

# ŌTOROHANGA COLLEGE

## WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Semester Two, Week One- Monday 17th July- Friday 21st July 2023

### VOLUNTEER AWARD

Congratulations to Cameron Aitchison who gave up her time to help run the microphone at the Otorohanga Netball Centre on a number of Friday nights.

Small communities and sports centres like netball rely on volunteers to fill these positions and it is pleasing to see one of our young students take on this role.



### COMMUNITY PLANTING

A group of Year 9 students volunteered to participate in the community planting day alongside the Waipa awa this week. This is a great initiative that was driven by our local council as part of Te ara a Waiwaia River Project. The timing of this project was opportune because it aligned with the focus in the Social Studies and Science units this term which are Sustainability and Botany.

Thank you to our volunteers: Michayla Carr, Tamahou Carr-Rewi, Tanita Cassidy-Kawhena, Stanley Cooper, Reef Lentfer, Emily Morris, Ruby Raymond, Zaviah White, Maggie Wilson and our seniors Angel Greener, Angel Oakley-Smith and Katelyn Speight.



### ACTIVE AS!

On Thursday, 6 students from Year 9 to Year 12 joined 5 staff members at a Mana Taiohi Workshop as part of the Sport NZ's Active As Project. This project aims to enhance student wellbeing and learning through physical activity. The students had a great time building spaghetti towers, playing music trivia and taking part in many other team building activities, all the while learning the importance of physical activity in schools.

At the end of the day the students were tasked to come back to the College and gather information on why involvement in physical activity in schools is on a steady decline.



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