



Term Three, Week Six – Monday 26th September – Friday 30th September 2024

YEAR 13 HOSPITALITY CAFE

Cafe B3 set up shop in B3 this week due to wet weather.

Students had a place to sit and enjoy their hot drinks and breakfast burritos made by the Year 13 Hospitality students in the second of their sandwich assessments.



LITERACY QUIZ

On Wednesday August 28th, Ōtorohanga College made its first trip to the Waikato High School Literature Quiz held at Rototuna High School. Their library was packed with teams and supporters from high schools around the Waikato. Our team of Year 9s, Mikayla Fisher, Ava Mudford, Bianca Thomas and Olivia Baker were among the youngest contestants, as there were all ages of students represented. The girls did well, particularly as this was their first time entering the quiz. A good night was had by all. Next year will be even better!

PATHWAYS VISIT

On Thursday 28 August, our Year 13 taura were visited by Stephanie from the Young Workers Resource Centre (YWRC). This organisation provides advice and education on employment rights, ensuring that rangatahi entering employment avoid exploitation in the workplace.

Students were quizzed on their knowledge of things like sick leave entitlement, notice periods and minimum wage. While many of them already work part-time and could answer some of the questions, Stephanie helped fill in the gaps. The whole group left the presentation equipped with more knowledge about their rights as employees.



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YOUTH INTACT WORKSHOP

Youth Intact in association with Tūturu ran workshops with our Year 12 and 13 students this week to upskill them in relation to making good decisions when it comes to socialising.

There was an eye opening discussion on just what is a standard drink. It was surprising to see just how small a standard drink is and the variation between drink types. Through the playing of a game in the style of a popular card game, students were given details of the variety of organisations

that are available to them should they need help before, during and after social situations. The most fun had was when the "beer goggles" were put on. These are goggles designed to simulate vision when under the influence of alcohol. The students got to experience just how uncoordinated a person becomes when they have been drinking.

PŪHORO

Thursday saw our taura Māori attend the Term 3 Wānanga for Pūhoro. It was another great day of experiencing and being inspired by what the world has to offer in the science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) fields. Our Year 11 taura attended a seminar on what it means to be Māori, a discussion on climate change and a workshop from Genesis Energy where they got to wire a 3 pin plug. The Year 13



taura attended a seminar where they were challenged to think about the practicalities of life beyond college, a workshop on applying the learning of Minecraft to their world and a cryptography workshop where they learned how electronic messages are sent privately. The highlight of the day was hearing someone say to a tutor "You made maths fun!".

KEY DATES AND FUTURE HIGHLIGHTS

Monday 2nd - Friday 6th September Secondary School Tournament Week
 Wednesday 11th - Friday 13th September NCEA CAA Literacy and Numeracy Exams
 Thursday 12th September - Wednesday 18th September Derived Grade Examinations
 Tuesday 17th September Year 7 and Year 8 Experience Day
 Friday 20th September College Ball
 Wednesday 25th September Business Breakfast

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