



# K Headlines KAIPARA

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## Authenticity

Ever since modern schooling began, parents have been helping their children with their homework or school assignments. This help can take many forms from driving children to museums, spell checking written work, making suggestions, helping with research etc. This is good. It shows parents have an interest in their child's schooling and makes learning a family affair. **However**, it is very important that the final piece of work handed in to the teacher for assessing is authentic - in other words, the student's own original work. Assisting your child with their home work is good – doing it for them is not. This is very important especially as students move into NCEA in their senior college years. This is a problem in many New Zealand schools although it does not appear to be a major one at Kaipara. For further clarification see the section headed **ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES** in the 2014 Student Diary or speak to your child's Dean or Form Teacher.

## Gateway Courses Prove a Popular and Useful Option

Over fifty Kaipara senior students have enrolled in the 2014 Gateway Programme. The programme aims to give participating students an opportunity to take part in work exploration in their chosen fields. It allows students to experience the world of work while still carrying on their studies at school. To enrol in the programme students must give an undertaking to keep up with their normal studies while being out on work-placement. Students not only gain experience but also earn valuable credits toward NCEA. In addition they are also expected to complete Workplace First Aid and Health and Safety Courses. (See below). Careers Adviser Ms Claire Couch and Gateway Coordinator, Mrs Marie Paulsen agree that interest in the Gateway Programme is high and the yearly intake of interested students is growing steadily.



(Above): Pulses being checked, eyes and wrists bandaged, patients being resuscitated – who knew that the Careers Room could be such a dangerous place? From left to right): Maygan Rollinson, Stephanie Olliver, Courtney Soole, Rachael Kim, Josh Allen, Kamrin May, Michael Brown and Jim.

## Whatever happened to Melissa Haven – nee Burnett? (Kaipara College 2002 - 2003)

Melissa left Kaipara at the end of 2003 going straight into Police Training College in Porirua. At 17 years old she was the youngest female to be accepted into the police force. At age eighteen Melissa graduated and began working on the frontline at Henderson Police Station attending burglaries, domestics, car crashes and assaults. Last year marked her tenth year in the police force and she now works as a Community Constable.

In the outside world, Melissa is married, (to an ex-Kaipara College boy) and lives in Helensville. She enjoys makeup artistry, cooking, health and fitness and spending her time with family and friends. To keep fit she spends time boxing at the local gym. Melissa loves the police force. She says that she works with great people and enjoys getting out into the community and meeting people from all walks of life. The job has variety and no two days are the same. Sounds like a career path well worth considering.



# SPORTS NEWS

## DRAW: Starting Monday 17 March

<b>TENNIS</b>		<b>Monday 17 March</b>	
Boys 1	v Pinehurst 4	Albany TP	3.45pm
Boys 2	v Kingsway 1	Kingsway	3.45pm
Girls 1	v Westlake 2	Raut Park	3.45pm
Girls 2	v St Marys	Raut Park	3.45pm

## TOUCH MIXED finals Tuesday 18 March

Senior 1	tba
Senior 2	tba

## RESULTS: Starting Monday 10 March

<b>TENNIS</b>		<b>Monday 10 March</b>	
Boys 1	v Westlake 6	default	win
Boys 2	v Westlake 10	5-1	win
Girls 1	v Kristin 1	2-4	loss
Girls 2	v Takapuna 1	6-0	win

## TOUCH MIXED Tuesday 11 March

Senior 1	v Orewa	6-5	win
Senior 2	v Northcote	4-8	loss

## Waka Ama Success at Auckland Sprints

Seven Kaipara College teams competed in the recent Auckland Sprint Championships held at Orakei Basin. Many weekends of practice paid off with the teams being well placed including a First for the Under 16 mixed crew. The results were as follows:

- Under 16 mixed, W12, 1<sup>st</sup> place championship final
- Under 16 boys 250m 2<sup>nd</sup> place championship final
- Under 16 girls 500m 2<sup>nd</sup> place championship final
- Under 19 girls 500m 2<sup>nd</sup> place championship final
- Under 16 boys 500m 3<sup>rd</sup> place championship final



## Heads Up #1

### Wednesday 2 April: Pathways Reporting Day

This day and evening have been set aside for parents to make appointments to see their children's Form Teachers to discuss progress to date in all subjects and how they have settled in to the first term. Written Settling-in Reports will be given out during the interview which will last approximately 20 minutes. There will be no normal school that day.

## Heads Up #2

### Thursday 17 April: Teacher Only Day

All staff will be attending a one day in-service course based the SOLO Taxonomy\*. The course will be facilitated by educationalist Jan Hook and will be held at the college. School will not be open to students on that day. Wednesday 16 April is the final day of Term 1 for all students.

\***SOLO Taxonomy?** Read more about it in your child's STUDENT DIARY.



## Sean Thompson – Scholarship Winner

2013 Year 13 student Sean Thompson earned a Painting Scholarship at the end of last year. His painting teacher and Art Faculty Head, Mrs Leah Wilson was pleased but not surprised. "Sean's work shows incredible sophistication and confidence and is well worthy of this scholarship", she stated. Sean's scholarship work will join a national folio of exemplars available to future scholarship art students.

Left: Sean Thompson

Right: Detail from Sean's portfolio



## From the Sick Bay

A sore throat can be caused by Strep A bacteria (often known as strep throat). If this bacteria is not treated it can lead to Rheumatic fever and heart damage. If a child in your family has a sore throat, get them checked by the school nurse or your doctor. Every time.



# COMING UP

20	March	Thursday	Greater Auckland Athletic Championships
24-28	March	Week 8	Waka Ama Nationals (Rotorua)
2	April	Wednesday	Pathway Reporting Day – full school day and evening
8	April	Tuesday	College Golf Championships
9, 10, 11, 12	April		Senior Drama Performance (Evenings)
16	April	Wednesday	Last day of Term 1 for students
17	April	Thursday	Teacher Only Day End of Term 1

For careers, scholarship and contact information see either Ms Couch by making an appointment through the main office or ringing direct (09) 420 8640 Ext 835