

# Horoeka Haemata Highlights

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## Upcoming Key Dates:

- **Thursday 12th September-Junior Learning Conversations**
- **Friday 13th September-School closed for Learning Conversations**
- **Friday 27th September-End of Term 3**

# Principal's Panui

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As we are now well into our second semester, it is interesting to write on the 'reflect and review' process that our senior learners have just completed regarding their academic progress over the first semester. One of the advantages of having a semesterised curriculum is that it does present our senior learners with a distinct half way point on which to reflect and set appropriate learning goals for the second half of the year. The first step in this process was for the Year 11 learners to review their current situation and set goals for the second half of the year, it also gave them the chance to work alongside their Ako coach to identify potential gaps and areas that they need stretching in so that they are on track to achieve their academic goals. Having done this they then discussed their goals with their families and Ako coach at learning conversations here at the College so as to ensure that everyone was on the same page. As a school we also analysed the data and identified areas that we needed to provide opportunities in specified areas for those who had potential gaps or needed stretch opportunities. These extra workshops are well underway for identified learners. The purpose of this three step process was primarily to set realistic goals and create a pathway to achieving these goals for all of our learners. It was also the intention to ensure that the learners were themselves fully involved in this process and had a feeling of ownership over their academic progress. Judging by the number of really great conversations that I have had over the last couple of days with some of our senior learners about their academic aspirations this year then it would seem that this process has been most beneficial. Running alongside this process we have been planning our Senior Learning NCEA Level 2 courses. To help us make sure that we are meeting learner needs our senior learners have, this week, had the opportunity to provide some feedback on the proposed courses. Over the next few days we will analyse this feedback and amend courses to be offered where appropriate. Our senior learners at both levels next year will be making their subject choices for 2020 early in September and next year's Year 10 learners will be going through the same process early in Term 4.

# R2L Reminder



**Term 3 is Underway! Reminders to help you stay in the Play Zone**

- Be on time to class
- Bring a charged device and charger
- Bring a writing utensil and paper
- One device at a time
- Ask first before using any phones
- Use respectful language
- Engage in the learning
- Wear the correct uniform

**\*\*Term 3 means winter weather\*\***

**Be prepared with warm school uniform items.**

**Polar Fleece now for sale!**

**Be punctual.**

# Helping My Learner



How you can help your learner succeed

- If you need to contact your learner, please call the office. We have runners to deliver messages.
- Ask to see the work they're completing
- Encourage learners to read. Even if that means putting on subtitles of their favourite shows!

# Student Representative-BOT



Rolleston College is currently seeking nominations for one student representative to join the Rolleston College Board of Trustees. Any student enrolled at Rolleston College full time in Year 9 and above, and under the age of 20, is eligible to nominate, stand for and vote in the school board elections for a student trustee. Be assured a student trustee has equal standing, voice, accountabilities and vote as other board members, but are unable to stand as board chair. So if any students are considering standing and are keen to learn more, please, check out the NZSTA Website or the NZSTA Student Trustee Handbook.

Shortly, nomination forms will be distributed to all eligible voters on our student roll via AKO classes. Candidates will need to review, complete and submit a nomination form with a statement (up to 200 words) and photograph to the returning officer via the drop boxes at Reception on or by noon, Friday 16th August 2019.

Where there are more candidate nominations than vacancies, a voting election will be held. In a voting election, all eligible student voters will receive voting papers with any candidates' statements, including any photographs, on or before Thursday 22nd August 2019. Learners are asked to familiarise themselves with and select their preferred candidate using the voting papers provided. Once completed voting papers can be returned via the drop boxes at Reception by noon on Friday, 30th August 2019.

The highest polling candidate will be elected to the board of trustees, and the election results will be declared on Friday the 6th September 2019.

If learners have any questions please email our returning officer Mrs Hooper on [elections@rollestoncollege.nz](mailto:elections@rollestoncollege.nz).

# Celebrating Learners

Ryley Griffiths aged 13 set to become the youngest male recurve archer in New Zealand history to shoot at the World Youth Archery Championships in Madrid August 2019. What makes this achievement even more impressive is that Ryley is awaiting confirmation from World Archery that he is in fact the youngest in world history to qualify and shoot at this event. This event is for the best Youth Archers in the World within two divisions Cadet (U17) shooting 60m and Junior (U20) shooting 70m, Ryley has qualified two divisions higher to shoot in the Cadet Division, where he will be surrounded by 17 year olds from all over the World and to say he's excited is an understatement. This event will not only give him exposure and experience into World Archery but also his first ever World Ranking.

Ryley first picked up a bow at a "Have A Go Day" @ Ellesmere Archery just over 4.5 years ago, within 2 years he was already focused on making New Zealand Teams with that dedication paying off last year when he shot for New Zealand against Australia at the Trans-Tasman Challenge bringing home a selection of medals, then just 3 months later he was selected again for World Archery Oceania's in New Caledonia, shooting up one division to come 4th.

Ryley is now coached by Petra Baker under the Archery Coaching Institute of NZ based at Aimtru Archery in Mandeville who will also be joining Ryley on the line in Madrid as Coach of the New Zealand Team. On their return from Madrid, training will begin again immediately at 70m as Ryley prepares for both Senior World Cup and Oceania selection for 2020 another step closer to Olympic selection.



# Going Global

## *FEATURING: RYLEY GRIFFITH*

Shooting has now finished for the New Zealand Team. Ryley shot incredibly well and has finished with a match ranking of 57 equal with Trenton Cowles from Team USA who was the 2018 Youth Olympic Champion. There were 107 U17 Male Recurve Archers - the best in the World, Ryley is absolutely thrilled to finish in 57th given he can be back again in 2021/2023 in the same age category. Arriving home next week and straight into 70m training with goals of making the New Zealand Senior Men's Team for 2020.



# Character Strengths in the Spotlight

## Character Strength Roadshow

Learner Exhibition Night - Tuesday 24th September - 5 PM

Your character strengths are the qualities that come most naturally to you. Everyone possesses all 24 character strengths in different degrees, giving each person their uniqueness. At Rolleston College we believe in using 'strengths' as the starting point to enhance learning, manage & overcome problems and improve relationships.

**Come along to our learner exhibition night this term where learners will...**

Showcase each character strength

Help you find out what your character strengths are

Tell how you can use your character strengths and how we use them at school

Perseverance Love  
Creativity Perspective Spirituality  
Forgiveness Zest Bravery Humility  
Gratitude Prudence Judgement  
Leadership Love of Learning  
Curiosity Appreciation of Beauty  
Humour & Excellence Honesty  
Self-Regulation Teamwork Kindness  
Social Intelligence

Discover your character strengths by visiting [www.via.character.org](http://www.via.character.org) and take the free scientifically VIA survey



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# Parenting Week

Helping Whānau  
to Flourish

2019

9TH-19TH  
SEPTEMBER

Strategies to help your family through  
the difficult times and enjoy being together

**WITH MIKE KING, DR SUE BAGSHAW,  
PIO TEREI, JENNY HALE AND MORE!**



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[WWW.NHT.ORG.NZ/PARENTINGWEEK](http://WWW.NHT.ORG.NZ/PARENTINGWEEK)



TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM DASH TICKETS:  
[WWW.DASHTICKETS.CO.NZ/TOUR/1019](http://WWW.DASHTICKETS.CO.NZ/TOUR/1019)



# *Toy Library*

**Rolleston Toy Library fundraiser at Clip 'n Climb  
Sunday 29 September**

**Bring the kids for an hour of fun and adventure at Clip 'n Climb Christchurch, and help support the up-and-coming Rolleston Toy Library!**

**All tickets just \$10 each (Normal retail: preschoolers \$12, school age \$17, adults \$20)NB.**

**Children under 14 years must be accompanied by an adult.**

**Choose from one of three sessions (max 40 people per session)**

**3pm-4pm**

**4pm-5pm**

**5pm-6pm**

**The first 35 tickets sold will receive either a McDonalds or Shake Shed Co voucher (subject to availability).**

**Everyone who buys a ticket will go in the draw to win a \$50 voucher for LazeezMediterranean Grill.**

**Winner will be drawn on 25 September and announced on the Rolleston ToyLibrary Facebook page.**

**To book tickets, please  
email [rollestontoylibrary@gmail.com](mailto:rollestontoylibrary@gmail.com)**

# Learners Doing Fab Things

## ***FEATURING: KATIE CANOVAN AND KEIRA MACCALMAN***

Katie and Keira have been selected for the Canterbury Badminton Team.

At the weekendd, Katie won the Canterbury U15 doubles championship with her partner.

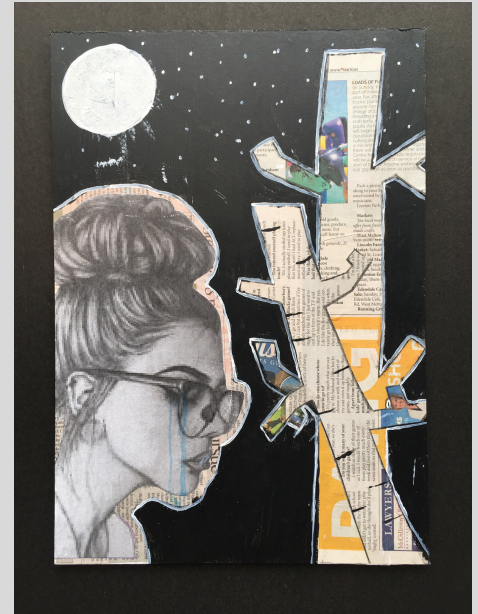
Keira won the Canterbury U15 Mixed Doubles.

Well done representing Rolleston College Katie and Keira!





# *Year 11 Let's Make Art*



Artists from Left to right: Phillipa Johnston, Nika Klok, and Jamie Klenner

Let's Make Art students are currently working on a project that will result in an exhibition and auction. This will be the inaugural Rolleston College Learner Art Exhibition and Art Auction. This project is a part of their NCEA assessment as well as being a great real-life learning experience. Learners are producing large scale finished works based on the art practice of well known artists Amy Judd, Ruben Patterson and Joanna Braithwaite. Each learner has selected the artist they connect with most and are working towards producing paintings on canvas, digital art and mixed media pieces. This project is part of a wider, longer term vision for the Visual Arts at RC. It's an opportunity for Rolleston College learners to participate in the creative economy of New Zealand. An opportunity to 'build communities' and 'transform futures' through the selling of learner Artworks. The funds raised will in turn allow learners to purchase artworks for an Art Collection that will build a community resource for greater learner understanding of how an art economy works. The funds raised will be used by the Year 11 'Let's make Art' class to purchase Artworks that will form a College Art Collection that will be on permanent viewing rotation within the school and with leasing options to wider Rolleston business Community. Opening night is Tuesday 24th September. The show will be up for viewing from the 24th until the end of term. Purchase of artworks will be via a Silent Auction. Updates will be going out on the College Facebook page as we progress towards this exciting event.