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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT 1998

It is with great pleasure that I present my 12th Annual Report as Principal of Spotswood College.

STAFFING:

At the end of the 1997 academic year we farewelled a number of staff members, many of them very long serving members of our school. In this group were Mr Ivan Komene a Teacher of Maori Language with 17 years service who retired; Mrs Kui Pirikahu, HOD Maori, who joined the Advisory Service and Mrs Shirley McVicar who undertook full-time study.

I would like to thank them all for their contribution to our school over many years particularly Mrs Kui Pirikahu for her contribution to Maori Language, Whanau o Whaitata and the support, advice and guidance given to me as Principal.

Also leaving Spotswood College at the end of 1997 was Mr Des Lotter who after 9 years teaching English and Media Studies took up an appointment at Waimate College in the South Island. This move to be near his immediate family was unfortunately to be tinged with real sadness as after only one term at his new school Des succumbed to a massive heart attack and died in April of this year. The school grieved with his family at the loss of a friend and a father to his 2 young daughters.

A double loss for our school was the passing away of Mrs Mary Gilbert, our Librarian of 15 years, on the 21 February 1998, after a short but severe illness. Mary had become an icon of our school over the years, her love of books and her genuine interest and support of our students will be sorely missed.

During the year Mrs Nieves Bushell resigned as Teacher of Spanish to take up new challenges in the community and Mr Graeme Woodhead took up an appointment in Technology at Highlands Intermediate School. To Nieves for her outstanding work in developing Spanish not only at Spotswood College but throughout the region, my grateful thanks for all her effort. To Graeme whose 11 years of unconditional support to our students will not be forgotten by the countless pupils who were affected by the down to earth yet sensitive way in which he carried out his duties. Graeme will be missed as one of the characters of our school.

Mr Mike Paling from our Technical Department returned with his family to the United Kingdom after 12 years of service. During his time at Spotswood College Mike brought a new perspective to the teaching of technology, particularly in the area of Electronics and Robotics. His easy going manner and dry wit will be missed in our school.

In addition to these leavers, Mrs Dot Thomas was awarded a one year study leave to complete a Post Graduate Diploma in Teaching Children with Special Needs at the Auckland College of Education.

This year we welcomed to our school Mrs Alison



Slater - Accounting and Economics and Ms Nicola Ngarewa - Maori Language and Studies. Both soon made their presence felt and will I am sure be real assets as they develop and integrate into our school.

The arrival of baby "Karena Ngarewa" on 8 September and her subsequent appearance at school at the beginning of Term IV is a testament to the unconditional support of our teaching staff to increase our student roll numbers!

Appointments to be confirmed for 1999 include Technology, Special Education, Text and Information Management and a long term relief position in Art to replace Mrs Freida Cooper who will be on study leave. There will also be two additional non-teaching positions based at Spotswood College serving all schools in North Taranaki and directly related to supporting teaching and student learning.

Finally our congratulations and thanks to Mr Rick Wood who will be leaving us at the end of the year to take up an appointment as HOD Science at Okato College.

STUDENTS:

We began our school year with notification that our external examination results of the previous November were one of the best on record.

Our overall pass rate for all subjects and all papers in School Certificate was a very high 65%, certainly the highest that I am aware of and more than competitive with any other school in the region. Particularly impressive were the results in:-

Economics	100% pass rate
Spanish	93% pass rate
Workshop Technology	80% pass rate
Graphics	79% pass rate
Keyboarding	76% pass rate
Art	71% pass rate
Accounting	71% pass rate

Equally outstanding were the fine individual results gained by our students, none more so than our top scholar Emily Miller who averaged a staggering 94.75%.

In the Bursary exams our students achieved an 80% success rate for all 5 subject Bursary candidates - up from 65% in 1996.

Form 7 students achieved an excellent overall individual pass rate for all subjects, all papers, of 79%. Six individual scholarships were awarded. My congratulations to both students and teachers for extremely good results.

The sporting achievements of our students during 1998 over a huge variety of disciplines were truly outstanding. Under the guidance of coaching and support staff, parents and teachers and our full-time Sports Co-ordinator, Mr Bevan Martin, Spotswood College was to the fore in achieving high distinction at local, provincial, national and international levels.

Some examples of the achievements are:

Joanna Demetriou - National record holder Roller Skating. Named in Junior Team to attend the World Championships in Spain

John Gabites 100 & 200 metre Athletics Sport Champion and North Island Senior Boys Volleyball Team member.

Boys A Volleyball National Division One Representatives.

Girls A Volleyball National Division Two Representatives.

Nick Daly NZ Secondary School Senior Freestyle Wrestling Champion. Member of New Zealand Wrestling Team to USA.

Sonia Whitmore North Island TaeKwonDo - Black Belt Champion Gold Medal.

Cassie Willoughby North Island TaeKwonDo - Yellow Belt Champion Gold Medal.

Jared Wilson New Zealand Under 23 Passport to Gold Award.

Kathryn Greaney New Zealand U17 Academy Women's Soccer Team. Taranaki U17, U19 & Senior Women's Representative.

Garan & Blake Sinclair, Michael Steel 1st Place New Zealand Secondary Schools' Intermediate Orienteering.

Ricky Fox New Zealand In Line Hockey team.

Adam Crow Taranaki Secondary Schools' Badminton Champion.

Kelly Hopkinson & Vicky Soffe Taranaki Secondary Schools Team Gymnastics Champions.

Dwayne Theobald New Zealand Under 19 Indoor Bowls Team.

Kevin Bryant, Nicola Cox, Murray Christmas Taranaki Secondary Schools' Cycling champions.

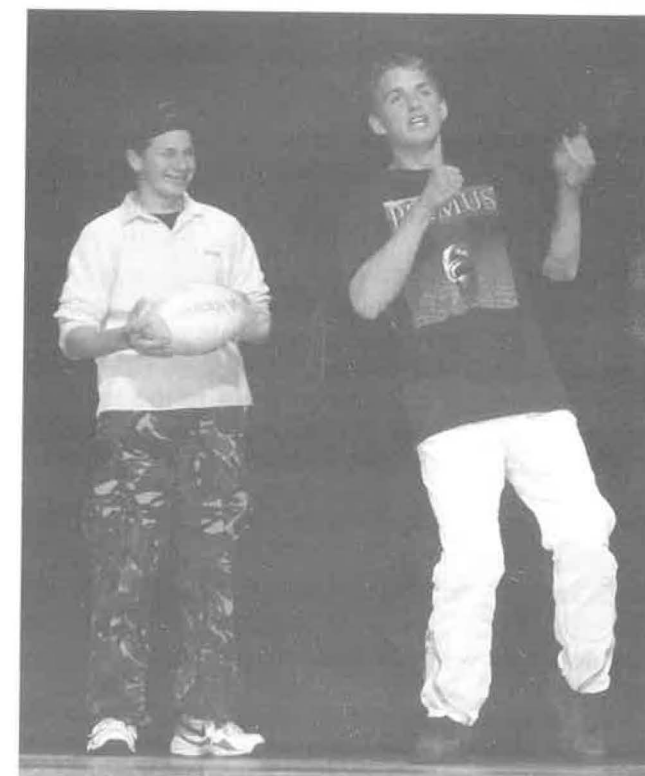
Brendan Riddick Top 20 NZ Hockey Referee.

One of the cultural highlights of the year was the first place gained by our Kapa Haka group Ti Roopu O Nga Motu in the Intermediate section of the Taranaki Cultural Festival.



We celebrated the school Dramatic performance, "Be Alright", directed by Mr Merv Chivers and the achievement of our School Shakespeare Group directed by Ms Joanne Stallard in representing Taranaki at the National Shakespeare Festival. Not only was our whole troop invited to attend a National Workshop in Nelson but Ben Shaw was one of 6 students nation-wide given the opportunity to travel to the United Kingdom to perform at the Globe Theatre in London.

Special mention must also go to our highly experienced and successful stage and jazz bands whose reputation for excellence has extended well beyond school ranks.



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SCHOOL

There were a number of significant changes and innovations in and around the school during 1998. A new Board of Trustees was elected in May under the Chair of Mrs Janice Gibb and Deputy Mr Paul Goldsmith. Their 3 year term could well herald significant development and growth of the school as they facilitate the new Technology Block, due to open at the end of Term One 1999.

Work has begun on the re-evaluation of our senior/formal school uniform and the development of a much more aggressive marketing stance to promote the significant place of Spotswood College in our local community.

It was pleasing to note that during this year two lifts have been installed in A & S Blocks to enable freedom of access for students confined to wheelchairs.

The improvement and development of our grounds and gardens under the guidance of Mr Tony Peters and Mr Craig Sowman have been a real feature of the improved image of our school.



Two significant governance and management issues were addressed by the school community in 1998. The decision by the Board of Trustees to become a direct resourced school was not universally welcomed. However, to the credit of all concerned it was indeed pleasing to see the school move forward positively with staff, management and Board of Trustees developing initiatives that will be of real benefit to the teaching and learning processes of our school.

In a similar vein Spotswood College became an accredited fundholder under the Special Education 2000 initiative. This initiative which transfers all staffing and financial resources for our special needs students to the school will enable us, I believe, to provide a much higher level of service than was previously possible. Spotswood College will also be acting as Fundholder for a number of our local contributing schools including Devon Intermediate, Spotswood Primary, Marfell Community School and Frankley School.

For the second successive year the school ran a most successful holiday school during the September/October vacation. This is an initiative which I believe is being very well received by both students and the community and will, I am sure, develop even further in future years. It must be mentioned that such initiatives would be simply impossible without the support and goodwill of those teachers willing to give up their holiday time.

The after school "Serious Study Space", another new initiative, has started to make an impact with our students and will I hope continue to grow in 1999.



SUMMARY

All in all an extremely good year - great teachers; great students and a great school. There are of course always aspects that require more work. Not everything is perfect. However I believe that with the support of a good Board of Trustees we can and do make a significant difference.

I would like to thank all the Faculty Heads, Teachers, Support and Administrative staff for their support and hard work and especially Garry and Robyn for managing the day to day operation of our school and for their support of me as Principal.

In addition I would like to thank our student leaders particularly Liz Buttimore and Alistair Tippet, whose commitment and work on behalf of the school has been outstanding.

May I also extend to all our school leavers my best wishes for a successful and happy life and to all a joyous Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Barry Finch
PRINCIPAL

DES LOTTER 1990-1997

Des was a quiet man who arrived at this school from a position in what was then quaintly called 'The Department of Education'. He soon settled into life in the English Department at Spotswood College, which is a daunting task in itself! Unfortunately he never expressed much interest in fly-fishing but we eventually forgave him for that.

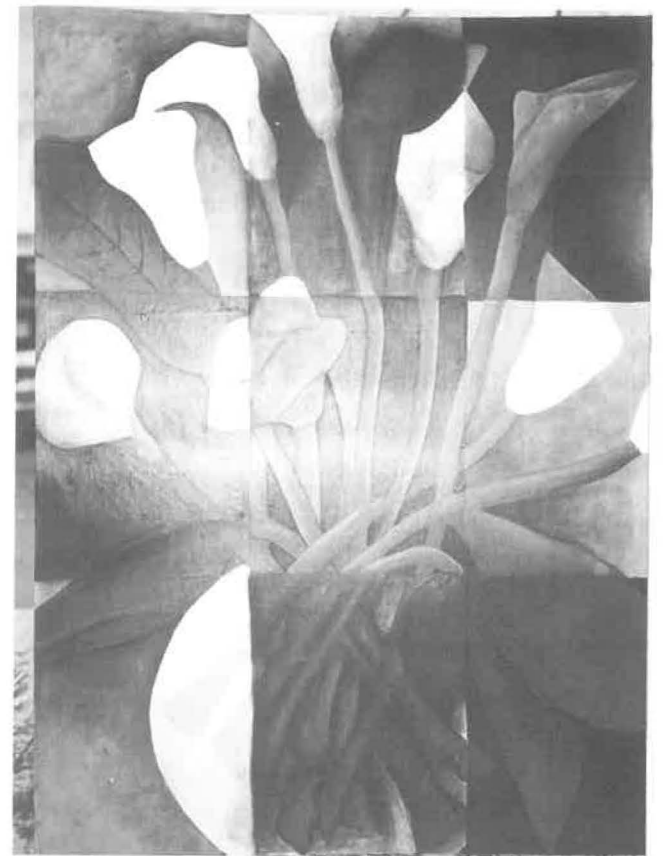
Des was born in South Africa and travelled to this country via Australia. It says much for his good sense that he passed through Australia and eventually settled here. Although what he made of Tapanui after Sydney is anybody's guess.

He never lost his affection for South Africa, despite the obvious difficulties he faced under apartheid while living and teaching there. In fact his attitude to South Africa - All Blacks matches was ambivalent to say the least. He went and visited the South African team when they last visited New Plymouth and Radio Taranaki made use of his Afrikaans. But Des had another side to his radio-life, he was the scourge of the talk-back shows in the late to early hours, in fact he resorted to many an alias to gain access to the waves as he became rather well known. Some would say he single handedly drove George Balani off air and developed a cult following of Seventh Formers!

He was an accomplished cartoonist and would often compose a wry comment on something that had caught his eye over the weekend's news. He often rubbed our noses in the spectacular lack of success of the NZ Cricket team with an opposite cartoon at morning interval. He wrote poetry and his last conversation with me was a phone call where he read some of his poems.

He was a collector of the arcane comment and possessed a dry sense of humour. He was courteous, friendly, good humoured and was a good friend.

Des left here to begin another stage of his life in a country school in the South Island. He saw this as a new beginning, a chance to begin afresh. It was a tragedy that his time there was so short.



MARY GILBERT - LIBRARIAN 1983-1998

In February the school lost a valuable long serving staff member, Mrs Mary Gilbert, who passed away after a short illness. Many pupils who have attended Spotswood College over the past 14 years will have fond memories of Mrs Gilbert and her beaming smile. She would bustle into the Library, keeping order, and always ready to give assistance. As pupils who knew her found, she had a kind heart and a great sense of humour. She loved a good pun!

She was always an enthusiastic advocate of the Library, and was keen to respond to the new developments of Resource Based Learning and the implementation of Information Technology. However, her first love was books, and she worked to ensure and up-to-date stock - horrifying the staff sometimes at the number of old books tossed out! But a necessary task to present an attractive and vibrant library, she maintained.

A fully trained Librarian, she ran the Children's Library and Wanganui Public Library, before marrying and moving to New Plymouth. Her knowledge of children's and young persons' fiction was a great asset to the school when she started in 1983. She was always concerned to encourage fictional reading, especially to develop reading confidence. To that end she devoted time to give extra reading tutoring within the school, and in latter years was involved in the Adult Reading Programme. She also took an active role in the community, serving on the Parent Teachers' Association, Citizens' Advice Bureau, and was past president of Inner Wheel.

Mrs Gilbert will be sadly missed by the school community and our condolences go out to her family.

SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE SENIOR PRIZEGIVING 1998

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MEMORIAL CUP	Rowena Howard
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES AWARD	
DEPUTY HEAD GIRL	Melissa Green
DEPUTY HEAD BOY	Ben Shaw
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES AWARD	Alistair Tippett
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES AWARD	Elizabeth Buttimore
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES AWARD	Michelle Walker
MARJAN van PAASSEN AWARD	William Lewis
The JOE GREENWOOD	
MEMORIAL PRIZE	Elizabeth Buttimore
" TE KURA CLUB AWARD"	Melissa Green
SPECIAL SUBJECT AWARDS	
HELEN J. BACON AWARD	Martin Emo
HARRY M. BACON MEMORIAL PRIZE	Ben Shaw
THE DUYNHOVEN AWARD	Natasha Crow
NEW PLYMOUTH	
LITTLE THEATRE AWARD	Zara Nicely and Jon Waters
EMO AWARD	Martin Emo
JOY ROOKES TROPHY	Rowena Howard
THE BANDBOOSTERS AWARD	Rowena Howard
PHOTOLIFE GRAPHIC ARTS AWARD	Cortenay Lucas



CULTURAL AWARDS

Kapa Haka Awards -	
Taonga A Whaitata 'Tuatahi' Lead Kaea (Male) -	Jamie Amstad
Kura Tuarua O Ngamotu 'Taonga A Whaitata'	
Senior Kaikaranga (Female) -	Selena Ngaia
Kura Tuarua Ngamotu "Reo Rangitira" (feathered taiaha).	
	Rhea Cooper
First in Senior Maori Language Speeches	
	Tamati Goff

SPEECH AWARDS

First in Senior Speech	Jared Wilson
Second in Senior Speech	Alistair Tippett

ACADEMIC AWARDS FORM 7 PRIZE WINNERS FIRST IN SUBJECT

Thor Gudjonsson	Accounting
Brendon O'Keeffe	Design Technology
Melissa Green	Graphics & Design
Samuel Whiteman	Fabric Art
Kelly Hopkinson	Physical Education
Robert Crow	Computing
Phui Tin Kong	Mathematics with Calculus
Fraser Ross	Media Studies
	"Daily News Literary Prize"

Deanna Cruickshank	Alternative English F6/7
Jody Sanson	First in 6B/7B
Shannon Honeyfield	Classics
Adam Priest	Horticulture
Rowena Howard	Music
Michelle Walker	Photography
Michelle Thorstensen	History
John Gabites	Geography
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Michael Kemsley	NZ Institute of Physics Prize
Ben Shaw	English
Elizabeth Buttimore	Home Economics
	Spanish
Simon Hill	A & M Hutchinson Prize - 1st in
	Senior Biology
	Physics
Suzanne McCarthy	Mathematics with Statistics
	Chemistry
William Lewis	Printmaking
	Art History
	Painting
	Economics

FORM 6 PRIZE WINNERS

FIRST IN SUBJECT

Emma Medway-Smith	6 Smart
Andrew Cronin	Horticulture
Donna Bond	Physical Education
Julia Gaze	English - Transactional Writing
	(1st =)
Toby Parsons	English - Poetic Writing
	(1st =)
Jennifer Batten	English - Performance
	Monologue
Thomas Parry	English - Group Performance
	(1st =)
Kevin Demchy	Mathematics Applied II
Miriam Baronian	Textiles
Philippa Berry	Music
Karl Bowden	Computing
Rhea Cooper	Maori
Nicola Cox	Text & Information Management
Emma Shannon	Home Economics
Timothy Bedford	Electronics, Taranaki Maths
	Association. Award
Max Yu	Mathematics
Kelly Shuker	Biology - (1st =)
	"In Focus Cup" for 1st in Photography
	English - Poetic Writing (1st =)

Sarah Russell	Biology - (1st =)
	Physics - (1st =)
Michelle Soulsby	Geography
	Legal Studies
	English - Transactional Writing
	(1st =)
Thomas Parry	Economics
	Art History
	English - Group Performance
	(1st =)
Natasha Crow	Design Technology
	Graphics and Design
Robyn Spencer	Practical Art
Emily Miller	Biology - (1st =)
	History
	Chemistry
	Spanish
	Physics - (1st =)
	English - Poetic Writing (1st =)
	English - Group Performance
	(1st =)

FORM 5 PRIZE WINNERS

FIRST IN SUBJECT

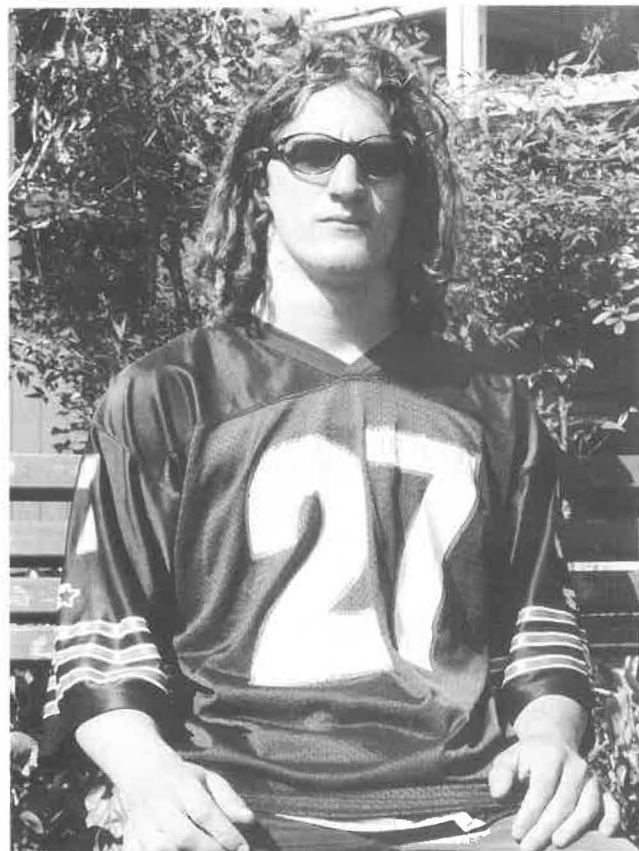
Philippa Berry	French & M J Hickey Trophy
	for Excellence in French
April Pitman	Geography
Hoana Renau	Transition
Desiree Burnard	Accounting
Janelle Perry	Horticulture
Rebecca Hawkins	Mathematics Applied I
Dwayne Theobald	Maori
Steven Bridger	First in 5B
Arianna Todd	Alternative Home Economics
Kieran Crafar-McKee	Economics
Bryce Foster	Workshop Technology -
	Scott Commercial Workshop
	Technology Cup
Hamu Hancock	Workshop Alternative
Katie Blackstock	History
Scott Hodges	Science
Michelle Fuller	Alternative English
	Textiles
Claire Charteris	Graphics & Design
	Text & Information
	Management
David Sutton	Mathematics
	Japanese
Suzanne Jones	Practical Art
	Spanish
Esther Bell	Music
	Home Economics
	English - Winner of the
	Margaret Hurley Prize for top
	student of English

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SPORTING AWARDS

SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR

Nick Daly



SPECIAL SPORTS AWARDS

1st XV Rugby Trophy - Best all round team member
Jon Waters

Thomson Cup for Captain 1st XV Rugby plus
Spotswood United Rugby Club Miniature
Eli Waikawa

Tony Stuthridge Memorial Trophy for Most
Conscientious Rugby Team Member
Jon-Paul Heather

Touch Rugby Player of the Year
Hinga Manukonga

Dwight Murfitt Trophy for best and fairest 2nd XV
rugby player
Jamie Amstad

Boys Indoor Basketball Player of the Year
Eli Waikawa

Girls Indoor Basketball Player of the Year
Tennille Yandle

D.C. Andrews Trophy - most dedicated female
hockey player
Philippa Berry

D.V. Sutherland Prize for Endeavour in Cricket
Timothy Biesiek

Dow Elanco Cup for the Most Dedicated Girl
Cricketer
Janine Howard (Jnr)
Tessa Versteeg (Jnr)

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Brodie Cup for Most Improved Girls Volleyball Player
of the Year
Natasha Lees

Matthew Coleman Trophy for Senior Boys Volleyball
- Most Improved Player
Jared Wilson

Antony Joe Trophy for Senior Boys Volleyball Player
of the Year
John Gabites

Wilson Trophy - for Senior Girls Volleyball Player of
the Year
Melissa Green

L.J. Trophy for Senior Netball Player of the Year
Sarah Hayman

Lisa Roper Trophy for desire to achieve in Women's
Soccer
Kathryn Greaney

John Lawton Memorial Cup for Boys Tennis
Michael Lowers

Lorraine Lovell Challenge Trophy for Girls Tennis
Eloise Pollard

The Spotswood College Sailing Cup for Leadership
Scott Hodges

John Bell Memorial Cup for Lifesaving
Michelle Walker

Murray Wood Cup for Gymnast of the Year
Kelly Hopkinson

EXCELLENCE AND MERIT

Taranaki Senior Men's Volleyball Team and North Island
Secondary School Senior Boys' Volleyball Team
John Gabites

Taranaki Senior Men's Volleyball Team
Brendon O'Keeffe Jared Wilson
Andi Moll Brendon Henchman

Taranaki Senior Women's Volleyball Team
Melissa Green Natasha Lees
Michelle Thorstensen

Merit Certificates for Excellence in Hockey and f o r
Most Outstanding Hockey Players
Fiona Johns and Brendan Riddick

Merit for Excellence in Hockey
Fiona McIntosh Rowena Howard
Adrienne Greenhill

Merit Certificate for Excellence in Badminton
Adam Crow

Merit Certificate for Excellence in Ironperson
Brent Krutz Sharlene Turner

Merit Certificate for School Tennis Championships
Boys runner-up Brendon O'Keeffe
Girls runner-up Michelle Thorstensen

Merit Certificate for Excellence in Basketball
Joshua Paurini Jenna Quay

Merit Certificate for Most Improved Basketball Players
Craig Sharpe Sarah Hayman

Merit Certificate for most valuable player in 2nd XV
Rugby
Jon-Paul Heather

Merit Certificate for Excellence in Netball and most
improved player
Talimai Tuigaleava

Merit Certificate for Excellence in Netball
Sarah Buttimore

Merit Certificate for Excellence in Athletics
Kylee Briskie Zara Nicely
Darryl Roper Ben Gaastra
John Gabites Natalie Shanks
Melissa Green Amanda Jane Hall

Merit Certificate for Excellence in Swimming
Lee Hare Vicky Soffe
Emily Miller Julian Pitman
Crystal McPherson

Merit Certificate for Excellence in Cross Country
Matthew Ubels Cassie Willoughby
Nerina Gaastra

Merit for Excellence in Yachting
Wayne Harrison Scott Hodges
Sally Morgan Natalie Shanks

"Trina Cowley Trophy" - for sporting excellence
Adrian George and
Melissa Green

FOR SERVICES TO THE SCHOOL IN THE FOLLOWING SPORTS

Netball Wendy Hayman

Rugby Adrian George

Hockey Stephen Bedford
Fiona McIntosh

Basketball Joshua Paurini
Brendon O'Keeffe
Sarah Greenbank

For Services to Sport

Kelly Scrivener	Eloise Pollard
Adrian George	Alaina Crafar-McKee
Joshua Paurini	Brendan Riddick
Jared Wilson	Tim Biesiek
Jared Steele	Brendon O'Keeffe
Janine Howard	Dwayne Theobald
Sarah Hayman	James Grieve
Heydon Bartlett	Donna Bond
Kylie Jones	Sarah Buttimore
Janet Charteris	

For Services to the School in Coaching Basketball
Joshua Paurini

CHAMPIONSHIP CERTIFICATES IN ATHLETICS

Intermediate Girls	Jean Tompkins
Senior Girls	Sarah Hayman
Senior Boys	John Gabites

CHAMPIONSHIP CERTIFICATES IN CROSS COUNTRY

Intermediate Girls	Jean Tompkins
Intermediate Boys	Leon Valentine
Senior Girls	Nerina Gaastra
Senior Boys	Darryl Roper

CHAMPIONSHIP CERTIFICATES IN SWIMMING

Intermediate Boys	Lionel Adams
Senior Girls	Kelly Shuker
Senior Boys	Peter Bielawski

SCHOOL AWARDS: INTER HOUSE AWARDS

Morine Cup in Athletics	Richmond
R & N Mong Cup in Basketball	Richmond
Honor Cup in Rugby	Richmond
Tug-of-War Shield	Richmond
Craigmyle Cup in Swimming	Atkinson
Talent Quest	Atkinson
Gutbuster	Atkinson
Faye Hill Cup in Netball	Barrett
Barrball Trophy in Hockey	Barrett
Ballinger Cup in Cross Country	Barrett
The Chris Hamil Cup in Softball	Darnell
Phil Gayton Cup in Volleyball	Darnell
Sole Cup in Tennis	Darnell
McDonald Cup in Cricket	Darnell
Borrell Cup in Soccer	Darnell
Touch Rugby Shield	Darnell
Karaoke	Darnell
Mountain Biking	Darnell

The Inter-House shield is
awarded this year to Darnell



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SCHOOL DIARY

February

- 2 The new school year begins
- 6 Waitangi Day
- 8 TSSSA beach volleyball
- 10 1st XI Gillette Cup Cricket vs FDMC
- 14 Valentines Day
- 16 TSSSA surfing
- 17 First house meetings of the year
- 18 ID photos
- 19 1st day swimming/athletics
- 20 2nd day swimming/athletics
- 21 Bandboosters car wash
Jazz band at Wine & Food Festival
- 22 TSSSA softball
Volleyball regionals
- 23 TSSSA tennis - girls
Wanganui High School volleyball visit
- 24 Form 3 parent evening
Senior house softball
- 25 TSSSA tennis - mixed
- 26 TSSSA tennis - boys
- 27 Junior house softball
Staff BBQ
- 28 TSSSA triathlon

March

- 1 TSSSA touch
TSSSA volleyball
- 2 6/7 textiles visit to Govett Brewster Art Gallery
- 3 Senior house tennis
Form 6 economics field trip
- 4 Longmans book display
TSSSA swimming
Form 6 horticulture to polytech
- 5 Junior house tennis
Massey Liaison officer visit
Junior house softball
5V/5W horticulture to polytech
- 6 Junior house tennis
- 9 Taranaki Anniversary
- 10 Blood donor day
TSSSA swimming
- 11 Excel Theatre at assemblies
Senior house touch
- 12 Junior house softball
- 14 TSSSA athletics
- 15 TSSSA volleyball regionals
- 16 Form 6 Topec
- 17 St Patricks Day - Prefects join staff for morning tea
- 18 Assembly - 40 hour famine guest speaker
Grade 4 senior boys' cricket vs Waitara
- 19 Junior House Touch
- 20 Interim reports
40 hour famine
Mufti day
- 23 85 students from Mishima Japan in school
- 24 Form 6 biology field trip
- 25 Form 3,5 & 7 parent interviews
Senior debate vs Sacred Heart
- 27 School photographs
- 31 DARE at FDMC

April

- 1 Volleyball teams to Nationals
National Bank Junior Mathematics Competition
3F/3G social studies trip to town
- 2 TSSSA Music Festival
- 3 Japan tour
- 6 Fire drill
- 7 1st & 2nd XV vs Awatapu
Shakespeare Festival
- 8 School dance - 'Occupations'
- 9 TERM ONE ENDS
- 27 TERM TWO BEGINS
- 30 Te Rakou Hua O Te Whau Tapu - Drama group in school



May

- 1 Waikato University trip
- 4 Nga Moe Moe a Te Rangitahi - 20 form 4 students
4V economics to business centre
- 5 Tots to toddlers - form 5 transition students
Bandboosters
- 8 TSSSA Golf
- 10 TSSSA 7 a side rugby - girls
- 11 Form 4 Topec
Commercial food taster course
- 15 Manu Korero Speech Contest
- 20 Cross-country
- 24 TSSSA squash
- 25 Senior mid-year exams begin
Form 3 debaters at Sacred Heart
Book Ends book display
- 26 Heinmann book display
- 27 Smokefree junior assembly
- 28 Junior basketball clinic
- 29 'The' Fundraiser
- 31 TSSSA road relays

June

- 1 Queens birthday
- 3 TSSSA cross-country
- 5 Eton Mathematics Competition
Jazz band 'Hatrix' at Oakura
- 7 TSSSA senior basketball
- 8 Trial a work
- 10 Taranaki Mountain Guides in school
- 11 Airforce talk to form 7
Sexwise - form 4
- 14 TSSSA weightlifting
- 22 Sports photos
- 23 Senior report evening
- 24 Prefects assembly - winning women speaking
Sandra Wood electoral office speaks to form 7
Rugby league team to Waitara
- 25 Junior report evening
4th form choir and combined band at Blind Institute
- 29 Form 7 history trip to Wellington
- 30 Form 6 economics Methanex trip
Mufti Day

July

- 1 Fitzroy Engineering Taranaki Oilers in school
- 2 School dance - "Eras 1950-1989"
Junior English interschool debates
- 3 Victoria University visit
TERM TWO ENDS
- 20 TERM THREE BEGINS
- 21 TSSSA skiing & snowboarding
- 24 TSSSA badminton
- 27 Form 6/7 OPC
- 28 Australian English Competition

August

- 4 Hawera junior sports exchange
Australian Mathematics Competition
- 5 TSSSA gymnastics
Maths Fair opening
- 7 Concert Band to Auckland
- 10 Fraser exchange
- 11 TSSSA junior basketball
- 13 Speech & drama festival
Drivers license testing - form 5 transition
School production opening night
- 16 TSSSA 10 pin bowling
- 18 TSSSA junior basketball
- 19 'Hatrix' at Devon Intermediate
Careers afternoon
Science Fair
- 21 Form 4 science quiz
- 22 School ball
- 23 Blood donor day
- 24 Form 6/7 economics & accounting trip to NPBHS
- 27 Form 7 Massey trip
- 28 Daffodil day
- 30 TSSSA cycling
- 31 Trial a work

September

- 1 Correspondence school exams
Heineman book display
- 2 4G trip to power station
- 3 Taranaki head prefects seminar
- 6 TSSSA mountain biking
- 9 Massey and Victoria liaison officers and polytechnic interviews
- 14 Form 6 to Govett Brewster
- 15 TSSSA indoor bowls
- 16 Senior end-of-year exams begin
- 19 Jazz Festival
- 22 Form 4 band to Westown School National snowboarding champs - Turoa
- 23 TSSSA indoor rowing
- 25 TERM THREE ENDS

October

- 12 TERM FOUR BEGINS
- 13 Vision testing - form 4
- 14 Form 7 physics to Aero Club
- 15 Longmans book display
- 18 TSSSA rugby league
Junior volleyball regionals
- 22 School dance - "Halloween"
- 26 Labour day
- 27 Special Needs to Topec
Form 5 transition licence testing
Form 7 history day - NPGHS
- 28 Form 5 geography field trip

November

- 2 Trial a Work week
- 4 PTA fundraiser - Alison Holst at the Plymouth Hotel
- 9 Form 4 Topec
SC art folios on display
- 12 TSSSA relays - juniors
- 13 Form 5/7 reports home
- 18 TSSSA softball - juniors
TSSSA tennis - juniors
- 20 Form 5/7 on exam leave
- 23 Form 4 exams begin
Senior prizegiving 7.30 pm
- 26 Form 6 reports home
Form 4 exams finish
- 27 SC/UB exams begin

December

- 7 Start of activities week
- 9 Form 7 Graduation Dinner
- 11 Junior reports home
TERM FOUR ENDS

STAFF NEWS

The 1998 school year began with a flourish - a social function in the staffroom to meet new staff members. The new faces for 1998 included Nicola Ngarewa who took over responsibility for teaching Maori Language. We also welcomed back Dennis Ingram from his year in England.

Some faces who were not present were Kui Pirikahu who left to become a Maori Language Support Teacher, Ivan Komene who retired and Shirley McVicar who left to pursue University Study. We wish them all well. As well Dot Thomas has been in Auckland studying for a Diploma in Special Education.

We also express our sadness at the untimely death of both Mary Gilbert and Des Lotter.

The first major staff function was a BBQ at Ngamotu Beach. It was a really enjoyable night. This was followed up by a Jazz night at MacFarlanes where the company enjoyed excellent food and music.

Term Two came and went with the Ingrams and the Finches joining the other elder statesmen in the Grandparent status.

Others joined the high flyers - Diane Snowdon travelling to Germany and the Coopers making the trek back home to England.

Towards the end of Term II a much travelled ex Spotswood person returned - Gaylene Kendrick, after 3 1/2 years in Africa. Gaylene's return was fortuitous as she was quickly press-ganged into a long-term relieving position when Diane Snowdon took leave of absence.

We also farewelled Graeme Woodhead who left Spotswood to join the staff at Highlands. We wish him well.

The end of Term 2 'do' at JM's on 4 July had a Red, White and Blue theme. The very select crowd enjoyed an excellent rendition of star spangled banner by Barry Bradshaw and Dave Plyler.

Birthdays featured quite strongly this year with some staff reaching important milestones. Others could be said to be just "reaching". We look forward to celebrating some more high profile milestones next year.

Births also featured and we congratulated Teri-Lee and Gareth Farr on the birth of Taylor - a potential Kiwi marathon runner or an opera singer? As well Nicola and Wayne produced a beautiful baby girl Karena Grace. It's good to know that some people are doing their bit to keep us employed in the future.

The return to England by Mike Paling was a sad occasion. Mike will be greatly missed for his sense of humour and his "funny accent". We trust that life works out well in the "old country".



There were new faces who joined the staff also. Daryn Shaw raised the average height of the staff (while lowering the average age) and managed 3C for 2 terms. This didn't put him off as he left at the end of Term III to begin a teacher training course. Others to come and go were Katie Holland, and Michele Radford left to go to Opunake and we welcomed back Che Yandle, Mark Rutherford and Kathy Curd. Others also to join the staff included Michael Montgomerie, Geoff Thurston, Parlane Hawea, Trent Osborne and Jason Horton. With such a basketball star studded line-up the Seventh Formers had no show.

Term 3 ended with a 'bit of a do' at the Braemar - och aye! The theme was 'bare your sole' and many old shoes were dragged out of cupboards including some clogs, cowboy boots as well as seventies shoes. A great night was had by all. Just as well it was a holiday the next day.

Term 4 came with the usual clamour of reports, prizegiving and the usual end-of-year pressures.

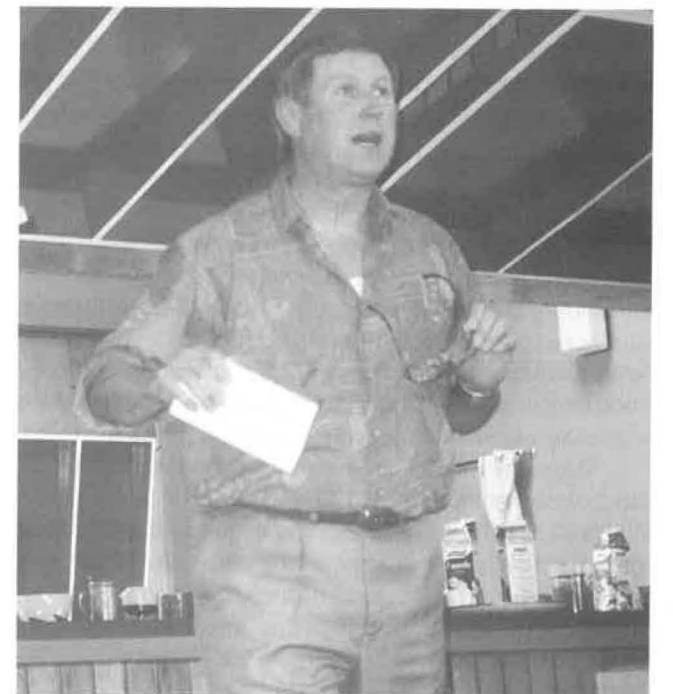
We welcomed back Nicola and baby Karena and also sympathised with Lesley Kreisler over her unfortunate car accident.

As the end of the year draws nigh we congratulate Rick Wood on his promotion to Head of Science at Okato College. Best wishes for your new endeavour Rick.

A big thank you must go to the Social Committee for organising some excellent functions this year including the public roasting of the Sheriffs (whoops Deans!) We all look forward to a rollicking end of year do and wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.



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DAY TO DAY RELIEVING

Relieving Teachers are a vital part of a school's general operations. Without them the school simply could not run. During the busy times of the school year not many days go by without at least one reliever being present. Spotswood College is fortunate to have a pool of experienced and adaptable relievers who are appreciated by staff and students alike. I spoke to our regular relievers to find out what it is like to be phoned up at 7.00 am, given your relief work at 8.20 am and be in front of a subject class that you may never have taught before at 8.45 am.



Michelle Fitzpatrick:

Ms Fitzpatrick trained in English and Languages at Canterbury University and Christchurch Teachers College. She has taught at Hawarden High School in North Canterbury and at New Plymouth Girls' High School. She left Girls' High to have a family. She has been relieving at Spotswood College since mid 1995.

Ms Fitzpatrick enjoys relieving at Spotswood. She finds that she is never bored due to the variation in subjects that she covers and the fact that she "never knows what's coming next". The flexibility offered by relieving is also a bonus although she would like to return to permanent teaching at some point.

There is added interest for Ms Fitzpatrick at Spotswood as her year 11 son, Barney, is often in the classes that she covers. Barney is quite happy to have Mum in charge at the front of the class although there is often a little bit of good-natured teasing from both parties. Ms Fitzpatrick enjoys the "mixture" of students at Spotswood and has had some good experiences over the time she has worked here.



Fiona McRae:

Ms McRae is a trained Science and Biology Teacher. She has taught at Napier Girls' High School. The McRaes came to New Plymouth to set up a business several years ago and Ms McRae has been relieving at Spotswood for about three years mostly in Science.

Spotswood's general procedures are commended by Ms McRae. She feels that relievers are greatly assisted by clear, consistent systems for discipline, absence and so on.

"Spotswood provides some wonderful opportunities for its students." - eg. Careers day.



Mark Vailahi:

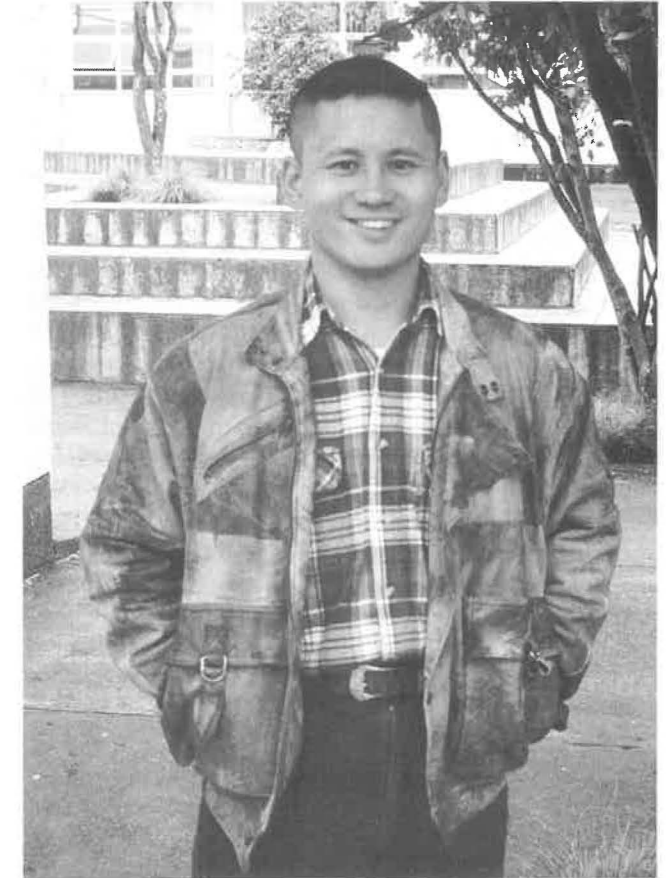
"Where are you from Sir?" This is the typical reception for Mr Vailahi when he enters a classroom at Spotswood. Mr Vailahi was born and raised in Tonga. He came to New Plymouth to attend New Plymouth Boys' High School in his Fifth Form year.

Mr Vailahi trained in Auckland as a Maths teacher and is currently looking for a suitable job either there or in New Plymouth.

When the students quiz Mr Vailahi about his origins he makes them guess. So far he is from Italy, Peru, Brazil and a selection of other South American countries! When they do find out his origins there is the predictable Spotswood enquiry about the best surf breaks in Tonga!

Mr Vailahi has enjoyed relieving at Spotswood this year and considers the students to be friendly and well behaved.

* Other relievers during 1998 were Brian Coulthard, Judith Haddow, Terri-Lee Farr, Lois Smallman, John Bolger, Holly Rilinger, Catherine Jordan, Ronald Stratford and Kathleen Fraser.



Wilson Han:

Mr Han has been a regular reliever at Spotswood since the start of 1998. Although officially a PE Teacher, Mr Han has taught anything and everything this year.

Mr Han trained and went to University in Christchurch although he is a Taranaki man - he attended FDMC. He has spent the last eight years teaching English in Japan and is at present studying Business Administration through Massey University.

Mr Han really enjoys his time at Spotswood and rates the students highly. "Spotswood is a good school to relieve in. I enjoy the kids, even the bad ones!" In turn Mr Han is well respected by the students because he has a good sense of humour and "gives everything a go".

Rosemary Gould:

Ms Gould is currently Spotswood's longest serving reliever. She has been at the school on and off for five years now. Ms Gould was also a PE teacher here from 1980 to 1983.

PE and Science are Ms Gould's subjects although she teaches most subjects at Spotswood. Like all good relievers she has to be versatile and flexible. Ms Gould describes the students as "generally really good" and mentions that the familiarity she has developed in her time here helps enormously. The down side of this is that she looks forward to some classes more than others!

Ms Gould feels that Spotswood really looks after its relievers and she feels that Ms Moran does a great job co-ordinating the process.

HEAD BOY'S REPORT 1998

Golly, it's 1998, only two years and a new millennium will be fading in the dust. Everybody said that the seventh form year was the best and strike me down with a bulldozer, they were right. They, them, you, everybody said it is what you make it, so I tried my hardest to make it the best my overused imagination can cope with.

The year was quite a busy one for me with everything I tried to cram into the short year. I tried to hit every opportunity on the nose with a sledge hammer and most of them are now seeing plastic surgeons. The highlights of the year were the times that I spent away, such as OPC and the Spirit of Adventure. When I think about it, this school has put me almost all over New Zealand, and into some pretty extreme situations. High above the deck of a tall ship trying to grab a sail, stuck in a cave with no light, but one tiny candle, and on the rugby field with 200-tonne wingers and stuck in a calculus class on a Friday afternoon ... but best of all, a place that taught me most of life's riches, Spotswood College.

Being head boy has only added to life that Spotswood gave, trying to control a group of senior students which resembles a Council of form representatives, proves difficult sometimes, with people finding it hard to keep quiet and keep from jumping off chairs.

A key task was trying to sort out good ideas from the normal ideas such as a multi-million dollar park amusement park on the bottom field ... or a mono-rail going all around the school and over to the service station. Trying to pass these ideas onto the School Council made up of the prefects and trying to get a decent outcome was also a task and a half along with trying to get all the prefects together to have a meeting. Things went well, through my trusty prefects which showed in the results of the ball, socials, fund-raising events, staff students sports and this magazine you are reading now. They are all brilliant! Even the common room went along well. Thanks to all the prefects who contributed to the year with all the committees. An awesome year. Big DTU (double thumbs up).

One of the many privileges that I got was to be invited to all the school balls in Taranaki. Having six balls in one month put the dancing skills to the test and when it came to having three balls in one weekend, I conked out after the first, and was asleep before the ones on the next night had even started. Tanked up on energy drinks and caffeine, Liz and I, along with partners, danced holes in our feet, and sometimes were the first ones up dancing and the last to come off. My position also meant that I got free lunches on several occasions, with meetings and other "out of school" duties, I was rewarded with food. I would also like to thank Josh and Chief who offered me lunch every now and then, which made the hungry days so much better.

So now is the time, we, the 7th form, go, five years older and ten years wiser.

For some anyway, you will be off to University, Polytech, jobs or empty bus shelters.



HEAD STUDENTS

*Melissa Green, Ben Shaw
Alistair Tippett, Elizabeth Buttimore*

I wish you all the best and may all your dreams always be good. I will hopefully see you all soon when we are running the country and looking after all the present teachers in their old age. To everybody coming back next year, I hope you make the best of it and do as much as possible. You are only young for half your life, so go hard and have fun, but remember to do all the right things on the way.

Don't grow up too quickly but don't complain like a helpless kid. You are the puppeteer and life is the stage. Thanks to everybody that smiled when I saw them and always had a happy face. For the groundsmen, the office staff, teachers and students, you are the success of my year.

Cheers,
Alistair Tippett



SCHOOL COUNCIL

Alistair, Melissa, Ben and I chaired the Junior and Senior councils this year, which proved to be quite interesting ... to put it carefully.

With wonderful suggestions such as a student smoking lounge, a no holds barred wrestling arena and a school candy floss machine, we had to do some serious sifting before presenting these imaginative ideas to the Prefect Council and finally the Board of Trustees.

These monthly council meetings generally ran smoothly with the exception of two people who received threats of being fed to Hench and Chief, or being locked in the 7th Form toilet.

The prefects have had a busy year this year. Although at times things appeared to be at a standstill, a few swift kicks soon pulled everything together nicely. This year we supported the Cancer Society, Child Cancer, Barnados, Amnesty International, and several sporting groups as well as planting a tree and donating a book in remembrance of Mr Lotter and Mrs Gilbert.

We also found ourselves paying for previous year's committee's debts to the school - but thanks to Martin and his wonderful treasury skill, our bank balance was healthy all year.

The prefects chair the various committees in the school. MOST of these committees have put a lot of hard work into making this year a successful one with special mention of the ball committee for putting on an amazing night, the social committee for pulling out three great socials, the services committee for supporting child cancer, the hospital march, Barnados collection, providing a mediation service and running mufti days and the magazine committee for putting together such a stunning piece of literature.

So all round its been a pretty successful year. Thanks to all the prefects for putting in so much effort and to everyone who helped out with committees - you can all leave knowing you have done a great job!

Liz Buttimore

HEAD GIRL'S REPORT

This 7th form year has sped by, leaving me exhausted, but with some great memories. Having the privilege of being Head Girl has sometimes seen me juggling many things at once (and at times my juggling skills were pushed to their limits). But I have gained important skills from this position, confidence, leadership, time management and communication skills, which will be a huge advantage to me once I'm out in the exciting, big, wide world.

This has been the busiest, but most rewarding, school year of my life. I've had a great time going to school dances, attending council, committee, and prefect meetings, trying to make some sense of the Board of Trustees meetings, encouraging students to use the first ever mediation service, trying to bully other people into doing duties, playing sports and going to several other school balls!

At every ball, a group of caffeine-high Spotswood College students could be seen dancing themselves to exhaustion. A special thanks to my favourite dance partners, Suz, Courts and Kelly who along with me, and accompanied by wonderful Jazz music, danced the night away at the Boys High Ball, not resting until food could be smelt! (as was the case at most balls).

Peer Support was a big learning experience for me this year, and is definitely something I'd recommend to all 7th formers. It made us remember our 3rd form year, and we realised that how we treated the new 3rd form would influence the way they'd feel about Spotswood. Our group got a great class (Hi to Murph, Hannah and the rest of Mr Rilko's form class!) and we had a lot of fun, with not too many problems.

Meeting and getting to know the other Head pupils from around Taranaki was really helpful. Alistair and I hosted this meeting at Spotswood. We played team building games, had a guest speaker, ate pizza and chips till we were sick, then shared ideas about things that were happening at each of our schools.

I have so many people who have made this year such a great one. Thankyou to Alistair for getting me lost in the bush, for being so insanely happy all the time and for passing the insanity on to me! Thankyou to Ben for listening; you've been a really good friend and helped me out more than you'll ever realise. Thanks to my best friend Melissa; you've been great to work with. Also thankyou to Mr Finch, Ms Moran and Mr Carnachan for always having your doors open for me.

Most importantly a big Thankyou to my friends (especially Henchman and the 'CREW') for making this such a fun year. And thanks to all the students who stopped to say 'hi', or even just brighten my day with a smile. I hope you all make the most of Spotswood College. It's a great school, and provides so many opportunities. Especially make the most of your 7th form year; it's your year to play a big part in how your school runs. Study hard, work hard and spend lots of time with friends, but most importantly get involved. Believe me, the more you put in the more you take away with you.

Liz Buttimore

DISTRICT YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT

The NPDYC was formed a number of years ago to give the youth of our district a voice in the running of the district. I have been fortunate enough to be a member of this Council for the past two years and to be given a valuable insight into how a city is run.

The main focus of the Council this year was to raise our profile amongst the district's youth. The result of this was a quarterly newsletter (which still remains nameless). The purpose of this newsletter is to encourage the youth of our District to raise any ideas or concerns about the running of the town or city. We cannot guarantee results but we can guarantee your views will be heard. Example of Youth Council's involvement with "the powers that be" include our involvement in the establishment of the skateboard park in the New Plymouth CBD, and a submission to Parliament concerning the lowering of the legal drinking age, and introduction of compulsory photo ID.

Youth council this year also successfully managed the establishment of a New Plymouth youth achiever's award. The idea for this award was taken up by the New Plymouth Lions Club and will be something to look out for next year.

When my term ends this year I will go away with an immense feeling of satisfaction for the experiences I have had in this Council and happy in the knowledge that through Emily Miller, the youth of Spotswood College will continue to be heard in our community.

Ben Shaw



SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The socials this year have been some of the best ever. With great last minute organisation, amazing decorations and great looking committee members there is no way this year's socials could ever be bettered.

Our first social was "Occupations". With an abundance of sex workers the night was just about perfect. One exception to the brilliant evening was the unfortunate incident of the DJ blowing a speaker. Some teachers said this was a blessing in disguise, but \$500.00 later (out of the DJ's pocket) and some stern words from me, the next social went off with a blast.

The "Eras" social saw many different people dressed in many different colours with flares from here to eternity. This social saw the revival of some of the best and oldest songs in the history of music.

The theme of the third social was "Halloween". It also went off with a blast with heaps of freaks and scary people wreaking havoc on the school.

A huge, huge thankyou goes out to the whole social committee for all the effort everyone has put in to make the socials a huge success. Thanks especially to Kelly (who should get a medal and a certificate), Verity, Karyn, Ben, Martin, Shannon, Katie, and Josh (who tried really hard).

Michelle Thorstensen



PEER MEDIATION

The peer mediation service was a new initiative this year for Spotswood College.

After much running around trying to organise willing troops to pioneer this project, and losing several members during meetings and training sessions, I was left with 17 wonderfully dedicated students, determined to make Spotswood College a better place.

This service provides students with a relaxed, unbiased atmosphere to talk about any relationship problems they may have. The mediator talks the party through to an agreement in a professional and sensitive way. We made ourselves available every lunchtime and we're hoping this program will really take off in 1999, as more students come to accept talking about their problems.

Thanks to Pip Abernathy-Priestley for training us, Ms Moran for supervising and to all the other dedicated peer mediators, Marie, Ingrid, Willie, Haydan, Kenneth, Jon, Lauren, Sarah, Alicia, Nick, George, Donna, Kylie, Thor, Michelle and Emma.

Peer mediation promises to increase communication and improve student relationships within Spotswood College.

Liz Buttimore



I.S.C.F.

'If we don't change - nothing will'

I heard this from a young guy called Simon who came down from Auckland for the annual Taranaki ISCF day. It was held at St Mary's and was an awesome, invigorating and challenging experience.

Three students from Spotswood attended this special workshop put on for all students from around Taranaki. Because we are not a group this year, we didn't attend as the Spotswood College ISCF but just went along to meet new people, see what it was all about and have some fun.

It was the first time I had been to an ISCF day out of school but am really glad I went. There were a number of workshops set up for us to go to and the main idea of the day was evangelising (or showing God to people in our schools).

I had a great day and encourage more of you to get involved and come along next year.

Julia Gaze

BLOOD DONOR DAY

"Can you give me a ride today?" Anna called out to her mother while stuffing books that she had never opened into her faded grey school bag.

"Sorry, not today, you'll have to bike, O.K.?" her mother replied, making Anna swear beneath her breath. Then she hurried out the door shouting her consent as she scrambled onto her beat-up 10 speed and hurried down the drive.

A man drove down the main road. His thoughts distant from the road, his feet unconsciously accelerating the car, his eyes gritty from a sleepless night and his fingers drumming in rhythm to his favourite tune ... stopped.

He hit her, hit Anna before his thoughts, feet, eyes and fingers even froze in shock. The screech of tyres muffled the sick thudding of the body going through the cramped space beneath a car. His car.

The car stopped and he ran back to her. Blood was everywhere, miraculously she moved and breathed. She was alive, someone called an ambulance.

Nearly 20,000 other New Zealanders were in road accidents like Anna's last year. Many needed life saving blood transfusions - haemophiliacs, cancer patients, babies and people in surgery - these people rely heavily on blood donors to help them stay alive. There's no guarantee that you won't be in one of these situations and need blood urgently.

Spotswood College pupils and teachers who were game enough, donated 60 units of blood this year, which totals around 27,000 mL. The white-coat blood collectors were thrilled and said it was one of their best takes ever.

The tiny sting of the needle was the only discomfort in the 10 minute 'draining' and it was a basic and safe procedure that left all happy to have helped.

Blood is in constant demand as it must be used within a month and, also, since only 3% of New Zealanders donate blood while 20% will need it. So, if you think you're game, next year get in there and give life. If you're wanting more information and want to give now, contact:

The Blood Donor Service
Taranaki Base Hospital
Phone: (06) 753 6139
or Mr Priestley at school
Jean Tompkins



SERVICES COMMITTEE

This year has been an extremely busy year for the Services Committee and has seen Liz and myself go to great lengths to raise money and support for the causes we decided to champion.

Our first project for the year was probably a little different to the usual Services Committee fare of mufti days and fundraisers. We were asked by Chantel Hewitt to drum up support for a planned march against the closure of the Children's and Adolescents unit at the hospital. As several Spotswood students depend on this unit for their health and independence we all agreed this was an important service and as well as helping with pamphlet distribution we made sure that Spotswood College was well represented in the march.

Another important project was the establishment of a peer mediation service asked for by students to help students with problems and conflicts. Liz put an immense amount of time and energy into getting this service off the ground and organising training for the mediators. The result of this was a service unique to our school which will hopefully benefit our students for years to come.

The last and probably biggest major project undertaken by the Committee this year was the fundraising campaign for the 'Bald on the Beat' programme. This is an annual fundraiser where Police officers are sponsored to shave their heads with all proceeds going to the Child Cancer Foundation. The Services Committee took up the challenge to raise \$1000 from students to shave the heads of five teachers. After an enormous amount of begging, threats and sweet talking Liz and I managed to reach and pass our target of \$1000 which was gratefully accepted by the police on behalf of the foundation.

When you add to this the running of mufti days and fundraisers you can see that the Services Committee had a very busy (but satisfying) year.

Thankyou to Liz for making me get my A into G (or doing it herself) and to all others who helped out.

Ben Shaw

Chairperson of the Services Committee



LIBRARY 1998

1998 got off to a sad start with the death of Mrs Gilbert during the holidays. We were all rather shattered by this and it took quite a while for the library staff and students to adjust to the absence of her friendly and happy presence behind the desk and around the shelves.

We continued the pattern established at the end of 1997 with Mrs Moetera taking over the all day running of the library, but this has meant a reduction in lunchtime service with the library closed for twenty minutes or so at the beginning of the lunch hour. However, we always welcome serious library users so if this causes you problems, let us know. We aim to observe you as well as we can.

This year has simply been a consolidation of what we achieved in previous years: information technology is well established in the library with the computer index, CD Roms and so on, so this year we made Internet facility available to you in the library itself. The demands has been slowly growing and the experiment seems to be a success.

The bookstock continues to grow: this year we have been concerned to add to the fiction section and lots of new material has been purchased. Your part in this process is to increase your reading habits!! Did you know that readers who average at least a book a fortnight achieve exam "A"s in public exams at twice the rate of people who don't? I wonder why! And remember, you read what you like to read, not what some-one else makes you.

After school the library is available as a supervised study space. Why not consider using it? We make sure that all necessary library tools are up and running for you at the time (till about 4.30) though the study continues on till 5.00 pm), and it's a great way to get on top of your homework, and to get any necessary help too.

Our thanks this year to Mrs Moetera for making the library such a pleasant and interesting place to be, though she is ALWAYS looking for work to display!! Tell your teachers to collect some from your class! Thanks also to our loyal willing and extra-helpful bunch of students-librarians this year. They are:

Daniel Gaastra, Adrian Holland, Joshua Law, Craig Charteris, Kelly Parker, Hannah Bloor, Sharon Krutz, Yvette Batten, Tahlia Lowers, Janelle Nicholson, Rhiannon Fox, Kelly Cotter, Kylie Turner, Jody Sansom, Jean Calvert, Andrew Graystone, Chrissie Trye.

And thanks to you all, for your effective and courteous and considerate library use in 98. Even 6th form Study hasn't been too bad at all!! Well done: it's your place. Keep on using it well!

Mr Crawford

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL 1998

Amnesty International is a world-wide organisation which works to protect and promote the rights of prisoners of conscience. Spotswood has had an active and keen group of students within the school for the last two years. We write letters to authorities urging the release of prisoners and highlighting human rights concerns. We also fundraise and promote awareness of Human rights issues.

Amnesty numbers were up and down this year, but as usual there was a core of dedicated members who worked hard to ensure a successful year. The profile of the group was lower this year in part because we wanted to concentrate more on our core business - writing letters and supporting Prisoners of Conscience.

Amongst the cases we worked on were Dr Teye Woldemasayat from Ethiopia. Dr Woldemasayat was a prisoner of conscience who was arrested and detained in inhuman circumstances. He was kept in hand shackles 24 hours per day in a "darkness" cell. This is a cell which has no natural light but is artificially lit at all times by bright electric lighting. It is a severe form of punishment for prisoners. Dr Woldemasayat was denied confidential access to his lawyer and by the time Amnesty letters were under way, was in an extremely agitated state. He was also subject to threats of death and torture by prison guards. Dr Woldemasayat's crime? He had spoken out against the Government.

We wrote letters to the Ethiopian Prime Minister, Minister of Justice and the Prison Chief Administrator demanding the immediate cessation of inhuman treatment and the release of Dr Woldemasayat on the grounds that he was a Prisoner of Conscience. These individuals would have received a couple of thousand other letters from all around the world stating similar demands. We hope that the pressure will result in his release as it has in many other cases but we know that this does not always happen. This does not deter us. The fact that we can make a difference is all the motivation we need.

Amnesty was fortunate to receive a donation from the Student Council this year which enabled us to carry on our functions without having to organise a fundraiser. This was very much appreciated. The future of Amnesty in the school is assured. There is no glory and very little feedback when you are an Amnesty member. The effort is worthwhile when you consider that something that only takes a few minutes of your time can greatly assist a suffering person in another country. Imagine if you were locked up for speaking out against what you believed was wrong. Wouldn't you like to know that thousands of concerned people were working for your release?

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TEXTILES 1998

Our 1998 classes have concentrated on extending their own 'wardrobes' this year and most students have opted out of the 'Young Designer Awards'. The response to the awards has been disappointing considering how well our students have done in past years. This year we had three entries: Leonna White, Kate Spencer and Miriam Baronian. All students sent in design boards and photographs of their garments. We aim to have more students participating again next year.

Several students entered in the 'Polytech Fashion Experience' - speaking in elements - (evening wear category) which was held at the end of October.

At form three and four level we have a good number of outstanding students achieving well in textiles. Our 1998 form four students are imaginative, ambitious and creative. Several students have made evening garments. It is particularly pleasing to have Todd Hildred creating glamorous evening garments. He could have a great future in this industry in years to come!

Form five students are completing Workshop Technology (Materials) this year - again a large variety of interesting garments are being made.

The sixth form certificate class is a very happy group with an enthusiastic attitude towards fashion design. Several students have grouped together to form their own design label. Their business enterprise is going well under the trade name 'Quagmyer'. The clothes they are producing are up to the minute, wearable and well colour-coordinated. Kate Spencer, Anita Walsh and Donna Bond are the Quagmyer team. The original idea for the label came from Kate entering the Young Designer Awards.

Two seventh form students are sitting Bursary Art Design - a mixed media course offered by our Textiles Department.

OVERSEAS EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Phui Tin Kong, known to most at Spotswood College as 'P.T.', was attracted to New Zealand by the Maori culture and arts. After quickly breaking the language barrier, P.T. has settled in quite nicely in both social and academic respects. She enjoys the clean environment New Zealand has, but finds the country rather cold in comparison with her home country Malaysia. Differences in customs that have stood out include: New Zealanders being more well-mannered (an interesting observation), and alcohol being a much bigger focus here than back in Malaysia. Sport also occupies a larger part of people's lives here, and as P.T. plays soccer, this is fortunate.



Romana Santos has come from Brazil and is interested in the Maori culture. From having no choices in her school subjects back at home, it has been a nice change to be able to select her subjects - English, Spanish, Home Economics, Biology and Photography - which she says she loves. Contrasts between New Zealand and Brazil include the environment, New Zealand is a lot greener than Brazil. House sports in Brazil - there aren't any, and hospitality - people in New Zealand aren't quite as hospitable to exchange students as people in Brazil are - thumbs down! Romana loves to dance ballet which she has put in seven years of study and also 'all night dancing', so she looks forward to all of the school socials here greatly.



Tomoko Ishijima has come to New Plymouth from Tochigi (150 km north of Tokyo). She decided on visiting New Zealand as here she can learn English, and she has heard New Zealand is a peaceful and friendly country. From a family of just two adults, the host mother is teaching her to spin wool and knit such things as mittens and teddy bears with the wool. Her subjects include English, Home Economics, Japanese, and statistics and she enjoys playing the piano, to which she has devoted six years of study. She finds the people here friendly, and this can only ensure her stay here to be happy.



Anneke Werner left her Mother, Father and sister and came to New Zealand from Kiel, Germany. Kiel, like Dunedin, is based around a University and is larger than New Plymouth. During her three month stay in New Zealand, Anneke has had to do without some of her hobbies - playing the piano, ponies, clubbing, painting - and focus on others - travelling, lazing around, shopping. Her artistic side has been seen by a few students in the form of some amazing elephant drawings, but sadly she will not become an elephant sketch seller in a flea market, as she has plans to go to University.



CLEANERS

Have you ever wondered why you put your chair up every day? It helps the teacher fill in the last minute of class? Is it a curious method of conformity and social control? Does it improve co-ordination? - (balancing those plastic chairs on the desk requires a practised technique). All of these answers may or may not be true but the real answer is to assist the cleaners.

Every day for an hour after school an army of cleaners enters every nook and cranny of the school. Every classroom, toilet, office, rubbish bin, corridor is vacuumed, scrubbed, disinfected, mopped, polished, emptied and left in mint condition. There are 21 cleaners. \$4000 worth of toilet paper, and 800 litres of disinfectant are used in the school each year. There are at least 50 brooms, 6 vacuum cleaners and a multitude of mops and pails and brushes. Cleaning Spotswood College is big business.

The person in charge of the cleaners is Mr Sowman. He is generally happy with his employees. If they don't measure up, they get the "boot", but this only happens occasionally. Most cleaners do the job for three years - fifth to seventh form. There are also two adult employees. Mr Sowman says that the cleaners work pretty hard and they are rewarded with good wages. The cleaners have only one hour to clean six rooms. It takes 10 minutes to properly clean a room so every minute spent putting up chairs or closing windows is a minute less of cleaning time. Mr Sowman operates a "shift" system so that the cleaners have a turn at all the different jobs in the block. The most favoured job is vacuuming. Cleaning toilets is, funnily enough, the least desirable.



The cleaners themselves enjoy the job. They find some classrooms are better than others. If a classroom has more than one lesson through the day it tends to be more of a mess. It seems that the school has generally been a tidier place this year although every now and then they come across something which they can only describe as "disgusting". This causes them to question the sanity of the perpetrator. Just another reminder that the school is a cross-section of society in general.

Keep up the good work, cleaners! We appreciate the good job you do. I for one will make a real effort to make sure my chair is up when it should be!



SADD

1998 wasn't a very productive time for SADD. Firstly because the meetings were poorly attended and secondly because the regional SADD didn't get up and running till about half-way through Term 2.

However, once running we slowly got underway. In late August a few people from our school went to a workshop at Girls High which was being run by the Regional SADD co-ordinator. Unfortunately I was unable to attend due to school commitments and assessments, however, I trust it was worthwhile.

Hopefully next year won't be as disorganised locally so the schools will be able to achieve more.

Good luck for next year.

Fiona McIntosh

SADD Committee Chairperson



BALL

This year's Ball Committee was an attractive and talented group who were also pretty good at pulling everything together at the last minute. Sam and Michelle led the Ball Committee to produce an absolutely memorable occasion, with the entire committee doing an excellent job, far better than they had expected.

The Egmont Hotel was one of the best venues that the history of Spotswood Balls has seen. Even though there were concerns that it was "out of the way", it showed its fantastic potential. The facilities were outstanding, providing a private entrance, a foyer, separate conference room for photographs and catering and a huge circular conference room adding to the sense of style and elegance. After the venue and the date, Saturday 22 August, were finalised, the preparations 'gradually' got underway.

The theme that was chosen was the "Oscars", with the dominant colour being gold, and, yes there were numerous *Aprils Angels* remarks. The committee also soon learned that time does fly by when you are in a small unventilated room for numerous hours unleashing gold paint from a dozen spray paint cans. With glimmers of inspiration, ferns, leaves, lilies and even irrigation piping, were coated with gold and glitter; but the most challenging task was the gold cardboard stars. The cutting out was by all means a mission and a half with even the toughest of tough showing their true emotions, swearing that they never wanted to see stars or gold ever again. The team decided to spare no expense for fabulous decorations and only the best was provided. A huge thanks to the New Plymouth Operatic Society who made the Oscar cut-outs, archways and other props as well as the giant golden bird cage, that brought out all of the wanna-be go-go dancers in the Ball Committee.

The Ball Committee started decorating the venue early on Saturday morning with everyone being enthusiastic and by lunchtime the female numbers diminished drastically as hair and make-up appointments beckoned.



The night was spectacular from the lavish catering to the fashion. Ordinary schoolgirls received the centre stage, transformed into goddesses for a night, and not forgetting the guys, whose definition of style ranged from a little out there to pretty darn bizarre. The classic black tux was thrown out the back door with some new patterns emerging - as in lime green and revivals!! In addition, the teachers that attended scrubbed up considerably well, and educated us all in the finer points of dancing with style. An encore of last year's band Slam Dunk was decided, with many people dancing all night long to some awesome covers of Violent Femmes and other classics, accompanied with lighting including a disco ball.

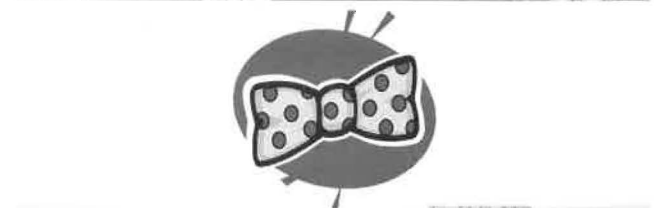
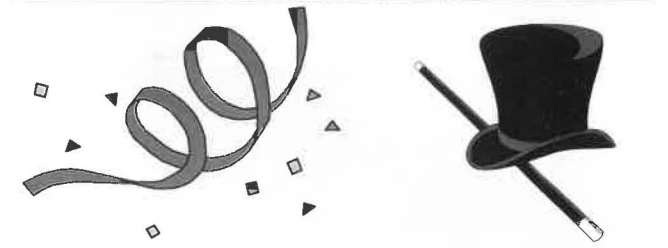
The Ball Committee returned the next morning - despite much protest, to discover that the clean-up was a lot less of a hassle than expected. After less than two hours of cleaning up it finally sunk in that they had pulled off an awesome event without a single dilemma on the night.

A gigantic thanks to all the parents who provided transport of the people and props to and from the venue; it was a long and tiring job and everyone greatly appreciated all your help. Thank you to the PE teachers and their imaginary partners who tried to improve the skills of all that attended the formal dancing lessons. Lastly thank you to the Ball Committee; without you, the ball would not have worked.



BALL COMMITTEE 1998

Jenna Quay, Redmond Hanlon, Kasia Scannell, Tennille Yandle, Katie Bool, Kelly Hopkinson, Michelle Walker, Renee Penman, Sam Whiteman, Ben Gaastra, Jon Gaastra, Martin Emo, Alistair Tippett, Kenneth Wong.



BE ALL RIGHT

The voices, the music, the anxious minutes seemed like hours, before we went on stage. That is the magic of theatre. If you went to see "Be All Right" by David Hill, then the chances are you would have been amazed. I know I was.

When talking to Mr Chivers earlier this year about the play, he told me it was about teenage pregnancy and teenage relationships. Due to the nature of the play it needed to be approved by the school. Auditions began about the third week of term two. For the main characters, Justin and Liddy, Jon Waters and Zara Nicely were chosen.



In the play Liddy and Justin meet at school and show an interest in each other. Later they meet outside of school and then things start getting interesting. They both go to a party where the plot thickens. While at the party a friend of Justin's takes advantage of a drunk friend of Liddy's, and rapes her. This begins a sub-plot to do with Greg and Imogen, the two people involved. This event brings Liddy and Justin closer and eventually they have sex. Later in the play Liddy is found to be pregnant and the parents become involved. While Liddy and Justin decide what they are going to do, the other students continue on with their problems. Greg gets singled out and rejected, so he begins to change his ways. Imogen meets a nice guy called Mitch. So in the end, things seem to be coming right for everyone.



Of the actual performances, the three nights were loved by all who turned out, and what a turnout. In fact it was so successful that we did a performance for the junior school. One member of the audience thought it was the most professional performance done by Spotswood College in many a long year.

The cast became a well-oiled machine by the performance nights and we all got along really well. Some of us even turned orange due to the make-up. For the World Premiere of "Be All Right" not another school could have been better than Spotswood College.

On behalf of myself and the other members of the cast, I make my most sincerest and warmest thanks to all who participated in the magic of our play. Also I would like to wish the crew and fellow cast members the best of luck in the future. And to Mervyn Chivers we all thank you the most, for without your guidance and love of theatre, this production would not have been possible. Best wishes for any future performances.

Owen Brighurst



SHAKESPEARE

The year was yet another amazing success for the Spotswood College entrants in the Sheila Winn Festival of Shakespeare in schools. Our production of scenes from "Twelfth Night" done in amazing technicolour, wig-wearing, ale-swilling, cross-gartered restoration style took first place in the Regional Festival for the second year running.

The group then picked up the British Council award for outstanding costume design at the National Festival in Wellington. I was also fortunate enough to be awarded the Peter Vere-Jones Award for outstanding performance.

As if these achievements weren't enough, five of our cast members were chosen to attend the National Shakespeare in schools production, a week-long workshop in Blenheim during October. When you consider that this workshop has 30 places and is selected from over 200 performers, it is amazing that all of us were lucky enough to be chosen.

Of course, none of this would be possible without the amazing (though often twisted) version, erratic driving, and firm boot of Jo Stallard our Producer/Director and guide through Shakespeare's world. I'm sure I speak for the rest of the cast (especially the males) when I thank you for giving us the opportunity to wear stockings and lipstick.

Ben Shaw aka 'Malvolio'



SHAKESPEARE

Left-Right: Ben Shaw, Tim Biesiek, Katie Bool, Courtney Lucas, Ailstair Tippett, Jon Waters, Michelle Thorstensen

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THE SPECIAL NEEDS UNIT

1998 was an important year for the Special Needs Unit. Over the Christmas break major additions and alterations were done to the Unit and we (two teachers, four teacher aides and twelve students), are now in a warm, attractive environment with wonderful facilities - in fact some of us think it is more up-market than our homes!

The building is divided into two spacious classrooms with a well-equipped kitchen and dining area and the addition of a completely new laundry, bathroom and toilet block has vastly improved the comfort of both students and staff. The new spa is a wonderful asset and is particularly beneficial for the more severely disabled students. It is certainly being well utilised.

We also have a small outdoor area which is safe and secure and our students can now go outside to enjoy the sunshine and garden (which is at present in the planning stage).

Our aim is to provide a safe and happy environment where each individual student can develop to his/her full potential. Communication skills and the social interactions that come from them are the most important skills anyone can learn and with this in mind we would like to suggest that, as not many mainstream students have actually been in the Special Needs Unit, a visit to see us would be a great idea. It is easier for you to come and see us than for us to come to see you, and you are always welcome.

Helen Brandon, Lee George and the rest of the crew.



TRIP TO JAPAN

ITINERARY

April 1998

- 4 Leave New Zealand
- 5 Land in Korea. Fly to Japan, travel to Kumamoto
- 6 Visit the famous Suizenji Park
- 7 See Kumamoto Castle
- 8 Go to Mount Aso (volcano)
- 9 Arrive in Beppu. Visit Monkey Mountain
- 10 Arrive in Hiroshima. Meet host families. Visit museum and Peacepark. Travel to Mauajima Island.
- 13 Arrive in Kyoto
- 14 Visit Golden Pavilion, Nijo Castle, and Heian Shrine.
- 15 Free day in Kyoto (some of us shopped for eight hours!)
- 16 Travel to Mishima - meet host family
- 20 Leave Mishima, arrive in Tokyo
- 21 Meet Togane homestay
- 22 Go to Togane High School
- 23 Go to Disneyland
- 24 Goodbye party
- 25 Leave Japan, arrive in Korea
- 26 Leave Korea
- 27 Arrive home

THINGS THAT SURPRISED US ABOUT JAPAN

- Some of the Sumos are not that big
- Disneyland was not that big
- Everyone has a cellphone
- English is used a lot
- Streets don't have names
- Most toilets have remote controls, as some of us found out that you shouldn't press all of the buttons
- High School girls hold hands
- As the women are so short, many of them wear extremely high shoes
- Students stay up until midnight doing homework
- Schools play classical music as you walk to class
- There are so many vending machines.

FOOD

Once we became daring enough to try some traditional Japanese food, and stopped eating Macdonald's, we surprisingly found we liked it. Besides a big yellow M was too hard to find in cities like Tokyo. We became experts with chopsticks, enjoyed the flavour of bamboo, and even had seaweed cravings ... well, almost.

HOMESTAYS

Homestays were definitely a highlight of the trip for everyone. We were taken out to karaoke, ice skating and did heaps of shopping. They were all very generous, wanting to buy us all sorts of presents, (which was nice), except for the time when we had to sprint one kilometre to catch a train; the extra weight in our pockets was felt by all. "Ippai desu", I'm full, was said



by many of us, as our families came out with seconds, thirds, fourths and even fifths at every meal! We were all sad saying goodbye, and as we all stayed with three families, there were many farewells.

SCHOOL

As I first entered the doors of my Mishima High School, I was greeted, well actually I was mobbed, by hundreds of hellos and questions, as well as having hundreds of hands touching my skin and hair.

I put on my slippers and went to class, mimicking what everyone else did. For example whenever a teacher entered we had to stand and bow for him or her. I sat in the same classroom all day, as the teachers moved around changing classes. For the last half an hour of school, I was handed a broom, and while sweeping, watched in awe as all the students polished the floor, cleaned the toilets and wiped the windows. When the final bell went, everyone darted off to attend their after-school sports practices.

Zara Nicely



KIA ORA KOUTOU KATOA

I'm writing on behalf of Te Ropu Kapa Haka O Ngamotu.

This year has been a very pleasant one. We had a loss of one tutor who left for Gisborne to help some Rangatahi (youngsters with drugs etc). His name was Lionel Skipper. He taught us not to put other people down when they try. He taught us aroha within the Ropu. He made sure we looked after each other and the most important thing was Ko tahi tatou to be as one, eg one big family. He was a good tutor.

Since Lionel had left he had other tutors take us. Hone and Tuho. They have been really awesome with us.

We've got to go back into the Opunake regionals to put our trophy from last year on the line if all goes well. We hope to come back with the trophy but if we don't we gave it our best.

Well that was a bit about our Te Raupo Kapa Haka O Ngamotu.

No Reira Tene Koutou Katoa



NGAMOEMOEA A TE RANGATAHI

Kia Ora Koutou, I am writing on behalf of Ngamoemoea a Te Rangatahi, which means "Dreams and aspirations of the young ones". It was an awesome one-week course that had about 20 people in it. Our tutors were Hemi and Chris. They taught us about self-confidence, respecting others and a lot of acting skills. At the end of the course we came back to school and put on a performance which was really appreciated by the school. Thank you to the tutors and also to participants who made Ngamoemoe so worthwhile.

SPEECH AND DRAMA FESTIVAL

1998 was not one of our most spectacular years at the annual Speech and Drama Festival. This year the event was once again held at NPBHS and a group of participants made its slow way up the Elliott Street hill to the grey building at the top.

The debaters performed well although both teams came second in their debates. The seniors deserved to win and on any standard should have won, but alas for some reason the adjudicator didn't seem to think so. The team of Willie Lewis, Katie Bool and Owen Brighurst spoke well and debated well. The juniors performed well, with Dian Martin being adjudged the best speaker despite being on the losing team.

Amanda O'Brien spoke well to come third in the Junior Speeches and Alistair Tippett was third in the Senior Impromptus. We did not enter a Drama Group as the Shakespeare group had been asked to put on a performance and the day coincided with the opening night of our school play.

The participants were Alistair Tippett, Tim Steedman, Dian Martin, Jessica Schou, Jackie Crawford, Willie Lewis, Katie Bool, Owen Brighurst, Craig Shannon, Kate Jones and Amanda O'Brien.



DEBATING

Senior and Fourth Form Debating

Senior debating was not as successful as we would have liked, but we participated and had fun. The team of Katie Bool, Zara Nicely and Ben Shaw had a lot of potential and could have been a formidable group; it just didn't quite come together on the day. The debated the topic "That school uniforms are necessary" (what an imaginative choice!) and as so often seems to happen, drew Sacred Heart in the opening round. Unfortunately with the knockout nature of the competition that was it. The plate round didn't eventuate so we twiddled our thumbs until the Speech and Drama Festival.



JUNIOR DEBATING

Back: Jessica Schou, Jackie Crawford, Emma Davison.

Middle: Abdullah Norozi, Paul Riddle.

Front: Dian Martin, Mia Hurst.



SENIOR DEBATING

Katie Bool, Ben Shaw, Zara Nicely.

Third Form Debating

Spotswood had a great group of juniors who worked their way through some very thorny topics this year, both in the local inter-school F3 debates, and at the Speech and Drama Festival. Led by a strong core group and assisted by researchers and moral supporters we fought hard to win what seemed quite unwinnable propositions but in each case were beaten after hard debates.

Against Sacred Heart we negated the proposition that "Sport is life and the rest is shadow", a topic which proved to be subtle and tricky, and which resulted in a win for Sacred Heart. Debaters were: Dian Martin (Leader), Jackie Crawford, Craig Shannon.



The speech and Drama Festival gave us yet another wonky topic: this time we had to affirm a negative proposition and one which could mean almost anything! "That if it's not on TV it's not real" was difficult to prepare and took endless meetings and discussions before we were bullied by our coach into something that seemed to work! Thanks to those forgiving teachers who let us cut classes to prepare!! especially Ms Moran who gave us those extensions! Anyway, we performed really well against a team that included fourth formers, and our coach actually thought we had won - unfortunately the adjudicator had a bad day and announced the other team by mistake. Lucky Okato. And, best of all was Dian Martin, Jackie Crawford, Jessica Schou. (Craig very cunningly decided to have a rest for this one, taking on the role of Chief Supporter instead).

Then against Hawera we had to argue that "Society can survive without the family" which is pretty difficult as there is precious little evidence to show that society can indeed survive like that. On a terribly wet day, Hawera HS were rewarded for their journey over flooded Taranaki roads and took away the victory. We were left with the knowledge that we had provided good competition on a tough topic. In fact, if we'd got our rebuttal right, we probably could have won it! The team was: Jackie Crawford (Leader), Abdullah Norzi, Craig Shannon. (Dian very cunningly decided to pop off to England during this one - was the topic that tough?)

Well done to the team for a great year of debating. Number One supporters overall were Emma Davison and Mia Hurst. Have a great holiday, and yes, Dian, next year you are fully fledged Fourth Form debaters all ready to show the Thirds how to do it. Looking forward to some great debates in '99 and some well-deserved wins.

Mr Crawford

SCHOOL SPEECH FINALS

The 1998 Speech Finals were held at the end of Term Three in the library and there were the usual crop of excellent entries. The standard of the winning speeches was as good as has been seen over the last few years with a particularly impressive effort from Jared Wilson, the eventual winner of the senior final. The results were:

Seniors:

- 1st Jared Wilson
- 2nd Alistair Tippett
- 3rd Zara Nicely

Juniors:

- 1st Tessa Versteeg
 - 2nd Sarah Bingham
 - 3rd Chantelle Palmer and Vicky Shuker
- Sam Wilson won the Impromptu.



HATRIX

The Spotswood College Jazz Band 'Hatrix' under the baton (normally an ink pen) has had an event filled year. These achievements have been mainly due to the dedication of its members by sacrificing quality TV on Tuesday nights.

The first part of the year focused on performing at the prestigious Tauranga Jazz Festival in April. Our fourth placing made the weekend more worthwhile. The rest of the year included performances ranging from the Port to the Park, Devon and Highlands Intermediates to the usual school engagements. Another highlight was the Taranaki Jazz Festival on 19 and 20 September.

The last performances were the Senior Prizegiving and Rotary/Lions Christmas Parties. This year we will farewell Katie, Trent, Rowena, April and Martin, we thank them for their year's service and dedication. Thanks also to Phillip and Gemma for filling in throughout the year.

Martin Emo



HATRIX

Back: Conductor - Stewart Maunder, B.J. Martin, Martin Emo, Rowena Howard, Chris Hobby.

Front: Lionel Haldane, Laura Sommerville, Stacey McIndoe, Janine Howard, Philippa Berry, April Pitman, Vicky Shuker.



CONCERT BAND

This year has been a quiet one for the Concert Band. The highlight of the year was the National Concert Band Festival in Auckland, where we gained a bronze award. This was a great experience to play in the Aotea Centre and Auckland provided plenty of entertainment for all. I would like to thank Karl Austin from Francis Douglas for playing the drums for us in Auckland.

We have also played at two Good Vibrations Concerts, one for the elderly and the other for parents and the public. This year it will be sad to see several of our players leave, including Katie, Fiona, Martin, Trent, Rowena and April. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Barry Bradshaw, Mr Stuart Maunder, Band Boosters and all the parents for their help throughout the year.

Rowena Howard



CONCERT BAND

Back: April Pitman, Stacey McIndoe, Bastion Sajonz, B.A. Martin, Martin Emo, Ingemar de Ruiter, Rowena Howard, Laura Sommerville, Lionel Haldane, Stewart Maunder (Band Director), Chris Hobby.

Middle: Philippa Berry, Tim Steedman, Jamie West, Hazel Robertson.

Front: Vicky shuker, Meredith Bool, Ronnie Painte,r Sharlene Turner, Janine Howard, Rachelle Davis, Paul Riddle, Fiona McIntosh, Daniel Gaastra.



STRING ORCHESTRA

The Spotswood College String Orchestra consisting of at least six violinists, has been quiet this year but strong in spirit. Under the direction of the wonderful Susan Case we have been working hard towards violin exams at the end of the year and we have been working on pieces for the Good Vibrations Concert.

The highlight for this year was the Taranaki Secondary Schools Music Festival in July.

On behalf of all the String Orchestra I would like to thank Mrs Case for her patience and support.

So remember if you want to play violin, viola, cello, double bass, come along on Wednesdays and talk to Mrs Case.

Chris Bengé



THE CHOIR

This year's school choir was a small group of dedicated singers; about ten in all. Last year's choir director, Lisa Abbot, was on maternity leave after the birth of her first child late last year. In her absence, Jon - a member of the prestigious 1997/1998 New Zealand Secondary Students Choir, led our select group. We met every Tuesday, working with a wide range of songs including a work for one of our member's 7th Form music composition. Although it was a challenge without teacher support I had an enjoyable year. We have big plans for next year so we would love to see lots more great singers who love to sing and have a great time.

Nerina Gaastra



FOURTH FORM BAND CLASS

The fourth form band this year consists of 12 members:

Bass, two drummers, guitar, clarinet, three alto saxophones, tenor saxophone, two trumpets and tenor horn.

Mr Maunder is our conductor and works with Mr Bradshaw to arrange play-outs for us. There are two bands in the fourth form this year so we combined on our first play-out. We travelled by bus to the Blind Foundation (we all had to look our best!), where we performed a 30 minute set. This included pieces such as 'Louie Louie' and 'The Batman Theme'. I also performed a solo of 'Solvigs Lied'. Band is an option you can take and we practise three-times a week.

One of our last play-outs was at Westtown Primary School, where we had heaps of fun.

Vicky Shuker



THIRD FORM ADVANCED BAND

We're the 3rd Form Advanced Band and under the capable leadership of Mr Bradshaw we've been making great strides musically this year. Mind you there are not many of us: Gemma, Anna and Celeen on Flute, Paul and Jackie on clarinet, Amanda and Casey on keyboard, Craig on tenor saxophone, Aaron on drums and Geoff on electric bass - but we work well as a team and make a good sound (er usually, anyway!)

The first highlight for this year was the payout at the P.T.A meeting in August, and we are now working towards our second which will be at the Good Vibrations concert in October. Thanks Mr Maunder and Mr Bradshaw for all the hard work you have put in, and thank you too, Band Boosters for your help and support behind the scenes. We've enjoyed our first year in the Band Programme and look forward to becoming next year's 4th Form Advanced Band.



3RD FORM ADVANCED BAND

Back: Aaron West, Casey Glentworth, Amanda Brien, Mr Bradshaw.

Front: Craig Shannon, Geoffrey Painter, Paul Riddle, Jackie Crawford.

3RD FORM BAND

Back: Stewart Maunder, Rhiannon Fox, Ryan Hopkins, Nadia Demchy, Candice Wyatt, Alistair Flower, Alicia Willing, Antionette Bilski.

Front: Kieran Sorenson, Chris Benge, Jeremy Deane, Nicky Ries, Aaron McAlister, William Limmer, Andre Blowes.



BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Friday Night at the Cotton Club. Does this ring a bell? This was the night of the Taranaki Secondary Schools Battle of Bands. The Battle of Bands is an annual event to which "Young Rockers" come from their practice rooms to rock a crowd of 120 screaming fans, with each band competing for a spot in the finals with bands such as Sticky Filth and Wrath? There were four bands in our heat. They were:

Dammit (NPBHS)

No Cents (FDMC)

Cemnascate (Stratford High)

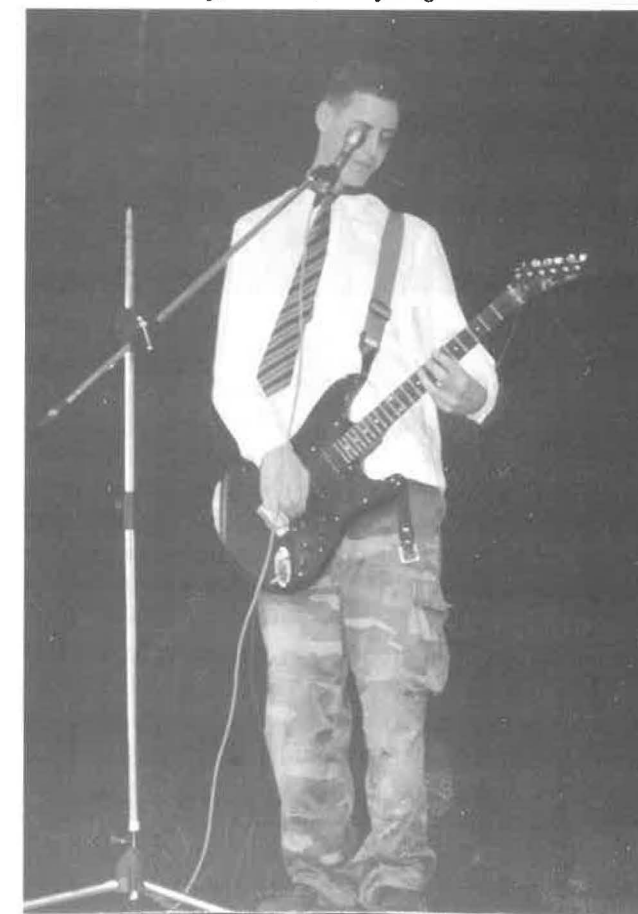
Organic Gollywog (Spotswood)

The bands were marked on lyrics, tone, effects and response to crowd. We were marked very high on response to crowd as most of them were from Spotswood College, and some remarks from Marc gave that little bit extra. We played a really good set consisting of four covers, Dammit by Blink 182, Brohymn, by Pennywise, Blind by Korn, with just the one original "Multi functional licorice?". Dammit (NPBHS) went on to win the heat with No Cents (FDMC) coming in a close second, Organic Gollywog came three points behind in third, with Cemnascate fourth. All up it was really fun and we'd like to thank Mr Bradshaw for making it possible and all of our mates who turned up to give us much needed support. We would like to compete again next year. Thanks from Organic Gollywog.

Shane Krutz, Lead vocals, Lead Guitar

Chris Brill, Backup vocals, Bass Guitar

Marc Birkby, Drums, Gollywog



HISTORY TRIP

On the last week of term two the 7th form history class went to Wellington for two days to study our topic of 19th century New Zealand.

Arriving at school early in the morning on Monday we had to receive the school blazers and ties. It was into the school vans and off to Wellington! Fraser was the one to come to the rescue as to how to tie a tie!! The day was beautiful and after 'raiding' a dairy in Wanganui and enjoying the trip we finally arrived in Wellington, heading straight for Te Papa where we stayed until about 5.00 pm then, tired out, found our way to the Quality Hotel. Only trouble was - there were two Quality Hotels. We of course found the one which wasn't 'ours', and were soon directed to the right one.

Burger King for Tea, fun in the gym and swimming pool and into the arcades. Back in the Hotel we ordered Room Service, just to say we had ordered Room Service. In the morning we had a lovely self-serve breakfast (which we took great advantage of). We left the Hotel all dressed up (ties well tied) and ready for our trip to Parliament. We were met by Roger Maxwell, taken on a guided tour by Pat - to the basement, then the library, a pink building on the right. Pat managed to get us into the Speakers Gallery of Parliament.



Honestly, Parliament is like a pack of hungry dogs, or a bunch of children. You could actually picture the MPs making paper darts and paper balls then throwing them at each other. After we saw Parliament's Question and Answer time, we were invited to have afternoon tea with Harry Duynhoven in his office. After this we met Helen Clark. We had our photos taken with Mr Duynhoven and Ms Clark outside Parliament. After this we drive home, stopping at Wanganui for dinner.

All in all we give thanks to Mr Hodgkinson for his time spent organising our trip (and the hair-raising driving). A great time was had by all.

Owen Brighurst



SMART

Students Managing Alternative Realistic Training.

In February this year the SMART course was introduced to offer students an alternative course to the School 'C' and 6th Form Certificate.

The students spent one day a week out of school participating in one of the following courses: Cheffing, Tourism and Welding. All students participated in a Landskills course.

The school based programme consisted of English, Transition, Science, Maths, Word Processing and Sport and Recreation. All subjects are based around Unit Standards, which are entered onto The National Framework to be credited towards National Certificates.

In the first two terms of the year all students were able to experience work in a wide variety of places in the community.



STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE - B.O.T

I could not believe it when I was told that I was to be the '98 student rep for the B.O.T. What I really mean is that I did not think that the students would take me seriously when I ran into assembly in only a bath towel. It's not really the most sensible dress to do my speech to promote myself in. At least I got their attention. But everybody who knows me would tell you that I am a pretty casual person with not too many huge worries - after all, I am an art and design student!

My first meeting was quite a different experience for me. I was seated amongst a group of adults in the staff room wondering what really happens at these Board meetings. I had to grow up really fast to even feel comfortable to talk to any of the adults. You know what it is like - us teenagers talk a whole different language from adults these days. So as you can imagine, I did not understand a word spoken, except when they offered a cup of tea and a biscuit!

After I had been to a few meetings I got into the swing of things and the group seemed a lot more relaxed as we all got to know each other better.

The best thing about being a member of our school board was that I really was a part of the running of our school. Over the past four years I'd only been a girl in a class room with a whole bunch of other people, and I never really thought that there was much more to school life than work, homework and more work! But in my final year I had become a part of the school and its running. I feel that I actually count. It seemed that all the teachers treated you as a young adult when you were a seventh former - I finally was respected. I truly believe that everybody should have the freedom to be themselves, be who they really are, inside - not who society says is the 'perfect person'. Who can really put such a label on somebody like that? I only wish that everybody would just respect each other's own individuality and let them carry on becoming themselves instead of trying to steer them into the 'perfect person'. Let everyone be!

One thing that I have learnt this year is that you usually only have one shot at everything - so you should really try and take advantage of all the opportunities life has to offer you. It's much better to regret doing something than to regret not doing it, eh?

I have really enjoyed my year on the B.O.T. and I want you all to know - that it's all right to just be you.

Thanks everybody.

Michelle Walker



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OPC

This year a small group of intrepid adventure seekers, five sixth formers and five seventh formers, departed for Tongariro on Sunday 26 July with Mrs Penno and Mark Rutherford to look after us (and get off school!).

After stocking up on fruit and fake coke at Tauramanui on the Main Trunk Line we arrived at our home for the week - Taurewa Lodge. Little did we know we were to share the lodge with ten wonderful students from Tongariro College!

The next day after we made our way to the OPC Main Centre on foot, with some helpful navigational coughs from our 'hip' instructor Eddie. However, first the Overflow had to be conquered. A few thought the water looked cool (sic) so they decided to join me. Then it was down-river with Brodie navigating us in the general direction. Half way back up the hill at the old OPC Centre, it was time for P.T, the brave Malaysian, to impress us by going first on the flying fox - Superwoman style.



Up the hill again to get any gear we needed for the week ahead and a bash at the indoor rock climbing wall. Here Alistair 'I'm sure I tied the rope on!' Tippett proved that gravity exists - much to Eddie's 'delight'.

Tuesday was the High Ropes Course ('this is just not natural!!!') where Romana showed her forte, Andrew showed potential for a promising career in the circus, and Alistair just showed off (to the nice fourth form girls).

A bumpy ride to our Caving Experience in the van included a squeeze past the 'No Buses or Vans Past This Point' sign. Half the road had been washed away but we managed to scrape through - literally ('that scratch down the side of the van was there before we started - really!').

Time to follow the plastic 'yellow bananas' into the caves, post ourselves through the 'Letter Box' and then navigate out again with only three candles (no matches) to light our way. We got a bit lost - but not as lost as two certain teachers did (who will of course remain nameless).



Not enough snow for skiing (sob!). We bussed up to Whakapapa with a load of 'adorable' fourth form girls from Queen Margarets, Wellington, then thanks to Eddie (and his boss at the ski field) took the chair lifts to the top of Knoll Ridge.

After P T and Romana discovered what snow was, we headed further up. A hot raro and two sandwiches later (from gourmet sandwich maker Brett), we practised self arresting, step cutting and squatting in someone else's snow cave.

At night it was off to Tokaanau Hot Pools for sleep, swim, singing and generally scaring the locals.

Thursday began with a visit to the Mt Ruapheu Visitors Centre, and after lunch we headed off into the wilderness where after four and one half hours of bush bashing, ('You kiwis' are crazy!), rain, cold, mud, lollipops and great team work (led by mountain man Blair) we found Whakapapiti Hut - big cheers to Simon for spotting the poles! Alistair managed to scare off the three German occupants with his (dressing gown) coat and proceeded to make some deliciously bland Burritos - minus half the ingredients.

Then 'twas time for lame jokes, scary stories, salami, cheese and cabin bread.

The next day we had the debriefing, awards ceremony (congratulations Luke on getting the award for the Most Cool Calm and Collected and Not Doing Anything Silly - that we know of!), followed the cleanup of the lodge.

On the journey home we became world champions at Japanese fire drills and Portuguese, and dreamt of hot baths and comfy beds.

Martin Emo

SPIRIT OF NEW ZEALAND

Twenty young men, 20 young women, 12 crew - 52 people all together living in close quarters for 10 days!

It was all aboard and straight into it - up the masts for the first time. Our first glance at real freedom.

On board the ship there was little in the way of luxury facilities. Showers - none that we could use. Toilets - smaller than my sleeping bag. Beds - they too were smaller than my sleeping bag. Storage - just enough to fit my ten undies in. The first night resembled normal life, calm and quiet. The next day, the first of our ten, we were sailing out of Nelson Harbour. "Goodbye oh sweet stable land." The ship's sails went up and the sails came down. But with no wind, a boat that is powered by wind doesn't go far, so with the helpful output from a friendly motor named Mrs Gardner, we potted around for the day. The next day we had the first of the 6:00 am swims with the fishies. "Everybody up on the foredeck!" was the call and we found ourselves doing star-jumps and push-ups. Then the day begins, with breakfast, colours, happy hour and safety lectures. Then off we go sailing. The sails went up and the sails came down. The motor also helped out a little. People start to meet new friends as we blow up the yellow boats and try to paddle with the seals.



The next day involved a swim as usual, which became harder and harder each day as the beds felt warmer and warmer and the water got colder and colder. We paddled to a far away distant beach, well actually only about 200 m but a long time in a paddle boat. Then we were off sailing the Tasman Bay. There was wind, there was swell, there wasn't even a motor. Lunch proved difficult, trying to hold it on the plate down in the galley and then trying to hold it in my stomach, it only lasted about five minutes. The aft deck looked like a graveyard, people curled up in balls, trying to sleep through it all. People tied to the railings in fear of falling off. The calm of D'urville Island was greeted by our stomachs and it was up the mast to work.

The days continue as we make our voyage down through Pelorus Sound. Little wind means little sailing and a hurricane also means no sailing. Still everyday we swim and the moans get louder and louder. It is amazing how your hair actually shrinks into your head when you can't wash it and it fills with salt. The days' activities include a yard swing which is a big trapeze which hangs off the bottom yard, lectures, rope courses, flag building and in addition on my part, dropping a slop bucket all over the galley floor.

After the hurricane had passed it was across Cook Strait in gale force wind and rough seas, rough stomachs to match. One of the highlights of the trip was seeing dolphins off the port bow. Lying in the safety net and gazing in amazement once again at these beautiful blue creatures dancing on the bow wave is truly one of the best experiences available to man.

The second to last night, my best of all, as tomorrow it will be trainee day. This is when the trainees take over the ship and to my honour they make me captain.



200 tonnes of raging boat, \$12 million and 52 lives, and I am in control of it all. No pressure. Sunrise at 0600 hours over Wellington harbour after a three hour stand on night watch is almost comparable to the dolphins. Off we go sailing in our control around Wellington Harbour. Only one incident where the beach was fast approaching required the motor to help us out again, but that passed over.

The last day we found ourselves together as forty new friends for the last time gazing up at those huge masts and dreaming. A final round at the voyage song, and a poem by the first mate and we found ourselves sliding back to reality. Many tears, hugs, phone numbers exchanged and one last trip in a Wellington shopping car and we were on the bus home again. As we pulled onto the highway out of Wellington I saw the Spirit sail again with the storm sails still on from the Cook Strait sail. Off to make the dreams of another forty people somewhere else.

We will always have the spirit.
Alistair Tippett

A KIWI IN AFRICA

It was December 1994 when I left Spotswood College to experience life in the depths of Africa. It was a dream I'd had since I was 17, sitting in my own school assembly listening to one of my teacher describing her life as a volunteer teacher in Africa. She too worked for Volunteer Service Abroad an independent development agency working in the Pacific, Africa and Asia. This agency sends skilled personnel to help in a variety of areas in developing countries to help communities to develop themselves.

My job was in a private secondary school in a tiny village in the highlands of Northern Tanzania called Dongobesh. Dongobesh in the local language means 'the place where the elephants water' however it has been a long time since the elephants drew water from the tiny stream that now supports over 5 000 people in the Dongobesh area.

The school has about 300 students with ages ranging from about 15 years to 35 years. (People go to secondary school when they can afford it, not necessarily straight after primary school). The nearest state secondary school is 45 km away and is very hard to get into. Less than 10 % of Tanzania's young people go to secondary school and less than 5 % of those matriculate into higher secondary school. One of the reasons for this is that all the subjects except Swahili are taught in English, a left over of the colonial times in Africa. Most young children in the Dongobesh area grow up speaking their mother tongue. (Iraqw and Barabaig, are the languages of the two major tribes in this area). As soon as they enter primary school at about 10 years old, they learn the national language Swahili. By the time these young people start learning English it's their third, fourth, or even fifth language.

When I first arrived at the school I was stunned at how hard the students worked. The day began for the boarders at 5.45 am with a morning run through the village - singing! Then classes until lunchtime at 2.30 pm. The afternoon is a time for planting, weeding, harvesting crops; caring for the fish ponds; shepherding the cows and goats; chopping firewood for the school kitchens; mucking out the cowshed; cleaning out the irrigation channels, cutting the grass around the school; cleaning and maintaining the school property. All this work and more was supervised by the school prefects under instruction of the teachers. The prefects run the school and are supported by the teachers only when necessary. They divide up the work and ensure that it is done. A good day is one when the work is finished by 5.00 pm and the students get an hour to play football, netball or volleyball if the balls are puncture free.

Lunch and dinner at school is 'ugali' maize flour porridge cooked thicker than mashed spuds but not as tasty. Those students lucky enough to have some pocket money added sugar or margarine to their 'uji', otherwise it tastes a bit like warm glue.

This all may seem a little bleak, but the students themselves told me they do a lot more work at home than they do at school, although most would admit they eat better at home as well.

School finishes for the students at 9.00 pm having just spent the last two hours studying in the mosquito

infested classrooms by dim solar-powered lights. Many of the day students come back to school to take advantage of the study space, their own homes not having any light nor any place to read. Female students were often disadvantaged here because they were needed in the evening at home to help their mothers with the evening meal and the younger children. Many just lived too far away to walk all the way back to school again in the evening.

School is tough for these kids. However, most enter school with dreams of becoming nurses, medical officers, teachers and veterinary officers. They know that their only way out of poverty and subsistence living is through education, but all too often their dreams, turn to dust or are simply out of reach to many.

A year at Dongobesh Secondary School costs about NZ\$300. For most families that means a good quality cattle will have to be sold every year that they have a child in school. That usually means that a fairly well-off farming family can only afford to have one child a year at secondary school. Because their girl children marry other people's sons and by tradition move to their new family to live, they are considered lost once they are married. Therefore, many families do not believe it beneficial to educate a child who will be lost.

It's a hard world living in poverty: the things we take for granted here, clean running water, electricity, food in a can, are not only out of reach but simply don't exist. My colleagues found many of my stories of New Zealand unbelievable: most families have a car, the government will give you money if you're unemployed.

The teachers at the school are comparatively well off, receiving a regular cash income. Signs of their wealth are a Chinese bicycle and being able to buy bottled beer instead of the local brew.

The highlight of my time in Tanzania was definitely the joy of friendships made and an understanding formed of a very different way of life. Learning Swahili was hard work but totally rewarding. Being accepted in Dongobesh as 'mzungu wetu' (our white person) is a gift that I shall forever treasure.

Gaylene Kendrick



SPECIAL SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

NICK DALEY

Nick competed at the New Zealand Wrestling Nationals and Senior Nationals.

- JNR 83 kg
- Freestyle - 1st Gold
- Greco-Roman - 1st Gold
- SNR 85 kg
- Freestyle - 2nd Silver
- Greco-Roman - 2nd Silver

Nick also made the New Zealand 'B' team and the New Zealand Junior team to train in Sydney.

The highlight of Nick's year was the New Zealand secondary school wrestling team tour of Arizona. Here he won 9 out of 11 Dual meet wrestles. This was a very enjoyable and successful trip and Nick gained much valuable experience.

- 3rd - Tournament at Chandler High in Phoenix at 178 pounds

- 2nd at the Tournament at Sunnyside High (toughest school in Arizona) in Tucson at 178 pounds.

He won a total of 15 out of 20 wrestles in the month he was in Arizona at the 178 pound weight range.

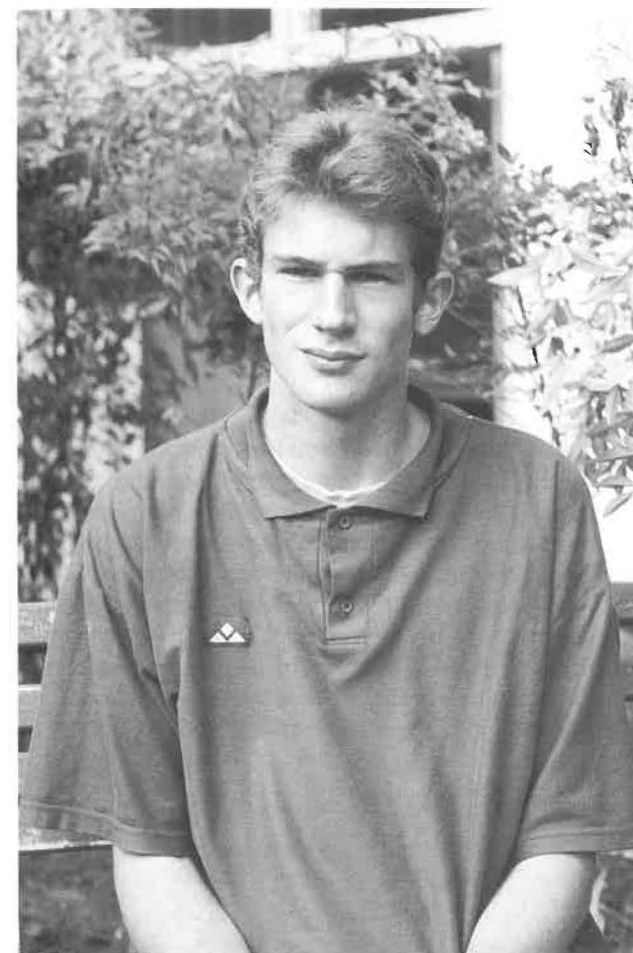
JOANNA DEMETRIOU

Joanna went to Brisbane in April for Junior Pacific Camps where she gained lots of experience. In April 1999 the Junior Pacific Champs are to be held in Melbourne, Australia where she hopes to get top five placings.

The World Championships are in 1999. If selected, Joanna is hoping to get top 10 placings.

Joanna was chosen for World Team 1998 in Italy but didn't go because she could not get enough sponsorship.

- * Titles Held: At Nationals 1998
- * Intermediate Ladies Road Aggregate for New Zealand
- * New Zealand 500 m Title Holder
- * Broke New Zealand record in 10,000 m points race.



JARED WILSON

Jared Wilson was awarded a 'Passport to Gold' for volleyball. This programme recognises potential ability in young sportspeople. Only a small number are selected throughout the country each year. The passport entitles holders to special privileges like discounts on sporting gear.

Jared was a member of the successful Spotswood Senior "A" boys' team in 1998, the Taranaki mens team and, with Brendon O'Keeffe, the winner of the Taranaki Schools Beach Volleyball Championship in February. Congratulations Jared.

SONIA WHITMORE

Sonia won two Gold medals (women's black belt and Gold in Girls Black Belt) at the New Zealand Open Champs in Wellington. Her club, the New Plymouth Taekwondo Club, finished 2nd in the Top Fight Club Competition at the same competition.

She won a Gold Medal at Ashurst, Gold Medal in women's Black-belt National Championships, and gained second dan Black-belt in August.

Sonia has also been chosen for the selection for the 2000 Olympic games at the beginning of next year, if the union is recognised by the Hillary Commission.



TRAPPED

By Tessa Versteeg

Tonight is Guy Fawkes, and already I am celebrating. If I close my eyes I can picture the explosion of the fireworks; brilliant, burning colours that fizz in the shimmering sky then trail into nothingness. I hear their shrill whistle as they whiz through the emptiness, spectacular and beautiful, before they fade, forgotten, like an old movie star. I can almost smell the sweet aroma of gunpowder and smoke, mingling in a delightful cocktail amongst the glittering flames of the huge bonfire.

The bonfire is a symbol of hope for all of us. Every year the people gather around it, watching the orange flames leap into the ebony sky, and pray silently for our freedom. Freedom. It sounds so strange, so far away. So forbidden. Like something we can see but will never be able to touch. Freedom is everything to us, yet it is nothing. Nothing is anything unless you have it. And each year I hope that soon I will be able to go home. To have my nothing become something.

But year after year I find myself standing in front of the bonfire again.

Memories of home are getting faded, distorted, like old photographs slipping into a rippling pool. More than anything, I wish to remember, to have every tiny detail embedded within me forever. I feel so useless when I am yearning for something I can't picture.

I can no longer remember anything, only our beautiful home in the countryside, surrounded by towering hills that I always thought were our guardians, standing so straight, so proud. Like soldiers protecting the queen. So, because I can remember nothing else, I wish to see the hills again. To dance in their long, bristly



grass and make daisy chains that seem to stretch endlessly. It is all I have.

But when I gaze deep into the amber flames of the fire, I can recall the happiness that I have been forced to forget, lazy days on the beach and bike rides through the park, licking melting icecreams on a hazy summers' evening and admiring the stars. I can remember sitting in the hammock, my mother next to me, watching a flock of screeching birds fly north for the night, their silhouettes fleetingly masking the fiery pink sunset. Just me and my mother and all of nature, no restrictions, no harsh orders, no stinging slaps or blind, unjust abuse.

It is as if the huge bonfire rekindles the flame of hope inside me. I *will* get out of this place. I *will* be happy again.

Some days that flickering flame of hope burns out. On dark days like these when the pain seems unbearable, I remember how innocent I used to be, and I know that I will never be that innocent again. My innocence was taken, robbed by the destructive savages that took me away. Took all of us away.

The flames of hope in the other people here have been burned out for a long time now. They think they are doomed to a life of slavery and torture, and that the cruelty inflicted on them will never stop.



I say, there is no such time as never. Unless you want it. But nothing will help them now. They have only ashes of a life, and you can't make a fire from ashes, no matter how much you want it.

There is only one day a year when they dare to hope. One day when they will let themselves remember family and friends, home towns and their old life. One day when they will let themselves weep without feeling shame.

As we file woodenly out to the bonfire, we can see the fireworks of the city lighting up the sky. Already we have started to smile. They look so beautiful, fluorescent colours highlighted in the sharp black.

I kneel beside the bonfire, remembering my brothers delight at seeing the sky rockets race towards the stars. Now Jakob would be almost eight years old, and I try to picture him. My mind keeps returning to that sweet little boy I was dragged away from five years ago; thick, unruly hair, the darkest brown I have ever seen, and huge, soulful eyes that you could get lost in. I wonder if he remembers me. Five years is a long time for a little boy.

Five years. Five long years I have spent in this cruel place, giving everything I've got and getting nothing in return. Nothing except one night of freedom.

The bonfire is burning strongly now, and I hear someone kneel beside me. It is Stefanie, the youngest girl here. I feel for her; she has hardly lived a life. Seven of her thirteen years have been spent in this hell.

She has tears rolling down her cheeks. They land one by one in a puddle by her knee, each new tear creating a new splash. Just as every day here creates new pain. I wonder when Stefanie's sunshine will come to dry up these tears, evaporate her pain. Maybe it never will.

I can see the familiar look in her eyes, the one I know I have, and I realise that she too is remembering a Guy Fawkes under a different sky. I try to think of some comforting words to say to her, but none come.

"Who are you thinking of?" I ask her.

"My mum." She sniffed and wiped her eyes. "I thought she loved me, you know?"

"She does, Stefanie. She'll always love you." But now when she looks at me, I don't see sorrow in her eyes.

"That's a load of rubbish!" she says, terrible rage that hides her fear. "Why did she send me here if she loves me?"

"Your mother didn't send you here," I tell her gently. "No mother could want this to happen to their child."

"No mother except mine! She arranged it, Kristina!" A tiny pause. "She wanted me to come here. She wanted me to suffer." She brushes her tears away roughly, angry that I am seeing her pain.



"God, Stefanie, that's not true. Your mother loves you."

"No she doesn't," she says softly. "She never did." I can see that her flame of hope has burned out forever. She stands and looks at the fire.

"I don't want to spend the rest of my life here."

"You don't have to."

"I do! I'll never get out of here. Never!"

She is yelling now but I am not listening. I am watching her take small but certain steps towards the fire.

"Hell! What are you doing?" I am panicking. She looks at me, her eyes frighteningly hollow, like glass pools reflecting the firelight.

"Goodbye, Kristina."

And the flames engulf her.

THE CREATION OF THE WORLD

First there was excitement
Energy
Life was then created
Breath
Heart
Beat
Then came light
Lighting the way for life
The beginning of the world

Next came growth
Feeling
Love
Adventure
Learning
Believing
Freedom
Happiness
Life of positiveness

But then came fire
Molten rock
Cruelty
Decay
Savageness
Ruin
Decline
Heartbreak
The end.

by Eloise Pollard





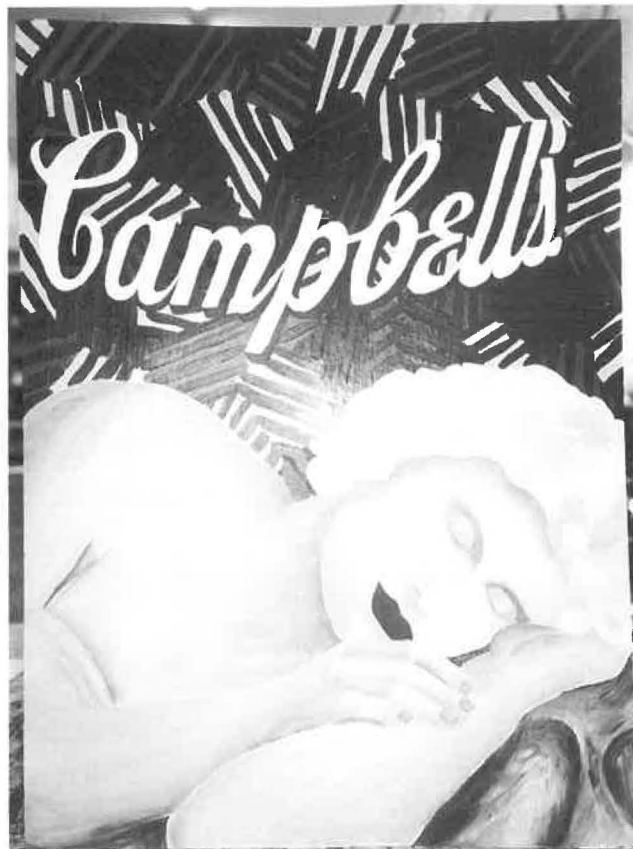
ETERNAL

The tree's bark is worn and wrinkled with age and suffering, its bent and twisted limbs sway in the midnight breeze. The moonlight softly highlights the silver green leaves. This tree, losing branches in a storm, continues to grow. Every summer it bursts into bloom and yet when winter comes so does misfortune, suffering again. Trapped in an eternal life.

The rain falls softly from the sky encouraging, willing it to grow, to reach new heights. As the water moistens the rich dark soil, the tree's roots lap it up putting it to use, giving the tree life.

Life that is soon to be destroyed. The sound of the chainsaw shattered the midnight silence. The jagged blade sinking into the tree's bark signalling the end of eternal life.

By Vicky Shuker



ENVIRONMENT POEM

The time passes like a waterfall.
 The clouds are like an old sheep.
 The dirt looks like a huge mat.
 The rain covers us like a weeping caterpillar.
 The sun is like a golden orb.
 The trees look like broccoli.
 The birds look like shadows in the blue.
 The trees are like statues.
 The sea is like the sky.
 The buildings are like giants.
 Ants moving on the ground like a train moving on the concrete.
 People in a row like coloured bubbles in the sky.
 The grass is like a carpet of green.
 Flowers blooming like people laughing.
 The rain is crying like people.
 Their heads like buttercups.
 The street lights look like a rainbow.
 The encyclopaedia is Craig without a mouth.

By Casey Glentworth 3G



TIME WAVES

Shall we dare then, you and I, or check,
 falter, doubt and hesitate,
 wait, wait, the time will pass,
 it trickles by never to return.
 Children plunder the rock pools,
 no fear or thought they seize their prize,
 time is tossed like a toy, oh sweet oblivion.
 The waves crash against the rocks,
 in our youth we joy in its power.

Time in our middle years moves as steady
 As the waves that fall,
 Beating hard on the pebbles;
 Each wave a day shadowing the trough of night.
 Beating, beating incessantly
 On the hard cliffs of man's affairs
 Spent energy making no change
 Save the grinding undertow faltering
 The next fall.

And how shall we have spent our precious time?
 We look back as each grain's passage
 Slowly trickles behind the glass;
 Wasted time restored for others
 As the moon moves the tides,
 And our old age ebbs as the tide drifts out,

carrying

souls

from the shore.

By Thomas Parry



A Metaphysical Poem
 By Emily Miller (right)



TIME

See the frightening flash,
 A lightning storm of fated ill-health,
 And the blanket umbrella a thundercloud itself,
 Bringing death, a spreading ash.
 Know, as you watch, that mortal wargames are futile,
 For even victors must crumble after passing awhile.
 The battle began after the first Big Bang, an eruption,
 Of matter, and a thing called Time, which all our
 weapons of mass destruction,
 Cannot now defeat, nor ever will, the enemy of the
 fourth dimension.

So witness this spread of human hate,
 Enveloping all to trap us, as we already are,
 Enclosed in the remnants of an explosion afar,
 And of a time lone since gone, our defence far too late.
 Against this weapon which kills all, ends all,
 To which the greatest empires must fall..
 Your human army, with horses of flesh and swords of
 steel,
 Has no hope of facing an invisible enemy with power
 unreal,
 It is patient, yet relentless, beyond understanding, yet
 we must before it kneel.
 Use your arms to a different employ,
 Our hands to order Time's cavalry,
 Into seconds, minutes, hours, a comprehensible army,
 So ordered, mass destruction is a human toy.
 And bombs, merely games which dictators play,
 To defeat imagined mortal foe, and on that day,
 When a bright blast heralds an eternal threat,
 A constant worry, a human snare is set,
 To accomplish the challenge of death which Time could
 have met.

THE TRAP

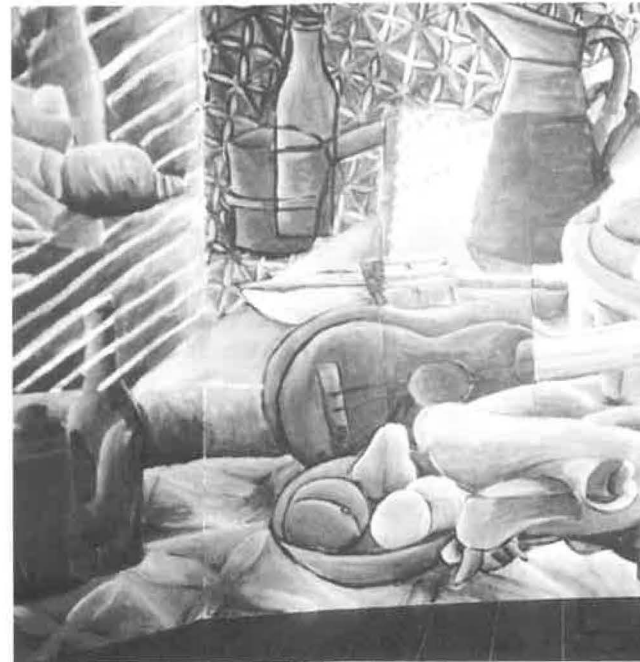
The cat just wouldn't stand in the right place.

"Here Kitty Kitty"

The cat walked in the opposite direction. This was the best trap we had ever made. I loved making traps. Most of them didn't really work, but this one was different. The loop of rope lay hidden in the grass like a snake ready to bite someone's foot. The rope wound its way back to a couple of sticks which were pushed into the ground. Dad had once told me that to catch a snake; you make a ring of sticks in the ground and put something dead in the middle and the snake goes through the gaps between the sticks and eats the food and can't get out again because the sticks are too close together. The two sticks we had put in the ground held onto a knot in the rope just like a snake with a big belly full of dead animal.

Jared had climbed the tree and hung from a branch like a monkey. When the branch was close enough to the ground, I got the piece of rope that couldn't be pulled between the sticks because of the knot, and tied it to the bent down branch. I went and tugged on the loop. It went off like a huge flicking tea towel.

Now all we had to do was catch the cat. I didn't like Jared's cat. It was a big cat and its claws were too sharp and it smelt funny. Once it had bitten me when Jared and I were trying to steal the mouse it had just caught. Its teeth were like razors and they made blood pour out from my fingers. I wanted to make blood pour out from the cat too, but Jared's mum said we had to leave the cat alone. Now was my chance for revenge. Seeing that cat hanging from the tree would be great.



Jared got some cat meat and flicked it at the loop with a spoon. It looked fun so I flicked some at the cat. The cat licked the cat food off its back and then started to clean its ears.

"Stupid fool".

Jared hit me.

"When a cat washes its ears it means it's not hungry any more".

"Does not" I said, even though I knew Jared was right.

The cat sat on the deck and looked pleased with itself.

"Puss puss puss" I called in my nicest voice.

Slowly I walked towards the cat with my hand out to stroke it. When I was next to it I moved like lightning and grabbed it by the scruff of the neck. I lifted it up and it couldn't move a muscle. I started towards the loop and unthinkingly changed my grip. Claws whipped around and scratched down my arm. With a yell I flung the ball of claws, fur and teeth away from me. The cat made some strange noises and did some twisting in the air and then it landed. Right inside the loop. Jared yanked the rope free from the sticks and everything went into slow motion.

The cat began to leap but the tree branch jerked upwards and the rope was tied to the tree and the cat was caught in the rope. The rope flicked through the air. It reminded me again of a big tea towel. As the cat got higher its paw somehow came free of the loop. The cat had escaped! It was as free as a bird, and boy could it fly. Moments later it landed, against the wall of Jared's house. As I stood with my mouth hanging open, the cat hit the ground and raced away.

I was the first to laugh. Jared hit me.

TEENAGE SUICIDE

New Zealand teenagers within the 14-17 year old age group have one of the highest suicide rates in the world.

As a teenager myself this scares me because obviously for every teenager who commits suicide there must be many who think about it and never carry it through.

In a school such as Spotswood College there must therefore be quite a large number of students in that age group with whom I associate who have been suicidal at some stage and I never knew it.

This has made me think seriously about this subject. For example what signs do you look for that indicates someone may be suicidal? If I suspect this situation in a friend of mine, how would I approach it? Are there places where the person involved or I could even go for help?

Through reading and in conversation with others I have been able to comprehend some of the indicators which may indicate that someone is suicidal. The main sign is a major change in the behaviour of the person. This can show up in many ways. They may have lost interest in some things that they may enjoy like school, sport or other activities. They can become very uninterested in these things plus in their friends, their family and their social life. They also can become very negative and consider themselves losers, nobodies and no-hopers. As time goes on they may become more depressed and become non-rational or out of character. But I don't really know, and the scary thing is that everybody's different.

There is help out there for people who are depressed and suicidal such as Teenline, Lifeline, school counsellors, doctors, church ministers or a close family friend or relation. The family friend would have to be someone that the person concerned trusted. The problems they have may even be within the family.

I myself would be very worried about helping someone, even if I really wanted to. What if I said the wrong thing? Therefore I would have to be very subtle about my approach to the problem and I would try to listen to them without making my suspicions obvious. The first thing I should really do if I was in this situation would be to contact Teenline or Lifeline and ask their advice.

Let us assume that the person involved has opened up with their problem, had counselling and were on the mend. The biggest worry would be that they may snap and become depressed again at anytime for any little reason.

I believe the best thing I could do is be a true, caring, honest and open friend who always has a shoulder to lean on whenever needed.

Sarah Buttimore

MY FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

That morning I awoke trembling, from fear of anticipation - I know not which. My mind was a bundle of nerves and glee, filled with thoughts of school and school children. So many wishes, hopes and fears folded into one, a folded coat of thoughts. I know not how I got dressed or ready for school, I have no memory of it. I only know I must have done so as I did not arrive at school in pyjamas or without lunch.

Mummy walked Ben, Jon and I to school; they were my bodyguards, guarding against all evils. Through the gap in the fence, one by one, around the hospital (we'd not yet learnt the thrilling joy of guilt sneaking through the hospital because the school didn't approve) and up the long hill. On the top the sign glared at me, challenging me to a duel to last 12 years. Could I survive in the wonderful but often cut-throat world of school.

We entered the playground like soldiers to battle, fear and excitement thrilling through my veins. We had to cross the little kids playground to get to my classroom. Ha. Little kids? They to me, giants! Such a commotion, such a bustle of bags, a swishing of skirts a chatter of children and bully of school kids. They were a swirling cloud of bodies, cartwheels, shouted hellos and knocking bags. I clung to my mother like a leaf to a tree, her warm, gentle hand my only life line and comfort in that chaos of calm. As we moved through the playground I caught glimpses of monkey bars and cricket players and a train carriage - red with yellow trimming, the dream playhouse for kids.

I had no time for exploring though, the bell sounded, a loud ringing in the vaults of my mind. A beginning and an end. That bell had been a door, one which I had just walked through and shut, never to be opened again. Now I had a whole row of doors waiting to be opened, right there in front of me.

The churning mass merged and swept us along like surf on the crest of a wave. They poured into the corridors and classrooms a swarm of bees setting their nests. I was separated from my brothers but I clung to Mummy's hand and we stayed together. We lagged behind, savouring the moment, the smell of warmth, sun and carefreeness that only children can smell. Then we stepped into the corridor and it enveloped us in its musky, hazy depths, like a fur-lined cloak kept too long in a sunny, closed up, room.

Mummy entered first, I following. A thousand eyes of every ho searched me, wracked me for details. I was a book for reading and every child was eager to be the first to read it, dredge from me my deepest secrets. Faces blurred behind those eyes, one leapt out. Sarah Amer, my best friend. It smiled, school would be fine.

By Nerina Gaastra





1998 SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE ANNUAL ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

JUNIOR BOYS TIME/DISTANCE

	1ST	2ND	3RD
100 m	Jimo Rangji (A) & Geoffrey Painter (B) =	Andrew Milligan (B)	12.81secs
200 m	Thomas Moore (D)	Jude Arden (B)	26.13secs
400 m	Thomas Moore (D)	Shayman Pihama (R)	1min 05.68secs
800 m	Thomas Moore (D)	Kieran Sorensen (D)	2min 48.44secs
1500 m	Thomas Moore (D)	Brendan Eggers (R)	5min 00.28secs
Discus	Adam Te Awa (R)	Jimo Rangji (A)	29.06m
Shot Putt	Adam Te Awa (R)	Scott Harding (D)	10.30m
Javelin	Adam Te Awa (R)	Chris Jones (R)	29.54m
High Jump	Adam Te Awa (R)	Brendan Eggers (R)	1.40m
Long Jump	Jimo Rangji (A)	Adam Te Awa (R)	5.26m
Triple Jump	Adam Te Awa (R)	Brendan Eggers (R)	9.08m
4 x 100 m Relay	Barrett	Richmond	55.59secs

JUNIOR GIRLS

100 m	Kerrie Davidson (B)	Toni Hanscombe (D)	Sarah Griffiths (B)	14.00secs
200 m	Toni Hanscombe (D)	Sara Zaloum (B)	Donna James (B)	30.75secs
400 m	Rebecca Reidy (R)	Amanda Brien (R)	Sarah Griffiths (B)	1min 14.60secs
800 m	Rebecca Reidy (R)	Amanda Brien (R)	Phillipa Soulsby (A)	2min 52.75secs
1500 m	Rebecca Reidy (R)	Amanda Brien (R)	Amanda Keat (A)	5min 39.75secs
Discus	Sheena Tarana (B)	Phillipa Soulsby (A)	Jamie West (B)	19.94secs
Shot Putt	Sheena Tarana (B)	Astyn Hare (D)	Lana Ngaia (R)	8.20secs
Javelin	Rebecca Reidy (R)	Venita Christensen (D)	Phillipa Soulsby (A)	17.12secs
High Jump	Sonia Jordan (B)	Hayley Eichstaedt (D)	Venita Christensen (D)	1.35secs
Long Jump	LaToya Wilcox (A)	Hannah Gilliver (R)	Serena Ropitini (R)	3.02secs
Triple Jump	Phillipa Soulsby (A)	Rebecca Reidy (R)	Sarah Bingham (B)	8.16secs
4 x 100 m Relay	Darnell	Richmond	Barrett	1min 02.00secs

INTERMEDIATE BOYS

100 m	Gareth Chivers (R)	Joe Ngawini (R)	Nathan Carswell (A)	12.23secs
200 m	Joe Ngawini (R)	Dwayne Hill (D)	Peter Miller (R)	25.93secs
400 m	Dwayne Hill (D)	Leon Valentine (A)	Mathew Ubels (D)	57.60secs
800 m	Mathew Ubels (D)	Jon-Paul Heather (A)	Brodie Dalton (A)	2min 41.13secs
1500 m	Mathew Ubels (D)	Leon Valentine (A)	Daniel Gaastra (R)	4min 51.87secs
Discus	Stuart Hood (A)	Barney Fitzpatrick (D)	Jack Savenye (B)	26.42m
Shot Putt	Joseph Ngawini (R)	Kylee Briskie (D)	Tamie Ngaia (A)	10.10m
Javelin	Peter Miller (R)	Kylee Briskie (D)	Glenn Gadsby (B)	30.62m
High Jump	Barney Fitzpatrick (D)	Shayne Williams (B)	Luke Leathers (D)	4.95m
Long Jump	James Middleton (B)	Allen Graham (D)	Johnny Ross (D)	10.19m
Triple Jump	Barney Fitzpatrick (D)	Michael Lowers (B)	Daniel Gaastra (R)	52.10secs
4 x 100 m Relay	Richmond	Darnell	Atkinson	

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS

100 m	Hazel Robertson (A)	AJ Hall (B)	Linda Larsen (R)	13.72secs
200 m	Hazel Robertson (A)	Jean Tompkins (R)	Zara Nicely (R)	29.50secs
400 m	Jean Tompkins (R)	Hazel Robertson (A)	Fiona Johns (R)	1min 14.75secs
800 m	Linda Larsen (R)	Jean Tompkins (R)	Hazel Robertson (A)	3min 00.50secs
1500 m	Jean Tompkins (R)	Amy Laird (R)	Hazel Robertson (A)	5min 43.37secs
Discus	Hinga Manukonga (A)	Ashley Faamai (D)	Hoana Renau (A)	21.48m
Shot Putt	Zara Nicely (R)	Talimai Tuigaleava (R)	Jean Tompkins (R)	7.72m
Javelin	AJ Hall (B)	Natalie Shanks (D)	Santini Rangji (D)	16.65m
High Jump	Jean Tompkins (R)	Hinga Manukonga (A)	April Pitman (A) & Amy Laird (R) =	1.35m
Long Jump	Jean Tompkins (R)	Hazel Robertson (A)	Sandra Dix (B)	4.45m
Triple Jump	Jean Tompkins (R)	Elli Pillette (B)	April Pitman (A)	9.24m
4 x 100 m Relay	Barrett	Richmond	Atkinson	57.75secs

SENIOR BOYS

100 m	John Gabites (A)	Darryl Roper (R)	Adrian George (B)	11.28secs
200 m	John Gabites (A)	Damon Coneglan (B)	Adrian George (B)	25.64secs
400 m	John Gabites (A)	Darryl Roper (R)	Ryan Cooper (D)	58.10secs
800 m	Darryl Roper (R)	Ben Gaastra (A)	Brendon O'Keefe (D)	2min 27.00secs
1500 m	Darryl Roper (R)	Brad Hart (A)	Craig Sharp (B)	4min 47.75secs
Discus	Eli Waikawa (R)	Vesan Seko (R)	Tamati Goff (B)	27.72m
Shot Putt	Vesan Seko (R)	Nick Daly (D)	Jucy Talau (R)	9.70m
Javelin	Manu Hay-Vega (D)	Brendon O'Keefe (D)	James Grieve (D)	31.13m
High Jump	Jared Wilson (R)	Joshua Morris (D)	Stephen Smith (R)	
			Stephen Reed (R) & Joshua Paurini (R) =	1.63m
Long Jump	John Gabites (A)	Jared Wilson (R)	Jared Steel (B)	5.74m
Triple Jump	Jared Wilson (R)	John Gabites (A)	Jon Waters (B)	11.37m
4 x 100 m Relay	Richmond	Darnell	Atkinson	50.71secs

SENIOR GIRLS

100 m	Sarah Hayman (R)	Tennille Yandle (B)	Michelle Walker (B)	13.71secs
200 m	Sarah Hayman (R)	Tennille Yandle (B)	Michelle Walker (B)	29.34secs
400 m	Sarah Hayman (R)	Melissa Green (B)	Kathryn Greaney (R)	1min 13.67secs
800 m	Melissa Green (B)	Stacey McIndoe (A)	Nerina Gaastra (B)	3min 11.81secs
1500 m	Kathryn Greaney (R)	Nerina Gaastra (B)	Sarah Buttimore (A)	6min 17.09secs
Discus	Sarah Hayman (R)	Alaina Crafar-Mckee (R)	Rowena Howard (B)	21.83m
Shot Putt	Alaina Crafar-Mckee (R)	Sarah Hayman (R)	Tennille Yandle (B)	7.52m
Javelin	Sarah Hayman (R)	Alaina Crafar-Mckee (R)	Rowena Howard (B)	19.81m
High Jump	Alaina Crafar-Mckee (R)	Kathryn Greaney (R)	Anneke Werner (A)	1.42m
Long Jump	Kathryn Greaney (R)	Alaina Crafar-Mckee (R)	Sarah Hayman (R)	4.28m
Triple Jump	Sarah Hayman (R)	Fiona McIntosh (B)	Anna Wilkinson (B)	8.70m
4 x 100 m Relay	Barrett	Darnell	Richmond	58.10secs



1998 TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year's annual Taranaki Secondary Schools Athletic Championships was held on Saturday 14th March at Jubilee Park, Inglewood. A team of nearly 40 athletes represented Spotswood College with good numbers of Junior and Intermediate athletes involved. The availability of senior athletes on Saturdays due to other commitments still remains a problem to all local secondary schools.

The Spotswood team was:

JUNIOR BOYS: Jimo Rangi, Thomas Moore, Geoffrey Painter, Brendon Eggers, Adam Te Awa.

JUNIOR GIRLS: Amanda Brien, Hayley Eichstaedt, Kerrie Davidson, Venita Christensen, Toni Hanscombe, Sarah Bingham, Sonia Jordan, Phillipa Soulsby, Rebecca Reidy, Latoya Wilcox, Sheena Tarana.

INTERMEDIATE BOYS: Gareth Chivers, Kylee Briskie, Barney Fitzpatrick, Jon-Paul Heather, Stuart Hood, Joseph Ngawini, Mathew Ubels, Shayne Williams, Manu Hay-Vega.

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS: AJ Hall, Zara Nicely, Hazel Robertson, Natalie Shanks.

SENIOR BOYS: Ben Gaastra, John Gabites, Daryl Roper, Jared Wilson.

SENIOR GIRLS: Nerina Gaastra, Melissa Green, Fiona McIntosh.

Some very good performances were recorded by our Spotswood athletes during the day with the top performance being achieved by John Gabites who won both the 100m and 200m in the senior boys category.

The top three placings recorded by Spotswood athletes were:

JUNIOR GIRLS:
Rebecca Reidy 2nd 800m 2mins 37.2sec

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS:
AJ Hall 2nd 80m Hurdles 14.7secs
Zara Nicely 2nd 1500m Walk 9mins51.41secs
AJ Hall 3rd 1500m 10mins03.94secs
Natalie Shanks Walk 2nd Javelin 18.97m

SENIOR GIRLS:
Melissa Green 1st 100m Hurdles 17.9 secs



JUNIOR BOYS:

Jimo Rangi	1st Long Jump	4.96m
	2nd 80m Hurdles	13.5secs
	2nd 100m	13.0secs
Thomas Moore	2nd 800m	2mins 27.0secs
	3rd 1500m	5mins 11.1secs
	3rd High Jump	1.50m

Adam Te Awa	2nd Javelin	30.30m
	3rd Discus	27.60m

Brendon Eggers	2nd Triple Jump	9.78m
Geoffrey Painter	3rd 80m Hurdles	13.5secs
4 x 100 m Relay	2nd	52.9secs
(Adam Te Awa, Thomas Moore, Geoffrey Painter, Jimo Rangi)		

INTERMEDIATE BOYS:

Kylee Briskie	3rd Javelin	33.60m
4 x 100 m Relay	3rd	50.9secs
(Gareth Chivers, Joseph Ngawini, Shayne Williams, Mathew Ubels)		

SENIOR BOYS:

John Gabites	1st 100m	11.5secs
	1st 200m	23.5secs
	3rd Long Jump	5.81m
Daryl Roper	3rd 1500m	4mins43.4secs
Ben Gaastra	3rd 3000m	11mins33.11secs
	3rd 1500m Walk	16mins35.27secs

CROSS COUNTRY

This year the College's annual Cross Country Championships were held on Wednesday 20 May, with competitors only taking part. All six events ran the same course over a distance of approximately 3 km.

The results were:

JUNIOR GIRLS:

Nicky Ries	(Atkinson)	1st	20mins 56.2s
Amanda Keat	(Atkinson)	2nd	
Amanda Brien	(Darnell)	3rd	

JUNIOR BOYS:

Thomas Moore	(Darnell)	1st	16mins 47.9s
Jason Lipsey	(Richmond)	2nd	
Brendon Eggers	(Richmond)	3rd	

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS:

Jean Tompkins	(Richmond)	1st	18mins 36.5s
Amy Laird	(Richmond)	2nd	
AJ Hall	(Barrett)	3rd	

INTERMEDIATE BOYS:

Leon Valentine	(Atkinson)	1st	16mins 8.3s
Mathew Ubels	(Darnell)	2nd	
Jon-Paul Heather	(Atkinson)	3rd	

SENIOR GIRLS:

Nerina Gaastra	(Barrett)	1st	20mins 56.8s
Sarah Hayman	(Richmond)	2nd	
Stacey McIndoe	(Atkinson)	3rd	

SENIOR BOYS:

Daryl Roper	(Richmond)	1st	16mins 33.1s
Kerry Rea	(Barrett)	2nd	
Joshua Morris	(Darnell)	3rd	

INTER-HOUSE FOR THE BALLINGER TROPHY:

BARRETT	1st
RICHMOND	2nd
ATKINSON	3rd
DARNELL	4th

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year's Championships were held at Francis Douglas College on Wednesday 3rd June in sunny warm conditions but with a chilly southerly wind present from time to time.

A big team of 46 runners represented Spotswood with some good individual performances recorded. The Intermediate Boys team finished second to be our best team on the day.

Spotswood results were:

JUNIOR GIRLS:

Nicky Ries (13 mins 31 secs) 15th, Amanda Keat 25th, Lisa Ballinger 27th, Amanda Brien 28th, Sara Zaloum 61st, Roslyn Stuart 70th, Team event =5th with 246, also Kandi Karaitiana 71st, Melody Ashwin 72nd, Meridith Bool 75th, Rebecca Russell 76th, Venita Christensen 77th.

JUNIOR BOYS:

Thomas Moore (10 mins 53 secs) 2nd, Jason Lipsey 12th, Brendon Eggers 39th, David McGiven 61st, Dion Liddall 63rd, Paul Riddle 67th, Team event =5th with 244 points, also Murphy Te Ruki 71st.

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS:

Cassie Willoughby (13 mins 30 secs) 10th, Hazel Robertson 23rd, Sharlene Turner 28th, AJ Hall 45th, Laura Adlam 64th, Jane Coleman 65th, Team event =8th with 235 points, also Rachele Davis (DNF).

INTERMEDIATE BOYS:

Mathew Ubels (15 mins 14 secs) 4th, Jon-Paul Heather 12th, Andrew Sharpe 14th, Leon Valentine 15th, Ryan Adlam 23rd, Daniel Gaastra 25th, Team event =2nd with 93 points, also Russell Watson 32nd, Garan Sinclair 54th.

SENIOR GIRLS:

Nerina Gaastra (13 mins 44 secs) 8th, Melissa Green 20th, Stacey McIndoe 30th, Sarah Buttimore 34th, Elizabeth Buttimore 35th, Tina McDonald 41st, Team event =5th with 168 points, also Fiona McIntosh (DNF).

SENIOR BOYS:

Ben Gaastra 20th, Daryl Roper 24th, Kerry Rea 25th, Josh Morris 36th, Heydon Bartlett 38th, Jon Gaastra 39th, Team event =4th with 182 points.



1998 SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE ANNUAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

JUNIOR GIRLS	1ST	2ND	3RD	TIME
25 m Freestyle	Casey Glentworth (D)	Phillipa Soulsby (A)	Amanda Brien (R)	15.09secs
25 m Backstroke	Casey Glentworth (D)	Phillipa Soulsby (A)	Sonia Jordan (B)	18.56secs
25 m Breaststroke	Casey Glentworth (D)	Astyn Hare (D)	Helen Guthrie (A)	21.06secs
25 m Butterfly	Casey Glentworth (D)	Phillipa Soulsby (A)	Helen Guthrie (A)	17.72secs
50 m Freestyle	Casey Glentworth (D)	Phillipa Soulsby (A)	Amanda Brien (R)	33.82secs
50 m Backstroke	Casey Glentworth (D)	Donna James (B)	Roslyn Stuart (R)	40.44secs
50 m Breaststroke	Casey Glentworth (D)	Astyn Hare (D)	Rebecca Reidy (R)	48.88secs
100 m Freestyle	Casey Glentworth (D)	Venita Christensen (D)		1min 13.50secs
4 x 25 m Relay	Darnell	Richmond	Barrett	1min 09.70secs

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS	1ST	2ND	3RD	TIME
25 m Freestyle	Vicky Soffe (R)	Abby Penman (A)	Lee Hare (D)	16.12secs
25 m Backstroke	Emily Miller (R)	Abby Penman (A)	Michelle Soulsby (D)	19.97secs
25 m Breaststroke	Abby Penman (A)	Vicky Soffe (R)	Elli Pillette (B)	20.56secs
25 m Butterfly	Abby Penman (A)	Adele Main (R)	Emily Miller (R)	19.81secs
50 m Freestyle	Vicky Soffe (R)	Abby Penman (A)	Michelle Soulsby (D)	38.10secs
50 m Backstroke	Emily Miller (R)	Vicky Soffe (R)	Adele Main (R)	48.00secs
50 m Breaststroke	Abby Penman (A)	Michelle Soulsby (D)	Vicky Soffe (R)	49.03secs
100 m Freestyle	Abby Penman (A)	Vicky Soffe (R)	Emily Miller (R)	1min 36.41secs
4 x 25 m Relay	Darnell	Richmond	Barrett	1min 08.09secs

SENIOR GIRLS	1ST	2ND	3RD	TIME
25 m Freestyle	Kelly Shuker (D)	Kathryn Greaney (R)	Renee Penman (A)	16.72secs
25 m Backstroke	Renee Penman (A)	Kelly Mason (B)	Michelle Walker (B)	20.53secs
25 m Breaststroke	Janet Charteris (A)	Renee Penman (A)	Adrienne Greenhill (R)	21.68secs
25 m Butterfly	Kelly Shuker (D)	Renee Penman (A) and	Kate Guthrie (A) equal	18.12secs
50 m Freestyle	Kelly Shuker (D)	Kathryn Greaney (R)	Kelly Mason (B)	39.60secs
50 m Backstroke	Renee Penman (A)	Kelly Mason (B)	Kathryn Greaney (R)	48.25secs
50 m Breaststroke	Janet Charteris (A)	Anneke Werner (A)	Renee Penman (A)	50.78secs
100 m Freestyle	Kelly Shuker (D)	Kelly Mason (B)	Kathryn Greaney (R)	1min 34.22secs
4 x 25 m Relay	Atkinson	Darnell	Richmond	1min 11.88secs

OPEN GIRLS	1ST	2ND	3RD	TIME
4 x 25 m Medley	Casey Glentworth (D)	Kelly Shuker (D)	Renee Penman (A)	1min 26.81secs



SWIMMING RESULTS

JUNIOR BOYS

25 m Freestyle	Patrick Urwin (D)	Geoffrey Painter (B)	Chris Benge (D)	17.69secs
25 m Backstroke	Geoffrey Painter (B)	Alan Wells (B)	Nathan Fenwick (A)	25.84secs
25 m Breaststroke	Jordan Lewis (D)	David Tooman (A)	Craig Shannon (D)	24.22secs
25 m Butterfly	Nathan Fenwick (A)	Tristan Bridger (B)		29.75secs
50 m Freestyle	Thomas Moore (D)	Chris Benge (D)	Nathan Fenwick (A)	38.34secs
50 m Backstroke	No event			
50 m Breaststroke	David Tooman (A)	Tiaki Bunyan (R)	Samual Shiels (B)	58.35secs
100 m Freestyle	Thomas Moore (D)	Shayman Pihama (R)	Brendon Eggers (R)	1min 34.07secs
4 x 25 m Relay	Darnell	Atkinson	Richmond	1min 16.75secs

INTERMEDIATE BOYS

25 m Freestyle	Joe Ngawini (R)	Lionel Adams (A)	Scott Souness (A)	14.78secs
25 m Backstroke	Lionel Adams (A)	Joe Ngawini (R)	Scott Hodges (D)	18.46secs
25 m Breaststroke	Scott Souness (A)	Barney Fitzpatrick (D)	Daniel Ashard (B)	21.72secs
25 m Butterfly	Lionel Adams (A)	Barney Fitzpatrick (D)	Scott Souness (A)	20.60secs
50 m Freestyle	Joe Ngawini (R)	Luke Keegan (D)	Tamie Ngaia (A)	34.47secs
50 m Backstroke	Lionel Adams (A)	Ryan Adlam (B)	Shane Ries (D)	43.31secs
50 m Breaststroke	Scott Souness (A)	Barney Fitzpatrick (D)	Daniel Ashard (B)	52.19secs
100 m Freestyle	Joe Ngawini (R)	Shayne Williams (B)	Stuart McIntosh (B)	1min 26.65secs
4 x 25 m Relay	Richmond	Atkinson	Darnell	1min 05.22secs

SENIOR BOYS

25 m Freestyle	Nick Daly (D)	Sam Whiteman (D)	Adam Priest (A)	13.62secs
25 m Backstroke	Adam Priest (A)	Sam Whiteman (D)	Peter Bielawski (B)	19.00secs
25 m Breaststroke	Nick Daly (D)	Peter Bielawski (B)	Jaron Piggot (R)	19.81secs
25 m Butterfly	KJ Baker (D)	Peter Bielawski (B)	Willie Lewis (B)	19.84secs
50 m Freestyle	Brad Hart (A)	Sam Whiteman (D)	Brendon O'Keeffe (D)	34.06secs
50 m Backstroke	Peter Bielawski (B)	Brendon O'Keeffe (D)	Alistair Tippett (D)	47.41secs
50 m Breaststroke	Brad Hart (A)	Jaron Piggot (R)	Wade Lobb (B)	49.00secs
100 m Freestyle	Willie Lewis (B)		Alistair Tippett (D)	1min 40.47secs
4 x 25 m Relay	Darnell	Richmond	Atkinson	1min 02.10secs

OPEN BOYS

4 x 25 m Medley	No event
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HOUSE POINTS FOR SWIMMING

OVERALL HOUSE POINTS FOR THE CRAIGMYLE CUP

Atkinson	559 points	1st
Darnell	556 points	2nd
Richmond	517 points	3rd
Barrett	474 points	4th
Individual Champions:		
Junior girls	Casey Glentworth	
Junior boys	Thomas Moore	
Intermediate girls	Abby Penman	
Intermediate boys	Lionel Adams	
Senior girls	Kelly Shuker	
Senior boys	Peter Bielawski	

GIRLS

	ATKINSON	BARRETT	DARNELL	RICHMOND
Non-Championship entries	89	21	51	81
Championship = Junior	50	62	115	173
= Intermediate	61	43	50	173
= Senior	102	126	68	53

BOYS

	ATKINSON	BARRETT	DARNELL	RICHMOND
Non Championship entries	45	11	22	29
Championship = Junior	52	60	70	36
= Intermediate	104	55	62	52
= Senior	56	96	118	32
	559	474	556	517
	1st	4th	2nd	3rd

1998 TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year's annual Taranaki Secondary Schools Swimming Championships was again held at the TSB Pool Complex in Stratford on Tuesday, 10 March.

Spotswood College had the largest team of swimmers at the Championships and returned some creditable performances. A feature of this year's championships was the extremely high number of records that were broken in all age-groups.

The Spotswood Swim team for 1998 was:

Junior Girls:	Casey Glentworth, Sonia Jordan, Astyn Hare, Rebecca Reidy, Venita Christensen, Amanda Brien, Donna James.
Junior Boys	Geoffrey Painter, Nathan Fenwick, David Tooman, Thomas Moore, Chris Benge, Patrick Urwin.
Intermediate Girls	Emily Miller, Adele Main, Abby Penman, Vicky Soffe, Lee Hare, Crystal McPherson.
Intermediate Boys	Lionel Adams, Barney Fitzpatrick, Luke Keegan, Joseph Ngawini, Scott Souness.
Senior Girls	Janet Charteris, Kathryn Greaney, Kelly Mason.
Senior Boys	John Gabites, Brad Hart, Willie Lewis, Brendon O'Keefe, Julian Pitman.

Team Cheer Leader Alistair Tippett

Spotswood's best results were recorded by:

Casey Glentworth	2nd
Junior Girls 50m Backstroke	37.58secs
Crystal McPherson	3rd
Intermediate Girls 50m Butterfly	34.82secs
Intermediate Girls	2nd
4 x 25 m Medley Relay Team (Crystal McPherson, Emily Miller, Abby Penman, Vicky Soffe)	1min 11.67secs
Intermediate Girls	2nd
4 x 25 m Freestyle Relay Team (Lee Hare, Crystal McPherson, Abby Penman, Vicky Soffe)	1min 02.77secs
Julian Pitman	3rd
Senior Boys 50 m Backstroke	32.40secs



AEROBICS REPORT

We left for Hamilton, Spotswood's first ever aerobics team, to compete in the Central Districts Secondary School Aerobics Champs!

With a racy theme, skimpy outfits (thanks mum, they were great!), a pumped-up song and two months of aerobics experience behind us, we were ready to leg-kick with the best of them.

Our arrival was shattering. We were faced with leggy, buffed chicks who all seemed to boast hundreds of years of dancing, aerobics and gym experience, sickening flexibility and overall talent (all the things we'd overlooked when packing).

After much debate and sisterly hugs we decided against running back to New Plymouth and strode, with well applied (almost as thick as our lippy) fake confidence, towards the stage.

After a stunning (well stunning when compared to our earlier dress rehearsal in front of the school) warm-up round, we left the stage, all limbs still attached and our 'show smiles' still as cheesy as ever, to sit down and enjoy the amazing performances to come.

Two days, three performances and hundreds of new friends later, we returned home triumphant - yes, we had come 5th! We were stoked, not only did 5th mean that we might have a little talent and flexibility, but it also meant that we had our own personal invites to compete in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Aerobic Finals, which, unfortunately, we missed due to exams.

So, A HUGE THANKYOU to John Gibbons at the Fitness Company, our parents for the money and to ourselves for putting up with each other.

Liz and Sarah Buttimore



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TARANAKI REPS

Under 15 Softball

James Jenkins
Louis Swannell

Under 17 Softball

Joseph Ngawini
James Jenkins
Shayne Williams
Manu Hay-Vega

Under 17 Softball (Girls)

Jamie West
Lowenne Russell

Under 18 Touch

Karena West
Hinga Manukonga
Santini Rangi

Taranaki Youth Girls Touch

Hinga Manukonga
Jamie Lloyd

Under 18 Soccer

Heydon Bartlett
James Grieve

U17 Netball, Development Squad

Jared McEldowney
Sarah

Hayman

U16 Rugby League

Lewis Evans
Jimo Rangi
Kylee Briskie
Mike Kahui

Taranaki U17, U19, Snr Women's Soccer

Kathryn Greaney
Misty Donaldson
Brendon Riddick

Taranaki Secondary Schools Girls Rugby

Jamie West

Swimming (in Hamilton) Volleyball Mens

Casey Glentworth
John Gabites
Brendon Henchman
Brendon O'Keefe
Andi Moll

Volleyball - Women's Team

Jared Wilson
MichelleThorstensen
MelissaGreen
Natasha Lees

U17 Netball

Tracey Amstad
Jimo Rangi

Taranaki Athletic Representatives

Geoffrey Painter

Taranaki Secondary Schools Maori Basketball

Joshua Paurini
Eli Paurini
Eli Waikawa

NEW ZEALAND REPS

Nick Daley - Wrestling

New Zealand Secondary Schools

John Gabites - Volleyball

North Island Secondary Schools, SNR Boys

Joanna Demetriou - Rollerskating

New Zealand Junior Speed Rollerskating Team

Dwayne Theobald - Indoor Bowls

New Zealand U19 Indoor Bowls

FRASER SPORTS EXCHANGE

10 - 11 August '98'

Badminton	Spotswood 13 - 3
Boys Basketball	Spotswood 55 - 47
Boys Hockey	Fraser 10 - 3
Boys Soccer	Fraser 2 - 1
Boys Volleyball	Spotswood 3 - 0
Cycling Individuals	Spotswood and Winner overall

Cycling Shield	Fraser
First Fifteen Rugby	Fraser 19 - 5
Girls Soccer	Spotswood 7 - 3
Girls Volleyball	Spotswood 3 - 0
Netball A	Fraser 26 - 10
Netball B	Spotswood 25 - 16
Surfing	Fraser

Overall the sports exchange was played in great spirit and fair play. Tuesday 11 August would have been the worst weather this year in New Plymouth to be playing sports. It was good to see the whole school out and supporting the college.

Thanks must go to all the people who helped the College out with referees, umpires, canteen, scorers, billetes and order of St Johns and to the Kapa Haka Ropu's great performance, and to Tamati Goff for his Whaikorero. We are looking forward to the return exchange next year; watch out Fraser!



HAWERA JUNIOR SPORTS EXCHANGE

Tuesday 4 August 1998 at Hawera High School
We sent six sports teams down to Hawera High on a beautiful day. There were three 3rd form netball teams, a 4th form netball team, C grade rugby side and a badminton team which had three players in it.

In the netball games we had one loss. The Narlies, Hurricanes and No Fear all had good wins with the Nikes losing by just one goal.

The C grade rugby team had a very good victory with the score 19 - 5. The game was really tough but Spotswood won. The badminton team didn't do as well as the other teams.

All the sports were played in great spirit, with Spotswood coming out on top.

Hawera High put on some great nibbles for all the athletes. We will be looking forward to next year when Hawera travels to Spotswood.

HOUSE REPORT 1998

Activity	Award	Winner	Runner-up
Athletics	Morine Cup	Richmond	Barrett
Swimming	Craigmyle Cup	Atkinson	Darnell
Softball	Chris Hamil Cup	Darnell	Barrett
X-Country	Paul Ballinger Trophy	Barrett	Richmond
Tennis	Sole Cup	Darnell	Barrett
Netball	Faye Hill Cup	Barrett	Atkinson
Basketball	Robert and Nancy Mong Cup	Richmond	Atkinson
Volleyball	P Gayton Cup	Darnell	Barrett
Tug of War	T.O.W. Shield	Richmond	Atkinson
Rugby	Honor Cup	Richmond	Barrett
Soccer	Mr and Mrs E H Borrell Cup	Darnell	Barrett
Talent Quest		Atkinson	Darnell
Touch Rugby	Touch Shield	Darnell	Atkinson
Cricket	McDonald Cup		
Indoor Hockey			
Karaoke		Darnell	Barrett

Richmond

Teacher: Mr Ward

(H) Josh Paurini (H) Kelly Hopkinson
(D) Kevin Bryand (D) Sarah Greenbank

Atkinson

Teacher: Miss Andrews

(H) John Gabities (H) Renee Penman
(D) Tim Biesiek (D) Lisa Snowden

Darnell

Teacher: Mr Joe

(H) Brendon O'Keeffe (H) Michelle Thorstensen
(D) Alister Tippett (D) Kasia Scannell

Barrett

Teacher: Mrs Charteris

(H) Peter Bielawski (H) Melissa Green
(D) Blair Cox (D) Rachel Garvey
Damon Coneglan



OVERALL HOUSE POINTS FOR THE MORINE CUP:

Richmond	1357½ points	1st
Barrett	1048½ points	2nd
Darnell	941 points	3rd
Atkinson	844 points	4th

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS:

Junior Girls	Rebecca Reidy
Junior Boys	Adam Te Awa
Intermediate Girls	Jean Tompkins
Intermediate Boys	Joseph Ngawini
Senior Girls	Sarah Hayman
Senior Boys	John Gabites

Staff vs House Leaders

Netball - Staff won 15 - 13

This was a very spirited game with an often disputed score but the teachers came up on top! Teachers who starred: "Mr Tuz, Mr Martin, Mrs Matheson, Mrs Hodges, Mrs Shannon, Mr Cooper, Mr Carnachan, Mr Chivers, Mrs Byers, and Mr Joe".

The game showed the towering defence of Mr Tuz, the energetic centre skills of Mr Martin and the superior skills of the teachers over the students - (Do you believe that students?)

Staff vs 7th Basketball

This was an excellent spectacle to be at, with a packed gym. The game was played in style with the teachers winning 85 - 77.

The crowd was treated to some thunderous Jams by Mr "Air Time" Yandle and the Pin Point shooting from Mr Tuz. Mr Chivers had some excellent long range bombs that found the back of the net and other teachers to star were "Mr Foy, Mr Martin and Ms Holland".

Karaoke

The karaoke contest was a new addition to the house event and was hugely supported. People to impress were the Darnell super teams, The Spice Girls, Magenta Taylor's trio and Tamati Goff. Darnell takes out this new event in style.

P.S. Mr Martin and Mr Joe - I'm sure "You're too Sexy!"



A QUICK HIGHLIGHT OF THE YEAR'S HOUSE EVENTS

Athletics	An excellent day with superb participation from female athletes and Richmond winning the title.
Swimming	A very tightly swum contest and at the end of two-day competition Atkinson narrowly beating Darnell, 559 - 556.
Softball	Darnell cruising to victory winning the title for its third year in a row. Players to impress "Manu Hay-Vega, Malcolm Colvin and Karena West".
X - Country	Barrett wins the title, breaking Atkinson's chance to win its third title in a row. Highlights of the event were the facial expressions up that "Damn Hill!"
Netball	Barrett breaks Darnell's streak of four titles in a row.
Basketball	Richmond led by big man Dylan Spencer wins its much wanted Basketball Cup. Good support by Eli Waikawa and from the Juniors Shayman Pihama and Rebecca Reidy.
Volleyball	Darnell dominates the top of the net with awesome play by Brendon "Psycho" Henchman, Michelle Thorstensen and Brendon O'Keeffe.
Tennis	Darnell takes out the title in style. Players to impress - Karyn McDonald, Kasia Scannell, Alan Milward, Ryan Cooper and Samuel Wilson.
Tug of War	Richmond won this shield. The event was marred by poor participation but the highlight of the event was watching other teams try to beat the Darnell senior boys "tuggers" anchored by Bryden Glen.
Soccer	Darnell wins this closely fought contest by a goals countback over Barrett. "Tough luck Barrett!"
Touch Rugby	Darnell takes it out in this popular sporting event!
Talent Quest	A new event to be added this year. Highlights were Lionel "Eddie Murphy" Adams in his stand-up comedy routine, Nick "The Flame Thrower" Daly and that controversial Full Monty act!. Well done Atkinson on its ½-point victory over Darnell.
Rugby	Richmond scored a record for winning twice in a row. Players to star - Rachael "Juggles" Garvey, Andi "Miss the try" Moll and Kathryn "Wheels" Greaney.
Events not contested before print: Indoor Hockey, Cricket	

BARRETT HOUSE REPORT

Barrett's triumph of the year had to be winning the netball trophy. The first blue stripe appeared proudly on the common room results chart! House sport was great this year with fiery competitiveness between Darnell's "wussy" house captains and Barrett's "take no Prisoners" leadership.

A big thanks to you all who put in a great effort keeping us in second place behind a team wearing "pink bibs". Also a big thanks to the juniors who were great! Thanks to Mrs C who was great and very supportive. And thanks to Mr Joe for his questionable reffing and for the many heated arguments arising from this!

We hope that next year's house leaders are as awesome and cool as we are!

Long live Barrett!

Peter, Damon, Melissa, Rachel

RICHMOND HOUSE REPORT

A name synonymous with winning.

Why do you ask? Well, between biased reffing by a now bald guy who will stay anonymous and dirty tactics by the other loser houses we still managed to "kiss butt"!

Richmond is a powerhouse of sporting talent and we won the most important events by having the best house. When we lost it was because of our kindness and generosity towards other houses like Barrett by letting them win a few games. As well as this we are superior in every field and we are also nice and jolly good looking!

Darnell, a name synonymous with Dirty, both in tactics and in spirit. Darnell are the only small obstacle in a global Richmond sport takeover.

Barrett, a name synonymous with ... um, when they turn up they are easily dispatched anyway.

Thanks go to all our loyal Richmond followers without whom Richmond might lose a couple. Thanks to the Richmond sixth formers who will continue to dominate next year as well. Thanks and keep winning.

Josh, Kelly, Kevin and Sarah



ATKINSON HOUSE REPORT

Following the trend of previous years, 1998 was again another disappointing year for Atkinson. Things did look promising early with the swimming sports being won, thanks to some great swimming by our senior girls. But clearly this was short lived with a last place in the athletics.

Through most of the year we were battling to stay off the bottom of the table. When in title-winning position we were reffed out of the sport by a red-eyed house sport organiser. This certain Darnell maths teacher's inability to add three numbers almost cost us the Talent Quest, but thanks to 'yours truly', who knows the shady ways of Mr Joe, I was able to right the wrong.

Our juniors were outstanding all year, only being beaten a few times. Some more committed participation from our seniors and this report may have been different.

Thanks to all who continually turned up to represent our fine house.

John Gabites

DARNELL HOUSE REPORT

What more do we have to say? Athleticism was obviously the key to success and my goodness we definitely had our fair share of success (we had Barrett's as well).

It's about time Darnell shone, and with the four amazing, stunning, good-looking and talented house leaders it's no wonder 1998 was the year of red.

Darnell truly dominated house sports this year with the help of Vic, Hench, Kaz, Santini and the rest of the fearsome crew.

Hard luck to the other houses, I'm sure you will someday reach our level of success and talent; we are willing to give lessons on how to be awesome.

Good luck to next year's leaders - go hard the whole year and hold up the new tradition of Darnell winning.

D.A.R.N.E.L.L. Darnell is the house from hell!

HOUSE SPORT

The Final Comment

This year's house sport calendar was bigger and better than the '1997' model. We kept all the sport from last year and added the popular student-supported Talent Quest, Mountain Biking and Karaoke.

I would like to thank all the people who organised the house clashes especially Mr Ward, Mr Montgomerie, Mrs Charteris and numerous others! The House captains and leaders have done an excellent job especially as all the contests were tightly and fiercely contested.

To next year's students: get involved in house sport and give those events a go, and Hey, "HAVE FUN".

P.S Mr Joe is not a biased umpire but "who won the House Sport Overall Title?"

"D.A.R.-.-.-".

CRICKET REPORT

Cricket continued to grow at Spotswood in 1998. There were three boys' teams and two girls' teams entered in the various competitions this year. This is the highest participation rate for several years. There was also a successful exchange with Waitara and the usual Gillette cup programme.

To support this growth, considerable amounts of money have been spent on new nets and new gear. The junior girls' team and the boys' Cairns team have new team shirts. All teams will be wearing official school team shirts by the end of 1998.

The year started with two successful coaching clinics. These were intended to give the game a boost in the school, to encourage new participation and to enable the players to experience some top level coaching. Both clinics were held on warm, sunny afternoons perfect for serious skill and practice sessions. Thanks to all cricketers who attended. General behaviour and attitude was excellent and visiting coaches left with a good impression. Thankyou to coaches especially Terry Long who provided advice, enthusiasm and orange juice!

Well done to the players who committed themselves to a team this year. Hopefully potential players will recognise the school's effort to offer a comprehensive cricketing programme and trial for school rather than club teams. To all players and involved adults, thank you and good luck for 1999.

W Foy



GIRLS CRICKET

Back: Hine Te Awhe, Lisa Johnson, Rebekah Lealand, Hannah Gulliver, Shannon Rewa

Front: Tessa Versteeg, Janine Howard, Misty Donaldson, Darcelle Nicholson, Chez O'Donnell.

GIRLS CRICKET

The 1998 season began with a group of enthusiastic 3rd and 4th formers competing in the Friday afternoon competition at Francis Douglas College, under the guidance of Tim Biesiek, Rowena Howard and Ms Moran.

At first we had some good results, but unfortunately these weren't sustained. More attendance at practice please girls.

Bernie O'Donnell took over the coaching part way through the season and we thank him for his enthusiasm and energy.

The girls looked very smart in their polo shirts and we hope that we have better results for the latter half of the season. Top performances for the team have been Chez O'Donnell, Kandi Karaitiana, Tessa Versteeg and Hannah Gulliver while Tessa, Lisa Johnson and Darcelle Nicholson were the top run-scorers.

Thanks to Tim, Rowena and Bernie, as well as to our parent-supporters.

1ST XI SENIOR BOYS CRICKET

You win some, you lose some ... or so the saying goes, but it seems we lost more than we won.

We had some legendary performances from our 'import' Colin Reed. Colin's batting and bowling was simply awesome. Colin's brother, Stephen, contributed to give us a formidable bowling line-up.

We started the season with Aaron Lockett as Captain up until the Christmas break, when he left Spotswood for Francis Douglas Memorial College. That left the position open for Tim Biesiek.

There were some excellent batting performances from Thor Gudjonsson and our coach Eddie Biesiek.

Even if we lost most of our games, we still set one New Zealand record: the lowest score, against Francis Douglas Memorial College - we scored 12, yes 12 runs, with one quarter of the team's score coming from our opening batsman Tim Biesiek, and half the team getting ducks.

The whole team performed well and pretty consistently throughout the season. With a bit more practice we should be able to make 15 against Francis Douglas this year eh guys?

We made a good start to the 98-99 season with a solid win over NP United.

T. Biesiek



1ST ELEVEN CRICKET

Back: Thor Gudjonsson, Robert Crow, Adrian George, Dallas Jackson, Fraser Ross

Front: Allan Millward, Jon Waters, Tim Biesiek, Rowena Howard, B. J. Martin, Craig Sharpe

HARRIS CRICKET

Back: Ben Gudjonsson, Shayman Pihama, Rowena Howard, Barney Fitzpatrick

Middle: Jacob Styles, Josh Dixon, Kane Piper, Kenneth Short, Kerrin Harrison, Simon Besseling

Front: Ashley Crockett, Robbie Kerr, Andrew Sharpe.

SPOTSWOOD HARRIS

Chris Harris had a brilliant summer and ended up winning the flash red Hyundai car as player of the year. His success dwindled a little on the Indian/Sri Lankan tour but he is still New Zealand's best one day player. The Harris team's fortunes were much the same! They started brilliantly with three solid wins over some very good opposition and then folded as the season drew to a close. They still are potentially an excellent team and should do well as they move through the grades.

Harris beat Waitara, Inglewood and Girls' High. The team was well organised and well managed by Brian Crockett. Robbie Kerr captained very professionally and developed a team that was serious and, against Inglewood in particular, clinical in its approach.

Congratulations to all the players who showed that working as a team and remaining focussed really does bring results. Let's see more of that in 1999. There were many strong individual performances. Craig Murfitt hit 54 against Inglewood. Kerrin Harrison took 3-7 against Inglewood and 3-16 against Girls' High. Andrew Sharpe provided stability at the top of the order and Robbie Kerr, Ashley Crockett and Ben Gudjonsson were consistent and often dangerous bowlers. Each individual player deserves credit because they really did concentrate well and play to the best of their ability.

Thanks to Brian Crockett for all his help and to the parents who supported the team - it made a real difference. To the Harris players, congratulations, I am looking forward to another impressive season in 1999.

W Foy



SPOTSWOOD CAIRNS

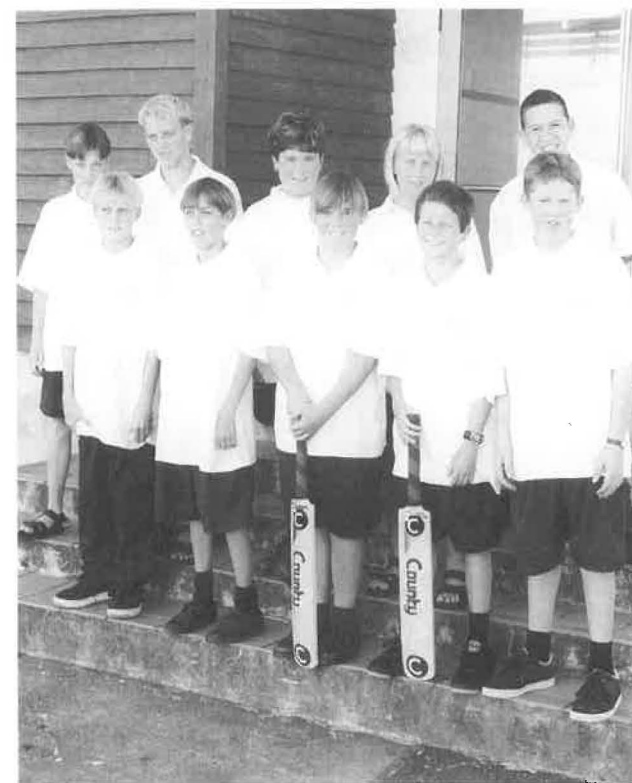
A team is greater than the sum of its individuals. Well it should be! The Cairns team had some good players this year but unfortunately the results never came together.

Some of the individual performances were impressive. Tiaki Bunyan scored 33 not out with the bat against Okato College and Chris Ropitini, Trent Harvey and Sam Shiels provided many overs of useful bowling. Tessa Versteeg and Janine Howard made valuable contributions and displayed commitment and "sportsmanship" at all times.

The other players must be commended for turning out week after week despite some disappointments. The team would not have survived the season without the dedication of its manager, Mr Frank Versteeg. Frank helped with transport, organised gear and was an Umpire in most games. Teams cannot function without this assistance and it was much appreciated.

I am hoping that the Cairns team can build on the start they made last season and go on to provide a chance for Spotswood students to enjoy cricket and an opportunity for them to experience some success.

W Foy



CAIRNS CRICKET

Back: Trent Harvey, Patrick Urwin, Janine Howard, Tessa Versteeg, Tiaki Bunyan.

Front: Kieran Sorensen, Jason Lipsey, Ben Short, Sam Shiels, Dion Liddall.



Back Row: Wayne Harrison, Scott Hodges (Captain), Kerrin Harrison, Ryan Leatham, Neil Hodges (Coach).

Front Row: Natalie Shanks, Lisa Kerr, Sally Morgan

YACHTING TEAM REPORT

After two months of intensive training we left New Plymouth on Thursday 16 April to attend the International Epiglass Teams Racing Championships. The very tired team arrived at Christchurch on Friday at 1.30 am. After a good sleep we sorted out our rented house then we went to the Yacht Club at Lyttelton to rig and weigh our boat.

When we attended the briefing and welcome we discovered that we were sailing in the very first race of the Nationals, not what we had hoped for. So on Saturday morning four of the fifteen teams sailed out to do battle. We came back ashore with one win against New Plymouth Girls High School and two losses, one of which was decided by the Judge giving me a penalty. The coach wasn't happy with the team's performance. For the other four days that we were sailing we showed glimpses of what we had practised but basic mistakes were giving races away. We ended the series with only three wins which placed us 11th overall. Although the team didn't get the result it was capable of and hoping for, we still had a lot of fun.

Scott Hodges

Sailing Team Captain

TENNIS

1998 was a very successful year for Spotswood College tennis. We entered two teams in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Tennis Team Competition. Our mixed team, consisting of Redmond Hanlon, Michael Lowers, Eloise Pollard and Phillipa Soulsby made Spotswood history by becoming Taranaki mixed Secondary Schools champions. After beating Inglewood in the final for the championship, Michael, Eloise, Phillipa and now with the inclusion of Jared Steele travelled to Wanganui to play their regional championships. Going down against an experienced Wanganui High School team, we were still pleased with our effort and enjoyed our games, that were only lost marginally.

We also entered a boys' team in the New Zealand Championship, who unfortunately lost to a very advanced New Plymouth Boys High School team to be knocked out of the competition.

Thankyou to Mr Cooper for excellent organisation of school championships and teams. Greatly appreciated.

Eloise Pollard



SENIOR TENNIS (MIXED)

Left-Right: Redmond Hanlon, Jared Steel, Mr Cooper, Phillipa Soulsby, Eloise Pollard.

1997 SCHOOL CHAMPIONS

Seniors

John Lawton Cup

Winner

Runner Up

Plate Winner

Lorraine Lovell Cup

Winner

Runner Up

Plate Winner

Juniors

3rd Form

Boys

Winner

Runner Up

Girls

Winner

Runner Up

4th Form

Boys

Winner

Runner Up

Girls

Winner

Runner Up

J Beggs Trophy - Junior Boys Champion

Winner

M Cooper Trophy - Junior Girls Champion

Winner

Dion Cowley

Redmond Hadlon

Jared Wilson

Eloise Pollard

Michelle Thorstenson

Bridget Wilson

Kerrin Harrison

Michael Steel

Phillippa Soulsby

Tessa Versteeg

Michael Lowers

Shane Ries

Ashley Faamai

Dianna Tuki

Michael Lowers

Phillippa Soulsby

SQUASH

A coaching clinic has been held at Kawaroa Park Squash Courts. Coach Graeme Randolph, the Central Region's Squash Development Officer, has been running the clinic for eight weeks.

Spotswood College students include Robbie Kerr, Ryan Leatham, Daniel Gaastra and Kerrin Harrison. These students seem to be heading towards being a strong future squash side.

Good work guys,
Keep it up.



SQUASH

Left-Right Robbie Kerr, Jared Greenbank, Andrew Sharpe, Thomas Moore



SURFING AND BODY BOARDING

Back: Cain Carr, Wade Harding, Mr Peters, Rick Christiansen, Toby Parsons

Middle: Josh Blundell, J.P. Heather, Gareth Rabinson, Wade Lobb.

Front: Jessica Terrill, Jayne Wicks.

SPOTSWOOD SURF TEAM

The 1998 Spotswood Surf Team was a great success with some excellent results in the Taranaki secondary school surfing competition. Our best results came from Gareth Robinson and Katherine Greaney taking out the men's and women's under 18 sections respectively, Gareth pulling a radical half cut manoeuvre in the last seconds of a gripping final.

Other good results come from Dylan Turner who was extremely unlucky not to take out the Malibu section against Omar Sanchez of Boys High in difficult waves. Rick Christiansen also did well getting 12th overall against difficult competition in the under 18 body-boarding. Anita Walsh also got 3rd equal with Stephanie Read in the under 14 girls final. All in all a great time had by all. Looking forward to next year.

Couabunga dudes!
Toby Parsons

SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE GYMNASTIC TEAM - 1998

Imagine six people who have an immortal fetish for hurling themselves into the air and distorting their bodies into unnatural shapes. This group of people was this year's Spotswood College Gymnastic Team.

The TSSA Gymnastic Competition was held on Wednesday 5th August at St John's Gymnastic Club in Hawera. After a huge debate between four 3rd form Spice Girls fans and myself, the only 7th former, over which radio station to listen to, (which Mr Martin could have solved by singing a few "sexy" songs), we waited in anticipation of getting to kick our rival schools' butts.

After many years of allowing other Taranaki secondary schools to feel dominant in gymnastics, in order to show that we obeyed the morals that our parents taught us - to not be greedy and to share, we came from nowhere to annihilate the competition with our sheer brilliant talent. As an added bonus we were also definitely the best dressed with the "sexy" new Spotswood College tracksuits, that have the uncanny ability to make any female look like a male.

Results:

Kelly Hopkinson and Vicky Soffe - 1st team

Charleen Ewans and Jackie Crawford - 3rd team

Sonia Jordan - 3rd individual

Thanks to Westpac Trust, Sport Taranaki and Steve McKean for the great prizes and certificates as well as St Johns Gym Club for their hospitality and the good food. Most of all thanks Mr Martin for your support and organisation as well as your services as our own personal chauffeur. To the gymnastic team, great job, well done. I hope that you all enter again next year to yet again show your amazing talent and love for gymnastics.

Kelly Hopkinson



SURF LIFE SAVING

This year I participated in the national inflatable rescue boat competition (IRB nationals).

This is held in Christchurch at South Brighton beach - the home of the huge elephant seal! The first day of competition was postponed due to huge swells and strong winds which would be extremely dangerous conditions to compete in. So the two days of events had to be crammed into one day - the Sunday. The beach was worse than it was on Saturday and the organisers had a bit of a problem as to where to move the IRB champs to. By 2.00 pm Sunday afternoon all of the competitors, spectators and officials were out in the wop wops at a small bay that was covered in gorse and sheep poop, not really what we had expected!

The races barely reached 100 m long. Short fast dashes with definitely no room for mistakes.

I'm in the N.P.O.B under-21 team of three with former Spotswood students Chris Allen and Rhys Clark. We have been together for 3-4 seasons and we work together very well.

We raced all afternoon in ice cold Christchurch water and were totally ecstatic to find we had reached three out of four finals. By this time my nerves had really set in but our skills were still in shape because we managed to keep our NZ IRB Under-21 Champions title by gaining 1st in mass rescue - Gold, 1st in single rescue - Gold, 3rd in Assembly rescue - Bronze.

Our celebrations carried on well into the evening and the saying "Practice makes perfect" was a quote we truly believed in.

Michelle Walker



SWIMMING

Back: Luke Keegan, Brad Hart, Julian Pitman, Chris Benge, John Gabites, Mascot 'Grizz', Lionel Adams, Bastion Sajonz, Willie Lewis, Joseph Ngawini, Thomas Moore.

Third Row: Barnie Fitzpatrick, Nathan Fenwick, Brendon O'Keeffe, Venita Christensen, Abby Penman, Adele Main, Lee Hare, Crystal McPherson.

Second Row: Janet Charteris, Sonia Jordon, Vicky Soffe, Emily Miller, Rebecca Reidy, Astyn Hare, Kelly Mason.

Front: Patrick Urwin, Kathryn Greaney, Geoffrey Painter, David Tooman, Casey Glentworth, Amanda Brien.



ATHLETICS

Back: Manu Hay Vega, Toby Parsons, Eli Waikawa, Natalie Shanks, Jared Wilson, Qwynton Tuari, Simon Tafa, Barnie Fitzpatrick, Paul Greaney, Tennille Yandle, Ben Gaastra.

Middle: Scott Harding, Joseph Ngawini, Stuart Hood, John Gabites, A J Hall, Toni Hanscombe, J P Heather, Rebecca Reidy, Hazel Robertson, Zara Nicely, Thomas Moore.

2nd Row: Shayman Pihama, Brendon Eggers, Geoffrey Painter, Shayne Williams, Fiona McIntosh, Melissa Green, Stacey McIndoe, Sheena Tarana.

Front: Adam Te Awa, Jimo Rangī, Sarah Bingham.

SKI AND SNOWBOARDING TEAMS

The first event for the year was when we were actually blessed with some snow from mother nature. The Taranaki secondary schools ski and snowboarding champs held at Maunganui Ski-field in fine conditions, apart from a lack of snow by the afternoon. Spotswood rocked. The ski team consisted of Adam Priest, John Kim, Laura Sommerville, Lynda Larsen and Andi Moll. Lynda was placed 1st in the senior girls skiing.

The snowboarding team was Wade Lobb, Rick Christiansen, Lionel Haldane, Jenna Quay and Lydia Quay. Lionel Haldane won the Junior boys snowboarding while Jenna and Lydia were both 2nd in the girls senior and junior events. Overall for the team events, Spotswood was second.

The next event was the North Island champs. The skiing was cancelled, but the North Island secondary school snowboarding champs went on. It was off to Mt Ruapehu. We were a team of nine keen boys and girls. Rayne Anderson, Wade Lobb, Rick Christianson, Ricky Fox, Rupert Goldsmith, Jenna Quay, Lydia Quay and last but definitely not least little Tracey Haldane. The competitions were held at Turoa again in fine conditions. We were up the very top of the mountain on the Moro Race as this was the only place where there was any snow! However, we all got really fit as after every heat, if we got through, we had to quickly walk to the top for the next race.



There was a huge Taranaki crew and we all supported each other really well. In this competition Spotswood ruled again.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS GIRLS BOARDERCROSS

	Teams Placing
4th Tracey Haldane	
5th Jenna Quay	2nd
6th Lydia Quay	

SLOPE STYLE Teams Placing

5th Jenna Quay	
6th Tracy Haldane	2nd
7th Lydia Quay	

GIANT SLALOM Teams Placing

6th Lydia Quay	
7th Tracey Haldane	2nd
8th Jenna Quay	

When the Boardercross, slope style, and Giant Slalom were added together the girls finished 2nd overall.

BOYS BOARDERCROSS

	Teams Placing
10th Lionel Haldane	7th

SLOPE STYLE Teams Placing

2nd Rayne Anderson	
5th Wade Lobb	3rd

GIANT SLALOM Teams Placing

4th Rayne Anderson	
6th Lionel Haldane	

2nd = 3rd overall



The guys were 3rd overall. So we all received a medal, boys bronze and girls silver and a cup. It was a great trip. Thanks to Mr Martin and Mr Carnachan for escorting us. Also Mr and Mrs Haldane for the accommodation and cooking. Let's hope for a better snowy season next year.

SENIOR A BASKETBALL TEAM

We started the season not knowing who our coach was going to be until a couple of weeks before our first games started. Added to that, two of last year's players departed to some other school. Players came out of retirement and one went back into it and a starting guard injured himself (thanks Charlie). We were left with some gaps but after some squad shuffling we had a pretty good team. Numerous practices on lovely Sunday mornings had the team starting to come into form.

We played against Hawera and Opunake in some friendly matches which gave us much-needed experience. We then came fifth in the secondary schools competition and missed out on the semis by one point, which wasn't great. Our sights were now set on KILLING Fraser as we had had enough of losing on Tuesday nights at the T.S.B. We jumped out to a big lead thanks to our Go-to-guy, Eli Waikawa and after a close battle our strategic management and discipline led us through to victory.

Thanks go to our coach Bill Warren who has done so much for the development of this team and without whom we wouldn't have done this well. Special thanks to our supporters mainly the Girls Senior A team along with Garry Carnachan, Maurice Paurini, Katherine Buttimore and Jacques Tuz. Thanks guys.

Josh Paurini



SENIOR A BASKETBALL

Back: Alaina Crafar-Mckee, Michelle Thorstensen, Janet Charteris.

Middle: Karyn McDonald, Sarah Hayman.

Front: Jean Tompkinson, Tennille Yandle, Jenna Quay.

SENIOR A GIRLS

A team of eight girls battled their way from the bottom of Division Two, to Division One and finally premiere Reserve. We didn't make the finals, however it was a great achievement to get as far as we did.

During the year we participated in the Taranaki Secondary Schools Basketball Champs, where we came fifth overall. The highlight of the two days had to be the two-point win over Sacred Heart Girls College. We were proud to represent Spotswood College in our new uniforms.

A big thanks to Mr Martin and Mr Tuz for organising Basketball and uniforms. To Sarah Greenbank and Michelle Thorstensen for filling in on short notice and to our sponsors and parents. Your voices didn't go unnoticed.

To Coach Chris: without you we wouldn't have been a team or come as far as we did.

Dedication was important to you, and at times we didn't show this. We appreciate the time and help you gave to us and hope you continue to coach next year.

Good luck for next year's teams, I hope you all have a good season.

By Tennille Yandle



SENIOR A BASKETBALL

Back: Ben Gudjonsson, Craig Sharpe, Adrian George.

Middle: Brendon O'Keeffe, Manu Hay Vega, Charles Ip, Adam Priest.

Front: Josh Blundell, Dylan Spencer, Josh Paurini, Eli Waikawa.

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UNDER 20 BASKETBALL TEAM YHCNUAR

This year was quite an unorganised year for our team of eight girls. We had no coach, no practices and sometimes no players! There was not one game when our whole team played. After five years of playing together the girls of YHCNUAR had better things on their minds than Basketball - from studying to working or recovering from an operation to spending time with their loved ones. So you can imagine how well we play - actually, you'd be surprised because we have a legend group of girls who understand each other and enjoy getting out there and just having fun - that's what it's all about - isn't it?



UNDER 20 BASKETBALL

Left - Right: Michelle Thorstensen, Kasia Scannell, Lisa Snowdon, Phuitin Kong, Karyn McDonald, Michelle Walker, Jenna Quay.



UNDER 16 GIRLS BASKETBALL

Back: Mrs Carnachan, Adele Main, Jane Coleman, Hannah Gulliver, Rebecca Reidy

Front: Phillipa Soulsby, Lydia Quay, Venita Christensen, Sarah Bingham, Zara Nicely.

UNDER 16 BOYS BASKETBALL

Our Basketball team this year started off in early May. Since then our coach, Morris Paurini has made a huge difference on our team. At the start of the year we beat one team and that was a group of boarders from FDC just out to have a good time. By the time the end of the season came we were at our peak. We beat the best team in the A Grade in overtime (that team went on to win the grade overall). We made the semi-finals and played really well but unfortunately got beaten by five points right at the end. We had a really good season, and many players have greatly improved. Also a big thanks goes to our coach, Morris Paurini.



UNDER 16 BOYS BASKETBALL

Back: Ben Gudjonsson, Crispin Andrews, Barney Fitzpatrick.

Front: Josh Blundell, Eli Paurini, Shayman Pihama.

"LAST WARNING" UNDER 16 GIRLS BASKETBALL

It has been a fantastic season this year. We started out as a team with many beginners just to play socially. As the season progressed we improved our game with the help of our awesome coach, Mrs Carnachan. She taught us loads of tactics about the game and many skills, we extend our thanks to her.

The team, from a lot of hard work and commitment finished up second in the Under 16 A grade. This put us through to the semi-finals against Sacred Heart. We came out of the game with a win putting us into the final against Girls High. Sadly, we lost to Girls High, but the whole team played really well.

Thank you to all the people that came to support us at our games. It was much appreciated.

TROTTERS U18 GIRLS BASKETBALL

Now you can call me vain but as the Captain of the Trotters I have to say we were the best team in the competition. Most enjoyable to watch along with being the loudest with the amount of support from friends and school mates that cheered us along. Thanks to those people that turned out every Friday night rain or shine, supporting us, yelling at us through the game to play hard.

We played tough games and nearly came out on top except for a game when we had six players while the other team had five. We fouled two of their players off and still lost! Another game, we were 18 points down. Everybody played hard but with some fine shooting from Amanda and wicked ball skills by 'V' we managed to come out on top.

In the semi final game playing Girls High we had 23 supporters making enough noise for an NBA final. The thought was there but unfortunately we lost. The team enjoyed the season and everybody played well.

Kate Spencer



TROTTERS BASKETBALL - UNDER 18

Back: Kelly Mason, Natasha Lees, Donna Bond, Kelly Scrivener.

Front: Amanda Robinson, Jean Tompkins, Kate Spencer, Victoria Masters.



INDOOR ROWING

Back: Richard McLean, Jeremy Deane, Jon-Paul Heather, Rhys Danaher

Front: Shelley Bartlett, Donna James, Leon Valentine, Manu Hay-Vega, Rangi Hiroti, Rachael Davis, Peter Allen

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS INDOOR ROWING

We had a few hiccups at the rowing champs held at NPGHS. Races were well underway when suddenly someone tripped on a cord and cut off the computer link-up. Some frustrated rowers had to endure their gruelling efforts with a fresh start.

Once it was all running smoothly it was quite a sight to see ten rowing machines all lined up and linked to a computer with actual goal/lane graphics to show your place during the race.

After some quick coaching the Spotswood Team was set for action.

We sat in our group and cheered on the rowers as they 'went for it'. Races for individuals varied from 500 m - 1250 m. The teams of four were raced over 2000 m - 4 x 500 m each.

As a former rower for Auckland Clubs and The Clifton Rowing Club of Waitara I received a lot of slack from WHS who was also very competitive.

The sport of rowing has got to be the best and one of the toughest sports there is. The physical and mental demands on the body are so intense, and that's when you are half way through a race. The competitive nature and pure guts between rivals is truly put to the test, as neither is willing to sacrifice the lead. The body goes through total exhaustion and stress as it tries to recover. Within a few minutes the pain goes away and turns to relief, and some exhilaration.

The Spotswood Team consisted of:

Jeremy Deane
Shelley Bartlett
Donna James
Jon-Paul Heather
Manu Hay-Vega
Leon Valentine
Rangi Hiroti
Maria Shramka
Peter Allen
Mark Krutz
Jon Waters
Peter Bielawski
Rhys Danaher

They all showed a true test of strength, guts, and mental toughness and proved how a positive attitude can get them success. Most of them placed in their respective races but the tallies were added up overall.

In the teams the 17 year Boys - Bronze Medal overall 14 year Girls - Donna James - Bronze Medal overall

The star of the team was Rangi Hiroti in the girls 15-16 years who won a gold medal overall and also broke the record by 1/100th of a second - Awesome! She will be invited to go to the National Champs in Tauranga. She was also spotted by a National Weightlifting Coach - who saw her capabilities and offered her the opportunity to train with his crew.

Good stuff Spotswood. Let's see how many we can get next time the machines are here - then we will really see who the tough ones are!

M. Montgomerie

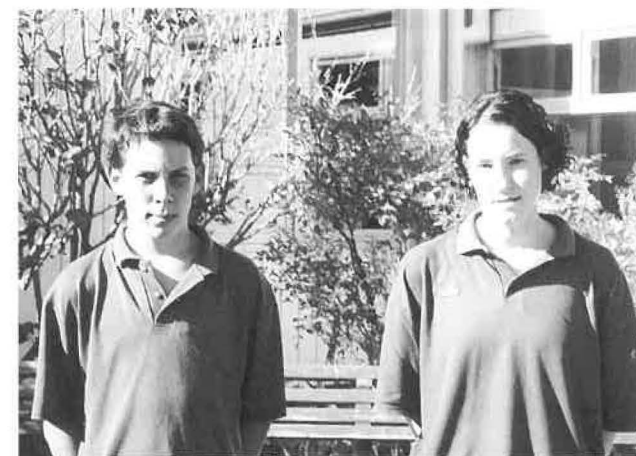
CYCLING

This year Fraser High School brought down three cyclists to compete for the teams time trial and the individual handicapped race. Fraser won the teams time trial by over a minute, on a day that could be described only as atrocious. The following day we held the IHR. Ben Gaastra was the first person to finish and I had the fastest time; we got a trophy each for our efforts.

The Taranaki Secondary Schools Individual and Teams time trials were held in Inglewood at the start of September. Three riders from Spotswood College entered with excellent results. I (Kevin Bryant), was first in the Senior Boys, Nicola Cox was 1st in the Senior Girls and Murray Christmas was 1st in the Junior Boys.

Thank you to Craig Peters who coached us this year as well as the Peters family who helped run the races smoothly. Thank you also to Peter Cox and his wife for their corner marshalling and also my Dad for his help.

Kevin Bryant
Cycling Captain '98



CYCLING

Murray Christmas, Nicola Cox

TSSSA GOLF (BOYS)

At Te Ngutu Golf Club, Hawera, 8 May 1998

We sent a young team of lads down to Te Ngutu Golf Club, to compete in the TSSSA Golf Championships.

The four lads were Thomas Moore, Jarred Greenbank, Robbie Kerr and Andrew Sharpe. They competed against some of Taranaki's best golfers who are still at school. Some of them play for the Taranaki men's team.

Our team showed a lot of potential and will be good for years to come.

So we will see you next year.



CYCLING

Back: Michael Brill, Garan Sinclair, Abdullah Norozi, Wes Snowdon

Front: Dwayne Hill.

MOUNTAIN BIKING

"Look out for the corner!"

This was one of the highly used phrases of the year's National Secondary Schools Mountain Biking Champs.

Michael Brill, Wes Snowdon, Garan Sinclair and Dwayne Hill all took part in this high intensity event.

Race day was a day of speed and skill. First came the up-hill race, 2.5 km of pure blood pumping pain, in which both Wes and Dwyane placed 18th in Senior and Garan Sinclair also placed in the Intermediate. The downhill race saw Mike and Wes forced out with track and mechanical problems.

All we can say is "we came, we saw, we conquered and we broke our bikes."

Dwayne Hill



GIRLS GOLF

Back: Kylie Jones, Kelly Mason, Julie Willans, Eloise Pollard, Donna Bond.

Front: Dian Martin, Amy Laird, Jackie Crawford.



TRIATHLON

Saturday 28 February 1998, Ngamotu Beach.

Team

Peter Bielawski - Swim

Craig Sharpe - Run

Kevin Bryant - Bike

Individual

Jon Paul Heather

In the teams event we ended up third. The team was up against some tough competition and competed very well.

In the individual race, Jon Paul finished up 9th. With a bit more training he could have finished higher in the field.

All in all it was a great day had by all. Thanks guys.

Back: J.P. Heather, Kevin Bryant.

Front: Peter Bielawski, Craig Sharpe.



GIRLS SOCCER

Back: Jean Tompkins, Jenna Pillette, Tiana Kupe, Amy Laird, Kathryn Greaney, Nigel Davis.

Middle: Tessa Versteeg, Misty Donaldson, Roslyn Stuart, Sujana Tambunan, Alisha Bason.

Front: Sara Zaloum, Phuitin Kong, Helen Guthrie.

SOCCER 1ST XI BOYS

This year was a great year for Spotswood soccer, even if we didn't quite win all of our games. In our first major game, against Boys High, key player Steven Reed scored our first goal by curving a brilliant free-kick around the wall into the top left-hand corner of the goal from 35 metres out. This won us the first half. In the second half, all was going well until an unfair tackle by Omar Sanchez (of Boys High) on Ipi Imtombi sent our mid-field into a state of turmoil. Imtombi had to reluctantly be replaced by bench-warmer James Grieve, who played well despite a bad season. Omar Sanchez continued his unrelenting attack on our goal, leaving us down 4-1 at the end.

Despite our recent loss, the team was unruffled for the Fraser game. Some great support turned out for use in spite of the rain. All was going well as Willy Wilson slipped one past the opposition's keeper. Sadly, a lack of concentration in the backs allowed the opposition back into the game, as Tony Parry of Fraser calmly slipped one through Heydon's legs. Somehow, by devices unknown, Matt and Kathryn were found to be unfairly obstructing play while standing five metres off pitch, but like all good refs, Roy soon spotted the foul-play and sent them further away. But the damage had been done, the half gave Fraser a chance to regroup. Also, in the last five minutes of the game we should've won, the frustration began to show through. Sweeper Josh Morris just couldn't hold his tongue, but the unmatched reffing skills of Roy soon controlled the upset by justly punishing Josh with a yellow card - that's what you get! Final score: 2-1 to Fraser. We'll take 'em next year!



BOYS SOCCER

Back: Russell Laird, James Grieve, Heydon Bartlett, Jared Wilson, Dylan Turner, Jared Steel, Matthew Coward

Front: Andrew Thompson, Brent Krutz, Jared McElhannan, Ricky Fox, Rick Christiansen, Josh Morris, Toby Parsons



Back: Kylie Riddick, Jennifer Batten, Lauren Cooper, Adrienne Greenhill.

3rd row: Janine Howard, Emily Miller, Rowena Howard, Meredith Bool.

2nd row: Philippa Berry, Sharlene Turner, Fiona McIntosh, Fiona Johns.

Front: Zara Nicely, Natalie Shanks.

GIRLS HOCKEY

It was a pretty successful season this year - with winning most of our games we finished second in our pool. Our top goal scorers were Natalie Shanks, Adrienne Greenhill and Zara Nicely and with the effort of the whole team, we scored just under 50 goals overall. Thanks to our captain Fiona McIntosh and goodbye to Fiona and also to Rowena Howard.



Back: Paul Chinery, Tim Biesiek, Dwayne Hill, Thor Gudjonsson, Russell Dalton

Front: Michael Davis, Brendan Riddick, Stephen Bedford, B. J. Martin, Ryan Leatham

BOYS HOCKEY

We started off our season of pain, fun and some record-reaking scores while in the B division. We enjoyed the highs of great winning form, but moving up to the A grade threw us on the other end of the scoreboard. Luckily with some morale-boosting warcries from Dwayne in the goal and the well used one-liner from Stumpy "I am running", there was always something to laugh about which made the losing streak seem better.

Our clash with Fraser was the best in years with Brendon Riddick scoring three goals. (The first goals against them in seven years). More effort required next time Brendon, three just isn't enough.

Thanks very much to Bruce Riddick for turning up to all the games and practices. Without him running the show, we would have been in even more mess than what we actually were. Also to our part-time, once a month coach, Daniel Kinera who had us all enthused at the beginning of the season, with his empty promises.

Dwayne Hill
Thor Gudjonsson
Brodie Dalton
BJ Martin



ORIENTEERING

Orienteering is a sport of mental agility and physical stamina. During the year Michael Steel, Blake Sinclair and Garan Sinclair represented Spotswood College with distinction at three major Secondary School events. Garan and Michael competed in the Intermediate grade (15-16 yrs) and Blake in the Junior grade (13-14 yrs).

The Taranaki SS Champs was a relatively low key event held at Pukekura Park and attended by 60 students.

Garan finished 2nd on the long course in a very fast time of 20.17 minutes, Michael finished 2 minutes later in 3rd place, while Blake was 9th on this course, and 1st third former home.

The North Island SS champs were held on dunes / farm land near Paraparaumu, with a much larger attendance of 180.

Blake finished 5th out of 14 in the Junior Individual event while Garan was 8th out of 25 in the Intermediates.

For the relay the boys made up numbers in other teams. Garan's Palmerston North BHS team came third, with his time being third fastest for the leg. Blake's composite team was placed sixth with his time being 5th fastest.

All the preparation and practice culminated in an excellent NZ Secondary School's event held on local maps around New Plymouth, hosted by the Egmont Orienteering Club. 215 students attended, including two who flew up from the South Island.

The Individual event was held at Barrett Domain in the first fine break since the major flooding in the Waikato. Blake finished 5th out of 33 in the Junior grade. Michael was 19th out of 55 in the Intermediates, while Garan came in 10th in the same grade. The Intermediate grade was hotly contested this year with some high calibre performances and very fast times.

The Relays were run at Colson Forest where the boys ran as an Intermediate grade team. This put a lot of pressure on Blake, running up a grade, and he did well to come into the change in 6th place out of 16 teams. Michael was the 2nd leg runner and he showed great determination in improving the team placing to 4th. Garan had a 5 minute deficit to make up at this point and scorched away hoping to peg back the last 4 places. In a blistering effort he brought the team in 1st, a total of 15 minutes ahead of the nearest rival.

An excellent team effort that they hope to repeat at the 1999 Champs in Dunedin.

Left to Right:

Michael Steel, Garan Sinclair, Blake Sinclair

BADMINTON

This year was a successful year when everybody came for fun or for competition. With Mr O'Keeffe coaching it was all worth the entire season. This year we competed in the TSSSA for badminton and the Senior Boys (Adam Crow and Kenneth Wong) achieved reasonably well. Adam won the whole competition and now he is representing Taranaki for the secondary school competition. Kenneth and Adam were runners-up in senior doubles and senior girls (Michelle Thorstenson and Melissa Green) came third overall. Overall it was a great year. We hope new people interested in badminton next year achieve as well as this year.

Spotswood Badminton against Fraser. We "kicked their butt" something like 14 - 3 and we were really proud.

Kenneth Wong
Team Member



BADMINTON

Back: Michelle Soulsby, Phillipa Soulsby, Kenneth Wong, Daniel Gaastra, Blake Sinclair, Garan Sinclair.
Front: Amanda Bingham, Sarah Bingham, Sarah Hughes, Ben Rosser.



T.S.S.S.A. INDOOR BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

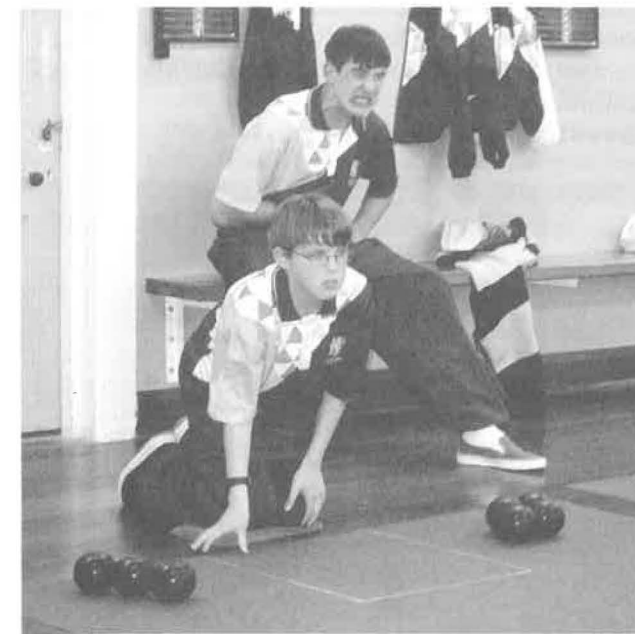
Central Division Hall Belt Road, New Plymouth
Tuesday 15 September 1998

At this Tournament Spotswood College put in two teams, 7 in each. (Fours, Pairs and Singles). The students that took part in it were:

Dwayne Theobald	Jon Waters
Mark Krutz	Rhys Danaher
Craig Shannon	Ryan Cooper
Teri Ryder	Tamati Goff
Ashley Crockett	Lewis Evans
Nathan Fenwick	Peter Manu
William Limmer	Lowenne Russell

There were 10 Colleges at this tournament making a total of 80 bowlers. Spotswood were the best dressed and the most vocal team there. Lowenne had never bowled before this night, but she won her first game and was jumping for joy and calling out to other team mates. She ended up winning two games.

The First XV boys were the most vocal team there, they also had two wins, their big win against NPBHS 'A'. It was great to see all the students having fun and succeeding. Thanks to all for a great night.



COMMANDO

Having been undefeated in over fifteen games last year, the team was looking forward to the High School Champs in April. Unfortunately the tournament was cancelled due to a number of teams defaulting.

With a new round scheduled for November, and some good prize money at stake for the winning school, all fingers are crossed that we will finally get some competition, and hopefully come away with some cash and a nice shield.

Thanks to the team, and to the student council for sponsoring us.



COMMANDO

Back: Blair Cox, Jon Waters, Paul Bielawski, Andy Pritchard, Rhys Danaher, Scott Parker
Front: Kerry Rea, Allan Milward, Peter Bielawski, Stephen Smith, Robert Crow.

SENIOR BOYS A VOLLEYBALL TEAM 1998

The season started a week after last year's victorious Nationals, due to a one week recovery from the volleyball social.

Spirits were high as training started. This carried on through the holidays with some senior members putting up to 15 hours of training in the gym each week. Others complained of injuries which were somewhat non-existent.

Regionals became a battlefield which was the result of Spotswood College crushing its opposition. The boys were a bit disappointed with the level of opposition, three teams going down 15-0 to Spotswood A. They were Boys High, Waitara and the inexperienced Spotswood 'C' team.

We were also disappointed because no-one was able to break the mighty coke bottles. Seventy dollars was riding on this young man's glasses. The boys however, cheered up when Omar Sanchez made an appearance on the last day - highlight of Regionals!

Nationals came fast. The boys trained even harder with some 'soft' players finding more non-existent injuries.

Nationals was held in Tauranga from 1-4 April. Accommodation was described as somewhat cramped, with not much room for the texts which kept last year's team occupied. With the increased number of people staying, the previously unheard moaning sound echoed through the campsite, bringing much anguish throughout the squad.

The tournament itself can be summarised in the following:

- * lack of mental toughness
- * being refereed out of the game by a hopeless Ref who we had for 6 out of 7 games
- * not enough room to rip jump serves
- * disappointment, agony, despair, pain, frustration

Fraser High was next on the Spotswood 'hit' list. As the crowd sat in amazement the boys produced a hitting warm-up to remember. The game was yet another drilling with Brendon "Heccckkman" claiming yet another scalp to add to his list. The game was not a challenge for the boys but a crowd-pleaser.

'Chief Gabo', 'Willie' and 'Heccckkman' made the club Nationals in Wellington. The Inter-Provincial Champs were much like club Nationals with Gabo, Willie, Heccckkman, Chief and newcomer Andi Moll, attending these. (It was good to get some international participation in the team).

The boys and I would like to thank Mrs Whiting for the cooking at Nationals, Mr Gabites for his exceptional driving and tolerance of his young hooligans and Mr Gayton for just being you. Most of all we'd like to thank AJ for all the time and effort he has put into our team and volleyball in general at Spotswood College. You've really been an inspiration to all of us, especially senior members. You would have to be one of the best down-to-earth coaches in New Zealand. Thanks very much.

I (Brendon O'Keeffe) would also like to thank my fellow team members for all the memories you've given me throughout the years. I will always remember them, especially John (Gabo) who has given me lots of support and memories. Thanks mate. (1997 Champs - middle hitters).

Brendon O'Keeffe
John Gabites



SENIOR BOYS VOLLEYBALL NATIONALS SQUAD

Standing: Mr Joe (Coach), Ben Gudjonsson, Jared Wilson, Jared Steel, Blair Cox.

Seated: Kieran Crafer-McKee, Brendon Henchman, Brendon O'Keeffe (Captain), John Gabites, Matthew Coward.

Absent: Russell Watson.



Left to Right: Peter Manu, Russell Watson, Andrew Thomson, Kieran Crafer-McKee, Shayne Williams.

5TH FORM BOYS VOLLEYBALL

The 5th Form Boys Team were the survivors from last year's Juniors who went to the North Island Championships in Wanganui.

The team entered the Taranaki Secondary School Championships and played against the older and more experienced opposition teams. Thanks go to Mark for helping coach us at Regionals.

PS. - look out next year!

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL REPORT

Junior and Senior sections have had a successful 12 months of Volleyball both indoor and on the beach. The senior girls managed to qualify for the Division Two Senior Indoor Nationals at Tauranga where they finished a creditable 6th.

We were again privileged to have our sponsorship renewed with SMOKEFREE (we have had this since 1992), and this year purchased a set of polo tops to be used as a travelling uniform. We wish to acknowledge the assistance and Co-operation of the Taranaki Healthcare Smokefree Team of Katja Huijbers and Jan Marshall for their support.

Congratulations to Melissa Green, Natasha Lees, Michelle Thorstensen and Natasha Whiting who were selected for the Taranaki Senior Women's team that competed at the Inter-Provincial tournament played in Wellington in September.

1. 1997 TARANAKI JUNIOR REGIONALS

Spotswood entered two girls teams for last year's Junior series played during October and November. The A team finished 1st equal with Waitara High School but on a countback had to settle for 2nd place overall. The B team finished 5th. By finishing 2nd, we managed to qualify for a place in the Division Two North Island Champs.

2. 1997 NORTH ISLAND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS:

These were played in Wanganui from 26-29th November. We finished in 16th place. The B team finished in 10th place in their Division Two Competition.

3. 1998 TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

This year's Beach Volleyball Championships were played on Ngamotu Beach, Sunday 8February. The most successful teams were:

- Junior Girls Pairs:
Rebecca Reidy and Phillipa Soulsby 1st
Junior Girls Fours:
Charlotte Stoddart, Venita Christensen,
Jane Coleman, Kimberley Rolls 1st

4. 1998 TARANAKI SENIOR REGIONALS:

Spotswood entered three girls teams in this year's senior regional qualifying series played in February and March. The A team finished 2nd.

5. 1998 NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS SENIOR NATIONALS:

This year's 29th NZSS Senior National Championships were played in Tauranga from 1-4 April. A 10-player squad represented Spotswood in the senior girls Division Two Championships. We finished second equal in our Pool.

6. 1998 NEW PLYMOUTH WINTER LEAGUE:

This year Spotswood entered four girls teams in the New Plymouth winter league that is played at the TSB Stadium on Sunday nights.

8. OTHER EVENTS

On Monday 23 February, the senior boys squad from Wanganui High School visited us to play our girls teams. Our C team lost 1-2, the B team won 2-1, while the A team drew 1-1. These games were used as warm-up matches for the senior regionals.

As can be seen from the above, 1998 was another busy and successful year and I would like to thank all of the players who committed themselves to training sessions and for their on-court efforts. 1999 promises to be a good year for Spotswood Volleyballers so I hope you have a good break and give next year your best effort yet.

Phil Gayton
Girls' Coach



SMOKEFREE SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL NATIONALS SQUAD

Standing: Phillipa Soulsby, Rebecca Reidy, Natasha Whiting, Mr P. Gayton (Coach).

Seated: Eloise Pollard, Victoria Masters, Tomoko Ishijima, Donna Bond.

Seated Front: Elizabeth Buttimore, Melissa Green.

Absent: Michelle Thorstensen (Captain).



SENIOR GIRLS

This year has been a mixture of ups and downs, highs and lows, wins and losses.

Our year started with Regionals in March/April. We made it to the final with Waitara by drilling Inglewood in the Semi. The final was a close-fought battle but Waitara won in the end. We qualified to play in 2nd Division Nationals.

Nationals were held in Tauranga which was a blast. Our week was spent playing really awesome games and really bad games. In between power cuts and top-secret drinks we managed to get 6th place in Division 2. We were hoping for a medal position but a couple of losses to the easy teams meant we were out of the semis. The week was really fun, days spent playing volleyball and nights spent massaging in the hot pools.

The school volleyball year is nearly over for the seniors but good luck to the juniors for their Nationals in November.

The only other school competition is the National Beach Champs which will hopefully be in December.

I would like to extend a big thanks to Mr Gayton for organising us and being our coach over the years. Also a big thank you to AJ who has inspired many of us to play our hardest and not to be scared - even when 'Hench' is hitting at us.

Finally I want to thank my team. A team of very talented young women who have given their best to their chosen sport. Thanks heaps to everyone for supporting me and being the best team a captain could ever want. Best of luck for next year's team and all the teams after that. Thanks heaps for an exciting year.

Michelle Thorstensen



SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Back: Michelle Thorstensen, Donna Bond, Zara Nicely, Michelle Wiltshire, Heidi Wallin.

Middle: Elizabeth Buttimore, Alaina Crafar-McKee, Natasha Lees.

Front: Eloise Pollard, Melissa Green, Victoria Masters, Sarah Buttimore, Nicola Cox, Tomoko Ishijima.



4TH FORM GIRLS B

Back: Kimberley Rolls, Lauren Cooper, Meredith Bool, Jane Coleman

Front: Hazel Robertson, Tammy Keegan, Vicky Shuker, Donna Sinclair, Ronni Painter.

JUNIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

This year we have been working up to the Regionals which start in Term Four. Then hopefully we will make it to the Nationals in Whangarei.

Last year the A team came 16th in Division One at the Nationals in Wanganui and the B team came 10th in Division Two.

Everyone has worked really hard and a big thanks to Mr Gayton for all the time and effort he has put into coaching us.



4TH FORM GIRLS A

Back: Tammy Keegan, Phillipa Soulsby, Charlotte Stoddart, Rebecca Reidy.

Front: Venita Christensen, Lisa Garvey, Jessica Peoples.



4TH FORM BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Back: Shayman Pihama, Sam Wilson, Ben Gudjonsson

Middle: Michael Steel, Crispen Andrews, Josh Blundell

Front: Stuart Hood, Hayden Smith, Lionel Haldane.



4TH FORM BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Throughout the year the guys worked real hard preparing for the Nationals at Whangarei. We had three practices a week and a game on Sunday night. We didn't usually do that great on Sundays but we turned up the heat when it came to qualifying time for the Nationals at the regionals. Regionals this year started on 8 October and went for three weeks.

Our team had quite a few injuries through the year and our setter was out for two and a half months with glandular fever and his thumb got quite damaged by big bully Brendon Henchman at a practice.

Thanks to Mr Joe for putting all his spare time into coaching us.

3RD FORM BOYS VOLLEYBALL

The new look 3rd Form Team has got underway with help from Mr Gayton and Mr Robbie Booth.

The team has entered the Sunday Night Local League Competition and has also entered the Taranaki Secondary School Junior Regional Championships for experience.

Back: Darren Peterson, Blake Sinclair, David Goile, Sam Cadman, Russell Dalton.

Front: Tristan Bridger, Doug Booth, Aaron West.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Wednesday 24 June 1998

Clifton Park

Waitara

We put a team together to play Waitara High that was coached by John Devonshire (J.D) and managed by David Rab, a third form boy who is really keen on the sport. Spotswood went down 26-18 but we missed a few opportunities, and it took a while for the boys to believe in themselves.

On the 18 October the TSSSA Rugby League Tournament was held at Waitara which Spotswood sent a senior boys team out. Thanks must go out to Heydon Te Ruki for taking time out to coach the team. Spotswood played NPBHS lost 22-4, then FDMC lost 22-8.

The boys must realise that you need to turn up to practices to succeed.



SENIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

Back: David Hunia, Kylee Briskie, Roger Tao'ai, Tamati Goff, David Rab, Simon Tafa, Damian Joseph, Joseph Ngawini, Corey Manukonga, Damian Ngataierua.

Front: Mike Kahui, Kerry Rea, Jimo Rangi, Rhys Danaher, Jucy Talau, Adrian George, Dallas Jackson, Lewis Evans.

A LITTLE FUN AND A BIT OF RUGGAS

Warning: Do not read this if you hate ruggas; it contains low level humour which will only suit stereotypical idiots with IQ levels of -72, for they are the only people who watch, play or listen to the obsessively barbaric meaningless life-threatening disease ridden sport: RUGBY

This year's First XV was a reasonably formidable side especially compared with last year. Retaining 12 of last year's squad members made sure the team had ample experience at First XV level, and the new recruits promised plenty of freshness and attitude. The season was based on trying to get everyone to attend trainings which proved unsuccessful, unlike our game results. We finished the A grade competition with eight wins, five losses in fourth place, qualifying us for the semi-finals. Unfortunately we were beaten 31-11 by Opunake High School.

Right, out with the formalities and in with some craziness! Having to look for Mr Ingram's keys every second practice in driving hailstones, pitch black conditions and with no chance of finding them ended up being voted "worst time" of the season. Listening to two unnamed members, Rhys and Darryl argue about something, usually; who was going to score the most tries in the season. This was voted "are we in the same team? Time".

Winning 54-6 against a Boys High line up was voted "what did we do right? Time" and Grizz's antics voted "that's what happens when you drink too many energy drinks! Time".

And here are some traditional "boof head" after-match interviewing statements which were used during the season:

"Yeah, na"

"It was definitely a game of two halves"

"They were the best team on the day"

"Full credit to the boys"

"Unfortunately we came through with a loss"

And a favourite among the inbreeders:

"Rugby was the winner on the day"

Jon Waters



Back: B J Martin, Simon Tippet, Tamie Ngaia, Lewis Evans, Sami Tuavao.

Middle: Daniel Franklin-Browne, David Hunia, Qwynton Tuari, Hamu Hancock.

Front: Joseph Ngawini, Jamie Amstad, J P Heather, Shayne Williams.

2ND XV RUGBY

The Spotswood College 2nd XV started the season with a good win over Palmerston North's Awatapu Collage 2nd XV then continued to win three out of five Grading Games to secure a spot in the B.1 Competition.

Unfortunately during one of the grading games (Hawera), our committed captain Stephen Reed was badly injured and unable to play for the rest of the season. His presence was greatly missed and with a continual decline in attendance our performance deteriorated. This was also partly due to players being drafted up into the 1st XV.

Nevertheless there were many dedicated players namely: Tamie Ngara, Matthew Smith, Jamie Amstad, Dwayne Hill, Daniel Brown, Jon-Paul Heather, Joseph Ngawini and Shayne Williams. Good luck to the players for next year. Thanks to the parents for their support and help with the team.

Special thanks to our Coach Mr Smith, Assistant Coach Mr Hill, and Manager Mr Rilkoff for the time, and Jon-Paul Heather (Captain).

1ST XV 1998

Back Row: Johnny Faamai, Alistair Tippet, Darryl Roper, Lance Wight,

Mathew Smith, Adrian George, Mike Kahui.

Middle Row: Selevi Tiatia (Assistant Coach), Dallas Jackson, Roger Tao'ai, Manuel Broughton, Jock Ross (Manager), Tamati Goff, Kerry Rea, Jimo Rangi, Mr D Ingram (Coach).

Front Row: Damon Coneglay, Peter Bielawski, Rhys Danaher, Eli Waikawa (captain), Jon Waters (vice captain), Allan Millward, Micheal Kemsley.

Absent: Malcom Colvin, Stephen Smith, Simon Tafa.

C GRADE RUGBY

The season began trying to sort 45 lads into two teams. The one team that resulted entered its grading games unprepared and the rugby looked the same. Dropped passes, standing still - giving the ball to the opposition, wondering what to do, big defeats - were all in evidence during

The first three games. Then! Good training sessions with some of the Taranaki players, positional re-arrangements, being in the C2 Division, and the rugby turned around.

The forwards, under the able direction of 7th former and 1st XV star, Adrian George, began to work very well. By the end of the season we outplayed all other packs, dominating set pieces and the loose. Consistent tackling and the ability to set up second phase ball were features.

The re-arranged backs scored plenty of tries, many of them thrillers. The area of real improvement came in defence. In early games, opposition runners found huge gaps in the line, but by the end of the season, no way. The inside backs began to look slick.

Not only did we win plenty of games, scoring great tries and kicking touchline goals, we made it to the finals! The Francis Douglas team, who beat us 49-0 earlier in the season, only managed to win the final 14-7. Another five minutes and we would have won!

This C Grade Team played as a team, supported each other, showed good sportsmanship, played fair, and improved their rugby remarkably. They also demolished \$100 worth of Big Macs in less than five minutes!

Big thanks to all the parents who supported the team with transport and vocal enthusiasm.



C GRADE RUGBY

Back: Craig Patterson, Shayne Williams, Shayman Pihama, Josh Blundell.

Third Row: Maurice Te Whatu, Jermaine Rewha.

2nd Row: Brendon Eggers, Davil Goile, Scott Hodges, Mr Chivers, Richard Ngawini, Bernie Fitzpatrick.

Front: Russell Watson, Kenneth Short, Shane Ries, Kerrin Harrison, Andrew Sharpe, Patrick Urwin, Gareth Chivers.

TOUCH

Sunday 1st March 1998, N.P.O.B. Rugby Ground.

This year was the first time Spotswood put in two boys teams and two girls teams to compete in the T.S.S.A. Touch Championships. It was good to see the number of students who took part in this event.

The day was a very hot one with nearly all of our teams playing three games in section play. None of our teams made it to the semi-finals but they put up a great fight.

Congratulations must go out to Hinga Manukonga and Jaime Lloyd for making the Taranaki Junior Girls side that competed in Auckland early this year.

Thanks to the parents who supported their kids and the school at this event.



SENIOR TOUCH

Back: Qwynton Tuari, Eli Waikawa, Lionel Adams, Crystal McPherson, Joseph Ngawini, Jamie Amstad.

Middle: Jermaine Rewha, Richard Ngawini, Thomas Moore, Allen Graham, Jimo Rangi, Mike Kahui.

2nd Row: Murphy Te Ruki, J.P. Heather, Jaime Lloyd, Sarah Greenbank, Hinga Manukonga

Front: Teri Ryder, Cara Graham, Lee Hare, Hoana Renau.



TARANAKI TOUCH REPS

Jaime Lloyd, Hinga Manukonga

SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE "THE GIRLS"

This year our netball team had a successful season playing in the collegiate grade. During the season we learnt to combine together well as a team and respect each other's play.

Our most enjoyable games were when we met the other Spotswood team Msagro.

Our team would like to thank our coach Jane Moore for all the time and support she gave us with our practices and the games on Saturdays. We would also like to thank our Manager Wendy Hayman who was there to help out every week. Special thanks to all the other supporters who turned up every Saturday to watch our games. Mrs Buttimore's energy and enthusiasm was always great fun.

Sarah Hayman (Captain)



NETBALL A GIRLS

Back: Mary Potangaroa, Hoana Renau, Talimai Tuigaleava, Rebecca Reidy.

Front: Tracey Amstad, Sarah Buttimore, Lee Hare, Sarah Hayman, Bindy Huntley.



5TH FORMERS NETBALL TEAM

As our netball season started off we lost not only games, but players and a coach. Then, when we started to gain talented players, we also got to know one another and we started to work more as a team.

Our coach was raring to train us but the team never seemed to turn up to practices. We had a lot of trouble organising players to play on Saturdays, as we often had to borrow players.

Rachael, our coach, was expecting a baby and was told by her doctor to slow down and give up coaching our netball team, so Jane Moore who coaches the senior A team, kindly dedicated herself to coach our team - 5th Form A. We started to pick up with our games, and to win more than losing.

A very special thankyou to Miss Andrews for finding us a very experienced player by the name of Arianna Todd. We also had to get three 4th formers to make up our 5th form team. A very special thankyou to Jane Coleman, Venita Christensen, Donna Sinclair and Aroha.

The 5th formers are Linda Shortland, Arianna Todd, Sarah Morunga, Paula Eynon (Captain), and Karen Payne (ViceCaptain). The Netball Team would like to say thankyou to Paula for being such a supportive Captain. Thankyou to Karen for helping Paula and also supporting the girls.

We wish all the girls best of luck for next year, and thanks for making it an enjoyable season.

Paula Eynon and Karen Payne



FIFTH FORM NETBALL

Back: Arianna Todd, Paula Eynon, Donna Sinclair.

Front: Venita Christensen, Jane Coleman.

SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE MSAGRO (6TH FORM SOCIAL)

With an unbeaten 1998 season playing in the 6/7 form collegiate grade our team has performed well and had loads of fun while playing competitive collegiate netball. A highlight for us was the awesome win against Fraser and the Senior B team, as Spotswood has not been able to do this for some time. We had great consistent shooting this season by Janet and Eloise, so we had high-scoring games.

The strong mid-court of Kelly, Amanda and Kate had an awesome season, controlling the game and improving every week.

The defence of Alaina and Donna worked together well with tough defence and good commitment. Our team had a really enjoyable season; with Amanda and Kate returning after a year off, we did really well, considering we never really practised.

We have to thank our really awesome coaches Brenda Harvey and Maree Garcia for their commitment and dedication to our team every week. Thanks also to our regular fill-ins and supporters of Victoria Masters, Jean Tompkins and Amy Laird; you guys were great, we couldn't do it without you.

Thanks for a great season.

Donna (and the girls)



NETBALL SOCIAL (MASGRO)

Back: Amanda Robinson, Eloise Pollard, Janet Charteris, Alaina Crafar-McKee

Front: Kelly Scrivener, Donna Bond, Kate Guthrie.

FORM 4 "NARLIES" NETBALL

We have had a good season this year with a mixture of both wins and losses. Our team was: Shooters, Tammy, Lisa and Laura A; Mid-courtiers, Kate, Hazel and Sarah; Defence, Laura S, Kimberly, Sheena and Teiahna.

We all worked together as a team well with the help of our coach, Mrs Matheson. We travelled to Hawera for the exchange and won.

Thanks for the effort that the coach, players and parents put in and I hope you all continue to play and enjoy netball.



4TH FORM NETBALL (NARLIES)

Back: Mrs Matheson - Coach, Laura Sommerville, Lisa Garvey, Tammy Keegan, Teiahna Te Ruki.

Middle: Hazel Robertson, Laura Adlam, Kimberley Rolls.

Front: Kate Vowles, Sarah Bingham.



NN nickname
 FS favourite saying
 L likes
 D dislikes
 PO possible occupation
 PD probable destination

NB Opinions expressed by 7th formers are not necessarily those of Spotswood College!!!

N REBECCA BARKER
 NN Becks, Beck
 FS "No I didn't", "Did I?", "I can't remember"
 L Good times on Saturday nights
 D Not remembering good times on Saturday nights
 PO Secretary for Pauline Hanson
 PD Executed for being Pauline Hanson's secretary

N JONATHON BELL
 NN Super eyes Jon, Jonno, Big man
 FS "Your Momma", "While you're down there"
 L Beer
 D Lion Red
 PO Brew King
 PD Jail

N TAMARA BENNETTS
 NN Shelly
 FS "You'd look funny with no teeth"
 L Pizza, chocolate, green things
 D Large hard objects of head height
 PO Super model
 PD Checkout chick

N PAULA BIBBY
 NN P
 FS "Oh ya doongey"
 L Stephen, KFC
 D Peanut butter
 PO Vet
 PD McDonald's

N PETER BIELAWSKI
 NN Peterphile
 FS "Coop get out of the kitchen"
 L Fiona, hassling people, Fiona, sleeping, Fiona
 D Working, not having Fiona
 PO Electrical engineer
 PD Ward 17

N TIM BIESIEK
 NN Timmy, Shorty
 FS "Play the game", "Fine"
 L McDonald's, Georgie pie, coke
 D High places, 3rd formers, bumps in the night
 PO Armament technician - Airforce (BOOM)
 PD Slipping animal intestines for a pathetic wage

N KATIE BOOL
 NN Bool, Hey!, Eitak, Looby
 FS "Nobody expected the Spanish inquisition"
 L Coke, money, fun stuff, winter, good beer
 D Bad beer, exams, no money
 PO Police woman (you all be good now, you hear)
 PD At Pak'n'Save, ripping off the DPB to feed my 10 kids and tree-hugging hubby.

PROFILES

N JOY BRIDGER
 NN Joy
 FS "Umm"
 L Music, Pizza hut, lollies, coke
 D People breaking my things, potatoes
 PO Shop assistant
 PD Japan

N OWEN BRIGHURST
 NN Freak, Scary person, Miami vice
 FS "Um...um...um..."
 L Sharpening weapons by firelight while people are sleeping
 D People complaining about me sharpening weapons while they are sleeping
 PO Ancient historian
 PD Rooftop - A.K.47 - large crowd

N MANUEL BROUGHTON
 NN Man
 FS "Milk's great"
 L Milk
 D Monday mornings
 PO Manpower (next to Morgan)
 PD AA

N KEVIN BRYANT
 NN Kev
 FS "Does anyone want to go to the station?"
 L Cycling
 D Blue Leprechauns
 PO Mechanical engineer
 PD McDonald's - "Would you like fries with that?"

N ELIZABETH BUTTIMORE
 NN Liz, Ning, Cannon
 FS "I can't, I'm studying"
 L Beach volley, the 'Crew', chefs, bubbly wine, dancing to Jazz with Suzy
 D Dirty notice changers
 PO Head chef of a classy restaurant in Spain
 PD Dancing to support my struggling hot dog stand

N SARAH CHIVERS
 NN Little
 FS "Leave me alone"
 L KFC
 D Getting hassled
 PO Computer operator
 PD Still working at 4 square

N EMMA COLLIE
 NN Ems, Emmy, Freak
 FS "I am not a freak", "Verity, talk to me!", "Eye"
 L Student allowances, my star, the 'Crew'
 D Wheelbarrows, Russian vodka
 PO Wealthy photographer
 PD Still bludging off the government

N DAMON CONEGLAN
 NN The cleaner
 FS "Dirty, dirty", "Keep talking bud"
 L Filth, PPP, Rugby, pizza buns, the 'Crew'
 D Dirty mechanics
 PO Dirty mechanic
 PD Dirty mechanic

N RYAN COOPER
 NN Coop
 FS "Take me to get a feed"
 L Chicken, Peter's pantry
 D 4th formers
 PO Engineer
 PD Minister of chicken affairs

N BLAIR COX
 NN Blurr
 FS "I'll smash you", "Yeah, okay"
 L Sleep, sport, sleep, 'V', sleep, TV
 D Whining chicks, Bad drivers
 PO Gods right hand man
 PD In hell for impersonating God

N ROBERT CROW
 NN Wobit, Wob
 FS "You stink"
 L Sport, sarcasm, competing, future
 D Reality, money
 PO Business supervisor
 PD Boss of a struggling business

N DEANNA CRUICKSHANK
 NN CT, Flo, Dee, Stuped head
 FS "Keep that thing away from me"
 L Brought pizza topped with whipped cream, lollies and more lollies
 D Having no money
 PO Evil sorceress's assistant
 PD Doing a world tour as 'Evil spice'

N NICK DALY
 NN 6
 FS "What's my name!?"
 L N.H.D
 D Lion red
 PO Butcher
 PD World champ at W.C.W

N LAURAN de RUITER
 NN The rooter
 FS "Let's not and say we did"
 L Girls
 D No girls
 PO Astra physicist at Nasa
 PD Toilet cleaner at local observatory

N KEVIN DEMCHY
 NN Big Kev, Demchy
 FS "Oh nah"
 L Mountain biking
 D Wet days
 PO Something in computers
 PD New Zealand

N ROMANA dos SANTOS
 NN Ro (pronounced Ho in portugese)
 FS "Ahh, you see...!", "En Brazil"
 L Soccer, New Zealand, Soccer, Brazil, Soccer
 D When Brazil loses, peanuts, mussels
 PO Doctor
 PD School nurse

N SHANNON DUFF
 NN Duff, Shaz
 FS "Drink up", "Rrrrrr" (roll your tongue)
 L Partying, the beach, summer, sleeping
 D Working at Pak'n'Save
 PO Chef/Bartender overseas
 PD Waitress in New Plymouth

N MARTIN EMO
 NN 70's man, Emo, Shaggy
 FS "Yeah man", "Yeah baby"
 L Skittles, spacemen, Austin Powers, hippies and funk
 D Squares, hair hassles, stats, bad coffee
 PO Owner of electric, psychedelic, pussy cat swingers club
 PD Guru a top of a mountain

N GARETH FOX
 NN Gaf
 FS "Death is often fatal"
 L Anything green
 D Midgets with fish
 PO Professional loser
 PD Ward 17

N BEN GAASTRA
 NN none
 FS "What homework"
 L Sleep, experiments, dancing
 D Homework, boredom
 PO Research scientist, Astronaut
 PD Dancer

N JON GAASTRA
 NN Jonny
 FS none
 L Sleep, food
 D Shellfish, licorice
 PO Singer, Architect
 PD New Zealand or America

N JOHN GABITES
 NN Gabo
 FS "Shut up", "Canteen it Chief/Hench"
 L Hitting warm ups, Mums baking, big drives
 D Juniors, moaning females
 PO Chemical engineer
 PD 4th middle hitter for Shirley B

N RACHEL GARVEY
 NN Rach
 FS "Drinks at my place guys", "It was an accident"
 L Photos, the 'Crew', summer, Barrett
 D English, Darnell, other house leaders
 PO High class photographer in a 'B' cup
 PD Dancer

N ADRIAN GEORGE
 NN AXE
 FS "Byte me"
 L Beer, rugby
 D Anything that involves thinking
 PO Sports journalist
 PD A bum like Dallas

N BRYDEN GLEN
 NN Fatty, fat, fat, fat, Penn
 FS
 L Food
 D Hunger
 PO Bum
 PD Living in the back of a Bedford, in the city council carpark behind the Mill

N CLAIRE GRANT
 NN Telecom, Clairabell
 FS "What've you done"
 L Chocolate, Matthew
 D Broccoli, peanut butter
 PO Legal executive/secretary
 PD Housewife

N MELISSA GREEN
 NN Paddles, G, Milsa, MG, Taz
 FS "I'm not dirty"
 L Girly nights, Beach volley
 D 'Assembly stares'
 PO Famous designer in the U.K
 PD Undiscovered freelance artist with a huge student loan

N REDMOND HANLON
 NN Red, Redman, Red dog
 FS "Let's go get pizza"
 L Alcohol, sports, food, spending money
 D No alcohol, no food, no money, hangovers
 PO Computer programmer
 PD Lake Alice

N SARA HARVEY
 NN Sassy Sara
 FS "This sux"
 L Pashing, Geoff, Snowboarding
 D Rude talk, unconfident guys
 PO Film director
 PD Breeding ostriches (ostriches are cool!)

N BRENDON HENCHMAN
 NN Hecccckkman the crab
 FS
 L Girls, Lion red
 D Boys touching me
 PO War tactician
 PD Hermit sea crab at the bottom of the pacific

N VERITY HEWITT
 NN Verts, Virtty, Veri-teatowel
 FS "Who stole my...?", "Emma ya freak"
 L Mocking the 'Crew' girls
 D Hearing 'Crew' stories on Monday
 PO Head of Winston's legal team
 PD In a cardboard box in Wellington because Rach didn't pay the rent

N SIMON HILL
 NN Hillboy, Freak, Ommer Bommer
 FS "etc."
 L Jolt cola, NI, brainy-complicated-machinery-type-things
 D Americans (esp. Hollywoodians), rap, internet, viagra, make up, prozac addicts
 PO Industrial Terrorist, computer nerd
 PD North

N JAMES HOFFMAN
 NN Hoffy
 FS "Ha", "doh"
 L Sport, food, girls
 D Olives
 PO Welder
 PD Not a welder

N SHANNON HONEYFIELD
 NN Shazzy, Shenay "Do I make ya randy baby?"
 L 80's, Punk, fairies, El Condor
 D The wages at Pak'n'Save, ruggers, grippy toes (ew Courts!)
 PO Obsessive coffee addict
 PD Full time Pak'n'Save worker (noooooo!)
 N VERITY HEWITT

N KELLY HOPKINSON
 NN Hoppy, Kelly, Shorty
 FS "Aim for the moon, that way if you miss, at least you'll be amongst the stars"
 L Not being in bio, school heaters on cold days
 D School heaters on hot days, 1st period, flicks, hacky brands
 PO Personal trainer, masseuse to the stars, manpower's assistant
 PD Stop/go sign worker

N ROWENA HOWARD
 NN Rowey, Weenie, Row
 FS "That's what you think", "Just like that", "What?"
 L Harsh insults, frowning
 D Oversensitive people, people saying I frown too much
 PO Rich doctor
 PD Busking outside the local store in Dannevirke

N KEN HUANG
 NN Asian, Minamoto No Yoshutsune
 FS "Yo bro"
 L Sushi, Kung fu fighting
 D Girls with chunky legs
 PO Chinese black society member, governor of Hong Kong
 PD Somewhere in Tibet

N CHARLES IP
 NN Charlie, Chip, Asian
 FS "What up G?"
 L Chicken, playing the game with Ali, chicken, smiles
 D Ali not around, being alone, basketball bench
 PO Tell me please!
 PD A bum with a basketball

N TOMOKO ISHIJIMA
 NN Tomoko
 FS "Oh", "Dayone"
 L New Zealand, friends, my family, Japan (sort of)
 D Putting on weight, getting older
 PO Air hostess
 PD Primeminister of New Zealand!

N DALLAS JACKSON
 NN Jacko
 FS "Who is it"
 L Friday and Saturday nights
 D Sunday mornings
 PO Owner of alcoholics anonymous
 PD Rehab

N MICHAEL KEMSLEY
NN Mickey, Mick
FS "I'm hungry, I'm going to the service station"
L Food
D Being hungry, boiled spuds
PO Civil engineer
PD Champion speed eater

N PHUI TIN KONG
NN PT, E.T, QT, Li! Asian
FS "No I do not", "Aw shut up", "Tree"
L Pies, Rum&Coke, Brandy snaps, Hokey pokey
D Gits, peach schnapps, racism, smelly people
PO Rich acturist
PD Alcoholic teacher, Malaysian spy in New Zealand

N MORGAN KRATZ
NN Morgs
FS "Oh yeah", "Can I come too?"
L Vodka
D Vodka
PO Man Power
PD 40 and still living at home

N WILLIE LEWIS
NN Wilstar, Wills, Big Willie
FS "Am I supposed to laugh at your stupidity?", "Git, Shmuck"
L Sarcasm, sexy people
D Stupid people, Pak'n'Save, nice people
PO Lawyer
PD On trial in the supreme court for hate phone calls

N COURTNEY LUCAS
NN Courts
FS "What's with the monkeys and the crying"
L Sarcasm, grippy toes
D Hair cuts, new clothes
PO Famous rich artist
PD Poor artist with no hair

N STEVE MARTIN
NN Fireman Steve
FS "Are you a fireman?"
L Going to the firestation
D Not going to the firestation
PO Fireman
PD Arsonist

N TRENT MARTIN
NN T.Bone
FS "Oh my god that's big!"
L Denis Rodman
D Big hair, my foot in my mouth
PO Teacher
PD 2nd year 7th

N SUZANNE McCARTHY
NN Suz, Suzy, Woozy, Schmooz
FS "Geez Wayne"
L Wrapping presents, gay gordans, singing Grease songs, dancing to Jazz
D Ali and Chip's game, utes and being hit by them
PO Filthy rich engineer
PD Back up singer for Grease on Broadway

N KARYN McDONALD
NN Kaz, Kazza
FS "I'm wearing undies"
L Saturday nights, the 'Crew', skin bearing tops
D Hitler-like basketball coaches, being called dirty
PO Cosmo fashion director
PD Check out chick at Pak'n'Save

N FIONA McINTOSH
NN Fi, Fit freak, Hollow legs
FS "Whatever, don't ask me, how should I know?"
L Sport, Peter, food, animals
D No food, cruelty to animals, no sport
PO Physiotherapist
PD Lost somewhere

N BRENDAN MILLS
NN Milsy
FS "I'm the man"
L Girls, electronic gadgets, computing
D Boyfriends of girls I like, capitalism
PO The next James Bond, 007
PD The dole queue

N ALAN MILLWARD
NN Freddy
FS
L Rugby, wrestling
D Giving people rides
PO ???
PD Supermarket worker

N ANDI MOLL
NN Swiss
FS "Yeah, why not, sure", "Okay", "hey"
L The word 'likes'
D Answering stupid questions
PO Living on a bridge
PD Living under a bridge

N KELLY MOULD
NN Kells
FS ???
L Swimming, horse riding
D ???
PO A teacher aid
PD ???

N INGRID O'CONNER
NN Ingee, JAJA
FS "Yeah, you're right"
L Flowers, jandels, sebastian the scarf, Paritutu rock
D Needles, being rejected for blood donation
PO Witch doctor
PD Making chalk pictures outside the purple house in Henderson

N BRENDON O'KEEFFE
NN Chief
FS "All right then"
L 'Crew' drinks, Lion red, Darnell, MG
D Shakespearean performances, sore knees, English
PO Sexy, high paid fitness trainer
PD An Indian chief, sitting in a TP, drinking Lion Red in the wild west

N JOSHUA PAURINI
NN Paurini
FS "It's all good", "Cook it up", "N.W.O"
L Basketball, drinks, Brazilian Soccer team, Females (except little ones)
D Racists, irate motel owners
PO On the bench for the Fitzroy Engineering Taranaki Oilers
PD Dead in the Pak'n'Save freezer

N RENEE PENMAN
NN Nay, Penman
FS
L Shaved heads, girls nights, ruggers
D
PO All Blacks masseuse
PD Feathers

N JENNA PILLETTE
NN Jens
FS "Giggle, he, he, chuckle"
L Horseriding, bubbly wine, weekends, my boots
D Calculus, being forced to speak
PO Bodybuilder
PD Sumo wrestler

N JULIAN PITMAN
NN Pede
FS "Nughrr"
L Swimming, food
D The cold, short beds
PO Chemical engineer
PD 6 feet under

N ADAM PRIEST
NN Moses
FS "I've had more than 2 beers"
L Basketball, golf, 5 foot barrels
D Correspondence
PO Ski instructor
PD Jerusalem

N JENNA QUAY
NN Jens, Jennakoe
FS "It will be alright"
L Snowboarding, havng fun with friends
D Being harassed by bogans in McDonald's
PO Tour bus driver
PD Full time waitress

N KERI RAEDER
NN
FS "Oh really fool!"
L Sleeping, money, red wine, speights
D Work, vodka without orange, waking up early
PO Mural artist
PD Kindergarten finger painter

N KERRY REA
NN Buff
FS "You know each other but you don't know me"
L Alcohol, wrestling, rugby, music, anarchy
D Hangovers, little kids
PO Army
PD Iraq

N MEREN ROBERTS
NN
FS "You freak"
L Sleep, medium white country wine, Larson
D Happy people
PO Vet nurse
PD Stray cat collector

N DARRYL ROPER
NN Daz
FS "Ya ringo"
L Sports, pay-day, alcohol
D Some Vegetables
PO Jiggalo
PD Navy

N FRASER ROSS
NN Squish, squatty
FS "Talk it up"
L Paramatta winning, sports, PDA signs
D N.W.O, Pak'n'Save, dice
PO Sports journalist
PD 7 foot basketball player

N JODY SANSON
NN Jody
FS "Um"
L Swimming
D
PO Teacher aid
PD

N KASIA SCANNELL
NN Scannell, Scanza, Pooh Scannel
FS "I'm not drinking this weekend", "Yah reckon"
L Summer, friends, Michelle's ale
D Morning afters, bogans and westies
PO TV producer, director
PD Meat Packer

N KATIE SCOTT
NN Skatie Kott
FS "Back up Yoko Ono"
L Mates, guys, Saturdays
D Dislocating knees (18 times)
PO Bus driver for Shorty's team
PD Skode flat with Kate Spencer

N CRAIG SHARPE
NN Bones, Sharpie, Benz
FS "Bull Fraser", "Nah I'm right", "Race 3 mate"
L Winning on the horses, TAB, trackside channel
D Losing on the horses
PO Trotting driver
PD Spending

N BEN SHAW
NN Librarian
FS "Lawks 'a lawdy"
L ?
D Libraries
PO Third tree from the left in Lord of the Rings movie
PD 98 year old

N STEPHEN SMITH
NN S.P, Smitty
FS "What?"
L Paula, hair (my own), vodka
D Beer
PO New Zealand army
PD Pak'n'Save

N LISA SNOWDEN
NN Lis
FS "Is that right?", "Whatever"
L Sport, sleeping
D Annoying people, slow drivers, school
PO Millionaire
PD Bum in Aussie

N KRISTIAN SOUTH
NN
FS "I'm never gonna drink again"
L Drinking
D Hangovers
PO Bartender
PD The gutter

N DYLAN SPENCER
NN Dyls, Dicky, Big D
FS "Stop trying to be like me", "I don't know"
L Wrestling, bernies
D Green goblins
PO Himalayan Rabbi talking rubbish
PD Working at Pak'n'Save

N SARAH TAYLOR-SMITH
NN Drama queen
FS "Oh my god"
L Fantasy
D Being short
PO Movie star
PD Advisor to Mr Chivers

N MICHELLE THORSTENSEN
NN Thorsty, Chell, Chooky
FS "Never have, never will"
L Michelle's ale, red, lush gym guys, volleyball
D Volleyball on Sundays, blue, knees
PO 13th wife to Arab Shiek in Abu Dhabi
PD Abu Dhabi

N ALISTAIR TIPPETT
NN Grizz, Freak, Hey you
FS "I love you", "I'm a chicken"
L Chip and red chickens, short shorts, fainting
D Barrett and all their families, mud girl
PO A castle or a naked mole rat
PD In a yard or under a yard

N HAYDAN TOMPKINS
NN Mac, Big HT, Nayhad snikpomt
FS "mmmmmm"
L Snowboarding
D Dirty school dance outfits
PO Rich professional snowboarder
PD Lift operator

N MARIE TOOMAN
NN Mouse
FS "No, no, but what is...daer?"
L Breaking and blowing things up in chemistry, twinkling mistakes
D Accounting, people hassling my driving and spelling, cat-nap, mice
PO Mad scientist
PD Taxi driver

N CHRISSIE TRYE
NN Chrissie, Christabell
FS
L Music, shredding paper, chicken, schoolwork, sport
D Vegetables, reading, bossy people
PO
PD America

N RICHARD VON de VRIL
NN Dick
L Food, primus, real art, cartoons
D Human race, peanut butter, baked beans, midgets with fish, bad acting
PD In my life I would like to finish everything I start. If life has taught me anything, it is that most of the morals you see on TV are true, and one piece of advice I have for you is "Time does heal all wounds."

N ELI WAIKAWA
NN E, Sergeant
FS "It ain't over till it's over", "Yeh bo!"
L Sport (esp. basketball), chocolate, yoghurt, sleeping
D Getting out of bed, brussel sprouts
PO Starting lineup of the Fitzroy Engineering Taranaki Oilers
PD Water boy

N MICHELLE WALKER
NN Walker
FS "Don't worry it will work out"
L Fashion, chocolate, the gym
D Shy people, petty girls
PO World renowned fashion designer
PD Dancer at the Mill

N JON WATERS
NN Dog, Roof, Stubby
FS "Clocks, calendars, time, it's all the same"
L Plastic forks, doing homework in the dark, rope, silence
D Pikelets, little birds, debt, tangled pipe, barley
PO Windowless house
PD Slack bicycle dancer

N SAMUEL WHITEMAN
NN Big man Sam, Sam the man
FS "My mum's gonna read this"
L Steak'n'cheese pies, girls
D Meanies, seafood
PO Graphic designer
PD Graphic Designer

N KENNETH WONG
NN Roswell, Roz
FS "Just because you are working, doesn't mean you can't have fun"
L Flake ice cream, friends, the ball, shooting aliens
D Dishonesty, area 51, physics, crashing to earth
PO Vet, information science, medicine
PD Taranaki polytech

N TENNILLE YANDLE
NN Toenail, nail, mother goose
FS "Josh you little..."
L Stephen, PE, dancing
D Untidy rooms
PO Primary teacher, bum blaster sales woman
PD Dancer in the states

SCHOOL ROLL — 1998



FORM 7

Back Row: John Gabites, Adrian George, Scott Parker, Lauren De Ruiter, Bryden Glen, Sam Whiteman, "Grizz" AKA Alistair Tippett, Julian Pitman, Ryan Cooper, Blair Cox, Owen Brighurst, Brendan Mills, Brendon Henchman

5th Row: Dallas Jackson, Simon Hill, James Hoffman, Jon Gaastra, Ben Shaw, Craig Sharpe, Trent Martin, Brendon O'Keeffe, Nick Daly, Martin Emo, Jon Waters, Haydan Tompkins, Robert Crow, William Lewis

4th Row: Morgan Kratz, Ben Gaastra, Michelle Thorstensen, Kasia Scannell, Brendan Shaw, Adam Priest, Redmond Hanlon, Stephen Smith, Manual Broughton, Jonathon Bell, Kerry Rea, Kevin Bryant, Joy Bridger, Richard Van Der Vril

3rd Row: Rowena Howard, Peter Bielawski, Fiona McIntosh, Jenna Pillette, Rachel Lambert, Natasha Whiting, Shannon Duff, Amanda Hall, Courtney Lucas, Katie Bool, Romana dos Santos, Suzanne McCarthy, Paula Bibby, Charles IP, Kenneth Wong

2nd Row: Chrissie Trye, Tim Biesiek, Gareth Fox, Shannon Honeyfield, Tomoko Ishijima, Alan Millward, Marie Tooman, Meren Roberts, Lisa Snowden, Michael Kemsley, Katie Scott, Rhys Danaher, Fraser Ross, Dylan Spencer

Front Row: Ken Huang, Renee Penman, Sarah Chivers, Rachel Garvey, Melissa Green, Verity Hewitt, Sara Harvey, Damon Coneglan, Liz Buttimore, Bridget Quinlan, Claire Grant, Karyn MacDonald, Jenna Quay, Emma Collie, Jodie Sanson

Absent: Rebecca Barker, Tamara Bennetts, Kevin Demchy, Sarah Greenbank, Kelly Hopkinson, David Hughes, Joshua Paurini, Keri Raeder, Darryl Roper, Vesan Seko, Tim Suthon, Eli Waikawa, Michelle Walker, Anneke Werner, Bridgette Wilson, Tennille Yandle, Phui Tin Kong



FORM 6JB

Back Row: Wes Snowdon, Hannah Whiteman, Jamie Amstad, Stephen Reed, Wade Harding, Jaron Pigott, James Stoddart

2nd Row: Julie Lovegrove, Julia Gaze, Trent Cox, Roger Tao'ai, Kathryn Greaney, Sarah Lealand

Front Row: Catherine Moore, Miriam Baronian, Jenna McMillan, Amanda Bingham, Emma Shannon, Fiona Johns, Adrienne Greenhill

Absent: Mrs J Beggs (Teacher)

FORM 6SD

Back Row: Kelly Scrivener, Jessica Wilkinson, Brodie Dalton, Michael Brill, Brett Clearwater, Rachelle Davis

Front Row: Chris Carter, Karena West, Stacey McIndoe, Brent Krutz, Janet Charteris, Rhea Cooper, Karl Horo

Absent: Mrs Domney (Teacher)



FORM 6CF

Back Row: Toby Parsons, Dylan Turner, Jared Wilson

2nd Row: J Wells (Teacher), Tina MacDonald, Emily Miller, Nicholas Webster, Daniel Eynon, C Finch (Form Teacher)

Front Row: Wayne Harrison, Sarah Hayman, Jean Tompkins, Mandy James, Maria Priestley, Alaina Crafar McKee, Ben Wilmshurst

Absent: Jilaire Ross, Casey Taylor, Logan Maxwell, Shane Mathews



FORM 6WF

Back Row: Erle Moetara, Jared Steel, Rayne Anderson
2nd Row: Kate Spencer, Jennifer Batten, Kelly Mason, Peter Allen, Simon Lynds, Lucy Connor, Mr W Foy (Teacher)
Front Row: Nerina Gaastra, Wade Lobb, James Middleton, Tamati Goff, Duane Ellis, Sam Heath, Julie Willans
Absent: Kylie Jones



FORM 6NN

Back Row: Brad Hart, Simon Tippett, Mike Kahui
2nd Row: Nicola Ngarewa (Teacher), Karl Bowden, Thomas Parry, Shaun Johnson, Jared McElhannan, Jenna Stone
Front Row: Jasmine Zimmerman, Michelle French, Kate Guthrie, Danielle Adams, Rebekah Bloomfield, Robyn Spencer, Sarah Buttimore
Absent: Danny Beale, Shane Jensen, Paul Mould, Mary Potangaroa



FORM 6IG

Back Row: Sean Laurence, KJ Baker, Lance Wight, Triston Insley-Youngkin
2nd Row: Kelly Shuker, Gareth Robinson, Malcom Colvin, Joshua Morris, Michelle Soulsby, Natasha Crow, Mr I Gabites (Teacher)
Front Row: Daniel Jones, Sarah Russell, Max Yu, Dwayne Hill, Caleb Prestidge, Angela Jensen, Nick Ritchie
Absent: Josef Mundt



FORM 6AS

Back Row: Thor Gudjonsson, Brendon Webby, Heydon Bartlett
2nd Row: Natasha Lees, Lisa Broadmore, Timothy Bedford, Matthew Coward, Daniel Franklin-Browne, Mrs Alison Slater (Teacher)
Front Row: Andrew Cronin, Eloise Pollard, Sonia Wells, Rick Christiansen, Nicola Cox, Donna Bond, George Karageorge
Absent: Anna Wilkinson, Natasha Cook



FORM 6TL

Back Row: Luke Keegan, BJ Martin, Jess Prestidge, Matthew Smith, Darin Oulaghan
2nd Row: Minal Moral, Tim Steedman, Amanda Robinson, James Grieve, Alicia Field, Beverley Capps, Mr Lanning (Teacher)
Front Row: Karena West, Victoria Masters, Scott Kidd, Anita Walsh, Matthew Flower, Rangi Hiroti, Rochelle Jacob



FORM 5BB

Back Row: Chris Olsen, Natalie Shanks, Matthew Paul, Luke Leathers, Matthew Ubels, Peter Manu, Cain Carr
2nd Row: Tony Feek, Joseph Deacon, Michael Webb, Shane Ries, Ashley Faamai, Trent Frost, Mr Bradshaw (Teacher)
Front Row: Rosie Mundt, Lisa McDonald, Sarah Walden, Dianna Tuki, Charmaine Rangit, Anna Broughton, Leanne Crow
Absent: Barbara Scott, Johnny Ross, Larna Lehndorf, Lisa Mould, Matthew Ardern



FORM 5JC

Back Row: Shawn Kane, Josh Kivell, Eugene Bridger, Scott Birmingham, Delian Jackson, Carl O'Sullivan

3rd Row: Christopher Hobby, Magenta Taylor, Michael Davis, Adrian Maxwell, Adam Mercer, John Kim, Stuart McIntosh

2nd Row: Mrs J Carnachan (Teacher), Andrew Thomson, Michael Nicholson, Heidi Wallin, Elli Pillette, Laura Holland, Tania Reid

Front Row: Delina Adlam, Carla Adlam, David Rawiri, Rupert Goldsmith, Tai Dean, Cara Graham, Jessica Oka

Absent: Lydia Quay, Ebony Moke, Shayne Williams, Sami Tuavao



FORM 5CV

Back Row: Liana Halverson, Leigh Petersen, Megan Kennedy, Aaron Kivell, Kieran Crafar-McKee, April Pitman

3rd Row: Donald Wong, Suzanne Jones, Nathan Mackey, Dwayne Theobald, Damian Ngataierua, Stephen Bedford, Phillip Martin

2nd Row: Hinga Manukonga, Cassie Willoughby, Paul Chinery, Sarah Jamieson, Leona White, Leigh Andrew, Mervyn Chivers (Teacher)

Front Row: Stacey Short, Tammy Hills, Paula Eynon, Teri Ryder, Julia Loney, Margaret Sansom, Deanne Topless

Absent: Santini Rangi, John Tooman, Leon Valentine, Adam Ross, Jamie Woods, Hoana Renau



FORM 5PG

Back Row: Paul Greaney, Qwynton Tuari, Brett Ropitini, Leighton Hunt, Peter Miller, Lewis Evans

2nd Row: Talitha Barnes, Jason Rich, Arianna Todd, Ricky Fox, Andrew Graystone, Brendan Riddick, Mr P Gayton (Teacher)

Front Row: Lauren James, Michelle Fuller, Michelle Mowat, Zara Nicely, Talimai Tuigaleava, Karen Payne, Todd Richardson

Absent: Tom Alexander, Michael Sedden, Shaun Te Ruki, Michelle Hannam, Koren Robson, Dallas Russell, Sarah Taylor-Smith



FORM 5DI

Back Row: Hayley Thorpe, Rocky Vercoe, Mathew Pratt, Avei Haunga

2nd Row: David Sutton, Sharlene Turner, Andrew Cotter, Awatea Keil, Esther Bell, Jessica Terrill

Front Row: Zeb Chatfield, Angela Farley, Kellie Olliver, Todd Boulton, Linda Larsen, Vicky Soffe, Sydney Yardley

Absent: Tania Bidois, Lana Hawker, Erina Ratahi, Dane Edwards, Cameron Hughes, Adam Rosser, Ryan Shaw, Jon Dixon, Mr D Ingram (Teacher)

FORM 5SM

Back Row: Jessica Honeyfield, Scott Souness, Garan Sinclair, Nathan Carswell, Lionel Adams, Russell Watson, Sonia Whitmore

2nd Row: Amanda Conaglen, David Hunia, Jacob Rapira, Rebecca Hawkins, Aaron Marshall-Smith, Russel Laird, Mrs Mack (Teacher)

Front Row: Tracy Henchman, Shane Krutz, Michelle Wiltshire, Adrienne Smith, Charlotte Atkinson, Michael Wilkinson, Sarah Huang

Absent: Troy McAllister, Megan Tohu, Amy Tohu, Michael Gibb, Jon Paul Heather, Emma Moore, Amellia Liddall, Chrystelle Deane



FORM 5TP

Back Row: Danae Ewington-Skedgwell, AJ Hall, Glen Gadsby, Glen Wells, Joshua Paul, Renee Abrams, Crystal McPherson

2nd Row: Claire Charteris, Tracy Amstad, David Forsythe, Angelina Topia, Michael Lowers, Gina Briggs

Front Row: Chantee Tunbridge, Leanne Mancner, Chaise Elliot, Ryan Adlam, Dion Jeffrey, Bilha Baker, Joanna Demetriou

Absent: Linda Shortland, Shaun Fennell, Becky Murphy, Mr Peters (Teacher)



FORM 5JS

Back Row: Todd Heremaia, Bryce Foster, Barney Fitzpatrick, Manu Hay-Vega, Adam Crow
3rd Row: Taharau Pakau, Maria Shramka, Scott Hodges, Philippa Berry, Kylee Briskie
2nd Row: Yoshida Tan, Janelle Perry, Sheree Manukonga, Tania Schweiger, Salena McCracken, Bindy Huntley, Ms J Stallard (Teacher)
Front Row: Katie Blackstock, Gina South, Fred Girling, Allen Graham, Scott Long, Fleur Tohu, Hayley Hoffman
Absent: Craig Murfitt, Scotty Rowe, Lee Hare



FORM 4KG

Back Row: Laura Sommerville, Kenneth Short, Jane Coleman, Adele Main, Rebecca Reidy, Kane Piper
2nd Row: Veronica Painter, Starr Hirini, Tony Hetherington, Adrian Holland, Simon Besseling, Lisa Garvey, Mr Gilmore (Teacher)
Front Row: Laura Adlam, Haron Baronian, Jared Greenbank, Chantelle Palmer, Adam Marshall, Murray Christmas, Tessa Versteeg
Absent: Steven Paniora, Craig Theobald, Demelza Burnard, Tiffany Kendall



FORM 4NJ

Back Row: Kimberley Rolls, Ralph Barton, Jason Charman, Andrew Milligan
2nd Row: Sarah Bingham, Leanna Hanover, Sheena Tarana, Vernon Stuart, Tracy Peterson, Saskia Lagocki, Mrs N Jonas (Teacher)
Front Row: Joshua Law, Ben Whalen, Tania Bowden, Shauntell Hunt, Sujana Tambunan, Haydyn Fox, Richard McLean
Absent: Scott Farquhar, Ben Redshaw, Sarah Whitehead, Dillon Olliver



FORM 4HC

Back Row: Nick Hanscombe, Becky Russell, Samuel Wilson, Thomas Avery, Craig Charteris
2nd Row: Meredith Bool, Mark Pattison, Joshua Dixon, Jacob Styles, Jaime Lloyd, Jason Manukonga, H Cason (Teacher)
Front Row: Ben Rosser, Misty Donaldson, Joanne Jones, Michael French, Toni Hanscombe, Aimee Preston, Ryan Leatham



FORM 4FC

Back Row: Blake Anderson, Chris Brill, Nathan Fenwick, Jarred Webber
2nd Row: Brendon Gyde, Ashley Crockett, John Starrenberg, Jimo Rangi, Stuart Hood, Christie Matthews
Front Row: Janine Howard, Hazel Robertson, Marcia West, Abby Penman, Tiana Kupe, Katherine Goodman, Yvette Batten
Absent: F Cooper (Teacher)



FORM 4NO

Back Row: Michelle Robb, Steven Brill, Ben Gudjonsson, Ben Darvill-Jackson, Tami Ngaia
2nd Row: Kate Vowles, Victoria Martin, Josh Blundell, Kielly Parker, Todd Hildred, Heath Martin, Mr N O'Keeffe (Teacher)
Front Row: Hayden Smith, Daniel Allen, Melody Ashwin, Phillipa Soulsby, Lauren Cooper, Philip Daley, DJ Shearer
Absent: Richard Turner



FORM 4PN

Back Row: Venita Christensen, Scott Harding, Andre Barlow, Corey Whittaker, Isaac Walker
2nd Row: Vicky Shuker, Astyn Hare, Jordan Lewis, Mark Drabble, Craig Besley, Rowena Toa-Wairere
Front Row: Michael Chinery, Cassey Ellis, Andrew Sharpe, Genevieve Zimmerman, Louis Swannell, Tahlia Lowers, Joseph Penberth
Absent: Ben Murphy, Shaylee Morgan, Sarah Brown, Rebecca Read, Mrs M Penno (Teacher)



FORM 3KC

Back Row: David Bell, La Toya Wilcox, Antoinette Bilski, Dayne Ruakere, Brad Horgan, Rebekah Lealand
2nd Row: Lance O'Brien, Rebecca Prebble, Anisha Patel, Nadia Demchy, Jackie Crawford, Chez O'Donnell
Front Row: Dian Martin, Paul Riddle, Eli Paurini, Dion Liddle, Tony Mclsaac, Carl Robinson, Helen Guthrie
Absent: Mr K Crawford (Teacher)



FORM 4JT

Back Row: Joseph Ngawini, Tofa Malili, Nathan Yardley, Farrell Bennetts, Adam Te Awa, Brendan Eggers
2nd Row: Tammy Keegan, Patrick Pascoe, Matthew Shearer, Shayman Pihama, Kerrin Harrison, Swann Brandt, Jacques Tuz (Teacher)
Front Row: John Poa, Jodie Heath, Peggy Eynon, Daniel Gaastra, Lana Ngaia, Donna Sinclair, Gareth Chivers
Absent: Todd Teagle



FORM 3DE

Back Row: Allan Wells, Jenna Shaw, Andre Blowes, Donna James
2nd Row: Shay Scott, Shannon Rewa, Sonia Jordan, Geoffrey Painter, David McGiven, Haylee Ottens, Mrs Evans (Teacher)
Front Row: Sam Shiels, Sara Zaloum, Abdullah Norozi, Jessica Schou, Quinten Pratt, Kerrie Davidson, Tristan Bridges
Absent: Tarnaya Ross, Rochelle Rangī, Tema Ratana, Jude Ardern, Grant Hotene



FORM 4WO

Back Row: Samuel Rapira, Crispin Andrews, Eli Mead
3rd Row: Teiahna Te Ruki, Daniel Fisher, Ingmar de Ruitter, Michael Steel, Charlotte Stoddart
2nd Row: Jamie West, Lionel Haldane, Daniel Ashard, Sarah Hughes, Renee Bibby, Mariah McManaway, Mr R Wood (Teacher)
Front Row: Adam Parsons, Sarah Griffiths, Melanie Rogers, Sandra Dix, Jessica Peoples, Sally Mattock, Robbie Kerr



FORM 3MG

Back Row: Holly Knightly, Paul Carter, Hannah Gulliver, Tiaki Bunyan
2nd Row: Warren Cooper, David Brider, Catherine Tipene, Amanda Brien, Logan Hetherington, Sharon Krutz, Mrs Margaret Gaze (Teacher)
Front Row: Tony Mattock, William Limmer, Darcelle Nicolson, Dane Ngaia, Allana Kennedy, Alister Flower, Jason Lipsey
Absent: Jessica Shramka, Tracey McElhannan, Tara Bunyan, Lex Tako-Hoeta, Julieanne MacDonald



FORM 3LG

Back Row: Bill Faamai, Marley Manser, Chris Jones, Jean Calvert
3rd Row: Aaron West, Kandi Karaitiana, Shane Broadmore, Serena Ropitini, Hayley Paul
2nd Row: Adrian Price, Kylie Riddick, Roslyn Stuart, Ben Short, Marcia Tippett, Krystal de Cent, Mrs George (Teacher)
Front Row: Mia Hurst, Emma Davison, Jaydon Marshall-Smith, Jim Ngarotata, Gina Schuler, Katie Cassidy, Hinemoa Taotahi
Absent: Aaron Robinson



FORM 3HS

Back Row: David Tooman, Russell Dalton, Sam Cadman, Maurice Te Whatu
3rd Row: Amanda Wallace, Aspasia Karageorge, Jermaine Rewha, Shelley Bartlett, Annette Hawkins
2nd Row: Sarah Kane, Rex Walton, Adam Hearle, Richie Ngawini, Daniel Dietrich, Ryan Hopkins
Front Row: Kelly Cotter, Amanda Keat, Doug Booth, Jemma MacKinnon, Jason Briskie, Nicky Ries, Adam Thurman
Absent: Jo Jo Barnes, Mrs Shannon (Teacher), Alisha Bason



FORM 3SG

Back Row: Thomas Moore, David Goile, Chris Bengé
2nd Row: Daniel Tynan, Patrick Urwin, Jessica Brunton, Hayley Eichstaedt, Hine Te Awhe, Anna Collins, Mr Greenhill (Teacher)
Front Row: Karl Hewer, Jayne Wicks, Charlene Ewans, Zara Mundt, Celeen Carter, Janelle Nicholson, Daniel Barrett
Absent: Kali Pahu, Michelle Gapes



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Back Row: Sarah Taylor-Smith, Raewyn Barron (Teacher Aide), Christine Jones (Teacher Aide), Lee George (Teacher), Vicki Craigie (Teacher Aide), Helen Brandon (Teacher), Kelly Playle
Front Row: Steve Martin, Patrick Pascoe, Shane Mathews, Adam Thurman, Tania Reid, Yoshida Tan, David (D.J.) Shearer
Absent: Daimon Thompson, Michael Gillingham, Kylie Vincent



FORM 3HR

Back Row: Candice Wyatt, Jeremy Deane, Murphy Te Ruki, Craig Paterson, Lisa Johnson, Casey Glentworth, Blake Sinclair
2nd Row: Kimberley Kelsall, Craig Shannon, Tara Christensen, Alisha Willing, Anita Whyte, Lisa Kerr, Trent Harvey, Mr Rilko (Teacher)
Front Row: Hannah Bloor, Kylie Kemp, Toni Kendrick, Josh Lowe, Lisa Ballinger, Kylie Turner, Raewyn Tapp
Absent: Kylie Vincent, Chase Fabish, Ben Gernhoefer, Kieren Sorensen



