



# MAKOURA COLLEGE

**Kia Manawanui**  
*Courage & Compassion*

## Principals Message

Kia ora everybody and welcome to this the first newsletter of Term 4. Please note that due to the Rugby World Cup (RWC) this term is only seven weeks long. Talking about the RWC – didn't our team do well. Despite all the media pressure, the public pressure, the injuries to key players, and the fact we hadn't won it in 24 years our multi ethnic team came through. For me this is testimony to the character of all New Zealanders and also the great strength that grows out of combining the best and talented from our wonderful multi-ethnic country.

## Senior Leave

Year 11 to 13 students will not be permitted to leave for the year until they have met the following criteria:

- They have completed their NCEA qualification for the year
- They have chosen their course for 2012 and have met the pre-requisites for that course
- They have completed their end-of-year sign out form.

Those sitting exams will be given exam leave of the day before each exam. Where students are sitting multiple exams additional leave may be granted but we ask that parents wanting this for their children please meet with Mr Laybourn so that you are fully informed about your child's situation.

## Facebook and other electronic networking tools

Towards the end of last term a small group of our students endeavoured to sort out their inter-personal differences through Face Book. Unfortunately this resulted in a number of negative outcomes for those concerned and the school. Students do not have access to Facebook at school so I ask and encourage you to vigilantly monitor your child's involvement on Facebook to ensure that it is being used for positive purposes only.

The school has very clear and effective structures for dealing with inter-personal differences and when these are brought to the attention of staff we have a very high success rate in resolving such issues. If you suspect your child is involved in the negative use of any form of social networking, even if it is happening outside of school, please contact Mr Bennett (the senior leader responsible for student management) as soon as you can. The sooner these issues are brought to the attention of staff the sooner a solution focussed strategy can be put in place.

In line with this please find attached to this newsletter an information sheet for parents regarding your child's use of Facebook.

## Congratulations

A number of students from Makoura have once again been in the limelight. My congratulations go to: Whatahoro Fox for his success at the New Zealand Manu Korero oratory competitions.

Lesley Ball, Charmaine Brown, Tom Feringa, Breeze Paul for their excellent pieces of writing produced as part of their involvement in the Wairarapa Year 9 and 10 "Gifted and Talented" writers workshop with Anna MacKenzie.

Henry Sinclair who has been elected as student trustee on the Makoura College Board of Trustees.

Our girls rugby team that won first place at the Wairarapa Secondary Schools rugby tournament. Thanks also to their class coach – Syd Tatana.

Thomas Nikora (Pianist) and Kiriana Willcocks (soloist) who won their respective sections of the Wairarapa Secondary Schools solo music awards. Congratulations also to Ruakohe Russell-Waimotu who was placed third in the instrumental section. Given there are only four sections in this competition, Makoura can feel very proud of these results.

Koia, one of our school bands have just cut their first disk and it sounds fantastic. A big thank you must go to local and renowned musician Warren Maxwell for his support in this.

Matthew Allum, Sheldon Betteridge, John Campbell, Luke Lintern, Amy van Wijk and Robert Warren, their group came second in a multi-sport event in Palmerston North.

## Orientation Day - 2012 Yr 9 Students—Friday 25 November

On Friday 25 November Year 8 students will be attending an Orientation Day at their intended College for next year. Although it is Teacher Only Day at Makoura College for our current students Orientation Day for 2012 Year 9 students will be held on this day, and will be co-ordinated by the Kura Teina teachers. If your student is intending to start at Makoura College next year but we have not yet received their enrolment form, please contact the College office urgently so that we can make arrangements for the student to attend our Orientation Day.

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### November

**3rd** - Music Extravaganza at the Hall  
7.00pm

**4th** - **Junior Activity forms to be returned to the office**

**9th** - Senior Option Sheets due back to Wakahuia teachers

**10th** - **NCEA EXAMS START**

**24th** - Late Start 11.00am

**25th** - PPTA/NZCA Teacher Only Day

**25th** - Yr 8 Orientation Day

**30th** - **Senior Prize Giving at the Hall 7.00pm**

**30th** - Seniors Last day

### December

**2nd** - Leavers Dinner

**5th** - Junior Prize Giving

**6th** - **9th** Junior Activity Week

**9th** - Juniors Last Day



### 10 TUPUANUKU

Kia Manawanui!

First day back of the term. Great to see students revived and rejuvenated. What a start! - Woop Woop!

Last term, TKT had the privilege of being part of a school wide powhiri held for one of our senior students. His name is Whatahoro Fox. He had come 3rd in the Manu Korero competition held in Tauranga. Whatahoro represented our kura and returned with a trophy. Mauri Ore e hoa. The powhiri was a success and we were later able to join Whatahoro's whanau with a cup of tea and scone. Mi-hinui kia Whaea Debbie, Jean, Rikana, Chloe and Aaliyah for the lovely scones.

Our Yr 10 classes have been involved with static image that revolved around chocolate. In 10 Tupuanuku, Apiana Te-Tau Quinn achieved a 5a for this topic. A great effort Apiana! We have also been learning how to present a speech. Biege Matthews attained the highest mark for this which was a 5a. He spoke with pride and surety on his topic. He was easy to listen to and enjoy his short performance. Mauri Ora!

This term we have the opportunity to go to the pools for PE. We will be learning the safety aspects of swimming in the pool and how to portray safety measures out of the pool. We will also be going on Junior Activities for our end of the year school break up. Following this we will be having our TKT prize giving.

See you all there.

No reira

Whaia te tika, whaia te pono, whaia te aroha.

**Whaia Virgil**



Apiana Te Tau-Quinn

### **TECHNOLOGICAL AND VOCATIONAL STUDIES REPORT**

Pathways students have been out on very valuable work experience and the reports back from the community is that they have performed very well, and reports from the students say they have enjoyed their experiences. If you are one of the work places that has supported our students work experience programmes please let me thank you very much for supporting our students and giving them a valuable experience that they would not normally get.

#### **Technology Students:**

Our Level 1 textile technology girls are working on making a prototype of a product that will help the Makoura crèche. The girls are working with the crèche supervisors to create an educational item for the children to use.

Many projects are at the finishing stages in the hard materials workshop. The finishing is the most important part of the projects and can take many hours.

#### **Laurel Booth HOF Technology/Vocational Studies**

#### **JUNIOR ACTIVITY WEEK 6.12.11 - 9.12.11**

**All Junior Activity choice sheets are to be handed to your Wakahuia Teacher  
by Friday 4th November 2011**

**All Junior Activity money is to be handed in to the College office by  
Friday 18 November 2011**



**MAKOURA COLLEGE NOMINATIONS FOR THE  
WAIRARAPA SECONDARY SCHOOLS SPORT'S AWARDS 2011  
BEING HELD ON FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2011 - COPTHORNE SOLWAY PARK**

**Makoura Nominee's:**

<b><u>Category</u></b>	<b><u>Nominee's</u></b>	<b><u>Sport</u></b>
Contribution to Sport:	Te Kapua Haira	Netball
Emerging Sport:	Krystal McEntee	Darts
	Holly Taylor	Darts
Junior Sportsperson:	Elleshia Clarkson	Netball
	Kendall Peterson	Swimming
Senior Sportswoman:	Bailey Peterson	Netball
	Sheridan Gallon-Puhara	Netball
	Kata Matapuku	Netball
Teams:	Kendall Peterson	Makoura Junior Boys Basketball
	Tui Wilton	Makoura Junior Boys Rugby
	Sheridan Gallon-Puhara	Snr A Netball

**NCEA EXAMS**

**STARTS WEEK 3 TERM 4 FIRST EXAM  
THURSDAY 10TH NOVEMBER LEVEL 2 ENGLISH  
SENIOR STUDENTS Yr 11/12/13**

9 November 2011	Option Sheets due back return to Wakahuia Teachers
10 November 2011	NCEA external exams commence
30 November 2011	Last day for Senior Students Senior Prizegiving 7.00pm at College Hall

Senior Students Yr 11, 12 & 13 are required to get their sign-off sheet completed before they are given leave for the rest of the school year. The purpose of this is to ensure that the student has met the goals and achieved the qualification that they are working toward. If the student has met those targets by the 9th November they will be permitted to go on leave, after completing the sign off sheet and ensuring their option choices sheet has been handed in. If the student has not then they will be in school until they achieve their targets. If the student has exams they will get the day before the exam as study leave. This will be tracked and monitored and attendance watched closely. Final sign off is with Mrs Lidbetter/Mr Laybourn for attendance purposes. The last day of school is 30th November for all senior students, they are expected to attend school on this day and the evening prize giving. If they still have not finished their NCEA qualification by then they have until the 9th December to get themselves up to standard.

**Please try not to be in the position of staying until the 9th.  
Refer to NZQA website to access exam timetables:-  
[www.nzqa.govt.nz](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz) also there are exam timetables available at  
the College office.**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO**

**Henry Wilson** and **Joseph Thompson** who have been selected to attend IPC Rugby Academy in Palmerston North. Look for them in the next Rugby World Cup.

**Bailey Peterson, Anna Garnett, Kata Matapuku** and **Rennie Hemara** who have been selected for the Wellington Maori U19 Netball team and also **Elleshia Clarkson** U17 Wellington Maori team to play in tournaments at Easter 2012.

**UNIFORM**

*In 2012 the school is going to continue to move towards the established uniform standards set in 2010 by the Uniform Committee. Please be aware that this will require all students to wear the approved footwear.*

*Ie: Roman Sandals or plain black polishable shoes.*

*Mr Bennett, Deputy Principal*



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**2012 ENROLMENTS  
MAKOURA COLLEGE  
ENROLMENTS**

Remind all friends, whanau and wider community to get your 2012 enrolment forms into the College urgently. If you do not have an enrolment pack please phone or call into the College office.

**PAPAWAI & KAIKOKIRIKIRI TRUSTS BOARD  
SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2012**

Applications for Secondary Scholarships are available at the College office for students who are of Ngati Kahungunu Ki Wairarapa or Rangitane o Wairarapa descent. If you are eligible please collect, complete the application and return it to the College office **before Friday 18 November, 2011**. Please fill out all appropriate sections.

***Spirit of New Zealand***

The College has been allocated a berth on the Spirit of New Zealand for a male, 2012 Yr 12 or Yr 13 student. The sailing is a 10 day voyage out of Auckland from 19 March 2012. If you are interested please see Mr Austin. The reason for the early notice is to allow the selected student to raise funds, help for this can be arranged.

**PROFESSIONAL FIREWORKS  
DISPLAY**

**FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER**

*To commemorate  
Guy Fawkes Night*

**SOLWAY SHOWGROUNDS**

**\$2.00 PER PERSON**

**\$2.00 PER CAR FOR PARKING**

*Gates will open from 6.00pm*

*Fireworks display*

*starting about 9.00pm*

*Both Judds Road and Fleet Street  
will be manned.*

**ATHLETICS SEASON**

Wednesdays at Lakeview

Playing Field

5.30pm—7.00pm

For fun, games, run, jump and  
throw.

With our new track currently being  
created, we are relocating to the  
Lakeview School playing field

for a while



