

Thursday 5 September 2024 (Friday Rangī Day School Closed)

Community event	Date
Rangī Day	Friday 6 September 2024 - School Closed
Mental Health Week	23 - 27 September 2024
End of Term 3	Friday 27 September 2024

Principal Update

Positive community engagement has been a feature of the school this year, with exceptional numbers of parents and students choosing to attend the various information sessions on offer. Our recent Pathways and International Baccalaureate evenings have been excellent examples of the quality of information on offer as we try to ensure that students are making informed decisions about their next steps. Students and parents who were unable to attend can access information about the opportunities on offer at this [link](#) and access the Pathways Expo information [here](#).

AUT Millennium continues to support our female athletes with their 'Be The Best She Can Be' series, enabling our students to access important information about their health and wellbeing. The next event will be held on Tuesday 24th September from 6 – 8pm in the Finish Line, with free tickets available by following the QR code below.:

Enhance, Sustain, Thrive Building injury resilience for peak performance

Presented by: Jeni Pearce (Performance Nutritionist at HPSNZ) and Dr Helen Fulcher (Athlete Performance Support Lead at HPSNZ)

TUESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER	6:00PM - 7.30PM	 FREE TICKETS
TAG US ON SOCIAL MEDIA #bethebestshecanbe #autmillennium		

autmillennium.org.nz **BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE**

Cyber security investigation

Since our last update, Rangitoto College has concluded its investigation regarding the cyber-attack from earlier this year. A review of the impacted systems has not identified any further malicious activity, although we would still recommend that our community stay alert for signs of suspicious activity. Having consulted with cyber-security advisers they have suggested our community consider the following resources as a matter of good general practice given the prevalence of cybercrime in New Zealand:

- Stay alert to the prospects of fraud. Scammers frequently try to obtain details from people by pretending they are from organisations such as Rangitoto College. If you are unsure if an email is legitimate, always call the

organisation to check. Further information about common scams and frauds can be found on the CERT NZ website [here](#). You can find more information about securing your data [here from CERT NZ](#).

- Be wary of any correspondence, texts or phone calls claiming to be from Rangitoto College or any other organisation that you are associated with, asking you to change bank account details or requesting funds. Always call the sender using an independently sourced number to confirm the legitimacy of any request.
- Check your credit report for any suspicious entries. Information on how to check your credit report for free can be found [here](#). You can also use this link to find information about seeking a temporary suppression of your credit file.

School TV - Healthy Study Habits

With entrance exams upon us, [here](#) is a link to School TV's special report on healthy study habits. The report highlights how healthy study habits are essential for students to learn effectively, manage stress, and achieve their academic potential. It is appropriate for all year levels.

The report reinforces that balance is important in a student's approach to study. Dr Emma Woodward talks about maintaining a healthy lifestyle including key elements such as adequate sleep, a healthy diet (including the importance of eating breakfast before school in improving brain function, memory and attention) and engaging in physical activity to support academic success.

School TV is a great tool for parents to support their children in various ways. Rangitoto College purchases an annual subscription to School TV to support our parent/caregiver community.

Celebrations of Success at Rangitoto College

With many students achieving their excellence at the kura, we as a College routinely celebrate students who have achieved their best across academia, sports, culture, service and music. As part of this, in the final week of each term, the College hosts a Special Assembly where students cross the stage. For each of our year levels, these Special Assemblies look slightly different as we tailor these to the academic milestones of the different cohorts. In Years 9 and 10 we celebrate students who routinely and proudly display our College values of respect, integrity, personal excellence, courage and pride. In senior school, we celebrate students who have achieved excellence in each of the subjects they take. In all cases, we make evidence-based decisions and reward students for their outcomes.

For our Year 10s, Term 3 Special Assembly is their last in the junior school, and so this provides us with an opportunity to reward students who have made outstanding academic progress in each of their subjects across years 9 and 10 before they transition into the senior school. Students crossing the stage in a few weeks will be congratulated on achieving their own outstanding personal progress in each of their subjects.

Through doing the above, we hope to celebrate all students who have achieved excellence at the kura.

Timetables for September Entrance Exams (12th to 20th) and Literacy and Numeracy Testing (19th & 20th)

- Year 12 & 13 students are now able to view their entrance exam timetables in PC School under 'Reports' - 'School Exam Timetable Report'.
- Year 10 to 13 students who are sitting the literacy and numeracy co-requisite tests on September 19-20 can view their timetables also.

The timetables will detail the room/time and location of their exam as well as the expectations around examination conduct.

Year 11 End-of-Year Arrangements:

- Thursday, Nov 7th last day in class before exams. Friday, Nov 8th - Year 11 study leave day.
- Year 11 Diploma Exams - November 11th - 20th.
- Year 11's in class for exam results and feedback Nov 25, 26 & 27th.
- Last Day for Year 11 is Nov 27th.
- Year 11 prize giving is at the start of 2025.

Term 3 Student Reports

Staff are in the process of updating student reports. Assessment data, student dispositions and tutor comments for year's 10-13 will all be updated over the next three weeks and finalised by the end of term three.

Dental Planet

We continue our partnership with Dental Planet to provide free dental services to our students. Mobile units will be on-site

in the last week of this term and during the holiday of Term 3. If your child is not currently receiving regular dental checkups and treatment, we encourage you to consider this opportunity seriously. You will find further information and an [enrolment link here](#). Dental Planet will provide booking information by email to those students who are already enrolled.

Rangi PTA 2nd Hand Uniform Shop

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the 2nd hand uniform shop will be closed this Saturday 7th September.

HELP WANTED

The shop is a valuable asset for the school and parents to make 2nd hand uniform buying/selling affordable and easy. We need your help to make sure we have a pool of volunteers for various roles.

Currently, we have a small team of helpers that we are eager to grow. If you can help Rangitoto College in any way, please phone reception on Ph: 477-0150 or email info@rangitoto.school.nz



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