

The Chairman's Report

Hi everyone,

What a year we have had!!

Our teams have made tremendous progress in the Schools that we are partnered with. It is prize giving time of the year and I have been so proud of the achievements of our students in their respective schools.

Outstanding awards for Leadership, Academic Excellence, Sport, Arts and Service to the School have been received by our students in both Junior and Senior School prize giving's. This is a testament to our hard working TRF staff, teaching staff and of course our students themselves.

Hello all

I'm Les Richard and I was a part of The Rising Foundation in 2009 and am now an Alumni of the foundation. I came through the programme myself whilst attending Papakura High School, and learnt priceless life lessons through the programme.

I graduated High school in 2010 and then attended Waikato University in 2011. This was the beginning of a new journey and what a rollercoaster it was. I attended camps and graduations through the years as much as possible when University wasn't too demanding and so still kept close contact with The Rising Foundation itself over the years of my study. In 2014 I graduated from Waikato University with a Bachelor of Sport and Leisure Double majoring in Sociology. I have now returned to The Rising Foundation and am currently employed fulltime and am so grateful for the opportunities I have received through the foundation itself.

The Rising Foundation has achieved so much and given me opportunities I could

Congratulations to all concerned. I know your families and friends will be also very proud of your achievements.

We held our annual Graduation Dinner early December which was its usual awesome experience. We had 36 students in total graduate this year. It is very satisfying seeing these young adults celebrate their efforts and achievements through their School years. We wish them all the very best in the exciting futures that they have in front of them.

Of special significance on the night our team honoured our graduates with the performance of our TRF Haka, Maranga Mai. This Haka was the brain child of Gideon Rihari one of our TRF Youth Workers. Gideon

have only dreamed of, but there is still so much more to do and I look forward to being a part of that.

I am currently based at The Manurewa High School. It has been a big step up for the team as a whole this year with a few things changing on the staffing side of the organisation and also just general adjustments being made here and there. Now nearing the completion of Term 4 we are able to look back on the year that was and say well done, learn from these experiences and apply them next year to continue developing. Being my first year at The Manurewa High School it has been quite a ride, starting off as a new person within the school to quickly becoming cemented into the school system. I have thoroughly enjoyed the challenges the year has brought and can honestly say I can't wait for the year ahead.

I must say the best part of working within this industry is certainly seeing these students go from strength to strength. You see them flourish whilst on camp and some even break out of their

and his Uncle composed the Haka and I will ask Gideon to write an article for our next newsletter about the Haka and it's very special meaning for our Foundation.

On behalf of our Board of Trustees, TRF employees and volunteers I would like to wish you all a very Merry Xmas and a prosperous New Year!

We are looking forward to a great 2016.

Regards
John



shells and begin to not care about other people's perceptions of themselves. You do gain the greatest joy out of seeing these young people make life decisions for them and end up ultimately growing up into young adults. The Rising Foundation is an amazing programme, however all we really try to do is unlock the potential that these Tamariki have within them. We equip them and give them tools to use in order to help them succeed and think differently, but ultimately the decision is theirs to take it on board. Thank you again to all those that have and continue to support The Rising Foundation. Looking forward to many more years to come.



TRF Rising Concert

23 October

Friday 23rd of October The Rising Foundation Papakura High hosted an “Unleash your talent” concert night in the school hall. The event gave TRF an opportunity to showcase their talent across our schools to the wider community inviting families, friends, teachers and the like to join.

Students from Pukekohe High, Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate, Papakura High and a community youth group worked on their items for 2 weeks leading up to the event holding lunchtime and evening practices in their groups aiming to get them to a performable state. Their hard work paid off on the night where all groups joined in collaboration performing cultural, musical, drama and dance items to a crowd of around 150 people.

The night was wrapped up by 9.30pm closing with The Rising Foundation Haka. It was an evening of first time experiences, being the first Rising Concert held across our schools and also the first time the Haka had been performed to an audience. Although entry was only a gold coin donation the event raised over \$400 which was put towards TRF Year 13 Graduation.

All in all we would like to say a big thank you to the friends and families whom took the time to come out and support our event and also to the teachers of Papakura High School- Miss Lob her help in producing the TRF T-Shirts and also Miss Fagan and Miss Rabin from the Music Department for their help with the setting up. *By Grace Kingi—TRF Social Worker*





BNZ Partners Highbrook Race Night

29 October

Phil Roach, Billy Walsh and his fantastic team at BNZ Partners Highbrook put on another excellent fundraiser evening on Thursday 29 October. The concept is staged around actual horse racing footage that's been videotaped using cinematography cameras and narrated from start to finish. The suspense and close up action created the atmosphere of actually being at the racetrack.

Six races took place with race four being an auction race. Once again our fabulous auctioneer Kevin Hickland wowed the punters to outbid each other for the auction race. Race winnings were redeemed against prizes donated by businesses, sponsors, supporters and friends. The concept worked extremely well with many people willing to donate prizes for a good cause.

The delicious variety of food offered and catered by Papakura High School students was extremely popular. Thanks to Di Corban and her team of students!

It was also great to see some secondary school students who are on the programme from Pukekohe High, Papakura High, Manurewa

High, Rosehill College and Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate, their presence among our guests made this event even more special.

The evening raised \$34,148.00 which goes towards the students to enable them to participate in leadership training and transition camps.

Special thanks must go to BNZ Partners, Breville, BEKO, Fisher & Paykel, Narta, Apex Advice, Wero Whitewater Park, Teale Metal Products, Trade Depot, Fine Wine Delivery Company, BDR Max, Glengarry Wines, The Langham Auckland, Pak n Save Papakura, Hoyts, Intersea, Basketball New Zealand, NZ Hockey, Countdown, Murphy's Law Irish Bar, Auckland Conventions, 100% Appliances, Steinlager, Face Facts, Adorno, WilliamsWarn Brewery, Giltrap Audi, Selecta DNA, JB Hi-Fi and individuals for the donated prizes and support.

To all our owners, jockeys and attendees thank you for making the evening a great success!



I had the pleasure and privilege of going to Outward Bound sponsored by Outward Bound Anakiwa and The Rotary Club International. This was a once in a life time experience that I will truly never forget.

At the age of 22, I for the first time in my life travelled to the South Island of New Zealand. This was amazing for me to see how truly beautiful our great country actually is. I was fortunate enough to be in McKenzie watch number 611. I was surrounded by people who were also youth workers and worked within the sector with youth and so was a really good experience to share and discuss past or future endeavours within our different organisations.

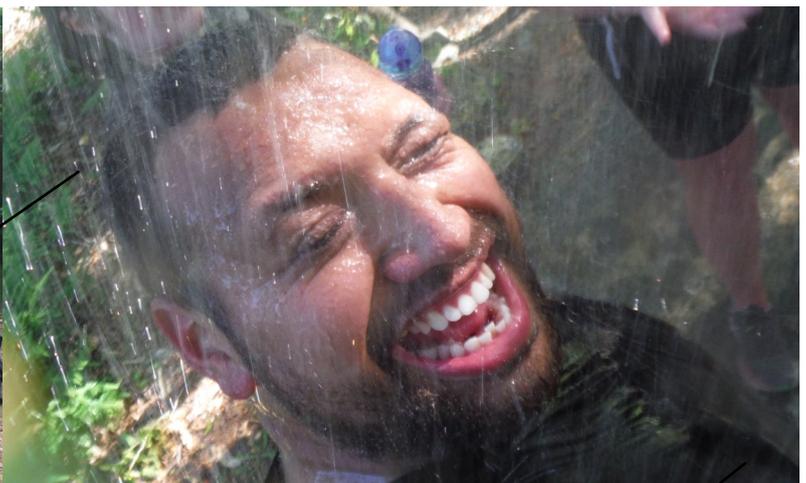
At Outward Bound we had to wake up every morning and go for a 3.2km run. The objective was to beat your time each morning and better yourself. I found myself pushing my own physical limits each day and trying to overcome the mental aspect of what the activities brought. I often found myself

saying that it was almost impossible to do what was asked, yet every time in the end found a way to overcome the situation. I kayaked down rapids, sailed the ocean, and went tramping through the night and in the end I feel I learnt life-long lessons that enabled me to be a better person.

I have found that I have come back with a stronger sense of determination and willingness to stick to the goals that I have set. I feel that this was a great experience, as it was my first visit to the South Island. It also saddens me as many of our students will not have been to the South Island, as an Outward Bound experience it would be a good way for our students to see a part of New Zealand that they have never seen before.

Thank you to all those that made this journey possible for me.

Les Richard – TRF Team Leader



Pukekohe High and Manurewa High Schools Excursion 20—22 November

On Friday afternoon we headed for Whitianga picking up students and their family members after school. With the usual Friday afternoon traffic jam approaching we decided to have dinner in Pukekohe with a few icebreaker games afterwards. The main purpose for the weekend was for students to relationship-build with their family members. A few of Pukekohe High students stated that they wanted to give their older brothers a well deserved weekend trip as a way of saying thanks for everything they have done for them.

"I learnt how to read more into the book instead of judging its cover- so its kind of like getting to actually know someone instead of judging them by first impression. I was sort of scared at first but they're all sweet guys".

-Year 12 Student

On Saturday morning we headed off to Combat Zone in Whitianga where we

played paintball, competed in archery, clay target shooting and went on an agro ride. The boys enjoyed it thoroughly! Even with the gloomy weather we still managed to make the most of the day with an afternoon swim in the Coromandel. Even though it was a relaxing retreat for everyone, our students still got in and helped out when needed. From doing the dishes, washing the van, cooking the BBQ, making the beds - these values have been taught on camps, school meetings etc.. so it was awesome to see that when in a different more calm environment the guys still helped out.

"I enjoyed the weekend away with everyone heaps. I liked bonding with my Uncle and the boys more."

-Year 9 Student

On our last morning together, we headed off to Cathedral Cove, which was gorgeous! A lot of the guys we took

away had never even heard of Whitianga let alone Cathedral Cove but once explained that Narnia and Lord of the Rings were filmed at this place, the excitement was high. The weather cleared up and we headed off to Hot Water Beach before heading home. What a great way to spend the weekend with amazing students and their family members!

By Tiare Matara—TRF Youth Worker





With the goal of eliminating men's violence towards women, White Ribbon "aims to change men's attitudes and behaviours, predominantly through men talking to men". It asks individual men to "make it clear to other men that you do not tolerate violence towards women".

On November 25th, eight students from The Rising Foundation attended The Counties Manukau White Ribbon breakfast held at Bruce Pulman Park in support of the cause to help raise awareness of taking a stand towards stopping violence towards women. It was an insightful morning having performances from featured artists Klapa Samoana vocal ensemble, MBrace and Duo, including the presentation of awards to the top students in the spoken word competition.

Those who attended were also lucky enough to hear first hand experiences from guest speakers; some of whom had once lead violent lifestyles and abusive relationships however through their trials have turned their lives around, becoming ambassadors in leading the White Ribbon campaign.

It is a part of our goal in The Rising Foundation to connect with our communities, becoming better informed not only about violence towards woman but violence on all levels to create healthier mindsets and attitudes around this subject and actively engaging students in schools to participate in forums such as these.



Rosehill College and Papakura High School Excursion 27—29 November

On Friday 27th of November 10 junior students from Rosehill College and Papakura High School went on a weekend trip to Rotorua. The purpose of this excursion was to build stronger relationships and develop leadership skills with junior students from both schools who have shown a high level of commitment to TRF and are looking to become CEOs in the years to come. We left for Rotorua on Friday afternoon with much excitement from the students for the weekend. Saturday morning everyone was up, showered, fed and ready to go to the luge. For some students it was their first time there which made them even more excited. This activity was a very good indication of the different levels of self-confidence the students had. Some of which were pedal to the metal and flew down the track while others took their time, but overall everyone loved this activity and had an awesome time.

Straight after the luge we shot off for a swim in a crystal clear but freezing cold stream called Awahou. Awahou runs alongside Tarimano Marae the home of Ngati Rangiwewehi. This particular stream comes from a fresh water spring about 2kms from where we were swimming. It represents new beginnings, refreshment and healing therefore was an appropriate site to visit as this year comes to an end and a new one beckons.

From a freezing cold Awahou to steaming hot naturally heated Kerosene Creek. To warm the students up we took them to Kerosene

which is about 35mins south of Rotorua on the way to Taupo. It is a very popular tourist attraction and once we arrived the students found out why. The creek had many different areas where you were able to sit, relax and enjoy the warmth but the students disliked the smell of rotten eggs that had infused their clothes.

Sunday morning we packed up, cleaned the house and headed for Waimarino Water Park just outside of Tauranga. It was good travelling through New Zealand's country roads especially since some students don't get to see more than South Auckland. Once we got there we were given a safety briefing, set up our area and that was it everyone jumped in for a swim. Also at Waimarino the "What Now" crew were filming an episode there. When the "What Now" crew had left we had full access to all the park's activities and equipment such as the kayaks, paddle boats, waterslide, rope swing, trampolines and the much anticipated BLOB.

Overall, the weekend was an awesome get away where the students got to know each other better, learn more about themselves, grow as a leader without the stress of a normal camp and have an awesome time doing it!

By Gideon Rihari—TRF Youth Worker

Rosehill College and Papakura High School excursion photos.....



Pukekohe High School Junior prize giving awards

Another year over which ended on a massive high! These Juniors are such an inspiration to our Seniors and even JB Grads! Remember we are a collective, so when an individual receives an award, we all celebrate as one! That's what TRF is about! Not only do we all celebrate together, but also we use this as motivation to excel well in whatever our students are passionate about. We don't use paper to define how successful they are in that subject or sport etc. A massive congrats to you all for finishing the year on a mean high! *By Tiare Matara—TRF Youth Worker*

Congratulations

YEAR 9:

Tia Aramoana

- ◇ *Excellence in Art*

Tremayne Moana

- ◇ *Excellence in Art*
- ◇ *Trumpet Scholarship (Free Trumpet Hire and Trip Fees for 2016)*

Filipe Setefano

- ◇ *Excellence in Physical Education*
- ◇ *3rd in 9D2*

Jackson Wilcox

- ◇ *Excellence in French, Music, Science and Social Studies*

Amaru Taylor-Korewha

- ◇ *Excellence in Physical Education and Te Reo Maori*

Soane Tonga

- ◇ *Excellence in Music*

Malachi Tulafono

- ◇ *Excellence in Music*

Jarney Proctor-Harwood

- ◇ *Excellence in Art and Physical Education*

Tamsin Heremaia

- ◇ *Excellence in Art, French and Music*

Year 10:

Tamoa Eremee

- ◇ *Excellence in Drama*

Teia Herewini

- ◇ *Excellence in Art*

Ellie Cato

- ◇ *Excellence in Te Reo Maori, Science and Maths*
- ◇ *Overall 7th in Year 10*

Edward Tan

- ◇ *Excellence in Art*

Kristen Paul

- ◇ *Excellence in Te Reo Maori*

Elizabeth Way

- ◇ *Excellence in Food Technology*

Heather Ineson

- ◇ *Excellence in Art and Physical Education*

Tahina Heta

- ◇ *Ken Hemopo Shield for Best All-Round Sporting Achievement for a Junior Girl*
- ◇ *Bowyer Trophy for Most Promising Athlete*
- ◇ *Old Students Cup Athletics Junior Girls Champion*

Kau Mapuhola, Ana Malupo, Keasi Fotofili, Maxine Halahuni, Shilo Whareaitu, Synthia Vave

- ◇ *Te Ara Poutama Spirit Awards*

Pukekohe High School Junior prize giving photos.....



Pukekohe High School Senior prize giving awards

Term 4 has been such an exciting, busy and successful time for TRF Pukekohe High. We are very proud of the academic and sporting achievements our students have obtained from their efforts during the year. Big congratulations to Dallas Fa'amatuaianu (Cultural Council Prefect) and Renee Twidle (Wellbeing Council Prefect) for their hard work in their school leadership role.

By Tiare Matara—TRF Youth Worker

Sports Awards:

Kelcie White

Personality Award

Siueni Lataipangai

First XV Rugby Back of the Year

Motiira Nantei

Player of the Year PHS Basketball

Tahina Heta

Athletics Junior Girls- Old Students Cup

Senior Prize giving:

Maulalo Aloaina

Excellence in Te Kuaha

Renee Twidle

Inder Lynch Achievement Award Scholarship Recipient

Top in Class for Legal Studies

Recipient of the Georgia Reid Award

Howe Young Cup for Service to School

Top Maori Student

1st Place in South Auckland Dragons Den

Grace Wilcox

Excellence in English

Eden Temu

2 Gold Awards KBB Music Festival

Charisma Proctor-Harwood

Excellence in Te Kuaha

Paris Heremaia

University of Canterbury Emerging Leaders

Scholarship Recipient

Khali Minhinnick

Excellence in Physical Education and Photo Design



Year 13 School Leavers:

TRF is extremely proud of our Advisors this year venturing off into University and Employment pathways:

Jammyca Santos - Otago University- Medicine

Arthur Tan - Auckland University -
Bachelor in Engineering

Motiira Nantei - Full-time employment/travel

Vavatau Setefano - MIT- Diploma in Pacific Rim Tourism

Joshua Singh - Full-time employment

Charlotte Fotofili - Auckland University
Foundation Course (Social Sciences)

Dallas Fa'amatuaianu - Auckland University -
Double-degree in Business and Law

Fangu Fahina - AUT Foundation Course (Business and Sport & Rec)

Paris Heremaia - University of Canterbury - Bachelor of Law

Nicki Pinataake - Army

Sevile Taukeiaho - Army

Maulalo Aloaina - MIT Foundation Course

Renee Twidle - Auckland University -
Double-degree in Law and BA in Conflict Resolution



Renee

Fundraising:

Fundraising this term was primarily for TRF Graduation where we held a confectionery raffle. An awesome effort from our Junior students who took charge and sold all tickets to hit their profit target. With the absence of our Senior students on study leave; this gave the opportunity for growth in the Juniors. With the transition stage of the year in full swing, it was awesome to see them step up and take the reigns.



Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate School prize giving awards

TRF Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate (SEHC) has experienced success in so many ways over 2015. From overcoming personal challenges and boundaries; to sporting and academic success, our students have achieved a lot in which we can all be proud of.

In the end of year prize givings, some of our students were recognised formally for their achievements. These students are:

Year 13 School Leavers:

Muriwai Harris:

- ◇ Certificate of Achievement from Parliament
- ◇ Espie Cup for Art
- ◇ 1st in English
- ◇ 1st in Sculpture
- ◇ 1st equal in Geography
- ◇ Ross Robertson Cup for Excellence in the pursuit of English Language
- ◇ Pat Hanly Award for Visual Arts
- ◇ TRF SEHC Advisor of the Year 2015

Israel Faleolo:

- ◇ Deputy Head Boy for 2015
- ◇ Certificate of Achievement from Parliament
- ◇ 1st equal in Geography

Urikore Masina:

- ◇ Top Maori Student 2015
- ◇ Player of the Year for Kilikiti

Joanne Pu'a:

- ◇ Player of the Year for both Girls Rugby League and Girls Volleyball

Rosemarie Alesana:

- ◇ 1st in Physical Education
- ◇ Player of the Year for Senior B Volleyball
- ◇ Most Improved for Girls Tag

Kainga Vaipulu:

- ◇ Deputy Head Girl 2015
- ◇ Certificate of Achievement from Parliament
- ◇ Perseverance in Sport Cup
- ◇ 1st Girls Athletics
- ◇ Sportsmanship for Girls Basketball
- ◇ Player of the Year for Premiere Girls Volleyball

Year 12:

Sh'Kinah Faleolo:

- ◇ NCEA L2 Science Shield
- ◇ 1st in Mathematics
- ◇ 1st in Biology
- ◇ 1st in Physics

Junior Fiu:

- ◇ Prefect for 2016
- ◇ 1st in Carpentry
- ◇ 1st in Art
- ◇ Merit Award for Physical Education

Phillip Fulutusi:

- ◇ Sports Captain 2016
- ◇ Most Improved for Boys Volleyball and Tag

Year 11:

Elizabeth Harris:

- ◇ 1st in English
- ◇ Sierra Cafe Cup for Academic Progress for Y11's and Y12's

David Sula:

- ◇ Merit Award in Automotive Engineering

Alfred Paea:

- ◇ Merit Award in Lea Faka Tonga

Jolannivanetta Pu'a:

- ◇ Most Improved in Girls Basketball

Year 10:

Saybein Holland:

- ◇ 1st in Science
- ◇ Merit Award in Maths
- ◇ Merit Award in Te Reo Maori
- ◇ Merit Award in Social Studies
- ◇ Sehgal Cup – Most Improved Science Student

Siale Faau:

- ◇ 1st in English
- ◇ 1st in Physical Education and Health
- ◇ Merit Award in Maths
- ◇ Junior Sportswoman of the Year
- ◇ Player of the Year for Junior Netball

Year 9:

Mohokoi Taione:

- ◇ Merit Award in Physical Education
- ◇ Merit Award in Lea Faka Tonga

Norah Maifala:

- ◇ 1st in Hard Materials

These awards are only some of the achievements that have been recognised over this past year. However there are so many more achievements by all of our students that have not been recognised.

Overall, SEHC has had a promising year for 2015 and the future is looking even brighter for 2016.

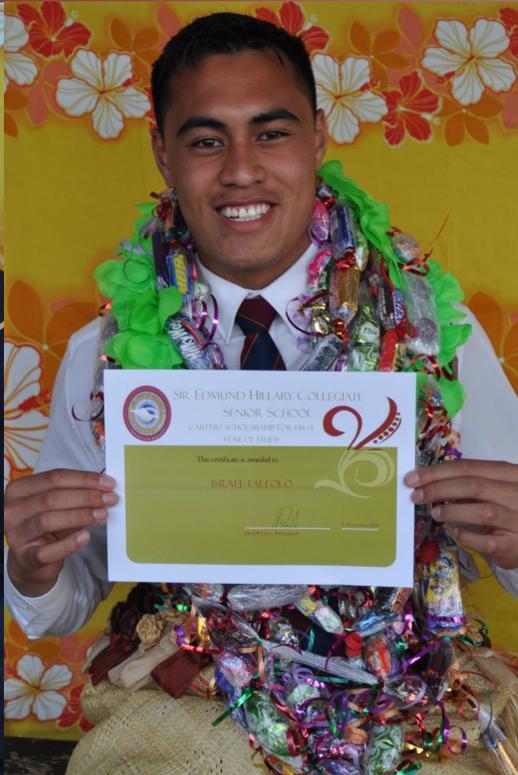
Congratulations to every student that is a member of TRF SEHC.

We are all immensely proud of you all!

*By Feleti Lotulelei—TRF
Social Worker*



Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate School prize giving photos....



Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate School prize giving photos continued....



Papakura High School prize giving awards

I just want to say how proud I am of all our prize winners, juniors and seniors who have received awards over these last few weeks.

To our juniors, you are setting such an awesome standard not just for your Year level but also to your families that are there supporting you and especially showing yourself just what your capable of achieving. Its always important to back yourself. At the end of the day only you know the amount of work and effort you have put in to get to where you are today, so take pride in what you've achieved.

Apart from the academic successes I would like to acknowledge all TRF students whom are apart of our group. We are proud of every individual as each person shows successes in different ways and are all valuable leaders to us. Heading into next year TRF will evolve once again getting in new Year 9's and possibly others whom find their way into our group, so keep up the awesome work and keep perusing the best future possible for yourself.

By Grace Kingi—TRF Social Worker

Junior Prize giving:

Ivy Jones

- ◇ *1st in Science*
- ◇ *1st in Health*
- ◇ *1st in Year 10 Food Technology*
- ◇ *1st in Year 10 Kura Code Award*
- ◇ *Diligence in Music*

Shayla Hattie

- ◇ *1st in Year 10 Drama*
- ◇ *2nd in Year 10 Science*

Hina Manase

- ◇ *1st in Year 10 Music*
- ◇ *1973 Prefects Shield Award*
- ◇ *Sladdin Prize for Music*

Anthorney Siumu

- ◇ *1st in Year 9 ULS Hospitality*

Macy Andrews

- ◇ *Diligence in Music*

Teisi Finau

- ◇ *1st in 9RDE/ULS Boys Physical Education*
- ◇ *1st in 9ULS Art*
- ◇ *1st in All-rounders Physical Education*
- ◇ *1st in 9ULS Maori*
- ◇ *Kura Code Award*
- ◇ *Diligence Award in 9ULS Mathematics*
- ◇ *Diligence Award in 9ULS Design Technology*
- ◇ *Most Valuable Player in Year 9 Bobbie Kohai Tag/Volleyball Tournament*

Eliane Punefu

- ◇ *1st in Physical Education*
- ◇ *Excellent in e-asttle Math*
- ◇ *Excellent in e-asttle English*
- ◇ *Kura Code Award*

Senior Prize giving:

Katie Mailata

- ◇ *1st in Sports Leadership*

Schae Roberts

- ◇ *Proxime accessit- Runner up Dux*
- ◇ *Holands Scholarship*

Phoenix Puleanga

- ◇ *Top Achiever for level 2 NCEA*
- ◇ *Ipu o Iesili Award for Top Pasifika Student 2015*

Wendy Savieti

- ◇ *Head Girl 2016*
- ◇ *Top achiever Level 1*

Melevesi Manase

- ◇ *Award for Best service towards the school*

Robert Downes Tolovae

- ◇ *Award for Best service towards the school*
- ◇ *Prefect for 2016*



Papakura High School prize giving photos....



The Rising Foundation Year 13 Graduation Dinner

4 December

It was with great pleasure that The Rising Foundation, our families, and wider community were able to share in the celebration of our new 2015 JB Graduates. The event was held at the Papakura Club, with approximately 140 people in attendance, including the MP of Hunua Andrew Bayly, our sponsors and supporters, staff from the various schools, our families, and current students.

From Papakura High School; Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate; Manurewa High School; and Pukekohe High School, we added another 36 JB Grads into our alumni, bringing our evergrowing number of JB Graduates to 108 people today. These people are:

Papakura High School: Taylor Paora, Katie Mailata, Phoenix Puleanga, with Advisor of the Year going to Schae Roberts.

Manurewa High School: Mosese Tariu, with Advisor of the Year going to Kaybe Kaufusi.

Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate: Kainga Vaipulu, Joanne Pu'a, Sh'Kinah Faleolo, Rosemarie Alesana, Israel Faleolo, Tiaki Masina, Urikore Masina, with Advisor of the Year going to Muriwai Harris.

Pukekohe High School: Arthur Tan, Jammayca Santos, Motiira Nantei, Vavatau Setefano, Joshua Singh, Charlotte Fotofili, Charisma Harwood, Ana Veilofia, Fangu Fahina, Paris Heremaia, Nicki Pinataake, Tulu Halahuni, Seville Taukeiaho,

Maulalo Aloaino, Renee Twidle, with Advisor of the Year going to Dallas Fa'amatuanu.

Overall, we had one student become JB Graduate of the Year. This student was nominated for demonstrating the true qualities of a TRF Advisor. This student is passionate, intelligent, and a caring young individual who always goes the "extra mile" to ensure their TRF family are well. Consistently providing academic, sporting, fundraising and pastoral support to her peers and younger members of TRF that makes her such a valuable student. Not only being committed to weekly meetings, homework centre, and community events, this young female has had many important leadership roles within the school. She joined TRF as a junior student in 2012 and her commitment over the past three years has been commendable. She is always positive and cheerfully engaging with a "hands-on" and "can-do" attitude, which is accompanied with a ready smile, thus endearing her to everyone. She continues to present herself as a superb role model for other students to emulate being sensitive, perceptive, articulate and dependable. This award went to Renee Twidle.

A sincere thank you must go out to everyone that makes The Rising Foundation possible. From our members of the Board, to our financiers and supporters, it is your support that makes everything happen, helping us to get our students to where they are today. We share these celebrations with you!



FORMULA E INDOOR RACEWAY

TRF was fortunate enough to head to Formula E Indoor Raceway on Tuesday 8 December as part of an introductory practical driving course. TRF senior students were selected from each secondary school to gain defensive driving skills in preparation for their learner licenses. Many of our students stated that they had never driven in a go-kart before, but once put onto the track their nerves disappeared and they were able to apply the skills learnt in the lesson. During the session they learnt how to brake, travelling in straight lines, the ability to look far ahead whilst driving, how to take corners at the correct pace and the best angle to safely take a corner.

“ I learnt to always look ahead and not just focus on one thing. There’s a lot of things I learnt like looking ahead and that there are always do’s and don’ts to driving”. Year 11 Pukekohe High School Student

A massive thank-you to the team at Formula E in Auckland for allowing our students to participate in this awesome event!



TRF Community Friends

The Rising Foundation would like to acknowledge all Sponsors, Family Trusts, Corporate Businesses, Individuals, Local Businesses, School Trustees, Principals, Staff, Families & our Community Trusts who have sponsored a student/s or have assisted us to expand our programme "Unlocking Your Potential". The Rising Foundation has seen over 2000 individual youth, their families and friends participate in our programmes across the wider Auckland area. Your generous help and support has seen many mind shifts and lives changed, that have seen youth with a confidence to set themselves goals for the next 1, 3, 5 years. To embrace differences; to expand their networks; understand time management & much more.....

Thank you for choosing to support The Rising Foundation; it is truly appreciated by all.

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SPECIAL THANKS TO Giltrap Group and Goodman for the use of our wonderful vans



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