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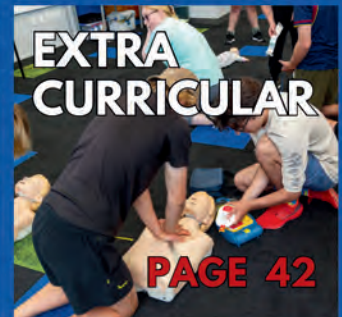
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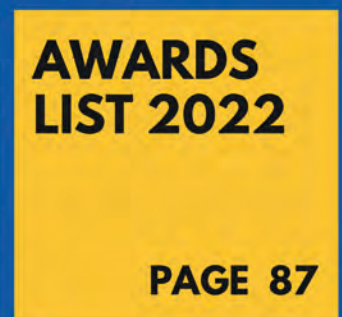
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Principal's Message

PETE WILKINSON



Welcome one and all to our Northern Southland College Magazine. The following pages are testament that 2023 has been exceptionally busy for students and staff alike. We are proud of the many and varied educational opportunities that are offered both inside and outside of the classroom that enrich our ākonga. You will see a multitude of examples of this throughout this publication. Our teaching and support staff go above and beyond to ensure that we are the best we can be.

We started 2023 with five new staff. Mr Jackson stepped up from his role as Aparima College Head of Physical Education to being our Assistant Principal. Mr Shaw (Digital Technology) and Miss Watts (Science and Physical Education) joined NSC fresh out of teacher training and Mrs Dean started as our new Guidance Counsellor. Mrs Retallick travelled down from Canterbury to teach in our English department. During the year we bid a fond farewell to Mrs McKenzie, Miss Culberson and Mrs Dean, and have welcomed Mrs Maree (English), Mrs Sharma (Mathematics) and Mr Mangion (Guidance). I would also like to acknowledge Mrs Kath Miller who is leaving us at the end of the year. Kath is an unsung hero of Northern Southland College, having been a school cleaner and Food Technology Assistant for six years. Kath has always stepped up when we required assistance and she goes the extra mile to look after staff and student needs. Thank you for your service to NSC. I also wish to note that after publication of the 2022 school magazine, we had three staff members move on. Mr John and Mr Webb both moved back to Auckland to be closer to family, and Mrs Cullen took a position at Fiordland College. We are thrilled to have Mrs Cullen back in Northern Southland as Principal of Mossburn School.

The educational landscape is currently in a state of significant change. Following a great deal of community and stakeholder consultation, we will begin 2024 with a new Strategic Plan, something that every school in Aotearoa is implementing. National Education Learning Priorities and our Annual Goals will be visible in our Strategic Plan. This will be published in the new year. In addition to this, 2024 will see the new NCEA Level 1 being taught and assessed, and continued work on the Aotearoa New Zealand Histories Curriculum. We have been a pilot school for both Level 1 NCEA English and Science, and have trialled the Histories Curriculum so are well placed to implement these changes. I would like to thank our staff and Board of Trustees for their roles in working on and embracing these changes.

On the property front the mantra for the year has been of patience. Rooms 9 and 10 are open for business and our toilet and hot water upgrade is finally taking shape with the old boiler being removed, and the replacement due for installation over the summer months. Our new Ministry of Education Property Plans (5YA/10PP) were finalised a few months ago. The focus areas are roof replacements, improvements to walkway areas, toilet upgrades, and building weathertightness work. Our wonderful Parent Teacher Association (PTA) is currently working towards replacing our school playground equipment. This began with student consultation and at time of writing this article we are in the design and costings phase. This is not merely about replacing our old wooden structures with a few swings and slides – this is a major scope of work that will take a great deal of fundraising, time and effort to complete. Please support our PTA in realising this dream for the benefit of our students.

I would like to thank everyone who contributes to the culture of Northern Southland College: students, staff, Board of Trustee members, parents, whānau, community members, outside agencies, and the list goes on. Together we make an incredible difference for our rangatahi. We all do better when we work together and invest in our future.

Finally, thank you to everyone who has contributed to our school magazine. The article writers, photo takers and content creators. I especially want to thank the hardworking 'behind the scenes' team that pulled everything together to give you the wonderful, finished product you have in your hands.

Staff



5th row: Paulette Leach, Dale Kington, Adam Shaw
4th row: Mike Dixon, Dinesh Naidu, Nicola Watson, Wendy Coghlan, Sarah Stark, Janette Collins
3rd row: Anna Highfield, Richelle Maree, Morwenna Pannett, Yvonne Muilwyk, Ash Brewer, Jeanna Rodgers, Lynda Duncan
2nd row: Michelle Elder, Menaz Sharma, Cheryl Butler, Megan Ussher, Amy Watts, Bruce Lee
Front row: Kathryn Retallick, Jill Bell, Janelle Barrett, Molly, Doug, Pete Wilkinson, Rodney Jackson, Brigid Ponga, Glenda Chan
Absent: Llara MacGilloway, Kath Miller, Sharlie Morton, Sandra Welsh

Board of Trustees



2nd row: Pete Wilkinson, Toni Eyles, David Bullmore
Front row: Anna Highfield, Morwenna Pannett, Giavana Santelli, Jonny Elder (Presiding Member)
Absent: Paul Heslip, Rebecca Price

Head Student Report



CHARLOTTE STALKER

I'm just going to go and say it... Year 7 me would never have thought I'd be sitting here writing a Head Student report, it wouldn't have even been a twinkle in her little mind. When I first started year 7 at NSC, I felt like there were people everywhere and they were all so much bigger than me, and I'm not going to lie, they all seemed quite scary. But it didn't take long to figure out that NSC was actually made up of amazing kids, who were not scary like I had initially thought.

There are so many things about this school that I appreciate and think are great, but the main thing is the people. The students and teachers are such a friendly bunch that you can't help but feel at home. Through the help of Tutor Groups, Tuakana Teina and Peer Support, I found you not only get to know and become friends with the students in your year group, but also students in all other year groups, which makes the school feel like one big family. Although, this family does become well and truly divided when it comes to Colours Day and Athletics, Swimming Sports, and Cross Country. But there's no need to worry, it's always friendly fire, but you do find out who has a competitive streak in them on these days.

There have been so many opportunities that I have got to participate in throughout the years. These have ranged from the camps that you attend every year, like the Borland Lodge camp in year 7 and the Snow Camp in year 13, to the sports I have been able to play, such as Netball, Hockey and even a bit of Badminton. This is all thanks to the amazing people who volunteer who coach them. But there have also been leadership events and of course the Junior SMAC Maths Competition.

Other than the school itself, I have met some of my lifelong friends here, they are the ones that get you through rough patches. Because, let's be honest, school and life can be hard sometimes, but they are also the people that you have the most fun and make the best memories with.

It has been a privilege being a Head Student this year, being able to represent the school alongside Adam. I've had a great group of Year 13's to share my last year of school with and appreciate everything that they and this school have done for me over the years. I will always be proud to say that I was once a student at Northern Southland College.



Head Student Report



ADAM BAYER

This year I had the pleasure to be Head Boy along side Head Girl, Charlotte Stalker. 2023 was an eventful year inside and outside the classroom with this being us 2005's last year of high school amidst the teacher strikes, flooding and other surprises that all shortened our year. Yet still we tried our best to have some fun. An Easter Egg hunt, spelling bee, and Karaoke event headlined some of the things that we organised to make the most of the year.

Other than having fun, being a head student on NSC meant a few other things to me as well. Being able to represent the school at the front lines at places like other school balls and head student group meeting were a highlight for me and an opportunity I greatly appreciated. Having taken the full brunt of COVID in my time at high school being able to spend my last year at school actually at school is something I'm very grateful for that others didn't get.

Making friends in and outside of my year group and connections with teachers past and present are two things that I will always associate most with NSC and relationships that I hope to look back on for a while to come. To me, the people have always been what has made my time at NSC worth it and reflecting the past 7 years, I can say that I won't regret ever being a student here because of the connections I've made.

Next year I'm going to the University of Canterbury but even up there I'll be eager to hear of the good work future head students and classes of year 13s are doing to make their time fun before they too head off into the big wide world and also to hear how the NSC senior basketball team finally wins the school tournament and beats Menzies to do so.



BOT Student Rep Report



GIAVANA SANTELLI

Wow, two years gone just like that! Thank you so much to the Board of Trustees for an unforgettable learning experience for me! Not many other schools would have given me the opportunity to run for the Student Representative Role of the Board of Trustees, not once, but twice. Having held this position has made me appreciative of the school, as I have seen the immense dedication that both staff and students put in to make Northern Southland College what it is today.

I would like to thank Mr Wilkinson for being such a supportive and influential part of my role, he was always there to help me out and guide me through my actions. I recommend anyone to go for this role as you never know where it will lead you. I remember being a little year 11 when I was going for this role, knowing nothing and now it has been life changing.

I wish Samantha Kington all the best for her role as the next Student Representative, she will be an excellent voice for the students and I can't wait to see how she goes!



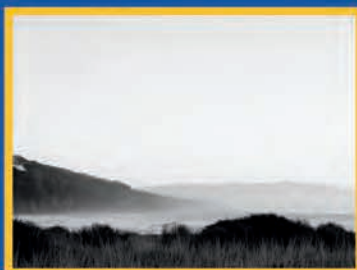
Art Council



This year, the Art Council is led by Catherine Villamayor and Mitch Salviejo. At the beginning of this year, we organised some activities for the whole year. In term 1, we organised a photography competition, for which we received many amazing photographs from all different year levels. There were a large number of photographs sent through to us and it was tough to choose which photograph should take first place in the senior and junior divisions. We also had a prize for the most creative and the best photographs.

First place winner for senior division was Makenzie Appleyard-Drake, with a beautiful black and white landscape of Blue Cliffs. In the junior division, first place winner was Tori Vande Sandt, with a lovely scene photographed at her farm. Lachy Elder produced the most creative photo in the senior division and Harrison Cavanagh in the junior division.

Another activity we organised was a House Photo Collage Competition. This is where the 4 houses: Takitimu, Hokonui, Lintley and Eyre all had to compose a collage on their designated areas on the library wall of what represents each house. It was exciting seeing the houses show their competitiveness and house spirit in the making of these wall collages! In the end, Takitimu deservedly won first place with Hokonui as runner up whilst Eyre and Lintley came in third and fourth place.



By Catherine Villamayor and Mitch Salviejo

SADD Committee



The SADD group at Northern Southland College has this year been more active, through the use of social media and promoting positive choices for safer road use within our school community. We included not only our SADD members but also all the students in making videos to post on the social media platform to make people aware of road safety in New Zealand. We stand for “Students against Dangerous Driving” and our goal as a community is to prevent loss on our New Zealand roads.

This year we had new members join us and held meetings to discuss how to promote Road Safety and SAFER September at NSC and in the local community. The group made chalk drawings and road signs that were put around the school, as well as posters to educate and make the school community aware of what SADD really is. Also, prior to this we had Mark from SADD come down to NSC and run a workshop with our team in order to get us going for Safer September. Unfortunately we were unable to hold large events as we had run out of time this year, although we have made many plans for the upcoming year to promote road safety to our school and our community.

By Dineli Wathukarage & Nicole Masajo

Social Council



2nd row: Dineli Arabaya-Wathukarage, Bede Roy, Hunter Butler, Luca Duthie, Mrs Janelle Barrett
Front row: Ella Kutsyk, Samantha Kington, Makenzie Appleyard-Drake, Jordan Kington, Rebecca Armitage

Sports Council



3rd row: Rumer Carter, McKenzie Findlay, Lachy Elder, Quade White
2nd row: Sam Butler, Giavana Santelli, Gemma Bulleid, Tori Vande Sandt, Mr Dale Kington
Front row: Eli Chabon, Grace Duthie, Madeline Moyles, Dylan Lupante
Absent: Charlie Chen, Eli Elder, Sam Ussher

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4th row: Lewis Chen, Laurie Hill, Levi Scott, Chahat Naidu
3rd row: Max McLean, Josh Broughton, Taya Ross, Natalie Saunders, Lara Muir
2nd row: Thaddeus Torres, Cooper Healy, Angus McFadzien, Sandy Munro, Shaffia Ralston, Cloe McGhie
Front row: Brayden Webster, Abbie MacRae, MJ Andrews, Shilo Trent, Adriana Sharma, Ajay Abelilla, Lachlan Gill
Absent: Eli Elder, Charlotte Schwarz

7S8



4th row: Riley McBride, Amelia Leach, Prajwal Ghising, Luigi Santelli
3rd row: Bede Roy, Jake Mackie, Renjila Shahi, Ashton Kirker, Shema Cabrillos
2nd row: Bryn Timothy, Claudia Dillon, Ashleigh Kington, Tori Vande Sandt, Maddie Duff, Cooper Drummond
Front row: Miera Williams, Hunter Butler, Liam Eaton, Christine Pai, Hollie Clearwater, Harrison Cavanagh, Georgia Taylor
Absent: Flynn Bryan, Poppy Riddle, Anyah Taylor

7C8



3rd row: Cole White, Fletcher Drysdale, Karmah Field, Hannah Muilwyk, Kahn Henry
2nd row: Denver Rivas, Tayla Clearwater, Luca Duthie, Casey Sheat, Riley Centeno, Zabien Roy
Front row: Havana Dean, Meg Sheat, Grace Walling, Sophie Pickering, Archie Heenan, Kadeigh McLean, Xanthe Saunders
Absent: Dylan Brown, Finlay Jones, Heath McBride, Isla Stewart

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4th row: Ben Davis, Cael Henry, Xavier Kington, Tiarahi Kamo-Boyce
3rd row: Brock Till, Emily McFelin, Lior Mabilangan, Dylan Lupante, Sikalyah Pai, Zeke Stirling, Sam Ussher
2nd row: Chase Vande Sandt, Lilly Van Vliet, Manas Chhetri, Willow Riddle, Gordon Bradley, Megui Panaligan
Front row: Zyrhon Odicta, Lucky Saquiton, Jash Singh, Liam McLeay, Eli Chabon, Dean Sison, Rikilee Andrews
Absent: Linn Clark, Lucas Hessels, Blake Mouat, Aidan Thomas, Future Waihaki

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3rd row: Jade Muir, Jabob Elder, Sawyer Jones, Charlie Chen
2nd row: Zouie Pujadas, Jean Sison, Tyler McGhie, Diya Thapa, Ellie Abelilla, Sam Butler
Front row: Abbie Mendoza, Algin Asor, Riley Sheat, Jack Delaney, Charlie Soper, Nyah Roy, Ishani Singh
Absent: Ebony Black, Elliot Gilkison, Ryan Hansen, Rory Shanks

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3rd row: John Mayoya, Tyson Field, Henri Dillon, Max Gullick, Martin Korau
2nd row: Grace Dolton, Reana Freund, Georgia McDonald, Dennis Rivas, Kayla-Lea Sheehan, Frenzie Mendoza
Front row: Jayden Croad, Ava Leach, Kyle Masajo, Marnie Clark, Cayden Bryan, Jesse McKenzie, Maisie Walling
Absent: Kate Stalker

Year 11



5th row: Tyrone Trent, Duncan Durling, Quinlan Parkes, Andrew Graham, Tanner Price, Phoenix Frew
4th row: Cooper Leach, Jayden Mouat, Dylan Thomas, Jack Walling, Mitchell Cunningham, Ethan Shepherd
3rd row: Byron Pease, Jack Heslip, Arleea Hoffman, Syd Woodford, Samantha Kington, Kyle Pascua, Quade White
2nd row: Claire Salviejo, Lori Bradley, Mitchell McLachlan, Ashley Chan, Jasmin Pacada, Benjamin Rodgers-Foran
Front row: Rebecca Armitage, Tiffany Saunders, Olivia Thomas, Nation Austin-Reti, Jess Duthie, Charlz Ebona, Kirsten Armitage
Absent: Danica Avelino, Bennedict Cavinta, Blake Clearwater, Kaynan Lormans-Tamis, Ren Kitch Madera, Cullum Montgomery

Year 12



3rd Row: Cooper Clark, Josh Lowe, Rishub Sharma, Cody Lowe
2nd Row: Dineli Arabaya Wathukarage, Molly Butler, Gemma Bulleid, Ella Kutsyk, Ruby Sellens, Madhu Thapa
Front Row: Sean Sison, Juhane Slump, Matthew Cabral, McKenzie Findlay, Justin Fleury, Harley Sheat, Rumer Carter
Absent: Ritch Kiel Madera, Elijah Lietze, Nicole Masajo



Year 13 Leavers



3rd Row: Maddison Price, Adam Bayer, Mrs Janelle Barrett, Lachy Elder, Harry Wilson

2nd Row: Angela Asor, Catherine Villamayor, Halle Cañada, Giavana Santelli, Mitch Salviejo, Ruby Menlove

Front Row: Grace Duthie, Madeline Moyles, Makenzie Appleyard-Drake, Jordan Kington, Charlotte Stalker, Christian Seno

Absent: Rhea Rashee, Valen Reidt

