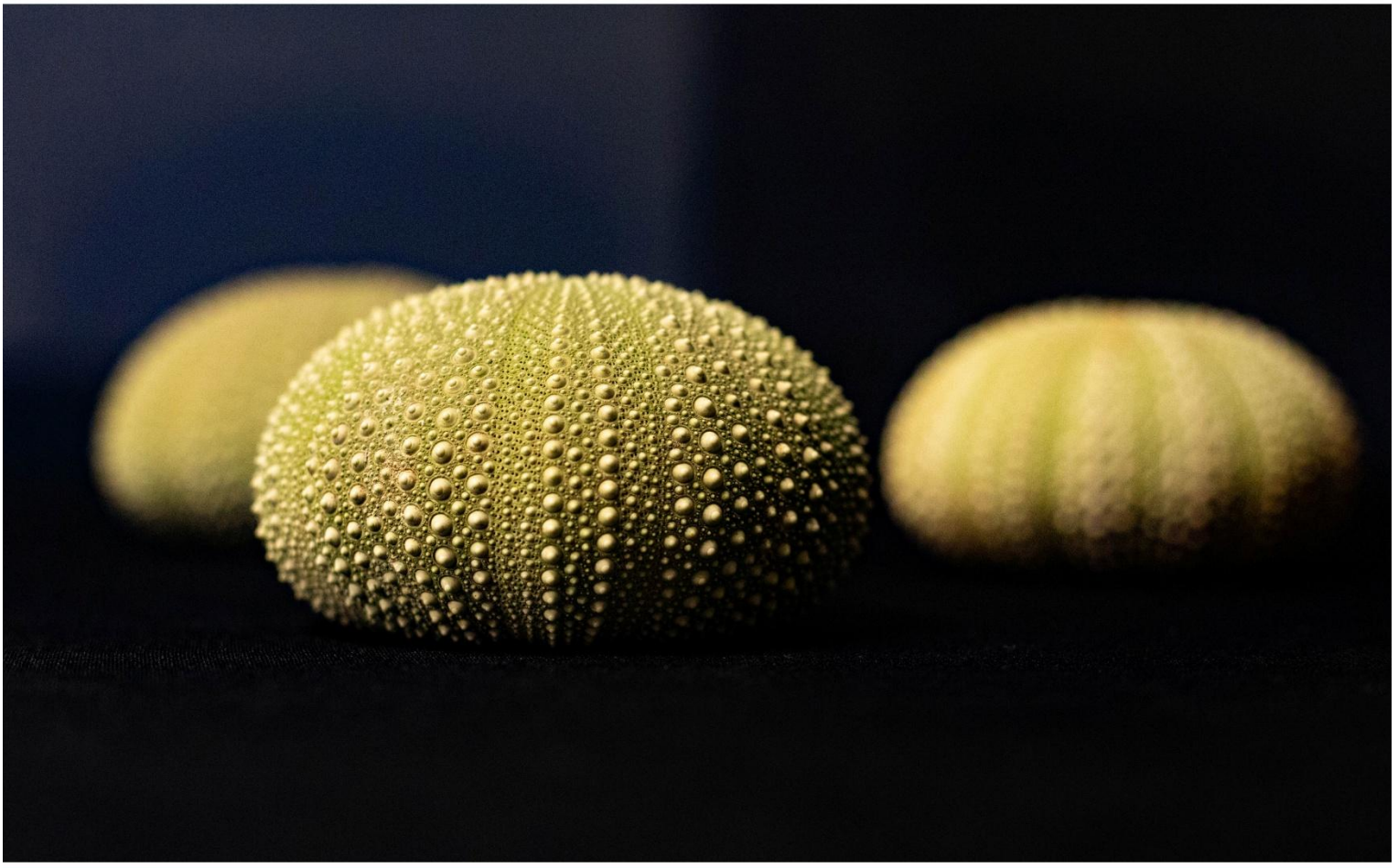
ŌTŪMOETAI COLLEGE
Kia māramahia te ora e te akoranga

Toka Tū Awards



Thursday 29 October 2026 at 6.00pm

Performing Arts Centre

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ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

Whakatau, Opening Karakia	**Kalani Tarawa** **Kaumātua Ngāti Ranginui**
Pepeha o te Kura and house keeping	**Student MC's: Maonga Harrison, Suzie Heke**
Principal's Address	**Russell Gordon**

Entertainment by Hangtime
Performed by Zen Miyanami, Iro Angell, Jackson Jane, Osman Keenan, Chris John, Madden Jamieson

Junior Yr 9 and 10 Tū Kaha, Tū Maia, Tū Rangatira Awards	**Announced by Patrick McMahon** **Presented by Nicola King**
Te Reo Māori Awards and Junior Teina Special Awards	**Announced by Arden Carter** **Presented by Tania Jackson**
Special Awards - Kua Nanaiora - The Endeavour Trophy	**Announced by Matua Komene** **Presented by Caly Pillay**
Highest Achiever in Senior Te Ao Haka **HIghest Achiever in Senior Te Ao Māori** **Best Kapahaka Performer**	**Announced by Tania Jackson** **Presented by Awhina Mikaere**

Entertainment
Performed by Evelyn Bennett, Delamare Langton and Edyn Tukaki

Senior Yr 11 and 12 – Tū Kaha, Tū Maia, Tū Rangatira Awards	**Announced by Leo Wilson** **Presented by Claire Galloway**
Year 11 and 12 Te Reo Māori Awards	**Announced by Andrew Rapley** **Presented by Awhina Mikaere**

DEDICATION TO MAORA LORRAINE REED

Entertainment by Ngā Piki Kotuku o Ngāti Ranginui
Ōtūmoetai College Kapahaka

Year 13 – Waka Presentations and Tū Kaha Awards	**Announced by Vanessa Hays** **Presented by Craig Grant**
Year 13's - Tū Maia, Tū Rangatira Awards	**Announced by Vanessa Hays** **Presented by Craig Grant**
Year 13 Te Reo Māori Award	**Announced by Matua Komene** **Presented by Awhina Mikaere**
Supreme Awards	**Announced by Matua Komene** **Presented by Kalani Tarawa and Hiriwa Curnow**
Closing Karakia	**Kalani Tarawa**
Closing Waiata	**Ōtūmoetai E**

Tū Rangatira

LEADERSHIP

- *Demonstrates self-determination and initiative*
- *Achieves notable success in their subject, completing all assessments on time*
- *Leads with compassion, respect, and humility*

Tū Māia

SERVICE

- *Contributes time and effort for the benefit of others*
- *Shows commitment to the school and wider community*
- *Supports and uplifts others through respect and compassion*

Tū Kaha

DILIGENCE

- *Displays resilience and perseverance in learning*
- *Strengthens knowledge, skills, and capability in their subject*
- *Approaches all tasks with compassion, respect, and high expectations*

Junior Presentations – Year 9 & 10

Tū Kaha – Diligence Awards Year 9

Tū kaha pēnei i te toka tū moana
Standing strongly like a rock in the ocean

Jaya Donald-Johnson	Māori
Olivia Hudson	Ngāti Maru
Mason Marsh	Ngāti Maniapoto
Ashleigh Rivers	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa
Dymond Sears-Holtz	Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Hine
Chelsea Westrupp	Rongowhakaata
Kiani Wharerau	Māori
Lyricc Witeri	Ngāi Te Rangi

Tū Kaha – Diligence Awards Year 10

Tū kaha pēnei i te toka tū moana
Standing strongly like a rock in the ocean

Conrad Armstrong	Taranaki
Addi Dekker	Ngāti Haua
Zak Dixon	Ngāi Tahu
Eliana Giacon	Ngāti Tūwharetoa, Raukawa, Ngāti Apa
Maddison McMillan	Tainui
Bianca Moran	Ngāpuhi
Sam Reed	Ngāti Muntunga
Fox Sattler	Ngāi Tahu
Jordan Taki	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Kuia
Caelyn Thompson	Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa
Nia Tremlett	Ngāti Tūwharetoa
Dylan Tutbury	Ngāti Porou, Tūhoe
Olivia Whitwell	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Heretaunga, Tūhoe

Tū Māia – Service Awards Year 9

Tū māia i roto i te ao
Standing confidently the world

Millekah Ashdown	Ngāti Awa
Caitlyn Bruce	Te Atiawa
Phoenix Evans-McLeod	Ngāti Hikairo, Ngāti Tuwharetoa
Premo Fraser	Ngāi Te Rangi
D'Artanyon King-Da Silva	Ngāti Tahu-Ngāti Whaoa
Sasha McNeely	Whakatōhea, Ngāti Kahungunu
Arlo Page	Māori
Finn Shirley	Ngāti Toarangatira
Terence Tangiora	Ngāti Pukenga, Rongomaiwahone
Max Vosper	Ngāti Tamaoho
Jacob Willis	Whanganui
Damian Wilson	Ngāti Haua

Tū Māia – Service Awards Year 10

Tū māia i roto i te ao
Standing confidently the world

Oaces Brown	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Hine
Casey Emberton	Ngāti Ranginui
Azaylea Mareroa	Waikato, Te Whānau-ā-Apanui
Sammy Mason	Ngāti Tamatera, Ngāti Paoa, Ngāti Tara Tokanui
Cody Mattson	Ngāpuhi
Te Kanawa McMillan	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Whakaue, Ngāti Tūwharetoa
Benji Ngatoko	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Maniapoto
Malakai Peauafi	Māori
Niveah Poka	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Ranginui
Marama Savage	Tūhoe, Te Whānau-ā-Apanui
Atreyu Tohovaka	Te Uri-o-Hau, Te Rarawa, Ngāti Haua

Tū Rangatira – Leadership Awards Year 9

Kia raranga ai i ngā tira tangata
To weave people together through leadership

Pippa Cameron	Ngāti Mutunga
Jaspreet Kaur	Ngāti Kahungunu
Betsey Murphy	Ngāti Toa, Hapū
Harvey Partner	Te Atiawa, Ngāti Porou
Taniora Pettifer	Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Rangi
Māia Taratoa	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Raukawa
Freedom Te Moananui	Ngāti Tamaterā, Rongowhakaata, Ngāpuhi
Lyrical Topp	Tainui, Ngāti Kahungunu ki Heretaunga

Tū Rangatira – Leadership Awards Year 10

Kia raranga ai i ngā tira tangata
To weave people together through leadership

Nathaniel Black	Ngāti Wai, Ngāti Porou
Karter Brown	Ngāti Kuia
Jorja Donaldson	Ngāti Hako
Huhuna Heke-Nepia	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Awa
Charm Marshall	Tūhoe, Te Whānau-ā-Apanui, Ngāti Ranginui
Jaxon Ratana	Te Ati Haunui-a-Pāpārangi
Ella Simeon	Taranaki
Seranae Tarawa	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Hauiti
Ngakumama Te Mete	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāi Te Rangi, Cook Islands Māori
Olive Thompson	Ngāti Maniapoto

First in Te Reo Māori Year 9

Annabelle McMillan	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Tuwharetoa, Te Arawa

First in Te Reo Māori Year 10

Huhana Heke-Nepia	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Awa

Leadership Taonga - Juniors

These two awards, Teina Wahine and Teina Tane are our supreme awards acknowledging leadership, commitment and outstanding endeavour in the Junior school. These emerging leaders exemplify Māori experiencing success as Māori.

Teina Wahine

Teina Wahine Award Recipient:

Ngakumama Te Mete	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāi Te Rangi, Cook Islands Māori

Teina Tane

Teina Tane Award Recipient:

Benji Ngatoko	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Maniapoto

Special Awards

Kua Nanaiora – The Endeavour Trophy

Awarded for endeavours in school.

Kua Nanaiora – The Endeavour Trophy Recipient:

Bella Claydon Ngāti Pākehā

Highest Achiever in Senior Te Ao Haka Award

Parepaora Falwasser-Kipa Tainui

Highest Achiever in Senior Te Ao Māori Award

Edyn Tukaki Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Haua

Best Kapahaka Performer Award

Rongomai Angell-Kennedy Te Aupōuri, Ngāpuhi, Ngati Whātua

***Senior** Presentations – Year 11 & 12*

Tū Kaha – Diligence Awards Year 11

Tū kaha pēnei i te toka tū moana
Standing strongly like a rock in the ocean

Ruby Hodge	Māori
Emma Hunt	Māori
Awhi Keelan-Lawson	Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Awa, Ngāi Te Rangi
Ava Larsen	Māori
Layla McGill	Ngāpuhi
Teagan McKenzie-Potter	Ngāti Awa
Evie Mildon-Wright	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa
Cole Peters	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Pūkenga
Laura Petersen	Ngāti Ranginui
Izzy Savage	Hauraki / Pare Hauraki
Isabella Smith	Māori
Layla Swanson	Ngāti Whakaue
Lauren Temara	Tūhoe
Claudia Westrupp	Rongowhakaata
Kane Whitwell	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Heretaunga, Tūhoe
Ruby Young	Whakatōhea

Tū Kaha – Diligence Awards Year 12

Tū kaha pēnei i te toka tū moana
Standing strongly like a rock in the ocean

Ruby Gee	Ngāpuhi
Indy Kapi	Ngāti Tamaterā
Anaya Lawrence	Ngāti Ranginui
Sahara Mackay	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Porou
Ella Mason	Māori
Saraya Nichols	Ngāti Maniapoto
Toa Ronaki-Kissling	Tapuika
Amelia Sinton	Ngāti Kahungunu
Louie Sorenson	Ngāti Pākehā
Bailee Sweetman	Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Porou
Oscar Sweetman	Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Porou
Aaliyah Tana	Ngāpuhi
Ethan Van Der Heijden	Ngāti Maniapoto
Calleigh Wathey-Boot	Ngāti Pākehā

Tū Māia – Service Awards Year 11

Tū māia i roto i te ao
Standing confidently the world

Karauria Anaru Clark	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Ranginui, Te Arawa
Niki-Marie Andrews	Māori
Mackay Bennett	Tainui, Ngāti Apa
Kyleia Eketone	Ngāti Maniapoto
Hemi Falwasser-Kipa	Ngāti Haua, Tainui
Shane Houkamau	Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Pūkenga, Ngāi Te Rangi
Riwhi Kenney	Ngāti Ruanui, Ngāti Kahu ki Whangaroa
James Laugesen	Ngāti Porou
Kaylee Matiu	Te Aupōuri, Te Rarawa, Tainui Awhiro
Caleb McSeveney	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa
Jack Ratima	Māori
Jaime Rivers	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairoa
Julz Rodgers	Ngāti Kahungunu
Tama Witika	Māori
Nathaniel Young	Whākatōhea

Tū Māia – Service Awards Year 12

Tū māia i roto i te ao
Standing confidently the world

Addison Dawson	Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Ruanui
Cynthia Forsman	Ngāti Wai, Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Porou
Fern Freeland-Smith	Ngāti Porou
Willow Grey	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Heretaunga, Ngati Pikiao
Fern Freeland-Smith	Ngāti Porou
Milan Low	Tūhoe
Shane Marjoribanks	Ngāi Tahu
Karah Pikimaui	Ngāti Ranginui
Kallagher Puke	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāi Te Rangi, Tainui
Ngakau Redshaw	Māori
Zaria St Clair	Ngāpuhi
Jazmine Tipene	Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Kahu
Bella White	Ngāpuhi

Tū Rangatira – Leadership Awards Year 11

Kia raranga ai i ngā tira tangata
To weave people together through leadership

Mackay Bennett	Tainui, Ngāti Apa
Cartier Cook	Ngāti Maniapoto, Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Ranginui
Suzie Heke	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Maniapoto, Waitaha
Alafair Korohina-Wall	Ngāti Porou
Dellas Mareroa	Waikato, Te Whānau-ā-Apanui
Neve Partner	Te Atiawa
Genevieve Pearson	Ngāti Pākehā
Takara Smith	Ngāti Pākehā
Autumn Taingahue	Ngāi Te Rangi
Kymani Tawa	Ngāti Ranginui, Te Whānau-ā-Apanui
Mia Tukaki	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Haua

Tū Rangatira – Leadership Awards Year 12

Kia raranga ai i ngā tira tangata
To weave people together through leadership

Rongomai Angell-Kennedy	Te Aupōuri, Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Whātua
Kaia Burney	Ngāti Awa
Oliver Catt	Māori
Maonga Harrison	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāpuhi
Stella Harvey	Ngāi Tahu
Rainen King-Mosen	Uenuku-Kōpako (Te Arawa), Ngāti Whakaue
Lola Lowry	Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Porou, Tūhoe
Faenza Ricardi	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Wai, Ngāi Te Rangi
Hannah Richards	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa, Ngāi Tahu
Shania Rolls	Ngāti Kauwhata
Ella Smith	Ngāi Tahu
Pounamu Temoana	Waikato, Te Whānau-ā-Apanui

First in Te Reo Māori - Year 11

Lauren Temara	Tuhoe

First in Te Reo Māori - Year 12

Karah Pikimaui	Ngāti Ranginui

Senior Presentations – Year 13

Waka Recipients

The Waka represents the student's journey from the safe harbour of College into the oceans of the world.
(Thank you to Kevin Meyer of the Technology Department for his work in conceiving these taonga.)

Gabi Bird	Ngāi Tai , Waitaha
Kale Brooking	Ngāti Porou
Paxton Bryson	Ngāti Apa
Reef Chaffey	Ngāti Porou
Ocean Delves	Māori
Sean Dixon	Ngāpuhi
Cooper Goodhew	Ngāpuhi
Jay Kerr	Ngāti Ranginui
Mattanja Kinley	Te Whānau ā Apanui, Ngāti Porou
Caleb Masigan	Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāi Te Rangi, Rongowhakaata
Nathan Mohi	Ngāti Rangiwewehi
Esmee Newland	Ngāti Maniapoto
Rico Whitewood	Māori

Tū Kaha – Diligence Awards

Tū kaha pēnei i te toka tū moana
Standing strongly like a rock in the ocean

Ryan Adams	Ngāti Ranginui
Olivia Antcliff	Māori
Shaun Bradnock	Māori
Caoimhe Conner	Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Porou
Elisa Edwards	Raukawa
Lillie Hyde-Hills	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa
Jacob McSeveney	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa
Coby Read	Te Rarawa
Edyn Tukaki	Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Haua

Tū Māia – Service Awards

Tū māia i roto i te ao
Standing confidently the world

Sammy Adams	Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Pikiao
Iro Angell	Ngāpuhi, Te Aupōuri, Ngāti Maniapoto
Parepaora Falwasser-Kipa	Tainui
Caleb Friar	Ngāti Mutunga
Shadow Jack-Kino	Ngāti Ranginui
Osman Keenan	Te Atiawa (Taranaki), Te Arawa, Ngāpuhi
Acacio Martinez	Ngāi Tahu
Cj Slattery	Ngāti Tūwharetoa

Tū Rangatira – Leadership Awards

Kia raranga ai i ngā tira tangata
To weave people together through leadership

Evelyn Bennett	Ngāti Maniapoto
Kauri Bowman	Te Whānau-ā-Apanui
Taylah Boyd	Ngāti Kahu
Rylee Brooker	Ngāruahine
Amber Corney	Ngāpuhi
Jackson Jane	Ngāti Manawa
Brooky Kenney	Ngāti Ruanui
Delamare Langton	Ngāti Kahungunu
Ella Minshall	Ngāti Maniapoto
Paige Munro	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa, Aotea
Manaia Rolleston	Uenuku-Kōpako, Ngāti Ranginui
Matt Smith	Ngāi Tahu

First in Te Reo Māori - Year 13

Evelyn Bennett	Ngāti Maniapoto

Supreme Awards

Top Female All-round Student

Awarded for all-round academic, sporting and cultural achievement and contribution to the school community.

Top Female All-round Student Taonga Recipient:

Parepaora Falwasser-Kipa Tainui

Top Male All-round Student

Awarded for all-round academic, sporting and cultural achievement and contribution to the school community.

Top Male All-round Student Taonga Recipient:

Delamare Langton Ngāti Kahungunu, Te Arawa

Hine-te-iwaiwa

Awarded for consistent and exceptional contribution school-wide and commitment in their chosen craft of the Arts. This student is a tohunga in the making.

Tane-nui-a-rangi Recipient:

Delamare Langton Ngāti Kahungunu, Te Arawa

Te Kaha o Muriwai

For overarching leadership, vision, action and kaitiakitanga for the benefit of others. This student's mana emulates a leader who lives, speaks, and walks for the whole iwi as much as the individual; is able to steer the waka in the right direction while weathering storms, braving seas, and harnessing the elements of our atua and our people to reach our destination with mana.

Te Kaha o Muriwai Recipient:

Evelyn Bennett Ngāti Maniapoto

Tikanga Māori Taonga – Tūtara Wānanga

Awarded for outstanding contribution, leadership, high achievement and commitment to Tikanga Māori and Te Reo Māori.

Tikanga Māori Taonga – Tūtara Wānanga Award Recipient:

Shadow Jack-Kino Ngāti Ranginui

Te Taonga Maumahara i a Kay Gatfield

Awarded to a student who has overcome many obstacles to reach his or her success thus far, emanates resilience and perseverance, and is enrolled in tertiary study from next year.

Te Taonga – Maumahara a Kay Gatfield Award Recipient:

Manaia Rolleston Uenuku-Kōpako, Ngāti Ranginui

Mātāhauariki Taonga

Awarded for full involvement and contribution to school life, outstanding academic record, leadership qualities and excellent role model.

Mātāhauariki Taonga Recipient:

Delamare Langton Ngāti Kahungunu, Te Arawa

Ngāi Tamarāwaho Taonga

Awarded for all-round excellence and leadership and contribution to school, the wider community & local iwi.

Ngāi Tamarāwaho Taonga Recipient:

Evelyn Bennett Ngāti Maniapoto

He Tohu o Te Mātāhauariki o Tauranga Moana

This award recognises a student who embodies the spirit of a haumirirangi—a gentle breeze that inspires positive change. They demonstrate courage in navigating transitions into leadership and responsibility, uphold the mana and collaborative spirit of the three iwi of Tauranga Moana, and provide clear vision and direction for others through their integrity, actions, and leadership.

He Tohu o Te Mātāhaurariki o Tauranga Moana Recipient:

Evelyn Bennett Ngāti Maniapoto

Ko Te Reo Te Mauri o Te Mana Māori

This award recognises a Māori student in Year 12 or 13 at Ōtūmoetai College who is completing their secondary education and progressing to an accredited tertiary programme whos study will incorporate Te Reo Māori. me ōna tikanga. The recipient demonstrates a genuine commitment to the revitalisation, preservation, and promotion of Te Reo Māori me ōna tikanga, contributing to the continued strength and future of te reo Māori.

Ko Te Reo Te Mauri o Te Mana Māori Recipient:

Manaia Reed Cook Islands Māori



From left to right: *Manaia Rolleston, Parepaora Falwasser-Kipa, Edyn Tukaki, Evelyn Bennett, Delamre Langton.*


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