boy Meka Mauriri (2012), who ran two workshops for our junior students. In the three-hour window, the workshops took boys through the journey from drawing to carving. It was stunning to watch the boys engage with this creative art form and see the fire of inspiration ignited in so many of these young men. Whakairo is a creative area we are looking to develop at the school, and this workshop was a brilliant way to start the process.

### Community Focus

### Marfell School -Kura Kai Visit

We had the privilege of running a programme to support the students at Marfell School early in Term 4. Several of our junior students led workshops in drama, music, and sport for the senior classes at this kura. We then provided a BBQ lunch for all the students in the school with the support of Kura Kai NZ, an organisation that helps provide kai to those in need within our schools.

Adding to this, our junior hospitality students made a selection of baked treats, including Russian fudge, truffles, and chocolate bark. Staff also joined in by providing wrapped gifts for the children at the school. This generosity meant we were able to give every student in the school a gift bag—something truly heartwarming to witness.

It is important for our boys to serve in our community and use their talents and resources to uplift those in need.









Our boys continue to seek opportunities to serve our local community. It has been our pleasure and honour to support the ongoing work of the Taranaki Women's Refuge. This included collecting for the annual Street Appeal in July, assisting with moving equipment for the Pop-up Shop, and providing lighting and other technical support for the Runway for Refuge fundraiser at the Plymouth Hotel.

We also offered technical assistance and equipment to Puketapu School for their school show and to Oākura School for their Gala Day.

Additionally, our musicians performed in rest homes and other public spaces, spreading joy to those in need. It is critically important for our young men to understand the value of sharing their time and talents to uplift others. They continue to embody this philosophy, consistently stepping up to help whenever needed.

## Pridham Library



LIBRARIANS

Back Row: Nathan Agar, Aidan Suhr, Matthew Scown, Oliver Marsh Second Row: Ms K. Wilkin, Mattheo Van Rheede Van Oudtshoorn, Jazpa Benny-Pearse, Tony Andrews, Antony Winch

Front Row: Dang-Khoa Pham, Sean Barker, Jasper Rhodes, Tyler Williams, Elijah Frewin Absort Longa Sim, Jaseb Bastall

Absent: James Sim, Jacob Bentall

### 2024 Library issuing stats:

- 1. Guinness World Records.
- 2. Demon slayer : Kimetsu no yaiba. 1, Cruelty Gotouge, Koyoharu.
- 3. One Piece Vol. 2. Buggy the Clown. Oda, Eiichiro.
- 4. Attack on Titan : 5 [graphic novel] Isayama, Hajime.
- 5. Nineteen Eighty-four Orwell, George.
- 6. Putin's Prisoner : My time as a prisoner of war in Ukr... Aslin, Aiden.
- 7. The Maid Prose, Nita.
- 8. Komi can't communicate, Vol. 1 Oda, Tomohito.
- 9. Big Nate Lives it up Peirce, Lincoln.
- 10. Assassin's Apprentice Hobb, Robin.

It's nice to see some novels as well as the usual manga.



### Welcome to the new Pridham Library!

We opened on the 2nd of April during a staff briefing with Karakea and Waiata. From the moment we opened, the students have poured in and enjoyed using the new space, which has both a contemporary feel and a modern design, making a stylish contrast to the beautiful historic building it is housed in.

As the library is now situated in the heart of the English Department, daily usage is very convenient. As well as full class bookings, we almost always have smaller break-out groups from the adjacent English classes with the individual study booths useful for seniors during their study periods. In fact, at interval and lunch we can be the victim of our own success with numbers 100+ on wet days. Although this can be pretty rowdy, since we arrived at the exam end of the year, the junior students have been very respectful of the need for seniors to have silent study, which gives the space a further thumbs up!

### **Student Librarians**

The student librarians have been a little disrupted this year as there was no library for them for the first term. However, they have continued to help out in the new space since we opened and as usual their work has been greatly appreciated. Due to the disruptions we have not had a Senior Librarian for 2024, but the position will be reinstated again in 2025.

#### Katherine Wilkin

Library Manager

## Chess

With Brayden and Freddie leaving for university and potential replacements from the B team moving away from New Plymouth, we knew it would take a solid effort to do well.

Minh Dinh became captain on board 1, with Tomi Avery stepping up to board 2. Arley Brunning and Oliver Clement joined from the B team to round out boards 3 and 4. Coaching was led by Mr Wiringi, with Mr Treweek joining as manager.

Super 8 was a tough start, with a stacked Hamilton team sweeping us on all boards in the first round. The loss knocked our confidence, leading to a few errors and a draw and loss to lower-ranked teams, leaving us in fifth after day one. Determined to bounce back, the boys delivered flawless performances on day two, winning all three rounds, including a 4/4 against Palmerston North. We finished in third place, with Hamilton taking the trophy and Palmerston North placing second. Arley Brunning was named our player of the tournament.

At Regionals, the A team went undefeated again, with Tony Andrews stepping in for Arley on late notice. The B team, featuring Mackenzie Packman, Ubed Hameed, Manas Tukkapuram, and Devin Miller, lost only to the A team, finishing second equal with Inglewood High School, who edged them out for silver on a tie-break. Our C team, anchored by promising year 9 Ethan Charles, placed mid-table.



CHESS TEAM Back Row: Aidan Suhr, Cairo Wilson Second Row: Mr J. Wiringi (Coach), Ubed Hameed, Tony Andrews, Ethan Charles, Devin Miller Front Row: Manas Tukkapuram, Tomi Avery, Minh Dinh, Joel Siraa Absent: Arley Brunning, Oliver Clement, Mr V. Treweek (Manager)

Qualifying for Nationals was a significant achievement, but with Minh and Tomi unavailable, we decided to offer our place to Inglewood High School, giving them an opportunity to experience the tournament. Looking ahead, we're optimistic about rebuilding with strong junior players emerging through the New Plymouth Chess Club and aim to achieve more success at future Super 8 and Nationals competitions.

## Debating

2024 has been a year filled with opportunities for our young men to express themselves through debating. With a strong senior team already in place, our main focus was on recruiting more junior members into our whānau. We were fortunate to have several Year 9 and 10 students join us. Under the leadership of Sourya Banerjee, the team met every Monday afternoon after school to refine their debating skills. Our first event of the year was the Central North Island Championships, where schools from across the central region, including another Super 8 school, Palmerston North Boys' High, came together to compete.

We were also involved in the Super 8 Cultural Festival. Unfortunately, our junior team was unable to compete in all of their debates due to a scheduling clash with the theatre sports competition. Despite this, many other opportunities arose, including three trips to Whanganui for various competitions. Some notable achievements include Sourya Banerjee receiving his Tiger Jacket for debating, and Cameron Catlin-Maybury being named Junior Debater of one of the interschool competitions.



#### DEBATING TEAM

Back Row: Mr J. Edmonds (TIC), Hussam Othman, Hamin Yim, Logan Duff, Elliott Holder, Benjamin Honeyfield Front Row: Kainoa Horton, Matt Weeks, Sourya Banerjee, Jerry Wei, Quill Thomas Absent: Alfie Healion, Cameron Catlin-Maybury, Connor Catlin-Maybury

Overall, it has been a successful year, and we look forward to growing even more in 2025.

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### Future Pathways

This was the first year for NPBHS to offer Future Pathways as a subject. It is now the overarching name for helping students plan their future. It includes Gateway, work experience, offsite courses and works closely with those students in the Building Academy. As well as working with the students who choose Future Pathways as a subject it also has a wider scope to help all students of the school with their decision making and making links between their school subjects and their next steps.

### Gateway

Gateway opens a new barrier free pathway from school to the world of work. It is a great opportunity to blend school study with workplace learning and experience. Units are assessed in the workplace or by a Gateway provider, counting towards national qualifications.

Gateway helps build skills for employment; working in real workplaces on real tasks. It gives opportunities to try out potential careers and build links to industry training organisations, modern apprenticeships, and workplaces.

After an interview with Mr Watts or Mr Lock, students are then encouraged to make the initial approach with the employer of their choice for their Gateway work placement. Most placements have unit standards to do in the workplace and other theory units to do in the classroom. These will all be marked by a registered assessor. Gateway students complete Health and Safety units and First Aid courses within Term 1.

We have had 16 students leave for jobs, seven to further training and 22 confirmed apprenticeships.

#### We are grateful for the ongoing support of businesses in the Taranaki region who continue to take our Gateway students and support them with practical hands-on experience.

Aquacare Plumbing Auto City Awai Valley Farms Carley Plumbing and Gas Ltd Chad Jones Electrical/NZ Sparky Clelands Coastal Services Datatalk Dialog Fitzrov Electric L Energy Works Field Torque Taranaki Fitzroy Service Station Gilmor Electrical Gold Electrical Hanover Plumbing Harry Darke Building Hel Ŕimu Howie Construction Hubbard Building ICE Electrical In2Kitchens JLE Landmark Lintern Engineering McCurdy Engineering Megaw Construction Nagle Electrical Need Electrical

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We wish all our students a successful future and look forward to seeing them in the community.



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#### STAR Courses 2024

Barista Bartending Chainsaw x2 First Aid x5 Forklift x3 Health & Safety x6 Height Safety x3 Rugby Referee Security Small Emergency x2 TOPEC Pest Eradication x2 WITT Taster Courses x4 YOOBEE x1

Off-Site Courses

WITT again provided taster courses as well as offering full year opportunities in the Trades Academy & 3+2 courses. All of these provide fantastic learning opportunities to our students and we are very lucky to have them on our doorstep.

TOPEC provided a Pest Eradication and Bush Survival course in Term 2 and Term 3. Students prepared, placed, set and checked traps, and monitored pest-animal operations. TOPEC instructors taught students to become self-sufficient in the outdoors, learning to read maps, build shelters and fires, cook on a campfire, cross rivers safely and understand navigation techniques.



The Future Pathways department use's many outside providers who provide a wide ranging number of courses from First Aid to Chainsaw to Rugby Refereeing - just to name a few.

These courses are over-and-above the students' normal timetabled classes, and offer valuable experiences that help with positive future pathway decision-making.

# Building Academy

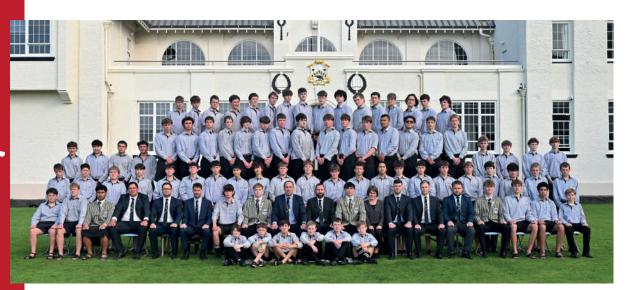
Another exciting first for NPBHS in providing a unique learning experience for our students which saw 16 year 12 students come off timetable and concentrate fully on building projects around the school, under the experienced and watchful eye of Mr Drought. This Building Academy provided the vehicle for these boys to gain Level 2 while making connections with industry professionals who gave them the opportunity to join their building crews for extended periods.

Due to the success of this programme it has now become a permanent addition to the NPBHS timetable.





Moyes



Back Row: Lance Winborne, Ryder Gernhoefer, Peter Brown, Wyatt Kingi, Rex Fagan, Robert Carrick, Jessie Kidd, Jake Le Fleming, Jake Brady, Caleb Blackmore, Max Von Elders, Charlie Broadmore, Keepa Parka, Zac Walker, Oscar Yarrall

Third Row: Charlie Luxton-Symes, Chayathorn Siriphand, Benjamin Cantlon, Jackson Pari, Jack Hurley, Kenneth Mciver, Brody Buck, Tudur Evans, Ben Honeyfield, Kayden Bishop, Tyrell Parata-Proctor, Ben Helms, Arlo Wells, Joseph Mullis, Kingston Tate-Dewes, Ben Ng, Jan Sternmann, Lorcan Honeyfield, Cobain Billing, Aidan Hart, Hunter Kerr, Tobias Ogle

Second Row: Konna Moss, Braxton Mahu, Tobi Price, Flynn Murdoch, T.k Brown, George Le Quesne, Harry Allan, Lucas Au, Carlos Chan, Samuel Stewart, Lucas Hurley, Edward Simpson, Ethan Stewart, Reiden Robinson, Corbyn Isaacs, Lochy Pedersen, Heath Sheehan, Blake Delahanty, Oscar Baylis, Aidan Wano, James Ogle, Liam Terry

Front Row: Kael Whangapiritia, Cooper Paterson, Uta Toremana (Head Of Niger), Mr Noho Robinson, Mr Brad Bennett, Mr Hemi Coates, Regan Bevege, Jackson Steele (Head Of Moyes), Mr Leighton Price, Mr Jamie Stones (Director Of Boarding), Mrs Jenny Moore, Mr Liam Younger, Mr Josh Angell, Mr Thomas Clark-Puia, Ethan Staddon, Will Darke, Jayden Holland, Ashton Moyes

Seated: Hedd Evans, Zane Mcdonald, Monty Darke, Nathan Mcwilliam, Jake Wynyard, Luke Harris



Back Row: Rhyder Whitiora-Matthews, Cody Smith, Nikora Grindlay, Emmanouel Kanellis, Jethro Campbell, Samuel Graham, Quentin Turner, Charlie Herbert, Luke Goodman, Lachlan Hewson-Baldwin, Matteo Malzahn, Tukaha Rauputu, Makeo Mcpherson, Liam Jordan

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Seated: Oli Wisnewski, Cooper Chatfield, Puku Stratford, Isaac Carter, Raiden Gibson, Able Samson, Aden Van Den Brand, Cameron Downey, Matt Johnston

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## Staff 2024

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			Mace Maraki	Lynda Julian	Office Administrator / Reception Teacher
STAFF		- III The second strength of the	Maraki	Rebecca	Teacher
Last Name	First Name	Job Title	McGrath	Trent	Teacher
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Ning	rieauiei	Administration Manager			Dean OfHouse - Hatherly

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Front Row: Taylor Harvey, Quinn Henwood, Tommy Morrison, Logan Hislop (Huia Leader), Dang-Khoa Pham, Ryder Perrett, Tyler Hambridge

Absent: Lochlan Hawke, Tatum Huihui, Myles Lock, Vindylin Stanway



### **B02**

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Mason Heta, Qoqo Heinemann, Cailan Molineux, Corban Hills, Jayden Lane, Hugo Hodson Front Row: Will Hale, Thomas Hale, Kadison Hooper, Xavier

Holdom (Huia Leader), Mason Herewini, Charlie Maxner, Andrew Hedberg

Absent: Aiden Hayman, Seb Goodin



## Bo3

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Second Row: Mrs C. Matuku (Huia Teacher), Lincoln Pauga, Jordie Luke, Emosi Hemara, Cooper Myers, Aiorangi Goodwin, Niko Grant-Fargie, Occy Tapara

Front Row: Jordan Little, Lai Natoga, Ezra Ruka (Huia Leader), Kaisei Ishihara (Huia Leader), Lykai Posthuma, Heemi Hope, Jahziah Little-Feakins

Absent: Beau Henderson, Te Hatu Herewini, Kavelle Hughes, Zkarhn Kahui, Hugo Mansvelt, Tio Roulston



## Bo4

Back Row: Leo Padrutt, Armour Leslie, Kohen Hareb-Hine, Jai Hann, Riley Hope, Lucas Hollows

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Front Row: Tayvin Ibarra-Antioquia, Hanrui Ge, Lochlain McQuaig, Thomas Hope (Huia Leader), Damon Hooper, Seungwoo Pyo, Michael Obreja-Damian

Absent: Malachy Herlihy, Atlas Horo, Blair Hoskin, Seth Huntley, Lucas King-Berndt, Jasper Miners, Arorangi O'Fahengaue Te Kura



## **B05**

Back Row: Malachi Aiken-Fisher, Max Henderson, Kalani Henderson, Thomas Hooks

Third Row: Aiden Hutterd, Tommy Ingram, Julian Pfau, Caden Johnston, Ashton Henricksen, Jai Meyer

Second Row: Mr C. Rushton (Huia Teacher), William Jones,

Steven Henry, Jamie Ingram, Jasper Mitchell, Michael McKibbin, August Jones

Front Row: Kainoa Horton, Colt Mitchell, Victor Mwaengeni, Ben James (Huia Leader), Robert Harrison, Stirling Humphries, Daksh Prasad

Absent: Korben Maindonald, Finley Jones, Lincoln Hudson-Bool, Luke Hudson, Ryan Jameson

## **B0**6

Back Row: Connor Kalin, Jonty Hilliam, Cooper James, Terence Johns-King

Third Row: Gabriel Karlosson Marsden, Darien Lowcay, Preston Herbert, Cormac Johnson, Gus Hutchinson

Second Row: Hunter Ireland, Cade Johnstone, Lachlan Karetai-Evans, Connor Ireland, Jackson Moyle, Theo Moyle, Jake Hill Front Row: Zach Hunger, Connor Hyland, Enrico Jimenez, Declan Johnson (Huia Leader), Guan Ip, Xavier Kilgour, Ethan Miller Absent: Chace Herbet, Josh Hill, Scott Jamieson, Godwyn Moreno, Mr J. Marshall (Huia Teacher)



## **B07**

Back Row: Ari Laurenson, Lucas Jones, Joel Jones, Zach Lambert, Taine Knox

Third Row: Isaac Johnston, Jack Huffam, Chili Kearns-Grieve, Regan Hunger, Nico Jordan, Oscar Huffam, Aidan Kershaw Second Row: Mr S. Muir (Huia Teacher), Rafa O'Sullivan, Hunter Day, Alexander Osten, Finn Lambert, Shaheer Mustafa, Quin Jeffries, Matua Julian Maraki (Huia Teacher)

Front Row: Essa Ongchangco, Sam O'Keeffe, Ashar Mustafa, Stephen McNeill, Tyler Janes, Brodie Laurenson, Troy Ireson Absent: Jamian Jansen, Miller Johnston, Joseph Jones, Tyler Kennedy (Huia Leader), Riley Parker



## **B08**

Back Row: Liam Kinane, Max Jones, Jesse Leach, James MacFarlane

Third Row: Manasa Kaiyatia, Benjamin Jackson, Eroni Kito, Zayne O'Carroll, Hparat Lanan

Second Row: Mr T. McGrath (Huia Teacher), Cody Kindler, Maliepo Paunga, Blake Koch, Taj Lallu, Chris Lee, Emmett King Front Row: Kanye Pomana, Arthur Johnson, Alex Pope, Oliver MacRae-Blyde, Max Jury, Mathis Lacoste, Zweli Pike Absent: Mrs H. Goodall (Huia Teacher), VJ-Immanuel Paese, Finn Ingle, Regan Kealey, Ethan Lecher (Huia Leader)



## Bo9

Back Row: Noah Puckey, Ashton Joyce, Dee-Jay Ngatai, Chase Judson, Haasen Khan

Second Row: Mrs L. Hale (Huia Teacher), John Knapman, Oliver Kemsley, Jacob Koia, Connor Marsden, Jack Kershaw, Jai Laurence

Front Row: Kase Bason, Jasper Kane, Cooper Markham, Michael Lobb (Huia Leader), Conner Lehndorf, Jimmy Parkes, Thomas Kehely

Absent: Mikael Jones, Lewis Kennedy, Theo Kraayenhof, Tommy Li, Koen Bason, Tyler Knapman, Jack Cleaver, Jaiah Otene



### **B10**

Back Row: Khobie Kane, Mason McGregor, Oliver Marsh, Tyler McCullough, Max Ker

Third Row: Ravij Khadilkar, Isikeli Ligavatu, Khyber Macdonald, Dylan Hudson, Aditya Joshi, Rhaiden Lucmayon

Second Row: Mr K. Ruakere (Huia Teacher), Nikau Jones, Kayden Keoghan La-Rue, Joweli Ligavatu, Cooper Hill, Jekope Ligavatu, Zach Jury

Front Row: Lewis Jones, Nate Kidney, Miller Low, Ethan Lay (Huia Leader), Thorne Knibbs, Dexter Lock, Harper Lock

Absent: Elijah Keig, Alex Kilian, Hanrui Ge, Finn Magon, Jordan Petrie, Mrs K. Hacker (Huia Teacher)



## **B11**

Back Row: Jak Fabish, Eze Bishop, Samuel Lovegrove Third Row: Ollie Knowles, Jason McGregor, Baylin McFetridge, Jae Lallu, Tyler Kamilo, Isaac Hubbard

Second Row: Ms J. Johnstone (Huia Teacher), Lucius King, Connor Moorhead, Nate Macesic, Noah Hooper, Liam McQuaig, Nesta O'Carroll, Angelo King

Front Row: Riley Kinane, Wil McQuaig, Josh Kirchoff, Aayush Neupane (Huia Leader), Aiden Goodin, Joshua Lonsdale, Jack Lane

Absent: Robbie Fisher, Max Hogwood, Blaze Kieft, Nikau Kopu, Naeco Laird, Riley MacLeod, Stampy Meunwisetch, Jack Minchin



## **B12**

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Third Row: Caleb Pryce, Tima Kuanbek, Jake Kohalmi, Kash Nathan, Noah Lobb, Declan Gooda, Ivon Kumar, Mitchell Krogh Second Row: Mr L. Brown (Huia Teacher), Rafferty Hassett, Logan Knuckey, Friedrich Kemper, Henry Martin, Sheheran Kotalawala, Patrick Marshall

Front Row: Zane Johanson, Elisha Maddox, Joe Mathers, Ryan Marshall (Huia Leader), Monty Larsen, Luca James, Harry Mattson

Absent: Tomi Avery, Connor Lines, Zane MacDonald, Ryley Nicholson



## **B13**

Back Row: Simon Nyman-King, Marcus Nyman-King, Henry Bruce-Johnson, Aiden Morgan, Elias Merdj

Third Row: Cole Lobban, Lleyton Goodin, Meshach Murray, Riley Mitchell, Corrin Jansma, Jordan Meng, Vadam Lucas

Second Row: Mrs A. Roberts (Huia Teacher), Eddie Mills, Omar El Farouk Merdj, Riley Kane, Jack McLaren, Poutama Murray, Logan King

Front Row: Sean Leonard, Thinh Luu, Stephen McNeill, Gus McCullough (Huia Leader), Matthew McLaren, Luke Tamatea, Yousef Lashin

Absent: Samuel McCallum, Arash Momeni, Payton Tamatea

## **B14**

Back Row: Flynn McHugh, Luke Moore, Toby Mortensen, Wisam Othman, Cole McNeil

Third Row: Ryder Murray, Aiden Lin, MJ Muagututia, Isaac Morrison-Fonoti, Hussam Othman, Charlie Poulgrain Second Row: Mr W. Drought (Huia Teacher), Jackson Moorhead, Jesse Morrow, Brody Matheson, Jack Mason, Kruze Mitchell, Leon Mitchell, Andric Malabanan

Front Row: Parker Manley, Preston Mann, Joshua Morgan, Eli Poulgrain, Ryan Mills, Louis Morris, Travis Manley Absent: Dahrell MacDonald, Quinn McCullagh, Aidan Mendoza,

Stirling Monk (Huia Leader)



## **B15**

Back Row: Youssef Othman, Reuben Mathias, George Muraahi, Ollie McCallum

Third Row: George Moffat, Graysen Mottershead, Campbell Fraser, Samuel Henderson, Ari Forsyth, Ramero Haami, Cohen Mudie

Second Row: Mr M. Townes (Huia Teacher), Blake McGlashan, Joeli Nakuta, Marley Norman, Lochie Murrow, William Lim, Matthew McKenzie

Front Row: Rio Pendleton, Finley Pendleton, Cody Muggeridge, Brock Ironside (Huia Leader), Kaleb Hinton, Jackson Karetai-Evans, Devin Miller,

Absent: Mason Fale, Tama James, Yegun Park



## **B16**

Back Row: Rylan Marx, Monty Mason, Blake Newton, Sashen Govender, Rory Pepperell, Henry Moffat

Third Row: Billy Haldane, Kishen Govender, Joel Moeller, Cruz Pennington, Tommy Ngapera, Leyton Quay, Hunter Quinn Second Row: Mr F. Peters (Huia Teacher), Wi Henry Matuku Emile, Ethan Hollard, Xavier Milo, Ubed Hameed, Rory Niven, Keith Patterson

Front Row: Jake Haldane, Isaac Marr, Oscar Maraki, Liam Corrigan (Huia Leader), Minh Dinh, Adam Haldane, Yeshen Govender

Absent: Frankee O'Brien, Harlan Goodin, Cameron Ponga, Brandon Pratt



# DONNELL

## Doı

Back Row: Bradley Alberts, Daniel Alsweiler, Cohen Allan, Jamie Anderson, Nathan Agar

Third Row: Caylen Blake, Riley Ardern, Tony Andrews, Benjamin Aberdein, Kobey Agent, Sam Armstrong

Second Row: CDR M. Li (Huia Teacher), Theo Adamson, Tayler Ekdahl, Zak Dixon, Julius Awa-Paora, Flynn Ashton, Hunter Andrews, Aiden Alex

Front Row: Brandan Alexander, Aibel Alex, Hudson Adams, Jeffery Armstrong (Huia Leader), Regyn Adams-Wilson, Stanley Cooper, Sam Archer

Absent: Ethan Adamson, James Aitken, Ashton Anderson, Fergus Armstrong

## D02

Back Row: Acoya Fitzsimons, Sourya Banerjee, Harper Bailey, Jacob Awahou

Third Row: Malakai Benny, Lebron Fidow, Corey Barrett, Jesse Armfield, Brodie Eggers, Aiden Bailey

Second Row: Mrs A. Cleland (Huia Teacher), Charlie Barkley, Jacob Bellamy, Casen Fairbrother, Jazpa Benny-Pearse, Jai Bhana, Mark Ashton, Max Baker

Front Row: Harry Baker, Kody Engert, James Baker, Taylor Bailey (Huia Leader), Clarke Auld, Jacob Denholm, Campbell Avery Absent: Kauri Allen, Mason Bailey, Ollie Barkley, Felix Baumann, Chase Butler, Israel Hann





## D03

Back Row: Ryan Bishell, Daniel Bentall, Caleb Greenhill, Cameron Bell, Kyle Beard

Third Row: Charlie Betts, Regan Hislop, Livarno Du Plooy, Tyler Boisen-Rau, Theodore Bevan

Second Row: Mr G. Poole (Huia Teacher), Cyrus Ashman, Jacob Bentall, Lucas Berg, Zade Fairbrother, Jacob Carre, Samuel Dombroski

Front Row: Ayaan Azad, Gowtham Bala, Bratonash Balamurugan, Payce Hetaraka-Wall (Huia Leader), Blake Baker, Christiaan Erasmus, Jesse Hofmans

Absent: James Barnard-Perry, Khan Barnard-Perry, Dylan Betts, Seppy Binsbergen, Ezekiel Field



## **D04**

Back Row: Korbin Bisson, Shaeden Borell, Jack Braddock, Shion Boyd, Harris Brayshaw, Corbin Bosson

Third Row: Daezharn Harris, Hunter Eales, Sean Barker, Alfie Healion, Maxwell Beck, Hansen Canagan

Second Row: Mr J. Avery (Huia Teacher), Blake Freakley, Levi Bosson, Thomas Bishop, Jonty Barr, Mitchell Betteridge, Isaac Bates

Front Row: Austin Benn, Fraser Benn, Oliver Barry, Oliver Braddock (Huia leader), Kingston Benton, Josh Gwerder, Baxter Bayliss

Absent: Jasiah Berge, Liam Bishop, Lucas Erb



## D05

Back Row: Harlem Rangitonga, Jordan Cooper, Max Cave, Soane Aholelei, Ngahina Behan-Kitto, Coredae Wipiiti-Boylan, Kade Bridgeman

Third Row: CJ Takie, Manaaki Goldsmith, Benitito Etimani, Campbell Donovan, Kordae Ross, Sage Edwards, Logan Edwards

Second Row: Mr M. Maaka (Huia Teacher), Kurtis Castles, Shylin Awa, Reeve Bridgeman, Kingston Rangitonga, Iosia Teawhe-Campbell, Kayliss Ross, Kawana Erueti

Front Row: Levi Devine-Collins, Zac De Buisson, Keon Bailey-Nowell, Shawn Matuku (Huia Leader), Charlie Cave, Tai Gilbert-Barlow, Jack Matuku

Absent: Kiwa Adams, Manaia Adams, Elijah Boyd, Hendrix Boyd, Te Aopiki Brown, Rashaad Ngaia

## **Do6**

Back Row: Benjamin Broad, Kodi Bretherton, Cullen Bouterey, Raven Falaniko, Bruno Bisaga

Third Row: Luca Bretherton, Gabriel Brebner, Nathan Baylis, Rome Askew-Davis, Kingston Bevan, Noah Berridge

Second Row: Mr P. Hewlett (Huia Teacher), Brooklyn Bosson, Azariah Bishop-Baldwin, Evahn Beukes, Miro Brebner, Dylan Buck, Alex Chadwick, Mrs B. Furze (Huia Teacher)

Front Row: Oscar Berridge, Tyler Birkett- McCarvill, Sebastian Timbol, Cohen Coombes (Huia Leader), Zarn Besley, Bryn Espin, Mahley Greenbank-Wilson

Absent: Jarex Bloemen, Matthias Bosenius, William Broadmore





## **D07**

Back Row: Zavier Brown, Jason Tian, Tyler Croot, Cameron Bunn, Alex Britz

Third Row: Soren Bucka-Christensen, Finn Brasell, Finn Butler, Campbell Carlyon, Jack Brown, Nixon Caldwell

Second Row: Mr J. Flynn (Huia Teacher), Paul Banks, Cadyn Booker, Lochie Brasell, Patrick Bull, James Campbell, Jethro Blanchard

Front Row: Harry Brown, Tommy Broadmore, Kalib Bridger, Liam Crowe (Huia Leader), Noah Bosenius, Jacob Crowe, Adi Carmi Absent: Floyd Blanchard, Jax Butler, Jay Graham, Preeda Boon, Karn Christiansen



## **Do8**

Back Row: Isaac Butler, Riley Cooper, Jake Dingle, Kade Davis Third Row: Jonty Campbell-Smart, Matthew Cavanagh, Matthew Broome, Zac Button, Harry Chen, Arley Brunning

Second Row: Mrs A. Holdom (Huia Teacher), Cohen Chard, Jack Caswell, Ano Chinembiri, Jacob Caffery, Bradley Carter Front Row: Kobe Bullen, Flynn Bradshaw, Jude Chambers, Liam

Davis (Huia Leader), Gabriel Faselt-Watt, Zach Graham, Freddie Chambers

Absent: Hayden Carter, Lucas Caskey, Blake Cathcart, Ben Dixon, Otis Dixon



# DONNELL

## Do9

Back Row: Adam Chilcott, Ben Dombroski, Luke Eastwood, Luca Colombo

Third Row: Qingchuan Du, Ollie Anderson, Koby Chadwick, Liam Brooker, Wyatt Chapman, Jayme Cleary

Second Row: Mr R. Hanan (Huia Teacher), Dylan Chilcott, Aryan Chand, Jordan Fitzpatrick, Luca Coleman, Aiden Chen, Cejay Cave-La Rue

Front Row: Jovahn Burke, Taylor Cantlon, Niwa Cations-Velvin, Connor Day (Huia Leader), Lucas Freeman, Jaden Campbell, Lucca Cashin

Absent: Keaton Bigham-Smith, Matthew Cave, Qingcheng Du, Linkyn Edmonds

## **D10**

Back Row: Yanick Eberhard, Jakob Coleman, Sean Dance Third Row: Daenielle Cortez, Aidan Austen, Jack Cooper, Adam Charles, Cruz Cooney

Second Row: Mr T. Clark-Puia (Huia Teacher), Lachlan Castle, Ethan Chan, Asmit Bhatt, Liam Lewis, Ethan Charles

Front Row: Tae Cations-Velvin, Dylan Lobb, Keegan Jansen Van Vuuren, Thomas Eberhard (Huia Leader), Toby Flynn, Maxwell Flanagan, Markko Ayling-Emeny

Absent: Braeden Bradley, Keaton Chase, Darion Clarges, Alex Cross, Troy Egelhof, Bryn Emett-Pene, Kahurangi Emett-Pene, Dr J. Wright (Huia Teacher)





## **D11**

Back Row: James Day, Matthew Cooper, Dalton Davey, Paco Cisneros

Third Row: Alex Brooke,Tyler Clement, Taylin Fox, Jarix de Bruyn, Jake Clarke

Second Row: Mr G. Giddy (Huia Teacher), Tyson Baker, Drew Florence, Cohen Dennis, Izak Cleaver, Lian Du Buisson, Mr R. Turner (Huia Teacher)

Front Row: Owen Dickey, Huw Edwards, Liam Cooper, Oliver Foy (Huia Leader), Levi Cassidy, Connor Catlin-Maybury, Cameron Catlin-Maybury

Absent: Blake Brooks, Kingston Collier, Luca Crofskey, Jake Cullen, Zac Dannefaerd, Joel Dickey, Sheldon Fawkner



## **D12**

Back Row: Joel Dixon, Emilio Gray, Liam Dorrian, Matteo Gray, Cormac Deegan

Third Row: Brayden Duggan, Jacob Ansell, Niels German, Asterix Davies, Cooper Ferguson, Mack Dore

Second Row: Mr T. Schaare (Huia Teacher), Miller Ferguson, Charlie Goldfinch, Thomas Chapple, Brooklyn Childs, Kiedis Eden, Jethro Dodunski

Front Row: Kaito Chin, Riley Daken, James Edwards, Makaia Grant-Fargie (Huia Leader), Aston Chadwick, Samuel Douds-Needham, Veer Chand

Absent: Kingston Davis, Lucas Death, Kurtis Gooch, Aiden Jackson



## **D13**

Back Row: Logan Duff, Corbyn Awahou, Luca Dunn

Third Row: Taylor Ekdahl, Jamie Groombridge, Brayden Douwes, Tyler Duffield-D'Ath, Tuani Drysdale

Second Row: Mrs J. Ander (Huia Teacher), Cooper Duff, Riley Eaton, Aaron Angeles, Oliver Clement, Sammi Annane, James Drake

Front Row: Kylle Contreras, Luke Eagar, Abe Herbert, Thisal Gunasinghe (Huia Leader), Bradley Gilbert, Logan Douwes, Levi Christensen

Absent: Shay Coomey, Carter Cooper, Ben Coutanche, Sano Cochran-Benton, Jayden Du Plooy



## **D14**

Back Row: Nate Florence, Sunny Evans, Vinnie Feaver, Felix Field, Connor Cowan

Third Row: Marcel Engels, Ollie Dunning, George Harrison, Aman Ali, Sid Croad, Jacque Cox

Second Row: Mr J. Edmonds (Huia Teacher), Ben Eliason, Charlie Gibson, Khan Adams, Pueata Etimani, Jack Ewington-Boult, Alex Dunning

Front Row: Caleb Daniels, Ethan Cross, Mac Dalziel, Koby Haigh (Huia Leader), Phoenix Adams, Lars Dravitski, Alex D'Ath Absent: Kobe Corbett-Howcroft, Blythe Fadlen



## D15

Back Row: Levi Carter, Ethan Hawkes, Brock Abetz, Izz Gatenby, Zavier Delamere, Josefa Cabenasiga

Third Row: Paxton Cleaver, Kayne Green, Daniel Fidow, Thomas Grieve, Zach Davey, Monty French

Second Row: Mr W. Silva (Huia Teacher), Reuben Aldridge, Harry Fielding, Cuba Foard, Toby Freyria, George Gadsby, Kade Froome, Jamie Grieve

Front Row: Sander Bouw, Riley Cowley, Tobey Davidson, Neo Hatcher (Huia Leader), Teimana Chase, Mason Bryant, Chase Davies

Absent: Flynn Bryant, Oliver Davidson, Charlie Gadsby



## **D16**

Back Row: Atis Beldham, Leo Dobson, Harlan Deegan-McPhee, Lloyd Hawkins, Wian Gloy

Third Row: Lee Guiry, Aidan Galley, Xavier Delport, Campbell Gelston-Swain, Jacob Gottfert-Gilmour, Joseph Hall Second Row: Mr B. Fitzpatrick (Huia Teacher), Ethan Frew, Hayden Green, Phoenix Deshwal, Liam Good, James Garner, Achille de Bruyn

Front Row: Riley Davis, TeAwa Fore, Hayden Futcher, Jack Denman, Dylan Gelston-Swain, Tiaan Delport, Ashton Green Absent: Lincoln Bramfitt, Nick Dobbie (Huia Leader), Lucas Feaver, Neo Fraser, Kaleb Green



## So1

Back Row: Joseph Palmer, Tyler Reade, Will Thomas, Viet Vu, Te Whetu Wilson, Steven Roach

Second row: Curtis Peters, Troy O'Loughlin, Duncan Poole, Khan Te Paea, Shiven Reddy, Eta Uatiree Nakaoti

Front Row: Saki Qiokata, Mikah Page, Neha Peri, Brayden Neilson (Huia Leader), Briley Rowe, Shiloh Page, Cooper Richardson Absent: Vishal Thakur, Jayden Papprill, Jono Nicholas, Francois Niemann, Finn Norgate, Dylan Richards-Beehre, Riley Skinner, Mr C. Harvey (Huia Teacher)



## **So2**

Back Row: Braden Perry, Cale Olsen, Troy Perry, Kale Robins Third Row: Deja Prince, Josh Payne, Thomas Parker, Sebastian Reid, Ethan Peacock, Ryan Robertson

Second Row: Mrs M. Puckeridge (Huia Teacher), Tane Petera, Mackenzie Packman, Cameron Rogers, Dylan Perry, Brooklyn Wetini, Monty Plumtree

Front Row: Tomas Ross Franco, Benji Tooley, Jack Pickford, Jack Parr (Huia Leader), Luke Pennington, Korban Peterson, George Thomson

Absent: Dave Paglicauan, Lance Paglicauan, Liam Phillips, Mrs. J. Togia (Huia Teacher)



## **So3**

Back Row: Lukas Thompson, Jayin Patel, Michael Robinson, Astin Pope

Third Row: TJ Weeks-Phillips, Lincoln Phillips-Lim, Reeve

Second Row: Mrs A. Cooper (Huia Teacher), Terriah Reade, Jack Trethewey, Callum Vorster, Aston Queripel, Robbie Priest, Mr A. Cardy (Huia Teacher)

Front Row: Samuel Quinn, Sanjiyah Rahi-Smythe, Ken Tran, Zach Phillips-Lim (Huia Leader), Jackson Rowlands, Ngakau Rangi, Sloane Tuffery Absent: Beau Parker, Taj Parker, Vinnie Phillips-Lim, Malachi

Puckeridge, Reid Ross, Eliot Sagen, Zack Stockman-Fowler, Tyrell Thompson-Greer, Brynn Van Rheede Van Oudtshoorn, Mattheo Van Rheede Van Oudtshoorn, Rigter Van Rheede Van Oudtshoorn



## **S04**

Back Row: Kieran Plant, Braeden Plant, Liam Puru, Karlos Phillips, Jesse Plant

Third Row: Jayden Sahin, Jaeden Rasmussen, Zach Ross, Thomas Robinson, Taylor Reid, Hector Pulford

Second Row: Mr J. Hawkins (Huia Teacher), Zach Plant, Kyle Reason, Liam Reid, Samuel Schofield, Viliami Schofield, Jonty Ramsay

Front Row: Brook Rutherfurd, Coben Rhodes, Rosheel Prasad, Corbin Potroz (Huia Leader), Nathan Tylee, Camden Rutherfurd, **Ethan Sahin** 

Absent: Lucas Robinson, Jack Utiger, Oliver Willis



## **S05**

Back Row: Peyton Rose, Luke Richardson, Jamie Scholes, Matthew Scown, Rhys Scannell, Cody Read, Chase Saunders-Primrose

Third Row: Rory Rushton, Noah Roebuck, Liam Quinn, Samuel Richardson, Wesley Richards, Max Vickers, Oscar Sarten Second Row: Mr V. Treweek (Huia Teacher), JJ Scown, Jaxon Saywell, Rakai Wilson-Joyce, Chase Schuetze, Jake Read, Finn van Beers

Front Row: Edward Vickers, Ronan van Deventer, Jacob Robinson, Harith Raziff (Huia Leader), Angus Wilson, Aidan Quinn, Elliot Ross

Absent: Tiago Shaw



### **So6**

Back Row: Lachlan Slingsby, Adam Sousa, Jaxon Reid, Saksham Sharma

Third Row: Michael Seu, Hunter Ramage, Jasper Rhodes, Ben Richards, Reuben Siraa, Evander Wood

Second Row: Whaea Abbie Bailey-Nowell (Huia Teacher),

Keisuke Saito, Kaea Searancke, Zak Revell, Luke Shaw, Spencer Rowson, Nicholas Quindo

Front Row: Joel Siraa, Mika Smith, Cody Revell, Flynn Schrider, Logan Verster,

Sebastian Salt, Ryan Sarten

Absent: Samuel Salisbury (Huia Leader), Kobe Vercoe



## **So7**

Back Row: Finley Sheffield, Anaru Russell, Ethan Sigvertsen, Zachary Roukema, Gabriel Stewart

Third Row: Monte Woodward, Zephyr Sothern-Tawhiao, Liam Smith, Mason Stills, Jeffrey Su, Preyash Surti

Second Row: Mr F. Hartmann (Huia Teacher), Jack Vosper, Jackson Sleep, Jamie Robinson, Connor Sleep, Cohen Riddick, Reeve Russell

Front Row: Dylan Roderick, Reuben Schrader, Trin Seastrand, Adam Skerrett (Huia Leader), Virgilius Saragena, Charlie Scott, Matija Robinson

Absent: Finn Ward, James Symon-Byrne



## **So8**

Back Row: Benjamin Sinclair, Jack Rust, Rylan Spittal, Kaiden Shotter, Hunter Temata, Kai Shearer

Second Row: Mr T. Standish (Huia Teacher), Taine Sadler, D'Angelo Squatriti, Scott Williams, Shaun Simpson, Kael Sparks, Yamen Talafha

Front Row: Michael Williamsgreig, Hamish Watkins, Cooper Stockman-Gedye, Henry Stockman (Huia Leader), Rayan Talafha, Aiden Shera, Aiden Scrimgeour

Absent: Jai Patuwairua, Kobi Robinson, Lukie Rowson, Daniel Setoudeh, Tama Soundy, Carter Stephens, Alex Stewart, Nitin Thakur



## **So9**

Back Row: Carter Thomson, Harry Singh, Thomas Wilkinson Third Row: Harper Tyrrell, Vaydim Noonan, Jerome Tamatea, Mason Scrivener, Jaxon Stewart, Brooklyn Taylor

Second Row: Dr K. Parker (Huia Teacher), Jeosh Rafal, Jacob Willemen, Daniel Turner, Jake Towning, Baxter Surrey, Kialle Roper

Front Row: Yanwei Wei, Jake Stevens, Daniel Suffolk, Mathias Strohmeier (Huia Leader), Vinny Sturmey-Christiansen, Adin Welch, Mason Williams-Hoskin

Absent: Mrs S. Ingle (Huia Teacher), Dylan Simmonds, Pedro Taitoko, Shane Tangiteina, Ryan Taylor, Zach Tyrrell



### **S10**

Back Row: Cody Tantrum, Laksh Singh, Max Van Beers, Leon Turner

Second Row: Mr K. Rowson (Huia Teacher), Dre-Khan Wipiti, Ritikesh Singh, Izaak Richardson, Isaac Thornhill, Rhys Wilson Front Row: Camden Wells, Samuel Tippett, Regan Tatham, Dedan Vosloo, Deakon Wilmshurst, Jani Wipper, Corbin Titter Absent: Kaden Richardson-Thomas, Logan Terrill, Cooper Toll, Ryan Terry, Blake Thomas, Manaia Vedder, Rylan Vesty (Huia Leader), Wyatt Vinsen, Thiviru Vithana, Charlie Wade, Keanan Wall



## **S11**

Back Row: Oliver Thorpe, Deken Toole, Isaac Taylor Third Row: Harvey Turner, Lukas Wallis, Magnus Wellington, Mase Rapira, Leo Waruhia, Nixon Winger Second Row: Mr B. Dunnet (Huia Teacher), Oliver Treadway, Liam Ogle, Cody Valintine, Shengbo Wang, Samuel Turner

Front Row: Tyla Watson, Jayden Wilmshurst, Ethan Standish, Ben Swan (Huia Leader), Caden Watts, Manas Tukkapuram, Ben Telfer

Absent: Jasper Sullivan-Ussher, Alex Thornhill, Seth Van Der Merwe, Riley Wansbrough



## **S12**

Back Row: Olly Tutavaha, Jazib Syed, Levi Walker Third Row: Kupa Walden, Lochlan Waite, Lockie Urbahn, Riley Putt, Gavin Schwirtlich, Tayne Waaka Second Row: Mr J. Turner (Huia Teacher), Tam Huynh, Danny Sutton, Jai Thompson, Felix Town, Te Kaha Tutahione Front Row: Ryan Steele, Marcus Whatt, Khai Tran, Oscar West, Vishnu Sharda, Kyson Wallace, Jonas Su Absent: Cody Putt, Philipp Siekmann, Kaeo Waitoa, Leevi Weko,

Absent: Cody Putt, Philipp Siekmann, Kaeo Waltoa, Leevi Weko, Alexander Wemyss, Jake White (Huia Leader)



## **S13**

Back Row: Kahduffi Wetini, Aidan Williams, Antony Winch Third Row: Matt Weeks, Zac Wells, Eddie Wallace, Connor Weir, James Wemyss

Second Row: Mr J. Wiringi (Huia Teacher) Jesse Su, Jimmy Vosseler, Ben Wallace, Richie van Praagh, Kaden Watkins Front Row: James Sim, Ollie Symon, Porter Waswo, Morgan Whalley (Huia Leader), Flynn Wilson, Blake Thomson, Riley Westell

Absent: Aidan Suhr, Richie Willis, Toby Willis



### **S14**

Back Row: Nikau Whana, Mika Togia, Keegan Yates, Ami-James Whiteman

Third Row: Phineas Williams, Jack Widdicombe, Connor Saunders, Tyler Williams, Kenyon Togia, Jai Whayman Second Row: Mr G. Hannah (Huia Teacher), Valentino Wilkins, Nate Werder, Isaac Wilson, Hunter Wall-Colvin, Andre Villegas, Carter White

Front Row: Emery Togia, Jason Xie, Gus Tihema, Jack Zwart (Huia Leader), Campbell Young, Riley Wootton, Isa Talab Absent: Mr M. Watts (Huia Teacher), Marley Webb, Oscar Wolfe, Tainui Worthington-Chambers, Mitchell Wray



## **S15**

Back Row: Te Para Ruakere, Leo Petio, Lyric Tuhaka, George Slack, Ratu Qiokata

Third Row: Kace Raven, Tuwhakaea Taylor-Tupaea, Kahlo Tuuta, Cooper Spice, Zinzan Wilson

Second Row: Raiden Skipper-Ngatai, Koa Wipatene, Tamahae Stirling, Lee Takurua, Foma'i Vaitupu, Keanu Prestney, Zavier Rangiwananga

Front Row: Kiritopa Veza, Taj Taogaga, Brayden Wilton, Jahvahn Skipper-Ngatai (Huia Leader), Rongomai Ruakere, Tairawhiti Webber-Robinson, Jai Wilson

Absent: Mr D. Atkins (Huia Teacher), Raiden Rangi, Danny Ratahi, Shane Rei-Hoskin, Blake Rodgers, Corbin Rodgers, Kaea Stephens, Shaun Te Riini



## **S16**

Back Row: Graffin Wynter, Malakai Zielinski, Taene Nelley, Andy Zaros, Yimeng Wang

Second Row: Ms D. Simanke (Huia Teacher), Harry Zhou, Kobe Wynyard-Stark, Hamin Yim, Fred Tarrant, Riagan Woods, Louie Wright

Front Row: Rico Wynyard-Stark, Jimmy Williams-Jones, Andamann Yimpoonsap, George Stephens, Jahnee Walker-Withers (Huia Leader), Alex Van Burgsteden, Daniel Peng Absent: Isaac Simon, Mack Newton, Sam Noakes, James Peng, Leo Stern, Xander Vesseur, Cairo Wilson, Harley Wilson



# ANHERLY

## Ho1

Back Row: Daniel Alcock, Jake Brady, Robert Carrick, Teoman Genc, Kayden Bishop

Second Row: Mr D. Robinson (Huia Teacher), Benjamin Cantlon, Carter Briggs, Nixin Laing, William Campbell, Jackson Pari, Kyin Crawford

Front Row: Blake Bennett, Tobias Ogle, Abel Sampson, Tualauta Toremana (Huia Leader), Matt Johnston, Blake Delehanty, Harry Allen

Absent: Jayden Horgan, Julius Christians



## Ho<sub>2</sub>

Back Row: Liam Jordan, Jordan Coomey, Rex Fagan, Tipene Perawiti-Gallagher, Blake Rawlinson, Levi Clement Second Row: Tyler Guckert, Heath Sheehan, Jake Harris, Halizeigh Daymond, Ryan Dew, Ryder Gernhoefer, Cobain Billing, Joe Smith

Front Row: Blake Fleming, Will Harvie, Isaac Carter, Regan Bevege (Huia Leader), Mac Eades, Ryan Baumgratz, Thanarak Raethong

Absent: Mr D. Van Wyk (Huia Teacher), Rui Kashiwai, Carlos Chan



## Ho<sub>3</sub>

Back Row: Oskar Abt, Jesse Kidd, Quinton Turner, Jethro Campbell, Ben Ng

Second Row: Mr B. Bennett (Huia Teacher), Damien Lake, Lorcan Honeyfield, Ryan Lake, Harlym Holmes, Elijah Frewin, Rizki Hutton

Front Row: Luke Harris, Nathan McWilliam, Cooper Chatfield, Charlie Luxton-Symes, Hunter Kerr, Zion Leahy, Kaleb Smith Absent: Caleb Blackmore (Huia Leader), Jack Hurley, Lachlan Harrison, Hayden Chan



## H04

Back Row: Charlie Herbert, Julius Christians, Luke Goodman, Tae Rupapera

Third Row: Kenneth McIver, Ben Helms, Charlie Broadmore, Zack Walker, Joshua McIver, Peter Brown

Second Row: Mr J. Angell (Huia Teacher), Nikau Sharrock-Locke, Ethan Stewart, Chayathorn Siriphand, Kiedis Goomes-Greenbank, Chun Hei Lucus Au, Tudur Evans, Liga Junior Gukisuva

Front Row: Ashton Moys, Oli Wisnewski, James Ogle, Javarhn Rupapera (Huia Leader), Oscar Baylis, Liam Terry, Hedd Evans Absent: Ollie Payne



## H05

Back Row: Philip Lutzen, Enno Heydenreich, Riley Staddon, Brody Leicester, Navarro Dobson, Jayden Holland, Harry Fevre Second Row: Mr J. Prasad (Huia Teacher), Corbynn Isaacs, Riley Jackson, Boston Knight, Lochy Leicester, George Le Quesne, Tamahou Carr-Rewi-Wetine, Jaylen Leahy

Front Row: Monty Darke, Cameron Downey, Aidan Connole, Jack Wiseman (Huia Leader), Aiden Hart, Jake Wynyard, Aden Van Den Brand

Absent: Wyatt Kingi, Hunter Marshall



## Ho6

Back Row: Henry Matzner, Tiki Ngarangi, Dahzel Poinga, Jake Le Fleming, Connor Crowe, Jacob Pickens, Cody Smith Second Row: Matua Paora Laurence (Huia Teacher), Seth Wynyard, Kees Neustroski, Will Potts, Ian Wong, Aidan Tervit, Joseph Mulliss, Liam McDonald

Front Row: Zane McDonald, Flynn Murdoch, Adam Lashin, Jaxon Steele (Huia Leader), Edward Simpson, Zak Sturmer, Raiden Gibson



## H07

Back Row: Travis Wilson, Arlo Wells, Max Von Elders, Ethan Staddon, Lance Winborn, Benjamin Honeyfield Second Row: Mr L. Younger (Huia Teacher), Cooper Patterson, Brody Buck-McKimmie, Arley Wylde-Bason, Quill Thomas, Oscar Yarrall, Jerry Wei

Front Row: Aidan Wano, Hunter Witana, Sam Stewart, William Darke (Huia Leader), Lucas Hurley, Lachy Pedersen, Tobi Price Absent: Isaac Abrams, Taylen Young



## Ho8

Back Row: Samuel Graham, Wyatt Kingi, Kupa Robinson, George Kopa, Viliame Rova

Th<sup>i</sup>rd Row: Amani Rokotinaviti, Tyrelle Parata Proctor, Tūkaha Rauputu, Makeo Macpherson, Lachlan Hewson-Baldwin, Keepa Paaka, Kingston Taite-Dewes

Second Row: Matua Christopher Luke (Huia Teacher), Reiden Robinson Waitere, Rhyder Whitiora-Matthews, Hiona Ruakere, Tiaki-rae Parata Proctor, Malakai Rova, Jackson Hewson-Baldwin, Nikora Grindlay

Front Row: Puku Stratford, Braxton Mahu, TK Brown, Aaron Humphries (Huia Leader), Kiwa Lamb, Konna Moss, Kael Whangapirita

Absent: Rauru Haerewa, Jorvyn Katene



## Prizegiving

## New Zealand Scholarships 2023

#### Awarded Outstanding Scholarship

Brayden Ross Yr13 Health and Physical Education

Stephen McNeill Yr12 Chemistry

#### Awarded Scholarship

#### Brayden Ross Yr13

English, Earth and Space Science, Statistics, Geography

James Rielly-Leadbetter Yr13 Physics, Statistics

Jackson Reid Yr13 Physics, Economics

Lenny Jackson Yr13 Design, Visual Communication

Lucas Megaw yr13 Photography

Liam Harper Yr13 Physics, Statistics, Calculus

Freddie Weeks Yr13 Design, Visual Communication

Minh Dinh Yr12 Calculus

## Senior Prizegiving 2024

#### Year 13 Subject Awards

#### **Enrico Jimenez**

For the Gledhill Cup for the top student in Accounting, for the top student in Spanish and for the Sir Ronald Syme Memorial Scholarship

#### William Darke

For the John Sims Cup and LA Alexander Trust Prize for the top student in AgriScience

#### Payce Hetaraka-Wall

For the top student who completed both half year courses in Armed Forces and the Police, for the top student in Performing Arts Māori and for the top student in Te Reo Māori

#### **Qingcheng Du**

For the top student in Biology, for the Webster Deane Scholarship for Commerce, for the top student in Economics and winning the Betrand-Weber Economics Scholarship and for the top student in Mathematics -Statistics

#### Sean Barker

For the top student in Building and Construction and for the top student in Woodwork

#### Jason Xie

For the Crow Radcliffe Cup and Scholarship for Business Excellence in Business Studies

#### Gary Ge

For the top student in Calculus and for the top student in Earth and Space Science

#### **Oliver Marsh**

For the Dr Barak Prize for the top student in Chemistry

#### Liam Crowe

For the top student in Practical Computer Science, for the top student in Digital Media and for the top student in Technology Electronics

#### **Flynn Wilson**

For the top student in Drama and the Bidvest Trophy for the top student in Hospitality

#### **Thomas Hooks**

For the top student in English, the Reeve Cup for the top student in Graphics and for the top student in Visual Arts - Painting

**Cohen Coombes** For the top student in English - Film

**Neo Hatcher** The John Brodie Memorial Prize for the best student in English Language

#### **Dave Paglicauan**

For the best performance by a Level 3 student in the ESOL programme

#### Cody Revell

For the top student in Future Pathways

#### **Corbin Potroz**

For the top student in Gateway and For the top student in Metalwork (Practical)

#### Stephen McNeill

For the top student in Geography

#### Liam Corrigan

For the Brian Bellringer Prize for the top student in History and the Sheila Prentice Cup for Excellence in Humanities across Classics, English and History

#### Daniel Bentall

The NPBHS Hospitality Trophy and the Jones and Sandford Timber and Hardware Prize for the top Practical student in Hospitality

#### **Ethan Hawkes**

For the top student in Money Management

#### Shion Boyd

For the top student in Music Theory

#### lan Wong

For the top student for Practical Music

#### **Jaxon Steele**

For the top student in Physical Education

#### Jeffery Armstrong

For the top student in Physics

#### Nathan Agar

For the top student in Science

#### **Liam Davis**

For the top student in Sport and Recreation

#### **Benjamin Aberdein**

For the top student in Visual Arts - Design

Ezra Ruka

For the top student in Visual Arts -Photography

#### **Oliver Braddock**

For the top student in Technology Engineering

#### Sean Barker

For the top student in Woodwork (Practical)

#### Level 3 Effort & Progress Awards

Jeffery Armstrong Nathan Agar Shion Boyd William Darke

#### Level 3 Top Scholars

**Gary Ge** The Fookes Cup and Prize for 3rd by GPA

#### Stephen McNeill

The Ryder Cup and McLeod Memorial Prize for 2nd by GPA and gaining the title of Proxime Accessit

#### Qingcheng Du

For the Academic Excellence Cup and the Tiger Coat Award for 1st by GPA

#### Level 2 Subject Awards

#### Alex Van Burgsteden

For the Gledhill Cup and Prize for the top student in Accounting

#### **Reuben Siraa**

For the Roger Harland Cup for the top student in AgriScience

#### Logan Duff

for the top student who completed both half year courses in Armed Forces and the Police

#### **Cullen Bouterey**

For the top student in Athletic Development Programme

#### **Oliver Marsh**

For the top student in Biology, for the Warren Moetara Memorial Trophy for the top student in Computer Science, for the top student in English, for the Donald Mackie Memorial Prize for the Highest number of Excellences in 2023 Level 1 Mathematics and for the Hurle Cup for the top student in Physics

#### **Baylin McFetridge**

For the top student in Building and Construction

#### **Daniel Peng**

For the top student in Business Studies

#### **Benjamin Honeyfield**

For the top student in Mathematics for Calculus

#### **Zavier Brown**

For the top student in Chemistry, for the top student in Economics and for the top student in Physical Education

Aiden Hayman For the top student in Digital Media

**Taine Knox** For the top student in Drama

**Yimeng Wang** For the best performance by a Level 2 student in the ESOL programme

**Carlos Chan** For the top student in Furniture Making

**Scott Williams** For top student in Future Pathways

Jake Cullen For the top student in Gateway

**Elliott Holder** For the top student in Geography

**Aiden Chen** For the L V Giddy Memorial Prize for the top student in Graphics

Kahduffi Wetini For the top student in Health

#### Jerry Wei

For the top student in History, for the top student in Music (Theory), The Hatherley Memorial Prize for the highest number of excellences for a level 2 student in 2023 NCEA Level 1

#### **Matthew Scown**

For the Chef's Association Trophy for the top student in Hospitality

#### Halizeigh Daymond

For the NPBHS Hospitality Trophy for the top student in Practical Hospitality

**Te Para Ruakere** For the top student in Māori Performing Arts

#### **Quinton Turner**

For the top student in Te Reo Māori

**Dylan Chilcott** For the top student in Mathematics for Statistics

#### Mason Bailey

For the top student in Music (Practical)

#### Joseph Mulliss

For the top student in Outdoor Education and for the top student in Technology Engineering Antony Winch

For the top student in Science

**Keegan Yates** For the top student in Spanish

Jackson Hewson Baldwin For the top student in Sport and Recreation

Charlie Herbert

For the top student in Technology Electronics

Daniel Alcock

For the top student in Metalwork Practical

#### Lee Guiry

For the top student in Visual Arts -Design

Aidan Galley

For the top student in Visual Arts -Painting

#### **Reeve Russell**

For the top student in Visual Arts -Photography

#### Wian Gloy

For the Jones & Sandford Timber & Hardware prize for the top student in Woodwork (Practical)

#### Level 2 Effort & Progress Awards

Adam Chilcott Aiden Chen Halizeigh Daymond Jerry Wei Mason McGregor Saksham Sharma Yegun Park

#### Level 2 Top Scholars

Benjamin Honeyfield For 3rd on Aggregate

Zavier Brown For 2nd on Aggregate

#### **Oliver Marsh**

The Harrison Cup for 1st on Aggregate (pictured)



#### Level 1 Subject Awards

Kees Neustroski

For the NPBHS Supporters Cup for the top student in AgriScience

#### **Jacob Caffery**

For the top student who completed both half year courses in Armed Forces and the Police

#### **Cooper Ferguson**

For the top student in Athletic Development - All Sports

#### **Jasper Rhodes**

For the top student in Commerce, for the top student in English, for the top student in Te Reo Māori and for the top student in Visual Arts -Design & Photography

#### Cole Lobban

For the top student in Computer Science and for the top student in Technology Electronics

#### **Tyler Clement**

For the top student in Cooking for Entertaining

#### Kalani Henderson

For the top student in Digital Media and for the top student in Graphics

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**Ben Wallace** For the top student in Drama

#### Dang-Khoa Pham

For the best performance by a Level 1 student in the ESOL programme

Thomas Kehely For the top student in Geography

**Benjamin Jackson** For the top student in Health

Jae Lallu For the top student in History, for the top student in Physical Education

**Shaun Simpson** For the NPBHS Hospitality Trophy for the top student in Hospitality

**Aidan Wano** For the NPBHS Hospitality Trophy for the top student in Hospitality (Practical)

**Jordie Luke** For the top student in Performing Arts Māori

**Ollie Dunning** For the top student in Mathematics and for the top student in Science Connor Lines

For the top student in Metal (Practical)

Mason Scrivener for the top student in Money Management

**Oliver Jull** For the top student in Music for Theory

**Te Kaha Tutahione** For the top student in Music for Practical

**Riley Staddon** For the top student in Outdoor Education

#### Oscar Gatenby

For the top student in Spanish

#### Duncan Poole

For the top student in Technology Engineering

#### **Charlie Poulgrain**

For the top student in Woodwork (Practical)

#### Jonty Campbell-Smart

For the top student in Visual Arts -Paint and Illustrate

#### Level 1 Effort & Progress Awards

Andric Malabanan Astin Pope Dylan Buck Jae Lallu Kees Neustroski Oscar Gatenby Riley Hope Robert Harrison Sashen Govender Thomas Kehely

#### Level 1 Top Scholars

Jasper Rhodes For 3rd on Aggregate

**Cooper Ferguson** For 2nd on Aggregate

#### **Ollie Dunning**

The Hatherly Memorial Cup for 1st on Aggregate (pictured)

#### Senior Leadership and Service Awards

#### **George Stephens**

The John Robertson Wood Memorial Scholarship awarded to a student who has demonstrated a high level of engagement in both school life and academic pursuits.

#### Isaac Simon

The Schrader Trophy and Prize to the Prefect/Group Leader who demonstrates concern for others to have a go

#### **Aaron Humphries**

The J V McIntyre PTA Silver Jubilee Shield and Prize to the student who has shown an Outstanding Record of Service to the school

#### Payce Hetaraka-Wall

for the Laurie Herdman Memorial Prize to the Best Level 3 Māori student who has contributed to the Māori profile of the school

#### Flynn Wilson

The Ryder Memorial Award given to the Senior student who has given striking service to the school, with good humour, while maintaining sound Academic standards

#### Jack Wiseman

The Eggleton Cup and Prize to the Head Boarder

#### Qingcheng Du

For the Brookman Cup and the Jack West Centennial Medallion to the HeadBoy for his services to the school

#### Senior 'Be The Example' All-Round Awards

#### Jae Lallu

Gaining The Norman Wright Memorial 'Be the Example' Prize for the best allrounder in Year 11

#### **Zavier Brown**

Gaining the Ricky Malcolm 'Be the Example' Prize for the best all-rounder in Year 12

#### Qingcheng Du

Gaining the the Eagles Trophy 'Be The Example' Prize for the best all-rounder in Year 13



#### Senior Cultural Awards

#### Matt Weeks

The R J Goodare Memorial Prize for the Student Board of Trustees representative

#### **Thomas Kehely**

Cadet Forces Prize - for the Best Senior Sergeant and the prize for the top student in Creative Writing at Level 1

#### Vinny Sturmey-Christiansen

Cadet Forces Prize - for the Best Cadet

#### **Rizki Hutton**

Cadet Forces Prize - the NZ Army Association Shield, for the Best Aptitude in training

#### Hamin Yim

The top student in Creative Writing at Level 2

#### Jasper Rhodes

The top student in Public Speaking at Level 1

#### **Alfie Healion**

The top student in Public Speaking at Level 2

#### **Cohen Coombes**

The Darryl Ward Trophy for the top student in Creative Writing at Level 3

#### **Neo Hatcher**

The Wade Scott Cup and Prize for the top student in Public Speaking at Level 3

#### Sourya Banerjee

The Harvey Cup for the top Senior Debater

#### Flynn Wilson

The Wilde Drama Cup for the top student in Senior Drama Performance

#### Sean Barker

The Troy Penberth Memorial Cup and Prize for Senior Librarian, awarded for Outstanding Service to the Library

#### Wesley Richards

The Port Nicholson Cup for the Most Outstanding Brass Performer

#### Harris Brayshaw

The Gibbs Cup for the Most Improved Brass player

#### lan Wong

The Hatherly Prize for the most Outstanding Strings or Guitar Player and the AC Webb Cup for Performance Excellence in Classical Music and Commitment to Music

#### Ezra Ruka

The Mary Allan Trophy and Prize for the Most Outstanding Composition. The Lilley Cup for the Most Improved Percussion or Piano Performer and the Treweek Cup for Performance Excellence in Modern Music and Commitment to Music at NPBHS

#### Caleb Blackmore

The Harding Cup for the Most Improved Strings or Guitar Performer

#### **Shion Boyd**

The Henry Cup for the Most Outstanding Percussion or Piano player

#### **Cooper Myers**

For the Ian M Urquhart Trophy to the Junior Chorister

#### Dylan Buck

The Forrest Cup for Most Improved Vocals

#### **Charlie Betts**

The Nalder Cup for the Most Outstanding Vocals and the Noel Lynch Cup and Prize for Outstanding Service to Music

#### **Mason Bailey**

The Boyd Trophy for the Most Improved Woodwind Performer. The Beath Cup for the Most Outstanding Woodwind Performer. The Take 5 Trophy for Performance Excellence in Jazz and Commitment to Music at NPBHS and the James S McLaurin Memorial Award for the Senior Performer in Music

#### **Donnelly House**

The John Dobson Memorial Cup for the Senior Inter-House Music Competition

#### Drama Team

The ANZ Cup for the Outstanding Cultural Group of the Year

#### Ezra Ruka

The Colleges Cup for the Performing Artist of the Year (pictured)



#### Senior Sport Awards

ADVENTURE RACING

#### **Brody Matheson**

Holden Fleming Cup - Excellence To Adventure Racing

#### **Joseph Mullis**

Spencer Family Trophy - Excellence In Orienteering And Rogaining

#### BADMINTON

Aman Ali Badminton Cup - MVP Player and Cook & Lister Cup - Open Champion

#### BASKETBALL

**Lyric Tuhaka** Peter Lay Trophy - Most Improved Player

#### Eli Poulgrain

King Cup - Most Valuable Player

#### William Campbell

Michael Taylor Memorial Cup - Player Who Exemplifies The Character Of The Team

#### CRICKET

#### Tyler McCullough

Giddy Shield - 2nd XI Most Improved Player

#### **Taene Nelley**

Alistair Jordan Cup - Contributed Most

#### Logan Hislop

Meuli Cup - 1st XI Batting

Jamie Ingram Parkinson Cup - Ist XI Bowling

CRICKET XI & A WINTER SPORT

#### **Stirling Monk**

Donnelly Cup - The Best All Round Sportsman

#### CROSS COUNTRY

Miller Ferguson

Herbert Smith Cup (Jnr Steeplechase) - Intermediate Champion

#### **Mathias Strohmeier**

Dominikovich Cup - Leadership In Cross Country

Nick Dobbie 1911 Cup - Senior Champion

#### Makaia Grant-Fargie

Lawley Cup - Consistency in Cross Country

#### FOOTBALL

**Campbell Young** Player's Player Cup - Player's Player and Russell Hooper Cup - Most Valuable Player

**Declan Johnson** Gibson Golden Boot - Top Scorer

**Luca Coleman** Burmester Trophy - Most Improved Player and Coaches Cup - Contributed Most To The Team

**Qingcheng Du** Bert Robson Memorial Cup -Involvement In Jnr Football

GOLF

#### Jamie Anderson Shearer Cup - School Golf Champion

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#### HOCKEY

Ben James

Dyon Jordan Memorial - Most Valuable Player and David Stones Cup - 1st XI Players Player Of The Year

#### Jae Lallu

Simonson Trophy - Most Improved Player

IN LINE HOCKEY

#### **Scott Williams**

Inline Hockey - Senior MVP

INTERMEDIATE ATHLETICS

Aidan Galley Gilmour Cup - 800m and Bothamely Cup - 400m and Hagenson Cup - Intermediate Champion

Jack Mason Alexander Cup - 1500m and Hall Cup - 3000m

**Jerome Tamatea** Kjestrup Cup - Triple Jump

**Jess Armfield** Javelin

**Lian Du Buisson** Edmonds Trophy - Discus and Shotput

Taine Sadler Keller Cup - High Jump

#### Atlas Horo

Beckbessinger Cup - 100m and Cartwright Cup - Long Jump and Challenge Cup - 200m INTERHOUSE

**Syme** Burbank Cup (Board Of Governors Trophy) - Swimming

Hatherly Rugby

**Donnelly** Hansard Cup - Athletics

#### Barak

Stevenson Cup - Tennis and Holder Cup - Football and Crammond Cup -Interhouse Champion

SENIOR ATHLETICS

Viliame Rova Wild Cup - Senior Shotput Champion

Flint Roderick Dominikovich Trophy - Senior Champion

#### Jake White

Gellen Cup - Discus and Snowden Cup - Javelin

#### **Felix Field**

Fooke Cup (Sports Challenge Cup) - 1500m and Mason Memorial Cup -800m and Morton Cup - 3000m

#### **Brayden Neilson**

Old Boys Challenge Shield - 400m and Albertsen Cup - High Jump and Bunn Cup - Long Jump and Hobbs Cup - Triple Jump and Herbert Smith Cup (220 Yrds Open) - 200m and Old Boys Trophy - 100m and Dominikovich Trophy - Senior Champion

Nick Dobbie Gary Fowler Cup - Athlete Of The Year

ROWING

Jasper Sullivan-Ussher Leppard Cup - Outstanding Rower

RUGBY

Jack Wiseman 1948-49 1st XV Trophy - Player Who Exemplifies The Character Of The Team and Taylor Cup - Players Player In 1st XV

Liam Davis D.M. Leuthart Cup - Contributed Most To 1st XV

Luke Goodman Most Improved Player In 1st XV

Jackson Pari Most Conscientious Player SAILING

Jack Parr Sailor Cup - Outstanding School Sailor

SQUASH Logan Terrill

Simbo's Cup - Squash Champion

**Toby Freyria** Dow Elanco Cup - Squash MVP

SURFING

**Spencer Rowson** Blanton Smith Cup - Most Outstanding Surfer

SWIMMING - INTERMEDIATE

#### Max Cave

50 Metre - Freestyle; 50 Metre -Backstroke; Open Medley; Open 50 Metre Butterfly; 50 Metre Breaststroke 100 Metre Freestyle and Challenge Cup - Intermediate Champion

SWIMMING - SENIOR

Braeden Plant 50 Metre - Freestyle

#### Asher Hales

50 Metre Breaststroke; 50 Metre Backstroke; 100 Metre Freestyle and Sykes Memorial Cup - Senior Champion

TENNIS

#### Jae Lallu

McKeon Cup - Intermediate Champion and Burgess Cup- Most Improved

Tomi Avery

Candy Cup - Senior Champion

#### TOUCH

**Corbin Potroz and Jaxon Steele** Huia Cup - Outstanding Leadership In Touch

#### Taylin Fox

Tuakana Cup - Outstanding Achievement In Touch

#### VOLLEYBALL

**Tommy Li** Coaches Cup - Leadership In Senior Volleyball

Kaleb Hinton Soper Cup - Most Valuable Player

CHESS, PIANO, SURFING, BASKETBALL

**Spencer Rowson** Chairman Of The Board Award - Extra Curricular Activity

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#### SPORTS TEAM OF THE YEAR

Senior Cross Country Team ANZ Bank Team Of The Year

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

Spencer Rowson College Trophy

WOLFE CUP - BEST ALL-ROUNDER

**Brayden Neilson** 

## Junior Prizegiving 2024

#### Year 10 Subject Awards

#### Hussam Othman

For top in AgriScience, top in Science, and top student Science - A World of Reactions

#### **Flynn Ashton**

For the top student in Art - Design and Photography and for the top student in Science - Body Works

#### Isaac Morrison-Fonoti

For the top student in Art - Māori and Pacifika

#### Jack Cooper

The Gordon Harris Prize for the top student in Art - Sketching or Painting, for the top student in English

#### **Baxter Surrey**

For the top student for the Athletic Development Programme

#### **Ryan Huang**

For the top student in Computer Science

#### **Aidan Kershaw**

For the top student in Digital Media

#### Luke Eagar

For the top student in Drama, The Taranaki Mathematics and Statistics Teachers Association for the top student in Mathematics and for the top student in Science - Our Planet

#### **Tiviru Vithane**

For the Best Performance by a Junior student in the ESOL programme and Effort and Progress

#### Mason Heta

The Livingstone prize for the top student in Graphics

Jack Widdicombe For the top student in Health

#### Kupa Walden

The Mitre 10 Prize for the top student in Home Economics and for the top student in Te Reo Māori

Harry Zhou For the top student in Mandarin

#### Leo Petio

For the top student in Māori Performing Art

Zac Wells For the top student in Music

#### Xavier Kilgour

For the top student in Performance Music

#### Arlo Wells

For the top student in Physical Education

#### **Aiden Bailey**

For the top student in Science - Moving into the future

#### Mattheo Van Rheede Van Oudtshoorn

For the top student in Social Science - Ancient Roman Civilisation and Languages (Classics)

#### **Eddie Mills**

For the top student in Social Science - Beyond the Sports Field and for the top student in Social Science - History

#### **Ethan Frew**

For the top student in Social Science -Commerce & Geography

#### Rigter Van Rheede Van Oudtshoorn

For the top student in Social Science -Protecting Taranaki

#### Abe Herbert

For the top student for Social Science -Who wants to be a Millionaire

#### Luke Moore

For the top student in Spanish

#### Samuel Tippett

The Livingstones prize for the top student in Technology Electronics

#### Liam Reid

The Trade Zone prize for the top student in Technology Metal at Year 10

#### Taylor Ekdahl

The Livingstones prize for the top student in Technology Wood

#### Ryan Lake

The Livingstones prize for the top student in Technology Robotics

#### Year 10 Effort & Progress Awards

**Corban Hills Corey Barrett** George Muraahi Hussam Othman **Jack Cooper Jack Rust** James Peng **Oscar Baylis Rigter Van Rheede Van** Oudtshoorn **Ryder Gernhoefer** Samuel Tippett Thiviru Vithana **Ubed Hameed** Victor Mwaengeni Luca Bretherton **Hayden Green** 

#### Year 10 Academic Scholars (Tiger Bar)

Aidan Quinn Emrys Gooda Finley Sheffield IQ Siriphand Jack Rust James Peng Taylor Reid Ryan Huang Hussam Othman

#### Year 10 Top Academics

#### **Eddie Mills**

The NPBHS Old Boys' Association Prize for 3rd by GPA

#### Luke Eagar

The NPBHS Old Boys' Association Prize for 2nd by GPA

#### **Flynn Ashton**

The 1990 Cup, NPBHS Old Boys' Association for 1st by GPA

#### Year 9 Subject Awards

Matthew Broome For the top student in 3D Computer Modelling

**George Moffat** For the top student in Agricultural and Horticultural Science

Jackson Rowlands For the top student for the Athletic Development Program

**Connor Catlin-Maybury** For the top student in Computer Science

Jake Read For the top student in Digital Media

**Charlie Scott** For the top student in Drama

#### **Marcus Whatt**

For the top student in English, The Taranaki Mathematics and Statistics Teachers Association for the top student in Mathematics

Rayan Talafha

For the Best Performance by a Junior student in the ESOL programme

**Tomas Ross Franco** For the top student in French

Kaito Chin The Livingstone prize for the top student in Graphics

**Braxton Mahu** For the top student in Health and Physical Education

**Ethan Charles** For the top student in Home Economics

**Oscar Huffam** For the top student in Mandarin

Hiona Ruakere For the top student in Māori and for the top student in Māori Performing Art

Lars Dravitski For the top student in Music

Ashton Green For the top student in Performance Music

Kody Engert For the top student in Science

Zach Graham

For the top student in Science - Black Holes, Planets, Stars and Dinosaurs **Toby Flynn** For the top student in Science -Ultrafast Chemistry

Viliami Schofield

For the top student in Social Science -Commerce & Geography

Mac Dalziel For the top student in Social Science -History

**Rylan Marx** For the top student in Social Science -The Apprentice

Haasen Khan For the top student in Social Science -The Geography of Disasters

Jayden Wilmshurst For the top student in Social Science -The History of War

**Charlie Gatenby** For the top student in Spanish

**Isaac Marr** The Livingstone prize for the top student in Technology Electronics

**Isaac Carter** The Trade Zone prize for the top student in Technology Metal at Year 9

**Oli Wisnewski** The Livingstone prize for the top student in Technology Wood

#### Wi Henry Matuku Emile

The Livingstones prize for the top student in Robotics

Braton-ash Bala-murugan The Gordon Harris Prize for the top student for Visual Art

#### Year 9 Effort & Progress Awards

Cameron Rogers Ethan Charles Evahn Beukes James Sim Joel Siraa Kaito Chin Kody Engert Liam Jordan Marcus Whatt Sheheran Kotalawala Toby Flynn Hedd Evans Wil McQuaig

#### Year 9 Academic Scholars (Tiger Bar)

**Miro Brebner Cameron Catlin-Maybury Connor Catlin-Maybury** Kaito Chin Mac Dalziel Qingchuan Du **Kody Engert Toby Flynn Charlie Gatenby** Aiden Lin Jesse Plant Viliami Schofield **Aiden Shera Fred Tarrant Marcus Whatt** Jayden Wilmshurst Andamann Yimpoonsap

#### Year 9 Top Academics

**Qingchuan Du** The NPBHS Old Boys' Association Prize for 3rd by GPA

**Charlie Gatenby** The NPBHS Old Boys' Association Prize for 2nd by GPA

#### Andamann Yimpoonsap

The 1990 Cup, NPBHS Old Boys' Association for 1st by GPA (pictured)

#### Junior 'Be The Example' All-Round Awards

Andamann Yimpoonsap 'Be the Example' Prize for the best all-rounder in Year 9

Viliami Schofield

'Be the Example' Prize for the best all-rounder in Year 9

Arlo Wells

'Be the Example' Prize for the best all-rounder in Year 10

#### Corban Hills

'Be the Example' Prize for the best all-rounder in Year 10

#### **Junior Cultural Awards**

Kainoa Horton Top student in Creative Writing and Public Speaking at Year 9

#### **Corey Barrett**

The Rex Dowding Memorial Cup for Junior Essay and Moss Cup for Public Speaking at Year 10

#### **James Sim**

The Ryan Peters Cup for the Most Conscientious Junior Librarian

#### Isaac Thornhill

For the Ian Menzies Memorial Prize sponsored by Chamber Music NZ for All-Round Performance and High Achievement at Year 10

#### **Ashton Green**

For the Ian Menzies Memorial Prize sponsored by Chamber Music NZ for All Round Performance and High Achievement at Year 9

#### Xavier Kilgour

For the Stewart Maunder Cup to the Junior Performer of the Year

#### Leo Petio

The prize for the top Junior Māori student and their contribution to the Māori profile of the school in Kapa Haka and Tikanga Māori

#### **Junior Sports Awards**

CROSS COUNTRY

Monty Darke Noakes Cup (120y Snr Hurdles Cup) -Junior Champion

#### **George Moffat**

Fletcher Trophy - Year 9 Boy Who Exemplifies The Spirit Of The Team

**Ethan Frew** Ferens/Holden Cup - Most Improved Cross Country Runner

CYCLING

Jesse Hofmans ANZ Cycling Cup Most Outstanding Rider

FOOTBALL

Nate Macesic Blair Magon Cup - Best Defensive Player

#### HOCKEY

Arlo Wells The Geursen Stick - Most Promising Junior

INLINE HOCKEY

Isaac Wilson Junior MVP

#### JUNIOR ATHLETICS

Monty Darke Grieve Cup- 1500m Baxter Cup - 3000m

#### Khobie Kane

Long Jump Young Cup - 100m

#### **Harper Bailey**

Brooks Cup - High Jump McCallum Cup - 200m Triple Jump and Junior Champion

Keegan Jansen Van Vuuren Shotput

Kingston Bevan Discus

**Preston Mann** Javelin

Bryn Espin Bishop Cup - 800m and 400m

RUGBY

**Dominic Gray** U15s Cup (Gledhill Cup) - Most Promising Player

#### Jacob Awahou

McKnight Memorial Cup - Yr 10 In Rugby

Deja Prince

Jason Duckett Memorial - Leadership At Jnr Levels

SWIMMING

#### Jackson Rowlands

Fox Cup - Junior Champion 50 Metre Freestyle 50 Metre Backstroke

#### **Jaiah Otene**

50 Metre Breaststroke 100 Metre Freestyle

TENNIS

**Lucas Erb** Herbert Smith Cup - Junior Tennis Champion

#### TOUCH

**Poutama Murray** Teina Cup - Most Promising Touch Player

#### VOLLEYBALL

**Taylor Reid** Coaches Cup (Donated By B. Jager) -Leadership In Junior Volleyball

Ngakau Rangi MVP Award (Presented By Jager Family) - Most Valuable Player

SPORTSMAN

Harper Lock Year 9 - Sportsman Of The Year

**Camden Rutherford** Year 10 - Sportsman Of The Year

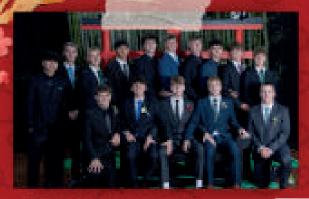
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## Year 13 Leavers 2024

Back Row: Zack Stockman-Fowler, Ethan Hawkes, Jason Tian, Ryan Bishell, Jake White, Braeden Plant, Oliver Braddock, Jack Zwart, Jake Le Fleming, Flynn Schrider, Liam Davis, Cooper James, Oliver Foy

Eighth Row: Troy Egelhof, George Harrison, Niels German, Regan Bevege, Jayden Holland, Ezra Ruka, Connor Crowe, Ben Dombroski, Morgan Whalley, Caleb Blackmore, Minh Dinh, Matthew McLaren, Javarhn Rupapera

Seventh Row: Issac Johnston, Taj Lallu, Jeffery Armstrong, Ryan Marshall, Terence Johns-King, Daniel Bentall, Logan Hislop, Lloyd Hawkins, Kaiden Shotter, Benjamin Aberdein, Henry Stockman, Aayush Neupane, Corbin Potroz

Sixth Row: Makaia Grant-Fargie, Nick Dobbie, William Darke, Sourya Banerjee, Thomas Hooks, Blake Rawlinson, Shawn Matuku, Xavier Holdom, Theodore Bevan, Emilio Gray

Fifth Row: Alex Chadwick, Vincent Sturmey-Christiansen, Elijah Frewin, Jaeden Rasmussen, Nathan Agar, Luke Richardson, Liam Crowe, Jahnee Walker-Withers, Jack Braddock, Alexander Osten, Joshua Morgan, Gus McCullough, Sean Barker

Fourth Row: Ryan Mills, Cody Revell, James Baker, Enrico Jimenez, Atis Beldham, Karlos Phillips, Campbell Young, Jack Parr, Rome Askew-Davis, Harlem Rangitonga, Kade Bridgeman, Adam Skerrett, Zach Phillips-Lim

Third Row: Kadison Hooper, Riley Parker, Jordan Petrie, Jake Dingle, Mitchell Wray, Eli Poulgrain, Conner Lehndorf, Riley Wootton, Harith Raziff, Spencer Rowson, Tommy Li, Jason Xie, Thisal Gunasinghe, Kurtis Gooch

Second Row: Isaac Simon, Tualauta Toremana, Samuel Salisbury, Taylin Fox, Brayden Neilson, Connor Day, Neo Hatcher, Koby Haigh, Jaxon Steele, Stephen McNeill, Ben James

Front Row: Flynn Wilson, Liam Corrigan, Payce Hetaraka-Wall (Head of Donnelly), Aiden Goodin (Head of Barak), George Stephens (Deputy Head Boy), Qingcheng Du (Head Boy), Jack Wiseman (Head Boarder), Rylan Vesty (Head of Syme), Thomas Hope, Ian Wong, Aaron Humphries

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