

Students of the Month for 2010



Year 9 – Sivaovao TUIALII – 9R – She is a solid worker, helpful, considerate – a very good girl.



Year 10 – Adrian STARR – 10P – He has been working diligently in Science, with Mr Shaw. Mr Shaw has been impressed with his efforts. Adrian recently scored a Merit in his Science exam.



Year 11 – Rissa KAMETA-TAYLOR – 11PLM – She has made a really good start to the year in Level 1 Physical Education and recently was the only student to receive an Excellence for the theory aspect of her Athletics assessment.



Year 12 – Carol TAUPAU – 12MGA – She has been nominated because she is a reliable, hardworking and very active member of Hobson House.



Year 13 – Gary TAUTALAFUA – 13 BRK – He is a very good role model for both the senior and junior students not only in Grey House but for the rest of the school. He is a natural leader who walks the talk.

Technology News



Please note that fees for the following subject FEES are now overdue!!

Year 12/13 Fabric	\$20.00
Year 11/12/13 Food	\$30.00
Year 11/12/13 Carpentry	\$40.00
Year 12/13 Fine Furniture	\$40.00
Year 11/12/13 Engineering	\$40.00
Year 11/12/13 Graphics	\$25.00
Year 10/11/12/13 Computing	\$10.00 per course

Students have been given a letter to take home as a reminder for these overdue fees. If your child is taking any of the above mentioned subjects please send their fee to be paid at the office immediately.

Thank you.
Mrs H Prasad
HOF Technology

YEAR 9 & 10 Physical Education

A reminder to parents and students about PE uniform.

It is an expectation that **every** student gets changed into a House T-Shirt and black shorts for **every** PE lesson. If the weather is cold then it is acceptable to wear tracksuit pants and/or a sweat shirt. The clothing worn for PE needs to be appropriate for performing physical activity. For hygiene, safety and to prevent the spread of illness it is important that these procedures are followed.

NEWS FROM THE MUSOES!!

It was great to have a full house at the Van Morrison Celebration on May 5th! Well done to all performers who took part!

COMING UP:

- June 1st: a night at the opera! Open to the first 18 students to get their forms and \$5 back to the Music Department. A great adventure in Music!
- June 10th: Otahuhu College Battle of the Bands! Get your band organised and sign up!
- June 17th: Midwinter Music Showcase – NOT TO BE MISSED. Come and see some top performances by our top groups.

**NEWS FROM THE CAREERS and TRANSITION DEPARTMENTS – ROOMS
M3/M4**

Phone 963 4033

**Ms C Cusack
(Careers Co-Ordinator)**

**Mrs McClintock
STAR/Careers Assistant**

**Ms J Wickman
(Transition-M4)**

The Otahuhu College Careers room has numerous interesting resources giving students access to information for future study, employment prospects, CV writing and advice to help them achieve their goals. This includes DVDs on Interview techniques. The Careers room is open at interval, lunch time and most days after school for students to complete a CV and school assessments.

-Year 12 and 13 students can go on **TWO Student for a Day/Experience Day** career choices at most local tertiary providers, both public and private. To apply, students must fill in a Permission Letter available from Ms Cusack in M3, and have it completed and signed by their parent / guardian / caregiver. Students need to apply at least **three weeks in advance**. Limited places are available in Term 2 and Term 3.

-MIT Experience Days are offered again this year. The days available are **currently advertised** on the Careers Noticeboard by the canteen.

-MIT School Leaver **MighTy Days** for Years 12 and 13 students can be arranged by request for individual students in their areas of interest as the year progresses.

-UNITEC also offer Experience days/Student for a Day for some courses.

-AUT have information evenings. Leadership and career development days are offered as the year progresses, for students with Maori heritage through KATTI, and for students with Pacific Island indigenous heritage through Pacific Island Leaders of Tomorrow (PILOT) FONO

-Careers Calendar of Events known of - to date will be advertised on the Careers Notice board near the Canteen above the seat. This includes all STAR courses at MIT and with Private Training Establishments (PTE). **This Calendar is now on the school website.**

Coming Up

-Wednesday 2 June **AUT Information Evening** - Education/Social Work/Physical Education (PE). Register at www.aut.ac.nz/infosessions or phone 0800 288 864-see AUT posters at school for other nights.

-Thursday 3 June **Year 12 Pacific students** Careers Service event in the school hall Periods 3 and 4, and Tutor time.

-Thursday 17 June **Otago University Students/parents** Information presentation (Science focus) The New **Forensic Analytical Science Programme**, Biology of plants and animals and other exciting developments.

-Friday 18 June **Year 11 Sci-Tech** Application closing date with \$90 Fee, for July school holidays.

-Tuesday 29 June Year 13 and possibly Year 12 Maori & Pacific students **STEAM Ahead The University of Auckland** degree introduction 8 places only.

-Date to be confirmed **Pathways Expo No 2** Health Sciences/Health for Year 13 students for careers : potential Doctors/Surgeons and Researchers/Nursing staff including mental health/support.

GATEWAY

9 September 2010 - 2.30 - 7pm - Options Information Experience

This will give you, parents and students all the information that you will require to make your option selections for 2011. The information will ensure your academic program allows you the best pathway for your career choice.

29 April 2010

**OTAHUHU COLLEGE
Principal's Newsletter**

CERVICAL CANCER HPV VACCINE UPDATE

Following the publication of a Letter to the Editor, by Jillian Wilson about the HPV Vaccine in the Manukau Courier, Auckland District Health Board (ADHB) would like to reassure parents it remains confident in the vaccine's efficacy and safety.

ADHB HPV Programme Co-ordinator, Natalie Desmond says she's disappointed that the letter contained some inaccurate and unreliable information and wanted to reassure parents and pupils about the vaccine.

"The letter does contain a number of common cervical cancer vaccine misconceptions and it's important for parents and pupils to know that this is the case. Should parents wish to check the facts, I would encourage them to visit the robust, scientifically sound websites listed below," she said.

Some Reputable Cervical Cancer Vaccine Websites:

- Ministry of Health (MoH) website www.cervicalcancervaccine.govt.nz
- Immunisation Advisory Centre (IMAC) website www.immune.org.nz
- World Health Organization website www.who.int
- IMAC 800 IMMUNE (0800 486 8683) phone line.

Should any Otahuhu College parents or pupils require any additional information the ADHB would be happy to put them in contact with one of New Zealand's leading cervical cancer/vaccine medical specialists. For further information, please contact ADHB HPV Co-ordinator Natalie Desmond by email on hpvquery@adhb.govt.nz.

REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Mobile phones, iPods, MP3's, Discmans, radios, etc are not required equipment for school and students who bring them to school, *do so at their own risk.*



NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN to recover these items if they go missing as senior staff cannot afford to spend time searching for them.



I M P O R T A N T

HAVE YOUR ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBERS OR ANY OTHER DETAILS CHANGED SINCE YOU ENROLLED YOUR CHILD AT OTAHUHU COLLEGE?

It is very important that the school is notified of changes of any of the following **AS SOON AS THEY OCCUR**:

- **Address**
- **Phone numbers - home / work / daytime / mobile**
- **Caregiver**
- **Emergency contact**
- **Medical details**

There have been occasions when the school has been unable to contact the parents/caregivers of some children in an emergency because their details were out of date.

Please either ring the School Office or send a note to school with your child. Please also make sure your child knows these details.

**WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO CONTACT YOU
IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY**

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BOOKING OTAHUHU COLLEGE SPORTS PAVILION AND FIELDS

Otahuhu College has a long term agreement with Auckland City Council for the use of our Sports Pavilion Changing Rooms and Fields.

In term time the College has exclusive use of the Fields and Changing Rooms:

- Monday to Friday until 5:30 pm and
- on Saturdays until 1:00 pm

Outside these times, the **Fields and Changing Rooms** may be booked by calling
Recreational Services Limited
Phone 443 5011

The Long Room (upstairs in the Pavilion) is available for meetings and functions and may be booked by contacting

Mr Barry Haddock
Phone 963 4016

E-mail: bhaddock@otahuhucollege.school.nz