



Naenae College

# Naenae College 2019 Yearbook



## Poly Group

This year's theme was about the moon. Our poly leaders had already chosen our songs for the Hutt performance. We didn't end up doing all the songs that they had chosen but work so hard on the ones we had.

Weekly practices and holiday practices were long but effective for our performances. Our practices included exhausted vocals and sore throats, intense hip-shaking and

sore arms for holding them up high. So many times Mr Tiria had to tell us to be quiet or get into our lines so we can start and start again after breaks.

We performed three times in Term 2: Year 8 Open Day, at our Multicultural Day and of course Hutt Fest at Walter Nash. In Term 3 we performed at our Pacifica night and Term 4 we performed at an early childhood prize giving and at Sacred Heart fia fia night. All these opportunities made us want to work harder to make these evenings to remember.

Our Te Whanau Tahi values was a big part of the poly group. This year we keep understanding our values by making sure we were at practice on time, letting everyone feel welcome in the poly family and just having fun. We hope to carry this on for years to come.

A big thanks to our student leaders for teaching us and help us through this experience during the poly season: Rhoseta Auva'a, Agnes Anae, Mya Tuapawa-Birkhead and all our Year 13 students. To our drummers Patrick, Zak and Faamanu, they came to practices and to all our performances that we did over the year and to our costumes makers, Nuufou Auva'a for making our puletasi and ie lavalava, Alice Tuapawa for making our Cook Island costumes, Poulima Maiava for making our Tokelau costumes, and Etina Lepa for the boys Togan costumes, thanks. A massive thanks to Miss Taeao and Mr Tiria for putting our group together.

Hope to see you all next year for another poly season.

By Briar Austin



## Principal - Nic Richards

Kia ora koutou

Firstly, I'd like to offer my thanks and appreciation for the work undertaken by the Naenae College Board of Trustees and staff. Their commitment and dedication to the mahi of the College in 2019 has been deep, reflective and shares a clear moral purpose.

2019 has continued to see the school environs developing and improvements being made to facilities that enhance the educational experience of our students. The completion of the quad project with the installation of the multi-purpose turf has enhanced this area for the benefit and use of all students. This area now provides a source of constant use and activity during the day and is confirmation that the College has rich recreational facilities for its students.

The most recent Inner Quad accessibility development funded by the Ministry has enhanced this space both in terms of access also in terms of renewing the space for student use in 2020. It promises to provide excellent access for all students to the Hall and an enhanced space for student use during interval and lunchtimes.

The cyclical painting of the school as the final part of the current 10 Year Property Plan has brought a modern look to the school that freshens and ignites a feeling of pride about our facilities that despite their age, are well-appointed and functional. The government's most recent recognition of the challenges that remain around property is manifest in the most recent announcement of a

\$400,000 injection of funds for remedial work. This will ensure that pressing property projects can begin in earnest without having to wait for the commencement of our next 10 Year Property Plan timetabled for July 2020.

The recent and ongoing reviews of aspects of our education system undertaken by the Labour Government, promise to allow communities to engage with collaborating in a vision of what education looks like in the future. With this in mind the Naenae College Board of Trustees' vision for the school for 2020 and beyond is clearly that our school community is a safe and supportive learning environment, where students are confident and on a pathway to meaningful lifelong learning.

The impact of this vision promises to provide clear indications of how we are advancing the achievement and success of Naenae students in the future. As we look to the results for 2019, I am confident that achievement for priority learners is tracking positively and has been ably assisted by interventions from support organisation within the college – Challenge 2000, Vibe and Te Paepae Arahī.

I am also particularly appreciative of wider community efforts to support Naenae College particularly Iwi support, Naenae community support and support from the Hutt Valley City Council. At times of trial these groups have stepped up to support the kaupapa of the College and remind us that it does take a village to raise our children.

To staff leaving at the end of the year, our sincere thanks and we wish you well in your future endeavors. Most significantly Mrs Jan Stephen retires after more than 30 years of loyal service to the College. Jan has contributed to many of the developments within the college over her years of service. Most recently the development of Te Whānau Tahi and to curriculum leadership in the PAACT Faculty. Also, Mrs Esa Samani joins the Ministry after two years as Deputy Principal and several years of service to the college in the Maths Faculty. Esa has embodied the values of Te Whānau Tahi and, as with Jan, will be missed. Other leaving staff who we wish well are: Ms Fabrianne Brown, Ms Ray Kuhn, Ms Donna Clark and Mrs Trish Crowley – Principal's Assistant.

Good luck for the summer break and I am looking forward to the exciting opportunities that 2020 offers the College.

Kia ihi, kia maru.

Nic Richards

Principal



## Junior Business studies

Visit to Deloittes

**The Y9 and Y10 Business Studies visited Deloittes Accounting Company to present their business ventures and donate some of their profit to the Graham Dingle Foundation 'Kids Can' project.**



## Farewell - Ray Kuhn

Ray joined the Science Department at Naenae College in 2015 when she relocated with her daughter.

Since being at Naenae College, Ray has been a valuable asset to the Science Department. Teaching Chemistry and has jumped in to teach Physics when needed. She has participated in Pacifica Power Up and has given up her time after school to ensure the success of her students. It is apparent in the way students talk about her that she will be missed. Ray leaves us to take up a Science position at our sister school, Waiopahu College.

We wish her well

Mr Devon Turi

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## Farewell - Esa Samani

Esa came to Naenae College as a Mathematics teacher and over the last 7 years has served as a Learning Advisor, Whānau Head for Amo, Head of the Mathematics Faculty, and over the last two years as our Deputy Principal.

Esa was dedicated to volleyball - on a Friday night, during Terms 1 and 4, she could be seen on the side of the volleyball court (hands over her eyes, peering through her fingers), or working tirelessly during summer tournament week each as the Senior Girls' Volleyball team manager.

This year, Esa and her Pasifika teachers' team brought the inaugural Pasifika Students Success evening to the Naenae College community. It was a lovely evening to showcase all students to show success as people of the Pacific. One of her colleagues, Mr Tiria, said she demonstrated Rangatiratanga through her meticulous planning, attention to detail and her "firm hand and eyes" with the running of the

event. Providing this platform to celebrate Pasifika success should be noted as one of her many remarkable contributions to raising and celebrating the profile of Pasifika students of Te Whānau Tahī.

Esa emulates our Te Whānau Tahī values in her work ethic and her wairua. She shows Whanaungatanga through her meaningful talanoa, which is the basis of what she does. She had made strong connections to all - her quiet conversations and infectious laughter that flows from her office allow all students, parents and colleagues the ability to enter freely and know she is focused on them during their conversation.

As Esa leaves Naenae College to enter a leadership role in the Pasifika sector of the Ministry of Education we wish her success as she continues to work tirelessly to enable Pasifika students to gain success in all they do. We know that she will continue to serve our wider Pasifika and Aotearoa aiga with grace, humility, dedication and laughter, as she did at Naenae College.

Fa'afetai tele lava Esa for your contributions, your collegiality, your Rangatiratanga and your alofa for Te Whānau Tahī. We will miss you.

*Ua se togi le seuga na lagatila, ua faapulou i le tualima, ua faamalo fai o le faiva.*

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## Food Technology

2019 has seen another very full year of activities in the Food Technology Department. Students have participated with enthusiasm in classroom programmes and practical events as well as gaining credits towards NCEA.

### Junior Classes

Year 9 Food Technology classes have fully engaged in the practical work at this level. In the Better Breakfasts, Muffins and Fast Family Meals units students learnt to work cooperatively to produce good food while developing their practical skills in the kitchen and their knowledge of hygiene and safety.

Year 10 students completed the popular Burger Competition unit. They researched the cuisine of several major international food cultures and prepared and sampled the food of India, Japan, France, Italy and Germany. They also learnt about the importance of Food Safety and Hygiene in the kitchen. Several students also assisted with the Open Evening on 11 June.

### Senior Classes

This year the Year 11 FDS102 Food and Nutrition class has enjoyed the programme of practical work as well as the theory. This has been displayed in their improved skills in knife use, baking cakes, sponges and scones, frying and grilling and preparing hot finger food. They have also learnt about the nutritional benefits of fruits and vegetables as well as preparing egg and cheese dishes and basic sauces and soups.

The Year 12 Catering and Hospitality class under their teacher Mr Maclean worked on Level 2 Unit Standards on Knife Use, Salads, Grilling and Food Safety, as well as Microwaving and Baking as methods of cookery. Several students at Level 2 also attended block courses in Catering and Hospitality at WELTEC. Oscar Little was accepted for the Dine Academy programme and did Work Experience at the Intercontinental Hotel where he has been offered an apprenticeship in 2020.

Students assisted with a number of school catering events as part of their programme: Open Evening, and Multicultural Day. They were proud to display their skills in catering and hospitality.

Year 13 Catering and Hospitality students completed their Level 3 Unit Standards by working with the Naenae Kai canteen providers, learning how to produce and sell café food in a real end user situation.

A highlight of the year was the visit by chefs from WELTEC on 6 June who worked with our students in their annual "Chef for a Day" programme. This year students prepared desserts.

They learnt how to garnish and present their dishes attractively. Students were very proud of their finished dishes which were of a very high standard of presentation.



## Head Boy - Avi Parbhu

I can honestly say Naenae College holds a special part in my life. I truly love this place and the people that make it so incredible.

It has been a pleasure and an honour to be a part of this school, and to really contribute to its growth and experience growth in myself. Naenae College helps its students develop into great citizens. No matter how long you have been here at Naenae College, you always receive that genuine sense of

family where everyone has different beliefs and convictions, but we all work to move forward together.

The sense of "Te Whanau Tahī" is *what I feel* makes Naenae unique. It makes me proud to have been able to experience it and be a part of it. There have been many people who have left, staff and students, and it has been a privilege to see them all on their own journeys - each moving into their own unique futures. It is my hope that, through all the changes that the future will bring, the college and the people in it will hold true to the same values, the Te Whānau Tahī values, and that they will continue the legacy that our predecessors have established.



Naenae College has grown to be truly special, and I hope it continues to be that spark for every future and present student to be a part of the jungle. I have loved my time at the college and will treasure the memories and friendships I have made.

I wish our successors all the best, and I have faith they will do great things and will bring the college and its students further than we ever could. All the best to everyone, and thank you, I will not forget my time here, with all of you.

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## Board of Trustees

Talofa Lava and kia ora te whanau,

This year has been one of both consolidation and change for the board. We began the year with our principal building on his first year in the role, and student achievement and wellbeing as key focus areas and this focus has continued throughout the year. A lot of what the board does takes a while to become visible and is more about looking at our school-wide goals and strategies, and what are the things we

truly want to focus on. Sometimes the way this plays out is through the way we allocate resources, for example, funding the recent appointment of a social worker, which then means students can concentrate more on their learning. At the same time many long-standing property upgrade plans have been coming to fruition in 2019, for example courts upgrades, exterior paintworks, modifications to Te Whare o te Atawhai (the special needs unit), the new ramp and deck at our school hall entry and the current upgrade to our internal quadrangle.

Mid-way through 2019 came a changing of the guard for the board. We farewelled three of our number: Robyn Cormack, who as chair has led us through one of the biggest jobs a board can have, appointing our Principal; and John Manuel who was a long-time board member with deep whanau connections here; and Kamaia Renata who was the staff representative, and fortunately is still here as our tireless school counsellor. In their service to Naenae College, Robyn, John and Kamaia exemplified whanaungatanga, manaakitanga and rangatiratanga.

We also gained new members at the three-yearly school trustee elections. Whanau representatives Rome Vailini and Trudy Stead, and staff representative Devon Turi joined us in June. As part of their induction, mātua Te Teira Davis, Whaea V (Verna Kohunui) and Esa Samani, along with board member Tia Turahui, made us welcome onto Te Whanau Tahi Marae, and we thank them and the College staff who have made us all feel right at home from that early morning mihi whakatau onwards. One more change in our number occurred more recently: student representative Makayla Elliot handed over to Imajyn Kamoto. Makayla has been a joy to work with - and we look forward to working more with Imajyn as she continues to bring the student voice to the table. Already Imajyn has been involved in strategy and goal setting sessions for 2020. The student representatives we have worked with over the years have always been a real credit to their whanau and to the college.

As we focus on 2020 the board have spent some time on what we *value* as a school. More recently, at our monthly meetings in the wharekai, school attendance has been a major topic — and the direct connection that this has with achievement. We believe that really living the values of Te Whanau Tahi as a community can make a big difference. In our board communications in future we'll be talking a lot more about this, and we'll be seeking your views. We are working to build connections with whanau, pacific aiga, carers and students so that all have a sense of belonging here. Of course, achievement is always at the top of any board's considerations. Achievement absolutely includes improving NCEA results, but it's also about working hard to ensure every student can experience success that's meaningful to them and has a clear learning pathway that is tailored to their needs and aspirations beyond school. You will see the continued development of programmes that are aimed at just that. The board is hugely grateful to all our staff for the work they do each day to teach, support, guide and encourage our students.

We are also incredibly grateful for, and at times in awe, of our amazing community, parents and carers who support our students and our school. Many thanks to you!

The board are fortunate to work with a committed and talented team. Principal Nic Richards is passionate about our students, our school and this community, and pursuing constant improvement. Deputy Principal Esa Samani is an amazingly caring advocate for our school and community and we are truly sad to be losing her at the end of this year. However, congratulations on her new role are richly deserved and we know that Ms Samani will continue do amazing work

that benefits communities like ours in her new role in the Ministry of Education. Huge appreciation also goes to the rest of the leadership team and the staff who teach and support our students. To those of our staff who are leaving at the end of this year, our heartfelt thanks for your aroha and service. I would also like to thank my fellow board members, Andy Soper, Tia Turahui, Tafaoimalo Loudeen Parsons, Rome Vailini, Karen Shepherd, Trudy Stead, Devon Turi, Nic Richards, Imajyn Kamoto, and Trish Crowley, for their commitment and skills, for being so caring, and for being so good to work with.

Lastly, to our students: well done on successfully navigating the year. And thank you also for playing a major role in the expression of our school values, looking out for not just your friends but everyone who is part of Te Whanau Tahī. To those who are always there for their mates, who keep people connected, who hold each other to account and stay true to good values, a huge mihi to you. This is what our community is made of, and these are skills for life that are valued anywhere.

For those of you who are leaving school this year whether it be for tertiary study, or employment, maybe going further in your chosen sports or arts, or some other challenge - congratulations to you! Those of you who heard former Naenae College student Sir Paul Adams speaking at Graduation will know just how far Naenae kids can go! We wish you all the best, as you create your future beyond school.

Kia ihi, kia maru! Enjoy the break and enjoy your family and friends.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou,

Sarah-Jane McCosh

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## Head Girl - Leah Forster

2019 has been an amazing year for me. I have had the privilege of representing Naenae as head girl at many out of school activities, such as Her Excellency Dame Patsy Reddy's garden party, Sports and Community Prizegiving, community functions and many more.

Not only have I had these amazing out of school opportunities, but I have also had the pleasure of serving our school through school life activities such as Whanau

competitions, Tabloids day, Multicultural Day, Senior formal and so much more.

One thing I really appreciated about serving in these areas is that I was able to witness first hand, the way our school grew together as Whanau. The way these school life activities have built friendships that last, has really warmed my heart and taught me about the importance of community and intentional relationships in life.

Naenae College has really given me the opportunity to grow in to my potential as Head girl. The leadership roles for others around me has also given them the opportunity to grow. We are all excited about moving on into the world and using the lessons that we have been taught here.

Naenae will always be home, not because of the buildings but because of the memories, lessons and friendships that we have all made together. I will always remember the opportunities given to me and I am extremely thankful as they have made me who I am today.

As I leave, I am secure in the knowledge that Naenae will continue to remain home for many years to come, and hope that future students will take every chance they have to become great.

Ko wai ra? Ko wai ra?

Ko te whanau tahi,

Kia ihi, Kia Maru

Kia whanau tahi!

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## English Language Learning

Our learners have worked hard with their teachers, Mrs Coup, Mr Elliot, Mrs Goguel and Mrs Sellwood, and their tutors, Betsy, Lah and Suha, on the important job of learning to listen to, speak, read and write English better.

Along the way we have enjoyed learning a bit more about each others' countries, cultures and customs. This year there have been students from Afghanistan, China, Colombia, India, Indonesia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Samoa, Somalia,

Sri Lanka and Syria in our ESOL and NCEA ELL classes. At the end of the year we took our annual trip, this time to Matiu/Somes Island, with a short stop at the lagoon on the waterfront back in Wellington for four brave souls (Darwin, Harmony, Luisa and Toai) to have a quick dip in the chilly water. We hope all our students have enjoyed learning as much as we have enjoyed teaching them, wish them very happy holidays (remembering to spend a bit of time practising their English!) and look forward to seeing them again in 2020.

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## Mural for the Naenae community

During Term 3 & 4, a group of creative students took part in creating a Mural for the Naenae Community.

The Hutt City Council approached schools in the Naenae Community to contribute to a 'Pool Hoardings Project', where a mural would be displayed around the outside of the Naenae Pool complex. Each school that took part contributed at least one panel and the project is student lead and fully created by students.

Year 12 student Jessica Wishnowsky designed this piece and spent a large part of her own time painting it. Jessica had help painting the mural from a group of dedicated Junior students; Zara Brace, Bridget Austin, Gaylar Mu and Alex Kohu. Together they were able to produce something eye catching with a message around sustainability and how our communities future should be focused on protecting our

natural environment.

Well done girls!

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## Euphemism

I stood in the glass box. Smoke blanketed the outside ground and blue light gave the place a preternatural look. I felt uneasy. Shlop.

The water covered my feet. I banged on the glass suddenly knowing what was coming. The box shivered when I struck and water reached my knees. I was frantic, starting to yell, heart thumping in my ears.

Lifeless people around the box, thumping, punching, scratching the glass, fists in time with my heart. I couldn't hear their screams. I breathed in as the water rose over my nose, but it did no good, I needed to breathe again. Floating, suspended, arms outstretched and hair drifting.

Ode to Joy played in the distance.

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I walked the empty roads and gazed at white marble palaces gleaming in the sun's bleached rays. There was no rubbish, just plastic-looking trees without birds or berries. There was no wildlife. Spectacular crystal peacock sculptures, gushing fountains, and in the centre, the palace. Euphemism,

a city of statuesque beauty.

The people traversed through alabaster gates and into the palace. It was pleasantly warm and the carpet recently cleaned. We walked slowly. The young ones went to the top stories and the older ones went to the bottom. I walked down the steps, sat on my chair, and waited.

We couldn't talk. I watched the people walking as if in a dream. Fluid moistened my hands. It tickled my brow. A clipped voice announced over the speaker, "*Mr Lucid 09, please make your way to the Confidence Enhancing Room...*" I obeyed, then a man or woman, I wasn't sure, said, "This may hurt." They inserted the wire into my temple.

It did.

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I came out shivering uncontrollably, I felt wet. I could stand this no longer. I ran, crying, unable to stop. I didn't know where, just far away from here. *No more*. People saw, tried holding me back, but I ripped through them and ran. Away.

*The man in the building saw the commotion on Alabaster Avenue, lined up his target, breathed and fired.*

Ode to Joy played in the distance.

By Rome



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## Te Reo Maori

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## Samoan Language Week - Photos

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## Samoan Crafts - Photos

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## SNU Student Highlights for 2019

**Vaimalu:** Looking forward to EOTC week.

**Ane:** I enjoyed my main school classes: Samoan, Science and English

**Cameron P:** I love LAR class with Kerri and Mr Turi.

**Cameron M:** I liked playing basketball. It's my favourite sport. I also like Reading Eggs.

**Zahra:** I love doing Art and running.

**Alisha:** I liked playing Indoor Bowls at Naenae Bowling Club.

**Liam S:** I loved swimming at the CSW Swimming Day.

**Christian:** I like participating in other sports e.g. basketball, soccer, Riding for the Disabled, t-ball tournament, floorball

**Liam G:** I enjoyed doing Basketball, doing English in the Learning Centre, Maths in SNU, the Snormal and Reading Eggspress. I always have a great time at the Snormal. This year I got a prize for the best-dressed boy.

**Zachery:** I like Reading Eggs, Mathletics, Indoor Bowls and the Snormal.

I also enjoyed the Language Luau in Term 3.

**Heremia:** I enjoy Event Planning because I like getting dressed up.

**Philip:** I like Naenae College because I am in A2.

**Pati:** I like sailing and cooking.

**Reeya:** I like colouring in and painting.

**Oscar:** I enjoy walking to Avalon Park.

**Diane:** I have really enjoyed going to mainstream classes, eg: PEM and English.

**Sifiti:** I enjoyed the transition cooking class.

**Jackie:** I really enjoyed basketball this year and cooking with Mackenzie every morning.

**Ms Gorsuch:** I have really enjoyed teaching art, cooking and health.

**Patsy:** I have enjoyed seeing all the kids achieve success.

**Mrs DC:** I enjoyed the students being mixed up for classes.



## Happy 30th Birthday SNU!

In September this year it was 30 years since the beginning of Te Whare o te Atawhai.

It all began in 1989 when Mrs Julia Lee, the founding teacher, was invited to bring in six students to be the beginning class. Four came with her from Naenae Intermediate, and two others came from Wa Ora.

Right from the beginning the vision of the Unit was to include students with special needs into the wider life of Naenae College, wherever possible, and to position them at the heart of the College Community.

This was achieved early on with the help of prefects and buddies and the increasingly inclusive attitudes of main school staff. Inclusion of people with intellectual disability into a community is a process that very much moves in two directions. SNU students in the new Unit were able to benefit

from access to Naenae College specialist subject facilities and staff, for example in Cooking, Art, Technology and PE. Also SNU students were included in main school subjects, where possible, which had benefits for the communities they were learning alongside.

Te Whare o te Atawhai grew and grew. By 1999 there were fifteen students and five staff. Along the way Learning Support, which caters for more main-stream students, separated off and became its own department.

During this period there were ambitious camping expeditions to the South Island, ongoing involvement in Athletes with Disabilities sport, and forays into the world of Speech and Drama!

In 2009 I joined the team as a beginning teacher, which turned out to be a life-changing event for me.

At that time we had eighteen students, three teaching staff and six teacher aides. What characterized the SNU was the sense of fun and creativity in the culture. Parents chose to send their precious children to us because we are a community that cares about the whole child and tries to build a strong sense of belonging into our slightly crazy community.

Eleven years further on and I am now the HoD SNU. Julia Lee retired in 2016 after an outstanding contribution and commitment of 27 years. She still comes in voluntarily to help out with Maths twice a week, brings me a much-appreciated coffee, and to join in the laughs.

One of the crowning achievements of the last decade has been moving into our new, purpose-built facility in 2013. This was Julia's long-term vision. Our new building has really enabled us to operate like the flexible, creative and caring community that we aspire to be. It has been great to be all together under one roof and to be able to flow in and out of the learning spaces.

Thirty years of caring, kindness, laughs, learning, and gratuitous dressing-up is surely worth celebrating. For our annual Prize-giving this year the students are preparing a Wearable Art Extravaganza with this theme and there is a distinct possibility of cake.

Happy 30th Birthday SNU! We love you!



fundraiser

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## Poly Club Photos

Here's some photos showcasing all the events Poly club were involved in this year

1. Poly leaders trip to Auckland Poly festival
2. Hutt Valley Poly leadership workshops
3. Poly club Faaaliga Dress Rehearsal night
4. HuttFest
5. Cook Islands language week
6. Tongan language week
7. Pasifika Success Evening
8. Kindercare Teachers Excellence awards
9. Sacred Heart College Fiafia night charity fundraiser
10. Poly club supper



girls from year 9 through to year 13.

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## Premier 1 Netball Team

This year our Prem 1 Netball team attended the Lower North Island Secondary Schools Netball Tournament for Tournament week.

It was held at the ASB Stadium in Wellington and the team stayed in our school Marae. This years team consisted of

Across the week the team played 2 games a day and at the end of each day completed a recovery hot and cold session. Within our pool games the team faced some tough teams but also played some hard earned wins within their pool. For crossover games the team won against Iona College, who they later played in their final winning 36-22 and overall placed 11 out of 29 in division B.

The Junior Under 16 Prem 1 Netball team also competed in a game against Itiki, an Australian team from Melbourne who are here playing a tour of the North Island. Our girls won convincingly, winning 48-12.



## Spanish

This year several students of Spanish took part in the Education Perfect Languages Championships, answering a total of 8,046 questions online.

Hakeema Aminudeen (Year 11) won a Gold Award for her efforts and Kowshika Anuranjan (Year 11) won a Bronze Award. Both students answered thousands of questions about the Spanish, Arabic and Indonesian languages.

The National Spanish Speech Competition was held at the end of August. Students had to work independently and submit their work directly to the examiners. Ilma Aminudeen (Year 11) showed exceptional self-management skills in taking part in this competition.

In September, Georgia Leamy and Niamh Cusin (Year 12) travelled to Peru for two weeks with a group of students and staff from Fraser High School. The trip was a great success and the group explored Lima, Cusco, the Paracas National Reserve, Urubamba and Machu Picchu.

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## GATEWAY 2019

A wonderful year in Gateway. This year 35 students went out to work one day a week with a range of employers in the Hutt Valley and Wellington.

**The Gateway programme strengthens pathways for students from school to further education and training or employment.**

**Students challenged themselves in expanding their life skills and learning the value of job satisfaction.**

**We would like to thank all our employers very much for the time, support and effort they have put into our students.**

**Intercontinental Hotel**

**Simply Building**

**Metro Direct**

**Van Beers Workshop**

**Pak n Save Lower Hutt**

**Chalet Caterers**

**Downer Group**

**Holmes Wellington Ltd**

**Colab Café / Coffee Educators**

**Stevens Motors**

**Hutt City New World**

**superValue**

**The Warehouse – Red Shirts**

**Buzz Café**

**Naenae Kai Café**

**Moore Wilson**

**Avalon Kindergarten**

**Naenae Kindergarten**

**Taita Kindergarten**

**Boulcott Farm Café**

**The Salvation Army Family Store**

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## Netball

NN4 won Collegiate 7 grading round 56 points for and 6 against. The team was bumped up two grades to Collegiate 5. The girls were a little nervous leading up to their first competition game. However, after a convincing win 26-19 it alleviated any doubts about their ability to compete in the higher grade.

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## Library

The year started with a literary twist on Valentine's Day for staff. Teachers were encouraged to go on a "blind date" with a book, they had a choice of wrapped books with only a sentence about the book attached. True to life, some blind dates were a hit while others just couldn't get on the same page, either way, it was a "novel" way to mix things up.

During the year we did a display on books that have been banned or challenged around the world. Several students thought they were no longer able to read them and were perturbed by this. We discussed where and why they were banned and then to students' relief we added how lucky they were to be in New Zealand because they could read every one of them.

This year the library gratefully received two financial donations, these were used to buy new furniture and

expand the collection. A big thank you to the student librarians this year for their time and energy, it was much appreciated.

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## Tourism - Level 3

This year our first booklet was about Asia. The countries covered were; Singapore, Hong Kong, China and Japan.

We were fortunate enough to be studying the China section when the Terracotta Warriors exhibition came to Te Papa in March. The students were quite excited and keen to go, knowing that unless they travel to X'ian in China themselves, this exhibition may never come to New Zealand again. The trip not only covered the exhibition itself, but a walk to Te

Papa along the Frank Kitts Park and wharf area on a beautiful, sunny Wellington day. The students counted the number of tourist activities that were taking place and were amazed how well we cater for tourists and locals. They are now keen to visit other local tourist spots in Wellington, as they have not thought about where they would recommend tourists to go. At the end of the year, there may be an opportunity for us to revisit Wellington and prepare a pamphlet of what we consider, the top 10 places for teenagers in Wellington.

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## SST Trip to see the Treaty of Waitangi

On Tuesday term two week six 10U went on a trip to Wellington to see the Treaty of Waitangi and the women's rights petition.

We had our Social studies teacher, Mrs Snell, and our Maths teacher, Mr Hayes, to accompany 10U on their adventure. When we arrived in Wellington we stopped off for a bit of a meal with a convenient McDonalds and a Subway close by.

Half the class went to McDonalds and the other to Subway, with the McDonalds half giving the Subway group a little shade for picking Subway.

Then we made our way to the National Library where two nice women took us to this wooden hive thing with the Treaty of Waitangi. We learnt why the Treaty had bits of it ripped and bitten off - it was made of parchment which is made of animal skin and that rats and mice would nibble on it. We also saw the Women's Rights petition which was very long - long enough that they have to rotate every week or so. They took us to a table that showed us where all the settlers came from and where they entered New Zealand. The last thing they did was take us to this screen where you can type in your tribe name and family name to show all your family signatures on the Women's Rights petition. Finally, we said our goodbyes and went back to school and left for home.

Lee Conroy

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## Sport Results

### SUMMER SPORT

Team results – top 3 placings

#### Futsal

1st Senior Boys team 1 Div1

2nd Junior Boys term 3 Div4

#### Lawn Bowls

1st Senior Mixed Team Div 2

Wellington Regional Semi-Finalists

### Volleyball

1st Senior Girls Div 1

2nd Junior Girls Div 1

### WINTER SPORT

#### Grand Finalist

#### Badminton

Junior Girls Division 2 Winners of Hutt Zone and Regional Zone Championships

Junior Girls Division 3 Winners of Hutt Zone and Regional Zone Championships

Senior Boys Division 1 Winners of Hutt Zone and Regional finalist

Senior Girls Division 1 Winners of Hutt Zone and Regional finalist

#### Smallbore Target Shooting

Runner up TSNZ Inter-Secondary School tournament

#### Rugby

U15 division 3 Championship finalist

Netball  
Team 4 Collegiate 5 finalist  
Team 5 Collegiate 9 finalist

Football  
1st XI Division 3 finalist

Basketball (AWD)  
Runners up CSW 5 week league

Hockey  
Premier 3 Championship Finalist

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## Hockey

This year the mixed hockey team got to take an awesome trip to Blenheim to play in the South Island Mixed Hockey Tournament. Even though we were in the south, we saw some familiar faces from the north like Rodney College, Samuel Marsden, and rivals from last year's final, Hamilton Christian school, who quickly became our friends.

The tournament started off rough with pool games leaving us last in the pool, despite close games between Rodney and Garin, and tough losses against HCS and Mount Aspiring. However, off the field was easy with birthdays, swims, and the always competitive night games. After pool play, we went into a very intense game against Samuel Marsden. We were down 1-0 for the majority of the game before brother Xander slotted a goal off the post. Leaving us with a 1-1 draw at full time, we had to go to penalty shoot outs. Jacob, being our experienced goalie, blocked all of the shots against him, but unfortunately, their goalie blocked all of our shots as well, taking us to sudden death shootouts. Where we ended up winning.

Our next game was a well-fought game against Garin and again was taken to shoot outs, where we went down 2-0 leaving us to play off for 7th and 8th the next morning. This was an early morning get up for an 8 o'clock game against Rodney College who we were also playing for the second time. Again we were down 1-0 and then with a cheeky flick over the keeper's head on a penalty corner, left us tied at full time. AGAIN taking us to shoot outs!

These shoot outs leaving us victorious, thanks to Jacob Arthur again saving all of their shots, and Leah, Laura and Taliah scoring to get us the win. After our game, we still hung around because our ref, Leah, was awarded the final between Dunstan and Hamilton Christian School. After a very intense game and some great umpiring, Hamilton pulled out the win to become South Island champs.

We would like to thank Mr and Mrs Meadows for being amazing camp dad and mum, and our number one supporters all week. And also to Mr and Mrs Forster for being an awesome coach and manager for our final tournament for Naenae College.

Written by Leah Forster and Jacob Arthur

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## Futsal

In Term 1, we had 4 junior futsal teams go out and fight for the rights of being the futsal champions. This year, we had 3 junior boys' teams and 1 junior girls' team. I was a part of Team 1 and we started the season with a hard-fought win. It was our first ever game together as a team, and we felt good taking home our first win of the season in our first game. Unfortunately for us, we had a rough next couple of weeks having some close losses despite our best attempts. Even though we had a tough few weeks, we persevered and showed our kotahitanga, battling it out as a team and continuing to work as hard as we could. Together, we scored some impressive goals and made stunning plays that left opposing defenders

in the dust behind us. Sadly, we could only scrape a couple more wins, meaning we finished in the middle of the table. But through this we bonded as a team, respecting one another and the class the other teams played with. Other Naenae teams and students came and supported us and we returned the favour, cheering them on as they fought for the rights to be crowned champions of their division. Our Junior Boys 3 had a great season, making it all the way to the final of their division. They played extremely well but unfortunately lost in a tightly contested match. Throughout all of our wins and losses, our successes and defeats, we all enjoyed ourselves. We helped each other during our bad times and celebrated over our victories. Overall, despite not doing as well as we hoped, we all enjoyed ourselves and hope that next year we can finish at the top. Bring on the 2020 season!

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## Girls Basketball

This season was a pretty solid one for the senior girls' basketball team. We've played together as a team since year ten and have gotten stronger every year. This year we played in Division 1 to compete for the Colleen Ross Cup and then qualified for Top Four in our division along with Paraparaumu, WRM Te Rito and Heretaunga. Unfortunately, we lost our semi-final in a tough match against Paraparaumu, losing 46-50. We finished 3rd/4th overall.

Paraparaumu played WRM Te Rito in the finals, with

Paraparaumu taking home the cup with a 75-51 victory. Despite not quite getting the result we were hoping for, it was still an awesome final run and overall, an impressive season. Couldn't have asked for a better team to finish with!

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## Volunteers

Thank you to our volunteers for your ongoing support of the sport program

**Athletics** – Mr Muirhead, Dayna Ellison, Mr Shaw, Mrs Manuel

**Volleyball** – Mrs Samani, Robert Stewart, Tireque Malila, Vincent Tuilagi, Tassie Vailalo, Roimata Unuia, Ms D Shaw, Analisa Manuel, Helen Moorcock

**Morning Fitness** – Mr Kravcenko, Mr Muirhead, Mrs Manuel, Mr Shaw, Mr Silao, Mr Perry

**Futsal** - Mr Silao, Mrs Greenfield, Mrs Macmillan, Connor Greenfield, Ali Ismatullah, Caleb Wakeham, Hannah Ladd, Laura Andersen

**Touch** – Mr Kravcenko, Mr Muirhead, Calais Hunt, Jackson Nicholson

**Lawn Bowls** – Mr Staite

**Tennis** – Alex Randall

**Softball** – Ms Shaw,

**Badminton** – Avi Ram, Ms Ranchod, Mr Yeo, Ms Stephen, Mr Hayes, Mr Haehae, Ms Shaw, Avi Parbhu, Len Len Caingcoy, Jasmine Tuigamala, Wadi Matatia, Western Matatia, Benji Woolley.

**Basketball** – Taliah Pham, Alice Tuapawa, Brendon Beirne, Jarard Falwasser, Jackson Nicholson, Logan Waikato, Caleb Poihipi, Mark Savelio, Niamh Cusin, Huia Tukukino, Reihana Rapira, Sam Simmonds, Manaia Kanara, Jorick Theodi, Liban Ali, Manihera Hauiti

**Football** – Paula and Andrew Andersen, Hamish Moffat, Connor Greenfield, Jhoan Rivas, Karen Shepherd, Gareth Johnson, Grant Greenfield, Ta Eh Doe

**Hockey** – Mrs Forster, Eddie Forster, Willy McBride, Andy Paiti, Tiaki Huria

**Netball** – Mrs Manuel, Valerie Taito, Chrissy Thompson, Piwi Pene, Dayna Ellison, Madeline Arps, Kezra Gonzalez-Cornejo, Zavia McCartan, Imajyn Kamoto, Diamond Teariki-Tangohau, Jullieann Brown, Zanita Savelio

**Rugby** – Josh King, Mr Kravcenko, Mr Mataele, Ms Karaitiana, Ms Taeao

**Rugby League** – Mr Kravcenko, Mr Silao, Mr Ferguson, Jarard Falwasser, Ms Karatiana

**Ki o Rahi** – Leah Forster, Logan Waikato

**Smallbore Rifle Shooting** - Jordyn Fewtrell

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## Tennis

Alex Randall, YR13 and Prefect, ran weekly skills session at Mitchell Park. Sessions included forehand, backhand and serving drills. Great way to spend the lunchtime break.

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## Sportswoman of the Year

Leah Forster

Senior Girls A Touch team co-captain

Wellington U18 team

Senior Girls Volleyball team

Hockey Senior Girls A Captain

Tournament Team to South Island Champs

Toa Hockey Team Premier 1

Capital U18 Woman's Vice-Captain

Takitimu Woman's Team (Wellington –Wairarapa – Hawkes Bay)

Selected in the NZ U21 Maori Woman's team

Referee of the Mixed Tournament final

National U15 Referee final

Senior A Ki o rahi – Player/ Coach

Junior A Ki o rahi – Coach

NZ Junior badge for Hockey.

College Sport Wellington Sports Person of the Year finalist for Official of the Year

Well done Leah Forster

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## Sportsman of the Year

Jackson Nicholson

1st XV Rugby Team Captain

1st X111 Rugby League Team Captain

Senior A basketball team Captain

Senior A touch team Coach/ Captain

Senior A softball team Captain

Rugby Leagur 9's team Captain

Rugby 7's team Captain

Coach of the Junior Touch team term 1 and 4

Coach of the Junior Boys basketball team

Coach of the Tui Glen basketball team

Co-captain of the Wellington U18 Touch team

Member of the Wellington Mens Open Touch team

Well done Jackson Nicholson.



## Smallbore Shooting

Hazel Taylor

Hazel Taylor is a member of the Mixed Futsal Team.

Member of the Collegiate one netball team.

Target Shooting NZ Challenge score 198.10 ranked 2nd in the country from 280 shooters, both male and female.

TSNZ Challenge Naenae College Mixed Team (Captain) 3rd national placing overall from 34 schools.

Captain of the Smallbore team, runners up in the Wellington Intercollegiate Shoot.

Member of the Hutt Valley Representative Team, runners up in the Wellington Triangular tournament.

Upper Hutt Interclub tournament finalist.

College Sport Wellington Sports Person of the Year Finalist for Target Shooting

**Wellington Athletics Team:** Maepa Saolotoga

**Touch:** U18 Horowhenua Calais Hunt; Wellington U16 Willoe Thompson; Taimana Toatoa; U18 Logan Waikato; U18 Zadie McDowell; Leah Forster; Lucy Taylor; Mens Open Jackson Nicholson

**Softball Hutt Valley:** U13 Hilton Harrison, and Hoani Campbell Tapa, U15 Mesha Shaw-Wallace, Alana Brown, Emmerson Gerraty

**Volleyball:** U19 Tili Tuilagi, Lorence Fruean, Grace Peseta; U15 Oni Ki Toalepai, Genesis Manuel

**Smallbore Target Shooting Hutt Team:** Hazel Taylor, Hannah Fleury, Lexus Cody, Matt Willans, Bailey Trevathan.

**Hutt Valley Basketball** U17 Huia Tukukino; U15 Natana Karawana

**Capital Hockey U18:** Leah Forster

**Netball Hutt Valley:** U15 Lucy Taylor; U15 Eva Marson; Yr9 Team Mahinarangi Thompson

**Rugby U16 Wellington Team:** Garry Tuilekutu

**Badminton Hutt Valley U17:** Vinil Patel

## Representative Players



## Morning Fitness

Morning fitness was a conditioning training program on a Tuesday and Thursday morning for up to 85 kids during Term 1 and providing breakfast afterwards. This was facilitated by Mr K, Mr Silao, Mr Muirhead, and ex-students with Mr Shaw feeding the masses.

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## Junior Volleyball

Congratulations to our junior volleyball teams that competed at the College Sport Wellington Regional Tournament.

TWT values were evident with both teams supporting each other and showing sportsmanship. The boys placed 6th overall and the girls' team 3rd. The last time the girls placed top 4 was 2013 and played the final with Porirua College.

Thanks to the head coaches Tireque Malila and Analisa

Manuel along with support team including Tassie Vailalo, Josiah Tutagalevao, Mr Kravcenko, and Mrs Manuel.

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## Mens Artistic Gymnastics

Alex Sims is a member of the Ignite Sports Ambassadors program.

Men's Artistic Gymnastics Open tournament held in Wellington Level 7 grade. Awarded 1st Overall, 1st Floor, 1st Pommel, 1st Parallel bar, 1st high bar and 1st vault.

Competed at the NZ National Championship Open grade.

MAG Open tournament held in Auckland 2nd overall.

Alex has been selected for the NZ Men's Artistic Gymnastics (MAG) team to compete at the Valeri Liukin and Houston competitions. These will be held in Texas, USA 2020. Alex was the only athlete selected from Wellington. Congratulations Alex.

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## Girls' Rugby

Girls' Rugby U18 pre-season training with Mr K. Training sessions were held at Fraser Park for players from the Hutt Valley Zone leading into the rugby competition.

Unfortunately, due to lack of numbers, Naenae did not enter a team in the local competition. However, this did not deter girls from attending the sessions. Big thanks to Mr K and Ms Karaitiana for supporting girls rugby.

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## Girls Football

It's the end of an era as my youngest child prepares for University next year. Over my 8 years of Naenae College, I have been involved with a lot of different sports supporting my own children. Sometimes just watching the game and other times helping with transport.

I have been fully involved with the Girls' Football team for the last 5 years. I was a parent on the sidelines for my first year and the following 4 years I have been Team Manager.

Girls' Football has only ever had one team. Two trial sessions are held and selection is based on those who turn up for both sessions and who show they are keen to learn. As such, we have varied skill levels from absolute beginners who have never kicked a ball through to those who have played football for most of their lives. This can be a challenge to the coach (sometimes a parent and for a couple of years we have had senior students).

I enjoy watching those experienced players taking on leadership roles and help to teach those who are new to the sport. I love to see how the players bond as a team and as friends. I feel really proud when after a hard training session, learning new skills that they are put to the test in the game, and it works. The smiles and laughter from the players tell us everything.

This year was our most successful year as we finished 2nd in our Division.

Thank you to my husband, Andrew, for coaching the team and also to Hamish (ex-student) who came to help. Also thanks to Laura for helping her Dad co-coach and Hannah for helping as my assistant manager.

Congratulations ladies on a great football season. I hope you continue to play next season and I look forward to coming down to the school to watch a few games.

**Paula Andersen**

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## College Sport Wellington Sports Person of the Year awards

College Sport Wellington Sports Person of the Year - Service to School Sport - Zadie McDowell. Congratulations Zadie.

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## Sport - Community Service

Manakitanga

Lower Hutt Primary School Sports Association hosted the Yr3/4 and Yr5/6 Hutt Zone Basketball tournament last week. Our Senior students supporting the kaupapa of the day, officiated the games. Photos feature Inter-Intermediate Hockey Tournament and Rata Street School vs Naenae Primary.

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## Bowls

The 5-year drought has come to an end. The Lawn Bowls team had their first practice run on the 14th of February in preparation for the College Sport Wellington competition that started in Term 1. Thanks to the experience and guidance from members of the Massey Bowling Club and Mr Staite for supporting the teams with transportation. It was a fantastic day and students had a lot of fun.

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## Director of Sport

I read this quote the other day by Brandi Snyder, "To the world, you may be just one person but to one person you may be the world. You may never know the profound effect that you may have made on a person's life. A kind word and sometimes a firm word, a reassuring touch, or a listening ear can mean so much to someone. "

To volunteer requires a heart to serve and a belief in the potential of young people. You give your time generously to connect, provide support and encouragement and perhaps provide humour to show that the journey is about a partnership and having fun. You do this without any expectation of reward. Yet you receive the reward of comradeship with other volunteers who you may never have met otherwise. Lasting friendships, social activities and fun may be just some of the unexpected rewards that you gain from your volunteering experience. Sport relies on the goodwill of all, and a healthy partnership within the wider community of the School.

Please know that you are appreciated and valued.

An important part of many students' lives is their engagement in sports. We know that that sports participation does not negatively impact students' grades, in fact for male students it is positively associated with higher overall grades. Furthermore, studies show that increasing the number of times a week a student plays sports is positively related to higher mean grades.

Sport can also serve as a community-building instrument, not only for the school community, but assist in helping families connect with the wider community. Sport also teaches us teamwork – that every person counts, it teaches us the importance of fair play and observing code of rules. It sets aside our personal aspirations for the benefit for collective goals and it teaches us that winning or losing can be done with honour – knowing that one did the very best of one's ability.

Sport improves our health, it helps us to learn and it helps us unite.

It is important, therefore, that students are given every opportunity to participate in sport. The challenge, of course, is the associated costs involved; access to facilities; students with English as a second language, to name a few. You, our volunteers, go the extra mile to bridge the gap. Here are a few of the things that have been done this year to help resource and support our kids:

- The many fundraisers; organising hangi, coordinating odd jobs around the school to provide the means for families to pay sports fees. Eddie & Cath preparing hangi during Matariki celebrations and selling samosa to help families send their kids to tournament week.
- Picking up rugby boys from their homes, as was the case with Mr K when the Naenae U15 played St Pat's town.
- The 1st X1 football team coached by Mr Johnson, aka United Nations team, that reflects our diversity with 15 different ethnic groups represented.
- Providing conditioning training program on a Tuesday and Thursday morning for up to 85 kids during Term 1 and providing breakfast afterwards. This was facilitated by Mr K, Mr Silao, Mr Muirhead, and ex-students with Mr Shaw feeding the masses.

Let me take a moment to share with you some of the highlights of 2019:

- The Upgrade of the inner quad to include a multi-purpose court, turf & 6 netball courts.
- 57% of students participated in sport. The national average for Co-ed schools decile 3 is 52%.
- Ignite Sports Leadership Program continues to grow competent and confident senior students into leading sports teams. This has provided an opportunity for 120 students to participate in sport.

I would like to thank you all for your hard work and commitment to the school and for the encouragement you give our students. It requires huge amounts of time away from families

It has been a fantastic year of sport with 354 students playing sport across 19 codes. This represents 57% of students engaged in sport at the school, which is represented by 212 boys and 142 girls. The national average for co-ed schools is 52%.



I would also like to acknowledge Mr Richards and the Board of Trustees. I am grateful for the hours they have committed to the continued support of sport at Naenae.

We are proud to boast 8 Regional finalists and 4 Hutt Zone championship this year, winning the Bowls Division 2; Badminton Junior Girls Division 2 and 3; Badminton Senior Boys Division 1 and Senior Girls Division 1. This year we had four finalists at the college sport Wellington awards. Congratulations to Zadie McDowell on winning the Premier Award for Service to Sport. Once again we have enjoyed hosting an international team, this year in netball with a touring team from Melbourne, Australia visiting our school earlier this year. It was a fantastic day of sport and celebrated by the community. Also, our hockey played King Williams College, Isle of Man. I would also like to thank Matua Teteira for the presentation of our grounds and facilities.

With 70 teams in competition this year, it was always going to be a challenge to get to games during the season; however, I am filled with enormous pride, standing on the side-lines of the courts, and fields alongside equally proud parents and supporters. Thank you for the role you have undertaken, driving teams to games, washing uniforms, taking stats, umpiring, coaching, chasing fees, patching injuries on the side-line or in a few unfortunate cases, taking kids to A&E. You have made a significant contribution to sport at the school.

I hope that you will continue to journey with us into 2020

Nga mihi nui

Yvonne Manuel  
Director of Sport

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## Farewell - Sue Collis

Sue Collis left NNC at the end of term 2. She has moved on to live and work on the Kapiti coast, with her older daughter and son Rhys, who also thrived here at NNC in SNU.

During her time on staff, she worked tirelessly in our learning support team for just under 5 years. Ms Collis was a hardworking, warm, funny, kind, wise and loyal colleague.

She lived by and displayed our NNC Te Whanau Tahi values every day with staff and students. Her support to our students in the learning supported classes, 9H and 10H, and all the other students' school-wide that she worked alongside helped make a difference to them as successful learners and citizens. She never failed to celebrate students success with them, and also guided and cared for them through challenges.

Here is some of what our students said about her:

"She always knew what she was talking about, and she was kind." - Hemiona Year 11.

"She's supportive." - Braydon Year 11.

"She would always help me when I needed it, she helped me get through the work and was understanding." - Emmanuel Year 11.

"She was a good listener and she gave me good ideas." - Akshay Year 11.

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## Farewell - Reuben Crowe

Reuben joined us in 2017, initially to work with individual students as part of the high/complex needs team, but after his particular student moved on, he joined us as a teacher aide in the learning support team.

Reuben is a multi-talented young man with a huge heart, and a passion for working alongside young people, encouraging and supporting them to always be the best they can be. Reuben moved on to focus on his youth work and

music. He is missed, and we wish him well for his future endeavors.

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## Farewell - Jan Stephen

Who can get students to dance to music? Jan can! When she played an April fool's joke on her class. The music came on. She started dancing waving her arms in the air to get the very reluctant students up. They got up swinging and swaying to the music.

Previously, Jan had said to the students, "The Principal today had said we could not sit for the whole lesson and had to get up and dance"! What a sight to see!

In 1987 Jan arrived from Christchurch as an Assistant HOD of Commerce. The phenomenal contribution and service to Naenae College over the years has been remarkable. During the years, she served two terms (10 years) as a Dean (now known as Whanau Head). She then became the HOD (Head of Commerce Department) and now her latest role as HOF (Head of the PAACT Faculty), which includes a variety of subject departments.

Through Jan's leadership, saw a transformational change in the then known as Commerce Department as desktop computers were introduced. This meant staff had to learn new skills and processes that Jan endeavoured to support by motivating, enhancing and empowering staff with the pedagogical changes that were essential, not only within the Faculty, she also organised and led the training courses in Information Management (now known as Digital Technologies) for teachers throughout New Zealand. Her relational leadership style has supported and mentored many colleagues within the PAACT faculty and other Heads of Faculty and Departments as well. Jan's ability to manage the most expensive assets in the school has been exceptional. Over the years both computer suites have been maintained to a very high standard.

Jan's dedication and passion for teaching is a testimony when aiming to raise the expectations of all her students. The most challenging students would often be surprised at their successful learning outcomes and comment, "I achieved because you made me do it". She has a keen awareness of and responsive to the diverse needs and situations of her students. The commitment to her students goes beyond the school community. She was the teacher representative for a number of years for business studies connected to Weltec and introduced 'Business and Retail Programme' where students could do the theory in class and work experience in a part-time job. Jan's links with Rotary has seen students in her senior Business Studies classes benefit in many ways. The successful applicants have given students the opportunity to go on courses that were fully paid. Through her support, students have found career pathways and even today will often greet her in their workplaces. The link with Deloitte 'Grow Programme' has given students a glimpse of life in the corporate world.

Jan's selfless nature has often seen her assist families with personal issues that go beyond the realm of teaching.

During the year, Jan was successful in gaining a Rotary funded educational trip to China for two weeks. An invaluable experience for her gaining insight into cross-cultural understanding, experiences and teaching. She came back animated using the teaching strategies in her classes.

Whatever Jan gets involved in she gives her very best and often goes beyond the call of duty. Jan loves to travel. Now with retirement looming, we are sure this will occur frequently. She will be dearly missed both as a friend and colleague and leaves big shoes to fill. We wish both Jan and her husband Richard the very best for the future.



## Farewell - Ms Brown

Ms Brown (better known as Fab) joined the Visual Arts and Technology Department as HOD at Naenae College in January 2018.

Fab was instrumental in introducing engaging subject matter to both the junior and senior Art curriculum, improving NCEA marking and moderating processes, as well as documenting and communication procedures across the Department. The respect Fab has held was apparent when she was asked to

become the Specialist Classroom Teacher and PCT Leader. A role not suited to everyone, and a role she has carried out with great diligence and care. Her warm smile, caring nature and level of professionalism will be sorely missed. We wish her all the best as she embarks on her next adventure in Australia.

Ma te wa friend

Mr. Tama Ferguson (Teacher, Visual Art)

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## Photos

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## Performing Arts

This year has been another very busy year for our Performing Arts Department. Performers have done a wonderful job this year.

The students of this school have enjoyed their work immensely and appreciate their service to the Arts around the school. The new Performing Arts class has shown a growth of Dance and Cultural Performance opportunities

and we welcome Mr. Gary Miller back to our department as our new Drama teacher.

### BIG SING

Students had a really exciting time at the Big Sing this year, seeing a lot of very talented choirs competing at the Michael Fowler Centre. We were very proud to represent our school this year and along with our new String Ensemble. We were delighted to receive the 'Festival of Song' trophy for showing the most Te Whanau Tahi out of all the choirs with our music and energy.

We took our choir out to 'Tulsi' to celebrate our experience and we were very excited to have walked away with our award after all our hard work.

"It was a great opportunity for me to go for the last time. The TWT between our students was a once in a lifetime experience." -Jasmin Kilepoa

### RECORDING STUDIO

Strengthening our relationship with Korokoro Studios producer, Phil Riley this year created an opportunity for students to work towards recording their original songs with our new recording facilities in Te Ha Puoro.

Students really enjoyed working with him and found him very professional and caring;

"I loved working with Mr Riley he has helped me develop more skills with my songwriting and help me come up with beats with my songs. He has given me feedback for what I need for my songwriting and my solo performance. He's been the most helpful person ever" - Amber Cummings

TECH CREW:

Tech Crew enjoyed supporting out events through the year and we wish to thank Ivan Dunford for rising to the leadership of his new team for our major events. Special thanks to: Brad Jessop, Bailey Bisson, Izack Arthur, Jacob Arthur, Aiden Morrihan, Alyssa Salanoa, Gavin Lim, Aaron Austin and Hannah Ladd.

Special Thanks to our Tutor of out Instrumental Music Programme

A big thank you to Vicki Fergusson, Andre Paris, Shaun Anderson and Doug Ten Broeke for all of your efforts for our ākongo who are studying instruments with you. You are a big part of what makes our programme so successful and we are grateful to you for your ongoing mahi.

#### CLASSROOM MUSIC:

We have been very grateful for our new facility Te Ha Puoro, opened by Honorable Chris Hipkins at the end of last year. We have been truly blessed with such a creative space and new resources to bring the best opportunities possible to our students.

Students have shown a large interest in Music and Performing Arts and are very excited about the new building. The space has been humming with activity through the year with the growth of Dance and Cultural performance and very active music groups over lunchtime.

"This year in Year13 music we had a good time learning about the differences of the practical of music and the theory of music." -Jasmin Kileopa

Farewell message to our Senior Music Students:

As we farewell a very talented group of senior music and performing arts students this year we just want to acknowledge and celebrate your graduation. We wish you all the best for your ongoing journey. Kia kaha - keep enjoying life and music, wherever your path takes you!

-Ms. McCarthy



## Highlight Festival

In Term 4 Apiya Kim, Jasmin Kilepoa and Patricia Feaveai were commissioned by Claire Allan, Hutt City Council to present a scripted audio presentation called "The little Photon" which was presented at the Highlight Festival.

This story was recorded in our school recording studio with input from Mr. Gary Miller and Ms. McCarthy. The recording was presented and performed by the students on the bus tour section of the highlight Festival.

"It was a really good opportunity to see what it's like from the worker's point of view other than just being the customer all the time. I enjoyed meeting new people and figuring out how to fix problems when they came up with only a few minutes to spare. I also learnt how to improvise very quickly on the spot and to think of little details that would help make something nice. The bus ride was a really good way of showing little children as well to not be afraid of the dark and I learnt how to stand up on a moving bus." - Patricia Feaveai



## Grip conference 2019

The Grip Leadership conference was a huge eye opener for myself and the other Year 12 Mentors and Prefects who attended from Naenae College.

It was a full day conference packed with other leaders from other schools trying to make a change in their own school. We went through a day packed with lots of knowledge about how us young leaders can become even better leaders than we are. For me personally the conference helped me

understand how there are little things about having a leadership role like reliability, trust and just overall being open person for everything that is thrown in your way and being the one to make those critical decisions at times of adversity.



Overall the grip leadership made me into a more open-minded leader, at the start of the year when I became a mentor I didn't really think deeper into the aspects and values a leader should have but the grip leadership conference really taught me a lot about it and made me into a great and inspiring leader at Naenae College

Liban Ali

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## 'Red Shirts' Work Experience Course

Through an amazing friend and the class: Pathways to Employment, I was lucky enough to receive an opportunity to take on a course called the 'Red Shirts' in School Gateway Training at the Warehouse. This course ran over 1 school day each week for 10 weeks.

There were other schools that also had a couple of students taking this course, such as Saint Bernard's, Heretaunga

College, Upper Hutt College, Taita College, Sacred Heart and Hutt Valley High School so we all got to know each other, creating a bond with each of the schools and as each work day passed our bond only got stronger.

The Red Shirts course was very useful as it provided me with hands-on experience to learn what it's like to work in the retail industry. It wasn't all just practical work, we all had to do book work and everyone's "favorite" hobby Homework, ensuring everyone follows all protocols for the Health and Safety of all workers and customers in the Warehouse which meant reporting an incident no matter how big or small it was or every time a task was given we would have to report to our supervisors. In the end the Warehouse staff rewarded us with shared lunch for our achievement throughout the course as we all were awarded a certificate of participation from the Warehouse and also a Customer Service certificate from Service IQ not to mention that the Red Shirts programme also offers 23 NCEA level 2 credits. Now that's what I call a bargain!

I'd like to thank Naenae College, especially to the Career Pathway Advisors: Mr. Maclean and Miss. Wilton for putting all their effort into making this possible for the 3 of us Naenae College students as we are grateful for this opportunity.

Naenae College is full of opportunities, you just have to make the choice to do it just as I did, so I encourage you all to make the most of all the opportunities that Naenae College throws your way!

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## MaiBiz - Nina Huria

I've always loved creating things so when MaiBiz came to school and told us that we had the opportunity to create our own business and gain credits from it I leapt at it.

Over the duration of 2 days we were put in groups, created our own food business and underwent challenges such as potential employment scenarios, opportunities to expand and insurance decisions. At the end of the final day we were judged on our presentation and general performance of our

business and group. I loved the experience of it regardless of the stress it created or having to do so much in such a short space of time! It was a great opportunity for me to use my creativity and leadership skills for something that I could be proud of. I'm glad MaiBiz came to our school and I look forward to seeing others benefiting from their programme too each year at school.

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## Student Production: 'Calorie Kingdom' by Apiya Kim

I've always had a passion for storytelling. I knew from last year that one of the assessments for drama was writing a full-length script, so I knew I was going to do that as soon as the year started.

Despite this, it took me almost two months to even come up with the idea. Eventually, the concept of a medieval monarch slowly becoming worse and worse over the course of a play

popped into my mind, and from that, I ended up writing Calorie Kingdom. When I gave the final draft to my drama teacher (Ms Anderson), she loved it so much she started sharing it with some of the other staff. The head of music, Ms McCarthy, was willing to help see it through to becoming a school production.

I never would have imagined that was where this script was going to take me, but of course I agreed. She knew someone who was more experienced in this field, so she asked them to come and help. About a term later, we decided to just go ahead and start without them. By this point we were already in week three of term three, meaning we only had about ten to twelve weeks left until school ended, which was much less time than I would've liked personally. We quickly got a group of actors together (mostly my friends) and got to work.

A ton of problems came up during production. The main one was that several people had to drop out of the production for one reason or another, which led to a lot of stress trying to find new actors, and even more stress getting them to memorise their lines in such short notice. It was also near impossible to get everyone together to rehearse a scene since someone always ended up sick. Despite these challenges, I enjoyed the rehearsals, and everyone did well given the constant time pressure.

I didn't properly consider the technology until dreadfully late into production. I bought most of the props about halfway into it, but I didn't get some very vital items until a week before we were meant to perform. My other drama teacher, Mr Miller, was trying his hardest to get the curtains, lighting, and sound set up, but he was having difficulty getting his hands on what he wanted. Ultimately, we got everything set up the day before we were meant to perform.

I was able to make a booklet that was handed out to the audience before the performance, but due to the constant switching of actors, I had to keep changing the names on the back right up until opening night. I also organised the music, which I got from the Professor Layton games. Trying to find a good track for each scene turned out to be way more fun than I was expecting.

By the time we were just about to start performing, I was nervous. Everything felt just a bit behind, and I was worried that something was going to go wrong. Thankfully, everything went well, and in the end, I'm very proud of the whole production. There were some things I could have worked on, but overall I'm pleased with how this turned out. I'd maybe like a break before doing it again, though.

-Apiya Kim

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## Multicultural Day

Multicultural Day Performers presented work from their different cultures which had a large array of different cultural flavours.

It was great to see how proud our students are of their diversity and celebrate this through song and dance. Students practised hard to perform a memorable concert for our school community. It was also a chance for us to support

our Kapahaka and Polyclub students before their region competitions. Well done to all our performers!

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## Junior Boys Football

We participated in Wellington College Sports Junior Boys Football Division 1 championship

Hello, my name is Jhoan Rivas, I am 22 years old and I come from Colombia. I would like to thank Naenae College for giving me the opportunity to coach the Junior Boys Football Team 2019. Many thanks also to sports managers, teachers and parents for the support and participation in the team. I had participated as a football coach assistant before, but this

was the first time I was coaching a football team. It was a beautiful experience where I learned many things that I will surely consider for the future. I have to admit that it was not easy to coach the team, not only because of the lack of experience but also because of cultural, language and age barriers. Naenae College is one of the most multicultural schools in the Wellington region and that is something very important to consider when participating in activities where there are people from all over the world. Each culture is different and they see the world in a different way, including football. Something that for me is a passion and lifestyle like football, for some boys of the team it was nothing more than a hobby and school representation. Those are some of the differences we have culturally speaking. But I think that my experience with different social and cultural groups helped me manage the team in an ethical, respectful, sporty and responsible way. We participated in Wellington College Sports Junior Boys Football Division 1 championship and that is more than a merit. I am sure that in the future we can all achieve bigger goals, it is only a matter of time, practice and discipline.

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## Hauora i te ahiahi nei NNC

November 15, 2019 NNC Health and Wellbeing Afternoon

On Friday, November 15, students had the opportunity to focus on their Hauora / Wellbeing. During Period 3, year 9 and 10 students engaged in a fun, relaxing activity of their choice. The range of activities included; Dog walking, Arise bible session, Badminton, Beauty Salon, Good Food, Hang out with Vibe, Basketball, Cross stitching, Samoan Crafts, Head Lei Crafts, Knitting, Colouring, Reading for pleasure,

Chess, Jigsaw, Dungeons and Dragons, Ultimate Frisbee, Meditation and Relaxation, Avalon Park walk, Watch a movie and Power training.

We encouraged students to try something new and participate with enthusiasm. The object of the afternoon was to promote student wellness and to provide ways in which students could relax, mindfully engage and connect with others.

We would like to thank Te Awakairangi Health Network, Arise Church and Heartfulness Meditation for supporting our afternoon.

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## Enterprise 'Market Day' & visit to Deloitte's

Enterprise students had a range of innovative products to sell. From scrunchies, home-made sweets, toffee in every shape possible, coconut buns, spiders just to name a few.

This final activity coincides with a financial literacy programme we have had in place for 5 years with Deloitte's in the City. We have 3 young financial advisors who come out for a period and Mentor the students and to help them plan

their ideas for their entrepreneurial activity. This year was the first time we had 4 Deloitte's staff visit on Market Day and were impressed by the full on activity at the stalls and the products. They even bought items themselves to take back to their colleagues. The students then get the opportunity to visit Deloitte's office and present their business plan and the outcome and a privileged to be fed lunch. A large part of this learning is about philanthropy. The students are required to give at least \$5 or a little more of their profit to the Graeme Dingle Foundation – 'Kids Can' a charity that Deloitte's support.

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## Junior Business Studies – ENTERPRISE ACTIVITY

Junior Business Studies students had a target market for their Enterprise activity - Tabloid Sports.

The School Tabloid Sports are held in the first term every year and this gives the Business Studies students a chance to have the opportunity to try out their Entrepreneurial skills, often with great success. It is about team building, financial literacy, organization and reflection. Unfortunately, for the

first time in the many years we have been doing this, the weather was not the best and the usual drinks and ice-blocks to quench the thirst were not in the highest demand as usual. However, the students who thought ahead and prepared other activities and home-made food items did well.

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## Year 9 Camp

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## My Powhiri Experience - Year 9 student Rome

As I stood with a few of my friends outside the entrance of Naenae College, I could see some frightened expressions on the faces of my fellow Year 9's. My uniform felt new and crisp; my tie tight against my throat.

I was nervous, excited, and calm all at the same time.

Kids were expressing their nervousness differently, some quiet, others being very loquacious. Suddenly, I heard a voice speaking in Te Reo welcoming us newbies into the school. The lady led us to several seats of chairs situated outside the marae. It was a wonderful day, the air crisp and clear with a hint of chillness to balance out the sun's heat. I saw



the older college kids up at the front of the marae. They started to sing, loud and proud representing their school well. Straight away I imagined myself standing up there.

I felt as though I belonged.

There were a few speeches from the Head Boy and Principal, and a few other people. The sun was beating down on everybody's necks, therefore, we had to squint constantly at the people talking. Afterwards we high fived and hugged the prefects, teachers, and some of the college kids. It lifted a huge weight of anxiety off my shoulders.

Maybe it was going to be fine. I was ready to start college.

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