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ANZAC Tributes from our Young People “Lest We Forget”



A big thank you to Kelly Mitchell Our Programme Coordinator for making our ANZAC Dawn Service possible and to Cory Fowler for the delicious breakfast that was appreciated by everyone.



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Te Maioha ANZAC Dawn Service 24 April 2015

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields



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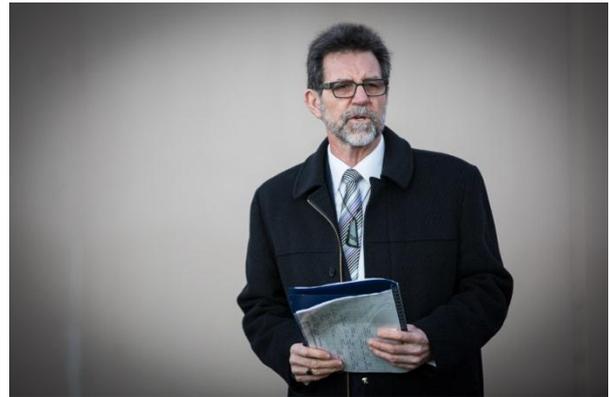
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At 6am on Friday 24 April the young people at Te Maioha O Parekarangi paid their respects to Serviceman who had fought and died at Gallipoli in WW1. The young people marched under Parade Commander Rick Thame to their seats in the compound under the flag pole. Anaru Rangiheuea from The Parekarangi Trust started the Dawn Service with a Welcome. He was followed by Bishop Ngarahu Katene who led the prayers.



Guest speakers Rick Thame from the RSA and Colonel (RTD) Don MacFarlane told stories about the War Campaign in Gallipoli and Captain (Rtd) Rangī Rata read an ANZAC Dedication remembering those who fought and died 100 years ago.

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An Ode was read by two of our young people, one spoke in Maori and one in English. Major Rex Rees played the Last Post as everyone came to attention while another young person lowered the flag. The Reveille was played and wreaths were laid by a young person and the RSA. The wonderful bagpipes were played by Nurse Robyn Sharpe, after singing the National Anthem Rick Thame concluded the dawn Service. A hot breakfast and hot drinks followed to warm everyone up. Well done to the young people who were so very well behaved.



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Thank you to our MSD People



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Don't waste your lives, young told

Residents at Te Maioha o Parekarangi Youth Justice Residence have been reminded of the terrible waste of life that resulted from war, and urged not to waste their own lives, at a special dawn service to mark Anzac Day.

The service, attended by guests, staff and residents, was held yesterday - the day before Anzac Day - to allow participation by the community.

One of those who spoke at the service at the Child Youth and Family facility was Anaru Rangiheuea from the Parekarangi Trust.

He spoke of the terrible waste of life that resulted from war and urged the young people there not to waste their own lives.

The Bishop of Te Manawa o Te Wheke, the Right Reverend Ngarahu Katene, led a prayer and later the national anthem.

Rick Thame from the RSA worked with the boys during the week, teaching them a drill to get them from their dormitories to the parade site.

Describing the young people as "the real stars of the show", Mr Thame said he was impressed at how the boys performed the drill with "pride and a bit of pizzazz". Guest speaker Colonel (retired) Don MacFarlane from the RSA read 10 names aloud from the list of 81 Rotorua soldiers killed at Gallipoli, with the crowd repeating the names after him. Speaking about the horrific conditions the soldiers experienced during the campaign, he told the crowd the courage and endurance of the Anzac soldiers had become legend.



A waiata followed, and Captain (retired) Rangi Rata recited an Anzac dedication. Two young people from the residence recited the Ode of Remembrance, alternating lines in Maori and English, which was followed by the traditional lowering and raising of the flag.

Child Youth and Family residence manager Tasi Tuhana paid tribute to the support from the Parekarangi Trust and the RSA, which had made the event a success each year.

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Hi All,
I just wanted to say thanks so much for including me in your guest list for the ANZAC Dawn Service.
I have to say I am in awe of what you do with the young people in your care.
I was so impressed with their behaviour especially the young people that had roles to play.
Congratulations on a really awesome event.
Thanks
Lyn Mcalonan.

Farewell to **Dale Mutu** our Chef and "one of the Originals" as he heads away for 3 months in Australia. Dale tried to sneak away as he said he doesn't like Goodbyes, epic fail Dale. We got you!



CHOCOLATE FISH AWARD



Congratulations to **Sophie Mildon, Te Hoi Waara** for being our Chocolate Fish Award Winners this week.

I would like to nominate **Sophie Mildon** and **Te Hoi Waara** for their work on the floor the last month. These awesome casuals have filled in wherever they have been needed. Always available and keen to work! Without our dedicated casuals it would be hard to cover full time staff wanting leave. Thank you for your hard work and commitment. You make my life easier! – Jill Wong



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Congratulations to Kelly Mitchell, Michelle Evans and Tanya-Maree Tuwhangai for completing their Front Line Managers Certificate!



Reminder to do Your ActSAFE.

The current **ActSAFE on-line training** aims to help Ministry staff stay safe at work. The two modules cover **Core Safety Standards** and **Personal Safety**.

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- 1 Find your PSD/smart card and insert it into the card reader**
- 2 Check you have a current working PSD/smart card**
Check the expiry date on your PSD card/smart card first
Not current - Contact IT HELP
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This is the password you use to log on to your computer.
To test your password - Close down internet explorer by right clicking the internet explorer icon (e) at the bottom of the page and select "close windows" then "all tabs".
Insert PSD/smart card.
Now search for yourself on Global and you will be prompted for your PSD/smart card password.
Forgot your password? - Call IT Help to reset it.
- 4 Still stuck?**
Contact IT Help on 46500

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Changes of State

Nga Whetu student's science experiments "Changing of States" was delivered by a very enthusiastic teacher of Kingslea School, Phil Buchanan. This is the very first time that we have attempted anything like this, especially using Bunsen burners and Dry Ice. All young people had a great time observing and the practical applications of the experiments, learning things that they would not normally do such as:

Changing states of matter experiments

Experiment one
Place the beaker of cold water provided over the Bunsen burner for one minute and open the air hole to produce a blue flame.

Experiment two
Place an ice cube into an evaporating dish and place it over the Bunsen burner for one minute. Open the air hole to produce a blue flame.

Experiment three
Hold the watch glass over the beaker of hot water.

Experiment four
Do not touch the dry ice with your hands. Use tongs to place a piece of dry ice into an evaporating dish and place it over the Bunsen burner for one minute.

Experiment five
Do not touch the dry ice with your hands. Use tongs to place a couple of pieces of dry ice into a beaker of methylated spirits. Feel the water in the balloon before lowering it into the beaker for a minute. Feel the balloon again.



Thanks to Kingslea school teacher Phil Buchanan and those staff who supported this initiative. Fingers crossed we will have this in your units very soon.
Abe Whata, Team Leader Nga Whetu



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Metal Detecting Excursion

The day started with gloomy skies and light showers, so jackets were packed and breakfast was eaten quickly. Weather wasn't going to discourage us from enjoying a day outdoors metal detecting.



As we left civilization and rolled down the hill into the lakes area excitement grew for us, the showers slowed to almost nothing and the sun started breaking through the clouds. After earlier discussions we had decided on a small beach at the blue lake was the spot to swing our metal detectors.

As we reached the area after a descent down a long staircase we were happy to see we were the only ones there and all but a few of the clouds had disappeared. After a quick check of equipment and batteries we equipped our detectors and got into some detecting. Before we could even lay some bets on who would find something first our young man dug up the first coin of the day a 1970 50c piece followed by four other coins from that era... which left more experienced operators feeling a little inferior as they had only unearthed bottle caps.

After a good search along the sandy beach socks and shoes were removed for a look in the water, this unearthed a few more coins and bottle caps and older pull-tabs. We then took to the bush surrounding the beach and our young man became excited about all of the old cans he found and started gathering them up until he discovered that he could not possibly carry them all out so picked a dozen or so of his favourite ones. As we left the bush we had our best find of the day a Titanium wedding ring with gold inlay.

The rain started up again after finding the ring so we packed up to have a look at another spot. We headed over to Boye's beach at Lake Okareka cooked some sausages on the BBQ and enjoyed lunch in the park while inspecting the mornings finds. After we threw the Frisbee for a spell it was time to return. Upon getting back to the unit our young man collapsed on couch refusing to let go of his bag of goodies. A great day was had by everyone involved.

Dean Davis Shift Leader Secure



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The Things I Need You to Know...

I need lots of attention.

Even when I swear at you, I still need your attention.

I will talk endlessly about stuff like video games because that's all I'm really good at.

I will do odd, quirky things that always seem to get weird looks from people.
And when I tell you I don't care. It really means I just don't know how to let myself care.

I don't want to be here because it means I have failed in order to get here.
I've never belonged to things much in the past.
I learned a long time ago to reject you before you can reject me.

Did I mention that I want your attention?

I'll be looking for ways to get control by hitting your buttons,
And by "splitting" you against one another,
And against my family as well,
Because control is something I've been without for quite a while.

My file says I'm not retarded but I think I am.
My diagnosis crawls through my file like some sort of bug I want to squash.
You WILL misunderstand me.
You WILL assume I'm being "lazy" or "manipulative" or "nasty" on purpose.

I really just don't know what else to do to not have to feel the way I do.

I get blamed and punished because I'm bad.
And even if you tell me I'm not bad, I won't believe you.

It's your job to say nice things to me, so again, I won't believe you.

But did I already say (because it's hard for me to focus on things and I forget).....
I really want your attention?

I just want a chance to fit in; to do something right once in a while.
I just want to feel okay for a day.
I just want my family to be proud of me for once.
I just don't want to have to remember all the bad stuff from before all the time.

I just want you to follow through on your promises to me (because others haven't).
I just don't want you to confuse my actions with who I really want to be in the future.
And yes, before I forget, the future means almost nothing to me.

I will try to embarrass you.
I will try to make you angry.
I will try to make you nervous.
I will try to make you hate me.
Because then I will know I'm not crazy for feeling these things myself.
Because then I will know who I can begin to trust.

And trust is five letters because it's better even though it's hard.

Four-letter words are just easy but if I get to five letters then....

Maybe I can make it six, and then.....Maybe I can start CARING....

And then maybe, I'll let myself believe I deserve your attention.

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Ruckus at camel fair provides prize photograph



Jill Wong's winning photo of camels in India

She took 2000 photos on an adventure through India, but Rotorua photographer Jill Wong needed only one of them to win an eminent award in the Photographic Society of New Zealand's 2015 National Exhibition.

Wong's image titled Unta Wallah-Camel Rider was awarded the Brian Brake Memorial Award and a PSNZ Gold Medal for the Best Projected Photojournalism Image in the Open Projected Images category.

She took the photo in India last year while observing the Pushkar Camel Fair, where camel riders take their camels to sell.

Describing the camel fair as "the most wonderful thing I've ever seen in my life", Wong said she had been waiting on the side of a track watching one rider bring his camels down the hill. "Suddenly all hell broke loose with the camels, but the rider remained cool, calm and collected and carried on by me as if nothing was wrong. "I crouched down and watched it all unfold before my eyes and started photographing," Wong said.

With a photojournalism image the competition rules state there can be no post production other than cropping or colour adjustments. "What you see is what I saw before me." Ms Wong is a relative newcomer to photography having joined the Rotorua Camera Club about 12 months ago and has entered only club competitions before. "I've never been so thrilled or stunned in my life as I am to win this amazing award. "I've only been seriously photographing for 18 months and I strive to do my best, but there is always so much to learn. "I love photojournalism though and I thought this image told such a great story."

The winning images will be exhibited at the National Convention at the Tauranga Racecourse from April 29 to May 3. Nearly 250 photographers from across the country will descend on Tauranga for the gathering and to enjoy five days of photographic networking and participating in workshops and field trips with several leading international and national photographers.

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Recruitment Corner

A big welcome to those who have joined the TMOP team in the past month, we hope you're settling in!

- **Danny O'Brien – Residential Youth Worker**
- **Matthew Mitchell – Casual Residential Youth Worker**
- **Jessica Steadman – Casual Residential Youth Worker**
- **Naina West – Casual Residential Youth Worker**

We are in the process of employing Casual Workers from our last round of interviews and are currently advertising for both Casual and Permanent Residential Workers. With that underway we hope to have lots of new faces joining our Care Team soon!

Just a reminder: The Ministry of Social Development now recruits via an electronic/web-based system only. If you know of anyone who is interested in a role with us, they first need to register with 'MSD Careers'. When registering, they can indicate the type of work they are interested in (location, salary, type of work etc.) and will be notified when matching jobs are advertised.

The link to follow is:

<http://msdcareers.msd.govt.nz/home>

Flu Vaccinations

If you missed out on your flu shot they will be available Friday 1 May 10am-11.30am in the Admin Meeting Room. . Nurse Jacque will blow bubbles for you if you are worried about needles! Be A Flu Fighter!



Contributing to Our Panui

If you have an article for Our Panui, please email it to jill.wong002@cyf.govt.nz by 10.00 am on Thursdays.



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