

# 'NUA News

Term 1 2010 update from  
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Warm New Zealand greetings to all our overseas families, overseas agents, New Zealand-based agents, and students.

Dear friends

We began 2010 with our Orientation Programme, welcoming students from Japan, Germany Norway, Finland and Brazil. They quickly settled in with their homestay families and to school life. Our first social event was very much enjoyed by all on the Keeling's Farm in Manakau (15 minutes from the school). Students were able to enjoy the ski biscuit (see pictures below).



Orientation—visit to Marae

Homestay Families and Student BBQ at Keeling's farm

## 2009 News: Horowhenua College Scholarship winners

Campbell Heron was the top performing Scholarship student in Biology for the whole of New Zealand and also achieved Scholarship in three other subjects. Fellow Horowhenua College student Lauren Sanson achieved Scholarship in three subjects while Charlotte Irons achieved an 'outstanding' Scholarship in Art and Painting.

## Athletics Day—students competing in a range of events



Swimmings Sports— students dressed in house colours, ie Kowhai (yellow), Rata (red), Ngaio (green), Hinau (white)



On 19 February the 'new' international students visited Nga Manu Bird Sanctuary. Along with Tuatara, Kiwi and Silver Fern, Nga Manu has a range of over 700 different plant species along with a diverse range of native animals. Each term we have an International lunch. Students are encouraged to invite a 'New Zealand' student friend to come as their guest. On 10 March we enjoyed a shared lunch under the established trees at College with a number of students bringing a plate of food that was traditional to their country. This gathering was very much enjoyed by all.



On 10 March after school, 9 students travelled with Mrs Keeling to Palmerston North to join with other international students from schools in the Manawatu area for the Mayoral Reception. Entertainment was provided and this event was very much enjoyed.

Trip to Rotorua 29 March to 1 April: 9 students took part in this trip accompanied by Mr and Mrs Keeling. Places visited were Waitomo, Rotorua and Taupo. Some highlights included the glow worm caves, Te Piuia (Maori culture—tour and performance), Jetboat ride and more.



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