



TOKOROA  
HIGH SCHOOL

YEAR 1993

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## TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL 1993 STAFF

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### DAVID HILL

When I came to Tokoroa in October 1989, part of its attraction was the opportunity to renew again by Pacific connection – I had spent two years as Principal of Araura College, Aitutaki, in 1982-83. Once you have lived in the Pacific it gets into your blood and while Tokoroa has not got white sands, a lagoon or a reef, it does have significant Cook Islands and Samoan communities and they bring to the town and the school some of the feeling of life in the Pacific Islands.

I have not been disappointed. The flavour of Tokoroa High School is very much influenced by its Cook Island Samoan students and when we add to these our Maori and European students, we have the unique mix which is Tokoroa. We are an example of a successful multicultural community, a model that shows that New Zealand can become a truly multicultural nation where we live and work together proud and secure in our own individual cultural backgrounds, but respecting, enjoying and enriched by the other cultures around us.

The lure of the reef, however, has proved too strong. Next year, I take up a position as Director of the International School in Suva, Fiji. There the mix will be a little different with 30 different nationalities represented amongst the students but 40% have a Pacific Island background. If the relationships between the different groups with the school is as good as Tokoroa High School, I will be content. If it is not, Tokoroa High School has given me an ideal to aspire to.

Best wishes for the future, bula vinaka, kia orana, malo e lelei whakalofa lahi atu, talofa lava, kia ora koutou katoa.

David Hill



### HAERE RA TO OUR PRINCIPAL

David Hill arrived to take up the principalship of Tokoroa High School in October 1989 from an administrative position in the then Department of Education in Wellington.

Mr Hill brought with him a wealth of experience gained not only in New Zealand but also from teaching positions he held in Singapore and the Cook Islands. His last teaching position in New Zealand was as Deputy Principal at Kawerau College.

Fluent in Maori and marae protocol, life in a multicultural town such as Tokoroa was not a new challenge to Mr Hill, but rather one that he felt very comfortable with.

One of the hallmarks of Mr Hill's time as Principal of Tokoroa High School was his "open door" policy. Staff, students and parents felt that they had ready access to a principal who was prepared to listen. This availability was made possible largely due to the fact that David Hill worked a long day. He could be found at his desk hard at work by 7.00am each morning and was still available most days on site until at least 5.00pm. The long day was often followed by longer meetings at night. On an hourly basis Tokoroa High School received exceptional value from David Hill.

Taking up the reins of Principal at the introduction of "Tomorrow's Schools" placed enormous demands on David Hill and his Board of Trustees as they steered the school and community through uncharted waters. No-one should underestimate the demands and complexities of being a principal during these difficult times and the school pays tribute to David Hill for his skill and energy in putting Tokoroa High School in a sound administrative position.

Another priority for David Hill was to encourage a review of the overall curriculum and pastoral needs of the school. The result of this well co-ordinated work has seen these areas develop and consolidate under an improved structure.

Encouraging and assisting staff to seek promotion and accept new areas of responsibility was something that Mr Hill did consistently and with success in his four and a half years as Principal.

We are pleased that David has been able to advance his own interesting career by winning the coveted position of Director of the International School in Fiji. We will miss your energy, your tenacity and your sense of humour.

To David, Robyn and family, we say –

Haere ra e te Rangatira.

Haere atu me nga manaakitanga a to tatou Matua i te Rangi.

Takahia atu te Moana nui a Kiwa – a te wa Ka hoki mai ano.

Arohanui.

## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1993 has been a year of progress for Tokoroa High School. Our students have achieved success in national sporting competitions, the Rock Challenge, the Fashion and Design Awards and in various academic fields.

All of this has taken considerable time and effort, and I congratulate staff, students and our parent help for making it so worthwhile.

The Board too, has made progress. I took over as Chairperson during the middle of the year. (Incidentally, in the 4½ years of Tomorrow's Schools, I am the fifth Board Chairperson we have had.) We are making inroads into the backlog of deferred maintenance, and with the exception of a couple of blocks, the school is looking a lot tidier. I think, given another two years, we should have the school in good condition.

Looking forward to next year, we should complete our uniform survey, and our computer/information technology survey early in the new year and we will report to you through Newsline on our findings and recommendations.

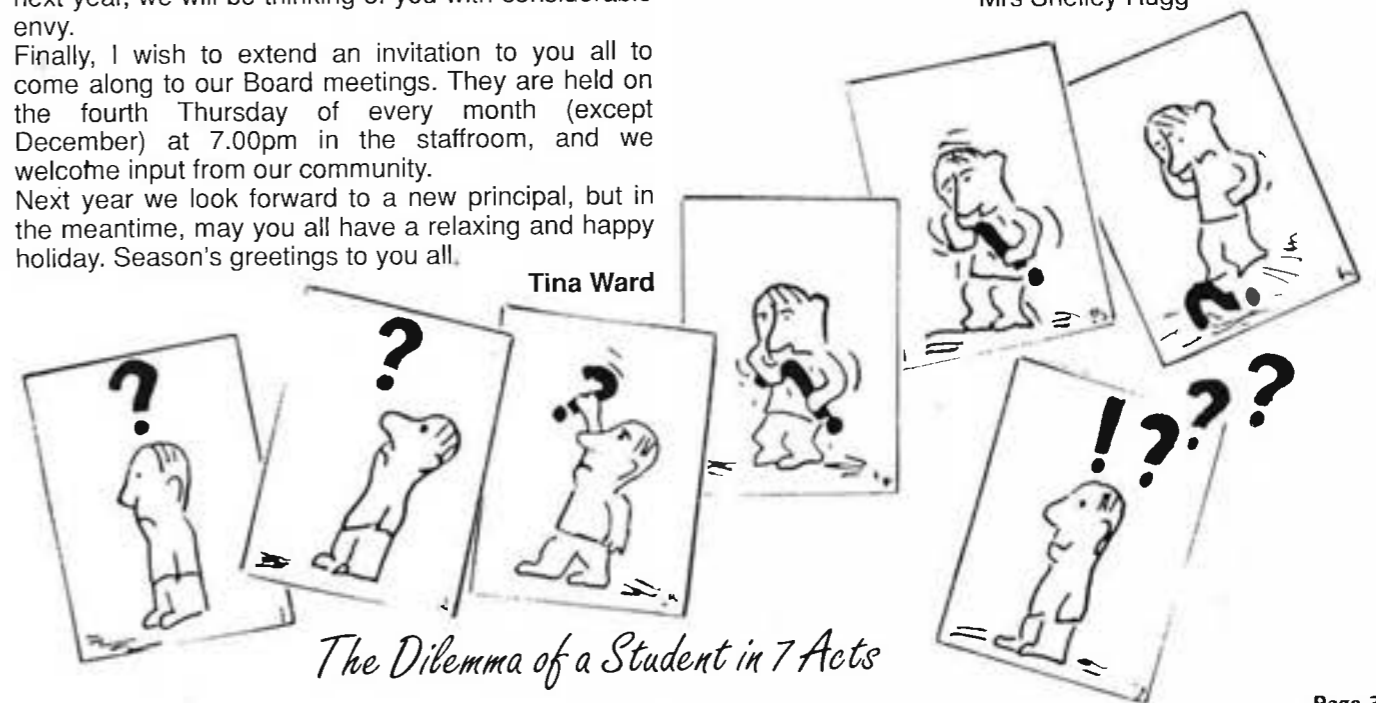
Sometimes, I find it frustrating in that the Board, at times, just isn't large enough to cope with all of the issues we have to deal with. It is important to us that we have the full support of parents and staff, and they need to be aware of the size of the job we tackle. I would like to thank my fellow Board members for the work they have done for the school this year, with a special thanks to Ray McCully and Kay de Ruyter for the load they have carried, and for the tremendous support they have given me personally.

The Board would also like to thank David Hill for his significant contribution to this school. David has seen us through the most difficult 'beginning' years of Tomorrow's Schools, he has worked extremely hard and diligently for our school, and he will be missed. We wish you every success David, in your new position and I'm sure that when our winter frosts hit us next year, we will be thinking of you with considerable envy.

Finally, I wish to extend an invitation to you all to come along to our Board meetings. They are held on the fourth Thursday of every month (except December) at 7.00pm in the staffroom, and we welcome input from our community.

Next year we look forward to a new principal, but in the meantime, may you all have a relaxing and happy holiday. Season's greetings to you all.

Tina Ward



The Dilemma of a Student in 7 Acts

## TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL TRUST

Established in 1977, the Tokoroa High School Trust administers a fund from which grants and equipment are provided to assist in the process of education for children at Tokoroa High School.

1993 has been a quiet year for the Trust with few major items of equipment purchased. The Trust has a rental agreement with the Tokoroa High School Board of Trustees under which major items of capital equipment are leased by the Board, while remaining the property of the Trust. Board funds for 1993 were limited and as a result, any additional rental commitments could not be approved. Further to this, the Board had a moratorium on computer hardware purchases pending a sub-committee review. These factors meant that requests for computer related equipment were unable to be met by the Trust.

The project initiated in 1992 to set up a register of Tokoroa High School ex-pupils, thereby facilitating communication between the school and its former students, has continued throughout this year and it is hoped that the register will be completed in 1994.

Further activities undertaken by the Trust include: the exchange of eight 20" colour television sets for two portable televisions and a grant provided for a Teacher-In-Service day to focus on recent research in teaching and learning through accelerated learning techniques.

The Trust operates quietly in the background and is administered by a board representing the community, the staff and Board of Trustees of Tokoroa High School. Its focus is furthering the process of education for all students of the school.

Tokoroa High School Trust –

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| Chairperson        | Mr Dick Mace      |
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| Treasurer          | Mr Blair Hope     |
| Secretary          | Mr David Hill     |
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|                    | Mr Rob Flavall    |
|                    | Mr Derek Rothwell |
|                    | Mrs Shelley Rugg  |

## FAREWELLS

### WENDON HUTCHINS

Wendon Hutchins joined us at the beginning of 1989. He worked in the transition and guidance area. He came to us with a wide range of skills and experience in the teaching and counselling field, and was already well known in the community for his involvement with many helping organisations.

Wendon quickly involved himself in the life of the school. He participated in such things as camps, peer support, anger management and the school productions. He spent some time as a senior tutor and as one of the Form 5 deans.

Wendon was a positive person who always tried to see the positive in people. He worked extensively with students and their families. He also provided valuable friendship and support to staff members.

His enthusiasm, hypothesising, energy and sense of humour – not to mention his musical talent was a tonic to us all. Wendon was a fun person to be around.

Wendon moved to Tauranga where he now works as a counsellor. We wish him well.

David Hollingsworth  
Counsellor

### FAREWELL TO MRS ATKINS

It is with a mixture of joy and sadness that we farewell Mrs Atkins who is leaving our school to take up a position at Mahurangi College in Warkworth in 1994.

We in the PE Department will miss the effervescent and bubbly personality that she exudes and of course that beautiful Scottish accent. Over the last two and a half years, during my time at this school, I have been impressed by her professionalism and management skills. Unbeknown to her I have learnt many things from her, as have others in the department.

If my informants have served me correctly, I believe Annette started at Tokoroa High School as a fresh faced "foreigner" in Term 3, 1987. Since then the Atkins family has swelled in numbers with Tokoroa having a big part to play in the birth of their two sons Cailean and Euan. It must be the air we have here!

Annette's commitment to the school and, more importantly to her students, is impressive. She has many talents and a lot of these have rubbed off onto her students. She has played a major role in school productions choreography in many of the school shows and has also choreographed local community shows. This year saw Annette take up acting with the Tokoroa Little Theatre playing a major role. She has also developed the 6th Form Certificate PE course and set up the new 7th Form Bursary course, giving our students expert tuition and guidance. It is in this area that I have been impressed with Annette's experience and knowledge, and it is an area that is going to be hard work when she leaves.

Mr lasting impression of Annette is of the way she commits herself to her teaching. She puts her students first and has an excellent rapport with them. She is caring and her pupils respect her. She is the perfect role model for a beginning teacher.

There are probably a thousand things that I have overlooked but one can only say from the PE staff and staff in general, and pupils past and present – "We wish you and Colin and the boys all the best in your

new home. It is our loss and Mahurangi College's gain."

Our pupils need teachers like Mrs Atkins and I am sure she will achieve the same results and respect in Warkworth.

Good luck and best wishes Annette, Colin, Cailean and Euan – you will be sadly missed.

Peter Kaua HOD Physical Education

### FAREWELL TO ANNE GOLDING

Early this year the school said farewell to Anne Golding who had been Head of Department of Commerce since the middle of 1991.

Anne had returned from Auckland to Tokoroa where she had been on the staff of the school in the early 1980's. During her time with us Anne brought many valued contributions, not just as a former staff member, but also in her professional capacity and in the support she gave to students and staff.

Anne was very involved in assisting netball at THS and also contributed much as a member of the "Ark" Child Care Centre. Everyone joined in wishing Anne all the best on her return to teaching in Auckland.

### GUIDANCE 1993

Someone once said there was no such thing as a problem – simply an opportunity for success. It is a privilege to work alongside people who face those "Opportunities" with courage and maturity.

It seems that so many teenagers are being asked to grow up and come to terms with situations and issues that in my generation were hardly on the horizon.

Being a teenager is not easy. Being a parent of a teenager is no easier and parents need support as well. I would like to acknowledge and thank Anne Swanson for the years of work she has put in with families who have been going through tough times. It has been demanding, frustrating work at times, but the success has made it worth the effort. Thank you Anne.

Wendon Hutchins left earlier this year. He made an enormous contribution to our school and he also worked alongside many families in crisis. I miss his professional support and encouragement, his help with programmes such as peer support and anger management, and I miss his positive attitude to life. Counselling can be a lonely "place" and counsellors need support also. Wendon was my support and I was fortunate to have that.

Sadly, because of the falling roll, it seems unlikely that there will be a "team" of counsellors working together in this school again. The school can only be poorer for that.

I also want to acknowledge the contribution Mr Hill has made in the area of student welfare. He has very much been a "guidance conscious" principal. His personal approach to students, and his concern for them has ensured that students needs at Tokoroa High School have not been overlooked. On occasions he gave students "another chance" when many of us were ready to give up.

1994 will bring to us a new group of third formers and our new peer support leaders will get a chance to show their leadership qualities. Before we know it we will all be in the midst of a New Year, with all the challenges that are associated with it.

Best wishes for the Christmas break and the New Year.

David Hollingsworth

### LARISA KERBERS – 25 YEARS ON

Twenty five years ago, Larisa made the move from a teaching job in Hamilton to the still young settlement of Tokoroa. Prior to Hamilton, Larisa had taught in Christchurch, each new school brings new challenges and experiences.

Over the years, Larisa quietly performed her job, her dedication and professional approach led to a promotion to Assistant Head of Science with responsibility for biology. In recent years, with the decline of biology (following the national trend), Larisa has taken on the responsibility of co-ordinating Form five to seven science.

Larisa's contribution to school life did not always lie in the classroom and the science department. During the early days, she was seen taking social studies and mathematics. She has taken an important roll as a senior tutor for several years, helping with students' welfare. In recent times, Larisa has been instrumental in reviving boys' soccer in the school, taking on the team manager's job and producing results that any school would be proud of.

She has quietly and professionally contributed to the social and academic development of many, dare I say 100's, of students. Her dedication and enthusiasm for her job and the school has not waned. Science teaching has changed quite a lot over the years, especially in the last three or four, with even greater changes to come. We know that she will be to the fore in science development through this difficult time.

Congratulations Larisa, and a hearty thanks on behalf of all of your past and present pupils and colleagues for all you have done. We look forward to many more years of working with you.



## SCHOOL COUNCIL

The Tokoroa High School Council of 1993 had a challenging year, concerning fundraising and general support. Money that was raised through mufti days and socials was distributed to many students, including those competing in national and international competitions and tournaments. The council also financially supported school based competitions and the national "Drug Free" campaign. A meeting at the end of the year with Forest Veiv High School made possible the organisation of a trophy for interschool sports and cultural activities. The executive members of the council are grateful for the teacher support they received and express appreciation to the members of the council that helped share responsibilities.

Miranda Snell



COUNCIL

## PEER SUPPORT PROGRAMME A SUCCESS

Tokoroa High School's Peer Support programme is proving to be a success for third formers and their group leaders.

Comments made by the juniors, their seventh form group leaders and programme organiser Mr David Hollingsworth indicate benefits experienced by all involved.

"Since I've been in the programme I can see things from a teacher's point of view," stated group leader Brandy Barnett, "And as a result I now have more respect for my teachers."

Mr Hollingsworth and Vanessa Blake a third form participant agrees that the scheme provides valuable opportunities for students to find out more about each other's backgrounds through the planned activities.

"I think that in more time I'll feel more comfortable around seniors," commented Heleena Burgess.

Scott Batty agreed "I used to be scared of the big tough seniors but I'm more comfortable now."

The programme was introduced to Tokoroa High School three years ago, however, it has been operating in New Zealand for ten years as a result of a Rotary International project.

## HEAD GIRL



MIRANDA SNELL

## HEAD BOY



MATHEW MAUAI

Teacher and student training sponsored by Rotary took place at a school level at the end of last year to prepare group leaders for their new responsibility.

Preparation for the one hour a week programme involved the leaders in a fashion show, a drama workshop and using the leaders' manual amongst themselves.

The manual is made up of a series of lessons using "ice breakers", academic learning, social skill builders and personal support exercises which are designed to unite the group and to help them build confidence in their new high school environment.

The programme is designed for mixed sex groups of six or seven students led usually by two group leaders and runs for eight consecutive weeks.

From all the students interviewed there came only one negative statement, "one hour is too short," complained 13-year-old Gareth, "but", he added on a positive note, "there are no exams!"

Perhaps the observation made by Charlie Daniels sums up the overall success of the programme, "we are all equal," he said, "no-one is better than anyone else."

Miranda Snell

## CONTINUING EDUCATION REPORT

### EVENING CLASSES

Heavy truck and trailer licence was the most popular evening class this year with more than 60 men and women gaining their licences. New courses offered this year included ballroom dancing, musical keyboarding, defensive driving, picture framing and microwave cooking.

Practical courses in pottery, cake decorating, home video making and dressmaking were also well attended with woodwork and welding so popular that additional tutors were required to assist these classes. The school assisted a variety of community groups to run training and education programmes for their members. These groups included SW Sheltered Workshop, Crisis Counselling Group, New Mothers Support Group, Dementia Support Group and the La Leche League.

In total, 54 long and short term courses were held this year with enrolments totalling 838. Many thanks to all our tutors who contributed their knowledge and expertise to community education through the evening programme this year.

### ADULT STUDENTS

Fifty-eight slightly nervous, but very determined, adult students returned to school this year to continue their studies. Their ages ranged from 18 years to 60 years plus, with most adults studying two subjects at 5th, 6th or 7th form levels.

Several adult students attended the annual 7th form camp and thoroughly enjoyed this experience. Others were able to use the school creche 'The Ark' for child minding while they attended classes and the adult student common room with its tea and coffee facilities proved popular - particularly during the long winter term.

Our survey of adult student attitudes found that adults gained a great deal of satisfaction from being part of secondary school life with "fun", "new ideas", "greater variety of challenges" and "affordability" being the key consideration in the decision to return to school.

Some adult students returned after enjoying success in last year's School Certificate exams where pass marks in the 60-70 range were not uncommon. A feature of this year's programme were the support courses for adults in study skills and general literacy taught during the first and second terms by Erina Dowdle. We wish all those adult students preparing to sit national exams in November the very best in their endeavours.



## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Two activity programmes were run at the school during the May and August holidays for young people in the 8-16 years age range.

Titled 'The Explorers and Adventurers Programme' these activities were offered as an alternative for young people not attracted by the activities offered in the YMCA's holiday programmes.

Half day and one day workshops were held in pottery, drawing and painting, drama, adventure gaining, computing, computer gaming and cooking. The drama and painting workshops proved the most popular with a second computer gaming workshop held in August to cater for the large numbers wishing to attend.

This programme will be run again during the 1994 school holidays, when workshops in music and calligraphy will also be held.

Trevor Bentley

## LIBRARY NOTES - 1993

The library continues as an exciting centre in the school. A hive of purposeful activity during class time and the hub of social activity at morning intervals and lunchtimes, especially during the colder weather.

Our staffing has remained constant with Mrs Sandra Taylor as librarian and Mrs Kath Law teacher with responsibility for the management of the library. We have been ably assisted this year by Miss Camelia Sandbrook and Mr Dennis Tunui, both of whom have had several weeks work in the library. Thanks to Miss Sandbrook's computer skills, we hope to have the library issuing system fully computerised for 1994.

The staff have continued to focus on the needs of students and staff in providing a suitable range of fiction for general reading and ensuring the non-fiction section provides appropriate curriculum related references. Students are encouraged in the development of good research skills in a pleasant environment conducive to work.

Technology is alive and well in the library and the computers are available for student research activities as well as library administration. It is hoped that 1994 will see further developments in this area. Once again our association and involvement with the National Library of New Zealand, through the School Library Service, has been an invaluable one. The service provided for students and staff is excellent.

An exciting addition to the library this year has been the group of keen students who have shown a willingness to become involved in the day-to-day running of the library. Under the guidance of Mrs Taylor they have learned many valuable skills and are well on their way to earning certificates. We would really like to encourage more students to participate and take advantage of this great learning opportunity. We look forward to 1994 with enthusiasm.

Mrs Kath Law



## THE BAND PLAYS ON

While most people are only just arriving at school, one group of people are just finishing the first part of their morning. This group of people are people who belong to the brass band.

The band practises every morning from 7.45am until 8.25am. It is compiled of students from a couple of local primary schools, the majority from Tokoroa Intermediate and some from both THS and FVHS, as well as a few adults. We play a variety of music, from marches to carols to musical selections.

During the year we have played out at a lot of venues in the community. Some of these places include the ANZAC day service, the A. & P. show, Putaruru High and Tokoroa Intermediate, which never fails to bring the band many new recruits. We will be playing at a number of end-of-year functions.

The band also has an 'A-team' which is made up of eight players who play more demanding music. During the second term, we performed at the Chamber Music regional competition in Hamilton. The groups that performed had to play without a conductor and although we were not placed, we drew some very favourable comments from the judge.

But all those things we have achieved would not have been possible if it weren't for Noel Saunders. He arrives early every morning to set up the chairs and stands and is always one of the last out afterwards. But most importantly, he conducts and teaches new people how to play and read music. His dedication and perseverance are admirable – thank you so much Noel, for all you have given to us.

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## SCIENCE FAIR

The 1993 Telecom Technology Science Roadshow which was touring more than 50 urban and rural centres around New Zealand made a planned two day stop at the Tokoroa High School in May this year. School children from all schools in the area, as well as the public, were given the opportunity of hands on contact with science and technology.

Computer earthquakes were just one of the over 50 interactive exhibits in the display.

Seismology, the study of earthquakes, fascinated everyone as it enabled them to work out the strength of the simulated earthquake using the Richter scale, analyse where it started, assess the radius of damage and predict the chance of after shocks.

With New Zealand astride two major earthquake plates and being constantly reminded by tremors of varying degrees, this display proved very popular.

The computer earthquakes display was just one of the 50 exciting exhibits and gadgets designed to give the children an interest in science subjects that will play a major role in their future.

The 1993 Telecom Technology Science Roadshow is the first one of its kind to tour and the very high level of interest shown in all centres have been very encouraging according to Telecom Community Relations Officer Lyle Griffiths.

D. Tunui



## THE ORCHESTRA

Numbers attending orchestra practise increased this year, an encouraging sign. In term one we had enough confidence to play in assemblies.

In term two we accepted the invitation to spend a day at Te Kuiti High School with instruments from several other high schools in that area. It was a thrill for us to play in an orchestra of over 100 players. The string players had their own group of over 30 and gave their own items.

In term three we have been invited to play at David Henry Primary School, and will play at Junior Prizegiving of Tokoroa High School.

**Violins:** Jeanene Pearce, Kasis Hopkinson, Alisha Jones, Kristian Nielson, Umi Yokota (term II), David Hallet.

**Flutes:** Louise McCully, Rebecca Foster (home student), Nikki Signal (term III).

**Brass:** Jonathan Davey. **Double Bass:** Inano Wiapo. **Cello:** Rebecca Dowdle (David Henry).

**Clarinets:** Hana Ngarimu, Latishe Kelly (term I).

We have had several guitarists accompanying us, among them – Robert Bidois, Scott Kelso and Paulette Pooley. We're looking forward to Mele Hwa joining on saxophone next year.



## GERMAN FIELD TRIP

At the beginning of June this year, six students from Tokoroa High School fifth form German class attended a field trip down to Wellington.

The aim of the trip was to improve and further our skills in learning and understanding the German language.

To help us do so, the first place we visited was the Goethe Institute in Wellington City. After a long trip down travelling in private cars, we had time to introduce ourselves and get used to the new environment.

Most of our time at the institute was spent looking at slides of historical buildings, learning about traditions and listening to some new phrases and sentences. From the institute we all went to our separate places of which we were staying. Three of us were being billeted and the rest of us were staying privately.

Our visit to Wellington, mind you, was not all German, as we went to visit the Parliament Buildings and were guided around the Government Chambers and the Beehive. The visit was quite brief as we were not able to see all of the building for obvious security reasons.

From there, we went on to the German Embassy in which we discovered what the Embassy actually does and for what purpose we would use such as establishment. At the Embassy we collected a whole lot of maps and booklets about Germany. Also the Embassy has donated a book to our school library, "The German Connection", by James N. Bade. Then we were given a list of instructions – written in German – to get us back to the institute. We went in pairs and all had to meet back as quickly as we could. An hour and a half later, we were all back.

"The Aida" was the next stop for us. The Aida is a small German restaurant that makes and sells the delicious German style black forest cakes and all sorts of German chocolates.

Before the trip ended, we had a chance to go shopping and spending.

The trip for us all was an interesting, educational experience. We also hope that this will become an annual event for the fifth form German students as we would like to see other students have the chance to visit and experience the places we have.



## JAPANESE CLASSES

This was the first year Japanese was offered at Tokoroa High School. I must admit to some trepidation at the thought of starting a new course, but the year began well with the students mastering the first of three alphabets in three months. When Mr Maida arrived from Japan he was very impressed with the level of Japanese achieved by the students in only one term.

The course covers three syllabuses – Hiragana, Katakana (both Japanese) and Kanji (borrowed from the Chinese). These have 46 characters each, except Kanji which is 1800! Not all of these are learned in one year.

Cultural aspects are covered as much as is practical. Origami and calligraphy have been taught and we will also be doing some cooking.

I hope that the students are enjoying themselves as much as I am and I look forward to continuing the course next year.

C.L. Nicol





## FASHION DESIGN

At the beginning of the year, we decided to enter the New Zealand Secondary Schools Young Designers Awards, organised by the Fashion and Design College of New Zealand. We managed to enter seven designers in the nationwide competition in several categories. The entries came from students in our fashion design and fabrics department and some from the art and home economics departments.

We used our club time on Thursday mornings, period three, to perfect our designs and sketches. Then we had a field trip with Mrs Ward and Mrs Mitchell, to all the fabric shops between Tokoroa, Putaruru and Hamilton. By the end of the day we were exhausted, but we each had our fabrics for the designs. Then the hard work started for our two tutors and one parent to produce the designs in fabric.

Patterns had to be made, cut, fitted and sewn. Our three dressmakers spent hours and hours and many sleepless nights making up the garments, some entries had three or four garments for each model. Then we had to fit in photographic sessions in suitable locations which Graham Lauder organised and filmed.

Next we had to coach our models for our Cavnet and Fashion Parade, organised by Mrs Graham and Mrs Ward, to raise funds for all our expenses. Lots more hard work, but we had a really successful night.

Five of our seven entries were nominated for awards at the awards finals in Christchurch, and we made it to the 'Highlights' Parade. Melody Jones and Lotu Misa entered the Creative Menswear section and made it to the top. Lotu's linen suit was hand blocked in a Samoan pattern with a matching silk tie. Melody's was in lovely colours of silks – red, green and blue with black. Mathew Veza's sequined tie in a huge fish shape was most admired by the live audience, capturing and replacing all the lights on stage. Kaisalia Mealamu's entry in the Ethnic High Fashion Daywear was brightly rainbow head with matching silk scarf and headgear. Louice Hewetts savary, bustine and filmy shirt was all hand painted in autumn tones.

In the fantasy section, Leah Skipps' design in silver lame and white satin was a hit. In the Leisurewear section, Karen Conrad entered a dove gold divided skirt and engeriore top with gold braiding, and Melody Jones scored successful entry was an Aztec print two toned jacket, our cream trousers with a matching tan crossover blouse.

Thirteen entrants and supporters attended the awards at Jones Hay Theatre in Christchurch in the May holidays.

Many of our garments were featured on "What Now" television programmes and also appeared on television on other programmes.

### TOKOROATE HINETA FASHION DESIGN COMPETITION

Kereana Te Hiko came second in this competition after hours of hard work on her black chiffon and purple satin high fashion evening wear gown. It was inspired by the life spiral pattern featured at the neck and hip.



## Quiz: Are You Cool Or What?!

- What do you do at lunchtime?
  - go to the library
  - the courts
  - sit on the field
  - play hopscotch.
- What do you wear on Mufti day?
  - hippy clothes (eg: muslin blouse etc)
  - swanni and gummies
  - whatever Mummy laid out
  - a surf board and that's about it.
- What side of the road do you walk on after school?
  - left
  - right
  - the middle
  - I don't walk — I fly.
- What do you wear for P.E.?
  - uniform gear (house T-shirt etc)
  - black adidas tracksuit pants
  - school uniform
  - what? Who does P.E.?
- Which sport is your favourite?
  - soccer
  - rugby/netball
  - cruising for chicks
  - computer chess.
- What do you eat for lunch?
  - sandwiches Mummy made
  - lunch? I'm on a diet
  - one pot of yoghurt
  - canteen special
- Where do you sit in class?
  - front (next to your friend, Teach)
  - back (what a hood)
  - class? What's that?!
  - in the corner.
- Who is your hero?
  - Mrs Graham
  - Mr Hill
  - Ben Tolofua
  - David Hallet
- What's your favourite group?
  - AC DC
  - New Kids on the Block
  - ABBA
  - Pink Floyd
- What's your favourite type of music?
  - heavy metal
  - blues
  - country and western
  - top 20.



### Scoring:

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| 1  | a. 2 | b. 5 | c. 3 | d. 1 |
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| 3  | a. 3 | b. 2 | c. 1 | d. 5 |
| 4  | a. 2 | b. 3 | c. 1 | d. 5 |
| 5  | a. 2 | b. 5 | c. 3 | d. 1 |
| 6  | a. 1 | b. 5 | c. 3 | d. 2 |
| 7  | a. 1 | b. 3 | c. 5 | d. 2 |
| 8  | a. 2 | b. 3 | c. 5 | d. 1 |
| 9  | a. 5 | b. 2 | c. 1 | d. 3 |
| 10 | a. 3 | b. 2 | c. 1 | d. 5 |

### 50-40

Oh wow, you are cool (or you cheated). But hurry up and test your friends — if they aren't as cool as you, your own personal coolness may suffer. If your friends aren't cool, you can kiss them goodbye!

### 39-30

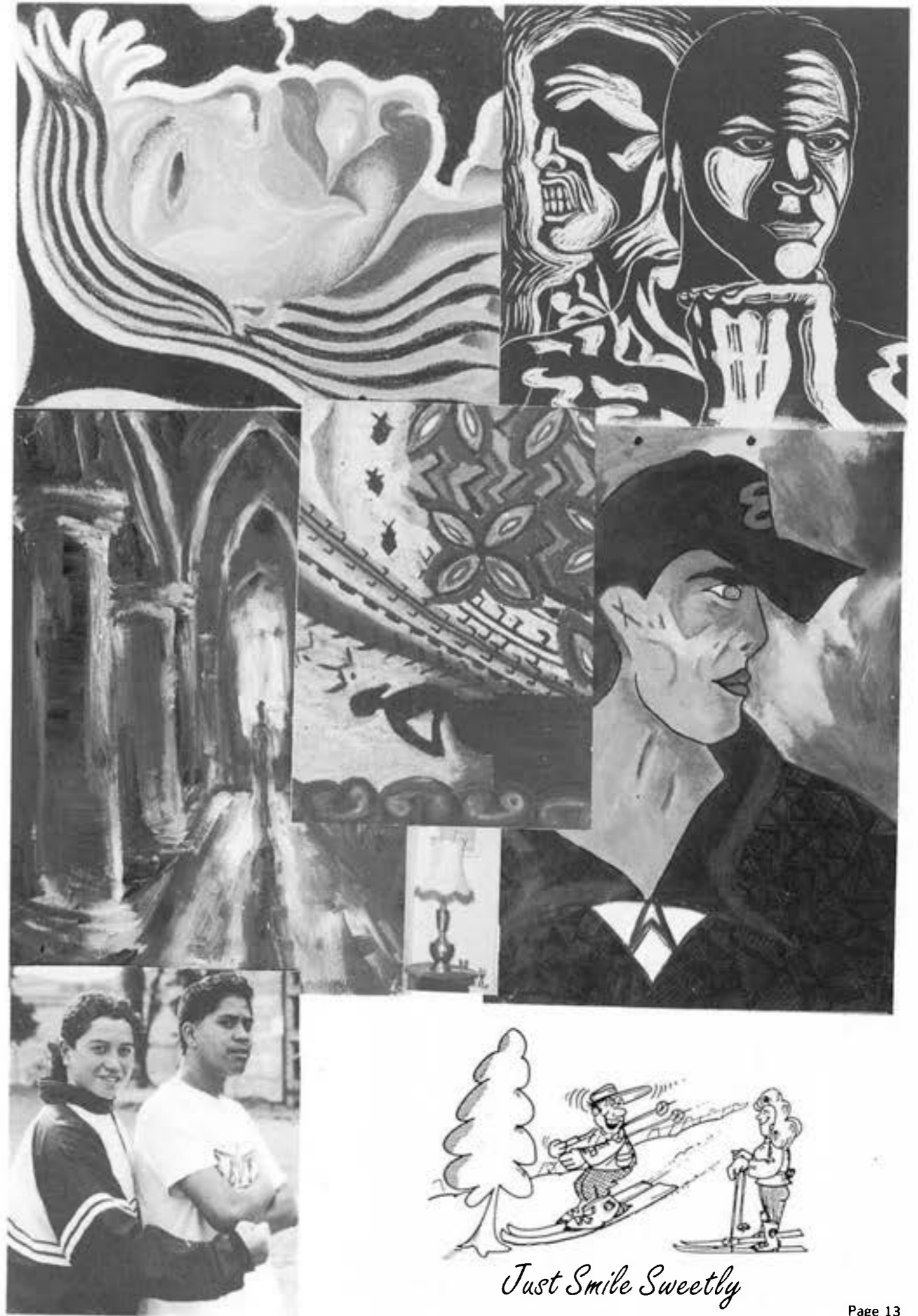
You're really on your way. Just a little bit more work and you'll be there. Don't worry if your cool doesn't seem genuine — nobody will be able to tell!

### 29-20

Mmm, not a total 'failure' but you'll have to try much harder, your cool act won't fool too many people. Take some tips from Mr Northey and please stop saying ACE!

### 19-10

You have had it, your coolness is wasted, where have you been? In Granny's closet? Remember — 'Cool' is just another word for conformity. It's easy.



*Just Smile Sweetly*



## 3RD FORM CAMPS 1992 WAITAWHETA

After exams last year, our 3rd form went on camp at Waitawheta, which is located in Karangahake Gorge, between Paeroa and Waihi. Camps were run over 15 days, with three main camps:

Camp 1 3KA, 3WE, BNG, went out

Camp 2 3KU, 3RD

Camp 3 3DP, 3TN

### ACTIVITIES

These included tramping (pipeline walk) which was really choice because we followed the Paeroa pipeline through abandoned mine shafts and one really long tunnel to end up at our overnight camp at Dickies Flat. From Dickies Flat the next day we had a huge hike (eight hours). This was very tiring and the teachers nicknamed this walk the "grunt". It was mainly through bush which was beautiful and the thing that really impressed us was the walk through the huge grove of Kauri trees.

Besides walking/hiking/falling, we also did abseiling with Mr Kaua who was trying his best to get us down safely. (I hate his "free falling" song). We also did canoeing which was really cool, Mr Drake being our expert tutor. He spent a lot of time setting up the canoe course, then heaps more time trying to get us through it. Once we got balance, it was quite easy. Jumping off the bridge at the swimming hole was awesome with many huge bombs being seen, especially by Mr Marsh.

All in all, camp was a neat experience and one that all 3rd formers should attend. Don't let the walks put you off, they were not that hard. Waitawheta Camp was ace.

David Hansen R/KA



## SEVENTH FORM CANOE CAMP

Around two-thirds of Lake Taupo. From Kinloch to Taupo, Taupo to Motuoapa, Motuoapa to Tokaanu all in two and a half days.

Staff – Henk Guitink, Dale Wells, John Jansen, Herta Miehe, Talosaga Tolovae.

Students – Awhina Te Hiko, Heather Alderton, Antonina Horn, Kelly Montford, Charles Jackson, Mathew Mauai, Dorothy Momoemausu, Vanessa Nelson, Ngawai Wilkinson, Nathan Whale, Daniel Fitzpatrick.

Before the trip –

Trips into primal elements are fraught with anxiety. Lakes, blue, green, dark, whatever colour, denoting depth, echoes death. Deep lakes are murky with legacies of sunk journeys, taniwha... nes – simple deep, dark fears.

Modern rationality is supposed to cure all these fears. So why am I anxious still. Is it the uncertainty beyond organisation; students pulling out in the last minute, parents who can't help out on the day? Or, is it the enormity of the responsibility and trust involved in taking students through this challenge?

Have the parents forgotten that, not long ago, this initiation of the young to physical and mental challenge had a special significance, a special office.

This work was trusted only to the veteran brave. Threat of injury, even death, was part and parcel of the challenge. Time's cackle will echo long and loud from my past if a student is drowned. It will shunt me back into the maw of primal loss and despair. If one student – someone's child – is lost in the lake, peace of mind will never lap my shores.

I can plan for all my worth; the lakes are as barbaric now as they were when we first sailed. It is the nub of my anxiety.

After the trip –

It is done. In two and a half days of sunny, squally, windy and challenging weather conditions, we achieve our goal, to canoe from Kinloch, eastwards to Taupo and then Southwestwards to Tokaanu in three days.

It is peace of life. In the senior level we continue to sew into students experiences mosaics which enrich the patch quilt of their lives. Who knows – life is a dark, dangerous lake; we can fear it or launch into it with a barbaric yawp.

Talosaga Tolovae

## SENIOR TRAMP

Once again it was off to the Tongariro National Park. We travelled by bus via Taupo, Turangi and National Park to Ohakune. The bus then took us up the Ohakune Mountain Road to the Round the Mountain Track.

After lunch we set off on our walk to Mangaehuehu Hut. The track to the Waitaonga Falls provided easy walking. From there to the hut was little more than a "poled route" with one or two suspension bridges, that some crossed with a certain amount of trepidation. Mangaehuehu Hut was well appointed and from here we had good views of Waiouru, Ohakune and Mt. Egmont.

The second day dawned bright for the most demanding part of the tramp on the southern side of the mountain. Plenty of hills, not much shade and a shortage of water, as well as the descent and ascent

of the mighty Waihanoa Valley. We did well, arriving at Rangipo Hut at 3.00pm. This is the highest public hut in the park.

From here to the Desert Road it was an easy downhill walk. It was bitterly cold and we were pleased to see the bus arrive early.

A welcome stop in Taupo gave the opportunity to partake of some "real food". But not the teachers. They got out their gas cookers, sat on a park bench and cooked themselves a meal. We arrived back in Tokoroa at 7.00pm feeling that we had fulfilled the theme of "Personal Challenge". We had been challenged and we succeeded.

## WATERSKIING CAMP

This year's waterskiing camp was a great three days of sun (well, actually two of sun and one of rain), fun and learning how to waterski.

A group of 20 students, five adults headed by Mrs Brunton and Mrs Golding and three boat drivers, tried their luck at it. Some succeeded at getting it right and getting up, while others... well!

It is hard to describe the best thing about camp, as every part was a reminder of friends already known and new friends made – Chico, Sean and Umi (exchange students). Ever tried putting 16 in a four man tent (you don't get much closer than that!)

A hike, which everyone had to take part in, was fun and the atmosphere tremendous. Some good 'tans' and lots of sunburn were not too much of a problem, thanks to the two student nurses who came along to lend a hand.

A terrific time was had by all. Thanks to all those involved.

Glenda Bomford

## FORM SEVEN CYCLING CAMP

If anyone ever wanted a real challenge, the cycling camp is definitely one, what else could you call a 280km, three day camp. On the Wednesday morning, 11 students and four teachers left Tokoroa and headed for Rotorua. Other than a certain person's bike breaking before we left Tokoroa, the morning went well. But the afternoon was a different story, we had to cycle over the dreaded Mamaku's. With a lot of effort and determination we made it and were very happy to make it to the Blue Lake Tourist Camp. After a swim in the lake and takeaways for tea, everyone had an early night.

We set off for Taupo early the next morning via Reporoa, even though Mr Hollingsworth fell off his bike even before we left the camp. It was a long but fairly easy day, due to it being mostly flat. But Mr Kaua didn't help, when asked when we would be stopping, he would rely "In a few kilometres" 10km later we were still cycling. Late that afternoon we arrived at the Acacia Bay Caravan Park. We once again had takeaways for tea (as you've probably already guessed Mr Hollingsworth, Mr Drake, Mr Kaua and Miss Benefield were all reluctant to cook for us, but we weren't complaining) and after a well deserved swim at the AC Baths, we spent the night in front of the TV.

The next day we set off home via Whakamaru. Everyone arrived back at home feeling very proud of themselves and extremely satisfied that they had completed 280km of cycling. The effort that everyone put in made for a very enjoyable three days, which everyone found to be a memorable experience.

Marie Martin

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## S.T.S. SPIRIT OF NEW ZEALAND

Going on the 'Spirit of New Zealand' will certainly be one of my highlights for the year. So I'll give you an idea of what happened on my 10 day voyage.

Well, we left Auckland on 15th June at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and motor sailed in to the Motuihe Island for the night.

Every night a watch has to have turns at making sure nobody tries to board the boat or the boat is moving while under anchor. I happened to get it from 4 o'clock to 6 o'clock in the morning.

They wake you up at 6.15 to be on deck by 6.20 for a swim, as it is winter the water is pretty cold but not too bad. You have to swim the length of the boat.

DAY TWO: We sailed to Port Charles which is at the top of Coromandel Peninsula. It was pretty rough with about one and a half to two metre swells. (Lunch didn't stay down for long).

DAY THREE: We sailed from Port Charles to Great Barrier Island.

DAY FOUR: Was an average day, we had our swim and breakfast. Then we had lectures on navigation and charting. Didn't sail too far that day.

DAY FIVE: We went ashore. It was pretty hard to walk as the land seemed to be moving. After lunch we had small boat races. Starboard A which was my group, won them all. That night we did a night sail which was really amazing, we ended up at Naval Cove which is at Port Abercornible.



DAY SIX: Left Port Abercornible for Kawau Island. It was really rough with waves of about four to five metres, so everyone was clipped onto a safety line. Just off Kawau Island we had about five killer whales swimming around the boat.

DAY SEVEN: Didn't do the normal swim. They took the boat about 200 metres off the beach and we had to jump off and swim ashore then run across Kawau Island and they picked us up at Mansion House Bay, that took us about 45 minutes. We started heading back towards Auckland once we got sailing.

DAYS EIGHT/NINE: These two days were spent sailing. On day nine, the Spirit of Adventure appeared on its way back from up north. We got the fire hose and blasted them but they threw flour bombs back.

DAY TEN: Our last day. They handed the ship over to us, the trainees, and let us sail it into Auckland. All the watch leaders and the captain sat on the back of the boat fishing and lazing around. We sailed up to and under the harbour bridge (just).

Overall, a great time was had by all 40 trainees. The weather was good, food was great when it stayed down and many friends were made.

I highly recommend that if you get the chance to go on this boat, do it!

Kelly Montford



## OUTDOOR PURSUITS

The Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre of New Zealand is situated at the edge of the Tongariro National Park in Turangi. I was lucky enough to be chosen to attend the Youth Leadership course which runs for one week. For me, that meant one week off school for a holiday in the wilderness.

There were eight of us that attended this course, four boys and four girls from all over the country.

Every morning I woke up, drew the curtains and took in the breathtaking view of the mountains.

The days were full of surprises, we never knew what we were in for. Due to the course being a youth leadership course, all the work was done by us, the group. We would be given a set of instructions and told to go to it. This is where we used planning skills, teamwork was essential.

DAY ONE: Problem solving activities were assigned. We had to carry, as a group, a bucket of water over a rope obstacle course without spilling a drop. We managed admirably.

After lunch we were taken to some forestry, given a map and a point we had to reach. We ended up Progressive Orienteering. Several times we led ourselves astray but finally we found all 10 markers.

The evening led to group discussion time. We would sit and talk until 10 o'clock. Sometimes these sessions could be quite boring and often I fell asleep.

DAY TWO: Self-assessed abseiling, for this we were given information sheets and equipment. We had to set up the equipment and send the whole group down. It took us two and a half hours. In the afternoon we navigated our way down the Tongariro River. All went well until we went down a waterfall, I fell out! After that we relaxed in some hot pools.

DAY THREE: Rope bridge building over a river. No problem! One person was allowed to walk around the road to the other side, this made things somewhat easier.

Snow caving was the highlight of my week. I had never done this before so I was ecstatic. It started to snow while we were up the mountain, it looked really neat.

DAY FOUR: Yet another obstacle course, this one was easier. We also did the trapeze. This is where you climb up a tree, out onto a skinny plank, jump, catch a bar swing for a while and then drop. You're tied to a rope so you free fall for a while then you get lowered to the ground. It was totally awesome.

We then left for our overnight camp/tramp. We rock hopped down a river, climbed a muddy stream (up means an 80 degree angle!) then down to some limestone caves. We navigated our way around these caves trying to find some treasure - cream eggs! We only found half of them, the rats had had a banquet on the rest!

Our campsite was half an hour away. It was dark. We pitched our tents, ate dinner and talked until three in the morning.

DAY FIVE: We said our goodbyes and left for home.

O.P.C. is a great way to make new friendships and meet challenges. I recommend this course to everybody who loves the outdoors and having an on to it time.

H. Alderton, Form 7, 1993

## SUPERGROOVE



A unique sound filled the hall of Tokoroa High School on Thursday the 10th of June.

It was Supergroove doing a one-time live concert in Tokoroa to students from primary school age to 7th formers.

It didn't matter how old you were because the music was really brilliant with a strong beat. At first, the crowd was a bit well mannered and sat down just listening to the rapp/heavy metal sounds. Just when I thought I was going to have to sit this entire thing out, Supergroove told us to get up and do the only thing to do - groove.

Soon enough we all stood up and then the real concert started. The only concept that I had of Supergroove's music was the ETA Muncho's advertisement on TV, so you can imagine how surprised I was at this stage show.

The guys in the band kept the hypo feeling going by running around the stage, jumping to the drum beats, head-banging each other and generally acting the way the crowd wanted them to. I must admit that the atmosphere and the music together were great.

Supergroove have just that unusual sound to become more than just a local group. Who knows how far this Auckland band will go, but to me their music is the best I've heard from New Zealand so far.

Janeya S.



## AFS STUDENTS

### DOROTHEA FROM GERMANY

Hello! My name is Dorothea and I'm from Germany. I have been here in New Zealand for three months now and I really like it, although it is very different from my country. Lifestyle, food, music, sports and, of course, school. I found it hard to choose only six subjects since I'm used to 12 back in Germany. We also don't have to wear school uniform and I'm glad I don't have to do it here.

I also found the lifestyle here very different. Everything is more relaxed and easy going. I'm looking forward to the rest of this year, and I'm looking forward to travelling around New Zealand and meeting new people.



### DADA ZELISEOVA – EXCHANGE STUDENT FROM SLOVAKIA

Well, after filling out applications, I finally came to New Zealand which was three months ago. Whenever I go there is something different. Actually, I'm still adjusting to New Zealand but I feel really good here and simply I can't imagine a worse thing than returning back to Slovakia School.

School is fine. I have met a couple of friendly, happy people, who helped me adjust and overcome my first frustrations. It is less strict and stressful than my school at home. My life has changed very much and I'm glad that I had the opportunity to come here, live in a family, travel, meet people and make friends. Hopefully I will come back.



BRANDY BARNETT



ENRICO SMANIOTTO

### UMI YOKOTA

Hello, I'm Umi from Japan. I arrived here in New Zealand on 16 September, 1992. But I feel like I just arrived a month ago. Time has gone very fast, I can still clearly remember the day I arrived. It was a beautiful cold, windy day. My first thought when I arrived was the sky is big.

I had a really choice, unforgettable time! I've done heaps of things like touch rugby, soccer, volleyball, I've joined the swimming club and had a part in the school show M\*A\*S\*H\*E\*D which was a really good experience for me. I had never done a musical before. I was a nun and a nurse, I enjoyed it very much. I'll miss these things very much because I don't have a chance to do it again.

I liked to be in the common room. I was always there at interval and lunch as well as free periods. I've made a lot of friends in there. In Japan we don't have a common room, we just stay in one class all day. We don't move so we don't know each other as much as in New Zealand.

Studying is much harder in Japan, we have to take 13 subjects and we can't miss any of them. In New Zealand I was only taking five subjects, P.E., art, English, typing and pre-catering. I liked pre-catering the best, this is not an option in Japan.

Through this year I've changed quite a bit, I was shy and couldn't understand what people were saying, now I can understand as well as talk to people.

I've been stronger since I've been here. I try to do what I think is best for me, not what other people tell me to do. I have made mistakes while I was here and I didn't mean to offend anyone so if I did, I apologise.

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who made my stay in New Zealand an enjoyable one. I would also like to thank Mr Sommerville for supporting me.

I will never forget all the friends I've made. Thanks a lot. See you sometime, somewhere in the world! Heaps of love, Umi.

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### G'DAY FOLKS!

By the time you're reading this I'm going to be nearly home (I'm going 4th January 1994). It's hard to write something about a year that's not over yet. (I still have 3 1/2 months), but I have some stuff I want to say.

When I arrived here, I didn't know anybody, I could walk a whole day in the school without speaking with anybody that I know. It was hard, but you know, I think I know a pretty good quantity of people and believe me, that's a great achievement.

I had a great year here, with the traditional highlights. First the 7th form camp, where I went water-skiing and was a really great time. Second, the soccer competition was good fun (poor referees...). Third, playing in the orchestra (thank you Mum). Fourth, the Cook Island Group, that was a great learning experience (but I can't dance in that way, it's very hard). And fifth, the school production, that was a really tough time, no sleeping, heaps of work, dresses... but I really think Klinger was a nice guy, and the production was a great experience. Sixth, the ball was really good fun.

Now it is time for the traditional thank you's. Well, I would like to say sorry for anything. I didn't want to hurt or to offend anybody, and if I did so, sorry, I don't want to have people remembering me based on something bad. Thank you to my teachers, Mr Rothwell, Mr Drake, Mrs Kerbers, Mr Sommerville, Mr Taufalele and Mr Woodley. Thank you to all the rest of the staff and to everybody that works here in Tokoroa High School. Thank you Mrs Ward for being patient with me on the production, and as a tutor as well, Mrs McKernan, Mrs Wolfe (Mum), Mrs Orr. Thank you all.

Most importantly of all, thank you to all my friends. You guys don't know how important it is to have friends when you're an AFS. You're all welcome to write and to come and visit me in Brazil, and that's no joke! Come and be welcome! Well, see ya!

Thank's all folks!

Love Francisco AR Abreu  
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## HOMEWORK BLUES

A teenage high school student sits on her living room floor on a Sunday evening with the intent to write an English essay, make a graph of sand coarseness for geography, draw up a political cartoon for history and complete a statistics assignment – all required to be handed in the next morning.

Many students find themselves in this predicament or one very similar, their intentions are good, their desire to complete the work genuine, but oh the distractions and influences which preclude task completion.

One of the major distractions is sport. Freedom from the limitations of the classroom tends to highlight the need for physical activity so the thought of setting again to school work when they get home is not appealing.

"Basketball makes me feel good; it wakes my body up". The same cannot be said for more school work according to students.

Television is another pastime which takes students away from home study. Again, it seems to be more fun, but more passively exciting. It provides an escape; the after school comic strip, animated antics and kiddie shows appear to have far more appeal than a return to school books.

As for the later evening programmes, they are far more titillating to the mind than any calculus, geography, history or metaphysical poetry.

Household or family responsibilities play an interesting part in the saga of homework. While they're often used as a reason for homework not being completed, strangely enough it is homework which is often used to justify the non-completion of the household and family chores themselves.

By the time homework has become a crucial element in their education as is the case at senior level in high school, many students have lost sight of the importance of the goal they set at third form level. It seems so exciting at that level – but after years of it students begin to feel that they are trapped in the system and that no amount of homework – completed or not, will get them out of it.

Providing interest for students must be a challenge for teachers when they have to deal with such diversity in the natures, ages and interests of those with whom they work but surely this is part of their responsibility – just as it is part of the responsibility of the students to seek for the interesting, the unusual, the informative and the edifying in all that is presented to them in the course of their formal education.

A partnership – that's what needs to be considered – a partnership in which the teachers undertake to provide as much interest, stimulation and excitement as possible in not only their lesson material, but also in their presentation of it, and in which the students undertake to seek out as much interest, stimulation and excitement as they can by participating fully in classroom activity.

Then perhaps the enthusiasm generated would flow beyond the classroom and into the homes and families to which students return at the end of each school day.

Miranda Snell

## LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

While most people were lazing in the sun, enjoying the August holidays, students from Tokoroa High and Forest View High were making their presence known (very loudly) down in Napier during the second week at drama school.

The National Youth Drama School was held from August 29 (27th for technical courses) until September 5, at Tamatea High School. This year 13 students attended – seven from THS, five from FVHS and one ex-THS pupil. We fundraised and fundraised, and eventually (with raffle tickets coming out of our ears) arrived at the Youth Hostel on Marine Parade on Sunday afternoon, August 29. A quick visit to Marineland (or the local species parlour, in some cases) was squeezed in before we headed off to Tamatea High for enrolment, reunions (for the four who went last year) and the general introductions, talks, instructions and a few games.

The week was one of learning, laughter and totally new experiences. Staying at the hostel was definitely one of them. The communal living, unisex bathrooms, helping with meals and dishes, the midnight swim, the beach, the Soundshell, late nights and early mornings and the incredibly foul drinking water were but a few of the things we all shared.

The drama school was an experience in its own right. The courses taken included dance theatre, singing, improvisation, devised theatre and stage design. The tutors this year were a mixture of old and new – Bruno Lawrence, Patrick Duffy and Sharon Stevens-Cottle were a few of the tutors who came back again. One of the new tutors was the butt of most of the students' jokes: "Mo", from the Dynamo ads was one of the new tutors.

At the end of the school on Sunday morning, fighting to keep our eyes open (and for some, fighting to keep back the tears), we said goodbye to Tamatea High and all the people we had known during the week. We all learnt a lot and made many new friends. Our most sincere thanks to Bev, Tina and everyone else who helped to raise enough money to get us down to Napier. That week will live on in our memories forever.

MdeR



## JAFFA

### WE CAME WE YAWPED

Following last year's astounding (yes, that's us) success of the local lunatics the public knows as Jaffa, we have once again proved our existence is not merely to make fools of ourselves (well, not often anyway) but also to help others to realise that theatre can be for anyone and everyone.

After being inspired to enter the Smokefree Lifespan Rock Challenge, Jaffa set about training technical and makeup people through a weekend workshop with Kelvin Ashby-King from Selecon New Zealand. Mr Ashby-King was so impressed with the quality of our techos that he invited them to assist (read: takeover) in the rigging of lights for a major production at Glenfield College in Auckland. We worked around the clock during Easter weekend, and in between going to the Easter Show and hanging upside down from bars 6 metres high, we did actually get some sleep.

Meanwhile, the actors amongst us were preparing for the One Act Play Festival in Putaruru. Five nights of improvised theatre under the guise of actually doing something that was scripted. The sound man soon learned to turn the microphones off whenever a certain person screamed! "Creatures of the Earth" was adapted from a short story of the same name by Caleb Armstrong (of the opposition – that blue school) and was set in a loony bin for teenagers. Members of Jaffa were the various psychos (we had no trouble doing that!) and our resident taxi driver, Graham Lauder, was the doctor.

Meanwhile, back at Rock Challenge HQ, Jaffa was also aiding (and abetting) Tina Ward and various other teachers and adults with the organisation/construction/general putting together of the school's attempt at national glory. After much rehearsal, changing of various thingimabobs, tearing out of hair and the things that normally go with a show like this, we made it up to Auckland. The Aotea Centre still hasn't been able to figure out what hit them! No-one had heard of Tokoroa when we arrived, but by the time we left, they knew that Tokoroa was where it's at. Hard on the heels of the school's success at Auckland, Jaffa embarked on a project that most sensibly-minded people would never even consider. Yes, we wrote our own show. M\*A\*S\*H\*E\*D was conceived, written and performed in the space of 11 weeks – no easy feat when you consider that we were writing the script as the rehearsals were taking place. In fact, the second act wasn't finished until four weeks before opening night. However, it did give the chance for a certain Korean soldier to write in a part for himself and then go off and steal the show without having to memorise one single line. The fact that this same Korean soldier designed, built and painted the set at the same time shouldn't enter into the calculation... should it?



HOLIDAYS!! And members of the team disappeared to the wilds of Hawkes Bay for what has become an annual pilgrimage to drama school, eight days of blood, sweat and tears and sheer hard work, not to mention heaps of fun (including impromptu performances at the Napier Sound Shell at one in the morning and midnight swims at the beach... in the middle of August!!! Sheesh!!!) After drama school, Jaffa welcomed to its ranks some more enthusiastic members, including some from... (shock, horror!!)... that OTHER school.

AND NOW a serious bit from the taxi driver/coach...

The success of any sort of theatrical undertaking is the result of the efforts of a lot of people working as a team to achieve a common goal, it would be impossible to name every person who has helped Jaffa achieve what it has, up to this point. Two people, however, need to be recognised for their contribution. Tina Ward continues to inspire everyone to greater heights and her interpretation of the M\*A\*S\*H\*E\*D script, put on stage, something far greater than that which we had conceived in the script.

Bev Hodges, Jaffa's business manager, who manages to extract that most elusive of commodities, money, from various places, giving us the ability to have people at drama school for the smallest possible cost to the participants.

**TD:** Is that serious enough?

**Screech:** That'll do.

**TD:** What now?

**Screech:** Rock Challenge '94?

**TD:** Sounds good to me, should we mention Wednesday nights.

**Screech:** At the hall at 7.30 you mean?

**TD:** Yeah, Jaffa meetings.

**Screech:** Naa.

**TD:** Okay. Anything else?

**Screech:** We could say we've exported two members, one to the U.S. and one to the Netherlands.

**TD:** Yes, what else...

**Both:** Rhubarbrhubarbrhubarbrhubarbrhubarbrhubarbrhubarbrhubarbrhubarbr CARPE DIEM!!!



# M•A•S•H•E•D



**M.A.S.H.E.D.**

This year's school production was M.A.S.H.E.D., which was a great success. The show was full of singing, dancing and humour.

The main characters included Hawkeye (Brian Stuart), Trapper (Brian Hunt), Hot Lips (Mary De Ruyter), Klinger (Francisco Aberu) with his colourful dresses and Frank Burns (Scott Kelso). These four played their parts very well and showed a great deal of talent.

The show had a mixture of songs such as 'I Will Follow Him' which was sung by the nurses, 'Suicide Is Painless' sung by the whole cast, 'Great Balls of Fire' sung by the Kiwi soldiers who also sang the song 'Budo'i' to the Korean children and many more songs were included.

The story, which was written by our own drama group JAFFA, and was based on the TV series Mash. The story starts off with a rather hungover medical staff, who quickly forget about their hangovers when a helicopter comes in with injured soldiers. And Hawkeye and Trapper soon brighten up the situation

with their humour and jokes which are usually targetted at Frank Burns, but the show soon lightens up with a few songs and the Korean children causing mayhem in the camp. And then to end the show, the whole cast gets together to put on a concert which has the nurses and soldiers doing 'Putting On The Ritz', then to end the show, Mark Ward shows everyone how a drunken Korean soldier sings 'Minnie The Moocher'.

The show would not have been such a success if it wasn't for the lighting crew who showed everyone a realistic sunrise and just turned the set into day or night with their brightly coloured lights.

The crowds were very supportive and the hall was nearly packed every night. The intermediate and primary schools thoroughly enjoyed the whole show. But we must not forget Mrs Ward, who put the whole show together and Mrs Yardley and Mrs Orr, who helped us with our singing, and also the band who supported all our songs with the music we needed.

**Tammy Roycroft**



**ROCK CHALLENGE**

## WINNERS OF THE 'CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION'

### CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION

#### Senior Writing –

- Prose – 1st Dennis Tunui  
– 2nd Maia Stuart  
Poetry – 1st Keriana Te Hiko  
– 2nd Greg Sewell

#### Junior Writing –

- Prose – 1st Janelle Crawford  
– 2nd Michael Baxter  
Poetry – 1st Donella Sandbrook  
– 2nd Jodie Chappell

### DESCRIPTIVE ESSAY

It was only when the lights were turned on that the extent of the young boy's sloppiness became evident. Opening the door was a task within itself as toys, which were bought for him the past Christmas, remained there, never having permanent residence in a cupboard or drawer. Beyond this lay a mountain of washing. Each article discarded with no consideration to how long the garment had been worn or how dirty it was. Socks littered the drawer tops and organisation was non-evident. Half eaten meals accompanied the socks in their lonely lifestyles and as though part of this strive to find the cure for cancer, each morsel contained a separate type of fungi.

He walked towards the drapes, held his breath, and drew both back in one quick movement. Sunlight poured into the room and his eyelids squinted, surprised by this new sensation. As his eyes adjusted he awed at the serenity of the picture in front of him. It was autumn and leaves littered the lawn outside. His younger brother was outside and as if unaware of the trials and tribulations of older age, scooped a large armful of leaves to his chest and threw them into the air; giggling as he dived to catch each one before its graceful descent was stopped by the ever closer ground beneath it.

It was at that time that the descent of the very last leaf seemed to last forever to the young man behind the window. As each curve of the leaf would catch the morning breeze it would slow down, then turn, neglecting the ground beneath it, making it appear to have no ambition to ever reach the dew covered lawn. Its crisp edge like that of a Sunday newspaper, spun and pivoted, with its light brown veins adding to the perfect construction of Mother Earth's autumn blanket. He closed his eyes and turned, praying the perfect organisation of the outer world would somehow have an effect on the remains of his bedroom. He opened his eyes slowly but the sunlight from outside only made dirt (hidden in the secrecy of darkness) highlighted and giving an even untidier appearance. He grabbed an armful of washing and threw it into the air. He watched as a pair of boxers 'slapped' the roof and then 'slumped' onto the other garments in an ugly heap. He sighed, turned once more to find his younger brother hurling handfuls of leaves in his direction and began the battle against the hoards of dirt minions which lay before him.

Maia Stuart

### A SEA OF GREEN

A sea of green  
A sky of blue  
A sail of tinsel gold  
for where is this ship going  
and what does it behold.

A private king  
with eyes of grey  
and a cape of velvet blue  
as his ship she swiftly sails  
with a fierce pirate crew.

They soon came upon  
a maiden fair and bright  
her ship it had sunk  
that very last night.

The mysterious girl  
she was a princess  
with eyes of grassy green  
and a silky white dress.

The perfect princess  
and the pirate king  
fall in true love  
so he gave her a golden ring

Late that very night  
when the pirates were all asleep  
the princess' fleet came  
and slowly swiftly crept.

They got the princess in her sleep  
and took her far away  
then later that night  
the pirate ship  
was blown up and away.

When the princess found out  
she grabbed a sword  
and drove it through her heart  
so now she and the pirate king  
will never be apart.

So they haunt every ocean  
every ship  
and every day that beholds  
a sea of green  
a sky of blue  
and a sun of tinsel gold.

Donella Sandbrook

### WHITE FANG

This noble one before us;  
born of wolf and man,  
beast of grey,  
he hunts his prey,  
upon his family's land.

His loyalty he gave only,  
to the gods of fire and light,  
Silver Steed,  
of knowledge and speed;  
for life he learnt to fight.

L. Chappell

### THE TANGI

People dressed in black,  
They wait to be welcomed on,  
A Karanga breaks the silence,  
They all move cautiously forward.

Kei te moe tonu ia,  
He is still asleep

Inside carvings stand, silent spectators,  
Old men are waiting here,  
To speak of this loved one,  
Who has left us.

Kei te moe tonu ia  
He is still asleep

Morning has regretfully come,  
Reality is dawning,  
The coffin is now closed,  
Awaiting its last journey.

Kei te moe tonu ia,  
He is still asleep

They enter the gate to the graveyard  
His final resting place  
Kei te moe tonu ia  
He is still asleep

Keriana Te Hiko

### THE BRIDGE

Forty metres above the river,  
On a platform, on the bridge.  
Rubber band tight on ankles,  
Standing lonely, on the bridge.

Ghosts of gold miners from years before,  
Watch the boy up on the bridge.  
Otago sun burns down upon him,  
Clutching tightly to the bridge.

Too late now,  
can't chicken out,  
one leap forward,  
don't look back,  
eyes wide open,  
wind in face,  
plunging,  
down,  
down,  
down,  
done,  
ah.

Two metres above the water,  
Dangling on rubber cord.  
Still alive – among the ghosts,  
Survived the plummet from the bridge

Greg Sewell

### A MOST UNFORGETTABLE EVENT

Cautiously descending into the gravelly road of the Waipoua Kauri Forest Reserve on my mountain bike I saw them.

In ones and twos now, like sentinels of any army outpost and standing regally head and shoulders above all other vegetation, the Mighty Kauri Trees welcomed me in silence.

Like watchful kaumatua on a paepae-tapu, perhaps awaiting for a response to a challenge "Ko wai koe?", I instinctively burst out with a throaty "Tama tiki e, Tama rangi e," a rousing Rarotongan chant of respect for someone of high rank.

My whole being was moved to respond with total feelings of respect for the kai-tiaki – the guardians of this forest, that I observed the proper Marae protocol and asked permission to enter this wahi tapu. I identified myself as one from Te Moana Nui A Kiwa, and my purpose was to fulfil a dream about seeing this place where I first read about it some 38 years ago. I humbly asked that my passage through the forest be a safe one, and to be guided by the spirits of aroha.

Suddenly there was a stir high up in the branches, then there was nothing, all still and quiet again. I felt very light and happy, a sure sign that I had appeased the unseen guardians of the forest.

The sense of fulfilling a dream heightened my anticipation as I continued to descend deeper and deeper into the bosom of this sleeping forest... not a sound, not a stir. I was alone in this world... this world of living monoliths.

Now at the floor of the valley, I was completely surrounded by these mighty and beautiful trees that grow shoulder to shoulder right up to the edge of the gravel road that winds through it. They totally blocked out daylight with their canopy of uniquely close-cropped branches atop smooth barrel trunks. Their close proximity shut out rain, wind and all sense of time and place.

I was transformed back in time when man, armed with long two-man saw, nearly wiped out all Kauri forests in this region where they once flourished.

Thank heavens they came to their senses in time and left this lonely pocket of one of the wonders of nature.

In Maori legend, Tane Mahuta, God of the Forest forced his father Rangi sky, and his mother Papatuanuku earth, apart from their eternal embrace by positioning himself between them and exerted all the power he could muster. The extreme physical exercise obviously resulted in big powerful trunks and bunched head of branches, now inherited by his offspring.

Further along the track, I touched (even though not allowed) the 'Grand Daddy' of them all, Tane Mahuta, the tree.

My scattered thoughts centred on the dominating scene before me as I stood there spellbound, in trance-like religious contemplation. To be in the presence of such a tupuna, lifts the feelings of awe to another dimension... an earnest appreciation of being there in a dreamlike situation.

I was overcome with awe and respect and the sense of fulfilling a dream, I humbly paid homage to Tane Mahuta, Lord of the Forest.

I said a karakia.

D. Tunui

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## MONSTERS

I thundered up the stairs, threw open my door and flopped onto my bed. I was totally worn out. Working at a bank was not an ideal job. All those numbers and equations had burned by mind to a frazzle. But we needed the money and if turning my mind to jelly was going to get it, it would be worth it.

A thought crossed my mind and I sat up, my eyes wide open. I looked at the calendar above my bed – October 31 – Halloween. I had promised Robbie and Cindy that I would take them trick-or-treating.

At that moment I heard little footsteps in the hallway and a knock on my door. My door opened and Robbie's angelic face peeped through the opening.

"Are you still gonna take us trick-or-treating Lisa?" asked that sweet voice that seldom ever spoke since Mum died.

"Yes, I still am" I answered him. He smiled at me and closed the door. Then I thought of something.

"Robbie?"

"Yes?" he called, his voice quieter still with the heavy oak door between us.

"What are you going as?"

"It's a secret!" I could hear him chuckling as he walked down the hallway.

I giggled to myself and snuggled into my pillow. My bedroom slowly started swirling around me, everything fading and going misty...

I woke up suddenly, sweating and shivering at the same time. I'd had the wierdest dream. I dreamt that... I looked at my alarm clock. Three hours, I thought in disbelief. I've been asleep for three hours.

As my breathing slowed down I noticed there was silence. This was unusual, especially in a house with an eight-year-old and a twelve-year-old. I strained to hear something – anything. As I breathed in fresh air I heard deep breathing – and it wasn't mine. The breathing seemed to be coming from an opening in my door. That's funny, I thought. My door wasn't open before I went to sleep.

I grabbed my hairdryer and with a wildly beating heart I tried to lie as still as I could. My door opened wider and two figures crept in.

"Please don't hurt me, please don't hurt me," I muttered under my breath. Then the two figures let out blood-curdling screams and leapt on me. I struggled with them, letting out high-pitched screams of my own.

"I've got a hairdryer," I yelled amidst my screams, not realising how stupid it sounded.

I crawled off my bed and switched on my light. I let out another scream. The faces that stared at me were more horrible than any other face I had seen. Blood was oozing from their mouths, there were hollowed out spaces where the eyes had once been, their skin was a pale green and was peeling at the edges. One of them ran towards me. I backed back into a corner and huddled up and closed my eyes.

"Do you like our costumes, Lisa? Me and Cindy are going as twin monsters." I opened my eyes. Robbie was standing in front of me, his masks in his hand. Cindy was sitting on my bed, her mask beside her, grinning mischievously.

"Yes, I love them. They are very realistic." I said shakily. "Well, shall we go?" I asked them.

They bounded out of the room and pulled me with them.

Janelle Crawford

## WHAT A NICE DAY TO DIE

With a whistle and a crunch, the goblin fell from the tree with a crash of broken tree limbs and falling leaves, the dwarf's axe embedded in its chest. Two more goblins, startled by the flying axe, crashed down through the foliage, the one in the brown jerkin landing in the outstretched jaws of a very hungry Venus flytrap, the other smashing his head open on a large boulder. The second group of goblins, having hidden behind a tree, sprang out of hiding with short swords drawn and war cries on their lips. They shopped short in wide-eyed terror.

A knight clad in full plate mail armour, shining steel from head to toe, strode down the path wielding a huge two-handed sword. A goblin head went flying on the first swing, the second goblin losing its legs on the back swing. The last goblin soon lost interest as a war hammer landed square on the back of his head, knocking him senseless.

Silence settled quickly after the bloody carnage finished. The stalwart companions gathered together in a close group, chests heaving, they listened as I spoke. "You guys fought like a bunch of girls' blouses just then. Finnegan, what's all this tripe with this glory-walk down the way? That blacksmith's dream you're wearing doesn't make you invincible you know..."

"I... I... I just thought that a dead goblin can't hurt you" the large man stammered. With his helm off, it was easy to see he was barely into his manhood, a short, soft blond beard just breaking the surface of his chin. Murmurs of agreement sounded from behind a large grey oak tree. A tall, slender figure stepped lightly into view. From the delicate features it was clear that this person was a Silvanesti elf. "And you!" I shouted, "You didn't even lift a finger to help. We could all have died there but as long as your precious trees are safe it's 'I'm all right Jack!'"

The elf, swiftly searching the fallen bodies of the goblins, stoically ignored the outburst. Having known the gruff dwarf for the past 15 years, a strong bond had grown between them and they trusted each other with their lives.

Spinning quickly on his heel he turned on the dwarf, longbow drawn and levelled at the surprised looking dwarf's chest.

"But why?"

"Because I have been working on this deal with the Zhentarim for almost six years now and you and your cronies have thwarted the black network and myself for far too long."

The arrow loosened and in what seemed like slow motion it arced between the traitorous elf and myself. The shock of the steel-headed shaft plunging into my body blasted the breath from my lungs. I fell back against a moss covered tree.

As the blood slowly leached away from my body, I felt pleasantly light-headed and looking up towards the blue clear sky I heard the forest birds singing.

My last thought as the life left me was, "What a nice day to die."

Michael Baxter

# Te Reo o Nga Tangata

First edition

The voice of the people

Term Two 1993

## TONGUE TIED?

By Hayley Royal.

Many Tokoroa High School students and teachers get tongue tied when they even try to pronounce the new Maori names for each of their forums. But after months of practice everyone will be able to get it right for practice makes perfect

Mr Kaua, the funny guy down at the gymnasium, approached Mr Haki Thompson and asked him if he could give us some ideas. Mr Thompson, the local kaumatua and having the knowledge that he has, was the right person to approach. Finally he came up with four names that were not only pleasing to the ear, but had a great deal of importance in their meanings.

Mr Kaua took the names to the staff room and told the rest of the teachers what they were and what they meant. Mr Hill, the school principal, was pleased that the teachers agreed on the names with no disagreement.

The names are:  
\* Tumatauenga,  
\* Tamateapokaiwhenua,  
\* Te Whetu Marama, and  
\* Te Moana Nui a Kiwa.

Tumatauenga is God of war and competition. He is one of the children of Papatuanuku, Earth Mother, and Ranginui, Sky Father.

Tamateapokaiwhenua is a Maori ancestor who travelled through the country, and has links to all Maori tribes.

Te Whetu Marama is the morning star. It is a symbol of hope and was also a navigational aid to early Maori seafarers who travelled here.

Te Moana Nui a Kiwa is the Pacific Ocean that all our ancestors crossed on the way here.

Along with the names, there comes a trophy. The trophy was carved by Noel Stuart, a Maori teacher at Strathmore Primary School.

The first public show was at the school athletics day at the Track Club. It stunned most people, it was very beautiful.

The names and the trophy are designed for the competitions each Whanau (forum) will play, like touch rugby, softball, netball, and other sports.

It is also designed for academic achievements, the gold bonds which are small certificates students get if they do well academically or are best behaved in class.

The Whanau with the most certificates from academic, sports, and cultural activities will hold the trophy

for the coming year.

As the old Maori proverb goes, "Ma te huruhuru te manu ka rere", meaning "With feathers, birds can fly".



Mr Hill and the Whanau Trophy

## Manu Samoa.

By Awhina TeHiko.

When Tokoroa High School student Mathew Mauai was born, his parents obviously had high hopes of him becoming someone special, giving him the middle name of 'Peresetine' which is Samoan for president.

Mathew has attended Tokoroa High School for five years and has become a popular role model in the eyes of both his teachers and peers.

Achieving above average results in fifth and sixth form has helped Mathew to obtain the will and raw determination to gain all goals that he has set for himself in his last year at school.

One of these goals was to become the student representative on the Board of Trustees, and because of the excellent example that he has set for Polynesian students in particular, enabled him to be selected in a landslide vote.

Mathew, who is a proud Samoan student, will be hoping to leave his own personal mark this year by stressing the importance of self motivation and self respect for all students.

"I would like to see students achieve the goals they set and excel in their school work. My job is to put ideas forward to the Board which will create opportunities for students to take pride in themselves and their work."

Being organised and disciplined is something Mathew can no longer take lightly now that he is a student representative.



Mathew Mauai, head boy

"It takes some time to adjust to such a busy timetable. There's a lot of hassle involved but I am really proud of the fact that the students rely on me for getting their views across to the Board of Trustees."

Mathew hopes to change the attitudes towards the uniforms, in the hope that students will learn to dress respectively.

Mathew also hopes for an increase in the number of tutors available in order to compensate for those students who need extra help.

"These matters will have to be addressed to gain a higher profile for Tokoroa High School within the community," says Mathew.

There has also been much interest in starting up a school choir and expanding in the music department.

Another view brought up was the issue of having the gym open to all basketball and volleyball students.

Mathew debated the issue with the Board of Trustees and won their permission, making a successful start to the year.

Mathew is also a keen sports enthusiast and represents the school in volleyball and basketball.

With a middle name like Peresetine and Mathew's level of motivation, Tokoroa High School can't go wrong!

### FREE

At the school cafeteria

A free bun with every cup of soup sold for 60c on Thursday

Popular pizzas were 75c reduced to 50c

FRIDAY ONLY

# SPENDING THE DAY AT "ATA MARIE TE KOHANGA REO"



*A karakia (prayer) to start the day, whether the eyes are open or shut.*



*Nga Waiata Aringaranga (action songs) are enjoyed by everyone.*



*Play time has come and eating is first on the agenda.*



*Next on the agenda is playing but this little girl has no one to play with.*



*Reading time has come where everyone is quiet and content to listen.*



*Sleeping is enjoyed not only by the children but by the teachers too because it's quiet and it's the end of the day.*

HAYLEY ROYAL

# POWHIRI

PACIFIC ISLANDS FONON - TE-WHANAU-A-NOA MARAE. APRIL 1993



- 1 -

*"Toia mai te Waka!" A rousing welcome.*



- 2 -

*The manuhiri accepting the welcome.*



- 3 -

*Kia Orana, Talofa lava, Haere mai.*



- 4 -

*Waiata after each speech...*

**Film:** Kodak Plus-X Pan  
125-24 exposures

**Camera:** Ricoh  
LX22-35mm lens

**Time:** 9.30am-10.30am  
Bright, sunny day...



- 5 -

*The Hongi.*

**Purpose of Fonon:**  
To encourage Pacific Island students (Forms 6 and 7) to take up Tertiary Level Education





### SENIOR SNOW BALL 1993

On August 7th, Tokoroa High School senior students, teachers and invited guests, stepped out in their best threads to a beautiful and cleverly disguised picture theatre, courtesy of the ball committee and other helpers.

The band 'Chicago Made', were performing a mixture of modern songs which got people out on the dance floor living up to their reputations.

Prizes were awarded to Mane Luatua and Kara Ackerman for best couple (Snow King and Queen), Lea Satchell for best dressed female (Snow White) and Michael Little for best dressed male (Jack Frost). Taking out the prize for most outrageous snow flake was Cara Lauder.

Everyone enjoyed the food (some more than others) which was complemented by a great selection of drinks mixed by Mrs Swanson's waiters and waitresses.

Overall, the evening was a great success thanks to the ball committee and those who attended, making the profit more than marginal.

Decima Gerrard  
Lea Satchell



Where's my  
Buddie's  
gone!

NEVER  
AGAIN!



THAT'S MY  
BOY.



I'M  
THE MAN!



Watch The  
Furs!



LETS DO IT  
TOGETHER

SUCK it in  
boys!



## 1ST XV REPORT 1993

After a rebuilding year in 1992, 1993 was quite a successful year. We began the year with a series of trials held at our school under lights. Putaruru, Forest View and Mangakino were invited and we played a round robin over three weeks. Many players tried out for this year's team. This proved very successful and it is hoped that these trials will be able to take place again next year. From the trial, 24 boys were selected for the team and we played a pre-season night game against a very strong Tokoroa Rugby Club Under 19 team. The team played very well coming out on top 5-0 in a very physical encounter.

The Waikato Secondary Schools Rugby Committee introduced a brand new format. This involved all schools' 1st XV being put into four pools of four teams, and teams being seeded. From here, the top two teams in each pool then qualified for the top eight and the rest dropping down to the second division (very cut-throat). We were seeded 14th out of 16 because of our last year's results, and in our pool included Melville, Church College and Putaruru.

First game: This was played at school and our opponents were Melville High. After a slow start our forwards began to dominate and slowly we began to take control, winning easily 38 points to eight. McCloskey showing speed on the wing and Crawford accurate with goal kicks being the highlights.

Second game: Our opponents this time were the formidable Church College team – played at their school. The catch cry leading up to this game was not to be intimidated, and after a really good start Church College didn't know what hit them. However, the big Church pack wore us down and two soft tries were the difference. Kuru was the pick of the players with some bone crunching defence. Final score was 25 to six, a loss.

Third game: This was the crunch game versus old rivals Putaruru. The week before Putaruru were beaten by Melville and needed to beat us to go into the top eight. So the pressure was on us to win. Both teams were fairly even but the bigger Tokoroa pack began to wear the smaller Putaruru forwards down. The highlight of the game was a slick move involving backs and forwards with captain Tolofua dotting down beside the posts (a move which was rehearsed just before the game and the coach not knowing a thing about it). A very good game by both teams with Tokoroa coming out on top 14 to seven. We now qualify for the top eight. Players standing out in this game were: Joyce, Kuru, Justin Reti and Ben Tolofua.

Fourth game: Our first game in the top eight was a big task – Matamata College on their home ground. Tradition was against us as our school hadn't won there for a few years. We trained really well all week with a warm-up game versus the Tritons coaching squad, who were made up of past and current Waikato Reps and current senior players, Tritons on the receiving end of an embarrassing hiding. A fired-up Tokoroa hit Matamata from the start and did not look back. Kuru played an outstanding game - he took three players over the line with him for the first try. Justin Reti was all over the paddock and his support play with Tolofua and Seymour a deciding factor in the match. Tokoroa coming out on top 21 to three, and playing their best game of the season.

Fifth and sixth games: Our next game was against St John's at school. After a closely fought first half our team took control and ran out the winners. The next game was against newly promoted St Peter's on a wet grey Tokoroa day. In a very very close match we managed to hold on and win 13 to nine.

All of a sudden came the showdown with St Paul's, both teams unbeaten and sharing the lead on the table. We had the added bonus of a challenge for the coveted Tri-Colour trophy. We intensified our training that week and the team was, I feel, well prepared. We took a bus load of supporters with us – we were hoping for a big game. However, after such a good build up, St Paul's just simply denied us ball and ended up giving us a well deserved thrashing, 55 points to three.

Eighth game: Versus Te Awamutu. Playing at school this game turned out to be a big disappointment. It was a game that I feel could have been won. Te Awamutu ran out 18 to six, the winners. Ben Tolofua was the outstanding player.

Ninth game: Versus Hamilton Boys High at Hamilton was to be our second-to-last game of the season. After a good start, we ended up losing to a better drilled team.

10th game: Versus Matamata College at school to see who would finish in fifth place. Matamata exacting revenge and running out easy winners.

So a very busy season comes to an end, and I feel a successful one. To the boys leaving, I want to wish you every success in the future and to those coming back we must carry on the mana associated with the 1st XV.

To Tave my co-coach – I am sure that the boys have appreciated your help and experience, and I want to thank you on behalf of the team. To our staunch parent supporters thank you very much for all your valuable time and patience. To Edna, Betty, Sue, Geoff, Brett and Muriel, kia ora koutou katoa. Last, but not least, I'd like to thank Mr Grant Ackerman for doing an outstanding job as a manager, driver, strapper, masseuse. Grant made my job a lot easier and I am really grateful for his help. So, on behalf of the team, thanks very much Grant.



**RUGBY 1ST XV**

**BACK ROW:** Alan Tetevano, Michael Lyttle, Gareth Bacon, Malcolm Joyce, Roimata White, Toru Natua, Sam Pahewa.  
**SECOND ROW:** Mr Grant Ackerman (Manager), Mr Tave Natua (Assistant Coach), Junior Tearoa, Ben Ackerman, Gerald Seymour, Ben Tolofua, Timothy Aoake, Manu Luatua, Storm Reti, Mr P. Kaua (Coach).  
**FRONT ROW:** David Hansen (Gofer), Louis Armstrong, Aukuso Aukuso, Charles Langdon, Rhys Crawford, Terae Bennion, Lawrence McCloskey.

## THE DIARY OF 1ST XV MEMBERS TRIP TO AUCKLAND

DAY 1 Monday 6th September

After packing my teddy bear, mummy took me to school to catch a van to Auckland. Today was the big day. Ralph (Mr Kaua) took us into the gym and laid down the law about our behaviour etc. Ben said a prayer and we left Tokoroa High School at 9.00am. We stopped in Hamilton and went to Jem who was involved in a serious accident and was in intensive care. We were very lucky to be able to see him and I think he was rapt to see us. (Get well Jem bro!). We stopped in Huntly for lunch and got a \$5 special, pie, chips, doughnut and a drink.

We arrived in Manukau City at lunchtime and had a walk around looking for "spacies" while the adults went shopping to buy food for our stay. After leaving Manukau City we headed to Parnell to Queen Victoria Maori Girls College which was to be our home for the next three days. We were met by the principal who showed us around. We also met a lady who was in charge of us while we were staying there (talk about hard lady!). After fighting over sleeping arrangements and getting a couple of growlings, we had tea which was chop suey. After tea and cleaning up it was off to mid city cinema centre to watch Jurassic Park. Most of us went but some others watched Indecent Proposal. After the movie, Mr Ackerman's van went up to a well known Auckland street to see the sights and what a sight they saw (eh Junior). After arriving home it was lights out and sleep.

DAY 2 Tuesday 7th September

We woke to a beautiful day and all was ready for a day up at Parakai hot pools in Helensville. After a nice breakfast, we left home base at about 9.30am. The trip took about 40 minutes and we passed heaps of Wineries (hard luck parents). We managed to get a group discount and it was everyone into the waterslides. At one stage, it was the whole team in a train (ask Cujo about his lips). We had a massive game of scrag in the main pool with a lot of cheapies being put in. We also managed to have a game of volleyball. After four hours up at Parakai it was time to make our way back to Auckland and to the highlight of our trip a visit to watch the Auckland Rugby team train at Eden Park. We arrived at Eden Park, the hallowed turf of New Zealand rugby. The Auckland team was training on the main ground and when we got there most of them were warming up. They made us feel real welcome and even let us come down onto the ground and sit on the scrum machine while they had scrum practice. I myself realise now that in order to achieve in any sport you must spend the time practising. I will never forget choice!!! After the visit it was home to tea which was cottage pie. After tea we went over the bridge to the shore and after splitting up and losing each other we headed off to the 10 pin bowling alley in Henderson. Most of us played spacies while the parents and some boys bowled. I hear Romata wasted everybody. After bowling it was home to a good sleep.

DAY 3 Wednesday 8th September

Another beautiful morning, after breakfast we headed over to have a look around the Auckland Museum. The good thing about this visit was that it was free. It was quite interesting and after two hours we headed out to Mission Bay and St Heliers. Boy what a flash

place. I think we looked a bit out of place there with our jackets. It was so hot everyone was walking around in shorts and singlets. We even saw someone swimming in the sea. We had lunch at St Heliers and roamed around the shops. At 1.00pm, the parents let us loose in downtown Auckland for three hours. Once again most of us checked out the local spacies parlours and then wandered around the town. Talk about heaps of people. Oh yeah, we saw Sean Fitzpatrick again. We had to be back at the vans at 4.00pm or else it was a long walk home. Most of us just made it. It was back to the school and a massive game of league at a local primary school. It was a choice game, but unfortunately there were some big hits and a lot of injuries (eh Junior!!). After two hours of punishing our bodies, it was back to base and a beautiful tea. After tea it was movie time again. This time it was a selection of eight movies and we didn't have to go far. In fact, we had to walk there. Most of us went to see Cliffhanger but one Mr Tolofua decided on advice from his girlfriend, went to see Aladdin (he reckoned he enjoyed it). The parents disappeared and we found them at a local establishment watching the Waikato vs Taranaki game. After dragging them out it was a 10 minute walk home and bed.

DAY 4 Thursday 9th September

The last day and it was clean up time. We cleaned and scrubbed and washed and shined and left Queen Victoria in immaculate condition. The principal said she was very impressed and expressed her opinion that we would be welcomed back any time. Well done boys and parents. After saying our goodbyes, it was off to Rainbows End and an all day pass. This is what



most of us were waiting for. After getting our tickets we were free to go on anything and play, yes yes "spacies". It was a good way to end our trip and by 4.30 it had all come to an end. It was a quick trip home with many of us sleeping and we were back in Tokoroa by 8.00pm.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank all the parents for the time that they put in this year. Especially Sue White, Betty Aoake, Brette and Muriel Lyttle and of course Mr Ackerman and Mr Cranford. If only more parents would have shown interest. Finally, I would like to thank Ralph for his guidance and help this year and also to Tave who showed us heaps. Thanks a lot you guys.  
PEACE!

Anonymous

## A LITTLE POEM FROM THE BOYS T.H.S. 1ST XV

We had legs like tree trunks that ran like machines  
And chests so big, we appeared real mean  
With guys like Kujoe who never kept clean  
We were the awesomely awesome Tokoroa High  
School 1st XV!

With fire in our eyes, we rolled through opponents  
Like the Minties ad we had our moments  
With our new trendy jackets we made other teams  
look like punks

So Beal and Loots got their hair cut like Monks  
Toru and Fred thought of themselves as authors  
The only thing they were was a couple of Ho Ha's  
So the team joined together and scragged Toru, bad  
Instead of being funny, Toru was sad.

We went for a trip to Auckland and drove down K  
Road

When we did this Litts almost shot his load  
Sam asked the whores if they want to go to bed  
Ralph leans over and slaps his head.

Our last day out we went to Rainbows End  
Like Oscar the Grouch, Bacon had no friends  
For Kujoe, Fred and Stallion, the Pirate ship was a  
cracker

We all cracked up when a little kid got off for a Ka-ka.

To the team leaving Auckland wasn't really fair  
Before we left Ben and Terae had to comb their hair  
Driving home with Acky and Ralph wasn't so funny  
We were glad to get home cause we had no money.

The day had come we were to play Forest View High  
With the weather calm and sun smiling in the sky  
The students were sitting in the grandstand saying  
something smelt like poo

But really it was the visiting school, Forest View  
We beat them easy and showed them they are only  
pests

Cause we are the Tokoroa High School 1st XV and  
we are "SIMPLY THE BEST!!"

## VARIETY SHOW 1ST XV

At first, I thought the show was going to flop. On the  
day of the Variety Show I was so stressed out I didn't  
think anything was going to work.

At 7.00pm, a small crowd had gathered, which  
surprised me as I thought that no one would ever turn  
up. When some more boys showed up that really  
eased some of my worries. The crowd grew bigger  
and bigger and I was rapt.

Although the show started rather late no one really  
minded as they were fully entertained by two very  
capable MC's for the night - Justin Reti and Sam  
Pahewa. Nervous at first in front of a lively capacity  
crowd, Justin and Sam quickly settled down and kept  
the show moving along at a lively pace.

There were performances by the Cook Island Group,  
Kelly Rugg, Te Hou Ora Girls, Drama Group, Tu Pai  
Brothers. Without being biased, I think the best  
performance was by the 1st XV who got something  
together only 20 minutes earlier.

Way to go boys, a great success.

Thanks to lighting people, sound people. Special  
mention and appreciation for the services of Rhys  
Crawford who put a lot of hours into making it happen.

| TEAM                 | POSITION         | NICKNAME   | SURNAME   |
|----------------------|------------------|------------|-----------|
| Ben (Captain)        | No. 8            | Tolohungus | Tolofua   |
| Charles (V. Captain) | 2nd Five         | Charlie    | Langdon   |
| <b>FORWARDS</b>      |                  |            |           |
| Toru                 | Prop             | Purao      | Natua     |
| Aukuso               | Prop             | Kujoe      | Aukuso    |
| Timothy              | Reserve Prop     | Oaks       | Aoaki     |
| Malcolm              | Lock/No. 8       | Ice        | Joyce     |
| Michael              | Lock             | Litts      | Little    |
| Roimata              | Reserve Lock     | Ziggy      | White     |
| Gerald               | Flanker/No. 8    | "G"        | Seymour   |
| Justin               | Flanker          | Just       | Reti      |
| Jeremy               | Reserve Flanker  | Jem        | Vickers   |
| Storm                | Hooker           | Storm      | Reti      |
| <b>BACKS</b>         |                  |            |           |
| Ben                  | Halfback         | Acky       | Ackerman  |
| Mane                 | Reserve Halfback | Loots      | Luatua    |
| Alan                 | 1st Five         | Stallion   | Tetevano  |
| Junior               | 2nd Five/Centre  | Beal/Bags  | Tearoa    |
| Patrick              | Centre/Flanker   | Mala       | Kuru      |
| Terae                | Utility Back     | Fonze      | Bennion   |
| Lawrence             | Wing             | Clossey    | McCloskey |
| Louis                | Wing             | Louie      | Armstrong |
| Fred                 | Reserve Wing     | Fittler    | Seller    |
| Sam                  | Reserve Wing     | Sam Balls  | Pahewa    |
| <b>COACHES</b>       |                  |            |           |
| Peter                | Forwards Coach   | Ralph      | Kaua      |
| Tave                 | Backs Coach      | Brix       | Natua     |
| Grant                | Manager          | Acky Sacks | Ackerman  |



2ND XV



RUGBY UNDER 15

**BACK ROW:** Brad Whittaker, Sam Anania, Joseph Hill, Johnny Leslie.

**SECOND ROW:** Mr John Whittaker, Shannon Martin, Travis Gabriel, James Vavia, Jamie Tetevano, Sonna Toetoe, Paul Hale, Mrs Shelley Whittaker.

**FRONT ROW:** Ricky Best, Jeremy MacDonald, Jason Campbell, Keven Mealamu, Mahu Armstrong, Nigel Brown, Matthew Nairn.

**ABSENT:** Jay Curtis, Aaron Matthews, Herbie Rueben.



1ST XI

BOYS SOCCER

**BACK ROW:** Donovan Phillips, Chris Southwick, Cor Veens, Ross Gee, Alan Togia.

**FRONT ROW:** Carlos Ferreira, Adrian Cridge, Francisco Abreu, Kelly Montford, Enrico Smaniotta, Chad Hulme.

## THAI BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS

On August 15, I left New Zealand with a team of 13 fighters and supporters to compete in the World Thai Boxing Championships in Hong Kong.

The team came from Auckland, Dannevirke and Tokoroa. I was the only one from Tokoroa and I was the first New Zealand woman to compete in the World Championships. It was the largest contingent New Zealand has ever sent.

The tournament had fighters from Thailand, Hong Kong, Holland, Australia and New Zealand.

The tournament lasted for two days. The rules allowed for full contact strikes plus knees, elbows and grappling.

My match was against the Dutch woman Lucia Rhieker, the European and World Champion. She was much more experienced than me, but I gave her a good fight. She won on points, the first fight that she hasn't won by knockout.

I feel confident that, as time goes by, I will improve as a fighter and that the World Championship is within my capabilities.

Antonina Horn



## TOUCH TOURNAMENT IN AUSTRALIA

On August 11, I left New Zealand to tour Australia, and participate at national rep level, in a six day touch tournament.

The New Zealand touring party included three teams; the NZ open mixed, the NZ open men's and the NZ open women's. I was a member of the NZ open mixed team and was extremely privileged in being a member of the first ever NZ open mixed side to beat world champions Australia, at what was originally their own game. I was also the youngest member of the team and gained experience and insight through the influence and contribution of the older members of my team.

During our six day tournament, we played top Australian club sides, provincial sides, national sides (including their reserve side).

By touring Australia, I have learnt a lot about touch and hope to one day coach at provincial level. I would like to thank Tokoroa High School, friends and teachers for their financial support. Without you guys I probably would never have been able to make the tour.

Kiora

Awhina Te Hiko

## SENIOR A NETBALL

This year has mainly been a year to rebuild our Senior A with only three members of our 1992 team returning to play.

The team was very young but with encouragement and dedication they pulled through the difficult times successfully. Highlights of our season would have to be the Caltex Secondary Schools Competition on which we came with our rival school, Forest View (which we won two out of three games played), and of course our games against Nae Nae College, (which we won 40 to 25).

Lowlights would have to be the never ending run of injuries, lack of girls interested in playing for the school, and lack of media attention.

Thanks must go to all our supporters (Mrs Lockington, Mrs Vano, Mr and Mrs Machen and Mr and Mrs Ackerman). Great thanks also to our two coaches Nane Lockington and Mrs Stewart.

### NETBALL REPRESENTATIVES

Tokoroa Representatives Under 19:

Christine Lockington  
Nerida Rawiri  
Wendy Machen  
Moana Kikoro

Under 17 Reps:

Aumate Vano  
Charlotte Cody  
Sharon McGregor

Midlands Representatives:

Aumate Vano

Wendy Machen



NETBALL 3A



NETBALL 3B



NETBALL 4A

BACK ROW: Kama Wheeler, Michelle Tangimataiti, Milissa Maui, Charlene Turia, Teokotai Tarai (Coach).  
FRONT ROW: Tima Luatua, Martha Daniels, Desiree Ryan, Donna Te Whaiti, Charlotte Cody.



NETBALL COLOURS



NETBALL SENIOR A

BACK ROW: Mrs Stewart (Coach), T. Tarai, W. Machen, T. Kiiro, L. Hewett, K. Ackerman, N. Lockington (Coach).  
FRONT ROW: F. Luatua, A. Vano, M. Kiiro (Captain), C. Lockington, N. Rawiri.



## GIRLS SOCCER 1993

The season started with a good group of games in the grading round. Even though the team won all their games we were still put into the First Division rather than the tougher Premier Grade.

While still a little confused over our relegation from 1992 we prepared for the season of 1993. Our team contained only two year five or adult students and two sixth formers. The rest of the team was made up of third, fourth and fifth form players.

A number of our new players were also new to soccer and all learned very quickly the skills and the techniques needed to play soccer at this level. It is very difficult to single out individuals, but in the area of improvement, the most outstanding player was Melanie Olsen who went from not having played to being asked to join a representative squad all in one season. A remarkable achievement which holds even greater promise for the future.

The end of this season sees the end of an era in girls soccer at our school. This season saw the last games of Renn Erceg and Michelle Farrell. Both girls have played for a number of seasons and have contributed greatly to the team. As captain, Renn led by example and gave her best even though she needed some high volume reminders at times.

Trudy Erceg was without a doubt the best goalkeeper in our division and her amazing willingness to put herself in front of savage strikers saved the team on many occasions.

In all, it has been a pleasure to coach a team that works together as well as this group. When you consider that the age range of the group spans the whole school, the team spirit shown and the tolerance given to each other was excellent.

As always with a school team, the input of parents cannot be overlooked. A really massive thanks goes to all parents who watched even half a game, you made a very real difference to the team's morale. This high morale helped us through a long season from which we emerged second equal.

We look forward to coaching the team again next season and hope the girls already on the team, and any who wish to join us, have a very enjoyable off-season (while keeping their fitness up).



GIRLS SOCCER

BACK ROW: Paula Milne, Kirsty Lachman, Adaline Southwick, Sarah Flavall.  
SECOND ROW: Mr Nicol (Assistant Coach), Nicola Taylor, Christine Permain, Sarah Taylor, Umi Yokota, Mr Mutch (Coach).  
FRONT ROW: Katrina Webb, Trudy Erceg, Renn Erceg, Helen Gee, Melanie Olsen.

## CYCLING 1993

The number of cyclists representing the school this year was down on the last few years but the quality has improved dramatically. During the year we lost a few of our very talented riders. Highlight of the cycling year must have been that two students were selected to represent New Zealand. Scott Guyton travelled to Canada for an eight day cycle race, then on to USA for another eight day race. In both of these tours Scott finished in the middle of the field, in the USA Tour of the Future, he finished very high up in the King of the Mountains title. Our other international, Mark Phillips, went to Australia as part of a development team. He finished third in their only race.

In the local and National School Championships, Tokoroa showed once again that we are a force to be reckoned with. The school team won the North Island Teams Time Trials Championships (beating Auckland Grammar). This showed the combined talent of Mark Phillips, Scott Guyton, Nathan Whale and Nicky Cox. Other notable results:

North Island Road Championships – Nathan Whale 2nd, Mark Phillips 3rd, Scott Guyton 5th.

Top of the North Championships – Senior Race: Mark Phillips 1st, Scott Guyton 2nd – Junior Race: Nicky Cox 1st.

Mansfield National Circuit Race – Senior Race: Mark Phillips 3rd – Junior Race: Nicky Cox 2nd.

Central North Island Mountain Bike Championships – Mark Phillips 2nd.



GOLF

BACK ROW: Iain King, Michael Newbrook, Daniel Phillips, Mr Woodley.

FRONT ROW: James Tahere, Kelly Montford, Andre Hale, Nigel Brown.

ABSENT: Adam Vonk, Gavin Cortesi.





**TRIATHLON**

BACK ROW: Craig Meades, Mr Wells (Coach).  
FRONT ROW: Zeb Bone, Kelly Montford, Brad Mason, Nigel Brown.



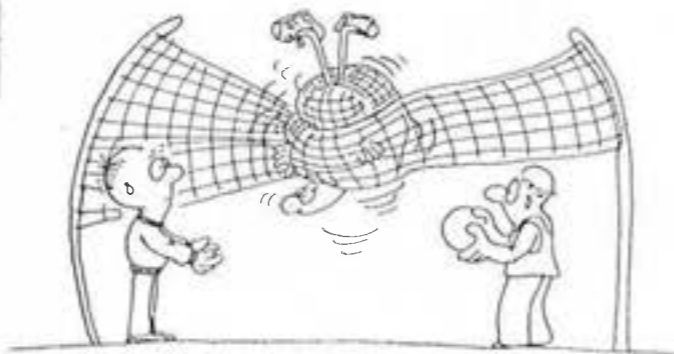
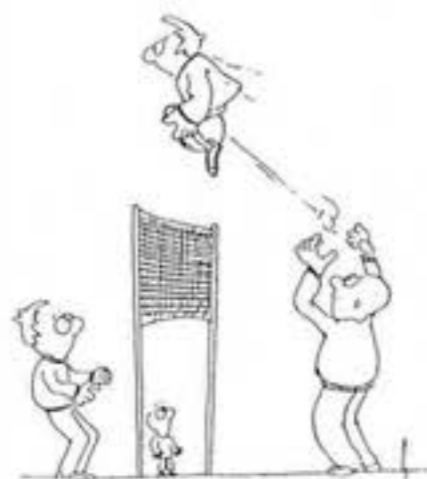
**BOYS CRICKET**

BACK ROW: Rhys Crawford, Kelly Montford, Ross Gee, Benjamin Tolofua, Junior Tearoa.  
FRONT ROW: Lawrence McCloskey, Gerald Seymour, Michael Lyttle, Jason Tuinier, Graham Mitchell.



**REPRESENTATIVES**

Back Row: Murray Te Manu, Sam Pahewa, Ben Tolofua, Roimata White, Joseph Hill, Luke Mealamu.  
Third Row: Sam Anania, Aumate Vano, Brad Whittaker, Kevin Mealamu, Moana Kiikoro, Hemi Simmonds, Mahu Armstrong, Nicole Dawson, Andrew Kenny.  
Second Row: Andy Tetevano, Michelle Tangimataiti, Rachel Coffin, Ngaro Ratu, Wendy Machen, Antonina Horn, Sharon McGregor, Johnny Lesley.  
Front Row: Matthew Nairn, Kirsty Skippis, Katrina McQuade, Tricia McGregor, Marc Tai, Ricky Best, Charlotte Cody.



**GIRLS BASKETBALL**

This year has been an exciting year for the girls. Determination and courage brought us together. Events of basketball: LOSS Putaruru High School. WIN Nae Nae College. Second in YMCA Basketball Division.

At the beginning there were a lot of determined girls willing to join but slowly, as the season progressed, many failed to return, leaving only eight girls. We managed ourselves without a coach and acquired decent uniforms. At times, games were challenging but the girls managed and that showed others they were up against a hard playing team.

Determination, courage and guidance helped us along. The game against Nae Nae College was a hard game for us but because of the great support, that made us feel important, thus helping us win the game. Unable to win the YMCA competition was all right, what made us happy was that we were able to be one of the best at this game, at this time. I greatly thank those that did help us with advice and transport.

Lania Takiri

**GIRLS BASKETBALL**



**BOYS BASKETBALL**

BACK ROW: Mathew Mauai, Michael Newbrook, Rangi Davis.  
SECOND ROW: Joel Carswell, Tim Aoake, Walter Tuakana, Mr Wells.  
FRONT ROW: Teariki Simiona, William Stowers (Captain), Fred Kawhena, Lotu Misa.



**BOYS BASKETBALL**

The boys basketball teams have had a good year this year. Starting with the 3rd and 4th form team which has beaten Forest View twice. The A team enjoyed another successful 24 hour basketball-a-thon in the mid term break.

The team went on to make the semi-finals of the YMCA competition. The highlight of the year was winning the South Waikato Secondary Schools Championship. At the event our team beat Matamata, Te Awamutu and Te Kuiti to make the finals.

Putaruru also made the final by beating Otorohanga, Pio Pio and Forest View (last year's winner).

The final was a close competition which was won by William (Willie) Stowers shooting two foul shots as time ran out.

Outstanding performances were given by:

- Mathew Mauai: Tournament Team
- Willie Stowers: Most Valuable Player (MVP)
- Rangi Davis: (Show Pony) Half court shot of the year
- Joel Caswell: Most Improved Player

The programme looks forward to more success next year, and we give thanks to all our supporters.

Dale Wells



## TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY

This was another successful day held at Strathmore Park on Monday 8th March. This year we saw a lot of close finishes with some really good results set. It was also the day we had the new Whanau trophy on display which further added to the competition.

### Results of the Championships

|                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Junior Girls Winner:       | Charlene Mutter |
| Junior Boys Winner:        | Johnny Leslie   |
| Intermediate Girls Winner: | Tina Kiiokoro   |
| Intermediate Boys Winner:  | Sam Pahewa      |
| Senior Girls Winner:       | Moana Kiiokoro  |
| Senior Boys Winner:        | Justin Reti     |

From this day we took 60 pupils to the Mid Island Championships in Rotorua, and from this day we achieved the following results, which qualified them for the Waikato Championships.

|                   |                          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Johnny Leslie     | 1st 200m, 2nd 100m       |
| Zeb Bone          | 1st High Jump            |
| Jay Curtis        | 1st Discus               |
| Charlene Mutter   |                          |
| Faaloloi Mailelaa | 1st Javelin (new record) |
| Sam Pahewa        | 2nd 100m                 |
| Donovan Phillips  | 2nd Javelin              |
| Tina Kiiokoro     | 1st Shotput              |
| Moana Kiiokoro    | 1st Shotput              |

Although we performed with pride and distinction, we only managed one pupil in the Waikato team for the North Island Championships and that was Johnny Leslie who was part of the Junior Boys relay squad, who finished second in the event. Congratulations Johnny. I am pleased to see so many of our pupils doing well in athletics and know that this is a sign of good things to come, Kia ora Koutou.

P.T. Kaua



### ATHLETICS

**BACK ROW:** Moana Kiiokoro, Sam Pahewa, Donovan Phillips, Tina Kiiokoro.  
**FRONT ROW:** Charlene Mutter, Zeb Bone, Johnny Lesley, Katrina McQuade.



## TE PUNA WAIORA – MAORI SECTION

Kia Ora.

Te Puna Waiora Kapahaka got off to a slow start this year but with many students joining the group, we were able to hold the fort comfortably until we got a permanent tutor.

I would like to commend the students who committed themselves fully throughout the year.

Many thanks to Poihare Barrett for sticking with the group and to Rovina Anderson-Maniapoto for coming in and taking on the responsibility of reviving the group.

No reira E hoa mā.

Kia kaha to tātou mahi.

Kia Ora.

Ngawai Wilkinson



## COOK ISLAND PUNA WAI ORA

Kia orana kotou katoatoa i te aroa maata o te Atua.

On behalf of the Cook Island students of Te Puna Wai Ora, we would like to thank our tutors, Faitika and Poko for their continuous support and their anxiety to keep the culture alive amongst our students. Although it hasn't been a very demanding year with a heavy schedule of fixed performances, the Cook Island Puna has had its fair share of the bright lights.

I would like to thank all the students who committed themselves in to learning more about their culture and heritage. We wish you all the very best for the future and God bless you in everything you do.

Aere ra e te oa, kia manuia. E tiare teia no to tino. Kare roa koe e ngaro i toku ngakau. No te inangaro ia koe. Na te Atua e tiaki kotou. Kia manuia kotou i te kiritimiti, e te Mataiti Ou.

Teokotai Tarai  
Watter Tuakana

## COMMERCE DEPARTMENT TYPING RESULTS

NZ TRADES CERTIFICATION BOARD PASSES  
**November 1992 – Stage I Typing:** Alex Batty, Nicole Debenham.

### PITMAN EXAMINATION RESULTS

**Term 2, 1993: Elementary Typing, First Class Passes:** Vanessa Baigent, Madeline Makiakama, Amanda Clapperton, Gina Mokotupu, Rachael Davies, Mary Neil, Sharyn Garner, Melissa Shaw, Katishe Grant, Melissa Stevenson, Alisha Jones, Mereumate Vano, Christine Lockington, Umi Yokota.

**Intermediate Typing, Passes:** Fiona Andersson, Sarah Taylor.

**Advanced Typing, Passes:** Alex Batty, Rowina Montgomery.

### LINK COURSE IN WORD PROCESSING:

WORD PERFECT 5.1 Waikato Polytech

Andrea Cox, Grace Hewett, Amanda Clapperton, Antonina Horn, Sharon Pio, Sarah Taylor, Alex Batty, Katishe Grant, Mary Neil, Ngawai Wilkinson.

Congratulations to the above-mentioned students for their excellent effort.

Mrs S. McKernan

## FORM 4 BUSINESS STUDIES FIELD TRIP

Friday, October 8, 1993

The day started off overcast and raining but the spirits of the combined Form 4 Business Studies classes were keen with curiosity and interest as we embarked on our trip to investigate the Huntly Power Station and 'Candyland' on the way to Hamilton. The purpose of the exercise was to observe first-hand actual service and commodity producers at work and to bring back findings and observations which could be used for a variety of presentations on the subject.

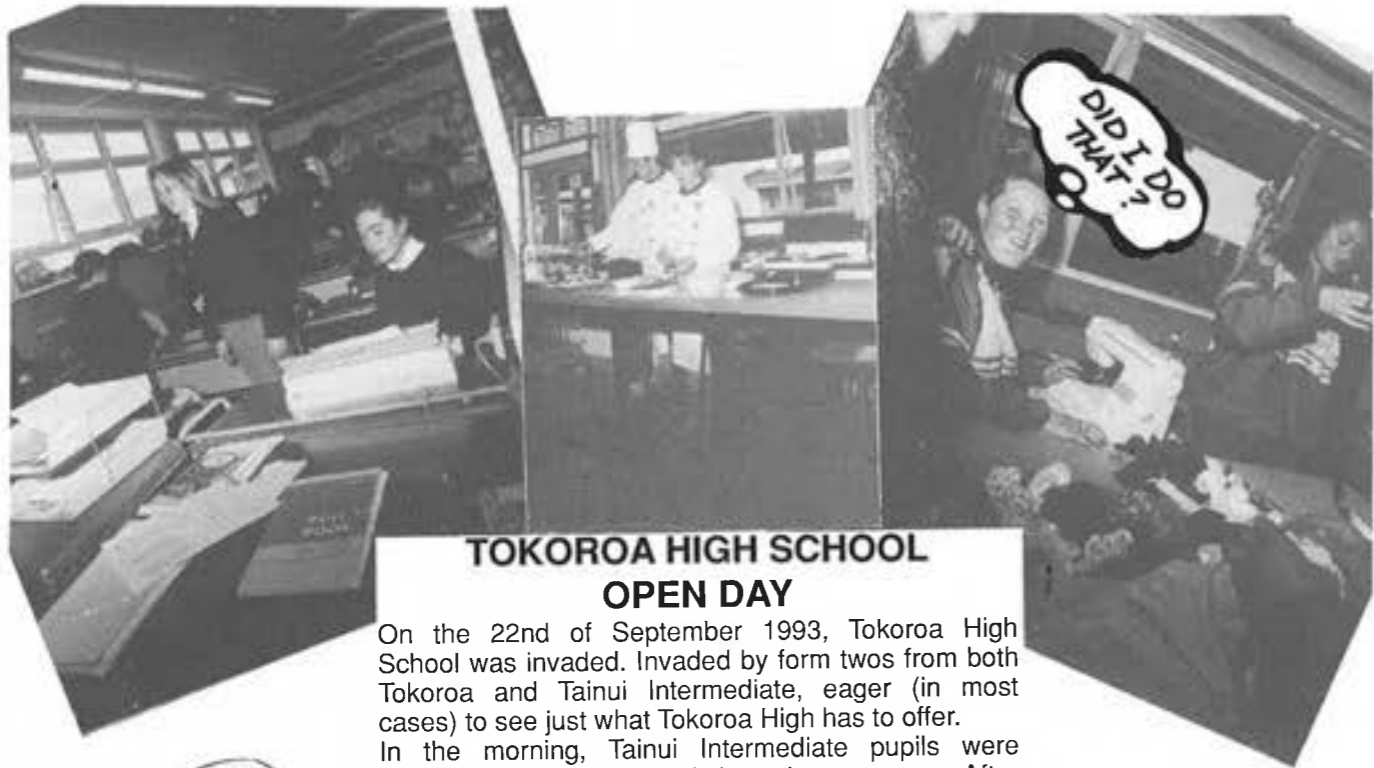
Candyland provided students with a fascinating behind-the-scenes glimpse at such activities as how a lollipop is made (have you ever wondered how they put the stripes in?) Much intense interest was shown in the chocolate making phase of the production. To see the range of confectionery available at the sales section of the plant was to comprehend just how much is sold and taken away by visitors such as ourselves.

The following visit to the Huntly Power Station was something altogether different from our earlier tour. The sheer size and complexity of the plant makes you realise here was a place where 'technology ruled'.

The wearing of hard hats was a compulsory requirement when it came to visiting many sectors of this safety-conscious complex.

If enough students came away from the day with a better understanding of how ideas like interdependence, specialisation and division of labour are seen in practise in real business operations, then the trip has to have been successful.

Mr F. Beban  
Business Studies Teacher

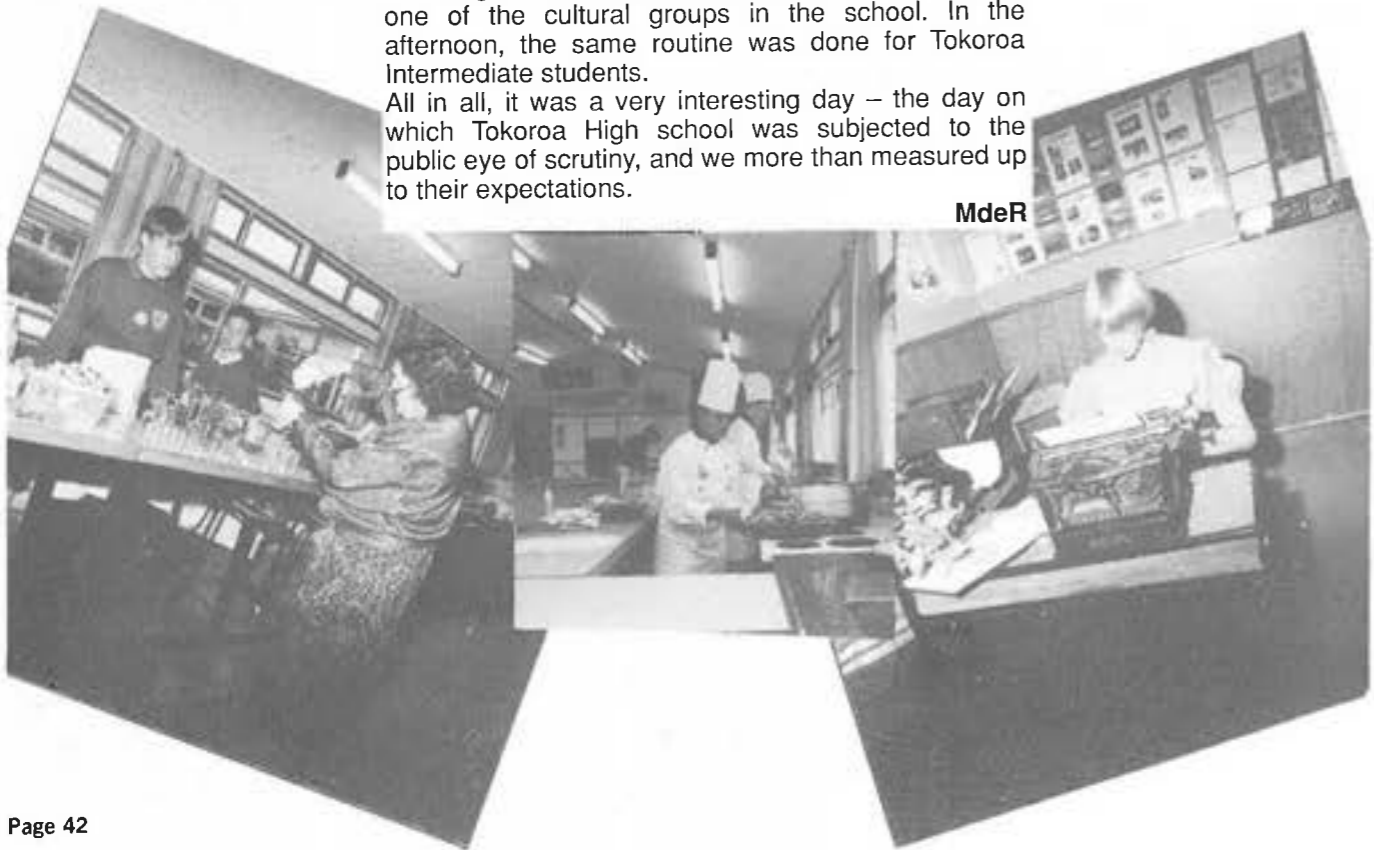


### TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAY

On the 22nd of September 1993, Tokoroa High School was invaded. Invaded by form twos from both Tokoroa and Tainui Intermediate, eager (in most cases) to see just what Tokoroa High has to offer. In the morning, Tainui Intermediate pupils were welcomed into the school through our marae. After the powhiri (and after a snack provided by the Form 7 pre-catering class), the pupils were split up into small groups, given a junior as a guide, and were let loose to roam around the school and view all the exhibits on display. Some of the displays included spinning wool for the fashion design and fabrics course, cooking displays (including mock-tails with Mrs Swanson), science demonstrations and displays in other areas of the curriculum. In the typing and word processing department, a 100-year old typewriter attracted more attention than all the up-to-date machinery! Then they were taken to the hall to see the video of the Rock Challenge, a short drama performance and a show by one of the cultural groups in the school. In the afternoon, the same routine was done for Tokoroa Intermediate students.

All in all, it was a very interesting day – the day on which Tokoroa High school was subjected to the public eye of scrutiny, and we more than measured up to their expectations.

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### SENIOR PRIZEGIVING DINNER

Tokoroa High School now has a tradition of producing high quality senior prizegiving dinners. 1993 certainly was top quality.

Being Women's Suffrage Year, perhaps it was no surprise that it was female students who provided most of the inspiration and a lot of the hard work that went into making the evening a success.

A small team of able students worked hard preparing the hall so that it looked a million dollars on the night. The evening was relaxed and very enjoyable. Mrs Swanson's team did a wonderful job keeping us 'watered' and the food was great.

The evening began with the Tokoroa High School Band taking centre stage. Where would we be without Mr Noel Saunders and the band? Mrs Yardley was the host and she was ably assisted by Miranda Snell. Miranda had the privilege of introducing Belinda Todd to us, and she also delivered an outstanding valedictory address.

Teokotai Tarai farewelled Mr David Hill, who leaves to go to Suva, Fiji, after being our principal for four years. We wish him good luck and God speed.

Mark Ward set the scene for Belinda's address with a polished and very well received rendition of "It Had To Be You".

Belinda Todd was asked to provide an entertaining after dinner speech. She did just that and slaughtered a few sacred cows in the process.

"To Sir With Love" from Nanise Tolovae was delivered with such poise and eloquence that it will long remain in our memories.

We celebrated with Mrs Larisa Kerbers' 25 years of teaching at Tokoroa High School. Mrs Lennon spoke of Larisa's fine qualities and her contribution to our students over the years.

The "Samoan Boys" completed an entertaining and memorable evening.

Well done Tokoroa High School!



KARA ACKERMAN  
DUX 1993



## 1993 ACADEMIC AND SPORTS AWARDS FORMS 5, 6 AND 7

Kara Ackerman : Dux of the School, E W Evans Memorial Scholarship, Lions Club of Tokoroa Scholarship

### FORM SEVEN SPECIAL AWARDS

Miranda Snell : Jaycee Cup for Senior Oratory, Schwed Award for Form 7 Art History  
 Adam Vonk : Telecom Central Science Award  
 Ngawai Wilkinson : Nigel Stuart Memorial Trophy for Contribution to Puna Wai Ora  
 Caroline Ashworth : Schwed Award for Achievement in Senior Art  
 Mark Ward : Creative Arts Cup, Trebilcock Performing Arts Cup  
 Andrew Atkinson : Milne Cup for Mathematics  
 Teokotai Tarai : NZFP Pulp and Paper Award  
 Kara Ackerman : Telecom Central Science Award, NZFP Pulp and Paper Award, Elder Cup for Science, ECNZ Award for Best Form 7 Science Student, Student Council Cup for Most Dedicated Senior Councillor

### FORM SEVEN SUBJECT AWARDS

Heather Alderton : Home Economics, Physical Education  
 Alex Batty : 1st= Typing  
 Antonina Horn : 1st= Typing  
 Miranda Snell : History of Art  
 Marie Martin : History  
 Mark Ward : Graphics Design, Painting  
 Maree Shaw : 1st= Alternative Mathematics  
 Nicola Allan : 1st= Alternative Mathematics, Design, Science  
 Caroline Ashworth : Photography  
 Laura King : Information Technology, Geography, Accounting  
 Teokotai Tarai : Maori  
 Andrew Atkinson (F6) : Mathematics with Statistics  
 Kara Ackerman : Biology, Mathematics with Calculus, Physics, Chemistry, English  
 Michelle Farrell : Printmaking

### FORM SIX SPECIAL AWARDS

Kim Roberts : Arohanui Trophy for Best Student in Form 6 Maori  
 Carla Le Gros : Benchmark Building Supplies Award for Excellence in Craftsmanship, Design and Technology  
 Hayley Royal : Beachen Art Award  
 Brad Flavall : Holster Engineering Award for Diligence in Engineering and Graphics Design  
 Simon Mace : Zonta International Award for Best Form 6 Commerce Student  
 Sharon Pio : Home Economics Award for Excellence in Practical Work  
 Dennis Tunui : 1st Senior Writing Award for Prose  
 Maia Stuart : 2nd Senior Writing Award for Prose  
 Keriana Te Hiko : 1st Senior Writing Award for Poetry  
 Gregory Sewell : 2nd Senior Writing Award for Poetry

### FORM SIX SUBJECT AWARDS

Carla Le Gros : Design and Technology  
 Brad Flavall : Graphics and Design  
 Wayne Ryder : Electronics  
 Amanda Clapperton : 1st= Shorthand  
 Lauren Hawera : Maori  
 Simon Mace : Accounting, Economics, 1st= Chemistry, 1st= Physics  
 Rachel Althuizen : Advanced NZ Certificate Mathematics, 1st= Shorthand  
 Nicky Reid : Physical Education  
 Lea Satchell : Home Economics  
 Colleen Connolly : Science  
 Leonard Hansen : Information Technology  
 Mary de Ruyter : Geography, History of Art, Typing  
 Andrea Cox : Fashion and Design  
 Nicola Blundell : French, History, Biology  
 Leeanne Milne : Mathematics  
 Andrew Atkinson : Practical Art, English, 1st= Chemistry, 1st= Physics  
 Dennis Tunui : Journalism

### ADULT STUDENTS' AWARDS

Karen Taylor : Tokoroa Business and Professional Women's Trophy for Academic Excellence  
 Meroiti Royal : Taylor and De Weyer Trophy for Personal Achievement

### FORM FIVE SPECIAL AWARDS

Kerewai Ainsley : Maori Studies Parents Committee Cup  
 Rachael Davies : Te Rahui Cup for Best Pakeha Student in Maori  
 Katherine Sneddon : Dahm Trophy for Most Improved Home Economics Student  
 Matthew Veza : Tokoroa Country Women's Institute Certificate for Best Practical Work in Home Economics  
 Melody Jones : Mitchell Cup for Best Practical Work in Fashion and Design  
 Rachael Davies : Tokoroa Chamber of Commerce Cup for Best Form Five Commerce Student  
 Kasey O'Keeffe : Tokoroa Business and Professional Women's Certificate for the Best English Student in Form Five  
 Pauline Tetevano : Jan White Memorial Certificate for Diligence and Achievement in Art  
 Nanise Tolovae : Tokoroa International Toastmistress Trophy for the Form Five Winner of the Speech Contest  
 Melody Jones : Certificate for Fashion Design - Entry in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Young Designers' Awards  
 Sheryl Mitchell : Certificate for Outstanding Effort in Home Economics

### FORM FIVE SUBJECT AWARDS

Kasey O'Keeffe : 1st in English, 1st in Science  
 Kerewai Ainsley : 1st in Maori, 1st in Art  
 Shannon Martin : 1st in Mathematics  
 Michael Wisniewski : 1st in New Zealand Mathematics  
 Paulette Pooley : 1st in Certificate of Practical English  
 Helen Gee : 1st in French  
 Nanise Tolovae : 1st in Music  
 Roy Thompson : 1st in Economics  
 Karen Taylor : 1st in Accounting  
 Rachael Davies : 1st in Typing  
 Louise McCully : 1st in History  
 Melody Jones : 1st in Fashion and Design, 1st in Home Economics  
 Bruce Ward : 1st in Technical Drawing  
 Sarah Flavall : 1st in Geography  
 Sheryl Mitchell : 1st in Waikato Science  
 Kirsty Skipps : 1st in German  
 David Baker : 1st in Physical Education  
 Melissa Shaw : 1st Fifth Former in 6th Form Mathematics  
 Louise McCully, Sharyn Garner and Kasey O'Keeffe : Certificate of Excellence in Mathematics at Form 6 Level  
 Gina Mokotupu, Jimmy Walls, Leah Skipps, Kirsty Skipps, Kirstie Lachman, Robert Daugulis : Certificate for German - Waikato Goethe Society  
 Kerewai Ainsley, Sarah Flavall, Kasey O'Keeffe, Louise McCully, Melody Jones : Deans' Certificate - For Achievement, Diligence and Excellence in Form Five  
 Kasey O'Keeffe : Telecom Award for All Round Achievement, Diligence and Excellence in Form Five

### PARTICIPANTS IN LINK COURSE - WORDPERFECT 5.1

Alex Batty, Grace Hewett, Antonina Horn, Ngawai Wilkinson : Form 7  
 Andrea Cox, Amanda Clapperton, Sarah Taylor, Sharon Pio, Mary Neil, Katishe Grant : Form 6

### SPORTS AWARDS

Awhina Te Hiko : McNeil Trophy - Winner of Senior Girls' Cross Country  
 Matthew Pocock : McMillan Cup - Winner of Senior Boys' Cross Country  
 Moana Kiikoro : Wilson Cup - Senior Girls' Athletic Champion  
 Justin Reti : L. H. Riley Cup - Senior Boys' Athletic Champion  
 Rhys Crawford : Nibbs Trophy - Highest Points Scorer in 1st XV Rugby  
 Mark Phillips : Forestland Wheelers Trophy for Cycling  
 Michael Lyttle : Grant Robinson Memorial Trophy - Most Outstanding Rugby Player  
 Wendy Macher : Grant Robinson Memorial Trophy - Most Outstanding Netball Player  
 Patricia McGregor : Van Hasselt Cup - Contribution to Girls' Hockey  
 Kelly Montford : Kerbers/Graham Cup - Contribution to Soccer  
 Moana Kiikoro : Morrissey and Cowley Trophy - All Round Sportswoman of the Year  
 Teokotai Tarai : Ryan Trophy - Best Contribution to Sport in Attitude and/or Participation  
 Louise Hewett : Moeroa Maea Trophy - Most Improved Player in the A Netball Team  
 Simon Mace : Molleman Cup - Most Improved Soccer Player of the Year  
 Kelly Montford : Barry Paltridge Golf Trophy  
 Gerald Seymour : Senior Boys' Swimming Champion  
 Renn Erceg : Reid Cup - Leading Soccer Goal Scorer  
 Antonina Horn : Most Outstanding Achievement in Sport  
 Nanise Tolovae : Senior Girls' Swimming Champion Cup, Francis Swimming Cup  
 Gareth Bacon : Gosnell Bat - For Best Performance on the Field in Cricket  
 Andre Hale : G.K. Cooper Trophy for Golf, Tokoroa High School Golf Handicap Champion 1993

### STUDENTS GAINING HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE 1993

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|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Francisco Abreu    | Caroline Ashworth  | Renn Erceg       | Antonina Horn    |
| Michael Lyttle     | Lotu Misa          | Glenn Rendall    | Walter Tuakana   |
| Kara Ackerman      | Alex Batty         | Megan Fitzgerald | Laura King       |
| Marie Martin       | Graham Mitchell    | Miranda Snell    | Adam Vonk        |
| Heather Alderton   | Glenda Bomford     | Ross Gee         | Cara Lauder      |
| Matthew Mauai      | Dorothy Momoemausu | Teokotai Tarai   | Mark Ward        |
| Nicola Allan       | David Cartan       | Grace Hewett     | Ngawai Wilkinson |
| Lawrence McCloskey | Kelly Montford     | Awhina Te Hiko   |                  |



SO THAT'S WHERE IT WENT.

# 7th FORM



**Renn Erceg**  
A hard man is good to find.

## LOOKING BACK ON THE YEARS...

Kia ora, Kia orana, Talofa lava and greetings to you all in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Saying goodbye is never an easy thing to do, and for many it seems to be a sad moment. Some of us will say, "See ya, and I wouldn't wanna be ya!" Others may say good riddance to those, nasty seventh formers. But for me, I shed a tear as I look upon the best times of my life.

Coming through the Marae gates as a third former and saying "whoa", of course being the little nerds of the school. Then on to fourth form, and we were off to camp. Waihaha, the beautiful shores of Lake Taupo. Fifth form now and we've settled into school and yep it's exam time. Sixth form is pretty much a breeze and many think that seventh form is a year to relax and enjoy, for some it's a different story.

There are more things to school than just in the classroom. People enjoy things such as Puna Wai Ora, drama, productions, sporting features and one of my favourites – the senior ball.

But these aren't the things that I'm gonna miss, it's the people.

He aha te mea nui o tenei ao?

Maku e ki: He tangata, he tangata, he tangata.

Brothers and sisters, even the teachers, I am so proud to have come to this school. Even though some people have been misled by the image our school portrays, with truancy and fights between the two schools, many people don't realise what lies in the centre of this school. A people, a unity, a family, Te Whanau A Noa. A family bonded with that special gift straight from the hands of God. A multi-cultural family in which is inter-twined with roots of heritage and built on a foundation of history. I would like to say to you, enjoy your school years, get involved and support your school 100%.

To those who are leaving, I wish you the very best and I pray that you succeed in everything you do. For those who are staying on, strive for the best, the world meets no-one half way. To everyone, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. God bless you all.

"I will lift up my eyes to the hills, from whence cometh my help."  
Psalms....

### Matthew 'Mecca' Maui

Strive to be the best, and always give 120%. Stay cool and remember Mecca loves you. One day Mane will give me my \$20 and maybe one day Elvis will shave his sideburns.

**Glenda Bomford**  
To the 7th form boys  
You're only young once  
But you guys will be immature forever.

**Moana Kilkoro**  
I like washing machines.

**Ben Tolofua**  
From the boys with the bobos  
and the girls with the fags  
we all like to say  
don't drop that ball – "Bags".

**Ronald 'Ronzo' Filer**  
Transform and roll out brothers!

**Dottie**  
Quote: Life is short, pray hard!

**Michael Lyttle**  
Who cares Rastaman – live lively.

**Enrico Smaniotto**  
"Glenda's a ball pass her on."

**Gerald Seymour**  
Get out of it. Munchie time.

**Lawrence 'Closs' McClosky**  
Speed kills, drink wise.

**Junior 'Bags' Tearoa**  
We love you Ben  
"...Magic in the middle".

**Miranda Snell**  
Relevance is a concept you can't swim.

**David Carton**  
It is a whole new world down here.

**Maree (Shaw)? (Dewar)? (Tuinier)?**  
Blondes must have brains... look at me. I made it to 7th form!



**Ross Gee**  
"There's always one."

**Laura King**  
"No one ever listens to me."

**Vanessa Nelson**  
"That you are here – that life exists and identity. That the powerful play goes on and you may contribute a verse." W.W.

**William Spargo**  
Hone Heke lives.

**Mane Luatua (Fred)**  
Due to injury, we lost the Tricolor.



**Wanya 'Chookz' Morris**  
Freedom is precious – protect it with prayer!

**Marie Martin**  
The one and only – blonde with brains.

**Stacey Hill**  
Women don't deserve a single right at all! They belong in the kitchen. Rockapes!

**Wiki Papa**  
Gerald is a bushpig and he knows it!

**Junior Tearoa**  
School does not exist without rugby. Rugby's a ball, pass it "Burns".

**Rhys Cromwell Crawford**  
The teachers love me and I love them. I love my baby too.

**Alex Batty**  
I study hard and I still haven't passed.

**Mark Glassie (see-yah)**  
Let's all go and get irie and make eyes go Babylon.

**Ngawai Wilkinson**  
Don't argue with me because I am always right and you are wrong!

### T. Taratua

Faith is the substance of all good things to come. Amene.

**Anna "Jordan" Vano**  
"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding in all your ways acknowledge him and he will make your paths straight."  
"Fafe tai Lava"

**Lotu Misa**  
Don't wait for tomorrow because tomorrow only cares for itself. Go hard Brother!!

**Kaisalina Mealamu**  
Ambition: To be the 1st only?... Yeah?  
Quote: If you're looking for any library books come to 66 Elizabeth Drive and ask for Kaisa.

**Nicola Allan**  
Don't do anything I wouldn't do but if you do name it after me.

**Graham 'Denims' Mitchell**  
Babies in front seats cause accidents. Accidents in back seats cause babies.

**Mark Ward**  
If you consider yourself an under achiever, maths illiterate, not a morning person – you should be in the 7th form.



WHERE DID THAT ONE GO?

**Heather Alderton**  
51% Sweet Heart  
49% Bitch  
All Woman

**Daniel Fitzpatrick**  
Women belong on chains.

**Cara Lauder**  
Do the hope of the many precede the knowledge of the few?

## FORUM GROUPS



### 3AN

Back Row: Faaloloi Mailelaa, Michelle Le Mon, Koro Thomas, Mathew Scott, Evelina Stowers, Natallea MacDonald.  
 Third Row: Mahu Armstrong, Daniel Hendra, Ngatokoa Shepherd, Henry Marshall, Neihana Moke, Glenn McCloskey, Stanley Mikara.  
 Second Row: Mrs A. Atkins, Edward Winikerei, Carl Karora, Herbert Reuben, Bruce Smyth, Adam McConnell, Joseph Pihama, Lucan Daniels.  
 Front Row: Katrina Innes, Brenda Flavall, Teuila Pudney, Jodie Chappell, Kylie McKeen, Gena Tana, Michelle Entwisle.



### 3FNG

Back Row: Kawiti Lunam, Tamati Ihaka, Damian Gates.  
 Second Row: Mrs Nikora, Aleisha Ross, Robyn O'Brien, Rhonda Edwards, Annie Gates, De-arna Randell, Mr Ngarimu.  
 Front Row: Joan-Marie Beets, Pani Wilson, Tracey Te Huia, Harlee Morgan, Joan Uerata, Hana Ngarimu, Raylene O'Brien.  
 Absent: Te Rangi Anglem, Elizabeth Matangi, Shaw Soloman, Warren Tarawa, Paul Te Hiko.



### 3BN

Back Row: Marisa Paiti, Jonathon Taiki, Chey Cure, Leonard Hoani, Brad Whittaker, Amanda Stevens.  
 Third Row: Quinn Dixon, Caleb Graham, Grant Brear, Teara Ngaoura, Aaron Matthews.  
 Second Row: Miss Benefield, Kristian Nielsen, Luke Hardiman, Richard Pearce, Lawrence Penney, Christopher Rugg, Zane Layne, Peter Girvan.  
 Front Row: Jenny Morris, Katrina Webb, Stasi Kara, Anastasia Pihema, Kaila Dehar, Deborah Neil, Robin Nathan.



### 3GV

Back Row: Heather Harper, Nicola Waea, Joseph Hill, Howard Rota, Jacqueline Colliar, Huhana Wilson.  
 Third Row: Craig Merrill, Jamie Tetevano, Walter Hemara, James Wirihana, Christian Vano, Mir Pia, Fraser McGregor.  
 Second Row: Mr J. Girvan, Jarred Baigent, Kaz Thompson, Carl Dixon-McKoy, James Farrell, Thomas Popata, Riki Austin.  
 Front Row: Angela Healey, Melissa Reweti, Sharon Umuroa, Paula Milne, Teresa Ahloo, Rikki-Lee Burdett, Amanda Davies.  
 Absent: Aidan Taylor, Sharon Te Hiko.



### 3RNC

Back Row: Rian Stuart, Noo Paio, Jay Curtis, Jamie Ginns, Keven Mealamu, Andre Hikairo.  
 Third Row: David McIssac, Niki Tereu, William Metu, Rangi Hale, Michael Craig, Reginald Whare, Jonathon Davy.  
 Second Row: Mr Nicol, Matthew Nairn, Bruce Henderson, Kaylee Jensen, Te Paea Riki, Damian Hartley, Delaney Thompon.  
 Front Row: Karen Keeble, Jema Davis, Lina Misa, Lucinda Phipps, Charlene Mutter, Dianna Wright, Terri Lindsay.



### AU

Back Row: Teokotai Tarai, Maia Stuart, Mathew Deihl, Sean Cowan, Julien Tihema.  
 Second Row: Rhys Crawford, Damon Iversen, Robert Daniels, Matthew Veza, Brad Mason, Michael Fanning, Shane Christiansen, Mr Austin.  
 Front Row: Pauline Tetavano, Alaina Trickey, Moemoana Kiikoro, Bronwyn Pope, Rowina Montgomery, Dorothy Momoemausu, Ella Parker.  
 Absent: Stacey Hill, Anne Kaye, Keri Pijacun, Storm Reit, Gerald Seymour, Mathew Young.



### 3ULW

Back Row: Alan Zhoun, Ryan Davy, Scott Batty, Johnny Leslie, Charlie Daniel, Ngaro Hoani.  
 Third Row: Joshua Graham, Norah Vaatapuoa, Elizabeth Pirato, Melissa Waterhouse, Helaina Burgess, Anne Asiata, Antoni Koloke.  
 Second Row: Mrs K. Law, Paul Clinch, Michael Hallett, Timothy Ramea, Leon Te Paa, Glen Young, Gareth Brown, Jason Trickey.  
 Front Row: Krystal Puata, Joleen Meads, Nicole Dawson, Sophia Hohaia, Barbara Ryan, Tina Tucker, Vanessa Blake.  
 Absent: Tavai George, Maryanne Maea, Ross Wilkinson.



### 4DP

Back Row: Lyla Mahu, Daniel Atkinson, Rebecca Cameron, Tinairangi Kiikoro, Melissa Mauai, Dianna McQuade, Rochelle Ramsay, Richard Hannam.  
 Third Row: Traviss Gabriel, Aaron Hooker, Murray Te Manu, Terry Wilson, Maga Hunt, Tony Walker, Dale Ihle.  
 Second Row: Mr Depree, Adrian Lyttle, Tuakeu Nelio, Trident Ratu, Gavin Cortesi, Marc Tai, Andrew Smit, Hemi Simmonds.  
 Front Row: Brenda Birch, Jocelyn Gates, Bianca Thompson, Elizabeth Jackson, Malaena Baker, Elizabeth Simiona, Lisa Thompson.  
 Absent: Carla Ruddell.



**4FMI**

Back Row: Teni Ngatamariki, Luke Mealamu, Tuku Moetu, Stacey Beadle, Joseph Solomon, Clinton Cox.  
Third Row: Silas Poutapu, Nicky Bell, Jacquelyn Te Puia, Desma Newton, Nicola Maker, Tremaine Nicol, Sloan Griffin.  
Second Row: Mrs J. Mitchell, Michael Baxter, Jody Ireland, Jeremy MacDonald, Jason Campbell, Derek Steadman, Adrian Watson.  
Front Row: Meretine Goodger, Kama Wheeler, Marcia Tane, Ngarangi Tuaiti, Jessica Bluett, Naomi Lindsay, Marie Reinsfield.



**4RKA**

Back Row: Emory Tuaeu, Kevin Hunapo, Johnston Paki, Joe Kaponga, Graham Nelio, Nicky Cox.  
Third Row: Ricky Best, Teariki Bennion, David Hansen, Peter Baird, Paul Jannsen.  
Second Row: Mr P. Kaua, Marianne Hansen, Meegan Brown, Rangi Tunupopo, Melissa Daniels, Chanel Whittaker, Tammy Roycroft, Bryan Steiner.  
Front Row: Charlotte Cody, Amanda Tombleson, Vanessa Cassidy, Melanie Gordon, Tima Luatua, Pauline Waretini, Tuara Rau.  
Absent: Sharon McGregor.



**4TN**

Back Row: Turia Vano, Andrew Kenny, Daniel Phillips, John Holmes.  
Third Row: Joseph Wharekawa, Fabian Redden, Melvin James, Jonathon Wehipeihana, Kyle Davy.  
Second Row: Mr Tangaroa, Wenna Hale, Jonelle Crawford, Kathy Vaikai, Tungane Maa, Katrina Burr, Dianne Graham.  
Front Row: Kelly Roberts, Jocelyn Hemming, Kathleen Mokaraka, Monica Daniels, Lynda Hemming, Jennifer Wilton, Melanie Olsen.  
Absent: Cathryn Burke, Cor Veens, Jonson Justin, Donella Sandbrook, Anthony Dawson, Mayva Rang, Roland Drollett.



*Aaah Yorrick!*



**4PK**

Back Row: Phillip Ross, Michael Newbrook, Iain King, Brendon Komene.  
Third Row: Nicholas Roberts, Kyle Richards, Latisha Kelly, James Vavia, Andrew Andersen.  
Second Row: Mr W. Paki, Gregory Bruce, Che Tera, Patrick Kingi, Akbar Ali, Eugene Walker, Jonathan Pirini.  
Front Row: Vanessa Pomare, Josephine Hepi, Sheree Matthews, Martha Daniels, Nicola Shaw, Elsie Meads, Jessica Oliver.  
Absent: Tania Te Huia, Lara Lovich.



**4RS**

Back Row: Jimmy Kuru, John Amouta, Scott Andersson, Donovan Phillips, Steven Ford, James Graham.  
Third Row: Te Rua Toe Toe, Emma Cook, Nicola Althuizen, Michelle Tangimataiti, Ake Mui Mui, Mele Hiva, Junior Aitupuna.  
Second Row: Mrs Robyns, Sam Wilson, John Lennard, Lawrence Tapsell, Cass Edwards, Bevan Savage, Carlos Ferreira.  
Front Row: Vanessa Iorangi, Monique Flavall, Nicola Taylor, Susan Butterworth, Donna Te Whaiti, Nikki Signal, Michelle Olsen.  
Absent: Phillip Ah Sin, Rapana Lunam, Carla McAuley.



**4WE**

Back Row: Bossy Rai, Zeb Bone, Maiah Albert, Keinan Ngapo, Edward Te Miha, Taikoko Vaikai, Mangi Ariki, Jarred Boon.  
Third Row: Charlene Turia, Rachel Pope, Lisa Nauer, Kelly Evile, Ngahiraka Marsh, Shontelle West, Rowena Arioka.  
Second Row: Mr D. Wells, Peter Permain, John McDonnell, Robin Major, Rene Maara, Jarrod Reweti, Robert Johnson, Desiree Ryan.  
Front Row: Urupani Rau, Anne Taumaa, Maree Ford, Renee Brown, Nikki Dean, Lesley Crawford, Charo Tereu.





**YEAR 5**

Back Row: Brian Stewart, Graham Mitchell, Michael Lyttle, Jason Tuinier, Walter Tuakana, Junior Tearoa, Ben Tolofua, Gerald Seymour, Wiki Papa.  
Fourth Row: Cara Lauder, Grace Hewett, Lania Takiri, Enrico Smaniotto, Alex Batty, Teokotai Tarai, Moana Kiikoro, Dorothy Usu, Rhys Crawford.  
Third Row: Adam Vonk, Kaisalina Mealamu, Antonina Horn, Kara Ackerman, Jayd Hickey, Lotu Misa, Ronald Filer, Lawrence McCloskey, Chico Abreu, Laura King.  
Second Row: Kelly Montford, Angela Taniwha, Glenda Bomford, Carlie Leslie, Andrew Pook, Angela Johnson, Angela Bell, Ngawai Wilkinson, Heather Alderton, Ross Gee.  
Front Row: Marie Martin, Karen Nelmes, Renn Erceg, Miranda Snell, Matthew Mauai, David Cartan, Megan Fitzgerald, Vanessa Nelson, Umi Yokota.  
Kneeling: Allan Tetevano.  
Absent: Stacey Hill, Jade Richards, Mane Luatua.



**FRW**

Back Row: David Baker, Leonard Rangī, Timothy Aoaki, Graham Mitchell, Nicky Reid.  
Second Row: D. Rothwell, Heather Alderton, Brandy Barnett, Grace Hewett, Rachel Althuizen, Natasha Wisniewski, Maree Shaw, William Stowers.  
Front Row: Kim Roberts, Adeline Southwick, Kirstie Lachman, Karen Nelmes, Helen Gee, Karen Spargo, Dianne Tearoa.  
Absent: Aroha Te Hiko, Paulette Pooley, Vincent True.



**RBB**

Back Row: Phillip Cox, Aukuso Aukuso, Jason Campbell, Jerrod Maich, Patrick Fenton, Robert Daugulis, Paul Lovett.  
Second Row: Mr F. Beban (Tutor), Cara Lauder, Joanne Saunderson, Alex Batty, Lania Takiri, Miriam Gracie.  
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