

Year 13 profiles



Marage Wanstall

Marage has been at Ōtorohanga College for 5 years and came from the only school that won everything (Oto South). He has worked at OTC for the last year and spends his time on the game. He has been involved in a lot of sports - rugby, basketball, Inter House events, Tough Guy and Girl challenge and completed the WINTEC building and construction course this year. His proudest moment is that he has completed College and he is ready to leave next week. Marage wants to acknowledge all his teachers. He is not going to miss anything and in the future he wants to be his own boss and to not worry about money.



Nique Te Uira

Nique has been at the College since Year 9 and attended both Hauturu and Otorohanga South School. Nique has been involved in girls' rugby, netball, Kapa Haka, kohiko mai and is a proud 2023 Hostel Leader. Nique's highlights of College have been going on Outward Bound down South, meeting new people down there and building an unbreakable bond. Her proudest moment was being announced Hostel Leader for 2023. Nique's favourite teachers are Mrs Joyce and Whaea Vanessa. Mrs Joyce has always kept her on her toes and shows concern and care for everyone which proves she is going to make a great mum. Whaea Vanessa, is a laugh and a half, she can be heard before she is seen and she's not shy to say what's on her mind. Nique will forever be grateful for the things they both have done for her. Nique will miss the Hostel and her pointless arguments with Jenny. Next year she will take a gap year and work before studying at the Institute of Sport in Wellington and look further into a career in rugby and eventually look into a Bachelor of Health Science degree for paramedics.



Paige Martin

Paige joined us as a Year 9 from St Mary's Catholic School. She has been involved in netball. Her proudest moment was getting Endorsed in 2022 with a Merit Endorsement. Her favourite teacher is Mrs Pemberton because she is really nice and also gives students hot chocolate. She will miss seeing her friends every day. Next year she will be studying a Bachelor of Law at the University of Waikato. In the future Paige wants to be content and happy in whatever she is doing and wants to travel to Europe to sight see and experience different cultures.



Hikaurua Pene

Hikaurua has attended the College for 5 years and came to us from Centennial Park Primary School. Hikaurua has been involved in 1st XV rugby, outward bound and the Tough Guy, Tough Girl. Hikaurua's highlight has been making good friends and he is going to miss seeing the bros when he leaves. His proudest memory is bettering himself through the years he's attended College. His favourite teachers are Chris the caretaker because he's a funny guy, Jenny because she's a good mate to talk to and Mrs Joyce because she's just the best. In 2024 Hikaurua wants to improve himself and move to Australia. In the future Hikaurua wants to have a good life, with a job he enjoys and see the world.



Taylor Burgess

Taylor has been at Ōtorohanga College for 5 years and attended Waitomo Caves Primary School. During his time at College Taylor has been involved in the 1st XV rugby team and boys basketball. One of Taylor's highlights is playing mini putt in Science and his proudest moment is being a Year 12 Leader. Taylor's favourite teacher is Kristofer, because his jokes are so bad that they're funny. He also likes bantering around with his history class students. In 2024 Taylor is going to study a Bachelor of Business at Waikato University and in the future aspires to be rich.



Eve Barker

Eve came to us from Otorohanga South School and has attended the College for 5 years. Eve's favourite teacher is Mrs Buckley because she has taught her lots of cooking skills and because she's always nice. Eve's proudest moments are getting first for Hospitality in 2022 and being awarded the catering crew award for Top barista skills at the Otorohanga Business association breakfasts. Next year Eve is going to stay in Otorohanga and work full time at the Fat Kiwi Cafe putting her L3 Hospitality, Barista and Wintec skills to good use. In the future Eve wishes to travel to Europe and eat spaghetti in Italy.



Rico Masters

Rico has been at the College for 5 years and arrived to us from Otorohanga Primary School. Rico has been involved in 1st XV rugby, King Country volleyball, Wintec for building and construction and completed the Tough Guy/ Tough Girl challenge. Rico's highlight has been studying the sciences at College. He is going to miss the free time and playing volleyball at break times. Rico's favourite teacher is Mrs Pemberton for making learning fun and engaging. In 2024 Rico is going to work full time at OTC and in the future aspires to own his own house and a club.



Sam Veart

Sam has been at Ōtorohanga College since he was a Year 9 coming to us from Otewa Primary School. He is the current 1st XV captain and has been involved in a range of sports and activities including rugby, the Tough Guy Tough Girl challenge, WINTEC and King Country athletics. His highlights have been sports, winning their division for rugby and being a part of the U15s and 1st XV. His proudest moment is when he was named Head Student for 2023. He prefers not to say who his favourite teachers are as he doesn't want to hurt anyone's feelings. He will miss being with the boys everyday. Next year he is going to Waikato University to do a bachelor of Human Performance Science with a minor in coaching and development. In the future he wants to become a professional rugby player and not have to worry about money.



Aria Jensen

Aria has been at Ōtorohanga College for 5 longggg years. She did try another school for two weeks, but came back to us. She has attended a few primary schools before us all over the motu. She is a valued member of Kohiko Mai and participated in Puhoro. She has fond memories of hanging out with Lia in Year 10. Another highlight is when she found out Mrs Joyce was pregnant. Her favourite teachers are Mrs Joyce and Whaea Vanessa because they are on to it. She is not going to miss anything and is looking forward to going to Brisbane to work hard to get rich.



Jamie Pettigrew

Jamie attended Otorohanga South School and Maihihi Primary School before coming to Ōtorohanga College. She has been with us for 5 years and her highlight was making her friends. An interesting fact about Jamie is that she has danced for 6 years. Her favourite teacher is Mrs Pemberton for the free food and always being comforting. Next year Jamie plans on working full time before heading off to the University of Waikato to study Criminal Psychology in 2025. In the future she wants to travel the world and experience different cultures and ways of living.



William Dorn

William has attended the College for 5 years and came to us from Otorohanga South School and Papatoetoe West Primary. During his time at the College he has been involved in WINTEC and King Country volleyball. William is known for making other people laugh and driving Mrs Joyce crazy. William was lucky enough to take time out of College in 2022 to travel to Cambodia and reconnect with whānau and friends. William's favourite teachers are Mrs Pemberton for being awesome, Mr Kristofer for being a fantastic teacher and helping him and Mrs Joyce for always keeping him on track. Next year William wants to work full time until April to save money before travelling to the Philippines with his girlfriend and her family. When he returns to NZ he is going to move to Auckland and study Business online.



Jasmine Banga

Jasmine came to us from Otorohanga Primary School and has been at the College for 5 years. Jasmine's highlights of College are making lifelong friends and meeting new and interesting people. Jasmine's proudest memory is completing NCEA Level 3. Her favourite teachers are Mrs Hayward, for not raising "failures," Mr Ekholm for his jokes and Mrs Pemberton for making Chemistry interesting by making bets. Next year Jasmine is going to attend the University of Waikato and study a Bachelor of Primary Teaching. In the future Jasmine wants to complete her degree, own a house and get two cats.



Mysteeq Taukiri

Mysteeq's interesting fact about herself is that she is actually very loud. She has been at College since Year 9 coming to us from Hauturu Primary School. She has been involved in rugby and speech competitions. Her highlights include winning the oratory cup, banter with her English teacher and being a tuakana at the Hostel. Her proudest moment is when she tackled a girl twice her size in rugby. Her favourite teacher is Mr Manuel because he comes back with the same energy she gives him. She is going to miss the Hostel and next year she wants to move out and get rich.



Jaspreet Banga

Jaspreet came to us from Otorohanga Primary School and has been at the College for 5 years. A fun fact about Jaspreet is that his longest essay written at College was exactly 11,780 words and 32 pages long, Mr Parsons had the honour of reading it. Jaspreet would like to acknowledge and thank all of his teachers Mrs Roughton, Mr Parsons, Mrs Baker, Mr Ekholm, Ms Hayward and Mr Manuel for a variety of reasons. Some of Jaspreet's highlights are spell checking Ms Hayward's work and Mrs Roughton's stopwatches. In 2024 Jaspreet is Studying a Bachelor of Arts at the University of Waikato and in the future he wants to become an English teacher and practise inclusive teaching.



Te Wainu Wanakore

Te Wainu has been at Otorohanga College for 5 years and came from Otorohanga South School. Te Wainu has been involved in Puhoro, kohiko mai, Tough Guy and Girl challenge and is one of the Brown House Leaders. Te Wainu's highlight was making it to Year 13. Her favourite teacher is Mrs Joyce because she's always there for her and knows how to keep everyone in line. She is going to miss hanging out with the girls. In the future Te Wainu wants to work hard and travel the world.



Kane Staples- McAloon

Kane likes spending time with friends and family especially at the weekend. Kane has been at Otorohanga College since Year 9 and came from Otorohanga South School. Kane is a gamer and he admires Jack Mark who can stay up all night gaming with him. His highlights have been having fun with all of the teachers and still being able to learn. He has fond memories of his cooking lessons. His favourite teacher is Ms Baker as she has a heart of gold. He is going to miss all of his mates and next year he will be working for Nick Rattray Builders.



Jaymee Smith

Jaymee has been at College since Year 9 and came to us from Otorohanga Primary School. Jaymee can't live without music. It's her life. It's part of who she is. She has been involved in the Production where she sang one song and danced for the rest of the show. She is very proud of herself because 5 years ago she said she would never have done something like that. Her last three years have been filled with fun, laughter and tears. Her proudest moments are when she performed in the Production and when she was named co House Captain for Brown House this year. Her favourite teachers are Mrs Parsons because she helped her break out of her introverted shell through music, Whaea Miriama because she helped her reconnect with her language and culture and Mrs Joyce because when she was going through dark times she pulled her back into the light and looked out for her in a way no one else had done before. Jaymee is aiming to do a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Drama conjoint with a Bachelor of Music majoring in Composition at Auckland University. Her goals are to finish university and go into the acting business and make it big.



Pihopa Waata-Parnell

Pihopa has been at Otorohanga College for 5 years and came from Kawhia Primary School. One of his highlights is creating his own clothing label and decreasing his pastoral entries each year. His highlights include attending and supporting Kapa Haka and helping out at Koroneihana. He is proud of being this year's Hostel Leader and making some friends for life. His favourite teacher is Whaea Mickey. He will miss the Hostel, Aunty Caroline, Uncle Roy and Whaea Vanessa, but he thinks they will miss him more. In the future he wants to make sure his family is taken care of and he is excited for whatever lies ahead.



Jessica Banga

Jess came to us from Otorohanga Primary School and has been at the College for 5 years. A fun fact about Jess is that they wear beanies so people can tell them apart from their sister, however, this has a low success rate. Jess's proudest memory was when they were elected to be the leader of Rainbow Youth at the College. Jess has two favourite teachers; Mr Ekholm because he (and his wife) took the time to take Jess to an interview at Waikato University and Mrs Roughton for being a fun, but educational teacher. Both of them have the best teacher fashion. Next year Jess is attending Waikato University to complete a Bachelor of Primary Teaching and in the future wishes to be successful in their career and be happily married.



Lilly Taane-Edwards

Lilly has been at Otorohanga College from Year 9 coming to us from Waitomo Caves. Lilly's proudest moment has been making it to and through Year 13. Her favourite teachers are Mrs Pemberton, Mrs Joyce and Whaea Vanessa for all supporting her through. She is going to miss the banter with the teachers. Next year she will be completing a Bachelor in Nursing at the University of Waikato in hope that in the future she can become a paediatrician and provide quality medical care for children and babies.



Sien Hobbs

Sian has been at Otorohanga College for 5 years. She came from Otorohanga South School. She has been involved in every facet of the College life from girls cricket, netball A's, development netball, 1st XI girls' football Pacifica Group, King Country volleyball, King Country quad sports and the High School Musical Production. One of her highlights has been catching up with Whaea Vanessa in her Office. Her proudest moments have been watching her house come together this year and making connections with her House and watching everyone grow. She can't pick just one favourite teacher as throughout her time here, many teachers have supported her and helped her get to where she is going and she is very grateful. She is going to miss playing hallway soccer and mini putt in Science. Next year she will be studying Biomedical Science (Majoring in infection and diseases) at the University of Otago.



Laura Hunt

Laura has attended the College for 5 years and was one of our 2023 Head students. Laura attended Kio Kio School. An interesting fact about Laura is that her Grandmother, Mother and older sister were also Head Students. Laura has been involved in many extracurricular activities such as College A netball, girls cricket, touch rugby, girls' soccer, King Country athletics and King Country hockey. Laura's highlights have been making friends with different people, going on tournaments, winning divisions and being part of sports teams. Her proudest moment was being selected as Head Student. Laura's favourite teacher is Mrs Pemberton for always being supportive, bubbly and an unpaid counsellor. In 2024 Laura is going to study a bachelor of Human Performance Science with a minor in Psychology at the University of Waikato. In the future Laura aspires to help major athletes deal with injuries and improve mental health in sports.



Abigail Sharpe

Abigail has attended the College for 5 years and arrived from Otorohanga South School. In Abigail's spare time she loves to work and be creative. Abigail's highlights have been her friends and attending the Otorohanga College balls. Abigail's highlight was gaining an excellence grade for her Level 3 Art sculpture this year. Abigail's favourite teacher is Mr Grey, as he never gave up on her, is always encouraging her to finish her work and is the nicest, kindest teacher. In 2024 Abigail will work full time at Beattie Home and in the future wants to study to become a nurse.



Angel Greener

Angel has been at Otorohanga College for two and a half years. She attended Otorohanga Primary School. She has been involved in netball A, cricket, dance with Mel, football and has been an excellent Eveleigh House Captain. One of her highlights has been leading the House and pushing Angel Oakley out of a trolley. One of her proudest moments is finishing College. Her favourite teacher is Whaea Miriama because she's a real one and shows tough love. She also would like to recognise Mrs Loft because she is the sweetest person to ever exist. Angel is going to miss her bestie Angel Oakley Smith. In 2024 Angel is attending the University of Waikato and studying a Bachelor of Nursing. In the future Angel wants to use her nursing degree to travel the world and provide medical care in 3rd world countries.



Charlize Pontini

Charlize has been at Otorohanga College for one and a half years after making the smart choice to move to NZ from Australia. In her short time she has made many friends due to her bubbly personality. She is involved in the Pacifica Group and was the unofficial Deputy House Captain supporting Sian with Kedgley House. Some of her highlights have been being voted Goddess of the Ball and catching up with Whaea Vanessa and Sian in her Office. Her favourite teacher is Whaea Vanessa for being real. She is going to miss all of her Year 13 peers. Next year she will be attending the University of Waikato where she will be doing a double major in Business and Te Reo Māori. In the future she wants to have her own business that promotes hauora and gives back to the community.



Jack Mark

Jack has attended the College for 5 Years and came from Kio Kio Primary School. Jack has been involved in rugby and completed both WINTEC and a farming Gateway course through the College. Jack will miss getting the free food at school. Jack's favourite teacher is Mrs Joyce because she has helped and pushed him. In the future Jack wants to own his own house and have a nice car.



Jeremy Ewing-Waaka

Jeremy has attended Otorohanga College for the last 5 years and attended 3 primary schools in Australia before moving to NZ. In his spare time Jeremy works at McDonalds. Next year Jeremy wants to move back to Australia and reconnect with his friends and family and work full time. Jeremy's favourite teachers are Mrs Baker and Mr Ekholm. Both had pushed Jeremy to do better and aim for higher. In the future, Jeremy wishes to be successful and start his own company. He wants to have a Masters Degree in his chosen field of study, learn important life skills and learn to speak another language.



Te Rau Katipa-Maikuku

Te Rau has attended Otorohanga College since Year 9 coming from Otorohanga South School. He has been involved in many sports including rugby, basketball, soccer and is the touch captain. Te Rau's highlight has been playing rugby for the College. His favourite teacher is Miss Baker for her banter and for her care. Next year he will be attending the University of Otago to study Business and Commerce majoring in Finance.

Shawn Lucero

Shawn joined the College this year and moved from Kaitaia and before that was in the Philippines. His proudest moments and highlights are making new friends. His favourite teacher is Mr Manuel as he is very cool and has a sarcastic humour. He will miss PE. Next year he hopes to go to university, get a cool job, get rich and be happy.

Māori Faculty

On Thursday, a group of Learning Hub and senior Te Reo students embarked on a field trip to Rangiriri. The purpose of the trip was to provide students with an opportunity to explore the historical significance of Rangiriri and learn from the local hapu of Ngaati Naho.

Throughout the visit, the students were able to immerse themselves in the rich history of Rangiriri. They had the opportunity to explore the site, taking in the strategic layout of the defensive positions and the remnants of the stockade that once stood tall during the battle. The physical presence at Rangiriri evoked a sense of awe and reverence among the students, as they felt connected to the location and its history.

The visit to Rangiriri left a profound impact on the students who now have a greater appreciation for the significance of Rangiriri in shaping Aotearoa New Zealand's history.



FAREWELLS

Ram Chetty left us at the end of Term One

Ms Erin Baker left us on the last day of Term Four

We wish them well in their future ventures



SENIOR PRIZEGIVING 2023

Athletics

Senior Boys' Athletics Championship Norman Fisher Cup

Henry Murchie

Runner Up Jamie Cave

Senior Girls' Athletics Championship Dalziel Cup

Angel Greener

Runner Up Laura Hunt

Intermediate Boys' Athletics Championship

Intermediate Cup Wirerangi Paki-Te Maro

Runner Up Brady Cooper

Intermediate Girls' Athletics Championship

McKenzie Cup Holly Church

Runner Up Sophie Pereira

House Athletics

Jennifer Thompson Trophy

Eveleigh House

House Leader

Angel Greener

Swimming

Senior Boys' Swimming Championship Mark Trubshaw

Memorial Henry Murchie

Runner Up Jamie Cave

Senior Girls' Swimming Championship Madgwick Cup

Sian Hobbs

Runner Up Angel Greener

Intermediate Boys' Swimming Championship Paul Munro

Memorial Lindsay Millar

Runner Up Corey Hobbs

Intermediate Girls' Swimming Championship

Joanne Davidson Cup Kiera Mansell

Runner Up Kate Murchie

House Swimming **Lois MacMillan Trophy**

Brown House

House Leader

Te Wainu Wanakore

Cross Country

Senior Boys Cross Country Championship

MacPherson Cup Samuel Connolly/Henry Murchie

Senior Girls Cross Country Championship Thompson

Holmes Cup Angel Greener

Runner Up Meadow Leonard

Intermediate Boys' Cross Country Championship DC

Bailey Intermediate Cup

Luke Coles

Runner Up Brady Cooper

Intermediate Girls' Cross Country Championship

Arnold Cup Holly Church

Runner Up Jayda-Jane Rakena

House Cross Country

Eveleigh House

House Leader

Angel Greener

Others

Best Performance By A College Rugby Team Pye Cup
Boys 1st XV

Most Improved Male Rugby Player
Wilkinson Cup Hikaurua Pene

Most Improved Female Rugby Player
Arnyka -Jayde MacDonald

Boys 1st XV Most Valuable Player
Takerei Bidois

Girls 1st XV Most Valuable Player Katipa-Maikuku Trophy
Xiantaye Whata

Best All Round Male Cricketer A D Long Cup
Henry Murchie

Best All Round Female Cricketer
Laura Hunt

Most Improved Male Cricketer A L Miller Cup
Luke Coles

Most Improved Female Cricketer
Katelyn Speight

Best All Round Male Football Player Vellenoweth Trophy
Callum Raine

Best All Round Female Football Player Fred Flay Trophy
Holly Church

Contribution to Boys Football Bailey Ingham Trophy
Rylan Percival

Contribution To Girls' Football Drummond Cup
Sian Hobbs

Most Outstanding Netball Player Marjorie Carr Trophy
Angel Greener

Best Performance By An Individual In A Season (Cricket)
Callum Raine

Best All Round Male Hockey Player
Maria & Simon Hall Trophy

Henry Murchie

Best All Round Female Hockey Player

Jude Roulston Cup Kate Murchie

Contribution To Music Hayes Trophy

Jaymee Smith

Senior Speech Moorhead Cup

Mysteeq Taukiri

**Year 13 Personality Award Selected By The Head
Boy Van Grootel Trophy**

Charlize Potini

House Points Cup

The House Points Cup recognises the top House over the year in all House Events undertaken. Activities throughout the year included Cross Country, Swimming Sports, Athletics Day, Pi Day, an Anti-Bullying Poster Competition, Anzac Poetry Competition, Ō Factor Talent Quest, House Chant, Reading Competition, Matariki and Lunchtime events. Overall for the year, in 4th place is Hotson House, in 3rd place is Eveleigh House, in 2nd place is Brown House, which means

**Kedgley House are the 2023 winners of the
House Points Cup.**

**Points Cup. House Points Cup Kedgley
House Leader Sian Hobbs**

Blues

Blues Awards recognise students in the top team or group within the College who show outstanding ability in the activity and excel in sportsmanship, behaviour and co-operation over the season within that activity.

Quincey Lee Marsters	Rugby
Arnyka-Jayde MacDonald	Rugby
Webcke Koroheke-Clune	Rugby
Sam Veart	Rugby
Mirage Wanstall	Rugby
Holly Church	Football
Sian Hobbs	Football
Rylan Percival	Football
Callum Raine	Football, Cricket
Henry Murchie	Football, Cricket
Brady Cooper	Football
Angel Greener	Netball
Laura Hunt	Netball, Cricket
Takarei Bidois	Basketball
Taylor Burgess	Basketball
Te Rau Aroha Katipa-Maikuku	Basketball, Touch
Cullen Fagan	Basketball, Touch
Samuel Connolly	Endurance Events
Luke Coles	Tough Guy/Gal
Lana Roach	Touch

Special Awards for Outstanding Achievement

These awards are for those students who excel at their activity beyond the local level and covers those activities where a school team or opportunity to represent the school is unavailable.

Cullen Fagan Service To Sport
Representing the District in Rugby Refereeing

Cullen Fagan Basketball
King Country U17 Rep

Hailee Karekare Rugby
King Country Sec Schools Rep/NZ Māori League

Xiantaye Whata Rugby
King Country Sec Schools Rep/NZ Māori League

Tiimi Tenanoa Rugby
Waikato U16 Rep

Te Rangi Uerata Osborne Puke Rugby
Waikato U16 Rep

Takarei Bidois Rugby
King Country U16 Re

Jahrei Whata Rugby
King Country U16 Rep

Te Rau Aroha Katipa-Maikuku Rugby
King Country U19 Rep

Webcke Koroheke-Clune Rugby
League Warriors Development Team

Lana Roach Basketball
NZ Māori National Basketball Tournament

Lilly Taane-Edwards Basketball
NZ Māori National Basketball Tournament



Level 1 Awards

Arlo Willis	3rd	Mathematics and Statistics
Zara Barlow-Giddens	3rd	Health And Physical Education
Tiimi Tenanoa	3rd	Resistant Materials Wood
Angel King-Bryers	2nd	English
Rhys Berntsen-Maniapoto	2nd	Resistant Materials Wood
Grace Putaranui-Todd	1st	History
Kaia Turner	2nd	English
Holly Church	1st	Te Reo Māori
	3rd	Hospitality
	2nd	Health and Physical Education
Brady Cooper	3rd	English
	1st	Resistant Materials Wood
Ethan Lamborne	2nd	Music
	1st	Digital Technology
Samiah Grey	1st	Art
	1st	Business Studies
Kate Murchie	3rd	Science
	2nd	Art
	1st	Health and Physical Education
Tegan Bentley	2nd	Mathematics and Statistics
	2nd	Science
	1st	Hospitality
Courtney Smith	2nd	Hospitality
	1st	Music
	1st	Mathematics and Statistics
	1st	Science



Kate Murchie and Courtney Smith

Level 2 Awards

Makaere Armstrong	2nd	Physics
Kase Walters-Koroheke	2nd	Hospitality
Kieran Elsmore	1st	Travel and Tourism
Isabella Te Wao-Lowe	1st	Te Reo Māori
Rylan Percival	2nd	English
Cullen Fagan	2nd	Physical Education
	2nd	Athlete Development Programme
	1st	Health and Physical Education
Lana Roach	2nd	Technology
	1st	Hospitality
Jessica Stanton	1st	Photography
	1st	Art
Luke Coles	3rd	English
	1st	Music
	1st	Mathematics with Calculus
Caiza Te Kanawa	1st	Digital Technology
	1st	Physical Education
	1st	Business Studies
Marian Vibar	1st	Health
	1st	History
	1st	Mathematics with Statistics
Samuel Connolly	2nd	Mathematics with Statistics
	1st	Athlete Development Programme
	1st	Physics
	1st	Technology
Kiera Mansell	1st	English
	1st	Accounting
	1st	Biology
	1st	Chemistry



Top left to right: Xiantaye Whata, Mysteeq Taukiri
Bottom left to right: Jahrei Whata, Holly Church

Level 3 Awards

Te Rau Aroha Katipa-Maikuku

	2nd	Health
Paige Martin	2nd	History
Angel Greener	1st	Travel and Tourism
Jamie Pettigrew	1st	Art
Kyle Davis	1st	Technology
Takarei Bidois	1st	Te Reo Māori
Jaymee Smith	1st	Music
Jaspreet Banga	1st	Health
	1st	English
Sam Veart	1st	Combined Business Studies
	1st	Athlete Development Programme
	1st	Physical Education
Sian Hobbs	2nd	Biology
	1st	Statistics
Eve Barker	1st	Photography
	1st	Hospitality
Laura Hunt	2nd	Statistics
	1st	Combined Business Studies
	1st	History
	1st	Biology
Henry Murchie	2nd	Physical Education
	1st	Calculus
	1st	Chemistry
	1st	Physics



Kiera Mansell



Rylan Percival

Deans Awards

These awards recognise those students who have demonstrated aspects of the College's Values; Honour Others (Me whaimana te iwi), Honour Your Environment (Me whaimana te taiao) and Honour Yourself (Me whaimana te tangata).

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Kate Rye

Kate has been described by her teachers as polite, helpful and hardworking. She has made positive progress in all of her subjects this year and has been recognised for the great amount of effort that she puts into her mahi on a daily basis. Kate is a College role-model and shows good leadership qualities. She is always honouring herself, others and her environment by being respectful, trying her best and by maintaining a positive attitude towards all that she does.

Holly Church

Holly positively engages in all aspects of College life. She works hard in all of her academic subjects and she has been very successful in a number of sport events where she has represented Ōtorohanga College. Holly is often described by her teachers and peers as hard working, humble and demonstrates the qualities of a leader. She continues to model the Values of our College and always ensures that she is honouring herself, honouring others and honouring our College environment.

Courtney Smith

Courtney is an excellent student who has high ambitions and works hard in all of her subjects. She has been described by her teachers and her peers as respectful, polite and a hard working student who is making excellent progress in all of her classes. Courtney is an absolute delight to have in class and consistently demonstrates our values by honouring herself, her peers and her College environment by being the kind and respectful student that she is.

Brady Cooper

Brady is being recognised for his high level of engagement in all areas of College life. Brady is a stand out College student who has been very successful in both his academic and sporting achievements here at Ōtorohanga College. Brady has been described by his teachers and peers as hard working, diligent and an overall delight to have in class. They see him as a positive role model here at the College.



Callum Raine, Henry Murchie, Luke Coles

Year 12

Marian Vibar

Marian is a student who exemplifies our Values. Her commitment to helping others in class, her polite and courteous demeanor and her unwavering effort in all her endeavors showcase her dedication to our College's Motto and Values. Marian is a shining example of what it means to embody integrity, respect and excellence in everything she does.

Caiza Te Kanawa

Caiza's conduct reflects our Values beautifully. He consistently honours himself through kindness and caring towards others, both in his academic pursuits and in his interactions with fellow students. Caiza's academic excellence and his positive contributions to the College community demonstrate his commitment to the values of hard work, respect and kindness.

Samuel Connolly

Sam is a student who embodies politeness, honesty, trustworthiness and an unwavering commitment to trying his best. His approach to learning and his interactions with both teachers and fellow students reflect the very essence of our College's Values. His presence in the classroom is a true pleasure for all those who have the privilege to teach him.

Luke Coles

Luke is an exceptional student who consistently pushes himself to achieve at the highest levels. His representation of our College in the sporting arena, notably in rugby, cricket and soccer, exemplifies the values of respect, dedication and excellence. Luke's respect for staff and peers further emphasises his embodiment of our College's, Honour Before Honours.

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Jaspreet Banga

Jaspreet is a well mannered, diligent and caring student who is always honourable. He exceeds expectations and pushes himself to reach his academic goals. Jaspreet's interactions with others are always of a positive nature. He consistently demonstrates the College Value of honouring others by treating everyone with respect and kindness at all times. He is a genuine, honest and pleasant student to teach.

Jaymee Smith

Jaymee is extremely diligent and hardworking. She is honourable in her interactions with teachers and students by showing care and respect. She shows perseverance when working towards her goals. In the classroom she has been dedicated to all areas of her study, often putting in the extra effort required for success. Jaymee can always be counted on to stand up and lead or support when needed. Jaymee is a true asset to Ōtorohanga College.

Charlize Potini

Charlize is a kind, encouraging and respectful student who adds value and zest to Ōtorohanga College. She is the first person to offer her support and help to someone who needs it. Her selfless and caring nature means she has a large variety of friends and people who enjoy her humour and admire her authenticity and integrity. She works incredibly hard to achieve her goals. She always adds positivity and liveliness to every classroom atmosphere. Charlize is a model student at Ōtorohanga College.

Taylor Burgess

Taylor has honoured himself, family and the College by constantly trying his best in an academic, social and sporting contexts. He is encouraging of all people and always lends a helping hand to those in need. He is silent in his accomplishments and diligently works hard in the background to achieve his goals. Taylor's polite, courteous and hard working nature makes him a pleasure to teach.



Sam Veart and Family



Nique Te Uira

Principal's Awards

These awards recognise one student in each year level who has demonstrated our College motto – Honour Before Honours.

Year 11

Tegan Bentley

Tegan, you represent Honour Before Honours at Ōtorohanga College. You are a compassionate and kind person who always leads by example. Your friendly and helpful nature leaves other students feeling valued. You show an absolute care and concern for others, accepting diversity and genuinely desiring to see others succeed. You are dedicated to all areas of your academic study, often putting in the extra effort required for success. Your selfless nature sees you go above and beyond in supporting staff at the College in a range of situations. Your humble approach to being the best person that you can be, we honour.

Year 12

Henry Murchie

Henry, you represent Honour Before Honours at Ōtorohanga College. You consistently honour yourself and others in all areas of College life. You have gone above and beyond and involved yourself in all College activities this year including numerous sports and House competitions as well as maintaining your academic studies. You are friendly and outgoing, gaining the respect of other students as a positive and enthusiastic young man. You are loyal, reliable and honest. Your wonderful sense of humour and easy going manner, while still taking on responsibility with maturity, we honour.

Year 13

Sian Hobbs

Sian, you represent Honour Before Honours at Ōtorohanga College. As a House Leader of note, you are known for your inclusive and cheerful manner and as a role model you are looked up to. You have exhibited all the best aspects of leadership in your resiliency, honesty and integrity while embodying the competitive spirit in its most applaudable form. You have mentored, supported, advocated for and led by example as a respectful, nurturing and honest person. You show maturity beyond your years in your work ethic, your advocacy and your understanding. Your humble approach to being the best person that you can be, we honour.

Acknowledgement Of The 2023 Leaders

Brown House Leader
 Jaymee Smith and Te Wainu Wanakore
 Eveleigh House Leader
 Angel Greener
 Hotson House Leader
 Tui Roach
 Kedgley House Leader
 Sian Hobbs
 Falloon House Hostel Leaders
 Pihopa Waata-Parnell
 Board Of Trustees Student Representative
 Takarei Bidois
 Kaia Wahine O Te Roopu Kapahaka o Nga Tamariki Toa
 Nique Te Uira
 Kaea Tane o Te Roopu Kapahaka o Nga Tamariki Toa
 Lee Ryan
 Head Girl Atmore Trophy
 Laura Hunt
 Head Boy Atmore Trophy
 Sam Veart

2024 Leaders

The process of selecting the 2024 Student Leaders has taken place over a number of weeks and involved student applications and staff endorsements as well as a formal interview to a panel comprising of Mrs Kurth, Ms Te Huia and myself. The wait is almost over. The process for the announcement of the 2024 leaders will be as follows - announcing the Head Students, Student Leaders, Year 13 House Leaders and the Falloon House Hostel Leaders.

Head Student	Luke Coles
Head Student	Cullen Fagan
Year 13 House Leaders	
Brown House Leader	Marian Vibar
Eveleigh House Leader	Callum Raine
Hotson House Leader	Takarei Bidois
Kedgley House Leader	Caiza Te Kanawa
Falloon House Hostel Leaders	Meadow Leonard Lee Ryan



Cullen Fagan and sister Peata

Scholarships

A scholarship is given to a student because of a reason: the student has qualified for it or won it by academic, artistic or athletic ability. This evening is a time to acknowledge the following students;

Jaymee Smith - Waka Moana Scholarship, University of Auckland
 Sian Hobbs - Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship, University of Otago
 Sam Veart - Ko Te Tangata Scholarship, University of Waikato
 Martin Paige - Ko Te Tangata Scholarship, University of Waikato
 Laura Hunt - Te Paewai o te Rangi Scholarship, University of Waikato
 Lilly Taane-Edwards - David Johnstone Scholarship, From the David Johnstone Charitable Trust
 Charlize Potini - D.V. Bryant Residential Scholarship, University of Waikato
 Te Rau Aroha Katipa-Maikuku - Māori Entrance Scholarship, University of Otago
 Zane Church - Wintec Manufacturing and Technology Excellence Award
 Samuel Connolly - Wintec Construction and Infrastructure Excellence Award
 Hailee Karekare - Wintec Hairdressing and beauty Therapy Level 2 Excellence Award
 Rico Marsters - Wintec Building and Construction Level 3 Distinction Award



Takarei Bidois Cullen Fagan, Luke Coles



Mrs Nikita Joyce, Lilly Taane-Edwards, Whaea Vanessa Te Huia

Special Awards

For the best academic performance by a Year 11 student in Mathematics and Science, the recipient of the Federated Farmers Cup for 2023 is **Courtney Smith**.

For the best overall academic performance by a Year 11 student, the recipient of the Butcher/Cumpstone Cup for 2023 is **Courtney Smith**.

For the best academic performance by a Year 12 student, the recipient of the Ormsby Cup for 2023 is **Henry Murchie**.

For the most outstanding Year 13 Science student who has demonstrated perseverance and diligence continuously in Chemistry, Physics and Biology to achieve at an Excellence level, the recipient of the Putaiao/Science Trophy for 2023 is **Sian Hobbs**.

Prime Minister's Vocational Excellence Award

Our Prime Minister launched a Vocational Excellence Award in 2019. Every secondary school in New Zealand has the opportunity to nominate a student who meets the criteria for this prestigious award. The purpose of this Award is to celebrate the achievement of secondary students enrolled in programmes that develop the skills, knowledge and attributes needed to perform a specific role in building a career in a trade. This year's recipient of the Prime Minister's Vocational Excellence Award has achieved NCEA Levels 1 and 2, attended the WINTEC Level 2 Construction And Infrastructure course last year and the Level 3 Building And Construction course this year and gained work experience by devoting one day a week to work for a local employer.

The recipient of the Prime Minister's Vocational Excellence Award and \$2,000 is **Mirage Wanstall**.

Trades Trophy

The Trades Trophy was introduced in 2012. It is awarded to a student who has shown potential in the trades area and demonstrates aptitude, potential and positive relationships. This year's recipient is described as hardworking, skilful and dedicated. He completes all tasks with precision. Having studied Building and Construction at WINTEC this year the recipient of the Trades Trophy for 2023 is **Rico Marsters**.

Te Rautaki Reo o te Nehenehenui Award

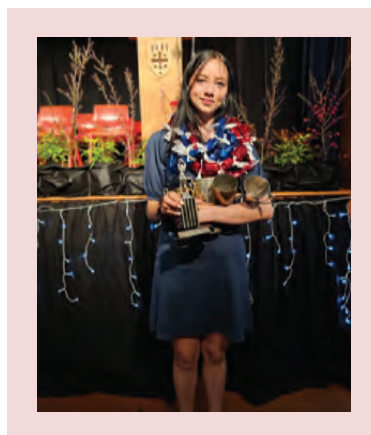
Awarded to the Senior Maniapoto student who has studied and excelled in Te Reo Maori. The recipient for 2023 is **Takarei Bidois**.

Maniapoto FM

Te Reo Irirangi o Maniapoto is pleased, for the sixth year, to offer a Commitment to Reo Māori Award. The award is a \$100 voucher that is offered to one student who shows commitment and has been a role model of Reo Māori this year. The recipient of the Commitment to Reo Māori Award for 2023 is **Nique Te Uira**.

Sportswoman Of The Year

Sportswoman Of The Year is awarded to a young lady who has excelled in the sporting arena at school. This may be through participation in a wide range of sporting fields and / or representation at a higher level, for example King Country or Waikato and who demonstrates the ideals of fair play. This year's winner was involved in Swimming Sports, Athletics, Cross Country, Touch inter house, Futsal inter house competition, Volleyball Festival 2023, Netball, including College A Netball and the Netball Tournament, Tough Gal Challenge, Girls Football and 5 a side football and Girls Cricket Term One. The recipient of the Sportswoman Of The Year award and the Marjorie Carr Cup for 2023 is **Angel Greener**.



Sportsman Of The Year

Sportsman Of The Year is awarded to a young man who has excelled in the sporting arena at school. This may be through participation in a wide range of sporting fields and / or representation at a higher level, for example King Country or Waikato and who demonstrates the ideals of fair play....This years winner excelled in everything he attempted and the list includes WaiBOP Cross Country Secondary Schools Championships 2023, WAIBOP Athletics Championships 2023, Volleyball Festival, Tough Guy/Gal Challenge 2023, King Country Swimming Championships, King Country Athletics, Hockey, Boys Football including 5 a side Football and Football Tournament, Boys Cricket Term 1 and he served on the Active As Committee. The recipient of the Sportsman Of The Year Award and the Bailey Ingham Ltd Cup for 2023 is **Henry Murchie**.



Cultural Personality Of The Year

Cultural Personality Of The Year is awarded to a student who has demonstrated the X-factor with their involvement in cultural activities throughout their time at the College. Cultural activities can include kapa haka, music, production and speech competitions. This year's Cultural Personality Of the Year has been involved in many aspects of Performing Arts and Music during her time at the College. Her passion for music, dance and drama has been evident in the commitment and energy she gives to her performances. She has achieved excellent academic results in music, dance and drama. She is positive in her interactions with other students, encouraging and supporting others at all times. Her musical skills include vocals, guitar and piano. She is a talented songwriter and composed a number of original songs during her time at College. The recipient of the 2023 Cultural Personality Of The Year is **Jaymee Smith**.



The Hurley Cup

The Hurley Cup is awarded to the most outstanding all-round senior student encompassing aspects such as attainment, service, leadership, sport, extra curricular activities and personal attributes.

This year's recipient is reliable, caring, trustworthy, humble and hard working. They model the College's Values. They have always put considerable effort into their studies and grown in confidence throughout their journey here at Ōtorohanga College. The recipient is always positive in their interactions with staff and peers. This year's recipient was very visible in their leadership roles, was very organised and did an outstanding job of leading their House. They were also involved in various Sport and Cultural activities and excelled in Academia in all three years of NCEA, gaining on average more than 70% of their credits at Excellence level. This year's recipient has also given service to the College in numerous ways and is certainly very deserving of this title. The recipient of the Hurley Cup for 2023 is **Sian Hobbs**.

Proxime Accessit

The Proxime Accessit award is generously donated by the Otorohanga Lions Club. This year's recipient is described as hard working, diligent, exceptionally conscientious and someone who displays consistent effort.

The Proxime Accessit for 2023 is Laura Hunt.

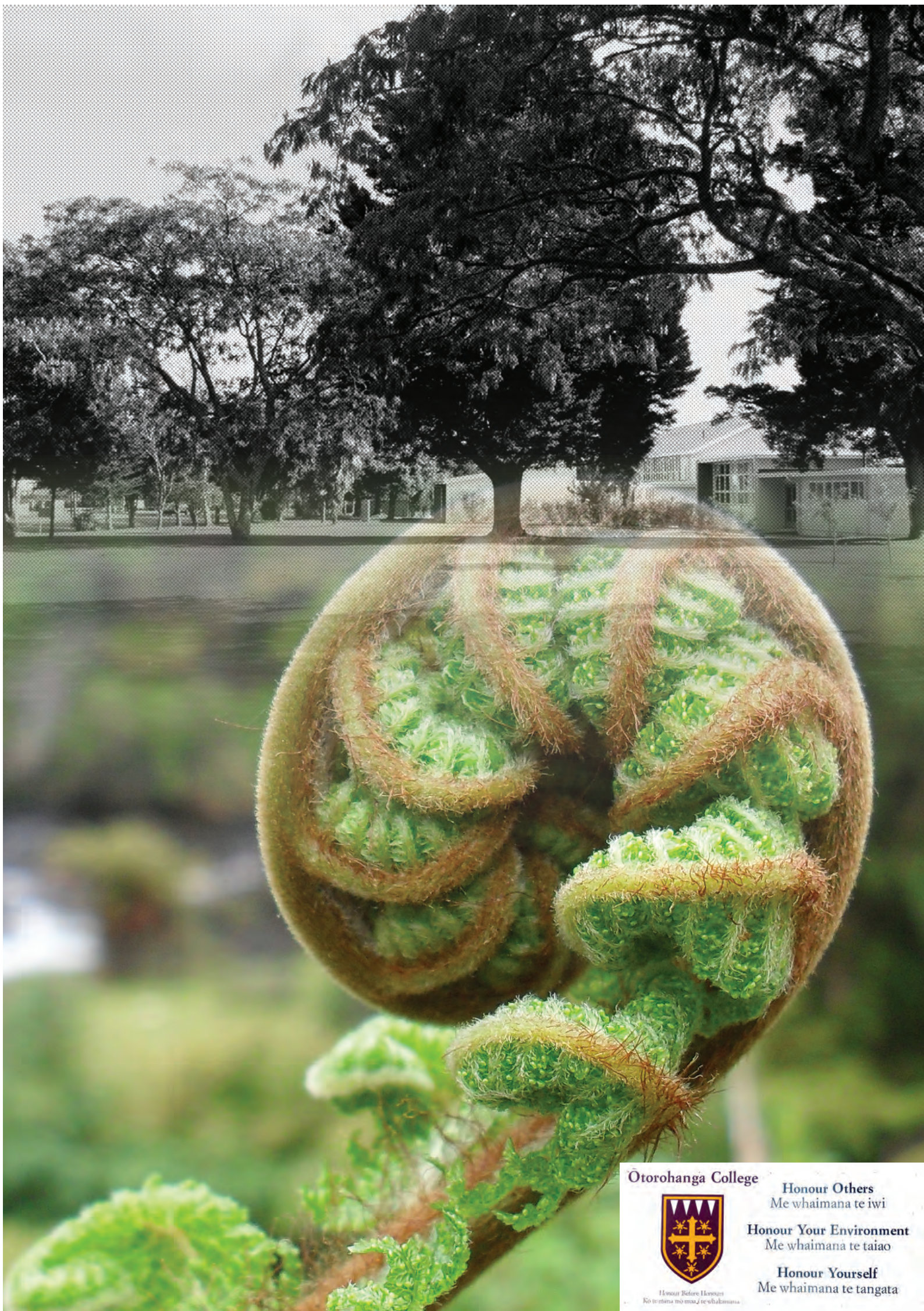


Dux

The Dux award is generously donated by the Otorohanga Rotary Club. This year's recipient is described as being conscientious, motivated and determined, as well as having a robust work ethic and a focussed commitment. This student will receive the Kate Muller Cup.

The Dux for 2023 is Sian Hobbs.





Ōtorohanga College



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Ko te mana mo māu, te whakamana

Honour Others
Me whaimana te iwi

Honour Your Environment
Me whaimana te taiao

Honour Yourself
Me whaimana te tangata