



Term 2 Week 9 Friday 18th June 2010

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An interesting meeting of the College Trustees was held on Sunday which focussed on marketing the school and increasing the roll. There is much to celebrate as academic results improve, standards rise and buildings receive extensive upgrades. Our challenge now as a school community is to reach out to new families and communities.

For me this was followed by a meeting of the enthusiastic Friends Committee on Tuesday evening. Both groups work so hard on behalf of our College and the students and often unsung heroes in our midst.

The large group of singers, who attended the Big Sing Competition in Palmerston North last week performed admirably, were favourably received and now await the judge's deliberations. Fingers are crossed!

There were very cold conditions awaiting our Year 12 PE students when they arrived on the Volcanic Plateau on the weekend. Wairarapa Outdoor Pursuits Instructor, Dave Woodcock, reports:-

The Yr 12 PE Tramping trip was as expected, very cold and very wet with good experiences in the snow. Good tramping within the weather circumstances made it a steep learning curve for some. Also a good lesson was learned in what is waterproof and what is not!

Around the school at present, work continues to proceed on a number of fronts. The upgrade of Cranleigh House is moving ahead quickly and alert eyes can catch glimpses of interior demolition and reconstruction.

The Senior College Facility in the Dining Hall complex is close to completion thanks to the hard work of the maintenance staff and the support of the Friends.

Yesterday a significant addition to the Auditorium stage arrived in the form of a cyclorama. Those who support next week's major production will no doubt be able to observe this in use. Again we thank the Friends Association.

This afternoon's Parent / Teacher interviews for Year 9 / 10 have been well supported by parents and caregivers. We are grateful for this and for the opportunity to discuss the well being of the boys.

Next week is rather straightforward apart from, the production and Tuesday's Year 10 Career Day. Never the less, the boys will continue to be busy. In the midst of that busyness, it is important, and unfortunately necessary, to remind the school community of the boys' sporting obligations. At Rathkeale this is an established and compulsory part of school life. Attendance at practices and matches is obligatory. Any boy who can not attend either for any reason must contact his coach in the first instance to avoid consequences.

**Grant Harper
Deputy Principal**

"To me it's very simple; if you're going to be thinking anyway, you might as well think big."

Donald Trump

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Twelfth Night - an update

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Sheilah Winn Shakespeare - Taming Of The Shrew

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NCEA Music Recital

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SOCKS. Grey socks in the smaller sizes should be available from the Uniform Shop later next week. There have been huge issues in the NZ sock manufacturing industry hence the long delay in receiving stock.

Remember the outstanding success of the Rathkeale/St. Matthew's Senior College production of Les Miserables last year? You won't want to miss this year's show featuring many of the same performers (remember AJ Hancox-Monk as the villainous innkeeper? This year he plays conceited ass, Malvolio), and some fresh faces in major roles, including Rathkeale Head Boy, Kristopher Nielsen talented all-rounder Anna McBride, and award-winning actress Stevie Hancox-Monk, who will all certainly impress.

We have invited professional actor, comedian, and writer Michael Wilson to direct and you can be assured of a funny, fast paced, hugely entertaining evening in the Trust House Theatre. Michael teaches some of the best student actors in the country every year at the National Youth Drama School and our students are fortunate to be able to work with a perfectionist!

The play is "12th Night or Whatever", an edited and updated version of Shakespeare's play "Twelfth Night or What You Will", made accessible to a modern audience. You will understand every word! It features a love triangle, and is crammed to bursting with the kinds of jokes and tricks associated with the *Feast of Misrule* that used to be celebrated around the 12th night after Christmas. Before the worst of winter kicked in, people were encouraged to get stuck into the last of the fresh food, crack open a few barrels of ale, and mess around with the natural order of things – paupers were crowned as king for a day, cross-dressing was rampant, officialdom was flouted, and killjoy officials were told to take a hike (at the very least). Festive mayhem abounds.

Book your place as this feast of entertainment (supper will be available too). Show dates and times: June 25 - 30th 7.30pm and June 28th 12.30pm. Adults \$10.00, Seniors and students, \$5.00. Rathkeale School office: 378 8377

Sports Results and Programme – 18 June 2010

Football Results

12 June 1st XI vs Tawa 2 Won 3 – 1 M Warner 2x

2nd XI vs Wai. Coll. SMI Lost 1 – 7

3rd XI vs Wai. Coll. Social Won 3 – 0

U-15 vs Well. High Won 13 – 0 J Simons 4x, M Ellicock 4x

Jun B vs Kuranui Lost 2 – 5

Jun C vs Wai. Coll. Blue Lost

Rugby Results

12 June 1st XV vs Wanganui High Lost 16 – 22

2nd XV vs Makoura 1st XV Lost

Colts vs Wai. Coll. Gold Won 60 – 5

White vs Wai. Coll. Blue Lost 10 – 38

Hockey Results

11 June 1st XI vs HVHS Won 7 – 0 F Dymond 5x

15 June Renegades vs Wai. Coll. 4th XI Drew 3 – 3 J Boyce 2x

Crux vs Rams Drew 1 – 1

16 June 1st XI vs Wai. Coll. 1st XI Won 1 – 0

2nd XI vs Hobbs Mob Won 3 – 1

Rabbitohs vs Chanel 1st XI Won 1 – 0

Pioneers vs Hatch team Won 3 – 0

Football Programme

17 June 2nd XI vs 3rd XI At Common 3.15 am

19 June 1st XI vs Wai. Coll At Top Field 11.00 am

U-15 vs Rongatai At Rongatai 10.45 am

Jun B vs Chanel 2nd XI At Common 9.00 am

Jun C vs Bye

Rugby Programme

19 June 1st XV vs Bye

2nd XV vs Wai. Coll. 3rd XV At Rathkeale 11.15 am

Colts vs Kuranui At Kuranui 10.00 am

White BYE

Hockey Programme

22 Jun Renegades vs Rams At Clareville 4.00 pm THT

Crux vs Wai. Coll. 4th XI At Clareville 5.15 pm THT

23 June Pioneers vs Chanel 1st XI At Clareville 4.00 pm THT

Rabbitohs vs 2nd XI At Clareville 5.00 pm ST