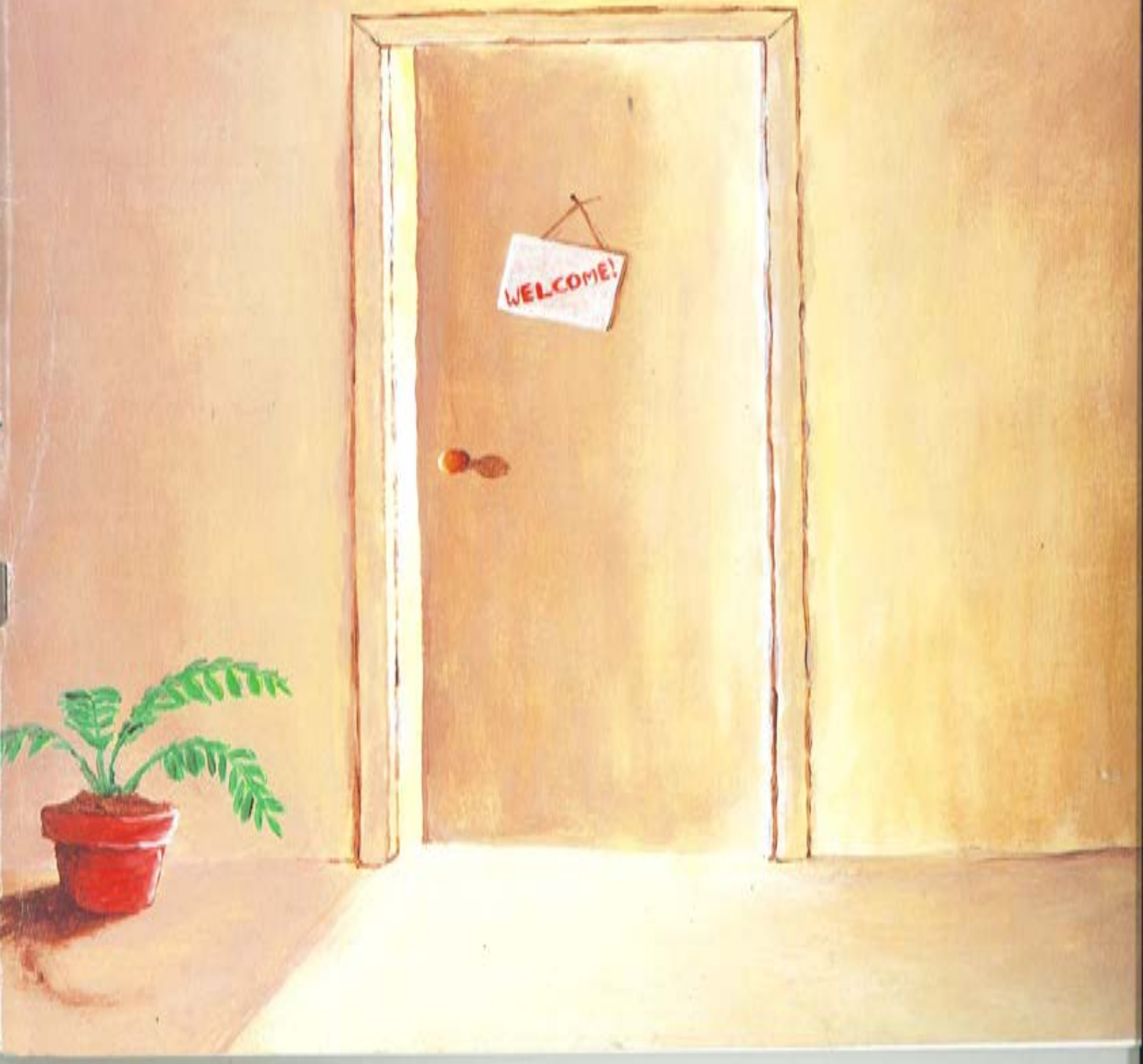


TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL 1999



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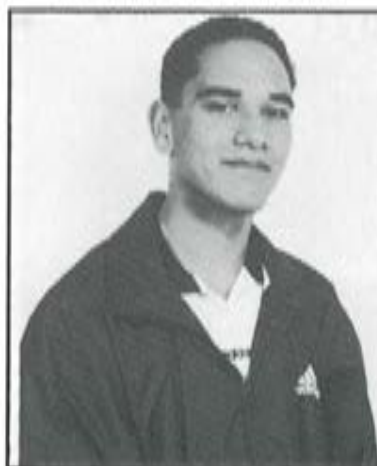
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LEADERS OF THE STUDENT COMMUNITY

HEAD GIRL
Elizabeth Stockman



HEAD BOY
Duke Boon



OUR CHANGING WORLD THE NEW FACE OF TOKOROHA HIGH SCHOOL

1999 was a year of dramatic changes. For the first time in 20 years the school gained new driveways and the entrance to the hall became bright and modern. The age of maturity struck the avenue of trees along the main driveway as a number were felled and the rest undergoing major surgery.

After 20 years of putting up with potholes and broken asphalt students and staff now enjoy the broad sweep of smooth new tarseal that extends from the front to the back of the school. This change cost the Ministry of Education \$170,000 as the foundation of the old seal was so poor that it had to be replaced. On wet days the school is a much more attractive place!

After one near miss when a tree split in half and very nearly wiped out the front of the wharenuī it became necessary to remove six of the trees planted along the drive in 1959. The Intermediate and the High School have carried out a replanting programme so that the gaps will be filled and over time other ageing trees removed. Mr Bill Wilson, a member of the Board of Governors in 1959, assisted by his grandson Chris Craig, a Year 10 student, and Mr Guy Morgan, a long term staff member, played a leading role in the replanting.

Our new hall entrance is so different from the old that visitors are taken by surprise. This change is part of the whole redevelopment of the hall and administration area. It includes a fine piece of sculpture made by Robert Leger a past pupil. He has turned Hinuera stone into a glowing comment on the educational process lining learners and teachers across a sea of knowledge.

Further development will take place as other taonga are created and placed in prominent places within the entrance lobbies and as time goes by in the hall. We aim to present strong statements about the diversity of cultures and students who have attended here over the last 42 years.

The Principal's View

What can students achieve? What are students achieving?

We talk about students getting the best and highest qualifications. Do you know that 95% of all students can achieve success in the highest levels of academic qualifications?

The steps to gaining these qualifications are the same for all students:

- Learn how to learn by developing skills in processing knowledge
- Be motivated to work hard
- Put in the time required to master the courses of study

Today's lifestyle is creating many barriers that can get in the way of student performance and growth. These barriers leap out to stop students developing themselves for lifelong learning.

Some of these are:

- Part time work
- Social pressures from family and friends
- A lack of goal setting

I am increasingly concerned to see so many students spending more than five hours a week in paid employment. In many cases the time worked is in excess of 15 hours. Combine this with the expectations many families have on their children to participate in church or family activities and it is not surprising students end up being too tired to perform to their highest levels in school. The South Waikato and New Zealand are not the only places facing this problem. In Finland a survey of students found too many of them saying they did not have enough time to fit school into their daily schedule!

This pressure on students' time leads to little effort being made to set academic goals. All of us know that goal setting is the basis for success in sport. The same applies to academic learning. During the 1970's it was easy to gain employment and high wages with low levels of academic qualification. Such days are gone.

It is time for all students to get more choice by gaining academic qualifications before they are 18. Perhaps the new millennium will bring about changes in the way teenage employment too often puts at risk the highest levels of school qualification and achievement.

Roger Sommerville



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

I think it would be fair to say as we head into the new millennium, that our school is looking good. The upgrade of the front office, the resealed drive, the state of the grounds are all factors that over the last year have improved the visual quality of our school considerably. The ground staff are to be congratulated for their efforts, as are all those who have helped in reducing litter around the school.

We are fortunate to have so many teachers and staff who care about our children and their education. I believe considerable progress has been made across many curriculum areas this year. HODs and staff are to be congratulated on operating generally within their budgets. It is very frustrating when needs and initiatives are delayed by financial restraints. This year we have seen an initiative to monitor and raise the productivity of years 9 and 10 students by identifying barriers to learning and helping them overcome them.

As I reflect on the past year, I think we are moving toward achieving our school goal of "Qualifications for All". This is not an easy task and although the Principal, staff and Board attempt to focus on this goal, day to day events constantly get in the way. We

must all continue to work together to find new and innovative ways of making learning easier, more relevant and fun.

The community of Tokoroa should and must ask why there is not better co-operation between its two high schools. There must be educational advantages in working together, especially in the senior school, with the opportunity to offer a wider and better range of courses.

I take this opportunity to say thank you to the BOT, staff, parents and school supporters for your efforts, help and support throughout 1999. To all the pupils who have worked hard during the year - thanks and well done! All those involved in sport, drama, music, cultural activities, etc - congratulations to the many winners and to those who 'just had a go'.

To those leaving Tokoroa High, good luck and may your future hold the success you deserve. To those returning have a good holiday and we will see you next century.

A very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Trevor Newbrook
Chairperson, BOT

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

For the final time this millennium, I had the honour of being the student representative to the Board of Trustees for 1999. Needless to say, this year has been an interesting one, full of new experiences, hard decisions and a lot of change.

If I reflect on the occurrences of this year, one of the most vivid events would have to be the saga that arose upon the implementation of bulk funding. This decision caused a tonne of controversy and heartache and it was a strange time to be on the Board! Another major event would be the transformation of our office area. This was really a huge accomplishment by the Board and they must be congratulated on all the time and planning involved.

I have also had the pleasure of seeing many other ideas and projects come into fruition that were significantly recognisable within the school. A few of these projects were raised by previous board members and have finally been completed in the past year. Examples of these included carpeting the Wharenui, installing water fountains, and also the addition of a new school cap and scarf. Other projects that will be carried out in the near future include a new school map and school honours boards.

Another point that has raised significant attention during the year was the student council. We as students can sometimes take the student council for granted and we do not even consider that one day this may disappear. Unfortunately this year, the student council and I have had to grapple with the possibility that this may be the case. Hopefully, this uncertainty will be proven to be unfounded and you, the students of the new dawning, will be able to experience the freedom, growth, development and vital life skills available to you through the Student

Council. It will be a great pity for the students of Tokoroa High School should the preceding situation eventuate. You will be robbed of a gift that is irreplaceable.

Despite all the issues, concerns, events and controversy that have all been a part of the year, I have still managed to enjoy this often busy and interesting year. I have really loved the opportunity of being your representative and I hope that one of you will take on the challenge just as I did, and just as all the hugely talented representatives did before me.

At this point I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Mrs Law for all her wisdom, encouragement, patience and insight that allowed me to come to terms with the huge responsibilities encapsulated within this role. I would also like to thank Mr Roger Sommerville for his patience and support toward me as well as the Student Council for their encouragement and support at times. Also my appreciation to the Board of Trustees for making me feel comfortable and to make my contributions without too much hassle.

I would like to say to each and every one of you that you all have the potential to achieve your goals. If you've ever felt that something is beyond your reach, I encourage you to challenge yourself and see where you'll end up. It can be surprising how much you can achieve, only if you have a bit of belief in yourself. You'll never know what you're capable of if you don't give it a try!

My warmest wishes and the best of luck to our student councillors, head students, Board of Trustees representative and student body. Remember that you can do anything if you set your mind to it.

Adam Boon

RESPONSIBILITIES

E ngaa mana, e ngaa reo, e ngaa kaarangaratanga maha, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.

After being announced as a head student at the 1998 senior prizegiving, I didn't quite realise just what I had gotten myself into. I felt honoured for the trust shown by the school in me through my election, and I was quickly, and in no uncertain terms reminded, that it was indeed a very big responsibility.

As a head student, this year has been very busy, and full of surprises. Not only do you have to try and keep up academically (a mission in itself at Seventh Form) but also you have to carry the extra responsibilities and representative tasks that come along with the head student title. Tasks which include such things as speaking in assemblies, being a part of the new enrolments for 2000 campaign, presenting awards at schools, the Anzac parade, the list is endless. Although these extra responsibilities always keep one on the go, it is always very rewarding, knowing that in the end, you helped make it happen.

One of my biggest responsibilities (and privileges) was being able to be involved in the student council. Co-chairing the council was always an honour, and the amount of work they put in during the year in organising socials, muftis, ID cards and discounts, and anything else that was possible, is often taken for granted by the students. Being able to offer financial assistance through the council, to those who represent our school, was another bonus for me in being head student.

As head boy, you are always meeting and interacting with the principal and staff for one reason or another. This opportunity to have your say and make a difference, often requires the sacrifice of a couple of lunchtimes and classes. It's well worth it though, when you get them to eat blue weetbix, blue jelly, and blue yoghurt!

As we enter the new millennium, one of the areas I feel that needs to be addressed by our school, is the fact that we all are Te Whanau a Noa - the family of Noah. This family spirit needs to be embraced and supported by all of our students, because it epitomises just what makes us unique.

Every one of us has a place that we can call our own on that marae, regardless of race or religion. If this spirit was transferred into our school life, our school would be so much stronger because of it. That is the challenge to all those who enter the gates of Te Whanau a Noa, during the next millennium.

Head student is always a very highly regarded and coveted position. It is not without its work, and its fun as well. Therefore I wish next year's head students the best of luck, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who supported, guided, and put up with me. If I could leave you with this:

"Ma wai e too, te waka nei ki uta? Mau e too, maaku e too, ma taatou katoa Te whaanau o Noa e too."

Who will haul the canoe ashore? You will haul it, I will haul it, we the family of Noah together will haul it.

No reva tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.

By Duke Boon

TO DAD

The sun beams its life
into the glistening breakers,
each one shattering
as it hits the surface.
The grains ooze
through five sets of toes,
leaving nothing but impressions
where once
was reality

In the structure of a tree
blooming with growth,
the sap flows to each branch
feeding the buds, preparing them.
Each shoot a brand new leaf of dreams
until the frost when they fall,
and rot away
with time,
leaf on leaf renew.

A roar from the depths
as the wind blowing, hits hard.
Your passion for its speed
the need to feel alive.
Rain drums down, but will slow,
each drop short of life
but short moments are so special.
They made you,
we remember.

As I stand held high
by your support and pride,
it will all be for you,
you're my motive to strive.
As my world closes in
suffocating me from life,
I will think of you lying
upon silk clouds of success
blanketing us all in....
why....?

By Elizabeth Stockman



THE STUDENT COUNCIL 1999

The Student Council of 1999 can feel proud. Through the successes and the disappointments, the students who represented their form on this year's council have performed their duties to the utmost.

Together we have been able to provide a service to the rest of our school, which has supported students and helped them to venture into once-in-a-lifetime opportunities.

Experiences such as battling the seas on the Spirit of New Zealand, fighting it out for placings at the National Squash Championships, performing at the Shakespeare Festival in Wellington or representing New Zealand in Hawaii, are only a few of the major achievements of students at Tokoroa High School.

The Student Council feels honoured to be able to be a part of making these experiences possible.

Over the year everyone has pulled together to form, what we feel, is an efficient team. Each person has developed their own personal sense of commitment and have become co-operative and able to voice their opinions. Everyone has realised that their ideas represent the views of peers from their form and this skill has developed in each person.

As a team the Student Council have been able to provide our students with school socials and mufti days as our major sources of fundraising. The third annual eating contest also took place this year, providing great lunchtime entertainment. Entries from Mr Rogers, Mr Reid, Mrs Graham and Mrs Law were highlights of the hour. Let's hope this thrilling competition will carry on for the years to come.

We would like to congratulate all the students and staff at Tokoroa High School for their support. Whether you attended a social, dressed for mufti day or approached us for assistance, everyone has played their part in making this committee work.

We also wish the first council for the year 2000 the best of luck. A special thank you to Mrs Law for her endless patience, wisdom and support.

Elizabeth Stockman (Head Girl)
Duke Boon (Head Boy)



Dedication and blessing of Tokoroa High School's new administration block.

TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL 1999

Head girl: Elizabeth Stockman
Deputy head girl: Kairangi Teaurima
Head boy: Duke Boon
Deputy head boy: Mathew Moon
BOT Student rep: Adam Boon

Form Level representatives:

Form 3: Catriona Law
Simon Lawry
Jessica Mercer
Form 4: Hayley Dickson
Erina Stockman
Maggie Teokotal
Form 5: Kirsten Law
Alan Lelieveld
Christopher Wallace (left)
Iriea Tangimetua
Form 6: Te Ara Kuka
Mark Tuapou
Norah Turia
Form 7: Mathew Moon
Kairangi Teaurima
Jo-Ann Tucker
Paea Wilkinson

STAGE ONE OF SCHOOL UPGRADE COMPLETED

The first stage of upgrading Tokoroa high School hall and administration block has just been completed.

Vibrant colours merge in a tiled entrance foyer that offers visitors and students a warm bright welcome before they move into the inner foyer.

Here a powerful sculpture developed in Hinuera stone by Robert Leger, a past pupil, strongly represents the learning processes that go on in a modern secondary school.

Kim Lawry, Chairman of the Board of Trustees Building and Grounds Committee, reports that the Ministry of Education grant, that allowed this upgrade, will, he hopes, be followed by others.

The expected full redevelopment of the hall will enable other past and present pupils to record the creative power of the Tokoroa community in further art works.

This redevelopment is the third major Ministry of Education project at the school this year.

New driveways (\$370,000) and replace of old Hinuera stone walls (\$567,000) have been completed since March.

30 YEARS ON

If, in 1969, someone had suggested to me that I might be asked to contribute to the last school magazine of the century, I would have taken a little more notice of what was going on around me. But I'm afraid that carefully recorded observations are not available to me and I will have to work from a rather suspect memory.

So, has Tokoroa High School changed in the years since I was a student? Of course it has, but in many ways not as much as it should have or indeed as much as it will have to, to keep pace with the changing times in which we live. The biggest changes are beneath the surface and not immediately visible. They are changes in attitude and the way people think and act towards learning. I see much more interaction between people at all levels of school life. That has to be good.

Physically it is the same old place. When I left school at the end of '72, it was out through the old school entrance in front of the hall. When I next returned some twenty years later I re-entered via those same doors to an overwhelming feeling that nothing had changed. Everything in that area was as I remembered it. Even Mr Robyns was there in the hall, it was like winding back the clock. Thankfully, those old doors have gone now, though Mr Robyns is still around. C block has been replaced after the fire, the Library has a new home and the Gym is bigger than it was, all progress. But it is with some concern that I look at some of the buildings that have not changed. In an age of rapidly advancing technology, D Block, our Technical Department is a disgrace. Apart from the remodelled computer suite the workshops remain as they were over 30 years ago. And we still await Ministry approval and finance to develop that area. The Hall too is in dire need of a facelift, and while the new entrance is a great start, the whole admin block is way below what I would consider a satisfactory standard for a "Tomorrow's Schools" system of administration.

Noah wasn't there in my day either, and that is a wonderful asset for the school and the community, but I fear that it is being seriously under utilised. It is there as a multi cultural facility and groups and event organisers should make better use of it's availability. However it is not buildings that make a successful school, it is people, vision, systems, dedications and hard work. When you start to dig around in those areas it becomes clear that Tokoroa High School is evolving. "The Best and Highest Qualifications For All" is a lofty goal. The focus on that goal is evident throughout the school, we are all heading in the same direction, and I don't think that approach existed thirty years ago.

Students today are more confident, more prepared to ask questions, less prepared to accept that the teacher is always right. Students have access to a phenomenal amount of information. Research is far more interesting and varied, learning is more interactive and skill levels are multiplying. There are many more opportunities to captivate the student's interest today. While this expands learning opportunities it also creates some difficulties, because students can become bored very easily if the stimulation that they are accustomed to is not there.

One area in which the school has grown up considerably is that of cultural awareness. In my years at

Tokoroa High I cannot once recall hearing Maori spoken at school, and we were certainly never addressed in that language as a school...Our cultural diversity is one of our strengths and its recognition is important. Sport, however, has suffered a major decline since I was at school. I hope it is not a sign of the times and I hope we can turn it around. As I recall, it was a privilege and an honour to represent your school and most students strived to do so. Top student sportsmen and women were held in very high regard right throughout the school for their achievements. Where has the team ethic and the desire to be involved gone? As a school we need to make sure that "The opportunity to play" is not the missing factor.

Even though Forest View doesn't quite date back to when I was at school, it was built not long afterwards. Ever since then there has been serious competition and over zealous rivalry between the two schools. In this area we really need to mature as a community. It is time that the two schools recognised that their goals, in terms of the education of the young people of Tokoroa, are the same, and that those goals could be advanced considerably by more cooperation between the schools. All too scarce educational resources are being wasted in this town because the schools fail to work together. An obvious example and a good starting point would be running joint classes in some subjects at year 13 (7th form level). It is sensible, our children would benefit, and as a community we should be insisting on it.

So where to from here? I believe that the young person leaves our school in future needs to have had a wide range of experiences, and be a balanced and well rounded individual. Possess plenty of skills and a real knowledge of "how to learn" coupled with a real desire to keep learning for life. In addition we need to arm them with a range of qualifications that prove they can work and learn, because that is what employers want to know.

Most of all we need to turn out school leavers who really enjoyed their time here and who are proud to say that they went to Tokoroa High School. In many cases that would be a change from past times, but it would be a change that would have a dramatic impact on our future.

Kim Lawry

TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES 1999

Parent representatives:

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Mr Trevor Newbrook (Chair)

Mrs Jeanette van der Wal

Mr Clive Cook

Mr Jim Gray

Mr Kim Lawry

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Mrs Martina Burr

Mr Bill Pearce

Mrs Akarere Henry

Mr Adrian Purnell

Staff representative: Mrs Trish Priscott

Student representative: Adam Boon

Principal: Mr Roger Sommerville

MERLE COETZEE

I am from South Africa, married to Luther Coetzee and have twin daughters named Lumari and Marilu and they are five years old.

We used to live in Bloemfontein in the Free State. Ninety percent of the inhabitants of Bloemfontein are Afrikaans speaking. Needless to say, we hardly ever spoke English.

For us to come to New Zealand was a big dream come true but a big step. It's not easy to uproot a tree of 30-50 years and plant it in a different country. Luckily we landed up in Tokoroa because everyone was wonderful, friendly and helpful and we felt at home from the start. I arrived here only with 20kg luggage, not much, only clothes and in five days time my house was ready for me to move in.

Thanks to the friendly people of Tokoroa and everybody who provided guidance and furniture. I feel embarrassed because after eight months we still use some of the furniture.

I started on March 1st at Tokoroa High School as a long term relieving teacher in fashion and design and it was a big challenge to me and I was extremely nervous. The students were absolutely great because they accepted me with a positive display of warmth and even told me Mrs, you are cool, although my accent was so different.

I had difficulty in pronouncing their names and some words. Thanks to the staff for your support, advice and guidance.

One of the highlights for me during this year was the Wearable Art Extravaganza. It was something totally new to me and I learned a lot from it. Congratulations to all the students who entered and to those who achieved prizes.

Luckily it's not necessary for me to say goodbye, because Mr Sommerville was so kind to offer me another job in classroom E3, thank you, we will always be thankful to you!

Merle Coetzee



GAP EXCHANGE...

...What a prospect, a year away, from home, from Tokoroa, from New Zealand. I jumped at the chance. GAP was an opportunity of a lifetime, to experience Britain as a person who lived there, not a tourist, and WOW what an experience...

I applied in April of 1998 to go to England on a GAP Exchange. GAP stands for the year between High School and University. I had an interview in late May with the head of GAP NZ Dr Murray Wilton. About two months after the interview I got a letter to say that GAP had accepted me to fill a position with them. I would be working with students with severe physical disabilities.

When I got to my placement in Poole, Dorset I was greeted by friendly people who thought my accent was funny, little did they know I thought the same of them. I was with the Post 16 group, which means all those students above 16 years of age but below 19. I made many friends at the school and am glad of the opportunities that arose. It was the best job I have done in a while, and the easiest.

If I had the chance to do it again I would, there would be things that I changed and things that I didn't. But that's life.

As well as touring Britain when I finished at my placement, I also made it to the Middle East. It is such a beautiful country and very underestimated in what it has to offer. After the Middle East it was off to California for a week to do the touristy sort of things, then home to prepare for University and the rest of my life.

S. Cook



TE PUNA WAIORA - O TE WHANAU -A-NOA (MAORI GROUP)

Te Puna Waiora has had a major role this year attending Maori specified occasions and tautoko (supporting) the many gatherings that have been held at Tokoroa High School.

As part of being in Te Puna Waiora, we had the privilege of performing in the school production. It was a thrilling experience for our group to go through.

Our tutor and mentor Whaea Poihaere Barrett has taught us as a group and not individually. She has been an inspirational teacher throughout the year.

Te Puna Waiora has successfully graduated this year well with performances and represented Tokoroa High School in Hamilton, Wellington and Otorohanga.

Te Puna Waiora is a group of opportunity, aroha and strength that encourages young people to learn Maori culture.

Special acknowledgement to our young peers from the S-Unit. You are all so awesome!

Te Puna Waiora has had a primo year. See you all next year.

Kia kaha. Kia manawanui. Kia ora.

Alana, Ronamal and Casey



NGA MANU KORERO

KA ORA TE WHENUA KA ORA TE REO

The Regionals were held in Otorohanga in June. We had three students that entered, Duke and Adam Boon and Tamielle Monk. Congratulations to all.

Duke Boon came third in the Pei Te Hurinui Jones section. Adam and Tamielle didn't do so well in their sections, however, they both enjoyed the experience.

Last year Nelhana Jacobs won the Korimako section. It was with great delight that Florence Kerr, representing Forest View HS won this year.

The Nationals were held in Wellington. Three students from Tokoroa High School, Duke Boon, Chantelle Te Kauwhata, Davida Uerata and Whaea Poihaere Barrett went to support Florence Kerr. It was just an awesome trip. We went as representatives from Tainui Rohe. Pumi Tumai from Rakaumangamanga won the Senior Maori Pei Te Hurinui Jones.

Nó reira kua tata ké tátu ki to wá whakamutunga o te tau. Má te runga rawa tátu e tiaki, e manaaki i ngá wá kotoa.

Palmarie



THE LIZARD

I am a lizard lying in the sun
The sun is warm
I am tired
I am bored
I am hungry
I am lying on the hot ground
The earth is cracking with the heat of the sun
It is nice
I am comfortable
I must sleep now

By Noema Purnell

ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE



Recently, I was lucky enough to be visiting Sydney, Australia. As well as walking around the new Olympic Village and spending time with our family, we went over the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Not in a plane or train, no we climbed it.

Climbing the Sydney Harbour Bridge was an exciting and a fantastic experience but it started me thinking about all the missed opportunities. You know, those times when you had a chance to do something but there were a thousand reasons why not.

It's too high! It's too expensive! It'll take too long! I'm not trained for it! I'm too old! I'm too young!

People thought we were mad and they're probably right.

But I'm not going to forget the excitement and enjoyment of the day I did something a little crazy and climbed the Sydney Harbour Bridge. If you get the chance to climb the Sydney Harbour Bridge don't hesitate, 'Go for It'.

For those students and staff leaving school we know you will find challenges, opportunities and success in your future careers.

Take the odd risk, make the most of your opportunities, and if you are near the school drop in and tell us how you are going.

We'd love to see you.

Elgin Edwards
Deputy Principal



LIBRARY REPORT

As in the previous two years, there has been another change to the library staff. Jacqui Fothergill left at the end of term three. Jacqui was first employed in the library in 1997, working with Bev Hodges. She has been working as Librarian with Vicki Tafau in a job-share position for the last 17 months.

Jacqui was replaced by Jude Cuttriss, who started at the end of October.

Jude, a former Tokoroa High School student, will be an asset to the school, with all of the library knowledge and experience she brings.

At the end of last year, the library received a major boost in the form of a \$13,875.00 donation from The Blue Lagoon Bar and Cafe. The money, which was raised from gaming machines, was used for a state-of-the-art security system. It was installed in the Christmas holidays, so that it was ready for use at the beginning of the year. With the system in place, far fewer books will be lost.

The internet should be operating in the library later this year, and this is all part of the expanding resources that can be offered to the students.

The library has purchased over 800 new books this year, which has kept everyone busy. Students have been very pleased with the range of books purchased. We endeavour to select books that will appeal to all levels and interests, and books are certainly being well resourced this year.

We also have had a number of donated books. These have included books from Jacqui Fothergill as well as Michael and Gwen Robyns. We appreciate any donations of books, but do need to assess them before we add them to the library shelves.

Students really enjoy having magazines to browse through, and we have added eight different titles this year. The students always seem to know when the next issue is due.

We have managed to keep the library displays bright and informative.

William Rollo, a senior student has been a great help, with his contribution of paper mache wildlife. We also have a constant supply of art work.

They have helped to keep our library colourful.

The library committee have made the librarians job easier with the support in matters involving library needs and problem solving. Their help is very much appreciated. Thanks must also be given to our student librarians, who give up their interval and lunch time to make our job easier.

We hope that all students and staff take advantage of the great resources that the library is offering.

Vicky Tafau

SCHOOL BALL

September 11 1999: Tokoroa High School's night of "glitz and glam" for our very eager Ball Committee members our last Ball of the Millennium went as well as we would have liked it to go.

Our venue was the school hall. Our minds had been stretched to the limits to work out how to disguise a plain hall. So up went the polythene and balloons, lights and mirror ball to make our dramatic change! And what a dramatic change it was!

Formal masquerade was our theme and masks we had - from dogs to Phantom of the Opera with clever home made masks and the ball would not be complete without our Belle and Beau being chosen, our ball spirit must have drifted though town as local retailers generously donated prizes and cash donations.

Best Theme Male: Mathew Pentecost
Female: Alana Raumea

Best Dressed Couple:
Kairenga Pirato and Toni Falconer

Belle of Ball: Paea Wilkinson

Beau of Ball: Casey Waretini

Thanks to our DJ Mr Green and Mr Rodgers, Mrs Law for all the ideas and help, the lighting guys and our sponsors; Duetts, Grahams Paper Plus, Strutt, Morriseys, Tokoroa Mens and Boys Wear, BJ Florist, New World, Finn, Walata Records, Dennis Ives, Anchor Mart, Celebrations, Spectrum Pharmacy, Centre Pharmacy and Bryans Flowers.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SKILLS PROGRAMME (Y.E.S.)

This programme began in October 1998 as joint venture between the Community Employment Group, the Geoff Burrige Education Trust, South Waikato Education Centre Trust, Forest View High School and Tokoroa High School. These groups worked together to develop an alternative learning environment for senior students who are at risk of leaving school with no qualifications.

The programme is based at SWECT however students on the programme remain on the school roll which means that they can still participate in school activities. The programme has tutor Hugh Clark, and they work towards the National Certificate in Employment Skills. Students have also visited Polytechnics, the Ultimate Challenge in Taupo and the ropes course at Rock & Ropes. There is also organised sport and recreation activities each Wednesday at the Y.M.C.A. As at the 12th July 1999, 5 students were still on the YES programme, 3 had returned to full time school, 2 had gone on to Polytech, 4 into full time employment, 2 into the Conservation Corps run by the YMCA and 4 students had gone onto TOP's courses. The programme has been a success for the students attending however it may not run in the year 2000 because of a lack of funding.

THE CHISNELL REPORT

I am originally from Hawarden, North Canterbury and went to a very small area school called Hawarden Area School, which only had 250 students aged from 5 to 18. I grew up with my two younger brothers on a sheep and beef farm and had a busy life there, helping my father on the farm.

After I left school, I went to Canterbury University for 3 years and gained a Bachelor of Arts majoring in English. After this I spent one year working two jobs and studying drama at university. I then applied for Waikato Teachers' College at Hamilton for a one year course - I did not know anyone in the North Island except for a friend in Auckland so I went up there for a new experience.

I got to know Brian, Dean Tereu and Rob Rogers while I was at Teachers College and ended up getting a job at Tokoroa through Brian. I was glad to know that I would be at a school with friends who I knew would look out for me.

I have enjoyed teaching this year at Tokoroa High because of the fun nature of the students and friendly and supportive staff. It has not always been easy for me, in my first year of teaching, being a long way from home, but my colleagues have always been there for me in times that were difficult.

I have especially enjoyed teaching drama to 3rd and 4th form and being involved with the school production and Shakespeare Festival. The students at Tokoroa High School have a lot of things to be proud of and I hope that this continues for a long time to come.

I am leaving Tokoroa High School at the end of this year, and will greatly miss the students and staff that have provided me with such a great experience in teaching. I feel very positive about my future in teaching and hope that it will continue for many years yet.

The Shakespeare Festival is held every year, and schools from all over New Zealand take part in it, allowing students to dabble in the delights of Hamlet, Macbeth and Othello. Many different Shakespeare plays were converted, shortened and changed into a concept that lasts fifteen minutes on stage and makes an impact.

Tokoroa High School was fortunate enough to have Tina Ward as a director and many students thrived under her tutelage. The group of students decided to act out "The Tempest", "Much ado about Nothing" and "The Taming of the Shrew". After many weeks of rehearsals, the dedicated group of students travelled to Putaruru High School where the South Waikato Shakespeare Festival was being held. The festival included schools such as Matamata College, Tauhara College and Putaruru High.

The judge mentioned our piece of "The Tempest" as a close runner up in the contest and our self-directed piece ("The Taming of the Shrew") was selected for the finals, which were to be held in Wellington. It was a very exciting night for all of us.

The group of students that went to Wellington were Teresa Jaeger (a German exchange student and director), Hannah Joynt, Charles Tuaiti (Kate and Petruchio), Bjarne Hemmingson (lighting), Tina Ward and myself.

"Our group competed against schools from all over New Zealand, which was a great experience and highlight of the school year for all of us.

Although we did not win the main prizes at the festival, Charles won a prize for the best mistake on stage - when he was on top of Hannah, his hat kept falling around by his face and this made the piece even more comical than usual!

All the students involved in the Shakespeare Group can feel very proud of themselves for their commitment and enthusiasm that was shown, both for Shakespeare's plays and drama in general. I have thoroughly enjoyed being part of the experience and hope to repeat it in the near future.

Sarah Chisnell



Home

OLDE ENGLISH SUCCESS FOR STUDENTS

Tokoroa High School students performed in the Shellah Winn Festival of Shakespeare in Schools in Wellington during Queen's Birthday Weekend.

Four students travelled to Wellington after winning the best student-directed play at a regional competition in Putaruru High School in April.

The fourth and fifth formers performed a student-directed scene from The Taming of the Shrew and won prizes for most popular play and unintentional stuff up.

They spent two days in workshops and performing plays at the festival.

Tokoroa High School teacher Sarah Chisnell said the pupils had done well considering they were competing against senior students.

"It was just a brilliant weekend."



EAST CAPE EXPLORER SEVEN MATHEMATICS WITH APPLICATIONS

Wednesday May 5: Met at the Matarawa bus bay at 7.30am and loaded the van with what seemed to be an excessive amount of gear before starting on the first leg of our field trip. Had a refreshment stop at Awakeri before continuing on to Taneatua. Just before we got there we crossed the combined bridge over the Whakatane River. This is the only one of its type left in the North Island. At Taneatua we talked to local people about the town and its past and present industry. Not a great deal there now and this is due in part to its proximity to Whakatane. Drove through the Waimana Gorge and came out to the coast at Waiohau. It was beautiful here with the nice beach, the pohutukawas and White Island quietly steaming away in the distance. Opotiki was not far away and from here we drove through the Waioeka Gorge to our next stop at the Manganuku Stream. There is an old wooden truss bridge here that was built in 1929 and used until 1956. It was one of the longest single span wooden bridges built in N.Z and was given an IPENZ award in 1990. We drew the bracing configuration as the geometry and trigonometry involved will be part of our work when we do that unit standard.

It was a slow tip up Traffords Hill at the end of the gorge and most of the team were getting hungry but we carried on to Matawai and then out to Moutohora. Sitting in a paddock here is an old railway bridge that was used from 1917 until 1959. The river has changed its course and no longer flows under the bridge. A similar exercise was carried out on this bridge to the one previously mentioned. Had lunch here before going back to Matawai where we put the first lot of diesel in the van. Next stop was at Raukaroa to look at the four concrete pillars that are the remains of an old bridge. We are going to calculate the volume of concrete in the biggest of them. The next stop was at Otoko where we had another measurement exercise - this time it was to take the measurements necessary to calculate the volume of a disused tunnel. Continued on through Te Karaka which is a town that has gone through a period of decline since the main road by-passed the town in 1982. It is interesting to note that the population has remained relatively stable.

Arrived in Gisborne about 3pm and had a drive around the city before stopping at the source of the Turanganui River which is claimed to be the shortest in the world. It is really academic as it is a continuation of the Waimata from the point where the Taraheru flows in. Time for a break now so we headed off to Waikanae Beach where some had a walk on the beach and others got out the rugby ball. Went up Kaiti hill and had a good view of Gisborne. On the way to Tolaga Bay we passed the sperm whale grave at Okitu where 59 were buried after they stranded in 1970. At Tolaga Bay we measured the longest wharf in the Southern Hemisphere. It was built in 1929 and

used by coastal shipping until 1959. Tokomaru Bay was not far away now but it was almost dark so we did not see a great deal during that part of the journey.

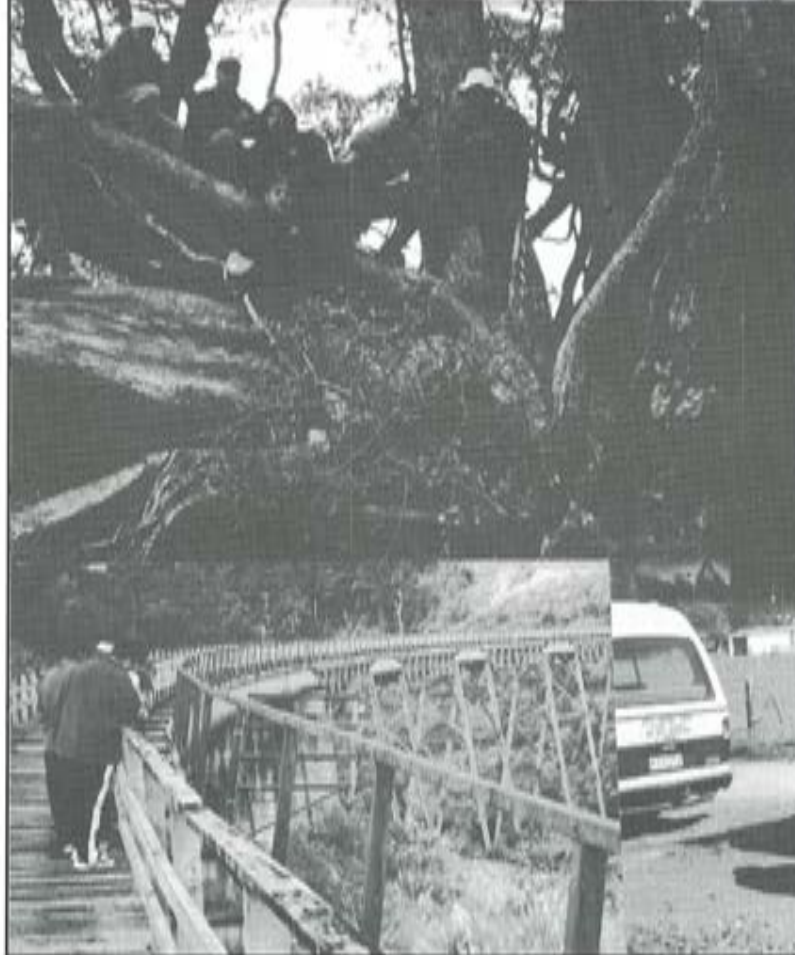
Arrived at the Bowling Club in Tokomaru Bay at 6.30pm and met Mrs Gilvray (Aunty Frigate) who was hosting us during our stay. She had a beautiful meal prepared for us and after dinner the rest of the evening was devoted to recreational activities in the form of pool and table tennis.

Thursday May 6: Awoke to rain and a bitterly cold wind, however the trip had to carry on. We had breakfast, prepared our lunch and went north to Te Puia, Waipiro Bay and then on the Ruatoria. Waipiro Bay is virtually a ghost town and yet at one stage it was the principal town on the coast. Its demise began after they re-routed the road in 1922. Robert Kerridge built his first picture theatre there and the building still stands today. It is the whare-kai for the local marae. At Ruatoria we parked outside the local radio station - Radio Ngati Porou and talked to an announcer who was out on the verandah having a break. He talked to us for an hour about the town and the legend and mythology related to Mount Hikurangi.

Carried on north passing through Tikitiki on our way to Te Araroa. Had lunch here and measured the girth of the largest pohutukawa in NZ. Te-Waha-O-Rerekohu which is in the grounds of the area school of the same name. From here we went out to the lighthouse at East Cape. This involved a climb up 750 steps from the abandoned keepers houses. In preparation for the new millennium the lighthouse was being painted. Huge crowds are expected here to see the sunrise on January 1 2000. We returned to Te Araroa and talked to a few locals about the town. Most were unemployed and had moved to the area seeking a more relaxed lifestyle. Drove back to Tokomaru Bay where Aunty Frigate had begun preparing our dinner. After dinner it was another night of recreational activities.

Friday May 7: With all of work on statistics, measurement, geometry and trigonometry completed we now faced the long haul back to Tokoroa. Took about an hour to say good-bye to Aunty Frigate after which we went into the township to get a few supplies and a tank of diesel before heading for Hicks Bay. From here we went over to Cape Runaway and what a delight it was to return to warm sunny weather. Had lunch in the sun at Waihou Bay before continuing on through Te Kaha and Raukokore to Opotiki. Another fill with diesel and a substantial supply of "real" food before heading off to Taneatua, Awakeri and Rotorua before arriving in Tokoroa at 1800hrs. We travelled 1150km, gathered all the data that we required and had lots of fun.

J Depree



TPDE TONGARIRO TOUR

Saturday February 20: Ten members of TPDE along with De and A.J. Purnell set off from the Matarawa bus bay at 8.00am for a day out based in the Ohakune area of the Tongariro National Park. Travelled via Taupo, Turangi and National Park stopping at Makatote and Pokaka en route. At Ohakune we drove 12km up the Mountain Road to the Round the Mountain Track where our first short walk began. This was to Waitonga Falls which are the highest in the park. It was a short walk - about 30 minutes. We had lunch at the falls and afterwards most of TPDE found a swimming hole and spent about half an hour there. We returned to the van and went down to Ohakune Junction where our second walk began. This was to the Hapuawhenua Viaduct and tunnel. Walked over the viaduct and then through the tunnel. On returning to the van we then drove to Tangiwai where we studied the information board containing the information about the disaster in 1953. Played on the guns at the Waiouru Military Museum followed by a drive through the camp before heading off to Taupo where we had dinner. Returned to Tokoroa at 8.30pm.



SIXTH FORM BIOLOGY TRIP TO MT MANGANUI

First we couldn't find a good date. Finally we settled on June 10th. Such a very cold morning. Jody wasn't allowed to come. We lost Toni. Picked up Te Ara at the fish market and left. Turned out to be a lovely day.

Lots of primary school kids at the beach. Was hard to get over the rocks. Candice slipped. Did our bio stuff, got hot and wet.

Mrs Mainland threw shells at everyone. Sea anemones grabbed our fingers and we measured rocks. We couldn't bring Miss Mainland's dog - very sad!

It got boring. Hallie wanted to leave. We had lunch at Bayfair. Good food, nice buns! We bought lollies and frozen yoghurt. Also shoes. On the way home we listened to Liz sing very badly. Some girl school's bus broke down on the Kaimais and we laughed. Ha, Ha. After that we were tired...got dropped off at home, so that was good.

Danae Bernard

THE GRADIENT EXCURSION

Monday September 6: The last field trip for the year and one that was used to promote the course to some sixth formers. We left Tokoroa in rather unpleasant weather but by the time we had crossed over the Waituhi Saddle it was greatly improved. The first stop was at the Raurimu Spiral. We wanted to do our own calculation of the gradient and to do this we walked up to the point where the line does a complete convolution. The Railways state that the gradient is 1:52, our measurement and calculation gave a gradient of 1:50 which left us reasonable happy with the accuracy of our measurements.

After lunch we continued on to Ohakune where it was the application of trigonometry and Pythagoras to the Hapuawhenua Viaduct. From here we had a short stop at Tangiwai to look at the site of the 1953 disaster and then on the Waiouru. Had a hot swim and a meal in Taupo before returning to Tokoroa.

J Depre

REWARDS TRIP TO AUCKLAND

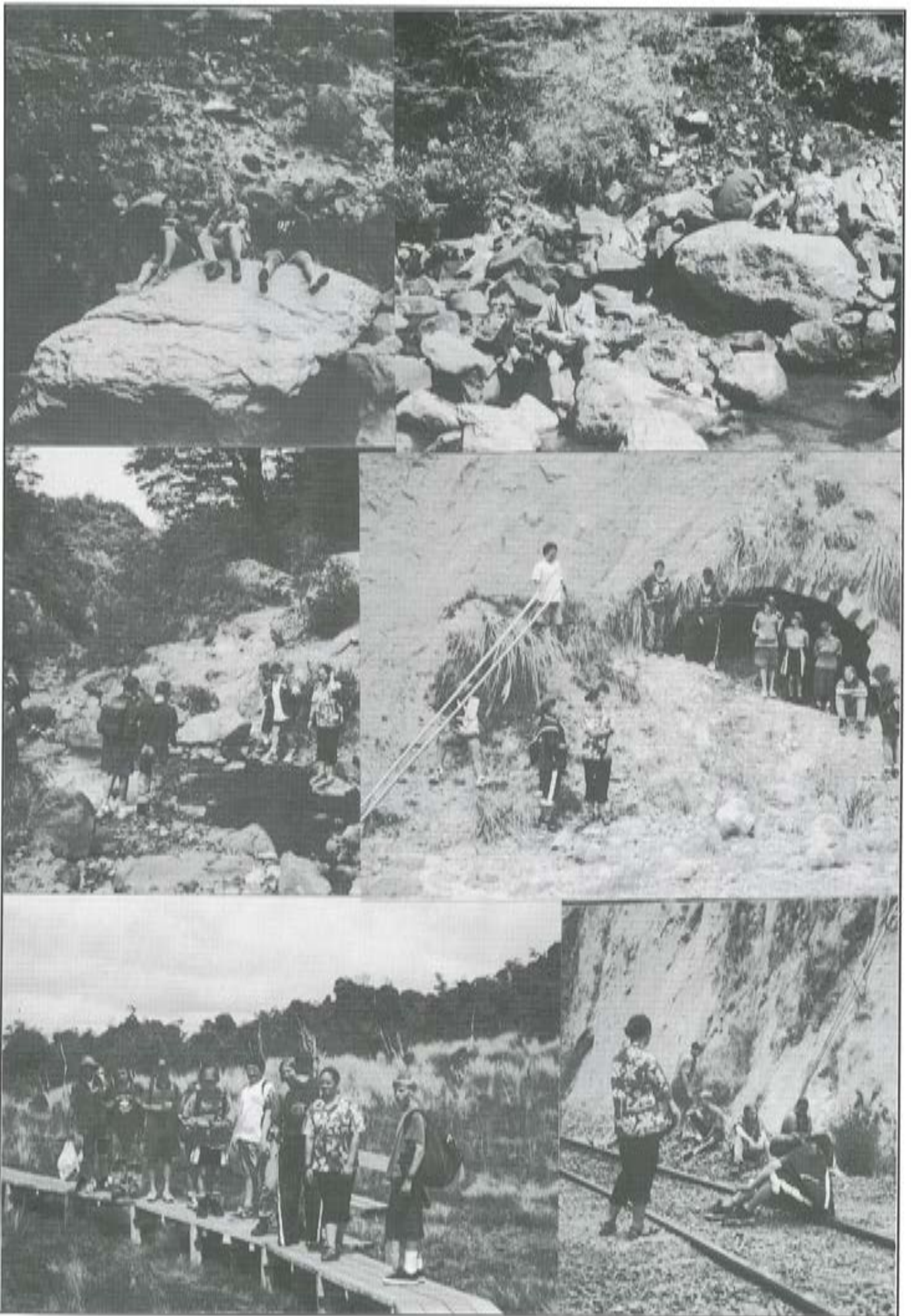
As part of the school's reward system, 40 Year 9 and 10 students were selected to go to Auckland for a day in August to see the show "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum".

The Deans of the Junior School chose the students for their consistently good work habits and high classroom productivity.

The show, which starred international actor Jon English, New Zealand's Mark Hadlow and other high calibre celebrities was a very funny musical comedy set in Roman times. The show was great and it was also interesting to be in a theatre as old and grand as St James.

Everyone had some free time in Queen Street where a lot of eating and window shopping was done. It was a great day for everyone but it turned out to be several hours longer than scheduled when the bus broke down in Hamilton on the way home.

However, everyone was good humoured about the delay (as you'd expect) and the extra time gave some sharp students the chance to start planning next year's rewards trip.



FORM 7 BIOLOGY TRIP



In term 2 of 1999 the form 7 Biology class went on a big trip to Auckland Zoo.

It all started at 7.30am when the bus left school at a somewhat below average speed, towards the metropolis that is known as Auckland. We first made a stop at Chartwell Square in Hamilton which, when we arrived there early at 8.30am was a huge, dead husk of a building in which only two lights shone out. One was the McDonalds counter and the other was the Time-out video-game shop which is where we all ultimately ended up. Well for the last 10 minutes anyway. At 9.00am we left the slowly enlivening building and continued our pilgrimage to the Auckland Zoo.

Just as we got on to the busiest part of the motorway, the Brazilian exchange student, Bernardo showed his true desire to empty his bladder at the worst of times. After the short stop we carried on until the hill that held Auckland Zoo came into view and we had arrived.

We parked in the zoo carpark and our teacher Ms Mainland decided to do a science experiment on how long it takes the van's battery to go flat if the lights were left on.

When we got into the zoo we looked around at the animals. At 11.00am we did some work and went to a lecture on Primates that started after Bernardo came from relieving himself once again.



After the lecture we went to the zoo's restaurant for lunch and we found that the menu was way too expensive.

After lunch, seeing as our workload was finished for the day we looked around the zoo. Mat P took his customary role of film, while Liz took down her customary pages of notes. I got separated from the rest of the group and went on my own adventure around the uncompleted Pridelands enclosure.

Finally after all meeting up again, the time came for us to leave and Ms Mainland found that the results of her experiment were that yes, it only takes one day for the battery to go flat. After some hard pushing by Steve-of-the-van-down-a-hill to no avail, the AA was contacted on a cellphone that also temporarily had a missing battery.

We finally got jump-started by a trusted, somewhat belated, AA man and left the big city lights (excuse the pun) at 4.45pm and headed for McDonald's Bombay. The engine was left idling for a long time as we waited for Bernardo to come out carrying enough food and drink to provide ample reason why he always needed the use of badly timed toilet stops.

Finally we headed the home trail with some of us feeling the need for sleep after what ended up being a fairly hectic, but still much enjoyed day trip.

Gareth Ranger



MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

The students at Tokoroa High recognise the importance of Mathematics by the number who elect to take Mathematics at senior school. We are committed to providing opportunities for students to obtain qualifications by providing a variety of courses in the senior school.

We believe that all students can learn Mathematics provided the work is at the level best suited to the student and students in the Junior School are given this opportunity. We are impressed by the students who give their maximum effort to learning their Maths by being productive in class and completing homework. We say well done to the students who have persevered at all levels.

We congratulate all the students who have taken part in the outside competitions this year and we thank Mrs Barbara Mace for her organisation.

We are proud of the results as follows:

Australian Maths Competition Results

Junior Section (Year 9) Kirsten Rawley and Simon Lawry achieved a Distinction award. Katie Stephenson and Adam Black achieved a Credit award Intermediate Section (Year 10/11) Chris Lawry achieved a Distinction award and a Special Achievement Certificate for the best score and least number of wrong answers. The following students achieved a credit award; Hillary Bell, Hannah Joynt, Alana Dickson, Ian Rawley, Kirsten Law, Mathew Stephenson, Michael Ford and Hugh Mace

National Bank Junior Maths Competition Results

Top 200 Award was achieved by Ian Rawley (Year 11), Julian Raru (Year 10), Simon Lawry and Katie Stephenson (Year 9) achieved a credit award.

We recognise outstanding results in the End of Year School Examinations and students are given Certificates of Excellence. We congratulate the following students in Year 11; Michael Ford who is in S.C. Maths and Ian Rawley and Chris Lawry who are in 6 Maths.

We look forward to next year and wish all our students every success.

**Christine Haugh
(HOD Maths)**

WAIKATO POLYTECH VISIT

Monday July 19: The class visited the carpentry and automotive sections of the Polytech out at the Avalon Campus. We were told by reception that the tour would not take long but our interest in what they had to offer saw us spend all morning in the automotive, particularly heavy auto and all afternoon in the carpentry section.

The mathematics involved in both areas made the subject a lot more relevant. In the carpentry section we saw the need to be accurate with measurement along with the application of pythagoras and trigonometry to roof work. The students were all engaged in the building of houses and ten were nearing completion when we visited. It was a worthwhile day and indeed a pleasant experience to use the canteen facilities at lunchtime.

GEOMETRIC SHAPES

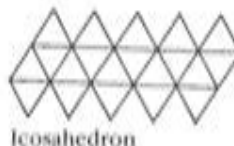
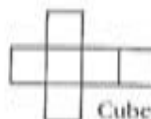
For this unit we had to split our class into groups of four and work on models which sounded easy to make but actually turned out to be more difficult than expected. Each group was given one sheet of cardboard and were told to use the hot glue gun at the front when they were ready. This was a welcome change to the class who took this as an excuse to talk and have fun.

A variety of base shapes were made ranging from the simple cube to the more exciting hexagon. This was when the trouble started as people ran out of cardboard and constantly needed to use the ever-decreasing supply of hot glue. This problem was soon sorted out and everybody got to work on smaller shapes like triangles to stick onto the base shape. At the least about 20 sheets of cardboard were used and five glue sticks from the hot glue gun.

Some very interesting and imaginative models were handed in at the end of this project ranging from sharp balls which looked like they should be used on the end of sticks to hit people with, to houses adorned with sharp turrets.

Mr Griffiths enjoyed this time as well to have break and design his own shapes. There was also an incentive offered for best shape which everybody strove towards!

Kirsty, Luke, Simon



AFS EXCHANGEES SAY FAREWELL TO TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL

After a year of playing touch, school uniforms, and Pacific Island dancing, two international students are about to leave Tokoroa High School for home.

Teresa Jaeger and Antonia Willi left Germany and Switzerland last July to spend a year in Tokoroa as part of the AFS Intercultural exchange programme.

They were placed in homes and attended Tokoroa High School as seventh formers.

Teresa took part in the Sheilah Winn Shakespeare festival, travelling to Wellington for the national competition. She said the experience of acting while using Shakespearean English was a challenge but it was a lot of fun.

Antonia played touch and hockey - both completely new sports to her, and wearing a school uniform was something neither of the girls were used to.

They both took part in Pacific Island dancing and will perform with the school group just before leaving New Zealand in two weeks. They also toured the South Island for three weeks together.

"We really experienced so much of New Zealand" Teresa said.

Teresa and Antonia were amongst a group of around 200 international students who come to New Zealand as part of the AFS programme every year.



AFS exchange students Teresa Jaeger (left) and Antonia Willi at Tokoroa High School.

WHAT DOES TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL MEAN TO ME?

Quite a lot, I guess, since school was a main part in my exchange year here in Tokoroa.

I can exactly remember my first days at school - palm trees and people in nice school uniform - something I had never seen before...

The most beautiful fact at school was that we got to choose our own subjects. Never before did I have any lessons in drama, fabrics, catering or computing... that is just different in good old Germany, since we only have academical subjects.

Here at Tokoroa High School I got to know so many things - so many nice school trips I went on not only National Youth Drama School in Hastings or 'Spirit of New Zealand' - sailing trip around the Bay of Islands, also the Maori field trip I went on was so beautiful and I learned so much about New Zealand's countryside and people.

I am glad that I did all of those and I now can take back so many nice memories!

To go on AFS seems to be a dream for so many people around the world and I can still feel that happiness I felt when I got to know that I was chosen to spend my year in New Zealand, to live my dream.

It doesn't really take more than your own motivation to go on something like that... you can do anything if you only want to. Even I got a scholarship and heaps of support to live my year here in New Zealand.

So I guess I said enough now. Only a couple more weeks until I have to go back to Germany, back to 'normal' life, back to three more years of school.

Thanks to Tokoroa High for having and supporting me and also to you students for letting me have a great year here.

Keep on reaching for the stars - that keeps you motivated. And keep on coming to school on time for I sometimes I wasn't...

All the best, Alles Liebe

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TOKOROA ENJOYS BRAZILIAN MAGIC

When Bernardo Abreu dons the green and gold of Tokoroa High School's first XI, he dreams of being the famous Brazilian World Cup star Romario.

It's easy to see why the 18-year-old AFS scholar lets his imagination wander.

He wears the same-coloured jersey with No. 9 on the back, he scores goals and he's from Brazil too.

Abreu, who arrived in Tokoroa five months ago, has performed miracles for a school team which was in the headlines last year for losing to Hillcrest High School 36-0 in the Waikato Secondary Schools' knockout competition.

A year later, it's Hillcrest wondering how they can handle a rampant Tokoroa side intent on revenge.

The two could face each other in the Knockout Cup semi-finals after Tokoroa beat Putaruru 4-3 and Fairfield 1-0 to qualify.

All Tokoroa's goals have come from Abreu, including the late winner against Fairfield.

If there's anything that could slow Abreu's goal-scoring feats down it's the cold weather.

He is often seen in training wearing a long sleeve shirt and gloves under his Brazil shirt.

He loves a solid ground to weave his skills on and the boggy pitches of recent weeks do not suit his style.

Abreu knows he will never be a Romario. In Brazil he's considered an average soccer player, but in New Zealand, particularly in Tokoroa, he's the player helping to erase the pain of that 36-goal walloping.

Mary Anne Gill



OLÁ AMIGOS

I guess almost everyone who is reading this knows who I am, but I'll introduce myself again.

My name's Bernardo, I'm 18 and come from the largest country of South America, Brazil. No, I don't speak either Spanish or Brazilian (there's no such language), my mother tongue is Portuguese.

It's hard to say about something that hasn't finished yet (I still have 79 days in New Zealand) but here I go:

My first four months at school were terrible. I remember walking into Tokoroa High and I couldn't speak with anyone. I found people extremely cold; they'd come and say something, thinking "Choice, let's go and talk to the strange one."

My lack of English just made things worse in the beginning. But now, after all these months I know quite a number of people and have made some friends and, believe me, that's a great achievement coz all these students here are mates since third form and they form a 'circle' among them and I'll tell you, it's really hard to break this 'circle', but once it's broken everything becomes sweet as.

However, I didn't get used to the system, how the school works, for me it's just unthinkable how the time is spent. How come you be at school the whole morning plus half an afternoon and you only have to do five or six subjects. Quite different from my school back in Brazil where I had to do 12 compulsory subjects, needed to be at school from 7.10am till 12.40pm. Schools are boring everywhere but here I've had to struggle coz of the language, making it was twice as boring (and my subjects are maths, bio, che, Eng, phy...)

I don't think I've learnt much this year. I felt stupid many times because of my incapacity to comprehend what was going on in the class, unit standards, tests, etc. Actually my goal for coming over here was to learn English. I think I've been doing pretty well. I don't speak as good as a Kiwi but at least my English is no longer that garbage it used to be. I still have to improve here more, but I reckon that Kiwis speak so funny. Anyway I got used to the accent and now I like it.

I tried to play other sport while here but, you know, soccer is in the blood and I decided to join the soccer team. Late tackles, weird movements, kick and run strategy. I remember once playing against Putaruru, one of our players (the soccer dudes know who's this player) tackled the Putaruru player so 'softly' that his soccer boot flew six metres away... O man, I've never seen soccer played so badly. But the team got into the Cup semi-finals. I've a feeling next year will make the final and bring the Cup. I'm not joking, honestly, the secret is listen when Dean says. I'd like to say thanks for some people. They are: Mr Sommerville, Mrs Graham and Ms Lundie (both for being patient all the times with me) and finally Mr Tereu (soccer is a skill game, not rugby; think about it, OK Dunga?)

Thanks also for all the buddies who helped me during my year here. You don't know how important it is to have friends when you're a stranger in a strange land. See ya later 'Skank muchachos'.

Viva Brasil Caralho!! Viva Bahia Porra!!

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THE POSSIBILITY GENERATION

This year has seen many great events happen and one of the most significant and historical events of these was the Millennium Young People's Congress (MYPC). This congress saw a gathering of over 700 young people from about 103 countries meet in Honolulu, Hawaii to discuss global issues which will affect the way we live and the sustainability of the earth, our planet, for the next 1000 years.

Throughout the 10 days we spent in Honolulu, the youth representatives of the world had many activities to participate in which took place at some of the island's finest hotels on Waikiki beach. A few days were spent at the Hilton Hawaiian Village voicing national priorities and listening to other delegates speak about their national priorities with the support of activists from their countries.

A day was spent at the State Capitol, where a statue of Queen Lili'oukalani stands as her memorial. Other days were spent at the Convention Centre and Sheraton Hotel.

There was much to talk about throughout the course of the days, and our job as the 'Possibility Generation' is to take action in preserving the environment and to also make the world a better place to live in.

There was much debate about the world issues that needed immediate concern and among them was education. Every young person felt that in order to address the problems of the world such as war and conflict and preservation of the environment we must be educated.

One youth member had this to say: "It's no use condemning our forefathers for the damage they've done because it's a waste of time. Let's start working for the betterment of our planet because it is up to us. Let's weave a rainbow of hope together."

The importance of this congress was to allow young people to become more aware of the global issues which we as the future leaders and governments of the world will have to face. The next millennium will see many challenges and hopefully many changes take place. Leaders today are looking toward us, the youth, as the Possibility Generation to ensure the world is a better place for all to live in.

Melissa James



FOREST SKILLS

After almost 13 years, Forest Skills is undergoing a major change in direction. This has come about as a result of Carter Holt Harvey forests move to the 'Key Supplier' concept. This leaves little room for the small player except as a sub contractor to a key supplier.

Forest Skills has spent many successful years training students from both the Tokoroa High Schools in silviculture skills; mainly pruning and planting. Many 'characters' have passed through this course with almost 90% gaining relevant unit standards and employment.

The success of this programme is based on building on success, teaching good work habits, good work skills and creating an environment that makes hard work enjoyable.

Forest Skills has finally been caught up in the computer age. Presently Gordon Leckey 'the boss' and Levon Skipps 'the foreman' are undergoing training in 'Timber Teching'.

The Timber Tech tool is basically a set of computerised callipers which you describe a full tree stem to the computer then tells you which logs to make to get the best value from that stem. Next year all going well, Forest Skills will once again be accepting suitable students to train in log making and log processing skills. Students will also still achieve the core units necessary to achieve a job in the forest industry.

There are plenty of positions available in this line of work for well trained, hard working people. If you think you might be interested, keep in contact with your school's transition teacher. You may be of either sex, you will need to be reasonably intelligent, fit, strong, healthy, have a pretty good memory, enjoy working outdoors in all weater and you must be drug free.

I look forward to working with some of you soon.

Gordon Leckey

SPIRIT OF NEW ZEALAND



When I first arrived at Princes Wharf in Auckland, my first thought was: This is going to be awesome! The Spirit of New Zealand (SoNZ) looked really 'big'. Getting unpacked and squashing all my gear into one drawer was a 'bugger'. I actually think everyone was having trouble, especially the girls. Once we finally got sorted and set out our tiny bunks, we were divided into four groups: Port A, Port B, Starboard A, Starboard B.

I was really amazed, as everyone was so friendly, even all the Southies. We had a big tour of the ship and sails, then we were ready for lunch. We had a mass feed of tuna quiche, salad and juice. I must say the meals were fantastic; big breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner, supper then super supper. Yes, they fed us well (cause we were burning it all off).

At roughly 2.00pm we were ready to leave the wharf. So we set sail and nerves were starting to kick in. Our groups were given work stations (which we rotated everyday) such as the jibs (front of ship), midship (middle), main mast (middle) and the mizzen (back of ship). Star B were given the jobs. I really liked the jibs. Out of the 10 days they were my favourite because once we had finished we could chill out on the big net off the ship, which was a huge thrill as you lay down there was nothing but water underneath you about 5 metres away.

We did heaps of activities which used a lot of thought, such as playing charades with play dough, and of course it was all competition between which team was the best. We also had this one where we had to drop an egg from the 75ft mast without breaking it. The group that had the egg in normal condition won but the eggshell had to touch deck. We were given lots of materials/equipment to help us. It's hard to explain but it was fun anyway.

The thing I didn't like all that much was waking up at 6.30am and jumping overboard for our morning wake up and bath, which was horrible, especially since it was winter. We all fought up the cargo net to get to a warm area.

Everyday our groups rotated for specials. Specials prepared the meals, served meals and washed and dried all the dishes, which was so hard. Also, everyday our groups rotated with cleaning duties such as scrub the deck and side of ship and grotty boys toilets (yuk).

The highlight had to be seeing and touching dolphins. That was awesome. I was really thrilled.

Every night groups rotated for night watch so in our groups we paired up, boy and boy, girl and girl because the crew weren't sure what the guy and girl would get up to. Night watch went from 10.00pm-12.00midnight; midnight-2.00am; 2.00am-4.00am; 4.00am-6.30am so we sat there reading Cleo and Girlfriend mags. The crew were strict on girl and girl and boy and boy because people started having feelings for each other, or as the crew put it, "warm fuzzies over breakfast".

We had a fun fashion parade and a formal ball. Since we had nothing to wear, we ripped our pillowcases and used them as skirts. We sat an optional exam and I passed. We were awarded with a certificate then another one for participation.



One day we went on a three hour up hill tramp and a rock climb (no safety things). We ate lunch upon the rocks then continued a 1 1/2 hour downhill walk. We stopped in at a creek and had a swim. We walked back to our row boats and rowed back to the ship.

I never got seasick but one day we had three metre swells with 30 knots. My stomach was slowly starting to drop.

We had a lot of free time where we'd chill out and when it was dark we'd all sit out on deck and talk and tell jokes or sing along with the guitar or play tiggly and games or muck around.

The day before we left we had a trainee day which meant we were in charge of the ship. We totally did everything with no crew help such as captain, navigator, engineers, cooks, 1st mate, etc. That was so cool.

Overall, the Spirit is a massive ship filled with things you'd never imagine. There are obviously many things I haven't mentioned. I had a wonderful 10 day trip and made so many close friends that I still keep in touch with today. I had an experience of a lifetime. I would recommend it to anyone who gets this great opportunity.

Tracy Clapperton

CREATIVE WRITING

THE SCARY HOUSE AT 14 BUDA STREET

My friend Sandy stood at the door outside my house waiting for me to put my shoes on. I grabbed my school bag and headed out the door.

As we were walking to school Sandy was mumbling something about a haunted house at 14 Buda Street. As she proceeded to tell me about this house I said we could go and look at it after school.

It was 3pm after school we went to look at this house, I personally couldn't see anything scary about it.

The house was two stories high and looked a bit old. Sandy had already organised a group of guys to go to the house and do a seance. At 10pm Sandy arrived at my house, then we walked to the house.

When we arrived the guys were already there ready to do the seance. We started off by holding hands in a circle then we called out "Spirits of the dead can you hear us!" three times then we blew the candles out.

Nothing happened so Sandy carried on saying "Spirits of the dead, can you hear us?" then all of a sudden a ghost was walking around and throwing things at us. I had a feeling there was no ghost so I walked over to the ghost or the person I thought was a ghost and pulled the white sheet off to find it was a boy in my class.

We were so angry at him, but we just got up and left him there by himself.

Samantha

FLYING LESSON

Sitting, idling
Pushing throttle
Rev's climb
Moving forward
Pulling, pulling
Climbing, climbing
AIRBORNE

Flying steady
Rolling left
Pulling up
Yaw right
Release peddle
Roll right to level
Pull nose up
TURN COMPLETE

Pulling out of turn
Pulling throttle
Dropping rev's
Falling, falling
Gliding in
Almost there
LANDED

Adam Blake 3ENMU

FEAR

I am locked inside with fear
Scared of the evil wicked person
What will I do?
When will I get out of this horrible mess?

I cry myself to sleep at night
Scary thoughts creep through my head
Will I ever be happy again
or will I die with anxiety.

Shaking with trepidation
I cautiously walk to school
Weeping softly
Scared to death.

With evil winds, a storm begins to form
She walks towards me
Then shoves me to the cold, bleak ground
My eyes are bulging with tears of sadness
There, I am left with a world of fear.

By Tamielle Monk

THE DENTIST

It was the first time I'd been to the dentist. Patients holding their jaws awaited the dentist's arrival. The smell of mouthwash filled the air. Soon it was my turn. I nervously walked into the room where white walls and masked faced nurses and the dentist waited for me.

I lay on a hard, cold bed bench. I could see sharp knives and other cold looking utensils that would be in my mouth as soon as the dentist had finished talking to my mother. I hear him say to my mother that he'd use the drill for my condition. What condition? I wondered. I glanced over at the table next to me to see the drill looking like it was alive. It stared back at me.

The dentist came over to me and opened my jaws wide and then the fast spraying water hit my mouth. In a second a couple of utensils were in my mouth and I heard the drill start. My trembling hands began shaking wildly as I tried to clench them into fists. Then before I knew it, I heard the dentist say, "You can get up now, we're all done!"

By Jess Te Hiko 4EGM

THE LITTLE ONE...

Because I had no one to play with my mother gave me a turkey chicken. It was hatched out in an old kerosene tin in the orchard. We had lots of turkeys, but this one was small and weak.

Mum said that it was a runt, and if we left it in the nest it would die. I call it Little One.

I put it in a box lined with cotton wool. It lay very still, with its eyes closed. Sometimes it said, "peep, peep" in a weak little voice.

Mum mixed up egg and milk for it to eat.

After a while, it pecked at the egg and sat up.

I felt very happy then, because I knew that Little One was going to live.

Little One became my best friend. In the daytime, he lived in my apron pocket. At night he slept in a shoe-box by my pillow. Sometimes when people came to tea they would say, "Is there a bird in the house somewhere?" I'd smile to myself and put my hand in my pocket and feel Little One, all warm and snug.

Often I'd take Little One out into the warm sun and put him on the ground. I'd watch him walking and pecking at the grass. If he became frightened he would run back to me crying, "peep, peep". I think he thought I was his mother.

Little One soon grew too big for my pocket.

He'd follow me around, running as hard as he could. If he couldn't catch me, he would "peep, peep" until I stopped and picked him up. He didn't bother to play with the other turkey chicken's. Little One loved only me.

When Little One grew older I took him to school on Pet's Day. The children all took their pets to school to see if they could win a prize.

They had kittens, dogs and calves, but no one had a turkey! I tied a big red ribbon round Little One's neck. His feathers looked black and shiny.

Some of the kids laughed and said it was silly to call a big fat turkey Little One. But I didn't care. Even though Little One didn't win a prize I loved him just the same.

One day I heard my mother telling the grocery lady that we were going to have the big turkey for Christmas dinner. We were going to eat Little One! I hated my mother and decided to run away forever. I'd take Little One and we'd never come back.

We ran away that afternoon. We went through the bull paddock past the grey bull, who put down his head and pawed the ground. We went past the bed of stinging nettles, over the wobbly bridge-right up the bush at the end of the farm. No one would ever find us there.

When night came, the trees seemed dark and unfriendly. A black shadow moved over our heads. Suddenly, something called, "Orrp, Orrp!" I grabbed Little One and ran. Crash!

I fell and hurt my leg. I couldn't walk. I just lay there shivering. Little One sat down beside me and warmed me with his feathers. He didn't move - not once - not even when a weasel glided past. He put his beak in my hand and pecked it gently as if to say, "I'm here Mary, you're safe with me."

Then, far away, I heard Mum calling. "Mary, Mary, where are you?"

"Mum! I'm here! Help me", I shouted, "Help, help, help!"

But it was no use. Mum's voice got further and further away. Then Little One stood up. He ruffled his feathers and stuck out his chest. He made his tail stand up in a great big fan. "Gobble, gobble, gobble!" He called for the very first time in his life. He was pleased with himself, and did it again, louder this time. "Gobble, gobble, gobble!"

Mum found us then. She was pleased to find us safe. She told Little One he was the best turkey friend in all the world, and - we would never, never, never eat him for Christmas dinner.

By Anna Paiti

"NEW DAY, NEW YEAR, 2000"

Half past eleven - the children are asleep
and the parents come out to play
they wait for the clock to strike twelve,
for it to become a new day
they start counting down - 5,4,3,2,1
and shout "HAPPY NEW YEAR, HOORAY!"
A lot of joy in the world welcomes the new day
What a wonderful day it will be
At six o'clock the sun will rise
for all the world to see,
the glorious feelings and love in the air,
will make people become aware
that there is no end to life on earth,
that it is all just the beginning.

It's a new day and a new year
for you to start all over again,
to right the wrongs
and correct the mistakes
and leave the past behind in its place.
It's a new day and a new year,
It's time to figure out what we're doing here
It's time to play
It's time to sing
It's time to do a lot of things
like setting new goals
going to new places
it's time for you to meet new faces
It's a new day and a new year
so step into the future
not back into the past
'cause the new millennium is coming fast.

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FALLOUT

The slow and painful process was complete, Stage 1 of Operation Fallout was a success. His DNA was warped and twisted by the nuclear radiation he was exposed to.

His muscle structure had tripled in size. His organs had also increased to cope with his new body. They had put him through days of violent images being injected into his brain.

They had created the perfect soldier.

The year, 2005. This year is nicknamed "Fallout" because of the Muslim Extremists really "funny" April Fools Joke. Let's go back to 2000, April 1st. The Muslim Terrorists had snapped. They planted mini atomic bombs in 4 US cities, Washington DC, Miami, San Diego, and Seattle, which all exploded simultaneously causing huge terror and distortion all over the world.

His body was in superb physical condition, after two weeks of testing on his speed, strength, agility, and the intellectual side of things.

He was furnished with an arsenal of 3 stun grenades, 2 rapid-fire blaster pistols, 10 heavy explosive pellets, 1 silenced pistol, and a heavy duty knife.

His mission was to capture the terrorist leader, Mohammed, free all hostages and destroy the American Embassy in Iran.

It started with a clanging noise as the stun grenade rolled into the guardhouse by the gate. BOOM! A pellet thrown at the gate sent steel flying. Straight up to the front door, 300 kilos of rippling muscle pumped it's way, guns blazing, through the door, he ducked, opened fire at the guard and searched the body for keys. None. He ran up the steps, threw a stun grenade down the hall, then slit the throats of the unconscious guards. He then stepped over the bodies and blew the door open, recovering and rescuing the hostages. He lead them outside and gave them a pistol and said "Stay".

He then resumed his mission, checked a room on the ground floor, and immobilised the terrorist inside. Upon searching, he found a set of keys. He went upstairs and opened the Ambassador's office, stepped in, looked, swivelled the chair round and searched the dead ambassador. Then he left the office to continue his mission.

He captured a sleeping terrorist, whom he questioned.

"I'm looking for Mohammed. Where is he?"

"Through there," he said pointing to a door.

"Thank you."

The body of the guard then slumped to the floor, he opened the door an inch, rolled a stun grenade in and waited, he then rushed into the room, took out both guards and then dragged Mohammed outside.

His mission wasn't over, He still had to destroy the Embassy. He checked that all the hostages were out of the building and then wired the foundations with the remaining pellets. 3 minutes later, the building was rubble. His mission complete.

The analysis of the assault was done almost immediately after he returned.

Stage 2 of Operation fallout was also a success, a female had gone through the same transformation as her male counterpart.

9 Black Talon bullets loaded into a 9mm Llama, then slid into a shoulder holster.

A British General, Charles Hastings, was the target. A traitor to the Alliance, he was to be shot, red handed.

The female leaped from rooftop to rooftop until she was above the alley. Two men met. A folder was handed over. She silently drew the gun, and aimed for the neck. The bullet, being Black Talon, expanded on impact and tore Hastings' head from his body. The head bounced to the ground. The bullet continued on its path and hit the breast bone of the second man, separating the ribs and removing the spongy lungs.

As the bodies crashed to the ground, a burst of machine gun fire smashed her left elbow into oblivion. She screamed in pain and fell to the ground. As she did, a sniper killed the assailant with a shot through the heart.

The Muslims were preparing a counter strike on the new American capital, Salt Lake City, after the destruction of the captured embassy in Iran.

Strike Time: 2.30am, 21st September, 2005

Infantry: 8, 1 suicide bomber, an assault team of 6, and 1 sniper

Units: 2 vans, 1 to be laden with explosives for the bomber, and one for troops.

Air Units: 1 Soviet Hind Gunboat

Naval Units: N/A

The attack is to start with the bomber doing his/her thing at the front of the Presidential House. The sniper is then to kill any guards rushing to the scene, followed by the gunboat wiping out any defenses on the roof and surrounding area. Finally the assault team is to remove a section of the eastern fence using explosives. A 12 gauge combat shotgun is to be used on the hinges of the rear door. The team then spreads into three groups of two, seeking to kill the president. Once mission objectives are complete, retreat to van for escape.

12am, 21st September, 2005

The bomber was strapped with C-4 explosives and dynamite, the sniper adjusted his sights to a range of 77 metres, the assault team checked and rechecked weapons, ammo, radios, and explosives.

The vans were also checked, the wheels and engine mainly. Reactive armour and bullet proof glass were added. The Hind was loaded with armour piercing bullets.

2am, 1st September, 2005

The team positioned themselves on a nearby road. The sniper camouflaged himself in a nearby bush. The bomber going through the mission again. The Hind hovering high above.

2.30am, 1st September, 2005

A van slammed into the barrier followed by the smashing of glass and combustion of the van. The van attracted a lot of attention, the sniper picked two off in a matter of seconds, followed by the Gunboat wreaking havoc from above. In two minutes virtually all defenses were destroyed.

The assault team proceeded to strap explosives to the barb wire chain link fence. Two bangs took the door off, followed by a burst of fire from a CIA officer, taking one man down. A plasma blast prevented the officer from doing further damage.

The group separated and group 2 scaled a flight of stairs to confront a small girl turning into a doorway. She turned to scream but a shot stopped her short and silenced her. A sudden groan proved that there still were some defenses as the first terrorist is overcome and the second is taken hostage.

Group 3 covered the ground floor. Suddenly they heard an elevator come to a halt...false alarm, no one inside. They hop in and go to the 3rd floor. One step down the passage an alarm whirred to life and thick steel doors drop, trapping them, sleeping gas was then added.

The last active member, half wittingly stumbled into a secret passage and walked, uncertainly, for two minutes, then came to a fork in the passage.

"Right or left" she whispered to herself. Her pistol clattered down the left passage. Nothing. She threw a clip down the other passage, it hit a force field, causing it to explode, sending bullets whistling in all directions.

One caught her in the knee and shattered the knee cap, rendering it useless. She stuttered in pain and collapsed. She started dragging her body down the hall. Darkness enclosed her, She put on her infra-red goggles to enhance visibility. As the corridor continues she noticed the silhouette of a small door, she opened it, and turned suicidal. The bodies of four team members line the walls in suspension tanks. She trashed the lab, smashing vials and test tubes. The chemicals mixed, she threw her knife, which glances off a steel pipe causing a single spark, a spark that destroyed the whole of Salt Lake City.

By Simon Lawry

REGRET

My eyes slowly open
 adjusting to the bright light
 my head aches and my ankle throbs
 my pillow smells awful
 and I crave a hot shower
 I look in the mirror
 Two racoon eyes stare back at me
 My face and neck look as if they have been through
 a war zone
 My mangled features kick start my memory
 I cringe in disgust
 How could I have done that?
 Suddenly the phone rings.
 My ears start to ring as my head feels as though its
 going to explode
 I want to crawl under a rock and stay there forever.

It's you on the phone
 I feel nauseous as I hear your voice
 3 hours of blind happiness
 turn into 3 years of embarrassment
 in one morning

Kiri Murray SENMU

SEVENTH FORM PREDICTIONS

Future Occupation - Most Likely Occupation

Mathew P	F.O: Rich and infamous M.O: Cutting keys for his Dad
Paea W	F.O: Fashion designer M.O: Party goer
Anaru F	F.O: Actor M.O: Food taster
Teerui M	F.O: Father M.O: Still a father
Mathew M	F.O: Motorcross champ M.O: Hospitalised for life
Gareth R	F.O: Navy M.O: Pokemon trainer
Joseph Ruua	F.O: Carpenter M.O: Running a drug and liquor empire
Kani Simion	F.O: Navy M.O: CPO
Elizabeth S	F.O: Doctor M.O: Exotic dancer in Exploits
Richard T	F.O: Bushboy M.O: A grower of trees
Steve T	F.O: Working at Kinleith M.O: Still working at Kinleith
Jo-Ann T	F.O: Architect M.O: Leader of debate team
Rachael K	F.O: Physiotherapist M.O: Working at Tok. High
Tirissa R	F.O: Mechanic M.O: Captain of Black Ferns
Toni F	F.O: Secondary school teacher M.O: Still working on Dad's farm
Duke Boon	F.O: Diplomat M.O: Own a tomato sauce factory
Alan S	F.O: Business manager M.O: Corner dairy owner
Adam B	F.O: Accountant M.O: To figure it out
Val P	F.O: Electrician M.O: Playstation master
Kairenga P	F.O: Security M.O: Manager of New World
Bernardo A	F.O: Brazillian soccer striker M.O: Professional dodger of work
Clint R	F.O: Businessman M.O: Still working at Mobil
Shay C	F.O: Tattoo trainee M.O: Moko artist



TAUPO-NUI-A-TIA FASHION AWARDS

The atmosphere blared with everyone in a state of anticipation. Make-up scattered messily all over the dressing room tables. We put on the finishing touches of gloss and glitter as we nervously awaited our big entrance on stage. We all stood in line until our numbers were called. Finally we strutted on to stage, stopping, turning, smiling and loving all the glamour and attention, after a few minutes of fame we rushed backstage to get changed for yet another performance.

Shavaughn walked into the room with camera's all around. She rushed over introducing herself for "What Now". She comments on our glamorous and outrageous clothes, while we chatter on, eyes in a trance, staring into the cameras.

Our costumes were splendidly made by classmates and fellow colleagues Jamie Taylor (Pompom Planet) Justin Handcock (Cinderella) Hayley Edwards and Sophie Hannay (Milky Way).

The designs did extremely well especially Karina Bramall's (Glamtastic) who was a finalist in the young designer section for a ball gown made from satin, fake fur and lace. Paea Wilkinson came first in that same category with her design of a hand woven flax and dyed calico outfit, based on a mixture of traditional Maori influences and modern design. Sarah Daken also did well where she came in the top four in the simply salvage section for an outfit made from shade cloth and bird netting and spray painted gold.

In the end the whole thing was a brilliant experience but it was very sad leaving behind the many friends we had made.

**Erina Stockman
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'FABULOUS' WIN FOR TOKOROA FASHION STUDENT

Tokoroa High School student Paea Wilkinson won the Young Designer section at a fashion and Wearable Art Extravaganza in Taupo on Friday.

The seventh former made the hand woven flax and dyed calico outfit, based on a mixture of traditional Maori influences, and modern design.

She won \$200 and a certificate for the outfit.

Art teacher Mrs Silveria described the win as "fabulous".

"She put a lot of work in".

Paea said she had watched the wearable art competition last year, and decided she wanted to enter it.

She is planning to study fashion design next year.

Tokoroa High School students Sarah Daken and Karina Bramall were both finalists in the awards.

Sarah Daken was in the top four in the Simply Salvage (recycled) section for an outfit made from shade cloth and bird netting and spray painted gold.

Karina Bramall was a finalist in the Young Designer section for a ball gown made from satin, fake fur and lace.

The competition for Central North Island secondary schools, is organised by Taupo-Nui-a-Tia College.

The event is made up of a fashion parade, and wearable art competition open to students.

The show has run for four years, but this is the first year there has been a young designer section.



Tokoroa High School student Hayley Dickson models the winning outfit designed by Paea Wilkinson (right).

MILLENNIUM MAGIC

This year's production was an action-packed feast of many different acts, ranging from the Under 15 Rugby Team haka, to a 1920's dance hall. When the first auditions were called for the school production, only a small number of students attended. We all knew that a greater number of company members would have to be found within the school. Eventually, these people were cajoled into taking part and the show was able to get off the ground.

The highly experienced director, Tina Ward, wanted to put on a show that would cover all the important events this century, including events such as: 1930's Charleston, World War I and II, Neil Armstrong landing on the moon and many more. This would need a big cast and committed company to be a success.

Due to the high number of musical acts, the company needed a musical director and band to play for the cast on stage and Mr Green and his team filled this role extremely well. Barbara Graham also assisted Tina Ward with rehearsals and recruiting students and her help was greatly appreciated. The backstage crew were led by Sarah Chisnall and they were very hardworking and thorough in their approach to the show. The technical crew, led by Bjarne Hemingson also played their part in making the show a success.

The storyline of the production began in the 1900's with many songs to represent this era, it then continued through to the 1920's and 30's, a time of gangsters and flappers. The 1940's mirrored the songs and uncertainty of the second World War and the 1950's including an Elvis surrounded by adoring fans and rock and roll dancers. The 1960's included a Beatles medley and many hippies followed for the 70's. From then on there were many different acts, including a rap song backing people spraypainting with people breakdancing for the 80's, and there were also a performance from the Puna Waiora Club which was full of high energy and gusto.

There was also an item by the Maori Club in which the singing and actions teamed together to create a spine tingling effect.

The show also included many skits, a lot of them written by the students. A firm favourite with the crowd was "If I were not upon the stage" where Anaru Farrell and Tim Wilson had dresses and chests to match! Another notable act was the "YMCA" lip sync with very true to life costumes and enthusiasm!

The show ended with a big finale when everyone sang "Year 2000" by Silverchair and everyone got on the stage and PARTIED! It ran for two matinees for the Intermediate students and for two nights for anyone who wanted to see it. A very supportive crowd ensured that the company were encouraged on stage and "Millennium Magic" became an enjoyable and valuable experience for all those involved.

YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE IT!

As she approached the door, hundreds of thoughts seemed to run through her head at the same time. She went through every possible scenario to explain why she was made to go to the principal's office. Holly thought that maybe it was because she didn't write down the exercises for homework the other day; or maybe it was because her polo shirt had a splash of paint from art.

She had never been in trouble before. Her hands trembled as her pulse slowly rose.

She knocked on the tall rimu door. Her trembling hands slowly turned the shiny brass doorknob and she entered.

"Please take a seat Miss Herbert" the principal said, while he was gazing out of the window, which was usually a sign of bad things to come. The room was grand, from the great varnished mahogany desk, to the ferocious stuffed grizzly bear lunging over its pedestal.

Holly tried her best to look as innocent and timid as she could. The principal slowly turned from the window to fix his stony gaze on Holly. "It's the first time you have been in my office Miss Herbert, and judging by this it won't be the last". Holly fought back the tears as she sat in the forest green leather armchair. She didn't have a clue what he was talking about. The dim light from the computer reflected on Mr Bellow's bald head.

Usually when Mr Bellow's head shone like that she would snigger behind his back with her friends. This time she didn't think it was funny. It seemed to make Mr Bellow look more powerful. The phone rang before Mr Bellow could say anything else.

"Excuse me, I must take this call. I won't be a minute". As he talked on the phone Holly began to feel more comfortable. She started to wonder what it would be like to be a "bad girl". Then her thoughts became rational. She didn't want to be bad. What would her parents think of her? And her peers, what would they think?

Her train of thought was de-railed as Mr Bellow slammed the phone down. His face slowly changed from a normal, healthy colour to bright red. Holly felt the hair on the back of her neck stand up. "Well, back to you miss, I believe that you sat a certain chemistry test two months ago".

Holly's eyes were wide open, she couldn't believe it. She couldn't have failed that test. Chemistry was her best subject. She slowly nodded.

"Well," Mr Bellow stood up in mid-sentence, "We got the scores back today, and you got the top mark in the whole of Oceania, well done. You will be presented with your award in assembly tomorrow". Holly's fear turned into joy as she propped herself onto her feet. "Oh wow, thank-you sir," she said to Mr Bellow. "What for Miss Herbert?"

Holly took a deep breath as she turned to leave the room, "You wouldn't believe it sir". And with that she skipped merrily back to her class.

Kiri Murray 5ENMU

EGYPTIAN DREAM

There was no doubt about it. I was trapped, suffocating, gasping for breath. In the narrow of a small crevice of an ancient mummy's tomb.

I had heard tales of mysterious deaths from other archaeologists who had also studied the tombs. But never did I believe the tales and still I'm not persuaded that they were true.

I slipped through a hole that was just large enough for me to crouch almost comfortably. Maybe all the mysterious deaths were just a coincidence. Confused thoughts rushed through my mind as something knocked me unconscious.

I began to have the most unordinary dream, they became to feel extraordinarily realistic. Strangely the dreams grew stronger and stronger feelings of death and poverty from a most unexplainable culture. I could remember studies I had done on ancient Egyptian culture.

The whispering of many voices filled my mind. They spoke in Egyptian but strangely I seemed to understand them. Awakening from the deep sleep, I closely studied the lit walls in front of me. Remembering the dream, I realised that the voices came from the pictures of the tomb walls.

Turning around, I stood hysterical in front of an Egyptian king. He held a golden staff in one hand and the other placed on the arm of his glamorous throne of gold and silver. Amazed but frightened I realised my dream had turned to reality. Doing as the king told me I kneeled before him, in front of royalty. I stood still with no idea of what was to come.

He told me that he had sent for me. The young woman from the 19th century who had disturbed his dormant tomb. He said as a punishment I was trapped in his time for all eternity. I had become a slave.

His guards escorted me struggling for my freedom. Taken to the village, walked through cold, smelly streets to where I would work. Children, women and elderly people all starved and were forced to make mud bricks and work hard.

It had become realistic to me that the rest of my life would be spent here. But I knew I had been sent for other reasons besides the king's punishment. I was destined to free his slaves and my destiny had just begun.

A BLOOMING DEAD FLOWER

I felt terrible

Anger started to build up inside of me
I was furious with my foe
She was deadly.

My anger grew each day
I couldn't take it anymore
She walked passed me
With a gust of wind she gave me a wicked look.

I burst out in anger at my worst enemy
Slowly breaking down into tears
She helped me up with care
Leaving me with a soft warm smile.

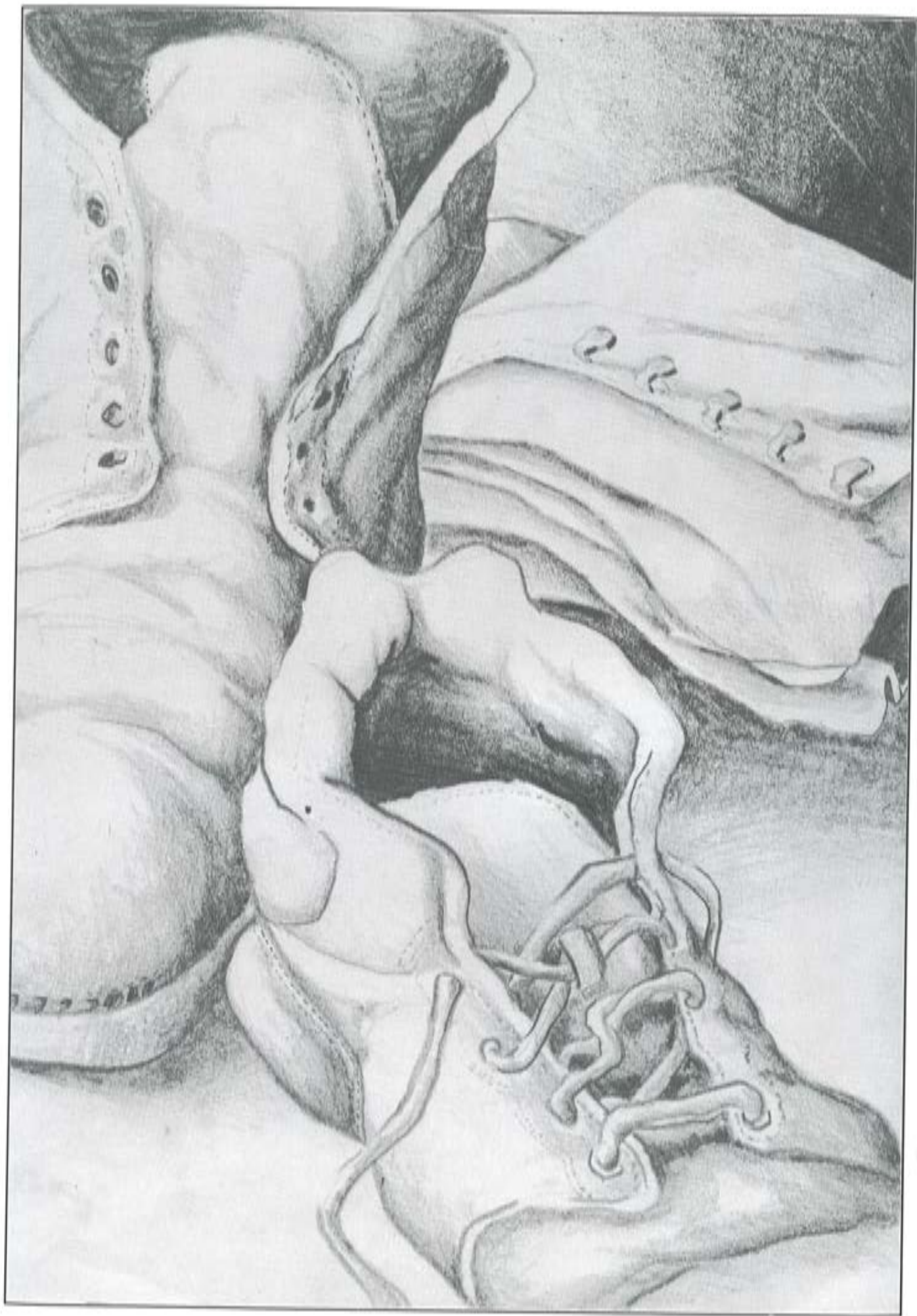
By Tamielle Monk













JUNIOR PROM



September 14 1999: Our Junior Prom took place at Exploit Niteclub. The walls covered in decorations with the theme of fire and ice in mind, while the music was blaring and the clubbing lights flashing. The mood of the junior prom was set! A photo shoot was set up to capture the glamour and beauty of the juniors on that night. One of the many highlights of that night was the boys strutting their stuff on the dance floor, showing us many of their breakdancing moves. Watching the people on the dance floor all you could see were smiles and laughter so the night proved to be a success. Finally the Beau and the Bell were announced, Richard Hingano and Katie Stevenson joined to take their dance with the best couple Kyle Okeroa and Lashanna Cooper. This great and memorable event would not have taken place without the man hours the prom committee put in, we would also like to thank teaching staff, the seniors who helped out, the 5th formers who painted the great backdrop and a special thanks to Mrs Law who was a great help.

Erina Stockman



TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL BRASS BAND 1999

1999 was a year in which the strengths of all people involved in the Tokoroa High School Brass Band would be called upon. A relatively small intake last year and again in February meant that numbers were short from the beginning. Add the retirement of inspirational bandmaster Mr Saunders, and it would seem that the band was in real trouble. All was not lost, however.

We were fortunate, as was the entire school, to gain the services of Mr Green to run two practices a week. While his specific knowledge of brass was limited, he provided a direction and soon began learning, as well as lending a steady beat on the drums.

It seemed Mr Saunders could not stay away too long either, and came out of retirement to lead the band on Wednesday mornings. With three rehearsals a week things were away in no time and the band was ready as usual for the Anzac Day civic service.

As the year progressed the band went from strength to strength, aided by the excellent itinerant tuition from Mr Rob Wilson. In fact, four players from our band were chosen to represent Tokoroa High School in the Waikato Secondary Schools Brass Band on its tour of Hamilton. Congratulations to Patricia Stratton, Tara Puke, Hannah Joynt and Chris Lawry for this outstanding achievement.

The future of the brass band now looks bright, with new players, new music and new direction, along with the fine tradition that the band carries. With a push for increased membership in 2000, the Tokoroa High School Brass Band should continue proudly into its second millennium.

Chris Lawry



The two best dressed musicians in the band.

3 in tempo

PREMIERE PARTIE. L'ADORATION DE LA TERRE

Introduction.

Igor Stravinsky
Revised 1947

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The musical year at Tokoroa High School has been a full on year of fun and achievement. Students feel that they have begun to develop confidence and musical ability.

Rockquest is a great example of some of the achievements of this year. The school band "Yellow Statue" made the regional finals of the Rockquest and footed it with the best of the country. They made an excellent performance at the finals and did our school proud.

The Music Department as a whole has had many outings this year including several performance evenings. This combined the efforts of our third, fourth and senior students and gave the chance for everyone to perform in front of an audience. These evenings were well supported by parents, students and staff and proved to be valuable and fun.

There was also the yearly Board of Trustees dinner where our students provided enjoyable entertainment. This improved confidence and provided gratefully accepted experience.

Although the flames of the Brass Band appeared to be doused earlier in the year they are coming back with the band growing in numbers and talent. A choir was also started and has made its first public appearance.

As usual strong itinerant support has been in evidence all year. Thanks to Rob Wilson, Jeff Wraff, Robert Crawford and Mr Mertz students are enjoying playing instruments and learning new skills.

The music department has had a busy and successful year and we are all looking forward to the challenges of 2000.

Hugh Mace
School Certificate Music

Musical score for the Introduction of 'L'Adoration de la Terre' by Igor Stravinsky. The score is written for a brass band and includes various dynamics such as *piu mosso* and *piu mosso*. The tempo is marked **3** in tempo. The score is arranged in a multi-stem format, with each stem representing a different instrument or voice part. The music is in a major key and features a mix of rhythmic patterns and melodic lines.





SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

YEAR 11 SUBJECT AWARDS

Student	1st in Subject	Award
Ian Rawley	Accounting	Jason Morgan
Briar Edwards	Japanese	Jaxom Tui
Chris Lawry	Science	Rawinia Matua
Leena Tereu	Art	Hugh Mace
Michael Ford	Design & Technology	Alan Lelieveld
Mathew Stephenson	Economics	Tetapu Isaraela
	English	Norah Turia
	History	Sarah Daken
	Communication English	
	Geography	
	Mathematics-School Cert.	
	Graphic Design	
		Home Economics
		Home Economics-Practical
		Maori
		Mathematics
		with Applications 1 (MAP1)
		Music
		Physical Education
		Alternative Science
		Typing
		Workshop Technology-Fabrics

YEAR 12 SUBJECT AWARDS

Student	1st in Subject	Award
Serena Warren	Accounting	P & O Crothalls Award
Danae Bernard	Art	Barry Preece Glass Award
	Biology	Carter Holt Harvey Forests Award
Teaunui Seymour	Chemistry 1 st =	Carter Holt Harvey Forests Award
Joshua Tereu	Automotive Studies	Holsters Award
	Catering Skills & Service	J & R Alderton Award
Elizabeth Flavall	Home Economics	Board of Trustees Award
	Chemistry 1 st =	Carter Holt Harvey Forests Award
Kelly Clark	Physics	Thomas Jewellers Prize (Watch)
Julian Pope	Computing	South Waikato District Council Award
	Economics	P & O Crothalls Award
Bjarne Hemmingsen 1 st =	Geography	P & O Crothalls Award
Jasmine Hill	Electronics Technology	Triangle Timber Award
Catherine Newbrook	English 1 st =	Repco Award
Casey Waretini 1 st =	Communication English	English Cup and CHH Sawmill Award
Memory Tangi	Home Economics-Practical	Certificate of Excellence
Ronamal Simmonds	History	Board of Trustees Award
Fiona Ryan	English 1 st =	School Supplies Award
	Physical Education	English Cup and CHH Sawmill Award
Tara Puke	Maori	Board of Trustees Award
Ian Rawley	6 Mathematics	Arohanui Trophy for Best Student in Maori and Raukawa Trust Award
Jessica Kirikava	Maths with Applications 2	BNZ Cup and BNZ Award
Memory Tangi	Text & Information Management	South Waikato District Council Award
Sandy Pirangi	Tourism, Travel & Retail	Board of Trustees Award
Casey Tamihana	Workshop Technology-Fabrics	John Stevens Award
		Bryans Plant Shop Award

ADULT STUDENT AWARDS

Student	1st in Subject	Award
Lesley Bloch	Academic Excellence	Tokoroa Business & Professional Women's Club Trophy and Award

YEAR 13 SUBJECT AWARDS

Student	1st in Subject	Award
Adam Boon	Accounting	National Bank Award
	Maths with Statistics	South Waikato District Council Award
Paea Wilkinson	Economics 1 st =	P & O Crothalls Award
	Art - Painting	Photo Life Studios (Camera)
Elizabeth Stockman	Art - Design	Impact Photographics Award
	Biology	Mighty River Power Science Award
	Chemistry	Mighty River Power Science Award
	English	Carter Holt Harvey Forests Award
	Maths with Calculus	South Waikato District Council Award
	Physics	Mighty River Power Science Award
Kym Turner	Catering Skills & Service	Multiple Sclerosis Book Vouchers
Tirissa Randell	Computing	South Waikato District Council
Shay Chase	Communication English	Certificate of Excellence
Jo-Ann Tucker	Electronics Technology	Darcy Belfield Award
Duke Boon	History	Carter Holt Harvey Forests Award
	Economics 1 st =	P & O Crothalls Award
Tetira Joyce	Maori	Raukawa FM Award
Anaru Farrell	Maths with Applications 3	Maths Dept Award
Mathew Moon	Physical Education	Tokoroa Health & Fitness Award

SPECIAL AWARDS (Years 11, 12, 13)

Student	For	Award
Kiri Murray	Creative Writing (Senior)	Graham Writers Award
	Poetry (Senior)	Talosaga Tolovae Memorial Award
Bjarne Hemmingsen	Drama-Technical	Mark Ward Drama Scholarship
Anaru Farrell	Drama-Extra Curricular	Trebilcock Performing Arts Cup and BJ Ward Prize
Chris Lawry	Speech (Year 11)	Tokoroa International Toastmistress Trophy for winner of Year 11 Speech Contest
Peter Tucker	Individual Achievement	THS Trophy for Special Achievement
Patricia Stratton	Brass Band	Brass Band Prize for musicianship, co-operation and assistance
Paea Wilkinson	Councillor (Senior)	Student Council Cup for Most Dedicated Councillor
Adam Boon	BOT Student Rep	Certificate of Excellence
Elizabeth Stockman	Dance	Creative Arts Cup
Rosemarie Tschan	Maori (Year 11)	Maori Studies Parents Committee Cup for Best Year 11 student in Maori
Jason Morgan	Home Economics (Year 11)	Dahm Trophy for Most Improved Home Economics student
Chris Lawry	Commerce (Year 11)	Tokoroa Chamber of Commerce Cup for Best Commerce student who has succeeded in 3 or more Commerce subjects
Sarah Daken	Fashion & Design (Year 11)	Mitchell Cup for Best Practical Work
Melissa James	All Round (Year 11)	Student Council Cup for effort and involvement across all subjects and has not gained a first place in any subject
Danae Bernard	All Round (Year 12)	Newbrook Cup and Award for Best student
Candice Ray	All Round (Year 12)	Lions Club Tokoroa District Cup and Award for effort and involvement across all subjects and has not gained a first place in any subject
Norah Turia	Commerce (Year 12)	Grahams Paper Plus Award for most improved student taking 3 or more Commerce subjects
Joshua Tereu	Computers (Year 12)	J Plessius Cup for most improved student
Chantelle Kauwhata	Cultural (Year 11, 12, 13)	Nigel Stuart Memorial Trophy for Contribution to Te Puna Wai Ora
Trina Ngatamariki	Cultural (Year 13)	Arataki Maroiroi Trophy for leadership in Te Puna Wai Ora
Kairangi Teaurima		
Kairenga Pirato		
Memory Tangi	Academic	Tere Tangaroa Memorial Trophy for the best all round academic performance by a senior Pacific Island Student
Rosemarie Tschan	Non Maori student studying Maori	THS Te Rahui Maori Committee Cup
Taru Tunupopo	All Round	Maea Trophy for Best Cook Island student
Duke Boon	All Round (Boys)	The Hendra Trophy for outstanding contribution to the school community this year
Toni Falconer	All Round (Girls)	The Hendra Trophy for outstanding contribution to the school community this year
	All Round	Lawry Award for taking advantage of opportunities offered
Duke Boon 1st=	Communication and	Radio Forestland Award
Elizabeth Stockman	Co-operation (Year 13)	
Adam Boon	Speech (Senior)	Jaycee Cup for Senior Oratory
Elizabeth Stockman	Mathematics (Year 13)	Milne Cup
	Science (Year 13)	Elder Cup
Melissa James	For Excellent performance in Science by a Cook Island student	Tere Tangaroa Memorial Science Trophy
Alan Smith	All Round (Year 13)	Student Council Cup for effort and involvement across all subjects and has not gained a first place in any subject
Duke Boon	Double Happy Cup for Top student other than Dux or Proxime Accessit	Geoff Burrridge Memorial/City Lions Scholarship
Paea Wilkinson	Student going on to tertiary study of Arts	Kasey O'Keeffe Scholarship
Elizabeth Stockman	Head Girl	Medal
Duke Boon	Head Boy	Medal
Elizabeth Stockman	All Round (Year 13)	CHH Pulp & Paper Award for meritorious all round achievement
Duke Boon		

1999 DUX & PROXIME ACCESSIT

Adam Boon	Proxime Accessit	RSA Cup, Lions Cup of Tokoroa Scholarship, Proxime Accessit Medal
Elizabeth Stockman	Dux	DC Lane Trophy, Dux Medal, Tokoroa Club - EW Evans Memorial Scholarship

STUDENTS GAINING HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE 1999

Adam Boon	Mathew Moon	Alan Smith	Jo-Ann Tucker
Duke Boon	Matthew Pentecost	Elizabeth Stockman	Paea Wilkinson
Rachael Kairau	Gareth Ranger	Steve Townsend	

EXTRA-CURRICULAR AWARDS

The following students are recognised for their contribution to Cultural and Service activities within the school:

PUNA WAIORA - COOK ISLAND

Trina Ngatamariki	Freewill Tangimataiti
Joseph Ruua	Iriea Tangimetua
Tere Mangi	Ngatama Tangimama
Taru Tunupopo	George Bennion
Sandy Pirangi	Ali Kea
Poko Harry	Kairangi Teaurima
Joseph Carlson	Jason Iasona
Katapu Nooau	Sandra Monga
Tuaiti Kaye	Jovarn Petero
Celestin Nicholls	Te Kura Isaraela
Kairenga Pirato	Aliesha Tangimetua
Makea Nooau	Michael Punga
Ru Turia	Teupoko Natua
Jessica Kirikava	Flora Henry
Pui Daniel	

KAPA HAKA

Nikita Kemp	Leonard Tihema
Hayley Sarsfield	Pare Nahu
Maria Pollett	Tetira Joyce
Anahera Pollett	Casey Tamihana
Ardale Augustino	Rayna Dehar
Corey Tito	Audrey Savage
Anthony Simmonds	Jess Te Hiko
Ata Nahu	Tylla Morgan
RoseMarie Tschan	Lewanna Wana
Justan Wilson	Tara Puke
Tammy Uerata	Kerianne Rangī
Deanna Okeroa	Inia Kuka
Angeline Morgan-Papara	Chantelle Kauwhata
Crystal Lewis	Hemi Chase
Miriama fong	Terri Pepe
Jaxom Tuhi	Ronamai Simmonds
Alex Wickliffe	Alana Te Hiko
Aroha Lewis	Michael Rangī
Eddie Waretini	Natalie Ngatamariki
Kyle Okeroa	

TE WHANAU-A-NOA

Kaitiaki o te Pae pae	Justan Wilson
Kaitiaki o te Pae pae	Chantelle Kauwhata

MANU KORERO SPEECH COMPETITION

Duke Boon	Regional finalist
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MUSIC SERVICE AWARDS

Grant Gall	Hugh Mace
Lionel Martin	Lucas Daniels
Charles Tuaiti	Jason Iasona
Gareth Williams	Alex Maara
Jasmine Hill	Rawinia Matua
Memory Tangi	Patricia Stratton
Taru Tunupopo	Mason Hepburn
Pere Punoua	Deanna Okeroa

BRASS BAND

Patricia Stratton	Alan Blue
Chris Lawry	Danur Uruamo
Tara Puke	Hannah Joynt
Hayley Stratton	Hugh Mace
Simon Lawry	

STAGE - TECHNICAL

Bjarne Hemmingsen	Alex Maara
Gareth Morris	Justin Hancock
Michael Edwards	Shane Hill
Richard Silvester	

SHAKESPEARE GROUP

Hilary Bell	Charles Tuaiti
Tamielle Monk	Adam Koveskall
Hannah Joynt	Tim Millar
Anaru Farrell	Hayley Stratton
John Nuku	Teresa Jaeger
Naomi Fisher	Mike Davy
They won the 'Self Directed Piece' at the National Festival in Wellington. Special thanks to Mrs Tina Ward.	

MILLENNIUM MAGIC SHOW

Danae Bernard	Anaru Farrell
Miriam Schonberger	Hannah Joynt
Maria Pollett	Tim Millar
Memory Tangi	Kyle Okeroa
Sandy Pirangi	Hayley Sarsfield
Crystal Cuff	Charles Tuaiti
Justan Wilson	Lewanna Wana
Nicole Apps	Ezekeil Cowley
Catherine Newbrook	Inia Kuku
Casey Cook	Hugh Mace
Crystal Erutoe	Rebecca Schonberger
Richard Hingano	Hayley Dickson
Shiree Knight	Jessica Kirikava
John Nuku	Norah Turia
James Poko	Fenton Dodunski
Michael Taia	Fabian Henry
Natasha Van der Wal	Joshua Tereu
Joseph Carlson	Char Brown
Erin Taylor	Tetira Joyce
Chris Lawry	Pui Daniel
Chris Craig	Jasmine Hill
Christina Hastie	Tuaiti Kaye
Larissa McIsaac	Tamielle Monk
Sandra Monga	Sylvester Phillips
Teaunui Seymour	Elizabeth Stockman
Makira Maea	Taru Tunupopu
Sonny Collier	Freewill Tangimataiti
Hilary Bell	Lucas Daniels
Tracy Clapperton	Kerianne Rangī
Grant Gall	

ROCK QUEST

Gareth Williams	Grant Gall
Kurt Williams	Taru Tunupopu
Competed in Waikato Regional Finals	

SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

Elizabeth Stockman	Maggie Teokotal
Mathew Moon	Iriea Tangimetua
Simon Lawry	Jo Ann Tucker
Erina Stockman	Duke Boon
Alan Lelieveld	Catriona Law
Norah Turia	Hayley Dickson
Kairangi Teaurima	Kirsten Law
Adam Boon	Mark Tuapou
Jessica Mercer	Paea Wilkinson

LIBRARY MONITORS

For extra diligence in the Library

Jasmine Hill	Tamielle Monk
John Nuku	

COMMUNITY CATERING

Helena Burgess	Lani Phillips
Keri Nikora	Mata Maki
Joshua Tereu	Ata Nahu
Leonard Tihema	Ronamai Simmonds
Tetira Joyce	Kim Turner
Darlene Popata	William Rollo

LEADERSHIP

Peer Support Student Group Leaders

Rachael Kairau	Taru Tunupopo
Alan Smith	Casey Tamihana
Shalon Lesa	Joseph Carlson
Gareth Ranger	Tracey Clapperton
Mark Tuapou	Jo-Ann Tucker
Alana Ramea	Adam Boon
Elizabeth Flavall	Duke Boon
Elizabeth Stockman	Matthew Pentecost
Mathew Moon	Norah Turia
Thomas Hughson	Te Ara Kuka
Natasha Hill	Catherine Newbrook
Anaru Farrell	

Peer Support Student Leader Training Course

Jo-Ann Tucker	Shalon Lesa
Thomas Hughson	Norah Turia
Gareth Ranger	Te Ara Kuka
Matthew Pentecost	Alan Smith
Mark Tuapou	Duke Boon
Casey Tamihana	Elizabeth Stockman
Joseph Carlson	Natasha Hill
Mathew Moon	Alana Ramea
Adam Boon	Elizabeth Flavall
Anaru Farrell	



SPORTS AWARDS

SOCCER

Molleman Cup for the Most Improved Soccer Player:	Catriona Law
THS Sport Trophy for Girls Leading Goal Scorer:	Kirsten Law and Catriona Law
Reid Cup for Leading Goal Scorer:	Bernado Abreu
Kerbers/Graham Cup for Contribution to Soccer:	Bernado Abreu
THS Student Council Trophy for Contribution to Girls Soccer:	Danielle Tereu
Tereu Trophy for Most Improved Boys Player:	Tim Millar
Dixon Cup for Soccer Player of the Year:	Bernado Abreu
THS Trophy Girls Player of the Year:	Kirsten Law

HOCKEY

Van Hasselt Cup for Contribution to Girls Hockey:	Jo-Ann Tucker
Coaches Cup for Boys Most Improved Hockey Player:	Makira Maea
K Lundie Trophy for Girls Most Improved Player:	Maggie Teokotal
Davis Cup for Great Contribution to Hockey:	Chris Lawry
Graham Trophy for Girls Outstanding Hockey Player of the Year:	Rachael Kairau
Outstanding Hockey Player of the Year:	Daniel Larsen

NETBALL

Grant Robinson Memorial Trophy for the Most Outstanding Player:	Toni Falconer
Moeroa Maea Trophy for the Most Improved Player in the A Team:	Teupoko Natua and Deanna Okeroa
K and T Reid Trophy for Most Promising 4A Netballer:	Erina Stockman
Ngalo Reeves Trophy for the Most Promising 3rd Form Player:	Surianne Alono

RUGBY

Grant Robinson Memorial Trophy for Most Outstanding Player:	Kani Simiona
Nibbs Trophy for Boys Highest Points in 1st XV Rugby:	Lucas Daniels
Nibbs Cup for Girls Highest Points Scorer:	Maggie Teokotal
THS Trophy for Girls Most Outstanding Player:	Toni Falconer, Rachael Kairau
Morrissey and Cowley Trophy for Overall Excellence and Contribution:	Richard Taumata

TOUCH

THS Trophy for Girls Most Outstanding Player:	Alesia Tuhakaraina
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ATHLETICS

LH Riley Cup for Senior Boys Champion:	Fenton Dodunski
G Wilson Cup for Senior Girls Champion:	Rachael Kairau
GH McEwen Cup for Intermediate Girls Champion:	Tamara Mamanu
LH Riley Trophy for Intermediate Boys Champion:	Chris Wallace
THS Student Council Cup for Junior Boys Champion:	Adam Luke
THS Student Council Cup for Junior Girls Champion:	Teupoko Natua

CROSS COUNTRY

McNeil Cup for Senior Girls Champion:	Rachael Kairau
MacMillan Cup for Senior Boys Champion:	Mathew Moon
THS Student Council Cup for Int. Girls Champion:	Kirsten Law
RWIHA Cup for Int. Boys Champion:	Len McIsaac
THS Sport Trophy for Junior Boys Champion:	Eugene Nicholas
P Barrett Trophy for Junior Girls Champion:	Tamielle Monk

SENIOR CRICKET

Cosnell Bat:	Peter Tipene
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SWIMMING

E Francis Cup for Senior Girls Champion:	Teresa Jaeger
GF Francis Cup for Senior Boys Champion:	Barry Watson
THS Student Council Cup for Int. Girls Champion:	Tamara Mamanu
THS Student Council Cup for Int. Boys Champion:	Tim Millar
Francis Cup for Junior Girls Swimming:	Nicole Apps
A Utanga Cup for Junior Boys Champion:	David Mercer

Students who have been successful in representing the Waikato region, North Island or New Zealand in their various sports:

Waikato Rugby Secondary Schools Team:

Tirissa Randell
Amy Turner
Toni Falconer

Softball NZ A Team, NZ U19s Team, NZ U17s,
Auckland U19s, Hawkes Bay U17s Team,
Midland Netball Team, Bay of Plenty Hockey U18s:
Polo Cross/NZ Under 16s:
Waikato Sec. Schools Swimming Champs:
Bay of Plenty/Waikato Squash Junior A Team

Rachael Kairau
George Davis
Christine Ngatal
Teaunui Seymour
Chrissy Tana
Tamara Mamanu

2nd in NZ U19 Squash Champs:

Chrissy Tana

Bay of Plenty U18 Touch Team:

Amy Turner

Waikato Rep at NZ Judo Open Division, Waikato Judo Rep at NZ Under 60kg: David Mercer

SUPREME SPORTS AWARDS

Ryan Trophy for Best Contribution to Sport in Attitude and/or Participation: Jo-Ann Tucker

THS Trophy for Most Outstanding Achievement in Sport: Rachael Kairau

Cowley and Morrissey Trophy for All Round Sportswoman of the Year: Rachael Kairau

Newbrook Trophy for All Round Sportsman of the Year: Mathew Moon

PITMAN QUALIFICATIONS TYPING EXAMINATION RESULTS

(The City and Guilds of London Institute Incorporated by Royal Charter Founded 1878)
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

ADVANCED

Memory Tangi 1st Class Pass

INTERMEDIATE

Roka Pahewa 1st Class Pass

Noema Purnell 1st Class Pass

Fiona Ryan 1st Class Pass

Maggie Teokotai 1st Class pass

Norah Turia Pass

Uri Daniela Tuakana Pass

Tetuanui Teau Pass

Alana Ramea Pass

Michelle Pearce Pass

Renee Hawera Pass

Andreanna Enu Pass

Tracy Janine Clapperton Pass

Heleena Patricia Burgess Pass

Sian Bass Pass

ELEMENTARY

Erina Stockman 1st Class Pass

Mathew Dewar 1st Class Pass

Alex Wickliffe 1st Class Pass

Tara Kairau 1st Class Pass

Allanah Carlson 1st Class Pass

Anahera Pollet 1st Class Pass

Gladys Ruth Te Paa 1st Class Pass

Michaela Lockley Pass

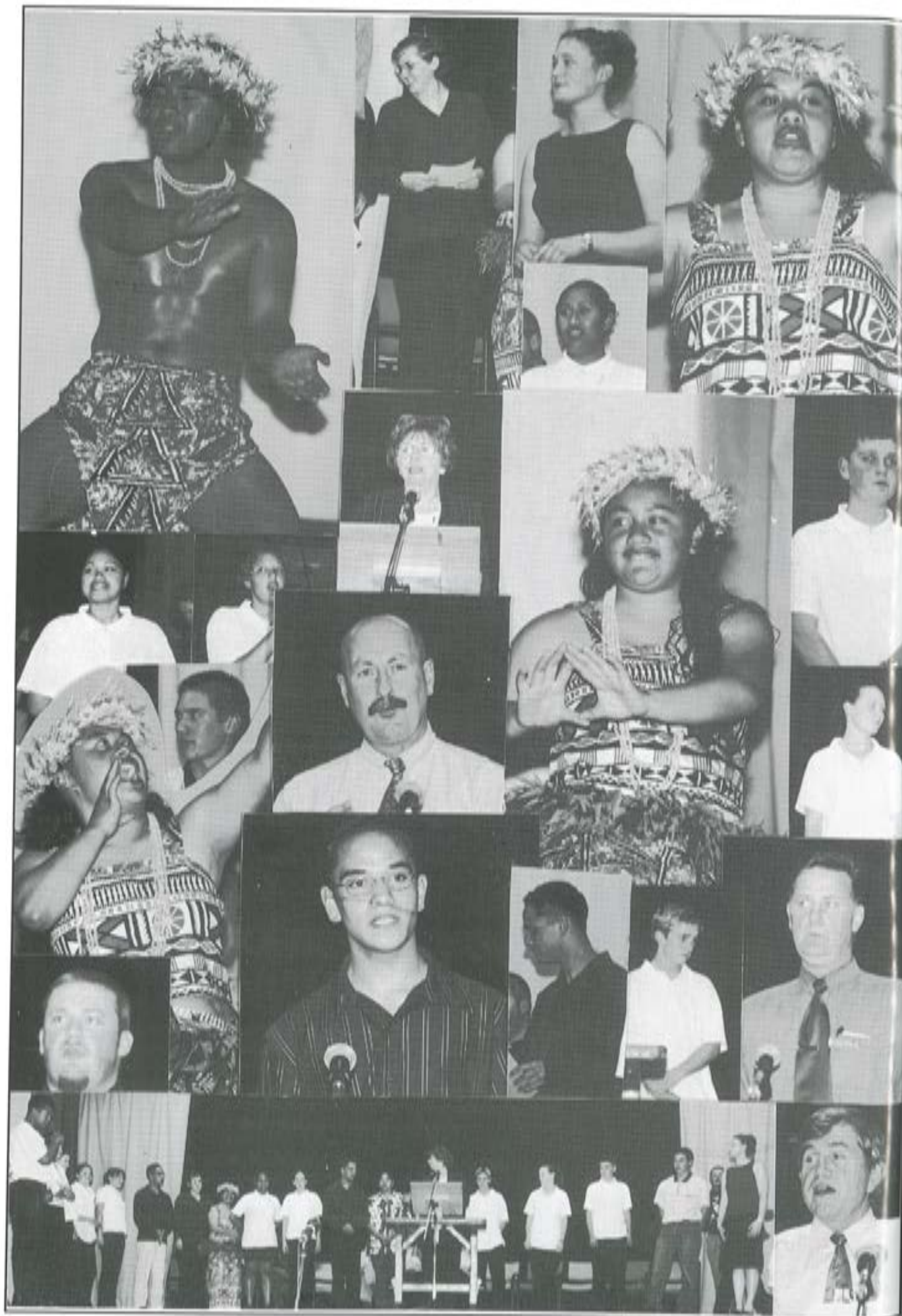
Lashanna Cooper Pass

Elementary: 95% for a Pass, 98% for a First Class Pass

Congratulations!

Mrs S McKernan
HOD Business Administration and Computing

Intermediate and Advanced: 97% for a Pass, 98.5%
for a First Class Pass





SPORTS 1999

1st XV RUGBY 1999

"In the beginning"... the greatest opening phrase in world history would be the perfect way to start what was to be the reformation of 1st XV rugby in Tokoroa High School. Twenty enthusiastic boys showed up for the first training session ready to play rugby for their school.

However, even in these early days it was obvious that keeping the team together was going to be a struggle.

The return of only seven players from the 1st XV last year meant that the majority of players would have to come from boys who had not played a competitive game of rugby for a little under a year. The step up to the next phase in the competition demanded that these players possess infinite skills and an unconditional commitment to the game. We fell short of these attributes. This meant that the season did not go quite the way that I had hoped it would.

Several players, however, did stand out. Captain Richard Taumata led from the front and was always an outstanding performer when the team needed direction. Not to be outdone by their captain, Lucas and Kani also showed that they could play the game. Finally, Joe Carlson's commitment to the team through his injury showed me how much he loved to play the game. For all the other guys, your performances on the field showed flashes of brilliance which I know you all can sustain. I would also like to thank the Peteros and especially the Daniels for their support and commitment to the team. A lot would not have been accomplished without your help.

Thanks for a terrific season. Good luck for your endeavours next year.

Wayne Anderson



1ST XV RUGBY TEAM 1999

Back Row: Robert Wiki, Terry Vaa, Kani Simiona, Pui Daniels, Taru Tunupopo.

Middle Row: (Assistant coach/Manager) Pui Daniels, Joseph Carlson, Casey Waretini, Jason Iasona, (Coach) Wayne Anderson.

Front Row: Teanui Seymour, Shay Chase, Richard Taumata, Lucas Daniels, Freewill Tangimataiti, Jovarn Petero.

Absent: Jazz Raru, Baudine Mataio, Fenton Dodunski, Charles Patterson, Ruti Tuakana.

UNDER 15 RUGBY

1999 was a year of development for the Tokoroa High Under 15 Rugby team. The team firmly established goals at the beginning of the season and under the coaching and leadership of Mr Utanga and Mr Purnell the team made some great headway in achieving its potential.

Highlights of the year were the team's victories against Otorohanga, a close victory against Hamilton Boys and winning the last game of the season against Morrinsville.

Although the team didn't always achieve brilliant results on the scoreboard, they developed over the season into a close knit team of players who are capable of future heights. Under the banner of "To Styles" the team developed very important skills throughout the season and learnt the value of working as a team.

The team is looking forward to another season next year as an under 16 side.

Stu Green



UNDER 15'S RUGBY

Back Row: Ed Daniels, Tuaiti Kaye, George Bennion.

Middle Row: Mr Green (Manager) Celestin Nicholls, James Peko, Inia Kuka, Kyle Okeroa, Mr Utanga (Coach).

Front Row: Johnnaten Fatu, Casey Cook, Sylvester Phillips, Zach Cowly, Timothy Colliar.



GIRLS RUGBY 1999

Combining with Forest View to make one Tokoroa girls rugby team enabled both schools to achieve the ultimate success in winning the Waikato Schools' Championship. Winning at this level has always been hard with Tokoroa High acquitting itself well in the past, playing in finals but losing to bigger and faster players.

So with the best from Forest View High being available to team up with the green and golds, the season started off slowly with a 22-22 result against Te Kuiti, last year's champions. Te Awamutu were easy-beats, 20-7, as the team settled into a pattern under captain Rachael Kairau's leadership with Tarissa Randall and Maggie Teokotal turning in strong performances each game in the forwards.

A drawn match against CCNZ 10-10 achieved with only 14 players, as all seniors were in exams, was an enormous feat and showed the character of this 1999 team. A week later, again with 14 players, a demolition of Matamata 46-0 as Amy Turner went into overdrive, scoring four tries and goal-kicker Teokotal emerged kicking three from eight conversions. A two hour trip to Piopio in the King Country outbacks resulted in an unexpected battle with a first year team that upset some of their city counterparts with their fierce style of football. However, the Tokoroa girls snatched a narrow 15-7 victory and enough competition points to host the finals against CCNZ at home.

In front of a large, supportive crowd from both local high schools and a rousing haka from the U15 rugby team, the home side fended off the visitors easily. Storming runs from Kairangi Teaurima and Teokotal rocked the Church team and worked the crowd into a bigger frenzy; final score 22-5.

A knockout competition was organised for the third team and a bye was granted to Tokoroa in the first round. Te Kuiti visited Tokoroa in the second round and were much improved and put enormous pressure on Tokoroa for three-quarters of the match with only the slick home side backs the difference between the two teams; final score 22-15.

Again CCNZ were the opponents in the final. Having had two games in the knockout gave them the home ground advantage and much needed match fitness and team work. The final, played on a wet afternoon on a heavy track which has traditionally been the graveyard for many rugby teams, proved unfavourable for the Tokoroa backs and the forward packs of both teams battled it out, with CCNZ gaining ascendancy first and posting their only points of the match with a try to their halfback from a five metre scrum.

Centre Toni Falconer finally found some hard ground and ran 40 metres untouched after second-five Noema Purnell slipped through a bemused Church backline to find winger Kairau unmarked, who draw the last defender for Falconer to go under the posts, which Teokotal found the middle of to take the score to 7-5, which was enough to take home a rare victory at Temple View and the Knock Out Trophy for the cabinet.

The very successful year has stirred great interest in girls rugby at Tokoroa High School with many girls keen to play next year, which will be greatly appreciated as seven girls from this year's team will be finishing their college educations, leaving a team with a great reputation to uphold.

Representative players for 1999: Amy Turner, Tarissa Randall, Toni Falconer.

Adrian and Bev Purnell



GIRLS RUGBY 1999

Back Row: Bev Purnell (Coach), Maggie Teokotal, Kairangi Teaurima, Renee Harewa, Tarissa Randell, Alex Wickcliff.

Front Row: Shontae Petero, Amy Turner, Rachael Kairau, Noema Purnell, Tara Puke.

Absent: Toni Falconer.



GIRLS TOUCH 1999

The 1999 girls' touch team lived up to the challenge put down by the School's former teams and qualified for the Mid-Northern Regional Tournament in Whakatane.

Unbeaten in five matches of pool play against schools Church College, Matamata, Hillcrest, Fairfield and Huntly placed the Tokoroa team into the finals with Te Kuiti College. In a see-sawing match before a large crowd the King Country champions sneaked home 5-4, however, Tokoroa qualified for the Mid-Island Tournament with their second placing and travelled to Whakatane in mid-April.

Four pool games and four wins were needed to qualify for the Secondary Schools Nationals in December. Rotorua Girls High and Whakatane College were easily dismissed, Tauranga Girls squeezed a 3-3 draw out of the Tokoroa side when Tokoroa captain Tiara Kuku was sin-binned for over vigorous play against her former college, which allowed Tauranga to score the equaliser while Kuku did her time. A defensive lapse after the hooter sounded allowed Tongariro College to break a 1-all deadlock in the last pool game, qualifying for the nationals ahead of Tokoroa. Although disappointed with their final placing, the team were happy with their development having lost five senior girls from 1998 and having only three new members come into the 1999 squad. All players are due to return in 2000 and with a few new additions, should see Tokoroa High School representing the region at national level again.

The 1999 team was Tiara 'Fair Play' Kuku, Tracy 'Where's Pero' Clapperton, Fiona 'Me a Man Yet' Ryan, Tammy 'Tupac' Mamanu, Amy 'Shakur' Turner, Rangl 'Golden Gloves' Glassie, Roka Dawn Leslie, Tania Swain tewhaiti, Noema 'Attitude Not Altitude' Purnell, Shontae 'The Mouse that Bites' Petero and Leisha 'The Mouse that Kicks' Tuhakaraina with Alex 'The Ninja' Wickcliffe in tow.

A.J. and Bev Purnell



GIRLS TOUCH 1999

Back Row: Bev Purnell (Coach), Alex Wickcliff, Fiona Ryan, Tracey Clapperton, Chotae Petero.

Front Row: Tania Te Whaiti, Roka Pahewa, Te Ara Kuka, Amy Turner, Noema Purnell.

Absent: Tamara Mamanu, Toni Falconer, Alesia Tuhakaraina.

GIRLS 1st XI SOCCER 1999

It has been a year of change, surprises and challenges for our girls' soccer team.

A great strength of the team was that it retained 11 key players from the 1998 season. This pre-empted one of the big changes for us this year and that was our move into the senior division of the Waikato Secondary Schools competition.

We had a pretty impressive start to the season and although we struggled to field a strong team at times in the latter stages, we still came through in second place in our division. So we are looking forward to the year 2000 and really showing what Tokoroa High School can achieve.

It was really great to attract a top quality coach in Chrissie Wooddin. For some the change in style and approach to the game was a bit of a struggle but persistence won out and the team started to gel. Many of the older players showed the way with determination and the development of some awesome skills. Special mention has to go to the two youngest team members, Daniella and Catriona. Both girls played with spirit, energy and a growing confidence and skill and for two third form students in their very first soccer season, they were impressive.

To that awesome group of year 11 students who have now completed their third season together, a great effort even after some of those late Friday nights! Liz, well done. The only remaining representative from Year 12 by the end of the season. Let's not forget Tara and Ashaan, our two year 10 players who usually remembered to turn up for games!

The season once again ended on a fun note with the Waikato Secondary Schools five-a-side tournament. An excellent effort saw us reach the semi-finals of the senior girls competition.

Thanks again to our superb supporters who follow us about every Saturday and encourage from the sideline. Where would we be without you?

Hope to see you all back next year and maybe we could field two teams.

K. Law



GIRLS SOCCER 1999

Back Row: Ashaan Brown, Danielle Tereu, Tara Kairau.

Middle Row: Natasha Van Der Wal, Patricia Stratton, Kiri Murray, Michelle Pearce, Chrissy (Coach).

Front Row: Alana Hughson, Catriona Law, Kirsten Law, Liz Flavell, Alana Dickson.

Absent: Trissa Randell, Renee Waretini, Catherine Newbrooke, B.J. Popata.

NETBALL SENIOR A

The 1999 Tokoroa High School senior A netball team was a season enjoyed by all.

We had great parent support as well as the support of the staff of Tokoroa High School. Myself, as the coach, and the players, built on their support and we would like to thank them for their encouragement.

The 'goal' for the 1999 season was to beat Forest View High School senior A netball and... yes!, victory 28-29 to Tokoroa High girls in the Secondary Championships early in the season.

With the leadership of captain Rachael Kairau and vice-captain Toni Falconer the team played with a lot of mana and competitiveness, as these two players had an outstanding year with both netball and rugby.

As the Waikato rugby season kicked in the guidance of Kairangi Teaurima and Deana Okeroa was excellent. The team showed a lot of potential in all areas. The versatility of players was noted by, not only spectators, but the Tokoroa Netball Centre.

The commitment of Fiona Ryan, Andreana Enea and Alesia Tuhakaraina made the team pull through the season, as Teupoko Natua added spark halfway through the season, and also receiving the most outstanding junior secondary player from Mrs Reeves. 'Well done'.

Susie Monga, Terri Peppi and Te Ara Kuka had a really good season and showed natural talents and hustled the ball excellently.

To finish off the 1999 season we were runners-up in the A grade in Tokoroa Netball Centre's senior netball championship.

R. Hale



SENIOR A NETBALL 1999

Back Row: Fiona Ryan, Susie Monga, Terri Pepe, Deanna Okeroa, Andreanna Enea, Te Ara Kuka.

Front Row: Rachael Kairau, Toni Falconer, Kairangi Teaurima, Alesia Tuhakaraina, Teupoko Natua.

4A NETBALL

Inheriting the 4A netball team this year has been a pleasure. The team got off to a rocky start but, thanks to the spunk of their caring parents, all problems were sorted and it was onwards and upwards from there.

It's easy to call this team dedicated when 90% of the time they would beat the coach to the courts on a Saturday; on one occasion even sorting their positions and beginning the game before my arrival. Thus showing signs of organisation, dedication and responsibility sometimes lacking in the coach.

On the court these girls showed they were a force to be reckoned with, especially when bonding together and playing as a unit. A wonderful sight when you see it.

This team has some impressive results under their belt for the season: winners of the opening day tournament for their section; winners of their division (by countback) in the first round, and coming first equal with Tokoroa Rugby Club at the completion of the competition round for the 1999 season.

Good going and good luck to all the girls for next year.

Jocelyn Heke



4A NETBALL 1999

Back Row: Tania Te Whaiti, Noema Purnell, Roka Pahowa, Erina Stockman, Ciska DeRijk.

Front Row: Kerrianna Rangī, Maggie Teokotai, Telysso Heke.

3A NETBALL

At the beginning of the season the girls hardly knew each other yet it only took a couple of training sessions for the team to gel together effectively.

Such was the support given by parents, guardians and friends, the team played each game giving of their best.

The team realised its potential during the season and despite changes with girls leaving town or having other commitments, there was a team for the weekend matches.

Congratulations to captain Crystal-Lee Cuff who led the team through the year. Her commitment was awesome and this commitment was reflected in the inspirational play of the team in general.



3A NETBALL 1999

Back Row: Christine Ngatai, Surianne Aiono, Mariana Tokorangi, Tammy Mahu.

Front Row: Catriona Matua, Crystal Cuff, Natasha Brown.

GIRLS HOCKEY

This year was a great year for girls hockey. Starting off in B grade with a strong team, let us see some really great results which allowed us to advance into the A grade halfway through the season.

At the start of the season we were graced by the presence of Antonia Willi, an exchange student from Switzerland. Antonia scored a goal during her first game, which was great because before she came to New Zealand the only hockey she had seen was ice hockey.

I would like to thank Mr Rogers, our coach, for helping to build up the team even though he had a busy schedule packed with teaching and rugby.

I would also like to thank the parents who helped with transport, for without their help we would not have been able to make it through to Rotorua every week for our games.



GIRLS HOCKEY 1ST XI 1999

Back Row: Alex Wickcliff, Maggi Teokotai, Renee Hawera, Roka Pahewa.

Middle Row: Tara Kairau, Norah Turia, Jo Ann Tucker, Tirissa Randell, Shontae Petero.

Front Row: Hannah Joynt, Hillary Bell, Rachael Kairau, Rebecca Schonberger, Miriam Schonberger.

BOYS HOCKEY 1999

Having none of 1998's senior players available meant this year was always going to be a rebuilding year for boys hockey.

A new look, young team entered the Rotorua Turf Secondary Schools competition at the bottom of the third grade and lost its first two games, whilst a steep learning curve about team work was undertaken.

From there an unbroken run of nine games undefeated (seven wins and two draws), including a massive 7-0 victory over John Paul College B, saw us enter the lower half of the top grade. Although the three games in that final round were narrowly lost, the team had made remarkable progress in one season and finishing eighth in a tough competition was a credit to them.

Peter Toy, Daniel Larsen, Chris Lawry, Makira Maea and Peter Tucker all stepped up a level to become key players in this team.

There were several newcomers to the team who showed considerable growth in confidence and ability as the season progressed, particularly Michael Punga, John and Ru Turia and Simon Lawry.

With all games being played in Rotorua and no facilities in Tokoroa for training on turf, a commitment is required to play hockey. The members of this team can be proud of their results in 1999 and look forward to even greater successes in 2000.



BOYS HOCKEY 1999

Back Row: Len McIsaac, Fabian Henry, Adam Boon, Michael Punga, John Turia.

Middle Row: Kim Lawry (Coach), Chris Harris, Danny Tuapou, Makira Maea, Peter Toy, Neihana.

Front Row: Simon Lawry, Chris Lawry, Ru Turia, Peter Tucker.

BADMINTON REPORT

Early in the morning of Friday the 30th of June, four eager students and an equally eager Mrs Law set off to the strangely familiar city of Hamilton to take part in the Waikato Badminton Championships. The day started off lovely and fine, with spirits high, and guns ready to fire.

This all ended when we arrived at the stadium one hour later.

The Tokoroa High School team that started off chirpy and rosy, suddenly plunged into a state of depression as we saw all the professional badminton players walk into the stadium. We thought this tournament was for fun!

Down but not out, we started our campaign against all the professional players of the Waikato. However we were one player short (weren't we Rachael) who all of a sudden decided she hurt herself the day before and withdrew from the competition (how she managed to play funzies with her friend from Fairfield College is a mystery!) So that left Tirissa, Anaru and I in the competition battling for honours against the odds. Four long hours later and we were pretty much gone by a long shot, except for Tirissa Randell who showed that with a bit of guts and determination she could match it with the so called 'professionals'. She was placed 3rd overall in the Senior Women's competition. That's the Tokoroa High School attitude!

Overall our day was really neat (despite Anaru's shirt, Tirissa's sudden change of mind, and my ankle problem) and we were able to walk (or hobble) out of the stadium as champions in our own eyes.

We would like to thank the PE Department for allowing us time to practice in the gym, and also to Mrs Law who was willing to take four rowdy students in her car to take part in the experience of a lifetime.

We hope that Badminton will be promoted in the future so that the students of the school can take part in competitions like these, and experience an environment that is one of a kind.

Good luck to all our badminton teams in the future.

By Adam Boon



BADMINTON 1999

Back Row: Rachael Kairau, Mrs Law (Manager), Tirissa Randell.
Front Row: Adam Boon, Anaru Farrell.



GIRLS SQUASH 1999

Back Row: Sandy Pirangi, Metua Pirangi.
Front Row: La Shaana Cooper, Christine Tana, Kaylaa Cooper.
Absent: Tamara Mamanu.



REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES 1999

Back Row: Rachael Kairau, Tara Kairau, Tirissa Randell.
Front Row: Tania Te Whaiti, Amy Turner, Maggie Teokotai, Telysse Heke.
Absent: Toni Falconer, Lucas Daniels.



MID ISLAND ATHLETICS 1999

Back Row: Pui Daniels, Shay Chase, Kyle Okeroa, Taru Tunupopo, Shane Hill, Peter Tucker.
Middle Row: Peter Tipene, Kani Simiona, Jason Iasona, Scott Branford, Joseph Carlson.
Front Row: Jessica Mercer, Terri Pepe, Tamielle Monk, Shontae Petero.
Absent: Toni Falconer, Rachael Kairau, Kairangi Teaurima.

SOCCER

Soccer for the boys this year has been like a box of chocolates; a mixture of soft, easy-to-chew ones with some hard, break-your-teeth ones thrown in as well. It has been a rebuilding year for Tok High soccer with a number of new arrivals to the team, some completely new to the game, some old hands and some on wings from South America.

A definite highlight of the year was making the semi-finals of the Waikato Secondary Schools Knockout Cup. We met Fairfield 1st XI in the quarter-finals and playing at home with plenty of support from everyone (as experienced throughout the year) we played it out for a hard fought 1-0 victory, with you-know-who scoring the goal. The semi though was a different story. We no longer had the home advantage and with the Fraser 1st XI being the top team in the Waikato, we played out to what in retrospect was a fairly respectable score. Of course all insiders know the reason we lost was because Bernado did not have a chance to bless the Fraser High pitch.

Overall this year we gained 3rd placing in league/play and with plenty of parent support a good year of soccer has been enjoyed; we look forward to next year's improvements under the coaching of Dean Tereu.

Hugh Mace



"All that I know most surely about morality and obligations, I owe to football."

CRICKET



CRICKET 1999

Back Row: Richard H, Michael P, Daniel Evans.

Middle Row: Fabian Henry, Danny Tuapou, Mike Ford, Makua Maa.

Front Row: Jordan Patterson, Chris Lawry, Hugh Mace, Len McIsaac, Matthew Stevenson.

A group of enthusiastic Junior boys were involved in competition on four Saturdays in late 1998 and again in February/March this year against teams from Forest View, Putaruru, Taupo Turangi. We did not threaten as a "top of the table" team, but many runs were scored and a significant number of wickets taken as the boys worked hard to build confidence and improve performance.

It is pleasing to report that a Senior Tokoroa High School cricket team, captained by talented all rounder Peter Tipene, has been entered in the Waikato Country Districts Saturday competition this season. A small group of keen year 11 & 12 students supported by several old boys of the school and Mr Stu Green, Mr Brian Reid, Mr Dean Tereu and Mr Alan Utanga have begun the series of one day matches scheduled before Christmas. We wish them all the best in their efforts.

Our grateful thanks to all parents and supporters who have helped with transport, and in other ways, to make cricket happen for the boys.

Barbara Mace

TOKOROA HIGH SCHOOL INDOOR BASKETBALL TEAM

NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP
WINNERS 1968



The guests at the Extra Curricular Awards ceremony were this team. Invitations were sent to all members - happily the coach and two members were present at the ceremony.

Standing, left to right: Mr G. Peters (Coach), B. Morrissey, B. Lund, W. Osborne, C. Kahui, G. Povey.
Sitting, left to right: K. Storer, E. Cowley, J. Cowley (Captain), P. Storer



THIRD FORM TUTOR GROUPS – MKTE 1999

- Back row: Hadley Dixon
 Third row: Daniel Marsters, Louie Teaukura, Clint Jowett, George Davis, Chris Harris, Ben Anthony, Tere Dunshea, Eugene Nicholas
 Second row: Zeke Cowley, Liarnee Kaitai, Carnie Maruooao, Stephanie Olsen, Masoi Punoua, Tracy Heke, Catriona Law, Timothy Colliar, Mr Tereu (Teacher)
 Front row: Teupoko Natua, Surianne Aiona, Nikita Kemp, Kaylaa Cooper, Haley Petersen, Daneka Altman, Tamielle Monk, Sharne Marie Renowden
 Absent: Christina Fatu, Kelly-Ann McKain, Lisa Te Miha, Daniel Toleafoa



TPCH 1999

- Back row: Heck Heke, Toi Graham
 Third row: Adam Koveskali, Tuahu Watene, Allan Kingi-Blue, Andrew Kemp, John Turia, Joe Mutua, Travill Poko, Mattran Tangimama
 Second row: Brett Campbell, Angelene Papara-Morgan, Tylla Morgan, Awhina Harris, Tracey Downes, Jessica Mercer, Jaxom Tuhi, Shantelle Pakuru, Chas Hana, Miss Chisnall (Teacher)
 Front row: Tare Ramea, Emma Tangoroa, Cherie Mokaraka, Ashlin Kingsley, Samantha Ray, Coriana Matua, Christine Ngatai, Larrissa McIsaac
 Absent: Anna Paiti



TUUT 1999

- Back row: Luke John, John Okeroa, Wade Te Hiko, Danur Uruamo, Simon Lawry, Adam Blake
 Second row: Mr Utanga (Teacher), Jamie Williams, Te Aroha Tako, Shiree Knight, Crystal Lewis, Nadine Crow, Gemma Hutchison, Luke Needham
 Front row: Mari Aana Tokorangi, Kirstyn Rawley, Syreeta Te Paa, Aleisha Tangimetua, Daniella Tereu, Katie Stephenson
 Absent: Vanessa Beach, Tammy Mahu, Trident Rewita, Hayley Sarsfield



WMJA 1999

- Back row: Ru Turia, Daniel Ormsby
 Third row: Colin Straker, Roydon Littlejohn, Charles Hall, Charles Haitana, Shane Campbell, Ed Daniels, Mata Taramai
 Second row: Mata Maea, David Mercer, Sheralyn Rolleston, Rochelle Birch, Leewana Wana, Katapu Nooau, Dylan Reti, James Nikora, Mr Jacobs (Teacher)
 Front row: Nicole Apps, Maria Pollett, Miriama Fong, Crystal Lee Cuff, Poko Harry, Sina Te Hira, Natasha Brown, Erin Taylor
 Absent: Ardie Kemp



FOURTH FORM TUTOR GROUPS – MKMC 1999

- Back row: Shannon Wood, Justin Hancock, David Teinangaro, Andrew Nicholson, Eddie Waretini, Nga Rikiau, Michael Hutchins
 Second row: Nicholas Haratsis, Kerianne Rangī, Lisa Gray, Naomi Fisher, Aroha Lewis, Audrey Savage, Miriam Schonberger, Mrs Mace (Teacher)
 Front row: Shontae Petero, La Shaana Cooper, Ciska de Rijk, Haley Dickson, Maryanne Pomare, Ashaan Brown, Hayley Edwards, Hannah Joynt
 Absent: Ariina Rata, Lawrence Rehutai, Steven Seipolt, Erina Stockman, Corey Tito



TPDE 1999

- Back row: Sylvester Phillips, Richard Jennings, Anthony Simmonds, Matthew Dewar, Terry Bell
 Second row: Mr Depree (Teacher), Bobby-Joe Popata, Jamie Taylor, Inia Kuka, Casey Cook, Natalie Tamariki, Blake Hinfelaar
 Front row: Noema Purnell, Roka Pahewa, Celia Compain, Renee Hawera, Catherine Kapea, Anahera Pollett
 Absent: TJ Allan, Allanah Carlson, Hemi Chase, Chris Craig, Alana Edwards, Dacey Graham, Sandy Harrison, Telysse Heke, Shaun Hepi, Jordanna Ketī, Shannon Peipi, Rebecca Schonberger



TUGR 1999

- Back row: Kyle Okeroa, James Munday, John Nuku, Zachariah Maaka, Hale Stainton, Allan McGregor, Jeremy Lennon
- Second row: Scott Johnston, Sean Guyett, Krystal Reihana, Janine Williams, Haley Stratton, Tim Handcock, Ben Mein, Mr Griffiths (Teacher)
- Front row: Sharyn Moseley, Hilary Bell, Cherie Bramall, Tara Puke, Tania Te Whaiti, Alicia Edwards, Sophie Hannay, Tara Kairau
- Absent: Sian Bass, Kris Brogden, Thomas Hei, Adam Iorangi, Marama Mino, Peter Nauer, Douglas Ward



WMMM 1999

- Back row: Ardale Augustino, James Poko, Tuaiti Kaye, Michael Punga, Julian Raru, Celestin Nicholls, Ngatama Tangimama, Matthew Kepa
- Second row: Teinakore Glassie, George Bennion, Lena Daniels, Caroline Mutua, Jess Te Hiko, Cilla-Serese Gardiner, Michael Taia, Ali Kea, Mrs Maea (Teacher)
- Front row: Shirley Daniel, Maria Ramea, Faye Henry, Maggie Teokotai, Sion Tereu, Rangi Glassie, Alex Wickliffe, Jamie Leigh Daniel
- Absent: Steven Arioka, William Daniels, Jonathan Fatu, Lydia Ngata, Andrianna Turia