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Yahoo!!!! The 2016 edition of the Spotswood College School Magazine has finally been put together and we have made it to the printers on time.

I would like to thank the dedicated group of Year 13's that helped me with this year's magazine.

A sincere thank you also to my teaching colleagues who have stepped up to the plate and helped me with the proof reading duties.

Lastly to Tony Peters our photographer extraordinaire, thank you so much for fitting into your busy days, time to take the amazing photographs that appear in our publication.

John O'Keefe

Spotswood College Magazine Editor/Co-ordinator



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT TO SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

Haere mai, haere mai, naumai ki tena kura E ki ma, e koro ma, e rau rangitira ma Haere mai, haere mai, naumai

Mr Chairman, Kuia Andrys, Kaumatua Uncle Jimmy Pokere and Mr Barry Finch, distinguished guests, Board Members, PTA Members, Komiti Maori members, Staff, Students, Parents, Family and Whanau - welcome to our 2016 Senior Prizegiving.

Your collective support of our students and our school is greatly appreciated particularly tonight as we acknowledge and celebrate the development of good young people. Our prizegiving recognizes the skills, the knowledge and the attitudes that our senior students have integrated into their lives as they prepare for their next step in the journey of life.

Our school vision statement...."developing young people of good character with the skills and knowledge to contribute to the increasingly complex and connected global society" implies, rather than explicitly stating, that the preparation and development of young people is to enable them to participate and contribute to our community (local or global) primarily through the world of work. It is about work and its link to learning that I want to spend a little time exploring with you in the first part of my address.

In Term II I was very privileged to be granted a sabbatical – some of which was R & R and some of which I spent investigating what other schools and their communities are doing to assist young people move from school to work. I share with you an overview of my 'thoughts' and 'findings'.

On an individual basis work is an inherently creative and fulfilling activity, people learn and apply skills and knowledge usually by working with others to gain a level of financial independence and a sense of mastery of their own destiny including access to other education options and having choices and a sense of purpose and meaning. As communities, work provides the basis of economic development, social engagement and the provision of shared facilities; so as such, planning and educating for work must be a critical part of what we do in schools.

Significant debate centres around the extent to which schools should be involved in preparing students for the work place. Should schools become vocational training institutions or should their focus be on providing a holistic liberal education where the skills of learning are taught to enable and empower students to apply those skills once they have jobs; educated rather than trained.

Clearly both points of view have merit but demographic evidence is forcing a level of urgency in the issue of youth employment.

In coming years New Zealand will be facing a number of significant challenges in the labour market – labour shortages stemming from an aging population, the management of large scale immigration designed to address skill shortages and high levels of youth unemployment and its associated social impact.

Demographer Professor Paul Spoonley from Massey University points out that Taranaki will be the first province in New Zealand where people over 65 will outnumber 0 – 14 year olds. The impact of this change requires significant planning from educators, employers and both local and national government. With students staying at school longer all schools have had to review their curriculum. With only 30% of secondary school leavers opting to go to university schools across the country have had to offer a curriculum that better meets the needs of the 70% of students who move straight from school to work or to trade training or similar.

Our own community is rising to the demographic and skill shortage challenges through the development of the Taranaki Futures Trust. This Trust established by Employers, Secondary and Tertiary Educationalists as well as Iwi and Civic leaders has embraced the vision of ...

"Strong Employment, Strong People, Stronger Communities"

Educationalists and employers recognize the need to communicate more effectively to ensure young people are work ready when they leave school and that employers are youth ready to assist young people into the world of work.

A Work Ready Passport assessed by employers has been introduced in a number of regions. The Passport gives invaluable feedback to young people and identifies if indeed they are ready for work or need to return to school.

Across the country community groups such as Taranaki Futures are working to formalize the school to work transition that was once an assumed and informal process where young people were introduced to employers through the community connections made via Sports Clubs, Churches, Neighbourhoods, Clubs and cultural activities.

Spotswood College has been very active in the school to work transition process for many years through our Gateway Programme. Mrs McLean has led a highly effective programme where students have had the

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experience of learning in real-life work places whilst gaining work related qualifications.

Gateway has enabled students to experience the world of work so that they can better plan their individual vocational pathways.

Schools have made significant changes in response to the challenges of youth employment. With this change, Communities need to understand the challenges and to appreciate that the number of students gaining entrance to University or the number of scholarships attained by academic students can no longer be the only valid measure of an effective school.

A recent report "What Next? - Addressing New Zealand's Youth Unemployment" written by Alan Johnson for the Salvation Army recommends five responses to the challenges of skill shortages and youth employment.

- 1. Educational inequality must be addressed
- 2. Schools need to be connected to work
- 3. More apprenticeships need to be available to school leavers.
- Immigration policies need to be further developed as part of coherent plans to address skill shortages
- 5. Industry needs to develop long-term strategic workforce plans that include the recruitment and training of young people.

Part-time work, the Gateway Programme, Trades
Academy learning at WITT, holiday jobs, voluntary work
and working with parents are all extremely important
work focused experiences. Research suggests that
the more of these experiences young people have
then the more success they are in gaining meaningful
employment. Students need guidance, support and
encouragement from teachers, parents and employers
to transition successfully into the workforce. Students,
you need to know, that choice of career is never easy,
never perfect nor cut and dry, using strategies like PMIs
to make the best choice is what is required. Developing
the soft skills of work while you are at school is critical
to becoming work ready. The soft skills include:

- punctuality and attendance
- co-operation and working with others
- following instructions and working hard to learn new skills
- ongoing learning
- striving for excellence
- all of our E TŪ values and skills!

Teachers are central in assisting young people in their transition to adult life which of course includes work. Teachers at our school recognize the issues of social change that impact upon, and change, their work. As already stated teachers have reviewed and modified

not only the content of programmes of learning but they are also working hard to use teaching strategies that better meet the needs of 21st Century learners. Greater use of E Learning Strategies, constant use of data and evidence to inform teaching, involving students in shaping their learning by relating contexts to the real life experiences, helping students to discover who they are and to positively identify with their cultural and family backgrounds and making the link between learning and earning are all strategies that our teachers are constantly developing and improving upon. It is the work of our teachers that has once again helped students to achieve as individuals and lifted achievement across the school. Achievement for Level 3 students has been a focus, and our projected results indicate significant improvement as a result. My thanks to all staff, teaching and support staff, for their commitment, energy, enthusiasm and care for our rangatahi.

Achievement highlights from 2016 have included:-

- Teachers have worked really hard through our Kia Eke Panuku Professional Learning Project to develop their cultural and relational teaching strategies which are leading to improved outcomes for all students but particularly for Maori students.
- NCEA results continue to improve
- Regional and national success in the Spelling Bee Competition
- significant Maths and Science Fair placings
- National Culinary Competition achievement
- Oratory Competition winners
- Music accolades through Jazz and Band Competitions, Spotty Idol and Orchestra in a day
- Kapa Haka placings in Regional Competitions
- Chess team success
- Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival
- Local, Regional and National Sporting successes across a range of team and individual sports as celebrated at our recent Sports Prizegiving.

As in most years there are a number of staff changes for next year. Mrs Beverley McLean is retiring after 16 years leading our Gateway Programme. Her leadership of Gateway and Transition programmes has been admired across the country. In fact we have just received notification that the funding for Gateway 2017 has increased due to the success of Mrs McLean and her team over recent years. As the energetic person she is Beverley has a number of projects planned for her retirement. We wish her and Neil all the very best for retirement and the opportunities it presents.

Mrs Judy Bance who has worked in our Special Education Faculty for the past 15 years is also retiring

at the end of the year. Judy's calm and measured approach to her work with students and with staff will be missed by both groups. We are grateful of Judy's loyalty and commitment and wish her a well-earned and enjoyable retirement.

A number of teachers who have been in long-term relieving positions leave us to undertake new positions and challenges.

Mr Gerard Clark will continue building his Kip McGrath teaching and tutoring business. His contribution, particularly to Chemistry, has been greatly appreciated.

With Mr Stanford's return from a year's leave, Mrs Tanya Harris leaves us at the end of the year. She has worked extremely hard in our Maths Faculty gaining the respect of both students and her colleagues. She takes up a new position at Coastal Taranaki School.

Mr Moss Leauga has been a teacher who has willingly learned new teaching strategies within new curriculum areas. His calm and steady approach has assisted students and impressed teachers.

Mr Hamish Montgomery has willingly filled a number of positions across the curriculum this year. His passion and care for students and his involvement in junior rugby has been a significant contribution to our school.

Mr Hohepa Thompson, who taught in the Art Department during Ms Scott's maternity leave, fitted easily into our school. His Art teaching and involvement in rugby and snow sports has been greatly valued this year.

As we continually seek community input into the ongoing development and improvement of our school we are very mindful of the contribution made by a number of diverse and committed groups of students, parents and community members.

Following Trustee Elections in May we have an almost entirely new Board of Trustees. The new Board are excited by their role and have worked hard to understand our School so that they can plan for the Strategic Development of Spotswood College into the future. Special thanks to Mr Smart for his role as Chairperson over the past term and for assisting in the transition from the previous Board to the new Board by remaining as Chairperson for this year.

Komiti Maori are developing a strategic vision for Maori Achieving as Maori within our school. A written action plan will encourage and empower Whanau to partner with us in our goals for Maori student achievement.

As well as their fundraising activities the PTA are keen to promote the vision of our school as a truly community school. They have met with Komiti Maori in this regard and are keen to have a joint approach to our 2017 Winter Gala.

With new leaders of the Special Education Faculty and the sign-off of the new Special Needs Unit the Parents Consultative Group have had much to consider. The MOE has also been reviewing the delivery of Special Education and have signaled a name change from Special Education to Learning Support. The name change challenges us to consider more carefully the implications and strategies of inclusiveness across our school.

Student groups – Prefects, Student Council, Year Group Leaders and Sport Captains have all contributed to our school during 2016. Feedback is clear regarding improved opportunities for students to mix and mingle across year levels. Changes to the Whanau Group structure will facilitate this during 2017.

We are mindful of the support we gain from past students through our Alumni. We are very grateful of the work done by Mr Gayton to link this group to our school keeping the communication and dialogue regular and active.

To our leavers – we wish you well for your future. Thank you for the contribution you have made to our school as individuals and as a group. We believe you are well prepared for life after school but want to encourage you to continue with your learning, continue to give to others and hold fast to the vision of being the very best person that you can be.

Take considered risks and don't be paralysed by the fear of failure – too many people become frustrated and defeated by their fear of failure.

Learn new skills, challenge yourself, establish effective relationships, contribute positively to your family and your community – live life fully.

Many of you have read the Michael Jordan quotation on the wall in my office. It reads:

"I have missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I have lost almost 300 games. On 26 occasions I have been entrusted to take the game winning shot, and missed. I have failed over and over again in my life... and that is why I succeed."

Thank you to all members of our school community, your many and varied contributions throughout 2016 have made a difference to our students and to our school.

As always I have appreciated your ideas and challenges for improvement and been grateful of your support and encouragement, your kindness and courtesy.

No reira, tena koutou tena koutou tena tatou katoa

STAFF REPORT

At Spotswood College we are most certainly fortunate to have a staff (both Teaching Staff and Support Staff) who are passionate about their jobs and who care greatly for our students.

To staff who are leaving we thank you for your contribution to our school and wish you well for your next adventure.

Korihi ake nga manu – With the dawn of a new beginning
Takiri mai te ata – comes a sense of wellbeing and
Ka ao ka ao ka awatea – optimism
Tihei mauri ora

MRS BEVERLEY MCLEAN

Mrs McLean has been in charge of Gateway and Transition at our school for the past 16 years. She has worked tirelessly to build a programme that is the envy of many schools. She has successfully developed highly effective relationships with hundreds of local employers to ensure our students have learned about their chosen vocation in safe and supportive real life contexts. She has been the catalyst for students transitioning successfully into the workforce. Her calm and positive enthusiast manner has endeared her to staff, to employers and to students. We wish Beverley all the very best for retirement and for the plans she is developing for her post teaching vocational pathway!

MRS JUDY BANCE

Mrs Bance has worked as a Teacher Aide in the Special Education Faculty since 2002. Judy has always developed quiet and respectful relationships with her students that have enabled them to achieve within mainstream classes. Her care and consistency of nature has provided safety and security for students in her care. We wish Mrs Bance the very best for her retirement.

MR KEVIN ROWLANDS

Mr Rowlands retired at the end of Term II. Although he will continue to do relief teaching in Taranaki Schools Mr Rowlands will spend his retirement pursuing his passions of Kite Surfing, Surfing and Windsurfing. We have particularly appreciated his significant re-equipping and re-organising of the workshops over recent years. All the very best for your retirement Mr Rowlands.

MR GERARD CLARK

Mr Clark has been a long term reliever in our Science Faculty. His ability to teach Chemistry has been greatly valued by students and by his colleagues within the Science Faculty. Mr Clark has been a most willing "roll-up your sleeves" and "get on with it" person who has ensured the continuity of teaching within the Science Faculty. We have been grateful of his knowledge and expertise as well as his willingness to step into roles at short notice.

MRS TANYA HARRIS

Mrs Harris has become an integral part of our Maths Faculty. She has worked extremely conscientiously to meet the needs of our Maths students. Her wide experience, her knowledge and expertise across a range of subjects and interests has contributed much to our school. We are very grateful for the work she has done relieving for Mr Stanford during 2016.

MR MOSS LEAUGA

Mr Leauga began 2016 relieving for Mr Dunnet while he completed his Royal Society study leave. Later in the year Mr Leauga changed from Science to English and in doing so demonstrated just what an able teacher he is. We have appreciated his quiet consistency both in his classrooms and in our staffroom.

MR HAMISH MONTGOMERY

Mr Montgomery has demonstrated a real care for students as he taught across a range of subject areas during 2016. His commitment to the junior rugby team was a real bonus in his contribution to our school. We wish Hamish all the best for his study during 2017.

MATUA HOHEPA THOMPSON

Matua Hohepa relieved for Ms Aly Scott during her maternity leave. Hohepa's ability to develop and

maintain highly effective learning relationships with students has resulted in their achievement and success. His junior rugby team gained much from his input as did our snow sport students. We wish Hohepa well for his new and exciting venture in the Manawatu.

MR ROBERT GREENFIELD

Mr Greenfield is taking leave for 2017 and will return to us in 2018. During his leave Mr Greenfield will pursue his study of Classical Guitar as well as taking time to devote to his family.

MR GLENN JOLLY

Mr Jolly joined our staff in Term III replacing Mr Rowlands in the Technology Faculty. Coming across town from Waitara High School Mr Jolly has quickly endeared himself to both staff and students. His energy and positivity has been appreciated by all.

MS ALY SCOTT

Ms Scott returned to us from maternity leave at the start of Term IV. We look forward to her contribution back in the Art Department and across our school.

MISS REBECCA WILLY

Miss Willy also returned in Term IV following maternity leave. The year has flown by and we enjoyed seeing the development of baby Bethany as Miss Willy has visited us. Miss Willy has resigned from her position

as HOF Social Science but will teach full-time within the Social Science Faculty.

MR ROBIN STANFORD

Mr Stanford will return at the beginning of 2017 having had leave during 2016. Mr Stanford will return to his role as HOF Mathematics. Our thanks to Mr Abrams for leading Maths during Mr Stanford's absence.

NEW STAFF

We have been very impressed by the contribution that our new staff members have made during 2016. We have been really pleased with the way Ms Cooper, Whaea Kiri, Miss Stephens, Ms Sampson and Mrs Rawlinson have settled into their respective positions.

MR LEWIS WHYTE

Wedding Bells chimed for Mr Whyte in June. To guote Mr Whyte "Marrying Jo has been just awesome!"

MR DARREN SCOTT

Mr & Mrs Scott celebrated the birth of their third child Milla Mae in September. With Mrs Scott relieving in our school for part of the year it really has been a family affair.

Mark Bowden

PRINCIPAL

ALUMNI(EX-PUPIL) DATABASE

The Spotswood College Alumni (ex-pupils & staff) currently send out newsletters four times per year (at the start of each holidays) on news and successes of ex-pupils and ex-staff.

The Alumni have also started planning for the 60th Jubilee/Reunion that will be held at Easter, in 2020.

The Alumni is always wanting to increase its electronic database of ex-pupils. Current Year 13 students are also encouraged to register.

The registration site is:-

alumni.spotswoodcollege.school.nz

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HEAD BOY & HEAD GIRL SENIOR PRIZEGIVING SPEECH 2016

You'd think that after our 13 years in the school system that we would find it easy to write just one more speech, but after years of writing, speeches, monologues and seminars, we still couldn't write a simple speech,

Maybe because as it turned out it wasn't such a simple speech, because this is the end of our time here and we didn't know how to express that in words, we didn't know how we wanted to go, with a bang, or with a few tears? All we knew was that we wanted to finish together, as a whole group of year 13's as friends, and so we want this speech to be the year 13's not ours.

And so we called on our fellow year 13's to give us an overview. It has been "epic, dramatic, interesting, tiring, fantastic, quirky, different, a rollercoaster, amazing, hectic, life changing" and teachers, you'll like this one, "educational" and we were so lucky to be able to look around and share this experience with each other.

It has been an outstanding 5 years filled with lots of fun, friends, laughs, hard work, and maybe one too many pies from the canteen, but we would like to thank and show our appreciation for everybody that has made our time here everything it has been. A huge thank you is owed to all the teachers and staff who helped us to be where we are today, to both our junior teachers, and all our senior teachers, who worked undeniably hard to help us achieve to the best we could, even if that meant dragging us over the line when you needed to. Thank you to all the staff who made our days a little bit more fun in your own different unique way.

Yeah, thank you so much to everyone who has directly or indirectly been a part of our journey at Spotswood. We really want to thank everyone individually, but unfortunately it's not really possible to do in this speech. But we would like to give a special thank you, to all the year 13's who have made the past 5 years the best.

Especially this final year, as we agreed that as a year level we have become much closer through the help peer support, and the fact that we survived our way through high school, something about looking around you and going "yeah, we made it, has united us all as a whole

And we would also like to take this opportunity to thank our Principal, Mr Bowden. On our first day as head boy and head girl we travelled out towards Opunake with Mr Bowden and we felt very out of place and awkward but throughout the year we got to know him better and began to understand his inspirational stories, and now we feel, slightly less awkward.

But in all seriousness you should know that we admire your humility and passion towards the school and you have taught us many things, for example how to be a servant leader, how to pursue what we are passionate about and what we believe in. We may joke about how your infamous speeches are known to be, well, lengthy, but that's purely because you're filled with so much knowledge and passion that it is hard to compact it all into one short speech.

But also whilst you were off on your sabbatical leave, we were still working hard as Mr Knapton and Mr Shaw stepped in as acting principals, for the support you showed us along with, Mr Lapworth and Mrs Cast from the senior management team, and Mrs Hodges and all the Office, we would like to express a huge thank you to you all. As all your support cannot go unnoticed.

And now, I would like to share a couple of things, two quotes. Firstly, a great man once said to me, Simply, "you do you bud, ya feel". This is something I feel this school does extremely well, as we are fortunate to have teachers and staff are willing to bend over backwards to let you, do you. Creating courses or classes for you, changing timetables clashes and taking a real effort out of their time to let you do what would benefit you the most.

And secondly I aim this to the year 13's. I would like to quote the hit single History by One Direction. "you and me have got a whole lotta history, woah- oh, we can be the greatest team, that the world has ever seen" and well, we have. We've been through 5 years of high school together through the hard times, and the fun times and we have made a whole lot of history together, and we have been the greatest team, that we could of ever been, and we have proved this through our unity and determination to stick together, these I'm sure will not be forgotten by any of us, for a long time. So thank you.

One last thing from me, I cannot stress enough how much I would like to thank Montana, Thank you, for well, being you! Montana and I were never really close before this year, and at the beginning of the year, we definitely had a different approach to things but

throughout the year we've come together to create our own way of doing things, together and if I can't say anything else, I am happy to say I've made an amazing new friend. So thank you.

This has been such a busy, exciting, stressful, hard and fun year but ultimately one of the best years of my life. I could not have asked for a better way to end my time at this amazing school that has become like a second home. I am so happy and thankful for everything I have been a part of this year and everyone who has been part of it. I hope that everyone had a great year as well!

Unfortunately, this is my last year at Spotswood and although I still don't really believe it, I know that whether I like it or not I have to leave.

I'm sure many of the year 13s are feeling the same as well. I wish all of you the very best for whatever adventure you are embarking on next year and I hope that we will meet again soon. Year 11s and 12s I wish you all the best for next year, another year at Spotswood, make the most of your time here while it lasts.

Teachers and staff, I know I won't be here anymore, but I hope you find a way to make 2017 great! Lastly, I would just like to say thank you. I am so grateful for the amazing education I have received and also the opportunity to represent this school, it has been an honour.

I also want to thank Michael for being the best head boy a head girl could ask for. Thank you for putting up with my need to write speeches word for word rather than just preparedly wingling them as you like to say! It has been so much fun working with you. Thank you once again to everyone and I wish you all the best!!

Now this is the end of our speech, the end of our time here, but it's not the end for all of you, the year 13's who will continue to learn, grow, lead and do great things. So now, stop watching us and what we're doing up here, and start watching these guys, because whether they know it or not, they are going to change the world.

Michael Anderson Montana Bennett



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HEAD PREFECTS 2016



From Left to Right: Michael Anderson, Baylee O'Donnell-Martin, Zac McLeod, Montana Bennett, Reus Reves and Mr Bowden

PREFECTS 2016



Back Row (L to R): Terry O'Donnell, Shaun Collett, Zac McLeod, Reus Reyes, Tom Oates

Middle Row (L to R): Emma Gibson, Joseph Pui, Michael Anderson, Brooke Milne, Sophie Bowden, Anya Wangsuwan, Maeghan King

Front Row (L to R): Montana Bennett, Baylee O'Donnell-Martin, Amirah Osama, Briana Schofield, Lael Poole, Kacy Banadera, Shiann Jolly Mr Bowden

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LINGOFEST

LINGOFEST: In August a large group of students from the French, Japanese and Spanish Departments travelled to Wellington for our second experience of Lingofest, a Drama Festival with plays in all International Languages - anything except English. The students enjoyed seeing a bit of our capital city and had a lot of fun participating with their drama presentations, as well as watching the other schools' entries in German, Chinese, Japanese, Spanish and French languages. All were original works written for the festival and we came away with a bunch of awards, including Outstanding Actor (Breydon Farmer), Outstanding Pronunciation (Brooke Milne), two

Storyline Awards and a Creative Award.

Here's what some of the students said: (Jamal) "It was a great experience and definitely worth it just for the relationships we created." (Kaya) "We enjoyed performing a technical piece of theatre in another language to other schools - a great experience!" (Corey) "It was a fun experience. It was interesting to learn about loads of different cultures through the other plays and performances." (Cascade) "Lingofest was awesome this year. I learnt so much about different cultures and all the different storylines were great - I loved the experience and can't wait for next year!"

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INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES

The International Language Faculty had a successful (great Internal Assessment completion and results), fun (cultural activities and trips for all three languages) and busy (teaching at Marfell school, planning trips, visiting cafés) year in 2016 - we are possibly the busiest Department in the school, combining curricular and extra-curricular activities!

SPAIN TRIP: In April a group of Senior Spanish students, along with two students from SHGC and one from NPGHS, travelled half a world away to tour Spain for two and a half weeks.

Not only were they about as far away from New Zealand as you can get on the planet, but culturally this most ancient of civilisations (we visited Roman ruins) and yet most modern (the big cities were testament to this) was a challenge to our until-then limited horizons ... and then there was the language! Most Spanish people do not speak English, meaning that all of the students returned with a much better grasp of the Spanish language than they had had previously.

As they were home stayed with Spanish families for one week while they attended language school, they were forced to really come to grips with both language and culture, including vastly different mealtimes and different food. Our comfort zones were left well behind and we became cosmopolitan people of the world.

Here's what some of the students said: (Jamal) "The Spanish Trip was an amazing experience! The immersion into the culture was unique and definitely worth the effort to get there. It was the experience of a lifetime. Take an overseas trip with Spotswood College if you possibly can!" (Andrew) "It was wonderful looking at all the architecture and historical designs in all of the old churches, cities and towns all over Spain. The food was amazing - I didn't want to leave!" (Tarryn) "This was a very exciting and enriching experience for me. The week spent in a homestay in Sevilla gave me a once in a lifetime look into the Spanish way of life. I am very grateful for the opportunity I was given and want to return some day." (Valya) "The trip was really lovely - I learned so much just from five days of Language School. Everything we saw and did was amazing and all the cities were so beautiful. I definitely want to return one day." (Anaru) "The Spain trip was an amazing experience. It gave me a whole other perspective on life and I loved every minute of it. The architecture was like nothing I had ever seen and so much was clarified in just five days in Language School. Everything was crazy at first, but I would do it all again in a heartbeat!" (Mikaela) "The trip was a very awesome experience, especially the fact that my lovely Nana was able to come too. We loved the sightseeing and the Spanish culture. We would LOVE to go back and visit our homestay mum, Clara. I am very grateful for the opportunity to go on this trip of a lifetime and will









definitely return in the near future."



SPOTSWOOD INTERNATIONAL

This year we have welcomed students from Austria, Brazil, China, Germany, Hungary, Japan, New Caledonia, Switzerland and Thailand.

Imagine leaving behind your country, your family, your friends, your language, your food and all the sights, smells, sounds and tastes you have known all your life! These brave young people arrive at Spotswood College and are warmly accepted by our diverse and caring students, staff and community. The support and care our international students receive at Spotswood College is the key to the success of the International programme.

Lifelong friendships have been formed and it is wonderful to see our kiwi students embracing other cultures and becoming aware of the opportunities that travel and language learning can have for them.

Special thanks to our hardworking international prefects Michael Anderson, Zac McLeod, Anja Wangsuwan, Maeghan King and Shiann Jolly. Their support and guidance for the international students is much appreciated.

We continue to host students from our sister school Hatsukaichi Senior High School in Hiroshima, Japan and this is a relationship which is much valued.

For the first time we hosted a group of ten students from Dongguan Middle School, Guandong, China. This was a very successful visit and we look forward to hosting them again in 2017 in even greater numbers.

Thank you to the Senior Leadership Team, the Administration Team, the Board of Trustees and ESOL staff for your contribution to the international programme.

Special thanks to Janet Wrightson-Lean for her superb organisation, her calm efficiency and her ability to ensure the students make the most of their New Zealand experience.

Farewell to our leaving students - safe travels!

We know you will take home some wonderful memories of your time at Spotswood College.

Best wishes to you all for a safe and restful Christmas break. See you all in 2017!

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Gloria Holland Director of International Students

FELIPE



My name is José Felipe Holanda and I came from my city in Brazil to New Plymouth on the 28th of January from this year. After more than 24 hours of jumping from flight to flight, I didn't really know what to expect when I left the plane, but it wasn't what I got. Usually when talking about experiences like this,

going to another place for an extended period, people tend to think about how different it would be, but I think the weirdest part when I arrived in New Zealand was when I saw the similarities. When you think about going to the other side of the world, you think about all the things that would be different: the people, the food, the language, the houses. It gets a mysterious aspect to it, the unknown side of the world. Is the sky different? Does the air smell the same? Do people have four eyes? Do they float around in magical orbs while drinking tea in the morning? (Sorry, I'm getting carried away, but anyway).

The thing is that you expect to see everything different, but then you get there and instead you are surprised by the things that are just the same. The sky's still blue. Grass is still green People only have two eyes (who knew?). But they have these weird salty pies.

However that does not mean there were not huge differences, because there were. Being able to walk around town without fear of being murdered or robbed (funnily enough, I was never ever robbed in my country that has an elevated crime rate, but not long after I arrived in a much safer place my bicycle was stolen. Ironic, huh?). Seeing the immersion of the original cultures from the country into its modern society (original Brazilian tribes after being stripped of their land and slaughtered got "given" some limited space in which they could live ignored from the rest of society. But hey, at least we have strong coffee). Having most of the city closed off by 6pm (you know, despite elevated murder rates, even some schools close later than that. Most places are open until 10pm, if not later.

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Normal goingout time is usually nine or later, even for dinner).

Another huge difference was in the school. Spotswood college is HUGE compared to the ones I used to go to, and having only 6 subjects AND choosing which to take is simply heavenly. (compared with about 12 subjects, all compulsory, no matter what career you choose. yay Brazil)

This year has been quite exciting, seeing the differences, the similarities, meeting new people (from about 7 different countries), having new experiences (surfing, running in mud, seeing glowworms, rafting, crying from eating spicy food, going to a music festival, bungee jumping). I thank Spotswood College for giving

me so many opportunities, as well as my host family for being awesome (and just a tad bit crazy) and Mrs Holland and Ms Janet for always being there for us international students, for being worried, for caring.

It has really been an amazing year, I can barely believe 8 months have passed already, and that I have a little over 2 months more. I'd be lying if I said I didn't want to go back, but I also want to stay (contradicting? Yes. Confusing? Also yes. Just what a teenager needs, more confusion).

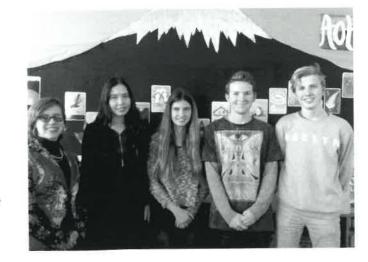
I'm looking forward to enjoying my last 2 months, because I know they'll be awesome, just like the past ones (cheezy, some slight exaggeration, perfect for an ending. See ya!).

INTERNATIONAL PREFECTS

The International Prefects have had the privilege of meeting many International students this year from all around the world, which includes Germany, Brazil, Switzerland, Japan, China and Thailand. They have each brought their own unique personalities to our school, which has made us more diverse. We have the opportunity to experience the different languages and cultures that the International students bring to our school and community.

Students are able to form strong relationships with the internationals and it is always hard to say goodbye – for now!

Shiann, Anya, Maeghan, Michael & Zac.



FRENCH DEPARTMENT

An exciting year for the French Department

Vous avez dit culture française?

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This year has seen more cultural activity than usual in the French Department. The senior students were fortunate to see two very different French films: Chic! set in Paris in the crazy glitz and glam world of fashion, and Médecin de campagne about the demands of life as a GP in rural France at a time of personal crisis. Both films offered the viewers a range of cultural aspects of everyday life in France.

The seniors cooked vegetarian and Chicken Moroccan couscous. The cooks had reservations when the ingredients, sometimes unfamiliar like the ras el

hanout spice, had to be sourced. However, after inhaling the delicious smells throughout the cooking phase, everyone tucked in and there were no leftovers for the curious who had followed the scent to B7.

The 21st June, summer solstice in Europe, célébrâtes the Fête de la musique where participants, professionals and amateurs, are encouraged to share musical items which are free and accessible to all. It is the 35th year of this very popular event and it has spread well beyond France. In these parts, the Alliance Française organised free concerts in Auckland and Wellington and other cities in Australia and Asia. So we had our very own Fête de la musique with an enthusiastic group of ten Year 9 musicians willing to

share their music and songs and with the support of Mr Greenfield who lent us the necessary instruments.

The French breakfast took place as it started getting cold. At the café français, students ordered pains au chocolat or croissants and limonade or chocolat chaud in French from the senior students. Then it was followed by a lively game of Bouchon! in which the loser gets a moustache for being too slow. The players were very enthusiastic and a lot of fun was had by all.

Then on 23 August, students from year 10 to 13 joined forces to deliver their own rendition of a cooking show: Ma cuisine, ma loi! at Lingofest, the annual international languages drama event in Wellington. The hosts, Manu le Magnifique and Paléo Pierre, had to contend with two unruly teams: the feisty vegans Britney and Tiff, and the saucy Jeff and Donald-complete with blonde wig-from America. The judges came true to type: keen or mean. This was awarded the most daring and original play. It is always an enjoyable time as students select an idea and let loose their creative writing juices, rehearse and bond with each other across levels and across the languages in this exciting trip.

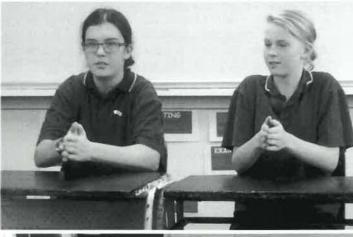














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JAPANESE DEPARTMENT

We have had a very busy and active year, with our Japanese language students experiencing many new things throughout this time. We continued using our ETU programme and pushed forward in keeping the five key competencies to the forefront. It is such a pleasure working with students and their enthusiastic socio-cultural attitudes.

The Japan Study Trip members hosted Hatsukaichi School students in April and one of the tasks was making Sushi with Year 10 Japanese students.

We participated for the first time in the LINGOFEST Competition and chose "Momotaro the Hero" as our production piece. We did extremely well for our first effort and received the prize for the best pronounciation/narration to Brooke Milne and for the best story, produced on the day.

Thank you for an amazing year and we look forward to new challenges next year and beyond.

T.I.C REIKO SMITHERS JAPAN TRIP 2016

This spring the senior Japanese class visited Japan for two weeks. During this time we visited our sister city Mishima, our sister school Hatsukaichi High School as well as other major cities in Japan. We were lucky enough to be hosted by Japanese families during our visit. This gave us further insight into a genuine Japanese lifestyle but also enabled us to make life long connections with these families. We also participated in cultural events such as a tea ceremony, flower arranging and some students even

used an onsen (public bath.) Before and during our time in Japan Reiko Sensei was the leader of the group and made sure that our Japanese experience was both authentic and immersive. The trip was amazing because of her!

BROOKE MILNE HATSUKAICHI SCHOOL VISIT

The 2016 Hatsukaichi visit got off to a bit of a rocky start, when the student's plane was cancelled due to low fog at the New Plymouth Airport. Even though the 10 students and their teacher arrived looking very tired, from a six-hour bus ride, they were all still very keen to learn and immerse themselves in Kiwi Culture. This year's visit definitely had a different feel to it, especially because a lot of the Spotswood host students had met their billets while we were in Japan, not to mention the various group activities that were planned by the host families. These included a trip to Stoney Oaks Zoo, Bowlerama, a potluck dinner at the James's House and a completely accidental gathering at Centre City. The Students really enjoyed their time in New Plymouth and as you can imagine were very sad to leave. They all made lifelong friendships and memories in New Plymouth, that they will never forget. Special thanks to all the awesome host families, Mr Cast for being an excellent tour guide on their day trip, and Reiko (Sensei) Smithers for corresponding with Hatsukaichi and organizing the week for them.

ありがとうございました

Kurtis Gilmour

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ENGLISH FACULTY

The 2016 academic year in the English Faculty has been very rewarding with each term packed with Curriculum delivery, assessments, student achievement, and co-curricular events.

With the departmental focus on student engagement, achievement and success for all students it is obvious that a strong foundation in English at the Junior Level is vital. The Faculty's Junior Curriculum is focussed on delivering engaging and relevant lessons that equip our junior students with the necessary skills to meet the requirements of JCEA (Junior Certificate of Educational Achievement) and while at the same time creating solid foundations for NCEA success in the senior school.

The English Faculty events calendar started early in the year with the Literary Challenge competition held in Hawera. The team members were: Roan Upson, Reihana Conaglen, Katie Pullen, Andrew Whiteley, Liam Nicholas and Chris Hobson. The Spotswood College team placed third and are to be congratulated on their enthusiasm for reading and superb recall skills!

In Term Two all Junior English Classes participated in the first round of the New Zealand Spelling Bee. The next step was to qualify for the inter-school round where successful students participated in this part of the competition. These students spent a month preparing for the test and are to be congratulated on their diligence in learning a highly complex word-list. From this qualifying test **Roan Upson** Year 10 went on to compete in the Regional finals and then the National Finals in Auckland! A great achievement.

For the first time this year we competed in the Race Unity Speech Awards held at the New Plymouth District Council in March. Sam Raumati and Wikitoria Rewa represented our school with speeches that were thought provoking and delivered with eloquence. A wonderful entry into this field. The Department members look forward to building on the inaugural success in 2017.

Our students were again this year eager participants in The Waikato University School of Law Secondary Schools' Mooting Competition. Congratulations to the teams who represented our school at the Regionals held in May this year.

Spotswood College had three teams participating this year:

Team 1: Montana Bennett, Kacy Banadera, Shiann Jolly

Team 2: Phillip Edie, Amirah Osama, Sophie Willis

Team 3: Reihana Conaglen, Valja Bykova, Andrew Whiteley. A special thank you to **AULD BREWER MAZENGARB & McEWEN** whose Associate **Philip McCarthy** and Solicitor **Sean Maskill** have tirelessly mentored our teams. Each year their help has been instrumental in enabling our school to participate in this prestigious event.

Term Two was a very busy month for the Faculty as we also held our annual Junior and Senior Oratory Evenings. These events are an excellent occasion for our students and English teachers to showcase to the community the very best in Junior Year 9 and 10 Speech, Year 11 Speech, Year 12 Dramatic Monologue/Persuasive Speech and Year 13 Literary Presentations/Seminars.

2016 JUNIOR ORATORY RESULTS YEAR 9

| 1st | .lain Hannam-Williams |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| 2nd Equal | .Kobi Hislop |
| 2nd Equal | .Ailis Lay |
| 3rd | .Michael Gibbon |
| Highly Commended | .Kohana Clothier |
| Highly Commended | .Emily Law |
| Highly Commended | .Arielle Grindlay-Lambert |
| Highly Commended | .Sam Skinner |
| Commended | .Oliver Doole |
| Commended | .Corban Churchill |
| Commended | .Jackson Bell |
| Commended | .Riley McDonald |
| | |

YEAR 10

| 1st | Larissa Wilkinson |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 2nd | Keegan Joe |
| 3rd Equal | .Gemma Clarges |
| 3rd Equal | .Phoebe Pepper |
| Highly Commended | Luke Cocker |
| Highly Commended | .Pipa Clarkson |
| Highly Commended | Ryan Clough |
| Commended | .Luci Whyte |
| Commended | .Felix Ashworth |
| Commended | .Rosie Ray |

2016 Spotswood College Senior Oratory YEAR 11 SPEECH

| 1st | Katie Pullen |
|-----|---------------|
| 2nd | Nadia Hill |
| 3rd | Tori Pittwood |
| HC | Caitlin Brown |
| HC | Moka Shino |

YEAR 12 PERSUASIVE SPEECH

| 1st | Tamia Kane |
|-----------|------------------|
| 2nd | Sam Raumati |
| 3rd Equal | Laura Robinson |
| 3rd Equal | Rebecca Spindler |

YEAR 12 MONOLOGUE

| 1st | Sophie Willis |
|-----------|------------------|
| 2nd | Cascade Price |
| 3rd Equal | Mostyn Lee |
| 3rd Equal | Blake Tanner |
| HC | Reihana Conaglen |
| HC | Jewelz Peters |

YEAR 13 LITERARY SEMINAR

| 1st | Georgia Kyffin |
|-----------|-----------------|
| 2nd | Montana Bennett |
| 3rd Equal | Shiann Jolly |
| 3rd Equal | Reus Reyes |
| 3rd Equal | Anya Wangsuwan |

The support of family, friends and the general public was much appreciated and a great time was had by all. Both Junior and Senior participants are to be commended on their fine effort and application to perform at their best for NCEA Excellence Level.

This year a substantial group of students from Year 9 through to Year 13 took up the challenge to participate in the ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) Writing and ICAS English Comprehension.

ICAS provides an opportunity for students to gain a measure of their own achievement nationally, providing a comprehensive reporting of results in English Unfamiliar Text.

ICAS WRITING ASSESSMENT

Oliver Doole Year 9 gained Merit his score was in the top 43 percent of Year 9 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific Region.

Andrew Coles Year 10 gained **Distinction** Andrew's score was in the top 7 percent of Year 10 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific Region.

Chris Hobson Year 10 gained **Credit** his score was in the top 24 percent of Year 10 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific Region.

Phoebe Pepper Year 10 gained **Credit** her score was in the top 24 percent of Year 10 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific Region.

Erica Vogel Year 10 gained Credit her score was in the

top 16 percent of Year 10 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific Region.

Katie Pullen Year 11 gained **Credit** her score was in the top 15 percent of Year 11 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific Region.

Other participants in ICAS WRITING gained certificates for Participation. Congratulations to all the participants in the ICAS Writing Competition. Excellent effort by all!

ICAS ENGLISH ASSESSMENT

Oliver Doole Year 9 gained **Merit** his score was in the top 46 percent of Year 9 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific Region.

Liam Nicholas Year 10 gained **Credit** his score was in the top 24 percent of Year 10 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific Region.

Katie Pullen Year 11 gained **Credit** her score was in the top 24 percent of Year 11 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific Region.

Other participants at all levels in ICAS English gained certificates for Participation.

Congratulations to all the 2016 ICAS participants.

Finally, an important part of the success of the English Faculty is due to the co-operation with the Library, Learning Centre/Piki Te Mana and ancillary staff. Thank you to you all.

Our thanks to the English Faculty team whose dedication and hard work have contributed to a successful year in our Faculty.

Nga mihi nui Paula Cast HOF English Anna Debreceny Assistant HOF English

SCIENCE FACULTY

The Science Department has undergone a number of changes this year. At the end of 2015 we farewelled Mr Ian Gabites, who had been HOD for the past 30 years! We have seen him a few times this year at school and he is thoroughly enjoying his retirement so far. Also, we farewelled Mrs Mary-Ann Stretton, who had been our Science Technician for nearly 20 years. At times, we have missed the skills, expertise and knowledge of both these people but we know they are not far away if we really get stuck! In their place I was appointed HOD Science and Mrs Tonia Rabe was appointed as our Science Technician. We also welcomed Miss Julia Stephens to the team early in the year to teach Chemistry as well as Science. She came from Wellington High School to be back in her home province of Taranaki.

Towards the end of 2015 Mr Brent Dunnet was given 6 months leave during Terms 1 and 2 to complete a Science Teaching Leadership Programme (STLP). This programme is funded by the government (Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment) and administered by the Royal Society of New Zealand. The aim of the programme is to raise student engagement in Science, hopefully resulting in; increased engagement in the classroom, improved NCEA results, a higher number of students going on to study Science at senior school and more scientific literate citizens in the community. Brent is the only secondary teacher within Taranaki who has completed the Science Teaching Leadership Programme and would he like to thank the following people for this fantastic opportunity:

- The Royal Society of New Zealand and MBIE.
- Mr Bowden and The Board of Trustees for allowing him to participate.
- The Science Department for holding down the fort, and especially Mr Moss Leauga for covering his classes.

2016 has been a busy but productive year for us. We have continued to offer programmes that cater to most students' abilities and we keep encouraging everyone to aim high and achieve to the best of their ability. Along with Physics, Biology, Chemistry and Science at the senior levels, we have continued with the Year 11 Alternative Science programme and the Year 10 Science Extension class. Mr Moorby has introduced a semester course for Year 12 students which has been very successful. Mr Peters has once again, continued to do fantastic work with the Horticulture students at all levels.

At the start of Term 3 the Taranaki Science and Technology Fair was held at the Pukekura Raceway. The following people need to be congratulated on their awards:

Seamus Fawkner: Second Prize - Advertising Poster, Year 10

Phoebe Pepper: Second Prize - Scientific Journalism, Years 9 & 10

Kelsey Win: Second Prize - Photographic Section, Year 10

Keegan Joe: Special Prize - Massey University Year 9 & 10 Special Award for demonstrating the best solution to a significant global issue for his entry "Does sport affect your capability?"

To those students who are leaving Spotswood College at the end of the year, we wish you well for your future endeavours. The Science staff want to wish all other members of the staff and the students a restful and well-earned holiday. We look forward to the challenges of 2017 – whatever they may be!

Hilary Takarangi HOD Science

TARANAKI METHANEX MATHEMATICS SPECTACULAR

The Taranaki Methanex Mathematics Spectacular was held on Thursday, August 22th at the Pukekura Raceway in New Plymouth. Spotswood entered two teams in both the Year 9 and Year 10 Quiz Night competition. Spotswood College were the Year 10 winners in 2015 and were looking forward to defending their title. Both of the Year 9 and Year 10 teams spent a huge amount of time preparing and practicing for the competition weekly during their lunch break. Unfortunately, Spotswood was unable to place in the standings in 2016. The Year 10 team finished 5th out of 22 teams and the Year 9 team finished 6th out of 22 teams. The competition consists of a range of challenging mathematical questions covered in the New Zealand curriculum. The students have 30 minutes to answer 20 questions and are awarded points for correct answers.

Spotswood College was well represented in the exhibition portion of the Mathematics Spectacular. There were 8 prize winners in the various categories of the exhibitions.

- Year 10 Class Project First Place 10T
- Year 10 Poetry and Creative Writing First Place -Larissa Wilkinson
- Year 9 Mathematics in the Energy Industry -First Place - Sam Skinner
- Year 9 Individual Project Third Place Emily Law
- Year 9 3D Artwork Third Place Oliver Doole
- Year 10 Computer Generated 2D Artwork -Second Place - Toby Penno
- Year 10 Poetry and Creative Writing Merit -Tane Whitehead
- Year 10 Individual Project Merit Liam Nicholas

The highlight of the Mathematics Spectacular for Spotswood College was the "Measurement" class project from 10T.

While learning about the surface area the students created 3D shapes out of nets. They used cubes, prisms, pyramids and other shaped, coloured with bright designs.

Every student made at least two shapes, which were then combined in an installation with the name of MATH CITY. This project represented a carnival dream world made of 3D shapes. It offered a variety of activities: you could have a ride on the "3.14 Wheel" or get blasted out of our "Volcano of Velocity" and cool down in our "Igloo of Icosahedron". You could also fly as high as the "Sky Swing Towers of Symmetry" or just sit down and have lunch at one of the many Cuboid Cafes. After lunch you could hop in the Expanding Vortex of Algebra and travel to the Geometric Mountains for some amazing scenery.

The total volume of the shapes used was 6497.83 cm³ with the total surface area of 6941.6 cm².

The project received the first prize and the class was awarded \$120. While some part of the money was used for a celebration and a pizza lunch, the remainder of the sum was donated to the Roderiguez Home Trust, which is the local organisation helping homeless people. The initiative for this social action came from the students and was supported by all of the members of the class.



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SOCIAL SCIENCE

This year our department has been working hard on Ki Eke Panuku by focusing on our lessons, topics and assessments. The aim being to create subjects which are interesting, contemporary and student focused.

There have been several staff changes during the year in our department. Gavin Parr has been Acting Head of Social Science during Miss Willy's maternity leave. He also taught Geography and Social Studies this year. Lewis Whyte has continued to teach History, Tourism, Social Studies and act as Assistant Head of Social Science. Ben Chapman took over sole-reign of the Commerce Department in 2016 with the departure of Ros McGlade at the end of 2015. He taught Business Studies, Accounting, Economics and Personal Financial Management. In Social Studies Scott Johnson taught the most classes in this subject as well as Tourism. Lastly Belinda Tran-Lawrence has taught year twelve and thirteen Geography in 2016. Thank you also to Darren Ramsey and Moss Leauga who have taken Social Studies classes during the year.

During the year Social Science staff have been assessing topics which have been taught and have gained feedback from students through surveys and questionnaires. Feedback from students has

helped shape one of our aims in Social Science for 2017 which is to introduce more topics and new assessments in an attempt to keep pace with the dynamic nature of our subjects. On that note we will be focusing on implementing Psychology which is now a subject in the Social Science Domain. Hopefully we will be offering this subject in year twelve and year thirteen in 2018.

There have been other activities of note in Social Science this year. Belinda Tran-Lawrence ran the Forty Hour Famine Program again this year. Our school did very well and one of our students, Laura Robinson was selected for a holiday program in Auckland, all expenses paid by World Vision. So thank you Belinda for your work. The Geography Department initiated a new field trip with year 13 Geography students visiting Fitzroy Beach in March and August as part of their Coastal Studies Research Assignment. We are hoping to do more field trips in the future in Social Science.

And lastly, thank you to all the Social Science staff who worked so well and so hard in 2016.

Gavin Parr Head of Social Sciences

WHYORA PROGRAMME

The Whyora Programme is a course designed for Year 12 and 13 Maori students to learn about health as a career.

The programme was attended by Shaun Corlett, Baylee O'Donnell-Martin, Shaye Sturmey-Watson, Tayla Tawhati and Ford Ratahi-Smith.

This year the course was made up of four workshops, each held at the TDHB in New Plymouth. The workshops consisted of either a talk with a health professional or visits to various departments within the Taranaki Base Hospital.

We talked with a Maori Dental assistant who had gained a cadetship through Whyora and was an exstudent of Coastal Area School. We were also able have a behind the scenes visit to the IT services within the hospital, visit to an Operating Theatre (no longer in use - but set up like a real theatre) a visit to the Occupational therapy department, as well as observing

patients going through their Dialysis treatment. We also had a visit by a Samoan Junior Doctor who was in her last year of study, a visit to Te Rangimarie Hospice and were spoken to by a Team Leader in the Maori

My favourite visit was to the Taranaki Rescue Helicopter and the crew based at the Hospital, as I am interested in training as a St Johns Paramedic or a crewmen and attending this programme gave me insight into the types of skills needed to get into this type of work.

Thank you to Carla, Michelle and Olivia the Whyora Team and to Mrs Crowe for transporting us to and from the hospital.

Shaun Corlett

PIKI TE MANA LEARNING CENTRE

Piki Te Mana is the name of the learning support centre in our school. Its name in, Te Reo, means to 'raise up your self-esteem'. The Piki Te Mana team believe that all students can improve upon their learning and literacy skills and by doing so, gain success and increase their mana.

One of our main goals is to ensure that most students are fluent readers before they reach Year 11 and NCEA Level One. Jenny Ropitini is our reading instructor and works with students on the Toe by Toe (phonics based) reading scheme and Reading Mileage (multi strategy approach). The combination of these two programmes has been highly effective and produces significant progress in students reading ages.

Specific Learning Difficulties (SLD), which can come under the label of dyslexia, can mean that a students' progress in literacy skills can be more challenging and needs strategies implemented by teachers on a daily basis. Part of our role is to assist and advise on how this can be done. We offer reader-writer assistance at

Year 9 and 10 for assessments and exams, which can lead to on-going support for NCEA.

Our team also carries out the assessment of literacy skills of our Junior students at the beginning and end of the year. This is now being done electronically, using EasTTle, which is more time efficient and produces crucial data to inform teaching and differentiation of the curriculum.

Our two option courses, Reading for Confidence Year 9 and Year 10, are focused on reading for meaning and covers a wide range of topics and subjects. E Learning has also become an important part of this year's planning and teaching. Mrs Pope has been working with an IT advisor on finding new, innovative and appropriate learning tools which engage our students.

Our wonderful teacher aides work alongside teachers to ensure that those with learning needs are prioritised and supported. They are highly skilled, professional and an invaluable resource.

Mrs Deirdre Pope (HOD Learning Support).

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES 3D MODELLING & PRINTING

Over the past few years this subject has changed numerous times. Originally it was known as Typing (prior to 2000), then it changed to Text and Information Management (2000-2005), then it changed toe Information Management (2005-2013) and now it is known as Digital Technologies (2013-.....). It is not only the name that changed but the curriculum also underwent a HUGE change incorporating Computer Science and Programming. We just received word that the curriculum is changing again and a change to new standards are also in the pipe line. I guess this is to be expected in this subject since technology is such a fast developing area all over the world. Some find it very hard to keep up with the changes.

It is also not easy to keep up with the software and hardware needed for students to perform at their very best. BYOD (bring your own device) most certainly will take place at schools (at some schools it is already a reality which would take the financial burden off the

schools. I already experience that a lot of my senior students bring their own laptops.

It is not all doom and gloom though. It was very exciting to start with yet again another area in the Technologies Department. We are the first New Zealand Government School that offer 3D Modelling and Printing as a subject. It was a huge learning curve for students and I alike. It was supposed to be a semester course but students enjoyed it so much they requested to stay on for the whole year. I was amazed with the designs students came up with. It took a while for students to learn the software for the 3D Modelling before they could start working on real projects. I hope that the interest in the 3D Modelling and Printing will grow from strength to strength. We already have people from the community making use of our 3D printer at school.

Written by Martie Claassens HOD Digital Technologies

HORTICULTURE TOOLS OF THE TRADE

This year saw a significant increase in machinery, that we can use and gain experience with, in the Horticulture Department. Complementing the set of chainsaws, a wood splitter was purchased, which allows us to fell trees and to go into firewood production from the trees surrounding the top field. Likewise, because of our updated equipment, this permitted our Year 12 Horticulture students to complete and pass two chainsaw units this year.

A Hansa Mulcher was also purchased. This permits a more sustainable use of the plant material from the wide range of pruning activities carried out by all horticulture students. Using electric pole chainsaws, also purchased this year, the Pohutukawa trees along South Road were pruned up to five metres by year 12 and 13 students, tidying these up nicely.

The front gardens are now deeply mulched. These gardens have been recently planted with mass plantings of Hibiscus, Deities and Jade plant. All of the plants have been propagated by horticulture students and these plantings will make a stunning display in the coming months.

Tony Peters HOD Horticulture



SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

2016 SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE SENIOR ACADEMIC PRIZEGIVING RESULTS

As Published In The Taranaki Daily News.

YEAR 11 PRIZE WINNERS - FIRST IN SUBJECT

Avery, Ronan, Japanese; Barrett, Lachie, Scholar Award; Bower, Tanesha, Equal Science, Technology Textiles, Scholar Award; Broad, Hannah, Science 102; Brown, Caitlin, Food & Nutrition & Cup, Mathematics, Overall Top Scholar Award; Brown, Paris, French; Campbell, Adelaide, Geography, Equal Science, Physical Education, Scholar Award; Donald, Amber, Equal Art; Drummond, Samuel, Technology Woodwork; Fitzwilliams, Leila, Equal Art; Hall Jesse, Vocational Pathways Introduction to Automotive Engineering Semester Course; Hill, Nadia, English & Margaret Hurley Prize, Drama, Music, Equal Science & The Patricia Doyle Cup, Scholar Award; Johnston, Chris, English 102; Lewis Melodie, Vocational Pathways Workforce Skills Semester Course; McKinnon, Kyla, Digital Technologies & Miles Trophy; Moffitt, Alex, Scholar Award; Oaten, Ben, Technology Metalwork; O'Brien, Nico, Technology The Voss Scholarship; Price, Khiarn, Year 11B; Pullen, Katie, Drama Level 2, History, Spanish, Scholar Award; Smith-Hooper, Amelia, Equal Horticulture 102; Stening, Ashlan, Equal Art; Stinson, Lucy, Horticulture; Strachan, Georgia, Accounting; Tarn, Jai, Equal Art, Art Top Folio, Design & Visual Communication: Ward, Chloe, Equal Economics; Wasley, Molleigh, Art Printmaking Level 2; Watchorn, Sarah, Equal Economics; Wilson, Tapene, Mathematics 102;

YEAR 12 PRIZE WINNERS - FIRST IN SUBJECT

Alldridge, Candi, Geography, History; Berg, Jamal, Mathematics 202; Brown, Peyton, Equal Tourism; Bryant, Jessica, Equal Tourism; Burkitt, Nicky, Vocational Pathways Skills for Life Semester Course; Conaglen, Reihana, Equal Art Photography Level 3 & In Focus Photography Cup; Elliot-Bland, Bailey, Digital Technologies & Claassens Trophy; Eru-Solomon, Shanice, Art Sculpture; Han, Hikaru, Biology, Japanese, Scholar Award; Hoskin, Anaru, Equal Art, 3D Modelling & Printing; Johnson, Fabian, Scholar Award; Kane, Tamia, Hospitality; Lee, Mostyn, Classics, Art Photography, Scholar Award; Longstaff, Emily-Rose, Vocational Pathways & Gateway Trophy; Matsubara, Kayla, Science SL2 Semester Course; McAlphine, Rhett, Accounting, Chemistry & The John Doyle Memorial Cup, Economics, English, Physics, Spanish, Overall Top Scholar Award; McCallum-Lind, Jacques, Music; Nuku, Cheyanne, Technology Textiles, EqualTourism; Rangi, Tamara, Equal Tourism; Robinson, Laura, French; Scown, Ryana, Equal Horticulture; Smillie, Dominic,

Technology Metalwork & Weldwell Trophy, Technology Woodwork & Scott Commercial Workshop Cup; Smith-Fellows, Dylan, Year 12B; Swanson, Rebecca, English 203, Vocational Pathways Driving for the Workforce Semester Course; Tanner, Blake, Equal Art, Art Design, Design & Visual Communication, Scholar Award; Thompson, Josh, Electronics, Mathematics & The Messenger Cup, Scholar Award; Walters, Kellie, Food & Nutrition & Cup; Weir, Steven, Equal Horticulture; Whiteley, Andrew, Equal Mathematics Level 3, Scholar Award; Willis, Sophie, English 202, Physical Education;

YEAR 13 PRIZE WINNERS - FIRST IN SUBJECT

Anderson, Michael, Music; Atkinson, Phillip, Year 13B, Equal Horticulture Level 1; Beck, Isaac, Equal Mathematics; Bennett, Montana, Equal English, Classics; Collett, Shaun, Gateway The Beverley McLean Trophy; Edie, Philip, Equal Art Photography & Photolife Camera Award, Biology & A & M Hutchinson Tray; Ellis, Tara, Equal Art Painting; Fox, Robert, Physical Education & The Phil Gayton Cup; Harris, TJ, Art Design; Jackson, Bree, Gateway The Anne Wilson Entrepreneur of the Year Trophy; Johns, Liam, Technology & Trophy; Jolly, Shiann, French & M J Hickey Cup, Spanish & Brewster Cup; King, Maeghan, Equal Accounting; Kyffin, Georgia, Equal Mathematics 302; Lord, Shynia, Chemistry & AICA NZ Award; McLeod, Zac, Drama; Moke, Sapphire, Equal Vocational Pathways & Joint Winner Gateway Trophy; O'Donnell-Martin, Baylee, Equal Mathematics; Parker, Campbell, Equal Art Painting; Parsons, Meg, Tourism; Pretty-Stone, Chelsea, Equal Mathematics 302; Rennie, Teina, Teo Reo Māori; Reyes, Reus, Calculus & The Messenger Cup; Equal Mathematics, Physics; Scott, Mat, NZ Institute of Physics Prize, Winner Ian Gabites Physics Trophy; Shortland, Haumoana, Horticulture & L A Alexander Agricultural Prize; Simonson, Elijah-Blue, Equal Accounting, 3D Modelling & Printing & Baker Trophy, Digital Technologies & Webster Trophy; Takamori, Chelsea, Equal Food & Nutrition & Joint Winner Cup; Equal Vocational Pathways and Joint Winner Gateway Trophy; Vickers, Megan, Equal Food & Nutrition & Joint Winner Cup; Wangsuwan, Anya, Equal English, History, Technology Textiles; Williams, Taylah, Geography;

SPECIAL AWARDS CULTURAL / KAPA HAKA

O'Donnell-Martin, Baylee, Ngati Te Whiti Hapu Award; Rennie, Teina, He Tohu Rangatiratanga, Kapa Haka – Te Kura Tuarua Ngāmotu 'Reo Rangitira' (feathered Taiāha); Taiwhati Tayla, Kapa Haka – Te Kura Tuarua O Ngāmotu 'Tāonga ā Whaitata';

PERFORMING ARTS

McLeod, Zac, New Plymouth Little Theatre Trophy Best Stage Performance; O'Donnell-Martin, Baylee, Liz Murray Cup Contribution to Drama; Peebles, Sunny, Waitere Family Cup Most Improved Senior Drama Student;

SPEECH

Bennett, Montana, Kyle Gilmour Memorial Award Public Speaking; Kyffin, Georgia, Senior Speech;

SUBJECTS / MUSIC / SERVICE

Anderson, Michael, PTA Prize Head Boy & BOT Award, The RSA – Dr George Thompson Award; Baker, Tawera, YMCA Excellence in Youth Leadership Award; Bennett, Montana, PTA Prize Head Girl & BOT Award; Brown, Caitlin, Howard Music Trophy, Senior Bandboosters Award; Carass, Casey, Helen J Bacon Award Excellence Geography & History; Gilmour, Kurtis, Prefects Award; Johns, Liam, The Duynhoven Award in practical Technology with Graphics & Design; Johnson, Fabian, BOT Student Representative; McCallum-Lind, Jacques, Joy Rookes Trophy for Original Composition; McLeod, Zac, BOT Award for Service Deputy Head Boy, The Bruce Walker Trophy for Endeavour & Leadership; Milne, Brooke, The Joe Greenwood Memorial Prize for School Service; O'Donnell-Martin, Baylee, BOT

Award for Service Deputy Head Girl, The Emily Cannell Memorial Cup; Poole, Lael, Marjan van Paassen Memorial Award for Enthusiasm about Learning; Raumati, Sam, The Paul Emo Memorial Award; Reyes, Reus, BOT Award for Service Deputy Head Boy; Wangsuwan, Anya, Harry M Bacon Memorial Award Best Allround Promise in the Arts; Whiteley, Andrew, Melissa Long Memorial Trophy;

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DUX 2016

Wangsuwan, Anya, A L McPhail Dux Cup Medal & Scholarship 2016 & Argyle Schoolwear Scholarship Prize;

PRESTIGE SPORTS AWARDS

Osama, Amirah, Trina Cowley Trophy – Sporting Excellence:

Zittersteijn, Aidan, The Hale Sportsperson of the Year Trophy;

Vincent, Ryan, Zittersteijn, Aidan, Boys' Indoor Bowls Pairs Team – The Nick Banks Trophy – Top College Sports Award;

TOP SPORTS TEAMS CAPTAINS FOR 2016

Anderson, Michael, Football First XI – Boys'; Baker, Tawera, Rugby First XV – Boys'; Brooks, Nehanera, Basketball First V – Boys; Brown, Caitlin, Hockey – First XI – Mixed Team; Houghton Libby, Volleyball Senior A – Girls'; Knight, Chloe, Netball – Senior A Girls'; Naborisi, Jona, Volleyball Senior A – Boys'; Riley, Dione, Football First XI – Girls'; Rose-Love, Tarryn, Cricket First XI – Boys'; Willis, Sophie, Netball – Senior A Girls';

METALWORK & WOODWORK

A tig welder has been donated to Spotswood College by Weldwell and Meco Engineering for use in our Technology Department. The students are very keen to use this piece of equipment and we are in the process of sourcing a suitable room/area to be able to set this up. A huge thanks to Weldwell and Ian Lind at Meco Engineering for enabling this to happen.

The tig welder will be a valuable 'learning tool' for the students' metal projects.







FOOD & NUTRITION DEPARTMENT

KAI WITH SOUL FEATURE

Once again, we have produced our monthly Kai with Soul Newspaper Food and Nutrition feature throughout the year promoting healthy, easy to make, tasty foods which are trialled and developed in our department, mainly by our senior students.

The community of Taranaki continue to enjoy our features and we aim to encourage and promote nutritious eating and knowledge to the people in our province.

Many recipes have been made and photographed with the aid of a photographer from the Daily News which involve students dressed in their jackets, smiling eagerly for their newspaper photo.

Developing and producing the feature requires a lot of energy and organisation but we enjoy the process and find the enthusiasm and motivation to rise to the challenge.

Laughter and stress seem to be the recipe of the day but it is a good lesson in working together and following the E TU values of Education, Taking Part and Community. At the end of each photo shoot, the class enjoy consuming the delicious food that has been produced.



















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SPOTSWOOD CULINARY TEAM

Two students from Year 11, Mikaela Phillips-Nassif and Catriona Oates, took on the task of competing in the National Secondary Schools Culinary Challenge (NSSCC) which was part of the local Culinary Competitions in (date) which was held at WITT.

The team had to produce four portions of entrée and main meals in just 90 minutes. The entrée had to have Silverbeet as the hero vegetable of the dish. The main dishes had to include chicken breast with the wing bone in, four New Zealand grown vegetables, one which must be a potato.

The entrée the team designed was a Silverbeet and yoghurt soup finished with crispy Lamb dumplings and fresh chives and the main was pan seared Supreme of Chicken, roasted baby vegetables, feta, buttered Brussel sprouts, Anna potatoes, pumpkin puree, finished with a lemon and thyme jus.

The two competed really well, despite having a small draw back of a cut finger, the team worked well and got all the components on their plates in the allocated time.

The prize giving wasn't held until that evening. So once all the equipment had been washed and put away it was time to find out the results ... The teams were called in order or from lowest score to the highest, the teams where called up one by one and Spotswood hadn't been called, only two teams left to go up, and the winner is ... Spotswood College ... the girls couldn't believe they had actually won! This was the second time that Spotswood College had entered

and also the second time Spotswood College have won this team event.

As winners of the Taranaki regional competition, the girls were off to Auckland to compete against the eight other regional teams in the grand final of the National Secondary Schools Culinary Challenge (NSSCC) which was on 30 August.

The pair went head-to-head in a live kitchen cook off to produce four portions of the same dishes that they made in the regional. Many hours of practicing for the grand final, which included cooking their dishes for 30 people, as part of a fundraising evening at the College. The proceeds from the event helped fund a restaurant experience for the girls in Auckland the night before the final event.

After a tough competition with far older and more experienced students, the girls won a bronze medal in the Final. Mikaela said the whole experience was a huge learning curve.

"From developing the dishes through to the final cook off, we have learnt so much. We only missed a silver medal by one point so we can't wait to enter again next year and go for gold."

Hospitality teacher at Spotswood College, Simon Houghton said the level of competition was very high but the girls held their own and did themselves proud. Both girls are taking the very popular hospitality class next year at school, where they will be delving into hygiene, cooking methods and techniques.

WOMAD COOKING COMPETITION

The Spotswood College Year 10 Hospitality Team, consisting of Jonathan Whiteley, Seamus Fawkner and Joycelyn Natasha, along with teacher, Mrs Katy Roach, competed in a WOMAD Cook-Off, held at WITT IN March 2016.

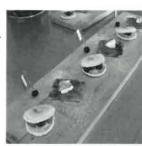
The team of three had been allocated the country of France and had to create a dish in under 2 hours. They chose Macarons, a French biscuit and Tarte Tatain, an apple pastry dish.

To get to this point the team spent hours practicing and hard work with research to make sure everything was the way it should be and traditionally French.

Jonathan, Seamus and Joycelyn (and especially Mrs Roach) were very pleased with the end result. Each

member of the team won a free day-pass to WOMAD.

The experience was very enjoyable and the excitement was overwhelming for everyone when we saw Jax Hamilton, the runner-up on Masterchef New Zealand. She was on the Judging Panel. As part of the judging we had to do a dance, as well as present our dishes. The Judges were very impressed with us that we chose to do a dessert as it is one of the hardest to do.





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HATRIX BAND REPORT

Hatrix, the story of a band run on caffeine, an undying belief in the sublime greatness of Mr G's Music Department and friendly verbal abuse, and playing music. In a band. Getting on as a team. Working. Together. In. Harmony. Sigh . . .

This year Hatrix consisted of 13 keen young musicians (and Le Vieux – the ancient Mr G) who all travelled to Hamilton in the same bus, for hours and hours, enjoying each other's company and constant witty jokes and incomparable personal hygiene - to compete in the Waikato and Bay of Plenty Band Festival, which was held on the Waikato University campus.

Of course it wasn't just the trip that brought out the caffeine fuelled friendly camaraderie, it was also the numerous lollies (thrown at each other), yummy cake (sugar sugar!) and the multiple walkie talkie apps downloaded to talk about Sam's myriad imperfections, Riley's poorly timed drumming, Caitlin's dreadful alto sax warbling, Jacques' all-over-the-show singing and guitar playing, Mostyn's ham-fisted pounding on the piany, Kurtis' rotten bass playing, Taylor's infernal

honking baritone sax that sounds like a blocked drain ... we're running out of creativity for insults now ... Sophie on vocals, Tenaya & Arron on saxophone, Isaac and ex-student Nick Lambert on trumpet. Olivia was away overseas for this gig.

Out of all the madness Hatrix managed to score a Silver+ award, so nearly a Gold but not quite, which is everyone's fault and we all blame each other. In order for a Gold award to occur a further year's coffee and bearing each other's company is required. Sigh ...

Interesting facts from the bus trip: it was soon learnt that rice on Pringles chips makes for a tasty snack and long treacherous bus rides running late into the night really do bring out the worst of us.

Overall it was a great trip and we can't wait to do it all again next year.

Yours Sincerely Sam Raumati and the rest of Hatrix

Otago University minute Hamlet was selected to represent the region in

SHEILAH WINN SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Spotty did it again! This year's Otago University
Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival saw
Spotswood College achieve national success again.
Congratulations to Baylee O'Donnell-Martin for
winning the award for Best Student Director at the
Festival in Wellington.

Our campaign for the festival got off to a slow start compared to other years. A drop in student interest was one of the factors. In previous years we have had up to seven groups enter in the regional festival with a number of those entries being small groups lead by student directors. However, this year Mrs FitzPatrick put together a cast to perform a fifteen-minute Hamlet and Baylee put together a group of year 13s to produce a five-minute Hamlet.

The regional festival was a successful event with a range of schools represented. It was hosted by St Mary's in Stratford and held at the King's Theatre in the last week of term one. After some strong performances by NPGHS, Spotty, FDMC, and St Mary's it was St Mary's Mechanicals scene from A Midsummer Night's Dream which impressed the judges and was selected to represent the region in the fifteen-minute section. However, Baylee O'Donnell Martin's five-

minute Hamlet was selected to represent the region in the five-minute section.

Baylee's piece was an Absurdist interpretation of Hamlet which focused on the oppressive relationships in Hamlet's life trapping him in a cycle of indecision and inaction. Baylee placed the characters around the stage with Hamlet, played by Zac McLeod, in the centre. As the various scenes played out, the other characters closed in around Hamlet eventually



smothering him. This was a more innovative, symbolic approach than the standard five-minute scene which made the judges take notice.

At the National Shakespeare Festival, the group got to experience a little of Wellington life, see all of the other selected pieces by schools from around the country, see two professional plays, and attend workshops by professional theatre practitioners and academics.

Baylee's Hamlet also impressed the judges at the national Festival as they awarded her Best Student Director. This is a huge accomplishment in a year when there were more student directors from around the country than ever before. Congratulations Baylee! You've done Spotty proud.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL 2016

NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS BEACH VOLLEYBALL NATIONALS MOUNT MAUNGANUI.

Two Spotswood College Boys Teams went to the New Zealand Secondary Schools Beach Volleyball Nationals at Mount Maunganui in February, this year.

Meli Naborisi /Keegan Joe and Harry Younger /Ben Willis. The teams played very well at the National Championships with some excellent results and were a credit to the school.

Meli Naborisi and Keegan Joe finished 3rd in New Zealand in the Junior Boys section and Harry Younger and Ben Willis finished 9th

KEEGAN JOE & MELI NABORISI

Pool Play

Won 2-0 Otumoetai College 6 Tauranga (Bowker/Wesley) 21-12, 21-10

Won 2-0 Rangitoto College 2 (Patterson/Booth) 21-11, 21-10

Won 2-0 Otumoetai College 5 (Chunter/Richards) 21-11, 21-10

Won 2-0 Otumoetai College 4 (Crowe/Smith) 21-8, 21-8

Quarter-final Division 1

Won 2-0 Mount Maunganui College (Fountain/ Blackwell) 21-14, 21-15

Semi-Final

Lost 1-2 Tauranga Boys College 1 (Lawrence/ Henderson) 16-21, 21-18, 13-15

Playoff 3rd/4th

Won 2-0 Tauranga Boys College 2 (Philpot/Yong) 21-15, 21-18.

Finished 3rd in New Zealand Secondary Schools Junior Boys Section.

HARRY YOUNGER & BEN WILLIS

Pool Play

Won 2-0 NPBHS (Tauranga) (Hone/Koen) 21-9, 21-11

lost 0-2 Tauranga Boys College 3 (Burnett/Moore) 13-21, 19-21

Lost 1-2 Rangitoto College 1 (Auckland) (Anderson/Bell) 15-21, 11-21

Post Section Play 9th-16th Position Division 1

Won 2-0 Hillcrest HS (Hamilton) (Wright/Rolf) 21-14, 21-15

Won 2-0 Otumoetai College (Christie/ Rowe) 21-14, 21-14

Won 2-0 Otumoetai College 6 Tauranga (Bowker/Wesley) 21-18, 21-19

FINISHED 9TH = IN NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS JUNIOR BOYS SECTION.

The Taranaki Secondary schools beach volleyball championships were played in awesome weather at Ngamoutu Beach in late February.

Boys involved. Robert Fox, David Jeffrey, Jonah Naborisi, Sherwood Matheson, Kurtis Riddle, Keegan Joe, Ben Dey, Ben Willis, Meli Naborisi, Neme Faga, James Dey, Harry Younger, Luke Cocker, Roan Upson, Tane Whitehead, Clinton Healy.

Senior Boys Pairs

2nd Jonah Naborisi and David Jeffrey 3rd Robert Fox and Keegan Joe

4th Ben Willis and Ben Dey

Junior Boys Pairs

1st Meli Naborisi and Neme Faga 2nd Tane Whitehead and Harry Younger.

3rd Roan Upson and James Dey

4th Luke Cocker and Clinton Healy

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BEACH VOLLEYBALL SEASON

- Keegan Joe placed 2nd for New Zealand Under 17 Beach Volleyball team at Vanuatu tournament in December 2015.
- Keegan Joe and Meli Naborisi 3rd in the Junior Boys New Zealand Secondary Schools Beach Volleyball Championships at Mount Maunganui February.
- Several Boys attended the National Beach Volleyball Camp at Mount Maunganui. Keegan Joe, David Jeffrey, Harry Younger, Luke Cocker.
- Keegan Joe & David Jeffrey gained 2nd place in the New Zealand U17 Beach Volleyball Championships in January.
- The support from the Houghton Family toward Beach Volleyball.

NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS VOLLEYBALL NATIONALS PALMERSTON NORTH

Spotswood College Boys team. Jonah Naborisi, Robert Fox, David Jeffrey, Tawera Baker, Joseph Pui, Michael Anderson, Keegan Joe, Meli Naborisi, Ben Willis, Ronan Avery.

The team attended Palmerston North for the 48th New Zealand Secondary Schools Senior Volleyball Nationals.

We were placed in the Honours.

Pool play Honours Division

Won 3-1 Otahuhu College (Auckland) 25-18, 22-25, 25-17, 25-19

Lost 0-3 Waimea College (Nelson) 16-25, 22-25, 19-25

Won 3-0 Hillcrest HS (Hamilton) 25-15, 25-13, 25-17

Qualified Division 1

Lost 0-3 Manurewa High School (Auckland) 21-25, 16-25, 16-25

Lost 0-3 Tauranga Boys College 12-25, 1-25, 14-25.

Lost 1-3 Mount Maunganui College (Tauranga) 18-25, 25-23, 17-25, 24-26

Lost 0-3 Rangitoto College (Auckland) 17-25, 18-25, 17-25, 15-25.

Lost 0-3 Rowville High School (Melbourne /Australia) 15-25, 17-25, 23-25

Won 3-0 Otago Boys High School 25-23, 25-14, 27-25.

Finished 15th in Division 1.

15th in New Zealand Senior Secondary Schools Volleyball Nationals. A very creditable result.

YEAR 10 BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Squad Keegan Joe, Meli Naborisi, Neme Faga, Harry Younger, Luke Cocker, Izac White, Clinton Healy, James Dey, Ryan Clough, Tane Whitehead, Kobe Watson.

The Junior Boys won the TSSSA championships for the third year in a row.

Beating Opunake HS, Waitara HS and Inglewood HS in Pool play.

In the Semi-final the bet FDMC

In the final they played NPBHS coming out victorious in the final.

Taranaki regional volleyball championships

The boys have been playing the regional championships and will be hoping to win the Taranaki Junior boys regional Championships.

The team play in the North Island Secondary schools volleyball championships at Wellington in November.

YEAR 9 BOYS VOLLEYBALL TEAM

Team. Sam Skinner, Michael Gibbons, Kobi Hislop, Ido Doron, Norman Mangu, Daniel Williamson.

The Year 9 boys entered the Sunday night competition league and have improved with each week of competition.

HIGHLIGHTS VOLLEYBALL SEASON

- Robert Fox represented Taranaki U19 team at the Inter Provincial Championships in Auckland and placed 4th.
- Jonah Naborisi, David Jeffrey, Keegan Joe, Meli Naborisi, Harry Younger, Luke Cocker, Izac White represented Taranaki U17 Team at the Inter Provincial Championships in Auckland and placed 7th
- 2015 Juniors boys team gained 10th place in Division 1.

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- Senior Boys winning Taranaki Regional Volleyball Championships and 15th in New Zealand Secondary Schools.
- Robert Fox, Keegan Joe and David Jeffrey represented Spotswood Volleyball Club and won the Taranaki Club Men's Championships 2016.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL 2016

It is again with great pleasure that we can report on another very successful year for the various junior and senior girls' teams that have represented Spotswood College at Indoor and Beach Volleyball during the past twelve months.

The main highlights during the past year (since October, 2015) were:-

- The 2015 Junior Girls' team finished in 3rd place in Division 3 (35th overall), at the 31st North Island Secondary Schools Junior Championships played at Wellington last November.
- Several of our Junior and Senior Girls' Beach Volleyball Pairs teams competed creditably from November to February in various tournaments in New Plymouth.
- Four girls' pairs teams competed at the 2016 VNZ Age group Beach Volleyball championships at Mt. Maunganui on 26 & 27 January.
- Seven girls' pairs teams competed at the 2015 NZSS Beach Volleyball championships played at Mt. Maunganui Beach on 7 & 8 February. Hikaru Han & Sophie won the Senior Girls' Division Two championship.
- Five girls teams competed at the 16th TSSSA-Taranaki Secondary Schools Beach Volleyball Championships that were played at Ngamotu Beach, on Sunday 21st February. Larissa Wilkinson & Chloe Knight won the Junior Girls' Pairs and Hikaru Han & Sophie Willis won the Senior Girls' Pairs championships.
- The Senior Girls' Green team finished 2nd and the Gold team 3rd in the 2016 Taranaki Secondary Schools senior regional qualifying series played in early-March.
- The Senior Girls' Green team finished in 2nd place in Division Four(50th overall) at the 48th NZSS Senior championships played in Palmerston North in early-April.
- Libby Houghton was selected for the NZ Under 17 Beach pairs team that competed in the Asian Under 17 championships in Thailand in May, and also for the North Island Youth indoor team that competed in Australian State championships played in Queensland in late-September.
- In mid-September we hosted Santiago College (Chile).

- Hikaru Han and Sophie Willis were selected in the Taranaki Under 17 Girls' team that finished in 3rd place at the VNZ inter-provincial tournament at Auckland in September.
- The Junior Girls' team finished in 4th place at the 2016 Taranaki Secondary Schools Sports Association (TSSSA) Junior Championships played at the TSB Stadium on Tuesday 11th October.

The following is a summary of the various activities in which our girls' volleyball teams participated in during the last twelve months:

1. 2015 – 31ST NORTH ISLAND JUNIOR INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS – WELLINGTON:

A combined Year 9 & 10 Junior girls' team traveled to Wellington for the 31st NISS Junior Championships held from 25-29 November. We stayed at Joan Stevens Hall of residence.

The team was:- Hikaru Han (Captain), Paris Brown, Adelaide Campbell, Catriona Oates, Siteri Naumotu, Larissa Wilkinson, Chloe Knight and Caitlin Brown and had qualified as Taranaki no.2, so were seeded into the Challenger - Division Three championship for teams ranked 33-48.

The Challenger grade pool play results were: beat Waikato Diocesan 2-1; 15-25, 25-14, 15-4; beat Bishop Viard (Wellington) 2-0; 25-19, 25-14; beat Whakatane HS 2-0; 25-9, 25-23;

Division 3 results:- beat Carmel College (Takapuna) 2-0; 25-16, 26-24; beat Wellington HS 2-0; 25-14, 25-11; beat Westlake GHS (Takapuna) 2-1; 17-25, 25-13, 15-9; beat Rangitoto College B (Takapuna) 2-0; 25-6, 25-19; Semi-final lost to Palmerston North GHS 0-2; 15-25, 18-25; Play-off for 3rd & 4th beat Westlake GHS 2-1; 12-25, 25-20,

15-10. Overall the team Played 9 won 8 and lost 1 to finish in 3rd place in Division Three or 35th overall.

The NISS Junior Beach Volleyball championships scheduled to follow the indoor champs were cancelled due to the stormy weather in Wellington.

2. 2016 VOLLEYBALL NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL AGE GROUP BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

This year's national age group Beach Volleyball championships were played at Mt. Maunganui on 26 & 27 January. Teams and placings were:

Girls' Under 19: Casey Carass & Taylah Williams14th

Girls' Under 17: Sophie Willis & Hikaru Han 5th= (5 wins and 1 loss)

Adelaide Campbell & Larissa Wilkinson 9th=

Siteri Naumotu & Chloe Knight 15th=

3. 2016 NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS – MT. MAUNGANUI:

Spotswood College entered seven teams in this year's championships held at Mt. Maunganui on 6 & 7 February. The teams and placings were:-

Year 11 and Under Girls' Pairs:-

Division 2: Adelaide Campbell & Larissa Wilkinson 5th= (21st= overall)

Siteri Naumotu & Chloe Knight 9th= (25th= overall)

Paris Brown & Tanwen Edwards 34th

Senior Girls' Open Pairs:-

Division 2: Hikaru Han & Sophie Willis 1st place Division 2 (17th overall)

Casey Carass & Montana Bennett 5th= (21st= overall)

Sophie Bowden & Taylah Williams 11th= (27th= overall)

Baylee O'Donnell-Martin & Amirah Osama 14th (30th overall)

4. 2016 – 15TH TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS (TSSSA) – NGAMOTU BEACH SUNDAY 21ST FEBRUARY

Spotswood College entered three senior girls' pairs teams, one senior fours team and one Junior Pairs in this year's TSSSA championships. The teams and placings were:

Junior Girls' Pairs: Larissa Wilkinson & Chloe Knight

Senior Girls' Pairs: Hikaru Han & Sophie Willis 1st

Sophie Bowden & Taylah Williams 5th=

Siteri Naumotu & Adelaide Campbell

Senior Girls' Fours: Sarah Long, Christine Li, Nina Huber, Fernanda Pimmental Nunes

5. 2016 TARANAKI SENIOR REGIONAL QUALIFYING SERIES:

This year, four teams Spotswood(2) and NPGHS(2) entered the Taranaki senior regional qualifying series. Our teams were:

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Green team: Libby Houghton(Captain), Hikaru Han, Sophie Willis, Tanwen Edwards,

Adelaide Campbell, Siteri Naumotu, Larissa Wilkinson & Chloe Knight.

Gold team: Casey Carass, Montana Bennett, Sophie Bowden, Baylee O'Donnell-Martin,

Taylah Williams, Paris Brown & Catriona Oates.

We finished in second and third places to qualify as Taranaki no. 2 & 3 for the NZSS championships.

6. 2016 - 48TH NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS SENIOR INDOOR VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS - PALMERSTON NORTH:

This year's championships were again played at Palmerston North from 3rd - 8th April.

Our Green team as Taranaki 2, was seeded into the Premier grade for teams ranked 33 - 64 to decide the teams for Divisions 3 and 4.

Their Pool play results were:- lost to Te Aroha College 0-3; 13-25, 23-25, 22-25; beat Lincoln College 3-1;25-14, 16-25, 25-20, 25-22; and beat Aquinas College(Tauranga) 3-2; 25-15, 12-25, 25-16, 21-25, 15-12. Three teams (Aquinas, Te Aroha and Spotswood) all tied for first in pool requiring a count back that saw our team finish in 3rd place in pool.

Division Four Championship play: beat Hillcrest HS (Hamilton) 3-1; 25-16, 24-26, 25-20, 25-15; beat Waimea College B (Nelson) 3-0; 25-15, 25-16, 25-22; beat St.Margarets College (Christchurch) 3-1; 25-22, 17-25, 25-22, 25-23; Quarter-final beat Marlborough Girl's College B 3-0; 25-10, 25-17, 25-20; Semi-final beat Middleton Grange HS (Christchurch) 3-1; 21-25, 25-12, 25-13, 25-18; Final lost to Te Puke College 2-3; 25-21, 28-26, 23-25, 19-25, 6-15 to win the silver medal for Division Four.

Overall the Green played 9 games, won 7 and lost 2; winning 23 sets for with 12 sets against. The team finished in 2nd place in Division 4, an overall placing of 50th overall from the 92 girls' teams entered.

The Gold team as Taranaki no.3 was seeded into the Challenger grade for teams ranked 65-96 to decide the teams for Divisions 5 and 6. Their Pool play results were:- beat Otumoetai College D 2-1; 25-15, 25-22, 23-25; beat Tauranga Girls' College Juniors 2-1; 17-25, 25-22, 25-20; lost to Sacred Heart College(Wellington) 1-2; 23-25, 21-25, 27-25. On a count back, the Gold team qualified for the Division 5 championship. The championship results were:- lost to Onehunga HS (Auckland) 0-3; 12-25, 23-25, 8-25; lost to Opotiki College 0-3; 20-25, 22-25, 20-25; lost to Whanganui HS 1-2; 12-25, 25-22, 11-25; lost to Glendowie College

(Auckland) 0-2; 14-25, 20-25. The 13th - 16th pool results were: lost to Mt. Maunganui College Juniors 1-2; 25-22, 23-25, 19-25, lost to Queen Margaret College (Wellington) 1-2; 21-25, 26-24, 15-25. The Gold team finished in 16th place in Division 5-80th overall.

7. 2016 NEW PLYMOUTH AUTUMN & WINTER INDOOR LEAGUE

This year three girls' team were entered in the New Plymouth Autumn and Winter indoor leagues. The teams were:-

Seniors:- Spotswood Lions (Green team) and Spotswood Tigers (Gold team)

Juniors:- Spotswood Panthers-Tenaya Richardson, CJ Needs, Vana Hislop, Emma Dashorst, Grace Glennie, Ania Holden, Yulan Imhasly, Megan Jones, Cara Moffitt, and Jemma Tanner.

8. SANTIAGO COLLEGE(CHILE) VISIT:

Santiago College again visited New Plymouth on 18 & 19 September. Both senior teams played games against Santiago at the TSB Stadium.

The Senior Gold team played on the Sunday night loosing 1-2; 22-25, 16-25, 18-8.

The Senior Green team played on the Monday winning 2-0; 25-15, 25-18 then played two additional practice sets loosing 33-35 and 17-25.

9. 2016 TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS(TSSSA):

This year's championships were played at the TSB Stadium on Tuesday 11th October. Our combined Year 9 & 10 Junior team was: Tenaya Richardson, CJ Needs, Vana Hislop, Grace Glennie, Ania Holden, Yulan Imhasly, Megan Jones, Cara Moffitt, and Jemma Tanner.

Our pool play results were:- beat Hawera HS 38-32, beat Opunake HS 53-25, lost to NPGHS 18-45. Semi-final lost to SHGC 31-37, Play-off for 3rd & 4th lost to Waitara HS

26-49 for a final placing of 4th in the 8 team event.

10. 2016 TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOL JUNIOR REGIONAL QUALIFYING SERIES:

As this year's magazine went to print the three round 2016 Taranaki Junior regional series was being played, followed by the NISS championships in Wellington. We will report on these next year.

CONCLUSION:

A big thank you to all of the junior and senior players for their involvement in the girls' Volleyball programme during 2016.

A special thanks again to Mr. Robbie Booth and Paula Koot Brennan who have helped with the coaching of all Spotswood Girls' Beach and Indoor teams throughout the year.

The Ministry of Education closed our College gymnasium on Thursday 29th May, 2014 which completely disrupted our Volleyball programme. Luckily we have managed to have our senior training at the Hospital recreation hall on Tuesday nights from 7-9pm throughout 2015.

Best wishes to the Junior Girls' as they prepare for their regional qualifying series and the North Island Junior Indoor Championships in Wellington 21st - 25th November, and the NISS Beach Volleyball championships on Saturday 26th November.

Good luck to those players who will be involved in the various Beach Volleyball events during the summer of 2016/2017.

To the players who are leaving, best of luck for the future and I look forward to seeing you on a volleyball court somewhere.

To those players returning, you can look forward to another enjoyable and successful year in 2017–BUT !! remember that you are only as good as you practice, and you don't improve unless you practice.

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P. Gayton

Head Coach-Girls' Volleyball

SENIOR A BASKETBALL TEAM 2016

The 2016 Spotswood College Senior A Basketball Team played in the New Plymouth Basketball Association Men's B Grade. The step up into the Men's grade was a daunting task for the team. The league requires the same skill and precision as the Secondary School league but also adds a physical component as the team is playing against adults. Spotswood showed great determination and passion in all of the games. In most of the games Spotswood were able to keep the scores close for the better part of three quarters. There were a handful of games that narrowly slipped away in the fourth quarter. Spotswood was able to win two games in the league and did not qualify for the playoffs.

The MVP of the team for the second straight year was Sherwood Mathieson. Sherwood once again demonstrated his awesome offensive ability with quick dribble cross-over moves and his long range shooting accuracy. David Jeffrey was a standout performer during the year. This was the first year that

David played on the team. His athletic brilliance and stamina were by far the best in the league. Kurtis Gilmour made huge progress during the season before injuring his leg which forced him to miss the last five games of the season.

The highlight of the year for the team was the game against Santiago College. The game was an intensely fierce battle which went down to the final seconds. Spotswood narrowly lost the game but demonstrated overwhelming grit, motivation and resolve throughout the game.

The returning players for are looking forward to playing in the Secondary School league in 2017. They have committed themselves to conditioning and practice over the summer break. The one year hiatus from the Secondary School league has allowed the team to build strength and characters. The players are determined to show their continued improvement on the court in 2017.

Wellington) 13-9 beat Quiama Hetet-Te-Miha (Te Kura Kaupapa Maori O Tupoho) 19-4

drew with Kaleb Johnston (Waimea College, Nelson) 9-9 Post section play (Top 24):

beat Tyler Gullery (Hawera HS) 9-7

beat Matthew Lansdaal (Matamata College) 13-1 Ouarter final: beat Hannah Wilson (James Hargest HS,

Southland) 17-2

Semi-final: beat David Ellis (Timaru BHS) 11-10

Final: beat Leighton Shanks (Lytton HS, Gisborne) 11-4

Ryan Vincent:

Pool play: drew with James Powell (Aotea College, Wellington) 4-4

beat Katie-Rae Botica

(Villa Maria College, Wellington) 7-5

beat Racharn Eagle (Horowhenua College, Levin) 10-6

lost to Sean Rennwandt

(Newlands College, Wellington) 4-7

Post-section play (Top 16):

lost to David Ellis (Timaru BHS) 2-10

Final placing: 9th=

The Pairs championship was played on the Monday with Aidan and Ryan winning 6 consecutive games

and unfortunately losing the last two to finish in 4th place.

Their results were:

beat Bradley Podjursky & Simeon Cook (Stratford HS) 15-1

beat Molly Cooper & Hannah Polgiester (Aotea College, Wellington) 21-1

beat Leighton Shanks & Kaia Matenga (Lytton HS, Gisborne) 10-3

beat Megan Jackson & Rebecca Schrader (St. Marys Diocesan) 10-7

Qualified for the Top 12 Post section play:

beat Sam Anderson & Racham Eagle (Horowhenua College, Levin) 12-4

Quarter final:

beat Cameron Ellis & David Ellis (Timaru BHS) 8-4

lost to Caleb Hope & Hannah Wilson (James Hargest HS, Invercargill) 4-12

Play-off for 3rd & 4th:

lost to Liam McLean & Tyler Gullery (Hawera HS) 3-11

At the conclusion of the championships, Aidan was received "The Player of the Tournament" award having previously won this award in 2014.

INDOOR BOWLS 2016

NORTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS **CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

This year's championships were held at Tauranga on 23rd & 24th July.

Congratulations to Aidan Zittersteijn on winning the singles championships and then pairing up with Dylan Holton to finish 4th in the pairs championship. Spotswood College finished as runner-up in the top school competition.

Singles:

Aidan Zitteersteijn:

Pool play beat Anthony Quellet (Tauranaga Boys College

Quarter final beat Daniel Curtis (Feilding H.S) Semi-final beat Meisha White (Waitakere College) Final beat Matthew Farquahar (Tauhara College)

Pairs:

Aidan Zittersteijn & Dylan Holton:

beat Foden Patersen & Chris Taylor, Daniel Curtis & Kosha Abbott, Ryan Holt & Rohan Sinclair; lost to Todd Soothill & Nicole Bennett (Hawera HS) Quarter final: beat Soothill & Bennett

Semi-final: lost to Quellet & Dorofaeff (Tauranga Boys College)

3rd/4th play-off lost to Jaimee Pretty & Brittany Simpson (Opunake HS)

NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS:

This year's Singles and Pairs championships were held at Titahi Bay, Wellington on Saturday 28th(Sunday) & 29th(Monday) August. Spotswood was represented by Aidan Zittersteijn and Ryan Vincent.

After winning the North Island title in July, Aidan had his sights set on winning this year's national singles championship. A total of 73 bowlers entered the event and with 8 wins and 1 draw, Aidan defeated Leighton Shanks from Lytton HS(Gisborne) 11-4 in the final. Leighton had previously won the title in 2013 and 2014.

Ryan qualified for the Top 16 but was eliminated in his first match and finished in 9th= place.

Their results were:

Aidan Zittersteijn:

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Pool play: beat Sam Landers (Hawera HS) 9-5 beat Owintyn Bennett-Thomason (Aotea College,

ANNUAL CROSS COUNTRY

After several postponements due to wet weather throughout May, this year's annual Cross Country was held in fine sunny conditions on Thursday 2nd of May.

This year in order to encourage better Hapu participation a mufti-day was also held, there were two options for students to participate in - the competitive 3km run or the Hapu walk.

The individual competitive Cross Country race winners

Junior Girls: Erica Vogel Junior Boys: Kobi Hislop

Intermediate Girls: Courtney Goble Intermediate Boys: David Jeffrey Senior Girls: Nicola Carroll

Senior Boys: Ben Dev

Overall House points for the Paul Ballinger Trophy:

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1st Mikotahi 16.5 points

2nd Motumahanga 15 points

3rd Moturoa 13.5 points

4th Paritutu 13 points

Best Dressed individual winners:

Motumahanga - Megan Jones

Mikotahi Terry O'Donnell

Moturoa Jaydon Davis

Paritutu Blake Tanner

Best Dressed Whanau class:

Motumahanga Mr. Ramsay's

Mikotahi Mr. Moorby's

Moturoa Mrs Nicholl's

Paritutu Mr. Abram's

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FIRST ELEVEN GIRLS' SOCCER TEAM

Spotswood college girls first eleven had a great year and also a successful season, we came 3rd in the premier league. Our team never gave up and we became a very strong team. A highlight of the season



MINI BIKE RACE TEAM

The main project for the students in Year 12 is

building a 70cc 4 stroke mini motorbike. This is not a

compulsory project, but it is a very challenging one.

"The students who take on the challenge of building the bike gain so much experience. It is great to see

things like the terminology of tools and materials just

roll off their tongues. Never mind the problem solving

The bikes have a specification in which they have to meet. As long as they stay within these specifications

they can design their own prototype, or run with a

to make their frame, exhausts, handlebars/clip-ons,

foot pegs, triple clamps, swing arms, brake brackets,

engine mounts and supports, finally wiring the bikes

tried and tested model. The engineering students have

their knowledge and skill grow, even just simple

skills they are gaining without even knowing it."

was going on tournament to Auckland. We had a great week away and I'd like to thank our coach Mr Johnson and the two parents who came and supported us at every game. Also well done to the whole team for staying positive and never giving up when we were all tired but we still gave it our all.

Thanks to the whole team for making my last year in Spotswood Soccer Team one of the best. I will miss you all and I wish you luck for next season. I'll defiantly be coming to support you all, also thanks Mr Johnson for putting up with me for 5 years and being the best coach.

Good luck girls for 2017 Dione Riley (Year 13)













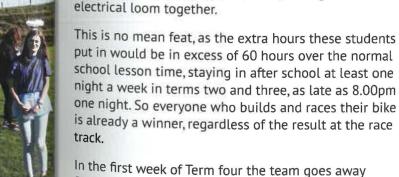












In the first week of Term four the team goes away for three days of racing (at the Mansfield Raceway in Fielding) which is a great experience, racing against the other 13 schools who come from all around the North Island to test themselves and their machines against the other students.

For most of the students it will be their first taste of riding a motorbike never mind racing one around a race track. Skills are learnt, such as clutch control, cornering techniques and braking. Although it would be great to have somewhere other than the school rugby field to learn these skills!

The fastest Spotswood College rider this year was Nathan Foley, with David Jefferies coming a close second. The year 12 boys will get a chance to race their bikes again when they are in Year 13.

Spotswood College is the only school in Taranaki to take the students racing. It is such a great learning experience, life skills, comradery, sportsmanship. It's a lot of work but well worth the effort!

A special thanks has to be given to Shane Devlin from Graphix Explosion who sponsored the riders with their team logos on their bikes. Also to Derrick Foley who came along to help the boys while they were at the races, without all of this support we wouldn't be able to do the trip.

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Simon Houghton.

RUGBY UNDER 15 - DIVISION RUNNER UP

The biggest positive about this year wasn't the 100 point thrashings of other schools or the huge hits that went down game after game, but the fact we came together as a whanau both on and off the field and played for "the brothers".

In saying that it was always a pleasure to see a huge tackle from Tapene Wilson, a blinding run by Neme Faga. Or watch our little Locky, boss the big boys around the paddock like an army drill Sargent.

Our backs were fast and sharp with our safety man Izac White at the back who dominated both in defence and attack and good luck to anyone who thought they could run down Tane as he managed to give most teams a "whitehead-ache".

It's no secret that we by far had the best forward pack in the competition with our dominating front row of Eddie, Tane, Liam and our work horses Zion and Mana in the middle, not to mention our big runner Ford Lambert who was a force to reckon with when he got going.

It was fair to say our devastating loose trio of Huatau, Tautahi and Tapene split teams apart with their "hearty" defence and knowledge in and around the breakdown. This sort of leadership from senior players took us to the Final as top of the table and the official team to beat.

We were unlucky on the day going down 15 – 17 with a last minute try and conversion but the boys stayed true to our ETU values and were gracious in defeat.

Kia ora to the senior Boys for this year. I hope you take what you have learned this year, will stand you in good stead at $1^{\rm st}$ fifteen level. And to guys who will be back let's make sure you're on top of your game, come end of season 2017.

On a side note I would like to thank all the whanau and parents who turned up to support our boys on Saturdays, especially Jean Hikaka who was their every week, sat in her yellow outfit doing us proud. To Kaia's Brother Charles who helped out at training and hooked us a kai on Thursday nights, tumeke ehoa.

Big thankyou to Hamish "Monty" Montgomery for managing the boys this year and to Darren Scott for somehow acquiring Most of our rugby balls and jackets during the year chur Daz.

Let us always remember the "Mongo Line" Nga mihi

Mr T (Coach extraordinaire)

SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE SNOW TEAM

This winter season proved to be a big year for our skiers and snowboarders both locally and at the Secondary Schools Championships held at Mt Ruapehu. The Taranaki Competition was dominated by the Willis siblings, with Sophie picking up a second in the girls skiing and Ben smashing the boys at every turn and picking up Number 1 in Taranaki. Big ups to Ze German contigent of Eric, Yannic and Moritz who also blazed their way down the field in epic style and mid 80's fashion.

The Snowboarding Competition saw 'Easy E' Sherwood Matheson and Yannic Hund do very well in their division, but it was Meg Parson, who stole the show with second overall in her competition.

Sydney Williams, was 4th, but capped her day with a Rescue Helicopter ride down the hill, after a not-so-well excuted half cab 540 flip onto her head.

The Spotswood College Ski Team came second overall In Taranaki which was a great effort for the amount of participants we had this year, well done team!!

However, "The North Island Secondary Schools Snowboading & Skiing Event" was what we had our sights on. The conditions were fair, but Ben Willis yet again pulled out all the stops coming 1st in his skiing event. Meg Parsons too performed exceptionally well and finished 2nd in the Boarder Cross which was a fabulous result.

Mr T - Spotswood College Snow Team Coach







Our season started with a large squad of 13 which was made up of players from each year group. We played in the Senior Girls Social league at NPGHS gymnasium on Friday nights. It was a challenging start with many of the girls never having met before our first game.

Having 13 players made the rotation of subs difficult to manage, and the lack of a school gymnasium really inhibited any chance of practices and team development. However, the squad settled into learning as they played and sometimes even listened to the coach.

The goal for next year will be having separate junior and senior teams, and a gymnasium to practice in. After winning most games, but with a few very close losses, the Spotswood College Ballers came 6th on the points table.

Junior player of the year - Chloe Knight. Senior player of the year - Sophie Willis.

Rob Needs – Girls Basketball Coach



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JUNIOR BASKETBALL TEAM

This year was a mixed season for the Spotswood College Junior Basketball Team. From a first game defeat (70 – 10) to a place in the competition Plate semi-final. The Spotswood Junior Basketball Team "The Sorcerer's" once again showed our true College fighting spirit. Captain Keegan Joe led from the front, being our teams highest point scorer with Vice Captain Leroy Pokaiwhenua-Gattsche not far behind.

As the season came to its conclusion one can only take their hats off to the whole team, whose dedication determination and team spirit shone through. Bruce Lee once wrote 'What is defeat, nothing but education nothing but the first step to something better' so with that in mind roll on 2017.

NETBALL 2016

The 2016 netball season commenced in February with netball trials being held on the new Astroturf Sports facilities. This year saw an increase of netball teams from three to five after the completion of trials. This later reduced to four teams with the unforeseen availability of some players.

The netball group then undertook pre-season training at East End Beach, Pukekura Park and Ngamotu Beach. Players would meet every Saturday at 8.00 am for two hour fitness and skill sessions. This aligned perfectly with the school ETU values which allowed coaches, parent supporters and players to form key social relationships and bonding as a united group inclusive of all whilst learning skill development through participation and commitment.









SENIOR A NETBALL SQUAD



The Senior A squad faced a tough start to the 2016 season with several new recruitments (Midcourt) Ruby Rogers, and Nicola Carroll, (Defenders) Jade Austin, Sheena Manihera, and Sophie Willis, (Shooters) Unity Walters and Shanice Eru-Solomon, joined forces with returning players Captain Chloe Knight (Defence) Gaby Cole (Midcourt) and Emmy Banner-Smith (Shooter). The team challenge presented was the unfamiliarity of player skills and capabilities, building relationships and what the season would hold.

Therefore our journey this year has been a relatively successful one, and although plagued with injuries, the talent and commitment displayed by the girls to play Senior Satellite netball amongst grown adults has been truly rewarding. From grading to competition these girls produced results of victories, draws and losses to remain in their section. The team also built relationships and quickly developed a reputation at the Waiwhakaiho Netball courts. Netball Clubs Bell Block Marist Dragons, Spotswood United, Lorenz and Tukapa were in awe of the teams outstanding sportsmanship displayed both on/off court, and praised the team and our very supportive parent spectators during the winter competition.



The girls also competed in the Secondary School Senior A League held in Inglewood to gain valuable court experience playing against premier league teams such as Waitara High School, Sacred Heart Girls College and New Plymouth Girls High school. The game results from the start to the end of this league also clearly indicated the vast improvement and team building that had formed between the players from practices and games. Producing a win against St Mary's and comparing premier one/two and three teams game matches and score margins against equivalent teams vs 60 minutes games their achievements was clearly becoming evident.

At times pain is gain and the team lost player's due to injuries as a result of appalling weather conditions and slippery court surfaces. With a remaining 7 players and no reserves this team called in frequently players from the Senior B team: Larissa Wilkinson, and Tanesha Bower and also Junior A team: Chalice Ratapu-Kahui. Thank you to these three players who

played superbly on each occasion, you all integrated within this team so effortlessly.

Congratulations to:

Chloe Knight – Carter Cup Most Outstanding Junior Player

Jade Austin – Simply Blooming Florist Cup Senior Player Most Improved

Sophie Willis - LJ Trophy for Senior Player of the Year

SENIOR B NETBALL SQUAD



What an amazing group of girls all Y11 students with the exception of Larissa Wilkinson at Y10. This was their second season together with new additions Ayeisha Nowell and Tanesha Bower with Jade Austin promoted to Senior A. This team also competed in the Senior Satellite Competition in Section 10 coming up against both youth and adult teams.

On numerous occasions the team displayed some outstanding netball and are a tight unit of comedians who played with flare and brilliance, combined with the wrong place good time scenarios but certainly provided us all with some very entertaining netball.

Tanesha Bower proved to be a very versatile player moving positions from defence through to shooter. Ayeisha Nowell who joined the team with no experience showed unlimited potential. Paris Brown led the team and worked the shooting circle alongside Larissa Wilkinson and Tanesha Bower. The Smith twins of Michaela and Laura, worked speedily throughout the midcourt with Kaya Brophy also sharing roles within the midcourt, but also defensive duo Jai Tarn and Ayeisha Nowell.

Congratulations also to Larissa Wilkinson who was awarded the Richardson Trophy Year 10 Most Improved Player for 2016.



SENIOR SOCIAL



The biggest squad of all four teams in 2016, with a maximum of 12 players registered, suffered several disruptions from the amalgamation of two teams to one, as a result of unavailability of eight players. Plagued with injuries from ankles, fingers, and arms involving plaster and at times crutches, a recruitment of players was required to keep team numbers maintained.

Competing in the Youth Social Section 2, saw a season of pleasing results, building from strength to strength and benefiting from skills development learning attacking and defensive manoeuvres, court positioning and game plays. A cohesive tight knit fun and witty group of girls who never gave up, had a desire to learn and displayed immense improvement during the season.

Congratulations to Maddison Nuku who was awarded the Morrison Trophy for Most Improved Y9 Netball Player 2016.



JUNIOR A NETBALL SQUAD



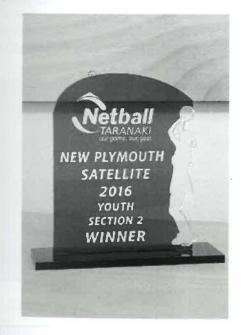
Formerly known as the Devon Intermediate 7A and 8A team in 2014 and 2015, and coached consecutively by Maria Kahui, two new recruitment players Arielle Grindlay-Lambert and Cleo Strongman joined this team in what was predicted to be a successful season given the teams history.

The team competed in the Junior A section of the Secondary School League held in Inglewood, offering the team an opportunity to experience competing against Y9 and Y10 teams from around the province not competing in the New Plymouth Satellite Youth Competition. Although they produced one win from this competition they too braved the weather ailments of freezing temperatures and poor court conditions.



Grading for New Plymouth Youth Competitive section two saw them produce two losses and three wins to stay in Section 2. It was onwards and upwards for this team as they produced win after win, with convincing score lines reflected every weekend. The overall result of three years training and team work eventually paid off and earned them the title of Netball Taranaki 2016 Winners - New Plymouth Satellite Youth Competitive Section 2. "BIG CONGRATULTIONS GIRLS & MARIA".

Congratulations also to Carlida Te-Ahwe who was awarded the Lovegrove Cup Year 9 Player of the Year for 2016.



SPOTLIGHT ON INTERNATIONAL STUDENT NINA HUBNER

My Name is Nine Huber and I'm from Switzerland. A year had passed since I arrived in New Zealand with only six days remaining in this beautiful country.

I started playing netball, a sport I had never heard about before I came here. The first time I "got in touch" with netball was through TV when my host family watched the Silver Ferns playing. At the time I

was keen to start a new sport and netball seemed to be a great opportunity, so I registered to play.



Enthusiastically I went to my first practice, to be honest I was slightly overwhelmed by the speed and obvious experience of all the other players who had been playing for years. After three practices and one game my confidence began to suffer a bit and I recall thinking I was ready to quit.

I talked to my coach and also with the netball coordinator, who had also noticed my increasing loss of confidence due the skill difference between my team members and myself. Luckily through my own perseverance, and support of encouragement from all, I was placed in a social team.

As I started playing in this less competitive team I started to feel a lot more comfortable and really enjoyed playing. I am so glad that I did not give up, and know that I will miss netball a lot when I am back in Switzerland! Unfortunately netball is not a common sport at all in Europe.

Playing netball has been an awesome experience, from not only victories and losses on the court but also experiencing team and group spirit from all the netball girls. I have never played a team sport before and I really enjoyed practising and playing with my team mates!

Everyone from the netball group and my team welcomed me, and from the very beginning I felt like a part of a team and group which was wonderful. Even though I was only available to play one term before returning back to Switzerland, I have gained some awesome and precious memories. I will be recommending to my PE teacher that we definitely play netball during class time.

At last I would like to thank my coach Casey Tunnicliffe and my team for all their support, for everything I have

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learned about netball and just the great time I had with them!

Photos: Top Right Gemma Clarges and Nina Hubner with Player of the Day trophies and Most Improved. Bottom Senior Social team photo with Nina Hubner (front row center).



FAREWELL Y13 (INSERT PICTURE Y13)

Sadly we must farewell our Y13 netballers, below L to R (Ashleigh Tunnicliffe, Megan Budgen, Amber Mapley, Maeghan King, absent-Sheena Manihera) on behalf of the school and coaches it has been a pleasure watching you all grow into the beautiful and wonderful wahine that you all are. We look forward to seeing what your future holds and wish you all nothing but the best in the next chapter of your lives.



RECOGNITION

As the Netball Co-ordinator I would like to acknowledge and give recognition and thanks to the following volunteers:

To our coaches Casey Tunnicliffe, Maria Kahui and Paula Koot-Brennan, thank you for giving up so much of your time to coach a team for Spotswood College. The school relies on volunteers to assist us with our teams. Which is both rewarding and trying through the best of times.

To our Managers – Renee Grindlay, Donna Bower, Casey Tunnicliffe and Lisa Holdt, thank you for also generously donating your time, and assisting our coaches with the onerous duties and weekly registrations, bib collections, and first aid on the scenes when required.

To our Umpires: Renee Grindlay, Paula Koot-Brennan, Maria Kahui, Chloe Knight and Shanice Eru-Solomon for undertaking 4 week registered umpires training, and officiating your duties so our teams could play each weekend is recognition of your commitment and support. To our student umpires Chloe and Shanice thank you both for umpiring the following school sports exchanges, Devon Intermediate, Manukorihi Intermediate, Hawera Intermediate and Spotswood Primary, I look forward to watching your umpiring skills further develop as time progresses.

Much love and respect to each and every one of you xox.



2016 SPORTING REPRESENTATIVES

NORTH TARANAKI REPRESENTATIVES

Aidan ZittersteijnNorth Taranaki Indoor Bowls Junior & Senior teams Maeghan King.....North Taranaki Equestrian Show Jumping team

TARANAKI REPRESENTATIVES

| Robert FoxTaranaki Under 19 Mens' Volleyball team |
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| Keegan JoeTaranaki Under 17 Mens' Volleyball team |
| Izac WhiteTaranaki Under 17 Mens' Volleyball team |
| Luke CockerTaranaki Under 17 Mens' Volleyball team |
| Harry YoungerTaranaki Under 17 Mens' Volleyball team |
| Meli NaborisiTaranaki Under 17 Mens' Volleyball team |
| David JeffreyTaranaki Under 17 Mens' Volleyball team |
| Sophie WillisTaranaki Under 17 Womens' Volleyball team |
| Hikaru HanTaranaki Under 17 Womens' Volleyball team |
| Lucy StinsonTaranaki Under 18 Girls' Cricket team |
| Jaxon MaddenTaranaki Age group Swimming team |
| Hikaru HanTaranaki Junior & Senior Tennis teams |
| Ronan AveryTaranaki Junior Tennis team |
| Chloe KnightTaranaki Under 15 Mixed Touch team |
| Tjontae MorungaTaranaki Under 17 Mixed Touch team |
| Neme FagaTaranaki Under 15 Rugby League team |
| Gerald McGuiganTaranaki Under 15 Rugby League team |
| Ford LambertTaranaki Under 15 Rugby League team |
| Edward lotiaTaranaki Under 15 Rugby League team |
| Jack CochranTaranaki Rangatahi Under 15 Rugby League team |
| Tane WhiteheadTaranaki Under 15 Rugby League team & Taranaki Rangatahi Under 15 tean |
| Te Rangihuatau HikakaTaranaki Under 15 Rugby League team & Taranaki Rangatahi Under 15 tean |
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REGIONAL TEAMS

Tane Whitehead......Central Vipers Under 15 Rugby League team

NORTH ISLAND REPRESENTATIVES

Aidan ZittersteijnNorth Island Academy Indoor Bowls team

North Island Under 18 Indoor Bowls team

Libby Houghton.....North Island Youth Womens' Indoor Volleyball team

NEW ZEALAND REPRESENTATIVES

NORTH ISLAND TITLES

NEW ZEALAND TITLES

2016 TSSSA EVENTS

There are now over 40 events scheduled annually on the Taranaki Secondary Schools Sports Association calendar. Spotswood College enters individuals or teams in most of these events. Below is a summary of our Spotswood results for 2016 for those events completed prior to the deadline for this year's magazine.

TSSSA BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Congratulations also to our team of 30 who competed at the TSSSA Championships played at Ngamotu Beach on Sunday 21st February. Our best results were:

Junior Boys:

TSSSA SURFING & BODYBOARDING:

This year's event was held on Tuesday 23rd February.

Our best results were:

Emma Dashorst (Year 9) 1st place Under 14 Girls' Body Boarding The team was place 6th in the 9 school event

TSSSA LAWN BOWLS:

This year's event was played at the West End Club greens on Wednesday 2nd March.

Our team was: - Emma Gibson, Aidan Zittersteijn, Jason Hook, Ryan Vincent; Kane Fabish, Nathaniel Kindler, and Flynn Watson.

TSSSA ROGAINE:

This year's event was again held at Lake Mangamahoe on Wednesday 16th March with a large squad of 57 students from Spotswood College participating.

TSSSA ATHLETICS:

This year's championships were scheduled to be held at the TET Stadium in Inglewood on Thursday 17th March. Due to back weather, the event was postponed and we were unable to attend the back-up day.

Our squad was: - Arielle Grindlay-Lambert, Sophie Hill, Kobi Hislop, Nathaniel Kindler, Pacey Mann, Adam McKenzie, Chalice Ratapu-Kahui. Cartel Te Ruki, Poutama Whitinui, Daniel Williamson, Luke Cocker, Isaac Cooksley, Vana Hislop, Cleo Strongman, Rebecca Sumpter, Erica Vogel, Izac White, Tane Whitehead, and Terry O'Donnell.

Our results were:

TSSSA SWIMMING:

This year's championships were held at the Stratford Pool on Tuesday 12th April. Our squad was:- Ryan Clough, Luke Cocker, Jake Courtnell, Oliver Doole, Kouichi Hikiji, Ben Oaten, Blake Tanner, Jemma Tanner, and Jordan Wi.

Our best results were:

Junior Boys: Ryan Clough 3rd place 50m Breaststroke 46.43 secs

Senior Boys: Blake Tanner 1st place 50m Breaststroke 36.43 secs;2nd place 50m Butterfly 30.02 secs

Relays:

Intermediate Boys 3rd place 4 x 25m Medley relay 1min 15.47 secs; 3rd place 4 x 25m Freestyle relay 1min 00.68 secs

Senior Boys: 3rd place 4 x 25m medley 1min 03.63 secs;3rd place 4 x 25m Freestyle relay 56.20secs.

TSSSA CYCLING:

This year's event was held at the Cycle Park in Bell Block on Tuesday 10th May.

In the 200m Sprint Hugh Avery finished in 5th place in 17.580 secs with Ronan Avery finishing in 2nd place in the Senior Boys in 14.340 secs.

In the Road Races, Hugh finished 5th in the Junior Boys' with Ronan finishing 2nd in the Senior Boys' event.

TSSSA INDOOR BOWLS:

Well done to our team at this year's championships that were held at the Central Division Hall in New Plymouth on Wednesday 25th May.

Our team was: - Flynn Watson competed in the singles event; Jason Hook & Tanyon Ratima competed in the Pairs with the Fours team of Aidan Zittersteijn, Ryan Vincent, Tramine Scott and Kane Fabish finishing in 3rd place.

TSSSA BADMINTON:

This year's event was held at N.P.G.H.S. on Friday 24th July. Our team was:- Hugh Avery, Layla Conaglen, Rosie Ray, Isaac Rowland, Ronan Avery, Liam McCabe-Finnerty, Nadia Warburton, and Sapphire Moke.

Our overall results were: Junior Boys': In the Singles, both Hugh and Isaac were eliminated in the first round of the championship grade and went through to play each other in the Plate final with Isaac claiming 1st

place. They were eliminated in the first round of the doubles.

Junior Girls': Rosie and Layla were both eliminated in the first round of the championship grade and finished in 3rd= place in the Plate Division. They were eliminated in the first round of the doubles.

Senior Boys': Ronan was eliminated in the second round of the championship grade. After being eliminated from the championship grade, Liam won two Plate Division games before losing the Plate final to FDMC. They were eliminated in the first round of the doubles.

Senior Girls': Nadia was eliminated in the first round of the championship grade while Sapphire was eliminated in round 2. In the doubles they lost their semi-final to Waitara High School.

TSSSA NETBALL:

This year's competition was scheduled to be held at the Waiwakaiho Courts (New Plymouth) on Sunday 7th August, but was cancelled due to the bad weather conditions.

TSSSA SMALL BORE RIFLE SHOOTING:

This year's event was held at the Inglewood Club on Sunday 21st August with 20 teams competing.

Our No.1 team of Tamia Kane (179.4), Valya Bykova (144.1), Philip James(166.1) and Liam Ransley-McIsaac (145.0) with a total of 634.60 points finished in 12th place while the No.2 team of Emily Hazelton (163.2), Corban Harker (135.0) and Abi Graham (134.) total of 432.2 points were placed 18th.

TSSSA SKIING & SNOWBOARDING:

This year's event was held at the Maunganui skifield on Thursday 11th August.

Our Skiing results were:

Junior Boys': Kieran Cullen 4th; Ned Crawshaw 12th; Morita Ruppe 14th

Senior Girls': Sophie Willis 2nd

Senior boys": Ben Willis 1st; Frido Achleinter 7th; Eric

Bartels 8th.

Our Snowboarding results were:-

Junior Girls': Sydney Williams 4th Junior Boys: Yannic Hund 8th

Senior Girls' Meg Parsons 1st

Senior Boys': Sherwood Matheson 10th

The team finished in 2nd place overall just behind NPBHS in the teams competition.

TSSSA GYMNASTICS:

This year's event was held at the Gymnastica Gym Club in New Plymouth on Thursday 18th August.

Pieta Le Bas finished in 5th= place in the Mini-Trampoline (Group A event with Skyla Patuwairua in 8th place in the Acro/Tumbling (Grade B) event.

TSSSA TABLE TENNIS:

Well done to Amirah Osama (the only senior female competitor) who competed in this year's event played at Stratford High School on Sunday 11th September, finishing in 7th place in the Senior singles event.

TSSSA JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL:

This year's championships were played at the TSB Stadium on Tuesday 11th October.

Well done to the Junior Boys' Year 10 team who played through the day undefeated to retain the championship for Spotswood, and to the Girls' Year 9 team for finishing in 4th place.

The teams were:

Boys: Keegan Joe, Luke Cocker, Ryan Clough, Roan Upson, Tane Whitehead, James Dey, Harry Younger, Neme Faga, Meli Naborisi, Clinton Healy and Izac White.

Girls: Yulan Imhasly (Captain), Ania Holden, Grace Glennie, Megan Jones, Cara Moffitt, Jemma Tanner, CJ Needs, Tenaya Richardson and Vana Hislop.

SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE SPORTS PRIZE GIVING 2016

WHOLE SCHOOL AWARDS

SERVICE TO SPORT (Staff & Adult Volunteers)
SERVICE TO SPORT (Students)

Criteria (Coaching, Refereeing, Manager of College Team/s)

BADMINTON - Sharon Rawlinson, Leonie Sole,

BASKETBALL - Link Abrams, Rob Needs, Ivan Pihama,

BEACH VOLLEYBALL – Paula Koot Brennen, Phil Gayton, Antony Joe,

CRICKET - Daniel Love,

FOOTBALL/SOCCER – Hannah Andrews, Scott Johnson, Martyn Knapton

GIRLS' 7's RUGBY - Lenard Koha, Tama Tume,

HOCKEYvAndrea Humphrey, Caleb Humphrey,

NETBALL – Paula Koot Brennen, Tracy Eru, Maria Kahui, Casey Tunnicliffe,

RUGBY – Hamish Montgomery, Darren Scott, Hohepa Thompson,

SKIING / SNOWBOARDING - Hohepa Thompson,

VOLLEYBALL – Paula Koot Brennen, Robbie Booth, Phil Gayton, Antony Joe, Bruce Petty,

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS

CROSS COUNTRY "EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATES"

Junior Girls' Champion - Erica Vogel

Junior Boys' Champion (Jayden Monaghan Trophy 2015 – Kobi Hislop

Intermediate Girls' Champion (Coralee Gates Trophy 2015) – Courtney Goble

Intermediate Boys' Champion (Tony Brownrigg Trophy – 2011) – David Jeffrey

Senior Girls' Champion (Nicola Johnson Trophy – 2011) (Trophy in Cabinet 2016) – Nicola Carroll

Senior Boys' Champion (Amin Osama Cup – 2010) – Ben Dey

SWIMMING "EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATES"

Junior Girls' Champion (Brittney Pearce Trophy 2011)
– Jemma Tanner

Junior Boys' Champion (Murray Barrett Trophy – 2011) – Oliver Doole

Intermediate Girls' Champion (The Gaby Cole Trophy – 2016) – Gaby Cole

Intermediate Boys' Champion (Barnett Bond Trophy – 2011) – Jaxon Madden

Senior Girls' Champion (Helen Barrett Trophy – 2011) – Amirah Osama

Senior Boys' Champion (Osama Family Cup 2010 – Blake Tanner

TENNIS "EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATES"

Matt Cooper Trophy for Junior Girls' Tennis Champion (1996) – Megan Jones

James Beggs Memorial Trophy for Junior Boys' Tennis Champion (1996) – Hugh Avery

Lorraine Lovell Challenge Trophy for Girls' Tennis Champion (1970) – Hikaru Han

John Lawton Memorial Cup for Boys' Tennis Champion (1978) – Ronan Avery

INDIVIDUAL CODE AWARDS

BADMINTON

The Koot Family Cup for Senior Girls' Badminton Player of the Year (2016) – Sapphire Moke

Trent Riddick Cup for Senior Boys' Badminton Player of the Year (2011) – Ronan Avery

BASKETBALL

The Mayhead Family Trophy for Junior Girls' Player of the Year (2011) – Chloe Knight

The Paurini Family Trophy for Junior Boys' Player of the Year (2011) – Leroy Pokaiwhenua-Gattsche

Senior Girls' Best Player (Trophy donated by C Finch 1980) – Sophie Willis

Senior Boys' Player of the Year (Trophy donated by BP Finch 1986) – Sherwood Matheson

YMCA EXCELLENCE IN BASKETBALL AWARD (2014)

This award is in recognition of EXCEPTIONAL TEAM WORK in the sport of Basketball. The recipient is recognised as a motivational team member, a coach and a positive role model. The recipient can be

a senior or junior, a male or a female player.)

- David Jeffrey

BEACH VOLLEYBALL

The Anne-Marie & Beatrice Petty Cup for Junior Girls' Beach Volleyball Player of the Year (2014)

– Larissa Wilkinson

The Houghton Family Cup for Most Improved Junior Boys' Beach Volleyball Player of the Year (2016)

– Harry Younger

The Faris Petty Cup for Junior Boys' Beach Volleyball Player of the Year (2014) – Keegan Joe

Phillipa Soulsby Cup for Senior Girls' Player of the Year (2001) – Libby Houghton

The Libby Houghton Cup for Most Improved Senior Boys' Beach Volleyball Player of the Year (2016) - Ben Willis

Jared Wilson Cup for Senior Boys' Player of the Year (2002) – David Jeffrey

CRICKET

Dow Elanco Trophy for Most Dedicated Girls' Cricketer (1992) – Lucy Stinson

Cricket Shield for Best all-round Year 9 Boys' Cricketer (1976) – Kobi Hislop

Rodney Brown Cup for First XI Boys' Cricket Player of the Year (2011) – Tarryn Rose-Love

EQUESTRIAN

Equestrian Cup for Overall Excellence in Equestrian Events – Maeghan King (donated by the Dickey Family 2008)

FOOTBALL/SOCCER

R H Griffin Trophy for Most Improved Year 9 Boys' Soccer Player (1967) – Michael Gibbon

Nick Webster Trophy for Most Promising Junior Boys Soccer Player (2004) Kobi Hislop

Emily Scott Trophy for Most Improved Junior Boy or Girl Soccer Player (2004) – Sophie Hill

Premier Womens' Soccer Award for Leadership & Commitment (trophy donated by Gaylene Kendrick 1994) – Kaylee Downing

Lisa Roper Trophy for Desire to Achieve in Womens' Soccer (1994) – Erica Vogel

Football Cup for Most Improved Male Player of the Year (2006) – Toby Penno

Football Cup for Male Player of the Year (2006)

– Michael Anderson

The Birkett Family Trophy Captain Boys' First XI (2014) – Zac McLeod

HOCKEY

D C Andrews Trophy for the Most Dedicated Female

Hockey Player (1995) - Mavis Tunnicliff

J Stallard Trophy for Most Improved Female Hockey Player (1995) – Estella Durrant-Riddick

Coaches Trophy for Most Improved Female Hockey Player (2000) – Mavis Tunnicliff

John Lucas Award for Most Improved Boys' Hockey Player (1987) – Bailey Elliot-Bland

Julian Family Trophy for Commitment to Boys' Hockey (2004) – Josh Gilmour

IN-LINE HOCKEY

Junior Player of the Year (Male/Female) (2003) – (N/A in Cabinet 2016)

Senior Player of the Year (Male/Female) (2003) – (N/A in Cabinet 2016)

LIFE SAVING

John Bell Memorial Cup for Improvement in Life Saving (1974) – Ryan Clough

NETBALL

Morrison Trophy for Most Improved Year 9 Netball Player (1979) (Trophy in Cabinet) Madison Nuku

Lovegrove Cup Year 9 Player of the Year (2010) – Carlida Te Awhe

Richardson Trophy for Most Improved Year 10 Netball Player (1980) – Larissa Wilkinson

Carter Cup Most Outstanding Junior Netball Player (2008) – Chloe Knight

Simply Blooming Florist Cup Senior Netball Most Improved Player (2010) – Jade Austin

LJ Trophy for Senior Player of the Year (1984)

- Sophie Willis

RUGBY

Olsen Trophy for Commitment and Excellence in Girls' Rugby (1997) – Rangianewanewa Hikaka

Spotswood College RFC Trophy for Most Dedicated Year 9 Player (1994) – Lachlan McCabe McCall Trophy for Most Dedicated Year 10 Player (1994) - Tane Whitehead

E2E Trophy for the Best & Fairest Junior Player (2006) – Izac White

TWT Trophy for the Best & Fairest Senior Player (2006) – Tapene Wilson

Dwight Murfitt Trophy for the Best & Fairest Second XV Rugby Player (1996) – Te Rangihautau Hikaka

First XV Rugby Trophy for the Best all-round Team Member (1981) – Tayne Cassidy

Alan Millward Memorial Cup for Most Improved 1st XV Rugby Player (2002) – Teina Rennie

Tony Stuthridge Memorial Trophy for the Most Conscientious First XV Rugby team member (1987) – Tawera Baker

Thomson Cup & Spotswood United RFC miniature for Captain of the First XV (1980) – Tawera Baker

SKIING

Junior Boys' Most Improved Skier – Ned Crawshaw

Junior Boys' Skier of the Year – Kieren Cullen

Senior Girls' Skier of the Year – Sophie Willis

Tai Juneau Trophy for Senior Boys' Skier of the Year (2016) – Ben Willis

SNOWBOARDING

Junior Girls' Snowboarder of the Year - Sydney Williams

Junior Boys' Snowboarder of the Year - Yannic Hund

Tracey Haldane Trophy for Senior Girls' Snowboarder of the Year (2015) – Meg Parsons

Lionel Haldane Trophy for Senior Boys' Snowboarder of the Year (2015) – Sherwood Matheson

VOLLEYBALL

Jackson Trophy for Most Improved Junior Girls' Player (1990) – Grace Glennie

Rhys Williams Trophy for Most Improved Junior Boys' Player (1990) - Luke Cocker

Brodie Cup for the Most Improved Senior Girls' Player (1979) – Adelaide Campbell

Matthew Coleman Trophy for the Most Improved

Senior Boys' Player (1990) - Meli Naborisi

Buzz The Butcher Cup for Junior Girls' Year 9 Volleyball Player of the Year (2010) – Yulan Imhasly Debbie Richardson Trophy for Junior Girls' Player of the Year (1990) – Larissa Wilkinson

Andrew Russell Trophy for Junior Boys' Player of the Year (1990) – Keegan Joe

Wilson Trophy for Senior Girls' Player of the Year (1984) – Hikaru Han

Antony Joe Trophy for Senior Boys' Player of the Year (1990) – Robert Fox

ATHLETES WITH DISABILITIES

Jody Sanson Trophy – For effort and achievement by a Female Athlete with a Disability (2011) – Tori Hana-Wetere

James Hoffman Trophy – For effort and achievement by a Male Athlete with a Disability (2011) – Abraham Evetts

PRESTIGE SPORTS AWARDS

Junior Sportswoman of the Year The Mandy McGregor Trophy (2011)

The Female winner will have achieved real Excellence at the highest Level of performance for school, province or country in any sport (available in the school or not). The winner shall be a Year 9 or Year 10 student. – Chloe Knight

Junior Sportsman of the Year The Barnett Bond Trophy (2011)

The Male winner will have achieved real Excellence at the highest Level of performance for school, province or country in any sport (available in the school or not). The winner shall be a Year 9 or Year 10 student.

– Keegan Joe

Senior Sportswoman of the Year The Heelan Tompkins Trophy (2011)

The Female winner will have achieved real Excellence at the highest Level of performance for school, province or country in any sport (available in the school or not). The winner shall be a Year 11-13 student. – Libby Houghton

Senior Sportsman of the Year The Dillon Boucher Trophy (2011)

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The Male winner will have achieved real Excellence at the highest Level of performance for school, province or country in any sport (available in the school or not). The winner shall be a Year 11-13 student – Aidan Zittersteijn

The Hale Family Sportsperson of the Year Trophy (1987)

The winner will have achieved real excellence at the highest level of performance for school, province or country in any sport (available in the school or not).

Criteria: The cup can be awarded to a person who has excelled only in one sport. The cup can be awarded to a Junior or Senior student. The winner shall be selected from the four (4) winners of the individual sportspersons awards.

The winner for the year 2016 is - Aidan Zittersteijn

Trina Cowley Cup (1993) For Sporting Excellence

This award recognises both participation and high achievement in representing the college in a wide range of sports.

Criteria are: The winner must be a senior student who has supported the school over a long period. The winner must have shown fair play and leadership qualities. The trophy cannot be awarded to the same person in two consecutive years.

The winner for the year 2016 is - Amirah Osama

The Nick Banks Trophy (1999)

The award will be made by a selection panel (appointed by the Principal) to the College team who in the panel's opinion has achieved the highest overall performance based on the following criteria:

Criteria are: The team must play for and represent Spotswood College. A team shall consist of two (2) or more players. The team can be at any level i.e. Junior or Senior. The trophy can be awarded to the same team in consecutive years. The achievement must occur during the time period from the prizegiving of the previous year to the prizegiving in the year of the award

The winner for the year 2016 is – Boys' Indoor Bowls Pairs Team (Ryan Vincent / Aidan Zittersteijn)

TOP SPORTS TEAMS CAPTAINS FOR 2016

| Basketball First V – Boys' | Nehanera Brooks |
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| Cricket First XI – Boys' | Tarryn Rose-Love |
| Football First XI – Boys' | Michael Anderson |
| Football First XI – Girls' | Dione Riley |
| Hockey - First XI - Mixed Team | Caitlin Brown |
| Netball Senior – A Girls' Sophie Willis | Chloe Knight & |
| Rugby First XV – Boys' | Tawera Baker |
| Volleyball Senior A – Boys' | Jona Naborisi |
| Volleyball Senior A – Girls' | Libby Houghton |
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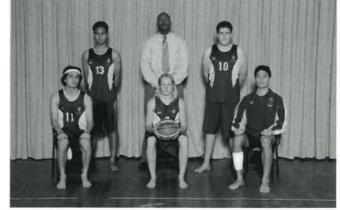
TEAMS 2016



Group A Team Captains

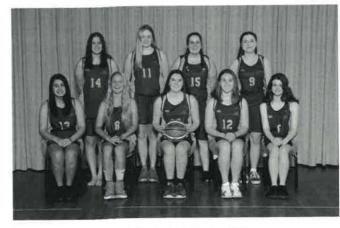
Back Row: Caitlin Brown (Hockey), Te Rangihuatau Hikaka (Under 15 Rugby), Chloe Knight (Netball), Dione Riley (Football)

Front Row: Libby Houghton (Girls Indoor Volleyball), Neha Brooks (Boys Basketball), Jonah Naborisi (Boys Volleyball), Tawera Baker (First XV), Michael Anderson (Football)



Group Basketball Senior A Boys

Back Row: Neha Brooks, Link Abrams (Coach), Kurtis Gilmour Front Row: Xavi Spencer, Sherwood Matheson, David Jeffrey



Group Basketball Senior Girls

Back Row: Amirah Osama, CJ Needs, Emma Gibson, Meg Parsons Front Row: Wiki Rewa, Tenaya Richardson, Chloe Knight, Sophie Willis, Kenzie Schofield



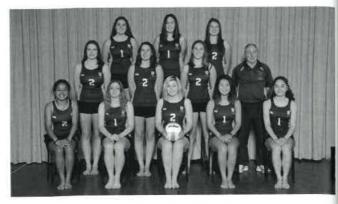
Group Basketball Social Sorcorers Junior Boys

Back Row: Zaine Rosa, Chief Anderson, Aydan Reed, Leroy Pokaiwhenua-Gattsche, Carlin Niwa, Mr Ivan Pihama (Coach) Front Row: Mitch Snelgrove, Jodeci Reweti, Keegan Joe, Dellavante Leaf, Blake Walters



Group Beach Volleyball Boys

Back Row: Harry Younger, Ryan Clough, Izac White 2nd Row: Ben Willis, Neme Faga, Luke Cocker, AJ Joe (Coach) Front Row: James Dey, Meli Naborisi, Keegan Joe, David Jeffrey, Clinton Healy Absent: Robert Fox, Jonah Naborisi, Ronan Avery



Group Beach Volleyball Girls

Back Row: Chloe Knight, Paris Brown, Larissa Wilkinson 2nd Row: Tanwen Edwards, Sophie Bowden, Sophie Willis, Mr P. Gayton (Coach)

Front Row: Siteri Naumotu, Taylah Williams, Casey Carass, Hikaru Han, Adelaide Campbell Absent: Montana Bennett, Amirah Osama, Baylee O'Donnell-Martin



Group Cricket 1st XI

Back Row: Lucy Stinson, Ania Holden, Tramane Scott, Mr Daniel Love (Coach)

Front Row: Kane Fabish, Ethan Clarke, Tarryn Rose-Love, Javaan Taylor, Kobi Hislop Absent: Hugh Avery, Jason Hook, Jared O'Keeffe



Group Football 1st XI Boys

Back Row: Kawana Whatuira, Moritz Ruppe, Marcel Flay, Liam Johns, Guilherme Leite Loyola, Kobi Hislop, Daniel Williamson 2nd Row: Yannic Hund, Hayden King, Nathan Foley, Quinn Steen Kurtis Gilmour, Fabian Johnson, Mr M. Knapton (Coach) Front Row: Sam Skinner, Michael Gibbon, Breydon Farmer, Michael Anderson, Zac McLeod, Vineel Chand, Toby Penno



Group Football 1st XI Girls

Back Row: Kayla Matsubara, Erica Vogel, Brooke Sorensen, Jewelz Peters, Elena Jameson

2nd Row: Oriwa Manihera, Lael Poole, Maisie Jones, Megan Jones, Scott Johnson (Coach)

Front Row: Adelaide Campbell, Dione Riley, Taylah Williams, Kaylee Downing, Vana Hislop



Group Football 2nd XI Green Girls

Back Row: Larissa Wilkinson, Gemma Clarges, Yulan Imhasly 2nd Row: Sophie Hill, Lily Croad, Ania Holden, Jai Tarn, Scott Johnson (Coach)

Front Row: Victoria Doherty, Ella Keating, Lucy Stinson, Ruby Crawshaw, Rosie Ray



Group Hatrix

Back Row: Tenaya Richardson, Taylor Newton, Riley Smith 2nd Row: Mr Nick Lambert (Teacher), Kurtis Gilmour, Mostyn Lee, Jacques McCallum-Lind, Mr R. Greenfield (Teacher) Front Row: Sam Raumati, Isaac Rowland, Olivia Whitehead, Arron Hockly, Caitlin Brown

Absent: Sophie Webster-Kumeroa



Group Head Prefects

Back Row: Mr D. Shaw (Deputy Principal), Zac McLeod (Deputy Head Boy), Mr C. Lapworth (Deputy Principal)

Front Row: Reus Reyes (Deputy Head Boy), Montana Bennett (Head Girl), Michael Anderson (Head Boy)

Absent: Mr M. Bowden (Principal), Baylee O'Donnell-Martin (Deputy Head Girl)



Group Hockey Mixed Team

Back Row: Estella Durrant-Riddick, Marshall Hutton, Felix Ashworth, Lyndon Foley, Anton Hutton, Iain Hannam-Williams 2nd Row: Finn Heard, Indigo Remeeus, Nathan Foley, Bailey Elliot-Bland, Josh Gilmour

Front Row: Kelsey Win, Courtney Goble, Caitlin Brown, Kyla McKinnon, Mavis Tunnicliff, Phoebe Pepper Absent: Isaac Cooksley, Chelsea Pretty-Stone



Group Junior Hospitality

Jonathan Whiteley, Seamus Fawkner, Joycelyn Natasha, Mrs K. Roach (Coach)



Group Japan Trip

Back Row: Sabine de Crevoisier (Teacher), Chris Johnston, Kurtis Gilmour, Ronan Avery, Philip James, Reiko Smithers (Teacher) Front Row: Hikaru Han, Tom Oates, Brooke Milne, Catriona Oates, Kacy Banadera

> Absent: Ford Ratahi-Smith, Matthew Mahood, Scott Cawston-Morman



Group Junior Oratory

Back Row: Oliver Doole, Michael Gibbon, Kobi Hislop, Felix Ashworth, Sam Skinner

2nd Row: Ryan Clough, Keegan Joe, Riley McDonald, Luke Cocker, Pipa Clarkson, Mrs P. Cast (Teacher)

Front Row: Kohana Clothier, Arielle Grindlay-Lambert, Emily Law, Larissa Wilkinson, Gemma Clarges, Phoebe Pepper, Rosie Ray



Group Literary Challenge

Back Row: Koulla Benton (Teacher), Roan Upson, John O'Keefe (Teacher)

Front Row: Liam Nicholas, Reihana Conaglen, Andrew Whiteley, Chris Hobson, Katie Pullen



Group International Students

Back Row: Mavis Ye, Teddy Cheng, Yuma Omiya, Moritz Ruppe, Lydia Huang, Angela Chen

3rd Row: Leo Ding, Mikono Uetoki, Kouichi Hikiji, Fancy Lei, Patrizia Gromes, Yannic Hund, Tony Li

2nd Row: Gloria Holland (Director), Koulla Benton (Teacher), Ethan Fu, Kevin Ren, Eric Bartels, Felipe Alencar Rocha de Holanda, Henry He, James Zhang, Ken Qiu, Janet Wrightson Lean (Teacher)

Front Row: Carolin Schröder, Christin Li, Zac McLeod, Anya Wangsuwan, Maeghan King, Michael Anderson, Guilherme Leite Loyola, Frido Achleitner



Group Language Festival Group

Back Row: Jonathan Whiteley, Paris Brown, Seamus Fawkner, Corey George, Kaya Spencer, Sophie Willis, Jade Flay

3rd Row: Moritz Ruppe, Cody Adlam, Breydon Farmer, Philip James, Michael Anderson, Amber Mapley, Catriona Oates, Brooke Milne

2nd Row: Reiko Smithers (Teacher), Michele FitzPatrick (Teacher), Tarryn Rose-Love, Tom Oates, Kurtis Gilmour, Samuel O'Sullivan, Ethan Clarke, Ronan Avery, Jamal Berg, Sabine de Crevoisier (Teacher)

Front Row: Katie Pullen, Sapphire Hermanns, Cascade Price, Erica Vogel, Hikaru Han, Valya Bykova, Rosie Ray, Laura Robinson

Absent: Shiann Jolly, Carolin Schröder, Eric Bartels, Emily-Rose Longstaff



Group Kapa Haka

Back Row: Abraham Evetts, Phoenix Vedder, Felix Ashworth, Kade Van der Heyden

3rd Row: Justise Gillette-Whaitiri, Kaea MacLeod, Ben Johns, Dellavante Leaf, Freedim Edwards-Hana, Tane Southorn

2nd Row: Norman Mangu, Kadeejah Preston, Daytona Thompson, Shakyah Ruakere, Byron Knowles, Gerald McGuigan, Matua Morehu

Front Row: Ruby Rogers, Madison Nuku, Chief Anderson, Arielle Grindlay-Lambert, Kaycee Kahotea, Daizha-Lee Broadmore, Rosie Rogers



Group Netball

Back Row: Laura Smith, Madison Nuku, Ashleigh Tunnicliffe, Jamie Walsh, Ayeisha Nowell, Michaela Smith, Kaya Brophy 3rd Row: Shanice Eru-Solomon, Larissa Wilkinson, Gemma Clarges, Mishyla Hooper, Jessica Fougere, Jai Tarn, Gaby Cole, Carlida Te Awhe, Ruby Rogers

2nd Row: Maria Kahui (Coach/Umpire), Paula Brennan (Coach/ Umpire), Cidney Sharrock, Shakyah Ruakere, Unity Walters, Pipa Clarkson, Amber Mapley, Jade Austin, Aliyah Grindlay-Lambert, Emily Law, Casey Tunnicliffe (Coach),

Tracey Eru (Coach/Umpire & Netball Co-ordinator)

Front Row: Cleo Strongman, Olivia Whitehead, Sophie Willis, Paris Brown, Chloe Knight, Chalice Ratapu-Kahui, Arielle Grindlay-Lambert, Megan Budgen, Maeghan King

Absent: Emmy Banner-Smith, Tanesha Bower, Donna Bower (Manager), Renee Grindlay (Manager/Umpire), Lisa Hoult (Manager/Umpire), Nina Huber, Sheena Manihera, Meadow Spencer



Group Netball Junior A

Back Row: Emily Law, Arielle Grindlay-Lambert, Shakyah Ruakere, Maria Kahui (Coach)

Front Row: Jamie Walsh, Cleo Strongman, Chalice Ratapu-Kahui (Captain), Carlida Te Awhe, Mishyla Hooper

Absent: Meadow Spencer, Renee Grindlay (Manager)



Group Netball Senior B

Back Row: Jai Tarn, Paula Koot Brennan (Coach), Larissa Wilkinson Front Row: Kaya Brophy, Laura Smith, Paris Brown (Captain), Ayeisha Nowell, Michaela Smith

Absent: Tanesha Bower, Donna Bower (Manager)



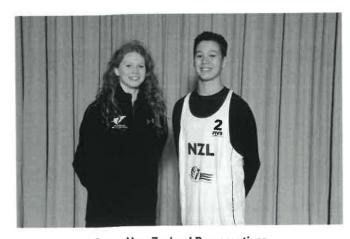
Group Netball Social Senior Girls

Back Row: Aliyah Grindlay-Lambert, Maeghan King, Ashleigh Tunnicliffe

2nd Row: Amber Mapley, Pipa Clarkson, Megan Budgen, Casey Tunnicliffe (Coach)

Front Row: Cidney Sharrock, Jessica Fougere, Olivia Whitehead (Captain), Gemma Clarges, Madison Nuku

Absent: Nina Huber, Lisa Hoult (Manager)



Group New Zealand RepresentivesLibby Houghton (Beach Volleyball), Keegan Joe (Beach Volleyball)



Group North Island RepresentiveLibby Houghton (Indoor Volleyball)



Group Orchestra Day

Back Row: Gemma Clarges, Chris Hobson, Megan Jones, Leo Bennett

2nd Row: Yulan Imhasly, Kurtis Gilmour, Mostyn Lee, Taylor Newton, Mr R. Greenfield

Front Row: Sam Raumati, Isaac Rowland, Olivia Whitehead, Ido Doron, Caitlin Brown

Absent: Lyndon Foley, Hugh Avery, Ronan Avery, Esmeralda Dalgleish, Emma Dashorst



Group Peer Support

Back Row: Gabrijela Ljubic, Casey Carass, Shynia Lord, Dione Riley, Taylah Williams, Akaysha Russell

3rd Row: Breydon Farmer, Anya Wangsuwan, Liam Johns, Philip Edie, Amber Mapley, Joseph Pui, Brooke Milne

2nd Row: Reus Reyes, Tawera Baker, Shaun Moffitt, Nathan Foley,
Zac McLeod, Tom Oates, Michael Anderson,
Michael FitzPatrick (Teacher)

Front Row: Montana Bennett, Amirah Osama, Lael Poole, Sophie Bowden, Maeghan King, Emma Gibson, Briana Schofield, Kacy Banadera Absent: Shiann Jolly, Ariel Martin



Group Race Unity Speech Awards

Ms K. Benton (Teacher), Wiki Rewa, Sam Raumati,

Mrs P. Cast (Teacher)



Group Rock Quest Participants

Riley Smith, Jacques McCallum-Lind, Sherwood Matheson,
Sam Raumati Absent: Marie Goldsworthy



Group Prefects

Back Row: Lael Poole, Amirah Osama, Joseph Pui, Sophie Bowden, Emma Gibson, Mr D. Shaw (Deputy Principal)

2nd Row: Mr C. Lapworth (Deputy Principal), Tom Oates, Reus Reyes, Zac McLeod, Shaun Collett, Anya Wangsuwan, Mrs P. Cast (Deputy Principal)

Front Row: Maeghan King, Briana Schofield, Michael Anderson, Montana Bennett, Brooke Milne, Kacy Banadera Absent: Baylee O'Donnell-Martin



Group Senior Hospitality

Mikaela Phillips-Nassif, Catriona Oates

Absent: Mr S. Houghton (Coach)



Group Senior Oratory

Back Row: Anya Wangsuwan, Georgia Kyffin, Reus Reyes, Sophie Willis, Mrs P. Cast (Teacher)

Front Row: Montana Bennett, Nadia Hill, Sam Raumati, Reihana Conaglen, Katie Pullen



Group Rugby Under 15

Back Row: Clinton Healy, Izac White, Meli Naborisi, Tane Southorn 3rd Row: Byron Knowles, Hoani Paora, Gerald McGuigan, Edward Iotia, Zion Kerr

2nd Row: Tautahi Phillips, Liam McCabe-Finnerty, Ford Lambert, Tapene Wilson, Mana Brooks, Neme Faga, Hohepa Thompson (Coach) Front Row: Lachlan McCabe, Chief Anderson, Tane Whitehead

Front Row: Lachlan McCabe, Chief Anderson, Tane Whitehead (Vice Captain), Te Rangihuatau Hikaka (Captain), Kaea MacLeod, Jack Cochran, James Dey Absent: Hamish Montgomery (Manager)



Group Sheilah Winn Regional Winners

Back Row: Mr Hill (Teacher), Breydon Farmer, Amber Mapley, Zac McLeod, Sunny Peebles, Mrs FitzPatrick (Teacher)

Front Row: Montana Bennett, Reus Reyes, Lael Poole, Michael Anderson, Anya Wangsuwan

Absent: Baylee O'Donnell-Martin, Shiann Jolly



Group Special Olympics Swimming Squad

Back Row: Phillip Atkinson, Ben Oaten, Mrs Linda Nicholls (Coach)
Front Row: Jake Courtnell, Gillian Edwards, Jordan Wi

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Group Spain Trip

Back Row: Tarryn Rose-Love, Jamal Berg, Anaru Hoskin, Michele FitzPatrick (Teacher)

Front Row: Valya Bykova, Michael Anderson, Sophie Bowden, Andrew Whiteley, Mikaela Phillips-Nassif

Absent: Cory Bedford



Group Spelling Bee

Back Row: Daniel Williamson, Liam Nicholas, Sam Skinner

2nd Row: Nathaniel Kindler, Phoebe Pepper, Vineel Chand, Keegan
Joe, Emily Law, Arielle Grindlay-Lambert, Ms Debreceny (Teacher)

Front Row: Rosie Ray, Gemma Clarges, Larissa Wilkinson, Roan
Upson, Tenaya Richardson, Madison Nuku, Erica Vogel



Group Student Council

Back Row: Cascade Price, Larissa Wilkinson, Sam Skinner 2nd Row: Mr Lapworth, Felipe Alencar Rocha de Holanda, Luke Cocker, Ms Debreceny

Front Row: Katie Pullen, Blake Tanner, Kurtis Gilmour, Fabian Johnson, Grace Glennie

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Group Taranaki Representives

Back Row: Te Rangihuatau Hikaka (Rugby League), Neha Brooks (Basketball), Tane Whitehead (Rugby League)

Front Row: Jack Cochran (Rugby League), Lucy Stinson (Cricket), Edward lotia (Rugby League)



Group TSSSA Rogaine

Back Row: Brooke Sorensen, Jemma Tanner, Shynia Lord, Ryan Clough, Sydney Williams, Layla Conaglen

3rd Row: Maisie Jones, Philip Edie, Luke Cocker, Liam Johns, Seth Bower, C J Needs, Lael Poole

2nd Row: Ronan Avery, Zac McLeod, Nathan Foley, Shaun Moffitt,
Aaron Low, Callum Astwood, Jade Grey

Front Row: Grace Glennie, Rosie Ray, Megan Jones, Yulan Imhasly, Erica Vogel, Sapphire Hermanns, Arielle Grindlay-Lambert



Group TSSSA Badminton

Rosie Ray, Kouichi Hikiji, Ronan Avery, Isaac Rowland Absent: Hugh Avery, Layla Conaglen, Sapphire Moke, Nadia Warburton, Liam McCabe-Finnerty



Group TSSSA Indoor Bowls

Back Row: Tramane Scott, Tanyon Ratima Front Row: Aidan Zittersteijn, Kane Fabish, Flynn Watson



Group TSSSA Lawn Bowls

Aidan Zittersteijn, Kane Fabish, Flynn Watson



Group TSSSA Swimming

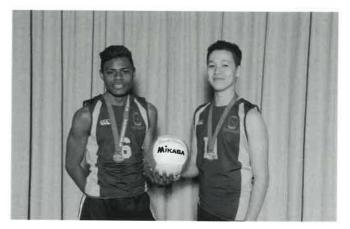
Back Row: Luke Cocker, Jake Courtnell, Ben Oaten Front Row: Jemma Tanner, Ryan Clough, Jordan Wi, Kouichi Hikiji



Group Volleyball Green Team Girls

Back Row: Robbie Booth (Coach), Phil Gayton (Coach), Sophie Willis, Tanwen Edwards, Chloe Knight, Paula Koot Brennan (Coach)

Front Row: Siteri Naumotu, Larissa Wilkinson, Libby Houghton, Hikaru Han, Adelaide Campbell



Group Volleyball Junior Boys

Meli Naborisi, Keegan Joe



Group Volleyball Junior Girls

Back Row: Tenaya Richardson, Jemma Tanner, Megan Jones 2nd Row: Robbie Booth (Coach), C J Needs, Cara Moffitt, Ania Holden, Phil Gayton (Coach)

Front Row: Vana Hislop, Chloe Knight, Yulan Imhasly, Larissa Wilkinson, Grace Glennie



Group Volleyball Senior Gold Girls

Back Row: Paula Brennan (Coach), Phil Gayton (Coach), Robbie Booth (Coach)

Front Row: Taylah Williams, Sophie Bowden, Casey Carass, Catriona Oates, Paris Brown

Absent: Montana Bennett, Baylee O'Donnell-Martin



Group Volleyball Senior Nationals Boys

Back Row: Robert Fox, Michael Anderson, Ronan Avery, Tawera Baker, David Jeffrey, AJ Joe (Coach)

Front Row: Joseph Pui, Meli Naborisi, Jonah Naborisi, Ben Willis, Keegan Joe



Group Volleyball Under 17David Jeffrey, Keegan Joe



Group Volleyball Year 10 Boys

Back Row: Izac White, Roan Upson, Ryan Clough 2nd Row: Neme Faga, Luke Cocker, Tane Whitehead, AJ Joe (Coach)

Front Row: James Dey, Meli Naborisi, Keegan Joe, Clinton Healy, Harry Younger Absent: Kobe Watson



Group Volleyball Year 9 Boys

Back Row: Michael Gibbon, Norman Mangu, Kobi Hislop, AJ Joe (Coach)

Front Row: Ido Doron, Sam Skinner, Daniel Williamson



Group Mooting Team

Back Row: Sophie Willis, Philip Edie, Andrew Whiteley, Mrs P. Cast (Teacher)

Front Row: Montana Bennett, Kacy Banadera, Amirah Osa^{ma,} Reihana Conaglen

SOWMAN CENTRE & EXPERIENCE UNIT

2016 has been a productive and busy year for staff and students. Both the Sowman Centre and Experience Unit students have worked very hard, enjoying many opportunities to engage in purposeful and meaningful learning while focusing on showing gratefulness.

We have been to the Special Education Olympics for athletics, bocce, basketball, soccer and swimming. Here, students have demonstrated excellent sportsmanship and teamwork skills and have placed first in their divisions on numerous occasions.

Some senior students are involved in work experience in and out of school. They have proven to be reliable and committed to their respective roles.

The Y9 Experience Unit students have had great fun participating in a range of scientific experiments. The Year 10's organised a fabulous whole Faculty Olympics. The Senior B class have engaged in life skill activities and have worked through Supported

Learning Unit Standards, gaining NCEA Level 1 credits. The Experience Unit students have also had the opportunity to make cards thanks to the support and guidance of Karen Glenny.

The Sowman Centre students and a group of Experience Unit students have continued to enjoy going to AirZone, Rumpus Room, RDA and Sailing. The Sowman Centre students have also been to the Len Lye centre for art lessons-Mirrors and Art and Luminous Poi. For independent living skills students have been making their own lunches and baking,

We'd like to thank our staff, specialists and parents for their ongoing support and commitment to our students. We'd also like to congratulate Phillip Atkinson, Y13, who has achieved his Duke of Edinburgh, Bronze Award this year.

Joanna Sampson



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EXPERIENCE UNIT PROJECTS

SPECJAL OLYMPICS ATHLETICS DAY 2016





YES 2016

YOUTH EMERGENCY SERVICES PROGRAMME (YES)

In July Ben Oaten and I attended the Youth in Emergency Services (YES) programme 5-day camp for 16-19-year-old youth in Taranaki who have an interest in the emergency services.

We gained hands-on training and experience working with local emergency services such as Eltham Fire Brigade, Becks Helicopters, St John Ambulance and Civil Defence.

Some skills that we learned were hose rolling, portable dam work, learning how to use a Fire extinguisher, working safely around helicopters, First Aid, communication skills and working as a team in emergency situations.

scenarios undertaking emergency situations using the skills we had learned as a team, during the day.

The highlight of the programme for me was the work that we did at Beck Helicopters which involved learning how to be safe around helicopters and also helping to guide them into emergency areas.

At the end of the programme we were presented with our First Aid Certificate and a Certificate in Emergency Services.

Shaun Corlett

TARANAKI SAILABILITY

Then during the evenings, we were involved in various Students from the Sowman Centre and Experience Unit were given the opportunity to experience sailing by Taranaki Sailability at the Waitara River mouth. The yachts have weighted centre boards and keels, ensuring the boats are virtually impossible to capsize. Sailability provide a hoist for wheelchair users to get in and out of the boats and have sailing programmes suitable for almost everyone, regardless of their level of disability or sailing skills. Thanks to community

groups such as "Lions" who provide volunteer support and fundraising opportunities, the students were able to experience adventure and freedom while out on the water regardless of their level of disability or sailing skills. Thanks to community groups such as "Lions" who provide volunteer support and fundraising opportunities, the students were able to experience adventure and freedom while out on the water.







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VOCATIONAL PATHWAYS DEPARTMENT



GATEWAY

Congratulations to the 87 students who have been part of the Gateway programme this year.

We believe that in our Pathway department we are providing learning opportunities that are relevant, interesting, challenging and provide for a wide range of students' abilities. For allwe are ensuring that we are meeting the needsour students as well as opening up their worlds and pathways into the future as lifelong learners. We are supporting the development of the key competencies and incorporating sound teaching and learning delivery approaches as students undertake their studies associated with New Zealand's broad and growing industries.

We are lifting engagement and achievement and providing more secure transitions to further study and employment. We believe we are programmes not subjects and althoughtimes we challenge the constraints of the timetable we are grateful to the staff for accommodating these students so well.

We would again to thank the wider community and businesses for supporting us and providing such worthwhile learning experiences for our students.

On October 28th our annual Gateway Luncheon was held in our school hall. We are again appreciative of the employers who were able to attend.

AWARD WINNERS:

YEAR 12 TROPHY: Emily-Rose Longstaff
YEAR 13 TROPHY: Chelsea Takamori and Sapphire Moke
ANNE WILSON ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR TROPHY: Bree Jackson
BEVERLEY MCLEAN GATEWAY TROPHY; Shaun Collett

A huge thank you to Kim Leathem who works tirelessly as administratorin the department. Her expertise and dedication is highly valued by staff, students, and businesses.

Scott Manson,teaches our Year 12 students, as well as working so hard in his role as Dean,a valuable asset to the departmenthis leadership and abilities as a teacher ensurethat our studentsgain a large number of credits as well as gaining a lot of enjoyment from his lessons.

Ra Cottam is valued for her excellent pastoral care of our students and the many duties she performs, always with a smile. The compassion she has for the students is verymuch appreciated.

SOME OF OUR GATEWAY STUDENTS:



I have been grooming dogs for three years and really enjoy the time I spend at work at Doggy Day Spa. I have learnt how to fully groom a dog which includes clipping and styling, bath and blow dry, ears plucked and nails trimmed. I also do consults with our new clients and booking dogs in. The dog in my photo is Gus. He is a Maltese cross Schnauzer and is six months old.

Jackson



I really enjoy engineering and at Meco I have been able to extend my knowledge and gain so much practical experience. I have learnt heaps of new skills in grinding and welding. Everyone is helpful andkeen to teach me. My goal is to gain an apprenticeship in the industry.

Liam Johns



I am a Gateway student at Z Merrilands, taking part in the Z Forecourt Concierge Programme through Service IQ. I greet customers, clean windscreens, check oil and water, fuel up cars and pump up customers tyres. I also swap LPG bottles. I am gaining so many customer service skills and I am working on the Customer Service Award which has NCEA credits at Level 2 and 3.

Cain Freakley-Ryan



At Crowded House I have developed a new understanding of Hospitality and the skills that it takes to provide good customer service. I serve customers with their food and drink, clear tables with a friendly smile at all times. This year I will also do a Barista course at WITT and the Licence Controller Qualification to further my knowledge industry.

Cascade Price



TALK IS CHEAP' 104.4 FM

Sam Raumati and Jacques McCallum-Lind host the Spotswood College Radio Show 'Talk Is Cheap' every Tuesday at 4.30pm and it is re-broadcast, due to its popularity, on Friday.

Jacquesand Sam are also known as their radio personas: 'The Man' and 'The Rock Goddess'. They are both Year 12 students with a passion for music which also shows in the work they do in the school's recording studio.



My Gateway placement is at Coastal Aquatics in partnership with Swimming New Zealand. I am working towards my Assistant Swim Teacher Award qualification which will also enable me to achieve 20 Level 3 credits towards NCEA. I really enjoy working with the students of all ages and helping them to improve their swimming skills. It is very rewarding to see the improvements each week. The staff are all very helpful and friendly which makes it a fun experience.

Meg Parsons



I have really enjoyed my placement at Energy Vets Taranaki Waitara and have felt privileged to experience the passion of the staff towards all the animals that were in their care. They were also very welcoming and helpful. It is so important to keep everything clean and sterile at the vets so my jobs included cleaning the kennels, doing washing and mopping floors. I was also allowed to watch surgeries and sit in on consults which really helped me understand certain procedures. Stephan, one of the vets, would always explain definitions to me which really helped me understand and learn so much. My goal is to study at Unitec and become a zoo keeper.

Tamia Kane



At Rangiatea School I work in reception as I am interested in administration and providing reception services.

I answer the phone, do the attendance register, type the Panui (the school newsletter) and run errands for the teachers. I look forward to attending WITT next year to study for the National Certificate in Business Administration Levels 3 and 4.

Sapphire Moke



At Cast Iron Services I work with Plumbers helping lay drains, boxing-up and learning how to use a jack hammer and concrete saw. At school I work on Plumbing units and hope to gain an apprenticeship.

Caleb Williams



My Gateway placement at The Warehouse in Bell Block is part of the Red Shirts in Retail programme, aimed at giving students an introduction into the retail industry and the opportunity to achieve Customer Service credits too. I have enjoyed learning new customer service skills and gaining confidence to interact with customers. It is a great way to experience and learn how The Warehouse operates.

Hannah Hazeldine



I enjoy reading, playing and helping to look after the children at Bubbles. Last week I experienced Top Class for the first time, it teaches children how school works to help them transition.

Emily-Rose Longstaff



I enjoy my placement at Pepper Construction. I have worked on the Eco Homes site, the Westown Retail and Residential Redevelopment site and also a 2 storey extension to a home. They are good people to work with, very friendly and helpful. I am working on BCITO units at school and gaining experience and knowledge through industry related STAR courses.

Tylar Adams



Every Thursday I work with Mr Peters around our school. My favourite subject is Horticulture and I am enjoying learning about all the different plants and how to maintain them. Mr Peters is very knowledgeable.

Will Viner



I teach children between the ages of four and ten to swim at the Aquatic Centre. I find this really rewarding and love seeing the progress that the children make each week. I have also gained a part-time job here.

Emma Gibson



At Gusto I do dishes, prep vegetables, and clean mussels. I also make desserts; meringues, fruit compote, cheesecake, chocolate terrine and Bomb Alaska. I am learning new skills which will help when I apply for the Army.

Ben Snowden



I really enjoy working at Kingsroy Electric in town. I have fixed a variety of electrical appliances; ovens, vacuums and spa pools. My supervisor, Greg is very knowledgeable and good to work with.

Teina Rennie



We enjoy our work in the gardens around the school. We have used chainsaws and removed flax.

Mr Peters appreciates our support and we know we are making a valuable contribution.

Shaun Collett and Isaiah Watene



I go to my Gateway placement each week at a Paua Educator's home. I set up lots of activities for the children and enjoy playing with them. We had fun making Easter Eggs and cards for their families.

Ashleigh Tunnicliffe



I have really enjoyed being involved in the construction of a client's kitchen cabinets from start to finish and it is great to see the finished result with a happy customer. It's a great experience here at Newton Gordge.

Nicky Burkitt



At Riding for the Disabled I enjoy cleaning, grooming and warming up the horses. Sometimes I ride as well. I love interacting with the children and horses. I have learnt that all horses have different personalities just like people!

Chloe Diamond



Every Tuesday I go to Sport Taranaki and then head out to various primary schools with the team from Central Football to help develop the skills of young football players.

Breydon Farmer



In the Sowman Centre here at Spotswood College I enjoy helping the students to read and write and take part in their morning discussions. The staff and students are very caring of each other. It is a very busy place and sometimes we bake biscuits which makes the students happy.

Gillian Edwards



We are enjoying this opportunity to act and direct with Liz Dreacle at Elflock Theatre. We are creating our own piece of devised theatre about the Tarawera Eruption. It's a great experience.

Aslan Phillips, Charley Curran, Kaya Spencer and Sammuel Kyffin



We are both enjoying the opportunity to study at the YMCA. The interaction between our tutors and the other members of our group make it interesting. Our project is to organise an Amazing Race school holiday programme.

Megan Budgen and Nouveau Rogers



Success Stories

Xavi Clarkson is now working for NPDC at Pukekura Park Fernery.

As a Gateway student there in 2014 and 2015 he proved to be reliable, hardworking, trustworthy and dedicated, passionate about horticulture.

Xavi worked through both lots of Christmas school holidays for 6 weeks as a summer job.

He is thankful to the Gateway team for providing him with many training opportunities throughout the two years. This enabled him to feel confident about every aspect of the job.

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We are thrilled with Xavi's success and wish him well for a bright future.



Congratulations to Cerisa Walters who completed the pilot Gateway programme for Rebel/Briscoes and has been offered part-time employment at Briscoes and a casual position at Rebel Sports.



Well done to TK Morunga who has been offered full time employment with his Gateway employer, Central Roofing.



Connor Ellery has gained an apprenticeship with his Gateway Employer, Megaw Construction.



The Forklift Operator Course was held at AB Equipment in New Plymouth. It was a one day course of combined theory and practical tests. During the theory we learnt about Health and Safety and the basic rules about operating the forklift. The best part of the day was driving the forklift, you really had to focus on how to operate and lift objects from one place to another while driving around the course. It is a valuable skill to have and useful in many industries.



I attended the Schools Emergency Repsonse Training Course at school and learnt so much about fire extinguishers and the consequences of using the wrong extinguisher. If you were to put out a fire with the wrong extinguisher you could end up making the fire larger and more out of control. For example if you use a water extinguisher on oil that is burning on top of water you will just raise the fire. One very important thing I learnt was that different extinguishers have different colours and colour bands to show what they have inside and also how they can be used. The course was extremely helpful.



Last Term we attended a First Aid course with Meditrain. Welearnt how to react to different accidents and how to do CPR on infants, children and adults. The course was very useful and important to me as I will need the knowledge as I intend to study at Waikato University next year to become a teacher.

Megan Vickers



Every Thursday morning during Term 3, nine students attend a STAR Barista Course at WITT.

Tutor, Tane Morgan teaches the students theory units and how to operate a coffee machine to make cappuccino, latte, mocaccino, flat white, hot chocolate as well as how to be creative in coffee art.

If I were to sum up the Barista course, it's pretty much like a coffee club. A group of students from different schools come together, then spend about 2 hours making and drinking different coffees, many I didn't even know about. As well as this it's been a great opportunity to experience what making coffee is about.

Mostyn Lee

There are so many things to get right if you want to make a good cup of coffee; Fresh beans, correct grind setting, having a clean machine, stretching the milk.

You think it is easy but it is actually a scientific process! We are looking forward to making Iced Coffees in our last lesson. Our Tutor Tane Morgan is great and we are enjoying this opportunity.

Robin Louw



Liam Johns

I attended a Height Safety course facilitated by Mike Kimber from Safety 'n Action, it was fun and informative. It was quite astonishing to find out how many people are severely injured or even killed each year due to the failure of people understanding how to work safely at heights. We learnt safe work practices for working at heights, how to employ height safety equipment in the workplace and how to use a safety harness system when working at heights. This knowledge will help to keep ourselves and others safe in the workplace. The tutor spoke about his experiences and showed us some of the consequences of what can happen if you choose not to act safely. I would strongly recommend this course to any student looking to go out into the workplace.

ANZAC DAY PARADE

This year marked the 100th Anniversary of the ANZAC Dawn Parade Service which is held around the world to celebrate and remember those brave men and women who died serving their country. We also take the time to remember all of those Armed Personal that served their country with pride and dignity (throughout their lives) on this special day of remembrance.



This year members of our staff and prefects lined up at 5.30 am and marched with the Armed Forces, Police and the Returned Services Association down to the War Memorial Cenotaph in New Plymouth. For many of the students it was a very emotional time, some of them wore the War Medals of their grandparents on their chests and begin to realise it was because of the sacrifices that their ancestor's made, that afforded us the peaceful lifestyle that we enjoy today.

Mr Gayton ONZM and Mr O'Keeffe who are ex-Territorial Soldiers (5WWCT - RNZIR) and currently teachers at Spotswood College, march each year as a mark of respect for their whanau and the men and women that they both served with.









SPOTTY IDOL

Philanthropist and Financier David Rubenstein said of the performing arts, "the world is a complicated place, and there's a lot of division between people. The performing arts tend to unify people in a way nothing else does." In a world that is strained under the weight of so much war, inequality, sickness and poverty it is good to celebrate the beauty of the human spirit through music and dance. Music is a universal language that breaks down petty divisions such as race, class, gender and age. This is why I love Spotty Idol. I love seeing the talent at this school being encouraged to grow and I love seeing the courage and hard work of each performer come to fruition on stage. And I love to see the school coming together to encourage and celebrate each performer, and to simply enjoy music and dance together; it seems just as important as all of the 'work' we do.

First of all, I would like to thank our sponsors, TSH audio and video for helping make Spotty Idol happen because without your support it would not happen. In fact, you are so important I'm going to give you your own paragraph. Thank You!

Also, I would like to say a BIG thank you to the staff who helped out on the night, especially the judges, Chris Lapworth, Ryan McFadyen and Michelle FitzPatrick, because it couldn't happen without you either.

Big props to our two wonderful MC's for the night too, Montana Bennett and Anya Wansuwan.

The auditions this year were slow to get off the ground but did pick up with a little prompting and we were able to put together a strong line-up for the show. Well done to everyone who auditioned. It takes a lot of guts, I know. There were some new faces in the line-up this year, which was exciting to see. Jackson

The Annual Taranaki Literary Challenge, this year was

Conaglen, Katie Pullen, Roan Upson, Andrew Whiteley

and Liam Nicholas. Sadly Chris Hobson was in America

at the time of the competition, but contributed hugely

held at the Normanby Sports Hall, with 10 teams

making up this year's competition. The Spotswood College Literary Challenge Team consisted of: Reihana

TARANAKI LITERARY CHALLENGE

Bell and Baylee Abrams are two to watch out for in the future. Jacques McCallum-Lind's first time on the idol stage stunned us all as he killed it with Fleetwood Mac's Big Love. New comer Valya Bykova also won us over with her delicate and beautiful tone. It would be great to see these guys and gals back next year!

Those returning performers didn't disappoint either. Nadia dazzled us with her dance skills and her vocal skills along with Amber and Sarai. Cascade, Caitlin, Tayla and Marie all made the judges' decision difficult with their beautiful solos. Sam Raumati pulled out a classic with Linda Ronstadt's Blue Bayou and Joel and Michael impressed us with their own composition. The judges awarded the talents of Nadia Hill with best dance, Jackson and Baylee with best duo, Joel and Michael with best original song, Hatrix with best band, and Sam Raumati with best solo vocal.

However, it was Jacques McCallum-Lind's impressive guitar playing and passionate vocals on Big Love that won the judges over and moved them to make him Spotty Idol for 2016. According to the judges Jacques was "the clear winner."

As Josie and Mahana couldn't make it back to entertain us during the deliberation, I had the privilege of performing a duet by Brian Adams and Me C with Olivia Smith.

The year 13s pulled of an entertaining dance based of popular songs from each of the years that cohort has been here.

So, thanks again to everyone who supported Spotty Idol in any capacity this year. I'm already looking forward to the next one.

of New Zealand authored books and the team were

required to read and study each of these. Between

them the team read five young adult fiction and five

non-fiction, all finalists in the New Zealand Book

Awards. Team members specialised in three to four

Throughout the competition, the teams were asked

questions, based on Characterisation, Plot, Setting a Theme. However, for the final round the top five teat

Jared Hill

books each.

were asked a further set of questions, including, Who Am I and General Knowledge questions surrounding their set of specialist books.

At the end of this year's competition Spotswood College finished in third place, with only one point separating, first, second and third, a very close contest. Well done to our team, all members are fired up (ready to read) and willing to put themselves on the line and take their title back, in 2017.

Mr O'Keefe and Ms Benton
Spotswood College Taranaki Literary Co-ordinators

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CASEY CARASS

Proposed Occupation: Marine Biologist

Quote: "Mischief....."

Favourite Spotty Experience: Volleyball



CHELSEA PRETTY-STONE

Nickname: Chezza

Quote: "....managed"

Proposed Occupation: Astronomer



BROOKE MILNE

Quote: "Stay gold Pony-boy, Stay gold" – S.E Hinton

Remembered for: being hella queer, hella chunky and hella humorous

Proposed Occupation: Teacher



TAYLAH WILLIAMS

Nickname: T Dogg

Quote: "she'll be right"

Proposed Occupation: Nurse

As usual the group were provided with a selection

to the team.



SOPHIE BOWDEN

Nickname: 'Phie

Quote: "I've got this!"

Proposed Occupation: Nurse



MICHAEL ANDERSON

Nickname: Ginger Michael

Quote: "just do life, ya feel?"

Favourite Spotty Experience: Just, doing life



NATALIJA WALLACE

Nickname: People just call me what they want really

Quote: "If tomorrow isn't the due date, today isn't the do date"

Proposed Occupation: Hairdresser



MEGAN VICKERS

Proposed Occupation: Primary School teacher

Quote: "Be your own anchor"

Favourite Spotty Experience: Drama class



EMMA GIBSON

Nickname: Gobby

Remembered for: Having half a thumb

Quote: "At least I can count in Fractions" – Emma Gibson

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MEG PARSONS

Proposed Occupation: Social worker

Remembered for: Being the coolest Year 13

Favourite Spotty Experience: My teacher Scotty Mason



AKAYSHA RUSSELL

Nickname: Kaysh

Quote: "Yah'll gonna regret not dating me in high school" – Akaysha Russell

Remembered for: Being best friends with Briana



BRIANA SCHOFIELD

Proposed Occupation: Flight attendant

Quote: "Hannah Montana said nobodies perfect, but here I am" - Briana Schofield

Remembered for: Being best friends with Akaysha



TAWERA BAKER

Nickname: Big Ta

Quote: "the Grass isn't always greener on the other side, its green where you water it"

Remembered for: Being Dione's Boyfriend



DIONE RILEY

Proposed Occupation: Beauty Therapist

Quote: "Dream, Believe, Achieve"

Remembered for: Being Tawera's Girlfriend



ZAK HUBBARD

Nickname: Hubbard

Quote: "P-sherman 42 Wallaby Way, Sydney" – Dory

Proposed Occupation: Vet



ROBERT FOX

Quote: "Life is too short to have anything but delusional notions about yourself"

Proposed Occupation: Systems programmer

Remembered for: Crashing the tractor into the quad



JOSEPH PUI

Nickname: J Pui

Quote: "Yeah the Boys"

Proposed Occupation: Nurse



VICTORIA DOHERTY

Nickname: Vicky

Remembered for: Being short

Memorable moment: Taylah tripping me up in Year 10



SHIANN JOLLY

Proposed Occupation: Archaeologist

Quote: "Don't be a hater, dear" - Myrtle Snow

Favourite Spotty Experience: LingoFest 2016

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LAEL POOLE

Quote: "Do you even have any friends?"

Remembered for: Spicing up assemblies

Favourite Spotty Experience: Being a peer supporter



MONTANA BENNETT

Nickname: Monsta

Quote: "I preparedly wunged it" - Michael Anderson, 2k16

Remembered for: crying all the time



GABRIJELA LJUBIC

Nickname: Gabree - jella

Favourite Spotty Experience: Getting lost on the bus

Remembered for: Being Ball Queen 2k16



ANYA WANGSUWAN

Nickname: Wangaz

Remembered for: Being stressed all the time

Proposed Occupation: Designer



MAEGHAN KING

Proposed Occupation: Accountant

Quote: "You never see a poor accountant"

Remembered for: Laughing at nothing



KACY BANADERA

Quote: "Exercise?? I thought you said extra fries!!" Remembered for: Always being in 'filipino time'



BREYDON FARMER

Nickname: Jesus

Quote: "For god loved the world, that he gave is one and only" – John 3:16 Memorable Moment: Meeting my disciples, bless them



AMBER MAPLEY

Proposed Occupation: Nurse (probably with kids)

Remembered for: Arguing that cats are the best animal

Memorable moment: Meeting friends/ four years of mafia in drama



REUS REYES

Nickname: walalo5

Quote: "Instagram: @reus333, hmu if interested"

I will be remembered for: falling over in assembly



AMIRAH OSAMA

Proposed occupation: Environmental scientist

Memorable moment: Attending the Sir Peter Blake Youth Enviro-leaders forum

Favourite Spotty experience: Performing year 13 dance

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BAYLEE O'DONNELL-MARTIN

Nickname: Bayelz/ Bay-Bay/ Baybladez

Quote: "How lucky am I to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard" - Winnie the

I will be remembered for: probably for bringing a hammer to school that one time



ZAC MCLEOD

Nickname: M.C - Loud

I will be remembered for: wearing the girls uniform in assembly

Favourite Spotty experience: being in a class with Mr Hill as the teacher and playing for the

school football team



TOM OATES

Nickname: Chef

Memorable moment: Pretending to be a boy for 5 years

Quote: "Does being fashionably late have a cut-off point?"



CARLAN YOUNG

Nickname: Zyzz

Quote: "Westside is the best side"



SAPPHIRE MOKE

Nickname: Shopaholic

Quote: "Even though you have everything, it's still not good enough"

Favourite Spotty experience: receiving the Koot cup for senior girl badminton player of the year at sports prize giving 2016

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NOUVEAU ROGERS

Quote: "Make everything you do an expression of compassion and kindness"

I will be remembered for: being the arty one

Proposed occupation: Something that involves helping others



ARIAL MARTIN

Nickname: Mermaid

Quote: "Man, those were some good tacos" – Martin Luther King Jr.

Remembered for: Being too quiet in class



VANDNA KUMAR

Nickname: Vunz

Quote: "Forget what hurt you, but never forget what it taught you"

Remembered for: Always being late



BEKA SMITH

Proposed Occupation: photographer/teacher

Quote: "Be still and know that I am god – psalms 46:10



IZIAH WILLETS

Remembered for: banter, not much else really

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SHAYE STURMEY-WATSON

Nickname: Shayeshaye

Quote: "Tights are not pants. Trust me"

I will be remembered for: Sea Anemone



CLAUDIA WARBURTON

I will be remembered for: breaking drama equipment

Memorable moment: mafia

Proposed occupation: business owner



AARON LOW

Nickname: Suss Master

Favourite Spotty experience: Building a 70cc motorbike

Memorable moment: Racing my motorbike at Manfield Raceway



PHIL EDIE

Nickname: Philliam

Quote: "That's a euphemism!"

I will be remembered for: a constant but unreliable voice of reason



MICAELA SWANEPOEL

Nickname: Mic

Quote: "Never look back darling, it distracts from the now"

Memorable moment: Reus falling over in assembly



SHAUN MOFFITT

Nickname: Shaunamoff

Quote: "Life is like a plane, don't worry if one engine fails,

The other one will carry you to the crash site"

Remembered for: Dark humour



JADEN MANNING

Proposed Occupation: Journalist

Quote: Tom made me go to the cloud"

Favourite Spotty Experience: The 2016 Senior Ball

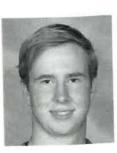


LIAM JOHNS

Proposed Occupation: Profesional Hobo with Nathan

Remembered for: Just here for a laugh

Favourite moment: Spending 5 fabulous years at Spotty!



NATHAN FOLEY

Nickname: Nate-o

Quote: "You want my name? Hugh, Hugh Mungus"

Proposed occupation: professional hobo



MATHEW SCOTT

Nickname: Mat

Quote: "They didn't wait for me"

Proposed occupation: Electronic engineer

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SUNNY PEEBLES

Quote: "Are you serious..."

I will be remembered for: kicking a ball in the bin across the common room first try

Memorable moment: Acting in drama performances



ISAAC BECK

Proposed Occupation: Engineer

Remembered for: Having a 'selective' attendance

Memorable moment: Getting an icecream for every excellence grade



SHERWOOD MATHESON

Nickname: 50 cent

Quote: "G - G - G - G - G Unit"

Memorable moment: "Sorry ow sorry"



TJ HARRIS

Nickname: Tiny Junk

Quote: you can catch flies with honey, but you can catch more hunnies being fly

Proposed Occupation: Stay at home mum



RUBY LUKE

Nickname: Spunky Girl

Quote: "I'm spunky"

Remembered for: Being spunky



ISIAH WIGG

Nickname: Jizzy

Quote: "Its joke"

Proposed Occupation: LLSIF pro player



DANIEL JAPPINEN

Nickname: Daniel the Animal

Quote: "Tim Allen making that sound from Home improvement"



SHAUN COLLETT

Nickname: Labels

Remembered for: Being a prefect

Favourite Spotty Experience: Being a part of the assemblies

PEER SUPPORT AND LEADERSHIP CAMP

A wonderful group of year 13 students became Peer Support Leaders this year and were responsible for making the new Year 9 students feel comfortable and welcome at Spotswood College. They became a face for the new students to approach if they needed help and also worked in groups with the Year 9 Core classes, running activities and discussion groups designed to cement class relationships and bond disparate groups of students. A two day course gave them the training for this in a fun atmosphere, beginning with the 'Lap Game' which hurtled them into their own bonding experience.

Here's what some of the students said: (Reus) "It was an enjoyable experience getting to know the class and mingling with them. The students were enthusiastic and looked like they had a lot of fun with us." (Michael) "We built good relationships with other Year 13s as well as Year 9s." (Shiann) "I've been able to interact with many of our students throughout the school, which has been incredibly worthwhile." (Kacy) "The experience enhanced our leadership skills as well as getting to know Year 9s." (Montana) "Loved my experience as Peer Support Leader and learned and developed many valuable skills." (Lael) "We always made an effort to acknowledge their birthdays with cards and chocolate. I would spend time with them at lunch to form closer relationships. (Zac) "Peer Support showed me what it was like to be a leader." (Maeghan) "I felt I helped the students. I always see them around school and we always say 'Hi'. It gave me valuable skills." (Brooke) "There is such a difference between the two year groups but we were still able to connect." (Brianna) "I enjoyed getting to know the Year 9 students and say 'Hi' to them when I see them

around school." (Micaela) "I enjoyed the activities with the class working along with us. It helped them a lot with being accepted into the school as individuals." (Shaun) "The training was good as I didn't know many people at the start but I know them all now." (Shynia) "I enjoyed the activities we played with the class and helping them get to know each other." (Phil) "It helped them feel comfortable with the transition into High School." (Megan) "It was good being able to see the Year 9s grow." (Gabrijela) "It was great to meet younger students and make their year more fun, seeing them making friends and growing." (Amber) "It was great watching friendships develop." (Joseph) "It was good to interact with younger students and help them with the transition to High School."

Being a Peer Support student also gave these students the opportunity to attend the Year 13 Leadership Camp

at Vertical Horizon. These two days were designed to take them out of their comfort zone and draw out the 'leader' in them all. By the end of the second day they were exhausted but proud of their achievements - who could not be elated at completing the 'Mud Run'!

Here's what some of the students said: "I had a great time. It was good to bond with the other Peer Supporters and learn some leadership skills. The challenges/activities were heaps of fun and I would love to do this again." I greatly enjoyed the dinner (and dressing up) and the activities.... the Mud Run however...!" "The camp was very memorable with a lot of team building activities which brought all the students closer." The camp was enjoyable and the team building activities were really good."

BALL PHOTOS



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A TIMELY REMINDER

Talitha Claassens, the daughter of Martie Claassens (HOD Digital Technologies), came to speak with the Year 13 students about study skills and stress management. It was very timely as the Year 13 studies just finished their practice examinations and were preparing for their external end of year assessments.

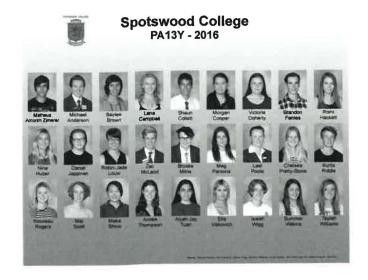
Spotswood College invited Talitha to speak with the students due to her recent academic achievements. Talitha had great international success after being awarded the Regional Oceania Award under the Nursing and Midwifery category in the Undergraduate Awards for a course essay she submitted on acute pain in a post-mastectomy case study.

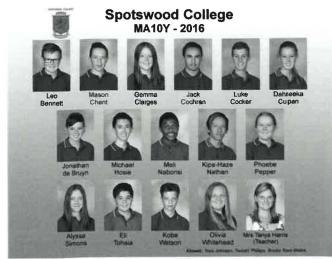
This is an Internationally recognised award system to recognise top performers at the undergraduate tertiary level. With this incredible international achievement, Talitha was well placed to share her vast knowledge of study skills, essay writing tips, and stress management with the Year 13 students. The students found this talk incredibly useful, which was supported by resounding positive feedback from Spotswood staff in attendance. Talitha's achievements confirm the success of her personal study tips which she shared in the hopes of setting students up are grateful to this timely reminder that hard work can lead to great success.

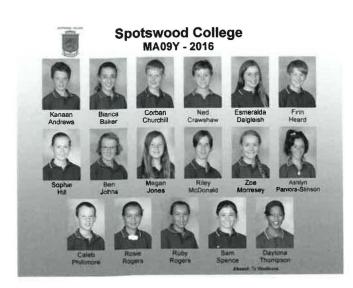


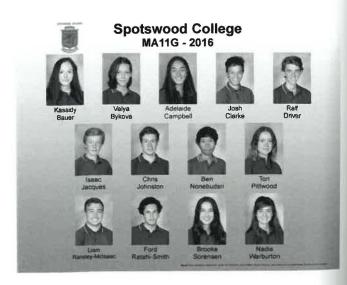
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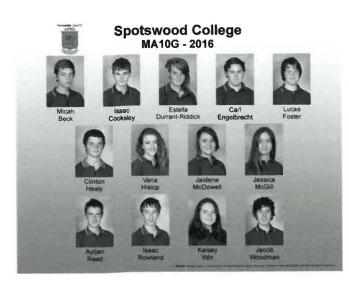
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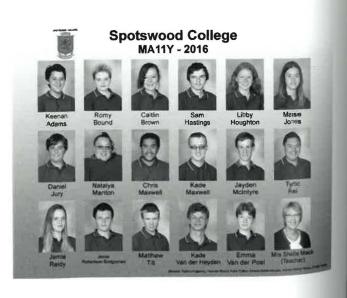




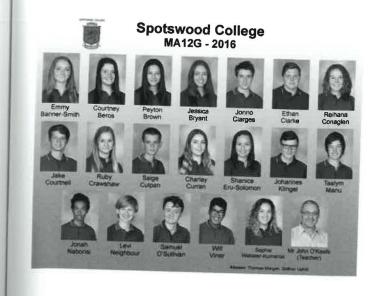


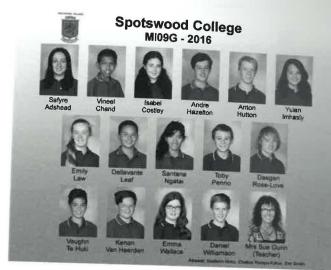


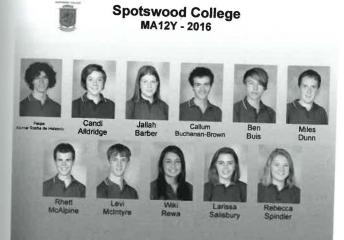


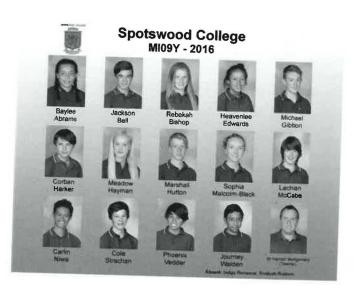


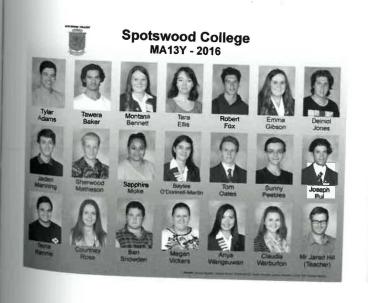
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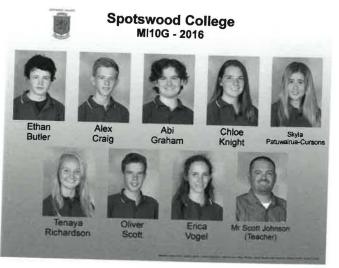




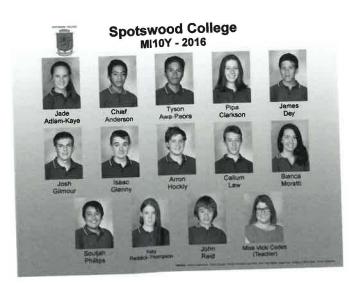


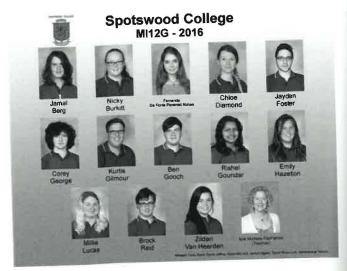


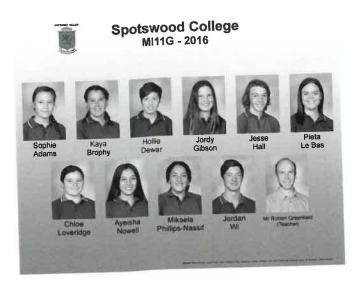


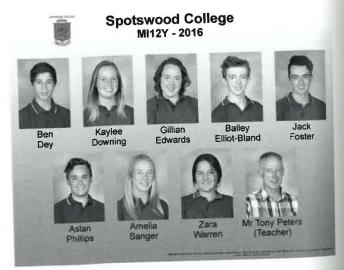


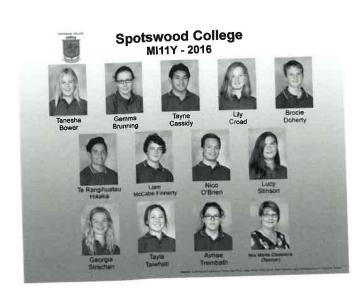
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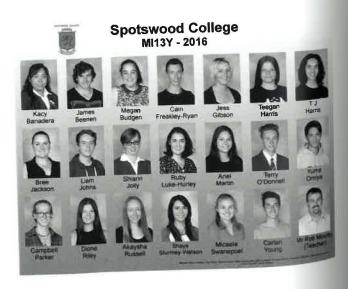






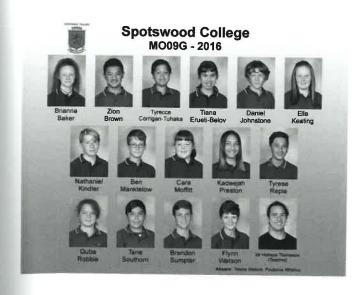


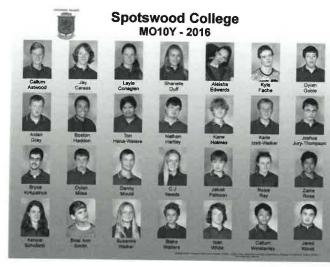


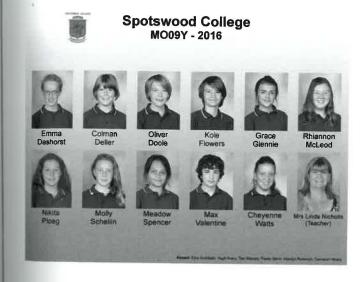


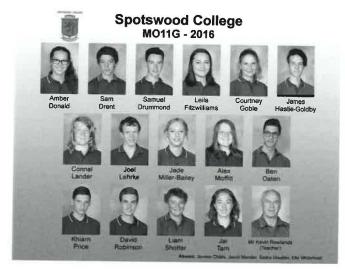
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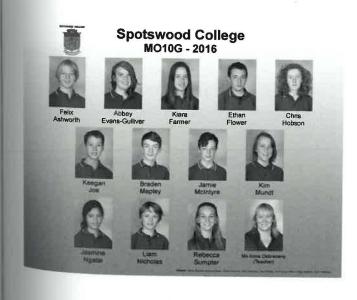
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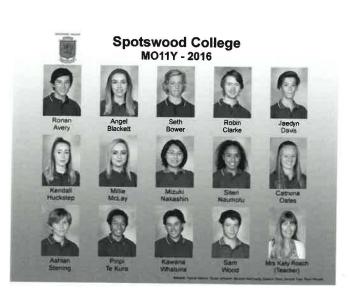




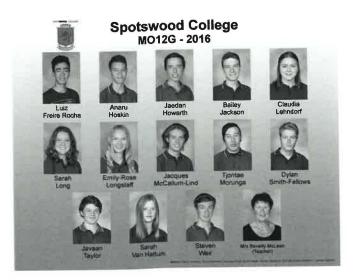


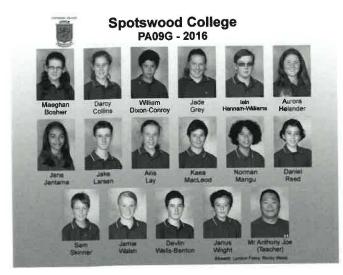


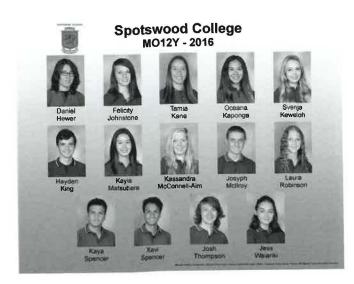


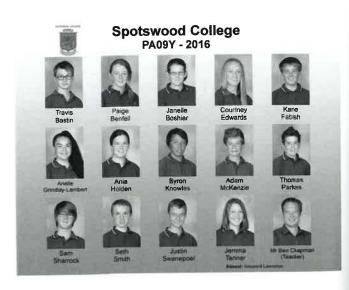


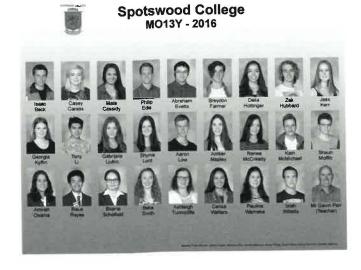
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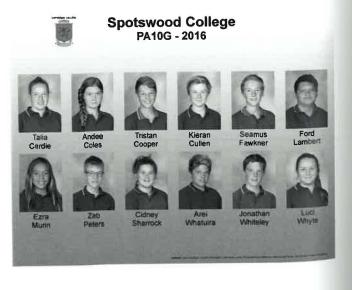




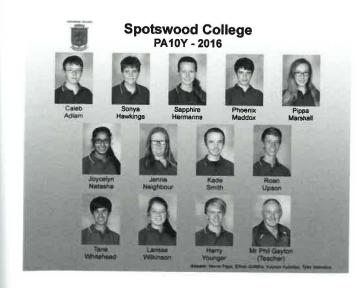


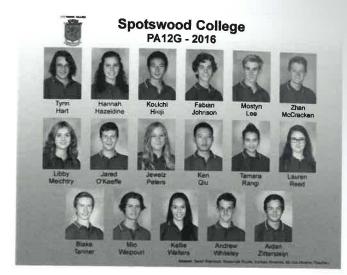


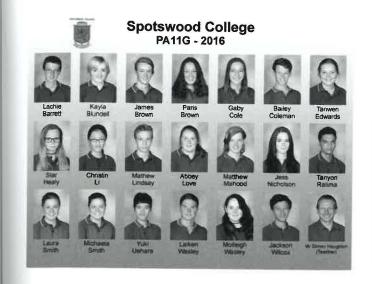
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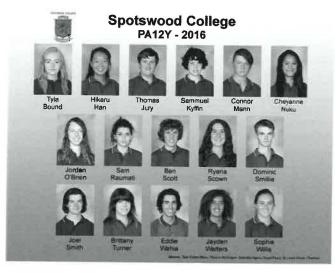


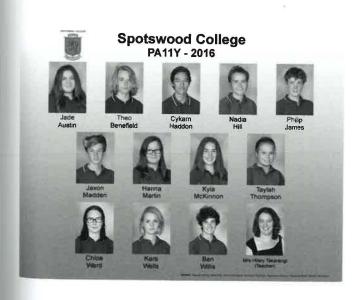
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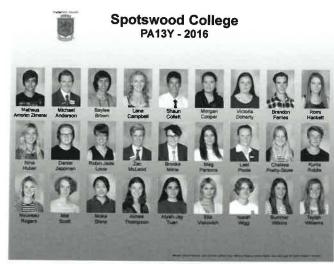












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