

ŌTOROHANGA COLLEGE WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS



Term One, Week Eleven - Monday 8th - Friday 12th April 2024



DECEPTA CAR

With many of our students getting their driver's licenses and taking on the windy roads of Aotearoa, knowing how to be as safe as possible is a good idea. On Tuesday, the Decepta Car visited the College. The Decepta aims to show people what a car with a very low safety rating may look like if it gets involved in an accident. It teaches students that, when buying a car, their first priority should be to check the ANCAP safety rating by spending a minute online to do it. Students had the opportunity to check their current car's star rating or, if they were not of driving age, the star rating of the cars their parents own.

CREATIVE WAIKATO PRESENTATION

Creative Waikato visited the College on Thursday to bring a performance of beatboxing, singing and looping to our students. Creative Waikato celebrates creativity within our region and empowers artists with resources. They believe that empowering rangatahi to recognise and unleash their creativity, empowers them to do good things in our communities.

Two artists, JJ & Beau Monga, who featured on X Factor NZ, brought much excitement to the Hall and our students with their performance. The talent and creativity they showed was certainly inspirational.

A smaller group of students were then lucky enough to participate in a workshop. Students had the opportunity to utilise Creative Waikato's resources to support their creative practices and learn specific skills about beatboxing, looping and performing.

Another highlight was having our ex Head Girl, Leah Bell, who is now working for Creative Waikato, bring this group to our kura. Leah was an active member in Music and Performing Arts subjects during her time at the College and she was instrumental in the work that was done by Ōtorohanga College for the landwards petition. A big thank you goes to Leah for making this opportunity possible.



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STUDENT SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

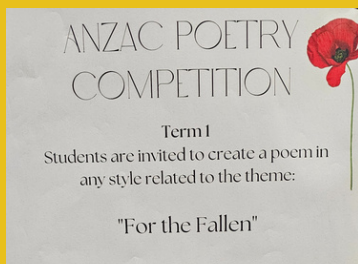
DOMINIC EVELEIGH

The last weekend of the North King Country MOTO X Summer Series 2023/2024 was held last weekend. Dominic placed 1st in the 12-14 yrs 125cc class for the season. In March he also competed at the Waikato/BOP Individual Champs at Porritt Stadium and placed 4th in the 14 year boys long jump.



LEE RYAN

Lee was selected and competed in the Hamilton Hawks Youth Team that competed at the 2024 NZAFF Club Flag Football National Championships in Auckland in late March.



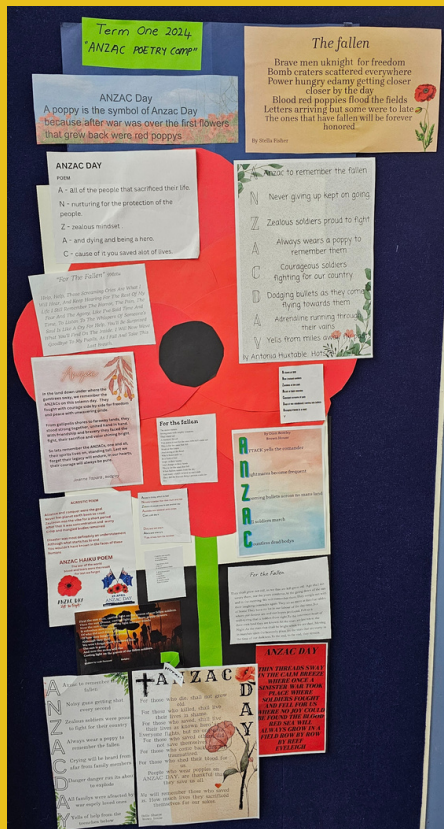
HOUSE COMPETITIONS

To encourage participation in House events a number of different competitions have been put in place. For Terms Two and Three students have a House Reading Competition and a Town, Country and Coast Photography Competition to look forward to.

This term the focus was on an ANZAC poem in any style related to the theme "For the Fallen."

CONGRATULATIONS Leah Parnwell a Year 10 student from Kedgley House for the winning poem.

First the sun rises, casting light on the graves of our fallen soldiers.
Then the sun gleams, casting light onto those poppy flowers.
Now the sun shines, casting light into our minds
It refreshes and reminds
Of who did and didn't survive
Of how they fought and strived
Although they died
We won't forget their treasured lives.
The sun is gone
And now the moon will rise
Casting light on the graves of our fallen soldiers



MUNCH BEFORE LUNCH

Here at Ōtorohanga College, Whaea Tee has started a Kai Club that offers a variety of food for our rangatahi to enjoy. This club is called "A Munch Before Lunch" and is held from 11:00am-11:30am and is available for all students to indulge in. Over the last couple of weeks, the students have been enjoying butter chicken, beef chilli and rice and pumpkin and chicken soup with a bun.



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ARTS FACULTY

Students working in the area of Visual Arts have been busy this term learning new techniques and working with a range of mediums.

In the Junior Photography Module the Year 9s have been finding the shapes of letters of the alphabet in the environment and using these to create a heading for their own photos. Year 10 students have chosen their own subject to photograph and have been learning the technical requirements of using a digital SLR camera. The next step is moving on to editing using photoshop, where techniques such as layering, erasing parts, copying and replacing are being explored.

The Junior Art Module students have been focusing on colour theory while painting a landscape of a tree and cartoon characters.

Seniors have been completing their first research assessment and are now underway on their practical second standard based on a theme of their choice, using mediums such as oil stick, watercolour, acrylic and ink pen.



FUTURE HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday 25th April ANZAC Day

Monday 29th April Term Two begins

Wednesday 8th May Kahu Rolleston Spoken Word

Monday 13th May Year 9 Careers Speed Dating

Tuesday 14th May College Cross Country

Friday 17th May Pink Shirt Day

Tuesday 21st May King Country Cross Country

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