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This week has taken us to the end of a very warm, sunny April. The College grounds are in good shape and showing some wonderful autumn colours but every one recognises the need for some urgent rain for the fields and also, dare I say it, for this weekend's duck shooters!

On Saturday, shortlisted candidates for the Guidance Counsellor's position were interviewed and in a subsequent announcement, the school was informed of the appointment of Ms Eleanor Harper (no relation to the writer) to the position. She will begin work at Rathkeale next week and we trust her time here is both enjoyable and rewarding.

Also last weekend the 1<sup>st</sup> XV camp was declared highly successful. It was good to see the whole squad compliment the prefects at the ANZAC Dawn Parade and to hear that they had survived a twenty four kilometre trek in the Tararua Ranges .

Since then much attention has gone into advertising and promoting next Wednesday's Open Day. Schools in Hawke's Bay and Manawatu have been visited, advertisements placed in the newspapers and with radio stations and promotional material posted out. We would really appreciate any support that the wider school community can offer to ensure that potential families hear about what we have to offer.

The Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival was held at Wairarapa College on Tuesday evening. Our scenes from The Taming of the Shrew went extremely well, with many in the audience believing the production to be the strongest on the night. The judge said it was 'a near faultless performance'. Unfortunately, we went twenty seconds over the time limit of fifteen minutes and were disqualified. This was obviously tough on the students as they worked very hard. However, for her performance as Kate, Stevie Hancox-Monk was awarded direct entry into the National Shakespeare in Schools Production week in September.

This week's first round of the Inter House Cross Country Competition was pleasing for the manner in which it was embraced by most boys. Dr Knox, with much experience of such things, described it as excellent. Well done all!

The conduct of the junior boys who travelled to Palmerston North's Pacific College to enhance their appreciation of Japanese was also praised by their teacher, Mr Lane. Such reports are always pleasing.

Week Three will be dominated by Wednesday's Open Day, the details of which are:-

**9.00am – 3.00pm** the school will be open and conducted tours will be available.

**10.30am & 5.30pm** Welcome and presentations followed by Information Gathering Time.

**3.00pm-5.00pm** Day school classes conclude at 3.00pm, but after school activities will be taking place. It is possible to view the school at this time but not as part of any tour.

**5.45pm-7.30pm** Guided Tours. Staff and students will provide information and answer questions.

Over and above the arrangements for Open Day, the staff and students will be busy on all fronts as outlined in the Weekly Bulletin. Parents are particularly alerted to the Board of Trustees Parent Representative Election (Friday) and to the Wairarapa Youth Concert Bank and Viva Camerata Concert.

Grant Harper  
Deputy Principal

"The first step to getting the things you want out of life is this: Decide what you want."

Ben Stein

**Viva Camerata & Concert Band Concert**

On Saturday May 8<sup>th</sup> Viva Camerata and the Wairarapa Youth Concert Band will be performing at a concert to be held at Makoura College. The concert line up includes Rathkeale and St Matthew's students.

**Where:** Makoura College Hall, Makoura Road, Masterton

**When:** Saturday May 8<sup>th</sup>

**What Time:** 7 pm start. Students **MUST** be at the venue by 6pm to begin warm ups and preparation.

**Duration:** The concert should last no longer than one and half hours so we anticipate a finishing time of around 8.30 pm

**Cost:** Tickets are \$5 each or \$10 for a family

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES - NEWS**

With the school Board of Trustees elections underway, we would like to encourage all our parents to remember to have their say and to vote.

Voting closes this Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May

The Rathkeale Board of Trustees is slightly different to that of other schools. The Rathkeale Board is made up of 5 Parent Elected Trustees and up to 4 TSTB (Trinity Schools' Trust Board) appointed members.

Parents will have all received the voting papers for the Parent Elected Trustees. For your information the current TSTB Appointed Members are:

Craig Nelson  
Bruce Wagg  
Steve Thomson

All 3 will be remaining on the new Board.

Craig Nelson – on Behalf of Board of Trustees

Images of Rathkeale online photo album. We are trialling this facility and looking at how it could integrate with the new website. Please enjoy the photos and videos via the link below:

<http://imagesofrathkealecollege.shutterfly.com/>

**Football coaching**

Football coaching is available after school in Carterton, Masterton, and Martinborough

Classes suitable for players 5 -15 +, our carefully constructed syllabus provides lots of fun whilst developing sound basic football techniques. We have a selected range of games and practices giving our Mighty Mites the right balance between fun and learning. Then progressing on to more technical skills and then to Elite and player pathways to professional football.

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**Sports Results and Programme – 1 May 2010**

**Football Results**

24 April 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs Wellington coll. 2 Lost 0 – 6

2<sup>nd</sup> XI v s W.C. Pink Panthers Drew 2 – 2

3<sup>rd</sup> XI vs Chanel College Lost 0 – 2

Junior A vs Rongatai 2 Won 6 – 2

Junior B vs W. C. Gold Lost 0 – 6

Junior C vs Chanel College Lost 1 – 5

**Rugby Results**

24 April Colt's vs Kuranui Won 26-21

**Football Programme**

1 May 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs Tawa 2 Top Field 11.00 am

2<sup>nd</sup> XI vs Wai.Coll.Soc. 2 at Common 9.00 am

3<sup>rd</sup> XI vs Wai.Coll.Soc. 1 at Wai. Coll. 2 10.30 am

Junior A vs Scots at Heretaunga 10.45 am

Junior B vs Kuranui at Kuranui 9.00 am

Junior C vs Wai.Coll.Blue at Oval 9.00 am

**Rugby Programme**

1 May 1<sup>st</sup> XV vs Horowhenua College at No. 1 12.30 pm

2<sup>nd</sup> XV vs Makoura at No. 2 11.15 am

Colts vs Makoura at Makoura 10.00 am

White vs Kuranui at Kuranui 10.00 am

**Hockey Programme**

30 April 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs St. Pat's Stream NHS 1 6.45 pm