



ŌTOROHANGA COLLEGE WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Term Four, Week Five – Monday 3rd November – Friday 7th November 2025

SCIENCE FACULTY

Farewell Year 13 science students

We extend our best wishes to the students who have significantly contributed to the Science Faculty as they embark on new and promising endeavours. To any former students reading this, we wish you the best of luck in your university graduations!

Paper and cardboard recycling

Paper4Trees has generously donated 30 new paper recycling bins to our kura.



The students are actively engaged in collecting paper and cardboard, with the goal of increasing the volume of recyclables. This initiative aims to secure an even greater number of native trees for planting in 2026.



Flowers in the College gardens

The NCEA Level 1 Agriculture students have cultivated several College gardens with bedding plants as part of their assessment. The gardens are thriving beautifully, thanks to the favourable growing conditions of late spring.



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NCEA Exams

The NCEA exam season is officially underway, kicking off smoothly this week. Our senior students have already tackled a hefty list, including Level 2 Mathematics and Statistics, Level 3 English, Level 2 English and Level 3 History.

Exams continue until Thursday, November 27th. Students, use the time you have to prepare and then rest up. We're keeping our fingers crossed for every single one of you. All the best!



Targeted Support Programme



This initiative was specifically designed to provide essential assessment opportunities for students who required additional credits following the internal assessment period. This has necessitated some Year 11 students attending sessions during their exam leave, an effort for which we commend them. Parents and students have been and continue to be informed as these further assessment opportunities arise. The dedication shown by both our staff and students has been exemplary. The sessions held to date have been highly effective, leading to some students successfully meeting the requirements for the NCEA Level 1 certificate or the Numeracy corequisite.

A sincere thank you to our committed teachers for going the extra mile and to the students for determination. It's paying off!



Literacy and Numeracy

We are pleased to provide an update on the significant progress our students have made in securing their Literacy and Numeracy corequisites. These achievements underscore the hard work of our students and the effective support provided by our teaching staff.

The current statistics for corequisite attainment are highly encouraging across all year levels:

Year Level	Literacy Attainment	Numeracy Attainment
Year 10	Nearly 50%	Just over 50%
Year 11	Approximately two-thirds	Approximately two-thirds
Year 12	Just under 80%	Just over 80%
Year 13	90%	90%



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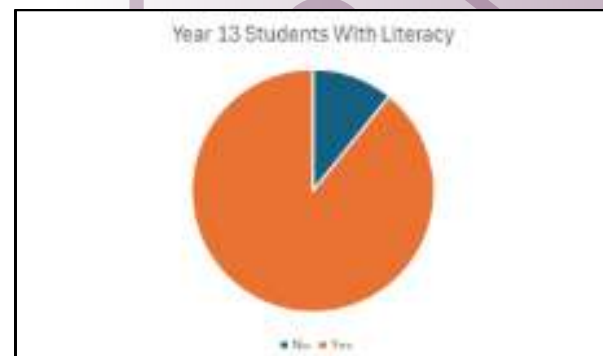
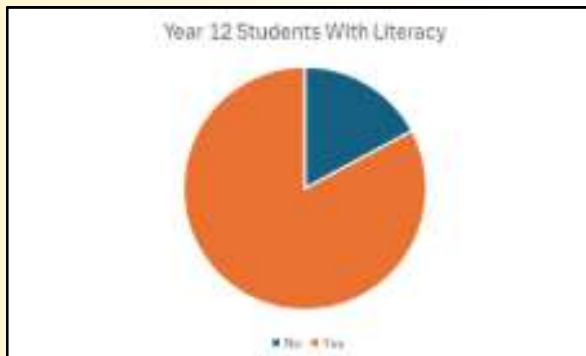
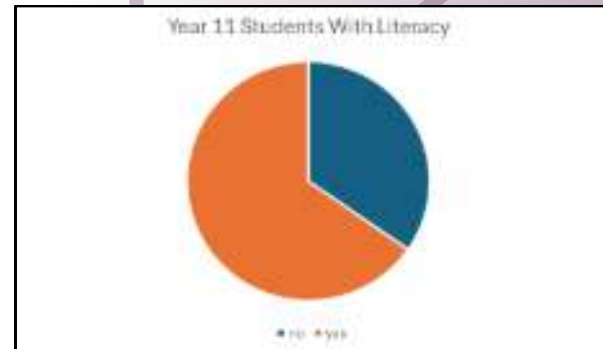
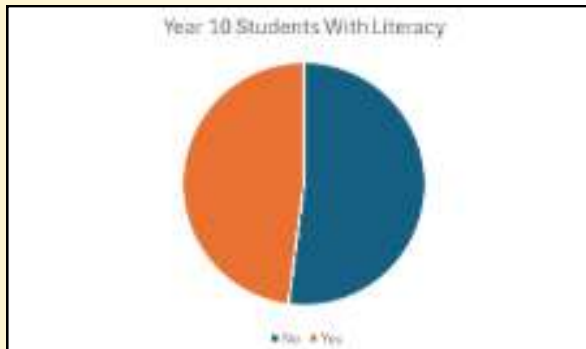


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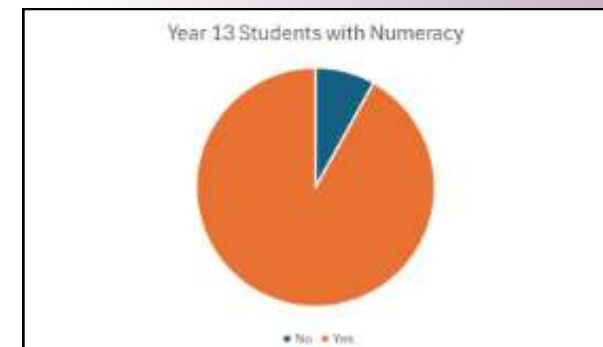
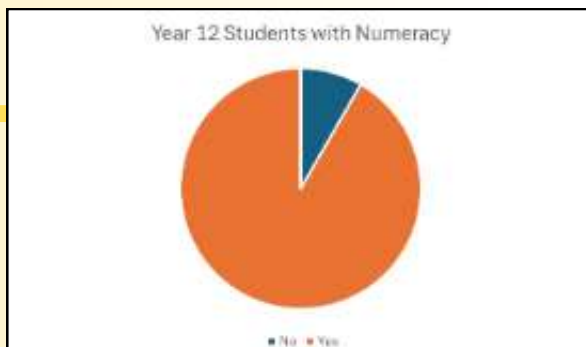
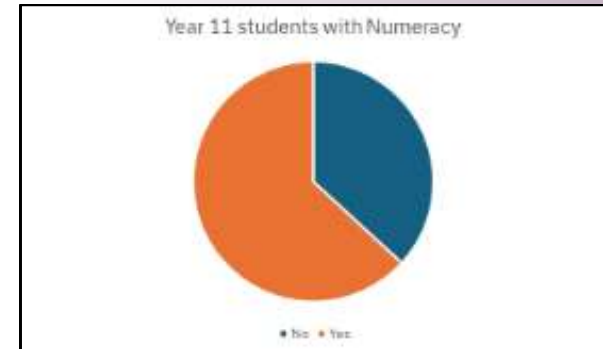
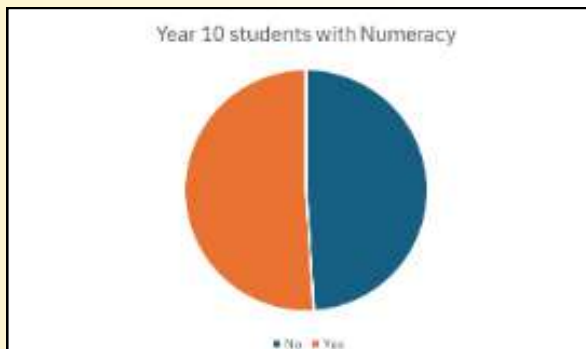
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Literacy Attainment



Numeracy Attainment



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JUNIOR HOUSE COMPETITION

JUNIOR HOUSE LEADERS

9 Brown



10 Brown



9 Eveleigh



10 Eveleigh



9 Hotson



10 Hotson



9 Kedgley



10 Kedgley



EMPOWER WHAKAMANA INTER-CLASS CHALLENGE

Time to step up, show your College spirit and get your class on top!

The Empower Whakamana Inter-class Challenge is back — full of competitions, teamwork and weekly points. Earn rewards, win prizes and show everyone what your class is made of!

Tuesdays Teacher Find Outs

- Each Tuesday morning, check your emails and the notices for our Teacher Find Out challenge. Quick thinking wins — the first correct answer takes home an individual prize.

👏 Shout out this week to Nathaniel Harland for winning!

Wednesdays Wero Interval

- Every Wednesday at interval, a small group from each Empower Whakamana will tackle a mystery Wero (challenge) somewhere around the College.
- It's a new group each week — everyone gets a chance to step up and represent their class.

👏 This week's winner is 9 Kedgley. Cooper was the first to find his class leader's photograph hidden by Taarewaanga Mara! Ka mau te wehi!

Attendance Challenge

- Consistency counts! The class with the best attendance each week earns points and a class reward, announced every Friday. Winning classes are shared each week by our Attendance Officer, Mahora Taute, on our Facebook Stories.

Fridays Empower Whakamana Round Robin

Fridays are all about action, teamwork and fun. Classes compete in a round robin tournament featuring:

- 🏐 Volleyball
- 🚩 Capture the Flag
- ⚽ Multisport
- 🎯 Quad Games

Step up, give it your all and make every week one to remember. College pride starts with you!



KEY DATES AND FUTURE HIGHLIGHTS

The Fade Up Premiere - Wednesday 19th November

Business Breakfast - Friday 28th November

Year 9 End of Year Trip - Thursday 4th December

Year 10 End of Year Trip - Friday 5th December

Junior Prizegiving - Tuesday 9th December at 9.30am



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