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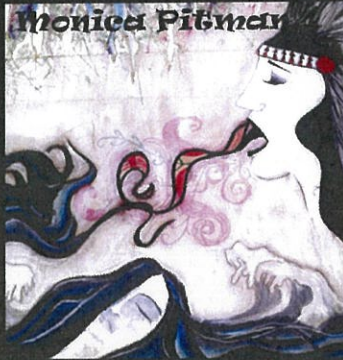


Diamond Kingi



DJ Tabe

# Level 2 Painting



Monica Pitman



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Cherish Bastable



Semy Tuilapea



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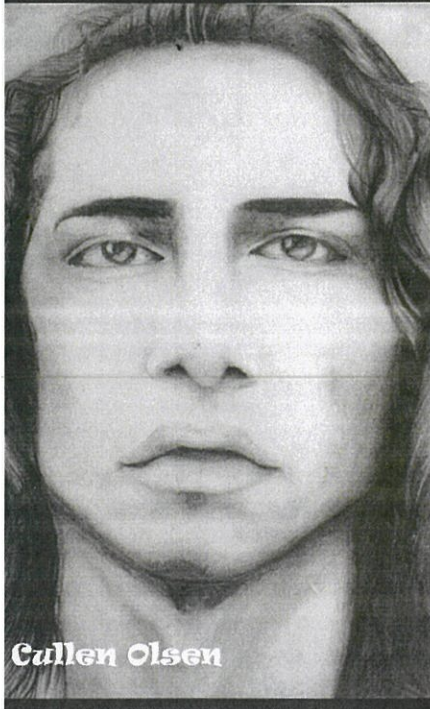


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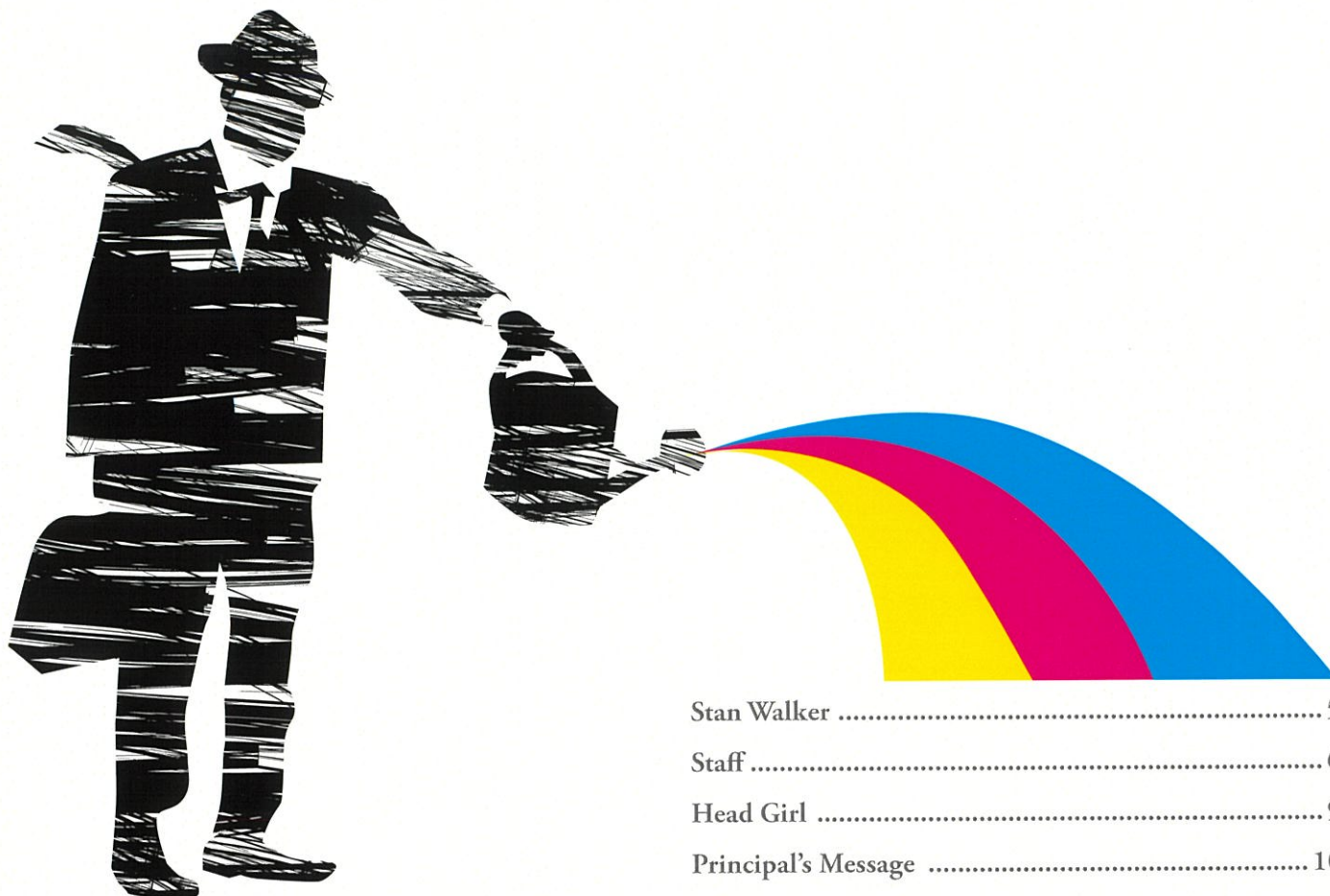


Leilana Issako



Tuarine Paparua





**Editorial**

**T**his is the second year our senior class and I have been designing our school magazine. In saying that, I'd like to give my thanks and appreciation to Curtis Lepua who designed this year's cover. This issue may not be as robust as the previous but still managed to encapsulate the essence of our school: dynamic and positive. The write-ups and photos reinforced our belief in our school.

Despite this year's tremendous workload the contribution and participation of every staff and students helped make this magazine. When you want something done you rely on these passionate people.

Read and we can share our aspirations and stories. Look at the pictures and you will enjoy viewing our activities.

Memories are made of these. Let's make something great. Enjoy reading.

**Jesse Enriquez**  
**ICT / Digital Design Teacher**

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# INDER LYNCH ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS 2013 WINNERS

## Alfriston College



Calah  
Stuart



Liam  
Nielson

## James Cook High School



## Manurewa High School



Jacinta  
Talia'Uli



Jordan  
Cama

## Papakura High School



Charisse Terehia  
Tawhi



Jarrod  
Pihama

## Pukekohe High School



Stacey  
Mulholland



Zach  
Butters



Kelsey  
Waite



Jivarn  
McClintock

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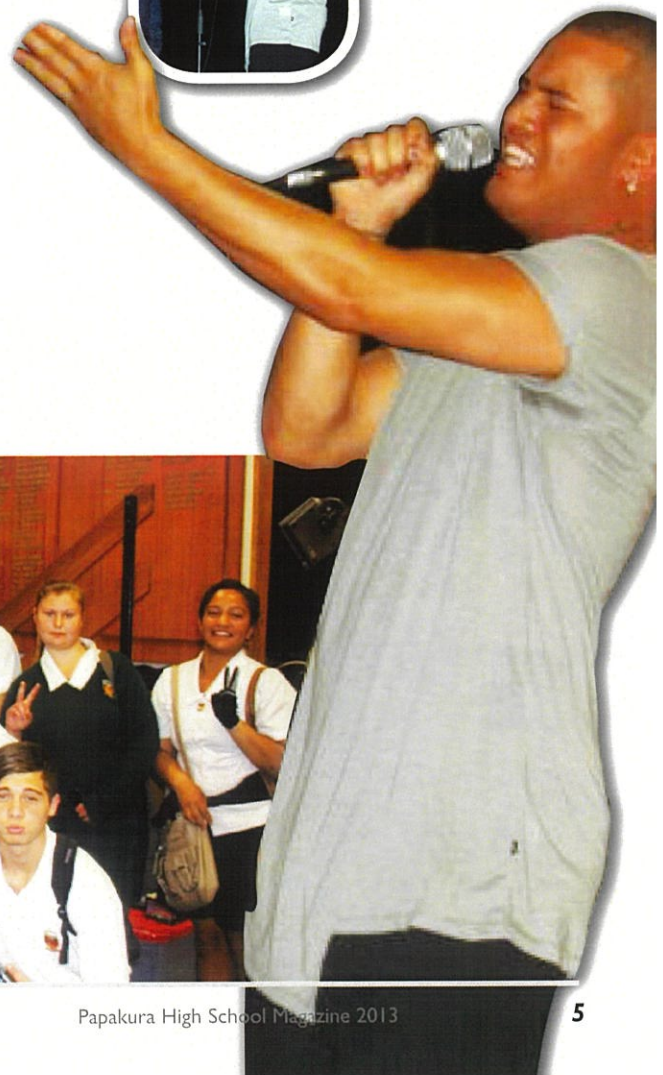
# Stan Walker

*Visited PHS in October 2013*



*Stan inspired us all with his success story, humility and his music.*

*He gave us all some very encouraging tips on how to handle bullying.*





# 2013 PAPAKURA HIGH SCHOOL



Teacher	Surname	First Name	Title	Position/Subject	
HRN	Heron	Peter	Mr	Principal	
FOS	Foster	Allan	Mr	Deputy Principal -Operations	
HYD	Heywood	Michele	Mrs	Deputy Principal -Student Achievement	
MFB	Mitford-Burgess	Rob	Mr	Assistant Principal	
RNS	Robinson	Carol	Mrs	Business Manager	
VNE	van Etten	Paul	Mr	Deputy Principal - Student Management	
APB	Appleby	Ruth	Ms	XA Teacher Aide	
ARD	Arnold	Jeanette	Mrs	Teacher Aide	
ANT	Arnott	Desiree	Mrs	Accounts Assistant	
BSW	Basdew	Rishi	Mr	Maths	
BCE	Boyce	Gail	Mrs	English	
BRN	Braunton	Martin	Mr	Phys Ed	
BRI	Brien	Julie	Mrs	Drama	
BKN	Buchan	Keith	Mr	Property Supervisor	
BKL	Burkill	Tim	Mr	Music	
CDY	Caddy	Brett	Mr	Grounds Person	
CHG	Chang	Feng Hsou (Sunney)	Mr	Maths	
CHP	Chapman	Karyn	Mrs	Teacher Aide	
	Collecutt	Marie	Mrs	Activity Centre	
CBN	Corban	Dianne	Ms	Year 12 Dean	
CST	Cosslett	Janice	Mrs	English	
CSS	Cosslett	Mark	Mr	Learning Support	
CRA	Crabb	Caroline	Mrs	Learning Support	
	Cvitanovich	Dennis	Mr	Alternative Education	
CVN	Cvitanovich	Pauline	Mrs	Activity Centre	
DRT	De Ruyter	Diane	Ms	Year 9 Dean	
DEV	Deverick	Janice	Mrs	Science Technician	
DTO	du Toit	Eloise-lee	Ms	ESOL Teacher Aide	
DNB	Dunbar	Jayne	Ms	Phys Ed	
DYR	Dyer	Nicola	Mrs	Gateway Assistant	
EGL	England	Troy	Mr	Phys Ed	
ERQ	Enriquez	Jesse	Mr	ICT / Digital Design	
EVA	Evaroa	Vivian	Mrs	Literacy	
EVR	Everett	Margaret	Ms	Staffroom Attendant	
FGN	Fagan	Rachel	Ms	Year 11 Dean	
FNA	Finau	Sisilia	Ms	English	
FNL	Finlay	Robin	Mrs	Music	
	Flavell	Vanessa	Ms	Kapa Haka	
	Fryer	Susan	Mrs	Nurse	





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GRA	Garcia	Nicolette	Ms	Gateway Assistant	
GLP	Gillespie	Colin	Mr	XA Unit	
GDN	Gordon	Bevly	Mrs	Reprograhics	
GFN	Griffin	Carol	Ms	XA Teacher Aide	
HWK	Hawkins-Sulfa	Victor	Mr	Music	
HYT	Hayter	David	Mr	Business & Maths	
HON	Honan	Margaret	Mrs	Principal's Assistant	
HRI	Hori	Melissa	Mrs	Science	
HWD	Howard-Afeaki	Deanna	Ms	Learning Mentor	
HYS	Hoyes	Mathew	Mr	Music	
ILS	Iles	Susan	Mrs	Nurse	
JHS	Johns	Mathew	Mr	IT Manager	
JHN	Johnstone	Sandra (Beau)	Ms	XA support	
JNS	Jones	Marina	Mrs	Library Manager	
JYS	Joynes	Emma	Ms	Phys Ed	
KUR	Kaur	Rajinder	Ms	Learning Support Teacher Aide	
KZL	Kazal	Esma	Ms	ESOL Teacher Aide	
KLG	Kilgour	Heather	Mrs	English	
LFF	Lafferty	Kevin	Mr	Technology	
LUK	Lauaki	Jaclyn	Ms	Humanities	
LWR	Lawrence	David	Mr	Science	
	Littlejohns-Clark	Sandra	Mrs	Alternative Education	
LBB	Lobb	Kate	Miss	Art	
LGN	Logan	Katrina	Ms	English	
LVT	Lovett	Jacqui	Ms	Gateway Co-ordinator	
MNA	Manoa	Lavinia	Ms	English	
MTM	Matamua	Beverley	Miss	Humanities	
MTH	Matthews	David	Mr	Year 13 Dean	
MTS	Matthews	Gaynor	Ms	Hospitality	
MCB	McCabe	Stephen	Mr	Science	
MCC	McCoskrie	John	Mr	Year 10 Dean	
MCL	Michaels	Avril	Miss	Guidance	
MLR	Miller	Koren	Ms		
MNN	Minton	Anita	Mrs	English	
MNT	Minton	Richard	Mr	Technology	
MRO	More	Moana	Mrs	XATeacher Aide	
MRR	Morris	Alannah	Ms	Phys Ed	
MRI	Mortimer	Lisa	Miss	Maths	
MUR	Muir	Shona	Mrs	Student Data Manager	
NDU	Naidu	Sharina	Mrs	Maths	
NEZ	Neziri	Natasha	Mrs	English	
NGG	Ng	Derek	Mr	Phys Ed	



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NCL	Nichol	Gay	Mrs	ORRS	
NCR	Nickerson	Janise	Ms	XA Teacher Aide	
PNH	Pancha	Press	Mr	Caretaker	
PTL	Patel	Anshu	Ms	Science	
PLS	Paulus	Sandra	Ms	Careers Advisor	
PRC	Pearce	Lou	Ms	Learning Support Teacher Aide	
PCE	Pearce	Patricia	Mrs	Receptionist	
	Petuha	Nicole	Ms	Dance/Drama	since left
PWL	Powell	Maria	Mrs	Maths & Economics	
PRS	Prasad	Praveena	Ms	Science	
PSC	Prescott	Charles	Mr	Alternative Education	
PRI	Prince	Alicia	Ms	Sports Co-ord	Since left
RBN	Rabin	Andrea	Miss	Performing Arts	
RKN	Rakena	John	Mr	Security	
RCO	Richmond	Pauline	Mrs	Receptionist	
	Rountree	Rau	Mr	Learning Mentor	since left
RYA	Ryan	James	Mr	Humanities	
RYN	Ryan	Annemarie	Ms	Phys Ed	
SAL	Salina	Mirta	Mrs	XA Teacher Aide	
SYR	Sayers	Glen	Mr	Technology	
SCO	Scott	Helen	Ms	Nurse	
STN	Sexton	Lara	Ms	Art	
SKY	Sharkey	Sarah	Ms	Art	
SNC	Sinclair	Maraia	Ms	Library Assistant	
SNG	Singe	Lisa	Mrs	Activity centre	
STT	Sisitoutai	Tafa	Ms	Maths	
SMH	Smith	Declan	Mr	Music	
TLA	Taeiloa	Mele	Ms	Drama	
TRE	Tarei	Maurice	Mr	Truancy Officer	
THE	Tuhoe	Vaiarii	Mr	Art	
TPE	Tupaea	Mita	Mr	Learning Support Teacher Aide	
ULS	Uelese	Grant	Mr	English	
WRD	Wardle	Joshua	Mr	IT Technician	
WRN	Warren	Abraham	Mr	Maori	
WST	West	Karen	Mrs	Teacher Aide	
WHU	Whiu	Karen	Ms	XA Teacher Aide	
WLN	Wilson	Alison	Ms	Maths	
WIL	Wilson	Jessica	Ms	Humanities	
WSN	Wilson	Mere	Ms	Gardener / Facilities Attendant	
	Wise	Colin	Mr	Technician	
WOD	Wood	Chris	Mr	Science	
WRK	Workman	Susan	Ms	Activity Centre	
ZNV	Zenovich	Robyn	Ms	Attendance Officer	





# What a year!



*It was difficult, it was time-consuming but it was rewarding and fun, and I am honoured to have been Head Girl at Papakura High School for 2013.*

**T**hese years feels like they have zoomed past in a blink of an eye. Has it been 5 years already? My time spent at Papakura High School has flown by me, a journey that is sadly coming to an end. Now I have to step out in to the real world. However, with the opportunities and experiences that Papakura High School has provided for me over the last five years, I'm sure I'll do just fine.

Papakura High School is a place where teachers encourage students to strive for personal excellence and help to gain knowledge and life for after high school. My teachers have been the best and helped me to just do that, so I thank them immensely. This year we have had a lot of exciting events and activities, from Sports days, Hawkins Theatre, the Voice, Tongan Language week and many other exciting activities. We had Music icons John Toogood from Shihad and Stan Walker, who delivered inspirational messages which we will hold with us. Year 13 has been the year of all years and I cannot believe it's over. I've had some awesome times and funny moments, but also some very hard choices and learning to self-manage myself, juggling meetings, groups and school work. I want to thank my other fellow Head Prefects Trish-Ana, Rereahu and Antony for their help and co-operation this year, we have had some good laughs and met exciting people. Trish Ana and I met the Governor General at the Government house in February, and Gordon Ramsay came to school on my 18th birthday just for

me! No, he was here for a special dinner and to meet some of our Hospitality department. Having Gordon Ramsay at school was one of the best birthdays ever, and now I have a new twitter follower! So thank you guys for your team work and knowledge this year, I wish you the best for your future and hope to stay in touch, whether it is in a kitchen in Paris for Antony or in the medical industry for Trish-Ana. Also to my fellow prefects: thank you so much for your help this year, without you we could not have done it.

Papakura High School has been my other home for the last five years. I'm sad it's over, but no more teachers nagging me to hand in work (Mrs Minton) or saying something about incorrect uniform (Ms Morris and Mr Minton) haha. I am going to have to learn to be a bit more independent and I can't wait, but one thing I really need to learn is to try not to hand in work at the end of the year. That is the biggest fault I have. So finally to the year 13s for 2014 good luck! If you aim at nothing, you are sure to reach it, so aim BIG! I wish you luck for the future. To the teachers thank you so much for everything I wish you good luck also because now that MY year has left you'll need it. And finally to my fellow students graduating this year, best of luck to you, I hope you succeed in everything you choose, and just remember Papakura High is family so don't forget your roots and where you come from. ♦

**Tayla Cressey**  
**Head Prefect 2013**



# Principal's Message



I am pleased to be able to write this foreword for the 2013 magazine. I must congratulate Mr Enriquez and his production team on the quality of the magazine and also congratulate those students, parents, board members and staff whose contribution to the school's life has made the school such a success.

Our students are also supported extensively by local trusts and I thank all of the Trusts, Charities and individuals who have given freely of their time and money to support our students. In particular I would like to thank Konica Minolta who are sponsoring this magazine.

This year has given the students many opportunities to shine. We started positively with outstanding results from our Pasifika students whose Level Two NCEA leapt from 47% pass to 74% whilst at Level Three our Maori students improved from just over 40% to a nearly 60% pass rate. These figures highlight the quality of our staff, whether teachers or non-teachers.

Culturally, 2013 has seen two of our ethnic groups beginning to make their presence felt. Whilst our Maori and Samoan groups performed well at Polyfest it gave me great pleasure to see our newly formed Tongan group. The parents' umu in Term 3 demonstrated that the group intends to maintain a healthy partnership with the school. Secondly our Indian students have been succeeding in oratory contests and we will see after school Hindi classes taking place next year.

Our sportsmen and women have also been outstanding this year, whether individually or in teams. Some examples of successes include; Rachel Burge representing New Zealand in Australia at archery, Antonino Motuliki who was New Zealand karate champion in his weight, and Kyle Lockwood who took part in the U19 Downhill Mountain Biking Championships in South Africa. Arthur Crichton and Jazz Tevaga were part of the New Zealand Resi-



*Our Hospitality  
Department has been  
particularly successful this  
year with  
Antony Kapeli Su'a and  
Joy Gesmundo  
winning the inaugural  
National Secondary  
Schools Championships.*

dents' Rugby League Squad and their school team won the Cup Competition at the National Rugby League Secondary Schools' Championships which we host.

In the Arts Phoenix Pule'anga took part in the World Hip-Hop Championships in the USA and the songwriters Maggie Misa and Moanari Moa received special mentions during New Zealand Music Month. During this month we were visited by Jon Toogood from Shihad. Our Art work has also been on display throughout Papakura in vacant shops as part of a collaboration with Papakura Art Gallery, and Cullen Olsen won the Pat Hanley Award for his art work. Jordan Jamieson Mane is a finalist for the Bright Awards.

Our Hospitality Department has been particularly successful this year with Antony Kapeli Su'a and Joy Gesmundo winning the inaugural National Secondary Schools Championships. We were also privileged to host the British Chef Gordon Ramsay who visited the school. This gave Antony another chance to shine on TV, especially after his performance on the TV show 'New Zealand's Hottest Home Baker'!



Kaya Miriau was the Youth MP representing Denise Roche from the Green Party. Denise visited the school, as did Julie Anne Genter MP and Nanaia Mahuta MP. These high profile visitors were complimentary about the work of the school and your children. We also had a presentation by the Mayor of Auckland to our senior students and Len Brown has promised to return to sample our Hospitality Department's work- after the election.

Our Head Girls, Tayla Cressey and Trish-Ana Day were fortunate enough to be guests of the Governor General at a Garden Party in February whilst Rebecca Pawson was awarded the highest St John Award by the Governor General later in the year.

Our school has continued to make a name for itself in the field of Pathways and Youth Guarantee. We are seen widely as leaders in this field and our partnerships with Stephenson, Hawkins, Accor, MIT and AUT, to name but a few, are greatly appreciated.

Papakura High School will be sixty on 11th June 2014 and Barbara Mansell is organising a 'Foundation Students Reunion'. This highlights the age of our buildings and we have received 'approval in principle' for a rebuild of our school. This will be a multi-million dollar project which will give our students the best start to their secondary education. We hope to build on the sports fields and move en masse into the new school at the start of 2016. We have also modernised our uniform and hope that all these improvements will help our students to feel proud and be ready to succeed at our school.

I feel very privileged to have the stewardship of such an important part of our community and am excited about the prospects of a brand new school for our children. I am thrilled about the many successes of the students and as you read the magazine I hope that you too will be impressed with the passion and commitment of our staff and students who always do their best. ♦



**L-R front: Casey-Anne Fenton, Rereahu Collier, Peter Heron, Antony Kapeli Sua, Tayla Cressey, 2nd row: Matthew Munro, May Ah Leong, Ailafo Time, Kayla Barthow, Joy Gesmundo, David Matthews-Dean Y13, 3rd row: Debbie Kingi, Jarrod Pihama, Nahron Karimo, Kaya Miriau, Michael Trumper 4th row: Olivia Mafileo, Zane Rua**



# Board Report

*Annual Report 2013*

## Board Members

Peter Goldsmith – Chairman, Rosalie Freeman – Deputy Chair, Stephen Roberts – Parent Elected Trustee (Pacific), Alan Kukutai – Parent Elected Trustee (Maori), Janine Uka – Parent Elected Trustee, Nancy McConnell – Co-opted Business Partner (Communication), David Head – Co-opted Trustee (Personnel), Peter Heron – Principal, Avril Michaels – Staff Representative.



We have a very effective and committed group of Trustees with representation across our ethnicities. This has given the board the opportunity to co-opt on skill sets missing in the current board such as Communications and Personnel as these will be critical to the board and school over the next year or two due to the Ministry of Education giving the school the green light on a Re-Build/New-Build. This will involve feedback and communication to and from the community, parents, students, teachers, contributing schools, local business, etc. As our roll continues to decline during the Re-Build/New-Build process there are risks for the Board and school around staffing and financial viability.

### Looking forward:

Over the past three years the board, senior leaders and teachers have focused on Pathways to Employment for all of our students and matching the design of the buildings to cater for the change in teaching practice.



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### 1. Pathways – “Engaged Learning & Teaching”

In 2009 the community wanted the school to change from our focus on an academic curriculum to one that delivered positive outcomes for all students to be employable whether that is through University, Tertiary, Private Training Enterprises (PTE), or directly from school to employment.

While not a perfect science right at this moment, there has been considerable steps taken to indicate that we are at the leading edge of the Ministry of Education’s Youth Guarantee Programme.

### 2. Re-Build Proposal – “A Quality School Environment”

Papakura High was established in 1954 and was originally designed and built as a standby hospital for the Second World War but was never commissioned for that purpose.

Over the years the buildings have deteriorated to the point that they have become a serious health and safety issue. This was due to the lack of maintenance over a period of years. While corridors and single rooms may have worked



over the past 60 years the structure and design of our current school is not conducive or an appropriate structure to cater for Pathways.

The Ministry of Education has been working closely with the Board and Senior Management to ensure that Pathways is delivered in the most effective teaching environment. The school is currently working with architects to draft a design plan for the school and a build that will cater for 900 students initially but has the capacity for 2,000 students in the future.

### 3. Finances:

The school roll currently sits at 781 which is a significant decline in our roll since 2010 at 1040 students. This has triggered a gradual decline in revenue from the Ministry of Education. Our Business Manager has kept a tight reign on expenditure through these past two years through constant communication with staff and Head of Departments. Once the re-build/new-build is completed and pathways fully implemented the role is projected to increase along with the growth of Papanui.

### 4. School Uniform:

Another issue that rose out of the community consultation process was school uniforms and sports uniforms that our students would wear with pride. As demonstrated by the new sports uniforms the school has followed up with designs for an upgraded school uniform. Late last year these were modelled at school and parent evenings. The new design and colours found universal support across the board from students, teachers and parents. It is planned that all items of the uniform

*The school is currently working with architects to draft a design plan for the school.*

will be available in 2014.

### 5. Education Review Office (ERO):

The school is still under the Education Review Office and while their main focus is on "student achievement" particularly for Maori and Pasifika students, they have been very supportive of the Board's focus on "pathways" and creating an emotionally safe school environment as these will ultimately improve student achievement for all students.

### 6. Conclusion:

While we have made considerable progress in a number of critical areas of the school, staff still remain the critical piece of the student achievement solution. With a declining roll this affords the school an opportunity to restructure its current teaching resources, and Pathways becomes more embedded in the schools pedagogical mindset and along with easy access to rail and a growing population, the roll is predicted to increase to a point where financial sustainability becomes a reality.

The Board's priority has always been about putting students first. ♦

**Peter Goldsmith**  
**Chairman**  
**BOT**

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# NEW Staff



It was a new year and with it presented exciting new challenges. After spending a month at Papakura High School the support from staff made me feel right at home. I have had the privilege of teaching some awesome classes this year and have met some really wonderful students, who I know can go on to have amazing futures.



I'm Ms Ta'e'iloa, the greatest dancer of all time... well that's what my students think anyway. At the age of 4 I went to my first Ballet class, I haven't stopped dancing since. Growing up through dance I met Jazz, Traditional Tongan dance, Contemporary, Bollywood and just recently Hip Hop Dance. I feel so privileged to have shared my passion with the students of Papakura High. To my students, always remember 'Keep Calm and Dance On'.

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I arrived at PHS having spent the previous six months travelling around the world and working in the United States. This was an awesome adventure for me, and I loved every minute. My first year, here at Papakura, has provided me with many memorable moments. I have enjoyed getting to know the various students I have taught this year and met along the way. I look forward to returning next year and continuing my journey here.



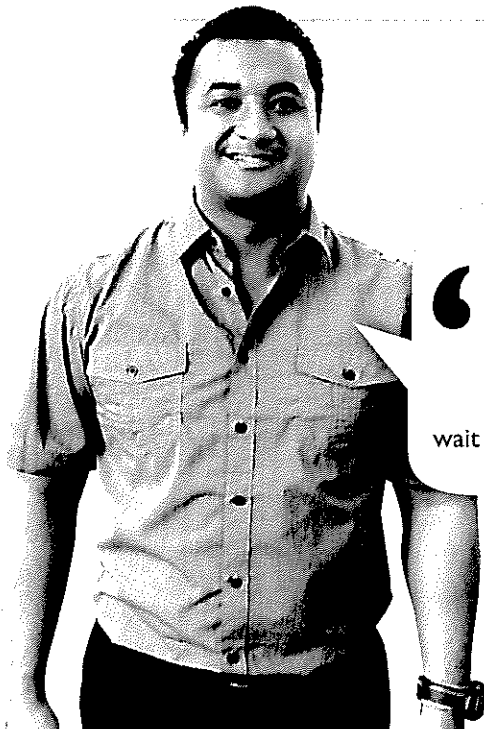


**M**alo e lelei, my name is Mrs Sisitoutai and I am passionate about learning. I have been teaching Mathematics at Papakura High School since the beginning of the school year. Fairfield College was my last school where I taught for about 10 years. Anyway, PHS let me teach in a new exciting environment. I have to say that I've enjoyed working with whanau of Kura and I am looking forward to continue on to work with them in the future.



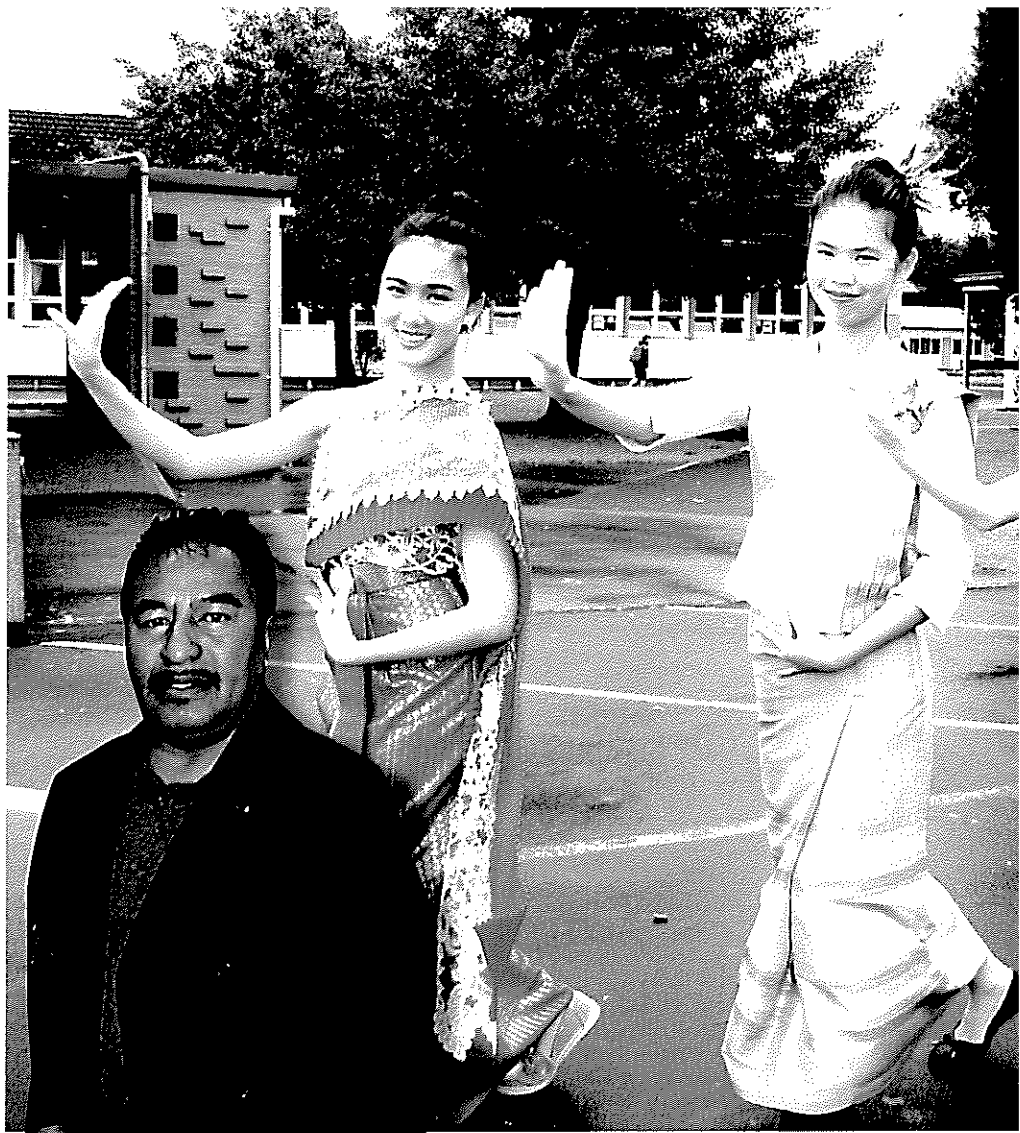
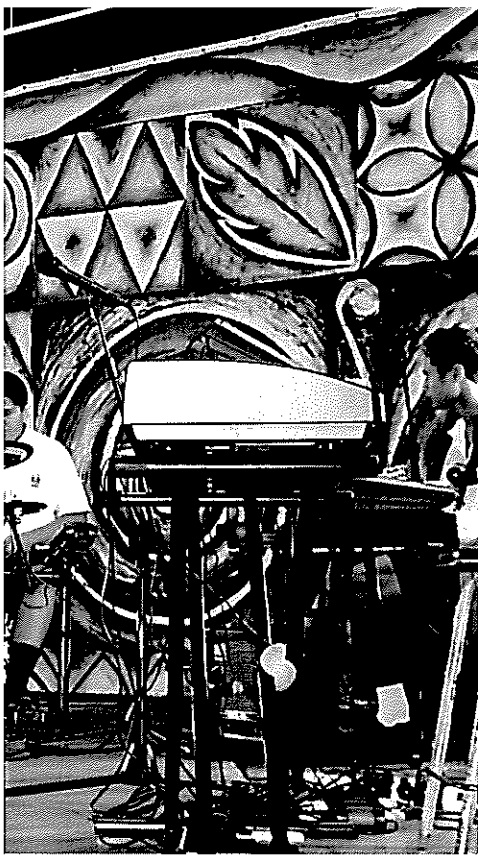
**M**alo 'e lelei everyone, Miss Finau here and I am a new addition to the staff. This year has been a tough year full of surprises, but I have learnt so much about my students and myself during my journey here. I enjoy a good laugh, and watching the latest updates of Greys Anatomy. I secretly wished I was a doctor or that I was a backup singer for Lauryn Hill because they are awesome. One day these things will come to pass and I would have achieved everything that I set out to do in life. Wohooooooooo.

**M**y name is Robyn Zenovich and I have worked at Papakura High School for the last 15 months in my role as the Attendance Officer. I came from Papatoetoe High School where I worked for 12 years supporting students in the Deaf Unit. I am thoroughly enjoying my time at Papakura High School, my role is very challenging yet very rewarding. I meet wonderful students and families every day and I also work with awesome staff. I hope to be here for some time.



“Hi, my name is Grant Uelese and I know what you're thinking: yes, my name does mean 'beautiful.' I think that Papakura High School is a great place to be at and I'm proud to be a part of the 'Kura' way of life here at school. I have enjoyed getting to know all the beautiful students here at our school and I can't wait for next year in 2014. Bring it on!”





# Thailand Student Visit 2013

*I've had the pleasure of being a buddy with the Thai students the last two years. My first buddie was View she taught me about her culture and the way they do things in Thailand.*

**S**he showed me her best cultural food which was delicious and she opened my mind to items I've never tried or wanted to eat. I taught her some of our language for example "Sweet as" and "Kia Ora" and showed her how we do it here in South Auckland. We grew a friendship over our love for travel and instagram. Having the Thai students at our school has been a good experience for us and them, helping them to come out of their comfort zones in a new country and for us learning another culture. I still keep in contact with her and hope to meet her again if I ever go to Thailand. ♦

**Tayla Cressey**









## THE XA UNIT & STUDENTS 2013

*This year the main events for the XA students were an athletics Fun day at Massey Park on the 9th of April, putting on their own Speech & Idol contest (named XA's Got Talent) on 20th August and attending the school ball.*

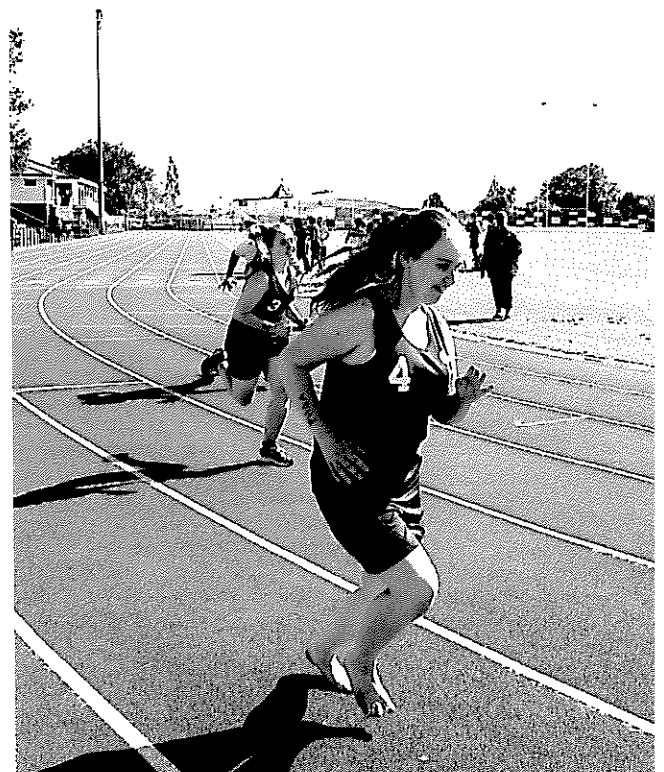
**A**fter the annual Special Olympics Ribbon day at Massey Park was cancelled we organised, in conjunction with several other schools, a Fun Athletics Day at the park on Tuesday, 9th April. At this late stage of the athletic year we had to use a fair degree of persuasion with Auckland Council in order to be allowed to use the track. However, the day was a huge success, with many saying it was better than the organised Special Olympics day. We were appreciative that the sports coordinator Ms Prince attended and helped us throughout the day.

The XA's Got Talent Speech & Idol contest was amazing. Our first event was in 2000 and was mainly speeches with a little entertainment mixed in with the programme. Our contest this year in the school hall was our biggest and was the 12th one the class had produced. A large crowd of whanau, parents, caregivers, teachers, friends and others attended the event. We were especially pleased that Calum Penrose and Brent Catchpole from the Papakura Board gave of their time to be at the contest. The Papakura Courier published a report on the 7th of September 2013. We were delighted to see our students in our local newspaper.





*L-R: Caitlin McLaren receiving her Quota Community Champion Award. Ball lovelies. We did it! The Three Musketeers. The Happy XA family. "This is hard work!" Full steam ahead*







L-R: "We're gonna have a cool time tonight! Something beautiful." *Cattle Call*: XA yodeller Jung Mu Suh. Down at the beach tonight party time.







After a karakia by our Head of Maori, Mr Warren, the students presented ten speeches and 21 Idol items. The theme was again traditional Country and Western. Much effort was put into decorating the hall. We were grateful to Mr Tuhoe for his stunning Country and Western photos that mixed in student photos together with a backdrop of the Stampede saloon in Papakura and to Ms Rabin and Mr Hoyes for setting up the sound system in the hall.

This year, Mr McCoskrie and Ms de Ruyter kindly judged the contest. Our Principal Mr Heron and Deputy Principal Mrs Heywood presented prizes/certificates to the winners. The Idol winners were Tracy Fangalua with her Tongan dance (1st), 'The Yellow Rose of Texas' (2nd) and 3rd equal 'Riding Alone' and 'I'm Gonna Fly'.

The highlight of the night was entertainment by top Country & Western star Dennis Marsh who gave of his time to be at the contest. He gave a fine rendition of humour and singing. The students enjoyed his singing and the fact that he came off the stage to mix in with them. He enthralled the crowd with his portrayal of "How Great Thou Art" and 'The Bridge'.

At the end of the concert everybody mixed and mingled. Many thanks to those who provided food for the occasion. A great conclusion to a successful night that was enjoyed by all.

On the 28th September, 11 XA students attended the school ball; our highest number ever. As usual, everybody had a great time. ♦





## Auckland duo New Zealand's New Junior Masterchefs

*Five teams from around the country have competed in a 90 minute 'Masterchef-like final' to win the first National Secondary Schools Culinary Challenge at Manukau Institute of Technology's School of Culinary and Hospitality today.*

**T**he winners of the Auckland regional competition, Antony Kapeli Su'a and Joy Gesmundo from Papakura High School, claimed the top national prize, beating four other regional winning teams from around the country including Hamilton Boys High School, Inglewood High School, Hastings Girls and Napier Boys High Schools and Heretaunga College.

The national award has been created and overseen by City & Guilds – one of the largest and most respected international examination and accreditation organisations and Manukau Institute of Technology provided one of its teaching kitchens as the venue for the inaugural event.

The five teams of two students had 90 minutes to prepare, cook and present an entrée and main course for four.

Their entrée had to contain a fresh New Zealand grown vegetable, with kumara as the principal component of the dish. The main had to include at least three fresh New Zealand grown vegetables, one of which must be a starch. The protein component of the main had to be a chicken breast with skin on and bone in.

The teams created their own recipes and provided recipes and menu descriptions before the competition began.

The Papakura pair dedicated their win to their teacher Gaynor Matthews. Kapeli Su'a said in his acceptance speech,

“It’s been a privilege to work with her for the past five years doing what I love,” he says. “Without her we wouldn’t have been here today.”

Gesmundo, whose family moved to New Zealand from the Philippines in 2009, echoed this saying, “I dedicate this prize to my teacher. I am really happy and very proud that we have won this award today.”

Gaynor Matthews put the win down to the dedication and creative ideas of the pair. “They have trained really well, they did a huge amount of research and came up with a lot of concepts and ideas themselves and they’ve kept me on my toes,” she says.

Anthony Kapeli-Sua has already been chosen to train under Gordon Ramsay next year in France and Joy Gusmundo hopes to follow a career in cooking or nursing.

Three very senior qualified chefs from New Zealand’s hospitality industry judged the finals. They were Chief Judge: Mark Wylie, Chef and General Manager of Caterplus; Michael Van de Elzen, Chef and TV presenter of ‘The Food Truck’ and John Kelleher, Chef and Senior Lecturer Culinary Arts at AUT.

**C**hief Judge Mark Wylie said the standard the teams shows was well beyond the judges expectations. “The teams have no formal qualifications or industry experience yet a lot of what we saw and tasted was of an industry standard,” he says.

MIT Senior Chef Lecturer and competition Floor Manager, Craig Lucas says, “In the past school hospitality studies have often been seen as a filler subject but with the profile of careers in the culinary industry being raised through television shows such as ‘Masterchef’ students are aware they can make a career out of their passion.”

“Professional chefs are also on Immigration New Zealand’s priority skills list so there’s plenty of jobs when they complete their studies and we are going to need more tertiary trained hospitality staff if we host the next America’s Cup!”

City & Guilds Pacific Regional Manager, Glenn Fulcher says, “It’s been fantastic to see the teams move up another level from the regional competition and the quality of what they produced today has a real restaurant flavour.”

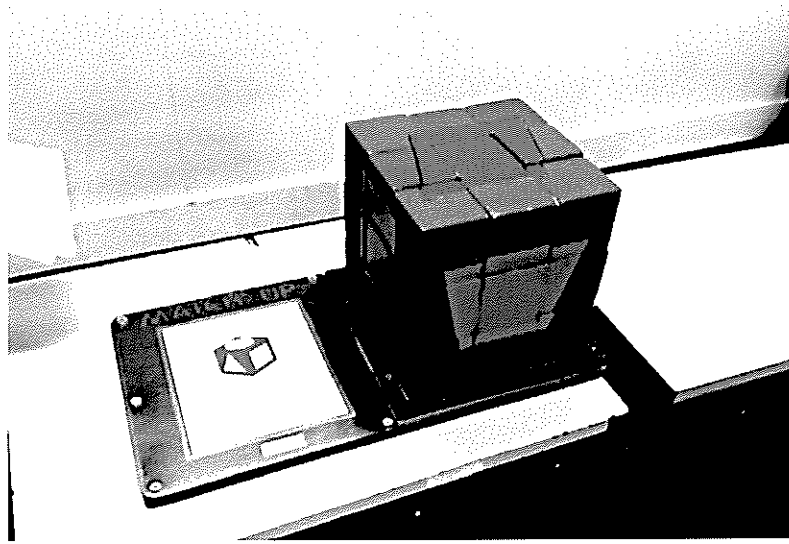
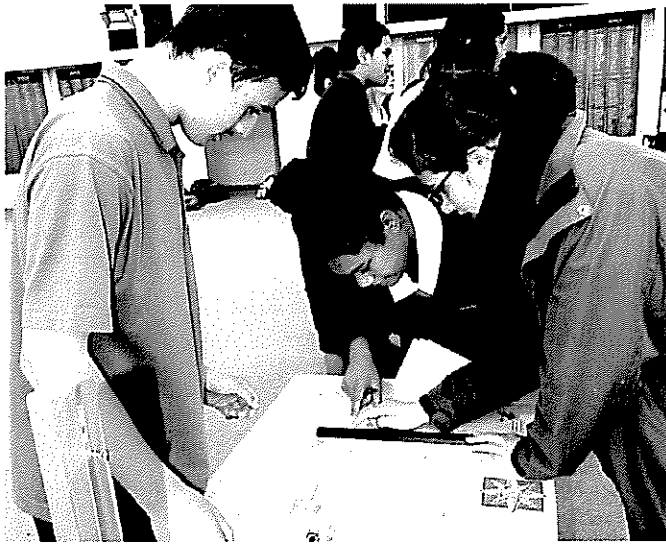
The winning team has won a prize pack worth \$6,000 including a \$2,000 City & Guilds scholarship for each student, a gift pack from [www.vegetables.co.nz](http://www.vegetables.co.nz) and City & Guilds. The winning school receives a \$1,000 Bidvest voucher and get to hold the NSSCC trophy for the year.

City & Guilds would like to recognise the industry support that has made the National Secondary Schools Culinary Challenge possible: [www.vegetables.co.nz](http://www.vegetables.co.nz), Bidvest, Poultry Association of NZ and MIT. ♦

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# Mathematics and Commerce Faculty 2013

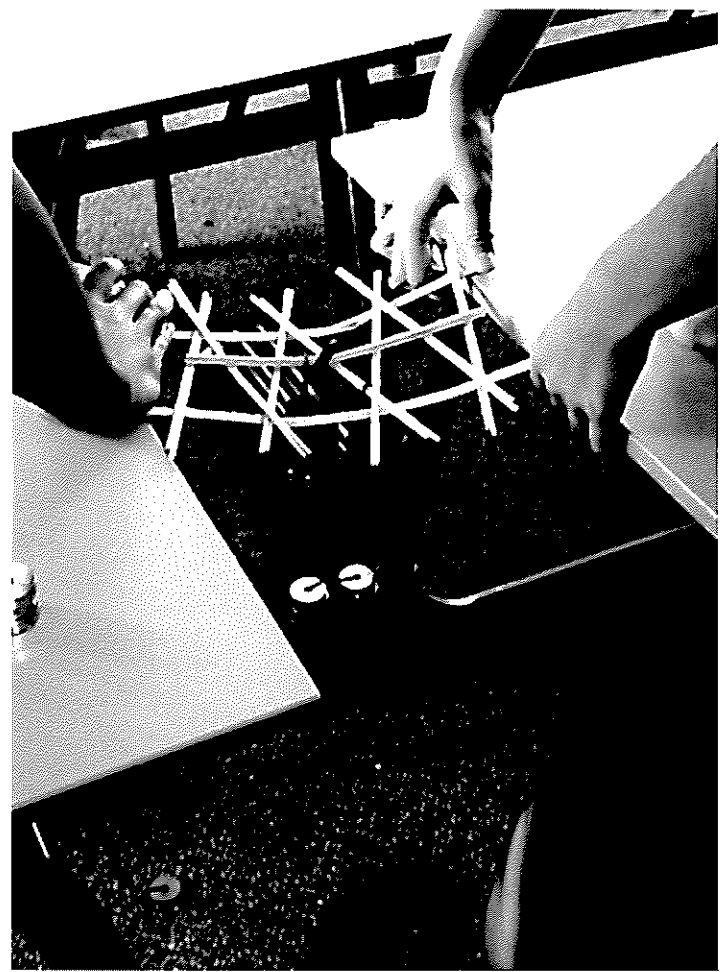
*We have had two new teachers join us this year. Alison Wilson returned to teach permanently after being here for a short amount of time at the end of last year. We also welcome Tafa Sisitoutai who has joined us from down the line.*

**A**rvind Dullabh continues to give up his time to teach a few budding engineers from the Level 3 Calculus class and I know that they really value the time and effort he is investing in them. Thanks again Arvind.

We welcomed a new part-time teacher Alannah Morris (PE) who has made a great impact on her class. It is a challenge teaching outside of a specialist subject area so I thank Alannah for her efforts.

## Competition Results MATHEX

We had a very energetic school Mathex competition this year and we welcomed back another two teams from Mansell to participate alongside our Year 9s. The winners of the school competition were, 9YY, 9CC, 10TX and 10BB. The winning teams from 10TX and 10BB represented us at the Counties Manukau competition at Tuakau college. 10TX finished up joint 3rd with Waiuku College and it went to a tie



breaker. Unfortunately Waiuku beat us to the clock so we came away a happy 4th. Although IOBB weren't placed, their runner received a spot prize for outstanding energy! All teams worked very well together and did us proud. Well done to those competitors and thanks to Ms Joynes and Miss Dunbar for their photography skills!

### AURECON BRIDGE BUILDING COMPETITION

After holding class competitions we entered a team into the Aurecon Bridge Building Competition in August. Materials were sent and the students worked hard after school to construct their bridge. They were accompanied by Mrs Chapman on weighing day but their bridge broke early on in the competition. Better luck next year.

### NEW ZEALAND'S NEXT TOP ENGINEERING SCIENTIST COMPETITION

**T**wo teams entered this competition made up of students from the Level 3 Calculus class. The problem was e-mailed to us at 9am on the day and students had until 6pm to submit their report via e-mail. Students gave up their entire Saturday to take part in the hope of winning cash prizes plus a paid summer internship at Orion Health, Fonterra or the Department of Engineering Science. The

problem was, "The aim of Project Loon is to ensure everyone on the planet has access to the internet, by creating a balloon-powered network. How many balloons would be required to provide balloon-powered internet coverage to all of New Zealand?" Results are out in November.

### NCEA

Last year we outperformed other Decile 2 schools with our LI Numeracy results so well done to those current Yr 12s and their teachers. Our first year of the new L3 Standards has gone well and we'll continue to improve all our courses to fit the needs of the students in front of us. Tutoring on a Thursday has been very quiet this year and I encourage students to get extra help when they need it.

I would like to thank the Mathematics and Commerce faculty teachers who work hard to provide our students with the support they need in and out of class. We have had a few new initiatives this year, including being part of the Sport in Education Project, and focusing on Literacy in our classrooms. I thank the team for their perseverance and flexibility in trying out new ideas throughout 2013. ♦

**Lisa Mortimer**  
**Head of Mathematics and Commerce Faculty**



# Prize Winners 2013

Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
Kalolaine Tuifua	Grace Harvey	Corey Sylva
Nikita Kumar	Rachel Kirtlan	Neeranda Moodley
Quentin Schmidt	Rochelle Cruller	Joy Gesmundo
Cameron Chadwick	Mohamed Hassan	Emma Thomson
Sam Neale	Rosaleen Castle	Aiden Walker-Stevens
Timote Moala-Liava'a	Adarsh Nadan	Jacqlecia Tonga
Manawanui Woonton	Aviata Tanielu	Jazmyne Johnstone
Noble Te Kawa-Taylor	Cherish Bastable	Rachel Burge
Johna Rawiri-Rudman	Dawsie Tate	Rasela Felise
Imogen Brady	Monica Pitman	Samantha Hamer
Marcellus Anderson	Selwyn Koni	May Ah Leong
Emily Thammavongsar	Tayla-Jane Osborn	Nahron Karimo
Chris Tuitea	Tevita Paea	Te One Matthews
Lawrence Dewstow	Thanita Rungroungkul	Rereahu Collier
Richard Kennedy-Walker	Vesi Ah Leong	Tyler Grant
Shavaughan Corr	Curtis Lepua	Georgia Neame
Wahine Shortland	Briana Rogers	Charisse Tawhi
Marcella Nielsen	Samantha Taylor	Danielle Uka
Filisita Kapeli Su'a	Jacob Doyle	Matthew Munro
Reaghan-Anne Hura	Tilisi Foliaki	Jarrold Pihama
Janesh Latchman	Raymond Smart	Ramandeep Singh
Phoenix Pule'anga	Stephen Davies	Antony Kapeli Su'a
Malaney Hawken	Angelitsa Johnson	Michael Trumper
Tevita Leka	Benjamin Abela	Zane Rua
Danii Rawiri-Rudman	Tawhiao Te Kani	<b>XA Students</b>
Taylor Turei	Pine Koiatu	
Faamamalu Saufoi	Tanu Kaur	Tracy Fangalua
Alannah Turner-Parsons	Alexandra Dayberg	Shannon Haynes
Antonino Motuliki	Arthur Crichton	Litesha Moses
Schae Roberts	Jordan Jamieson Mane	Pierre Waitoa
Steven Armstrong	Kisa Malakai	
	Mystic Rakete	<b>+++</b>
<b>Extra Year 12</b>	Ngaro Angell	Ariana Tupoutoa
Georgina Lui	Sahil Mani	Taylor Paora
Noah Burge	Tamanya Patrick	Sikalele Foliaki
Rebecca Pawson	Jalisa Jacobson	





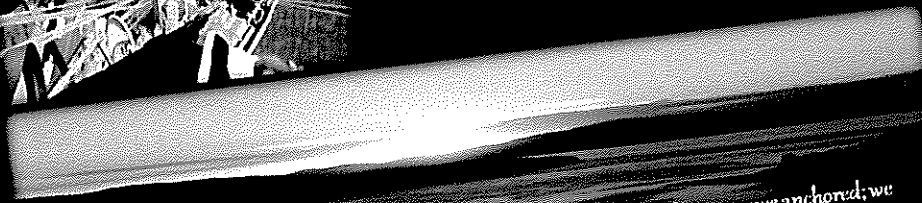
# Spirit of New Zealand

## Spirit Of Adventure

I have recently sailed on the Spirit of Adventure and gained many new friends. Many of the trainees on the Spirit were really fun to be with and just humble people who made me feel at ease.



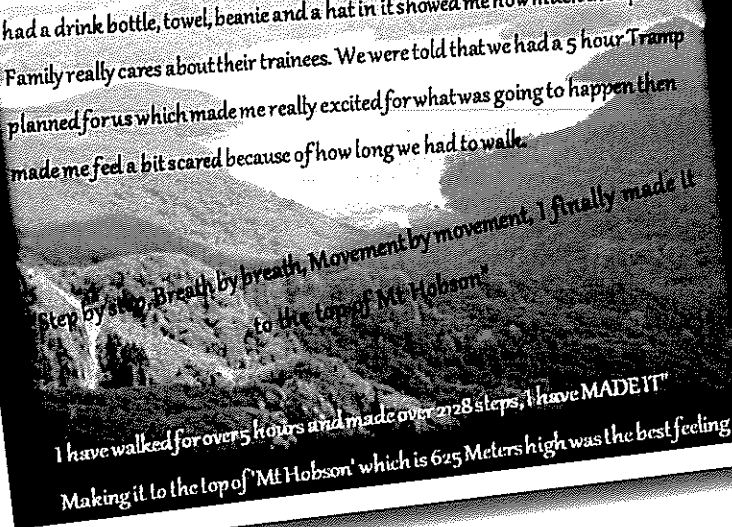
To start off the spirit I had come to my biggest fears which are of Heights. I was really scared to climb the mast, but we were given harnesses and their watch assistants scattered along the mast at different places giving us helpful tips on what to do and just to stay calm. Not only were the watch assistants helpful but the other trainees were helpful from cheering everyone on as if "I was in a game of Rugby", which gave me more confidence to complete the task given.



On one day at 6:00am, we travelled from 'Rawhiti Inlet' to 'Paradise Bay' where once we anchored; we all were taxied across to 'Robinsons Island' to watch the Sunrise. For me, this was the first time I have seen the Sunrise and I will never forget the moment I saw the ray of Sun reach out from over the hills.



DAY 6. This exciting, action packed, fun filled day we were given Backpacks that had a drink bottle, towel, beanie and a hat in it showed me how much the Spirit Family really cares about their trainees. We were told that we had a 5 hour Tramp planned for us which made me really excited for what was going to happen then made me feel a bit scared because of how long we had to walk.



Step by step, Breath by breath, Movement by movement, I finally made it to the top of Mt Hobson!  
I have walked for over 5 hours and made over 2128 steps, I have MADE IT!  
Making it to the top of Mt Hobson which is 625 Meters high was the best feeling

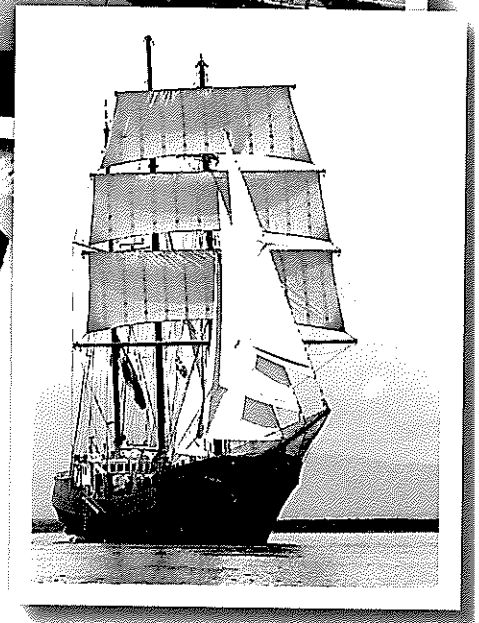


"I went on the Spirit with hopes to gain confidence, but left with Life long memories"

Ceejaye Apiala Beckham



*The 10-day Youth Development Voyage on the sailing ship Spirit of New Zealand helped my character in so many ways! What I got out of the voyage helped me build leadership skills that I will be able to use in the near-future, and the self-confidence needed to embrace any new experience and opportunities I will face in my life.*



**W**ho knew that after ten days on a boat I would understand the word 'teamwork' with more insight, and how to interact and communicate with strangers I now consider friends, and to take responsibility!

The moment you board the ship you are unaware of what to expect and anxious towards the activities you will be faced with. But not only that the new faces that you will have to spend ten days with on board means that anything can happen! But definitely, what you put in is what you get out, so being open-minded about your environment and your new ten

day home means you are bound to have fun from day one! Being scared or restricting yourself from activities will just leave you regretting not making the most of this once in a lifetime opportunity, so having fun and making the most of it was definitely what I was aiming for during the voyage!

So many fun activities I was able to participate in, such as climbing really tall heights, tramping, sailing and various fun group activities meant I was able to make lifelong friends and do things out of my comfort zone that wouldn't be possible had it not been for the opportunity to embark on the Spirit of Adventure journey. It is definitely one of the most memorable experiences ever! ♦ **Georgina Lui**





*A highlight of HASSA is that we're pretty close. This means we can help each other with our work. We like class because we were so close. You get to know each other on a more personal level because of the amount of time spent together.*

**T**awharanui Camp – Level 2 HASSA spent three days camping and studying the beach environment. We read poetry about Pacific immigration, performed cultural routines to experience the significance of Pacific cultures to New Zealand, marked out quadrants and examined the adaptations of periwinkles and experienced the types of physical activity that a typical 'Kiwi' summer entails.

### Health Promotion

A L2 HASSA unit was about improving well-being by running different health promotions like: selling CanTeen bandannas, advertising the Check your Mood survey, making anti-violence displays, talking to junior health classes, making an educational video about Rheumatic fever and putting nutrition facts in the newsletter.

### Homeroom / Whanau

HASSA is good for us year 11s getting used to NCEA because the teachers work so closely together they all know what we've got going on. For example, TI is a really heavy load for PE assessments and a lighter load in other subjects, those other teachers gave us time in their class to do the P.E. assessments. We understand each other more and how we could help each other to learn. We see what each other's strengths are, who to go to for help. An example of this is our homework club where we work with teachers and students to catch up on any school work we need to.

### Diabetes Research Trip

We learnt about the research that's done to do with Diabetes and pregnancy. We met people who actually work in the field of science research and it opened our eyes, we didn't really realise that there were such jobs out there. ♦





# All Blacks Private Coaching Session



*New Zealand Rugby League and Counties Manukau Rugby Union offered Papakura High School a once in a life time opportunity to select 12 students to participate in a Private All Blacks Coaching Session held at Eden Park, Auckland.*

Only 120 students were allowed to attend this private coaching session and these students came from schools across the wider Auckland Region. Three schools from South Auckland were selected and we were fortunate enough to be one of them. Our students all received t-shirts, info packs and wrist bands so that two of their family members could also be with them on this special day!

The Coaching Clinic was split up into six specialist coaching areas which were run by the All Blacks in those specific positions. Over a 1 hour period various skills and drills were taught, with time at the end for questions and answers. Feedback from the students was awesome, they all learnt new skills taught by the All Blacks and the excitement on their faces says it all. Out of the 120 students, two of our students were named "Player of the day" within their specialised coaching area. Well done to Kisa Malakai and Stevie-Ray Te Kawa. Hopefully this experience will remain a great memory for all our students who were involved!

The link below gives a small insight of our day!

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=1261jnGrc1c](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1261jnGrc1c)

Special THANKS too:

Paul Wheeler from Rugby New Zealand for the invitation.

All the family members who came in support.

Abe Warren and Peter Heron for support and help with transportation.

Well done to our students:

Raven Daniels, Moesha Dixon, Tyler James, Frederique Le-manu, Kisa Malakai, Taylar Paora, Thanita Rungrongkul, Wendy Savieti, Quentin Schmidt, Raymond Smart and Stevie-Ray Te Kawa. ♦

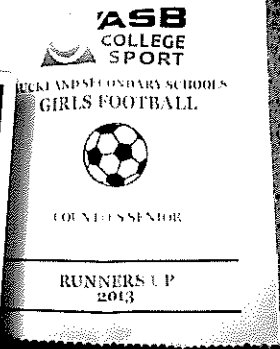
**Alicia Prince**  
**Sports Coordinator**



From the top L-R: Taylor Paora, Fred Lemanu , 4 World Cup Captains, PHS students, Thanita, Wendy, Kisa and Stevie-Ray, The Mighty All Blacks, Abe with the Rugby World Cup, Quentin Schmidt, Kisa and Stevie-Ray



# Girls Soccer



nce again, our team was made up of junior and senior players from Year 9 to 13. The girls took part in the Counties Manukau U19 Seniors League and competed against nine other local schools. There were two main targets for the year:

- To improve fitness levels
- To improve basic skills to enable the team to maintain possession

The team was also entered for the second time into the national tournament in September which this year was held at McLennan Park in Papakura.

The league season began in emphatic style with a 15-0 win over Manurewa's second eleven. Marcella Nielsen managed to score ten goals in the game which is an incredible feat. A 4-1 win at Pukekohe in the next game gave further cause for optimism but then the team travelled to Waiuku who had been playing Premier grade competition last year and went down 3-1.

The team then lost a few players in mid-season and at one point, it was becoming a struggle to field 11 players. Only eight players showed up for a game against Manurewa first eleven and as a result, lost 5-1. With ten players, the team managed to see off Tuakau College 2-0 and a good win against Strathallan College followed which meant that the girls had finished the league section in second place. This was a really creditable achievement given the lack of players for some games.

During the season, training was held each Monday after school and there was a big improvement in attendance. The girls learnt new skills and had some fun at the same time. Only six players had played the previous year for the school so there were a number of new players this year.

As the girls had finished in the top four of their league they now played a quarter final against Waiuku which was lost 2-1. The team had no goalkeeper and were without Micaela Feldtman for this game which was a pity as this was a game that could have been won. The second half was played with ten players due to an injury.

The team then faced Pukekohe in a play off for the final and won 4-0. The final was played at Waiuku, our third trip there this season, as the girls lost 3-0.

The team attended the national tournament in the first week of September and looked to try and improve upon their placing from last year where they finished sixteenth. Games against St Dominics, Kerikeri, Waitakere College and Gisborne Girls proved to be tough assignments but a very creditable draw was achieved against Western Springs.

A win against Paeroa College ensured the girls made the final for 19th place against a team they had played earlier in the tournament, St Dominics. A much improved team performance saw the team go down narrowly 1-0.

As coach, I'd like to thank Kirsty Ashworth, our captain, and Micaela Feldtman (vice captain) for their work and help with the team this year. Your passion for the game is amazing.

A big thank you to our manager, Miss Mortimer, for supporting the girls throughout the season and for the time she has put in to organise activities for the girls. I'd also like to thank our parents for their continued support. It is very much appreciated. We have enjoyed a lot of help and support from our Sports Coordinator, Mrs Prince, this year so a big "thank you" from us all.

Lastly, I'd like to say a big thank you to all the players in the team. It has been a blast and it has always been a rewarding experience coaching you. To see you improve as a player with a smile on your face has been very fulfilling. I say to you as ever, stay in the game and have fun! ♦ **Mr Braunton**

# Senior Boys & Girls Touch



*Senior Boys and Girls Touch Teams were played over a 6 week period Touch Competition earlier this year, held at Bruce Pulman Park, involving six South Auckland Secondary Schools.*

**T**hanks to Jane Dunbar for her support and Management once again, and all the help she provides me with the Touch Teams and especially with the Girls Touch Team. Both teams made it through to the Semi-Finals but unfortunately they didn't make the top two to qualify for the Auckland Regionals and again not making Nationals. Overall the Boys were placed 2nd and the Girls came 3rd in their sections.

I've nominated my Players of the Year, because of their commitment to training, good listeners, leadership, respect to me and team mates, knowing my goals and what I wanted out of players and to get Papakura High School to Nationals every year: Jalisa Jacobson for the girls and Tyler Grant for the boys. ♦







*For the third year running Papakura High School has been the host school for the National Secondary Schools Rugby League Tournament organised by New Zealand Rugby League. It all started with 24 school teams arriving from all over New Zealand to Papakura High School to kick start this Tournament.*

**S**tudents from Papakura High School volunteered to assist with the organisation of the Rugby League Tournament throughout the week. They did everything from setting up the hall for a meet and greet with all our guests, they were ball runners and caterers. Our students assisted where needed and their efforts were greatly appreciated by New Zealand Rugby League.

Another two students Briana Rodgers and Destiny Tapiki were selected to sing the National Anthem before the finals took place on the last day of Tournament. These young ladies sounded amazing, looked very smart and represented our school with immense pride.

Our Papakura High School Rugby League XIII team did extremely well throughout the tournament. Facing some hard competition our boys managed to win against Tu Toa (40-20) Southern Cross (24-16) Tangaroa (16-10) and unfortunately

lost to Kelston Boys (34-0). Our Cup Final saw us up against Tokorua High School, it was a very close and intense game; however our boys were very determined and managed to walk away with the WIN!

A lot of time and effort went into making this tournament a success, I would like to acknowledge and thank the following people:

- Mita Tupaea for the organisation of all our volunteers.
- Lewis Hori, Coach of the Rugby league XIII team.
- Ray Tanielu, Driver of the Rugby league XIII team.
- Alicia Prince, for her awesome management..... lol....
- Briana Rodgers and Destiny Tipiki, our anthem singers.
- Gaynor Matthews and her hospitality team.
- Abe Warren and our awesome Kapa Haka group.
- NZRL for providing the opportunity to participate and host.

A special thanks to our volunteers:

Frederique Lemanu, Cejaye Apiata-Beckham, Maleka Busch, Shavaughan Corr, Stephan Davies, Robert Downes, Simi Felise-Vitale, Ryan Hall, Hinerangi Isaac, Daimyn Nagle, Rebecca Pawson, Tarran Ropata, Stevie-Ray Te Kawa, Ariana Tupouto'a, Georgia Walker and Tyra Williams. ♦

**Alicia Prince**

*Our Kapa Haka group welcome all our visitors on with an outstanding performance, the Powhiri was a proud moment and our students did an exceptional job. From here it was **GAME ON!***



*Our Papakura High School Rugby League XIII team did extremely well throughout the tournament. Facing some hard competition, our boys managed to win*



# Sports Day



*It was an awesome Sports Day this year!!! It was good to go back to Massey Park and witness all the fun and commitment for our school.*

**P**apakura High embraced the day by dressing up in their house colours, and participating in as many events as they could to help support their houses!!!

We had some excellent athletes who competed in long distance running, sprints and some awesome talent was shown on the field events such as long jump and shot put.

We also had some great costumes this year. Trish Ana and I dressed as Thing 1 and Thing 2 supporting the best house being COBHAM!!!!!! Mr Ng won best dressed teacher

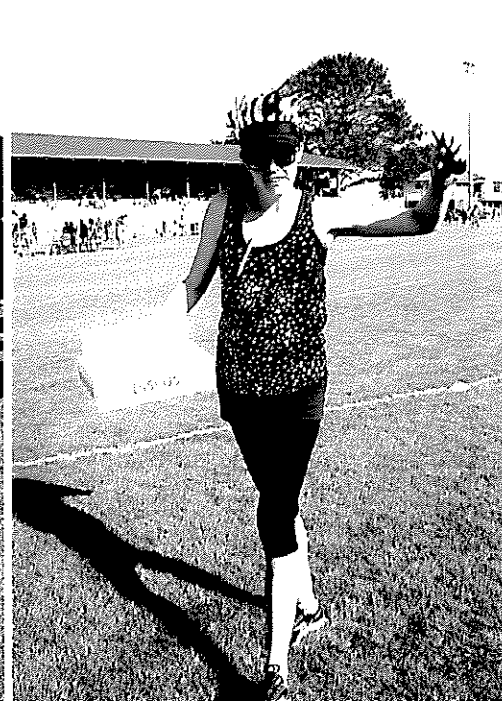
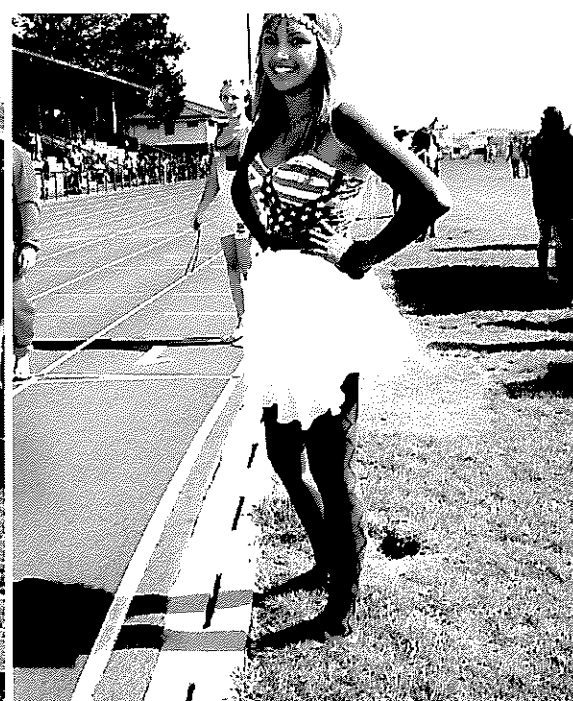
dressing as a Nun "lucky he shaved his legs" or that would've been a scary sight. It was really good to see everyone enjoying themselves and with the help from our Polyfest groups we were supplied with delicious food and drinks.



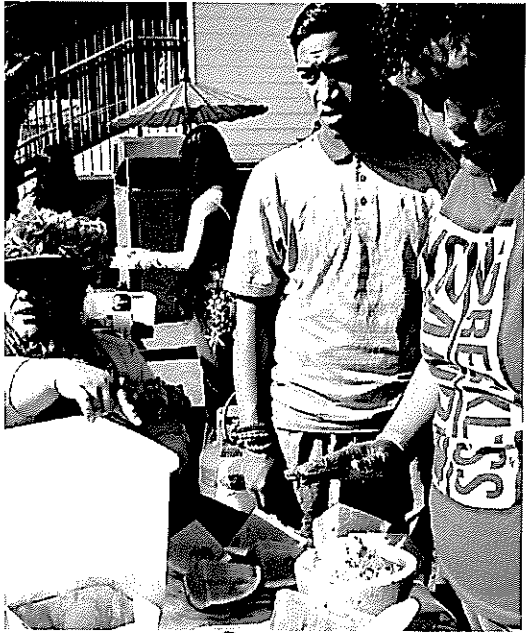
Thank you to all the teachers and PE staff who helped make this year possible and to the Ex-students who helped run events.

I hope use have another great year next year!! GO COBHAM!!!!!! ♦

**Tayla Cressey and Tris Ana Day**











## 2013 in the Library

This year has seen the library take a slightly different direction. While research and reading encouragement is always a focus, we have also been incorporating the 4 values that the PB4L team are promoting school wide. We have been teaching those values as being fundamentals in every aspect of teaching and learning at PHS. 'Positive Behaviour for Learning' (PB4L) is something you will hear more and more about in the coming year. All of our school community, teachers included, will be learning and developing ways to both model and teach it in all areas of school life.

### *Ako*

Teachers as learners and learners as teachers.

### *Kaitiakitanga*

Guardianship of and respect for ourselves, others and our environment.

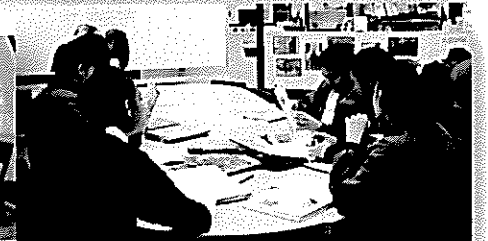
### *Whanaungatanga*

School and community as one family.

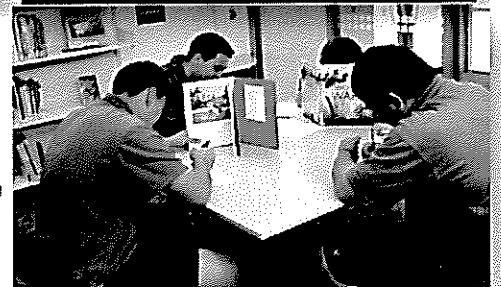
Relationships at the heart of learning.

### *Mahi*

Striving for personal excellence in everything we do.



*Classes  
practising  
Mahi and Ako*



## Events Held in the Library



A Tea Party to welcome all the new teachers to PHS and to wish them well on their journey with our awesome students. Some were newbies from half way through 2012, but we really wanted to get to know them and introduce ourselves as The Library Team aka M&Ms (Marina and Maraia).

