



Wednesday 8th November 2023

Rangitoto College Week 4, Term 4 Newsletter 2023

Important Upcoming Community Dates

| Important Community Information | Date |
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| Teacher Only Day - school closed for instruction | 13th November |
| NZQA Exam Dates | 6th to 30th November |
| Junior Exams (Year 9 & 10) | 17th and 20th November |
| Year 13 Graduation Dinner | 5th December |
| Year 9 Prizegiving | 8th December 9am |
| Year 10 Prizegiving | 8th December 11:45am |

Principal Update

The past few weeks have been a time of celebration and farewells as our senior students have departed on study leave. We wish all students the very best in their exams and hope they perform to their potential. The various prizegiving that have taken place highlight the all-round commitment and contribution of Rangitoto College students. Participation rates are at all-time high in co-curricular activities and the growing service element present within our community is something our students should be proud of. In 2024, we look forward to incorporating our Clubs, Activities and Service groups into our Expo at the start of the year to further increase student involvement. Planning for next year is well underway and we are continuing our engagement with the MOE in a quest to try and ensure all our students benefit from fit for purpose classrooms.

PTA Second Hand Uniform Shop

Term time - Friday lunchtimes, Saturdays 1.30-2.30pm Nov 11, Dec 2 2023, 10 Feb 2024

Summer Sales Fri/Sat 8-9 Dec, 15-16 Dec, 19-20 Jan, Fri 26 Jan 10am-2pm in portacom (**NOT** in Rangi Centre this year). **Please be patient as we are expecting queuing!**

Remember no holds, no preorders, and no exchanges. Cash or EFTPOS only (no credit Card)

To sell stock please log in and complete a form and drop with your uniform to reception before 8/12/23, direct to our shop during opening hours or email for alternative address.

To volunteer please email us - we need your help for this to work.

To check our stock levels or submit stock please go to: <https://handmeround.azurewebsites.net/RTTC/home>

Email us at: Uniformshop.rangitotocollege@gmail.com

Junior Exams

Year 9 and 10 exams are scheduled for the 17th and 20th of November. These exams will assess students' knowledge of the year of learning in their core subjects: English, Junior Social Science, Science and Maths.

Students have been provided with resources on effective study, including these [slides on study strategies](#).

Students should be taking time to study every day from now until the exams; they have also been provided with a study planner via Google Classroom so that they can structure their study time effectively.

Rob Cope - Our Kids Online

A reminder about this event at Murrays Bay Intermediate School on Tuesday 21 November from 7 - 9pm. Our *Kids Online* is all about helping our children and young people navigate the digital world safely and confidently. Expert speaker, Tickets are \$10 and are available for [purchase online](#).

NZQA Literacy and Numeracy digital testing - update and next steps

Last week we tested close to 700 students as part of the new NCEA online literacy and numeracy testing. I would like to mention how impressed we were with the level of maturity and preparedness that students showed over the two days; hopefully this will manifest itself into good outcomes when we receive the results. The testing was largely a smooth process for the majority of our students, despite some technical issues arising on the assessment platform at NZQA's end. Students will be able to see the results of this testing within 6-8 weeks time. Once we get notification from NZQA that this is available, we will communicate this out. For students who were unsuccessful this time, we will offer the next assessment opportunity during term two, week four next year. All 2024 year ten students will then be assessed in term three, week eight as part of the school entrance exams.

NCEA and Scholarship Exams

[NZQA Exam timetable](#)

Exams are now underway. Morning exams begin at 9:30am and afternoon exams at 2:00pm. Students should arrive at least 30 mins prior and must ensure they bring their examination slip and their student ID with them. For students sitting Scholarship exams, we ask that they follow through with honouring the commitment they made when signing up to the exam during the year by attending all exams they are entered into and trying their very best; sometimes we have students surprise themselves with a result that they did not expect!

MIOMO special offer

Concerned your teen or young adult (16-24 yr old) won't cope in the 'real world'?

Join 600+ Kiwi parents whose young adults have experienced the popular *Making It On My Own* (MIOMO) 4-day independence course. Your teen will learn to: master money and stay out of debt, manage themselves,

build healthy relationships, create a world class CV and interview well to get the job they want. All this in a fun and fast paced environment!

Our next courses run from 4-7 December 2023 (9 spots available) & 16-19 January 2024 (20 spots available) at Eden Terrace, Auckland City. Register at www.miomo.com/book-now/

MiOMO are offering families of Rangitoto College a one off \$200 discount per registration, you can register here : [\\$200 discount - Register now](#)

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Patrick Gale', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Patrick Gale
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