



*VANGUARD MILITARY SCHOOL EFFORT BRINGS REWARD*

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

ROCKLEY MONTGOMERY



**Term One** has been another successful term for the school, our staff and our recruits. It has been a long term, particularly for our staff and new recruits who had the extra two weeks of induction.

All staff, recruits and parents/caregivers can again be commended on the amazing effort put into this term. The school

had to shut down on-site teaching and revert to on-line teaching at very short notice in week three as the result of a case of COVID-19 in the school. With hindsight, this was a very good decision, as the overall disruption for the term was greatly reduced on return to onsite learning in week six.

Our new recruits have settled into the Vanguard routine very well, even if it has taken most of the term. This year the process of settling in has been a little slower than usual, possibly a result of the two weeks away from the routines of on-site learning. One very positive aspect of the 2022 year so far, has been the level of the new recruits' buy-in to the system, particularly towards the end of this term. Not all, but in general, **recruit performance has been very good** and the support the school is receiving from our

new parents/caregivers is exceptionally pleasing. A big thank you to all our recruits, parents and caregivers for the big part you play in helping us make this all happen.

It is with great pleasure that we welcome the following staff members to the school:

**Staff Holder**, Mathematics Teacher, **Staff Mehew**, Physical Education Teacher, **Staff Thomson**, English, Science and Physical Education Teacher. They joined us at the start of 2022 and in their short time with us have become an integral part of the Staff Team.

The Vanguard Military School Terminator, to be held up at Matakana on Thursday 14 April 2022, has unfortunately had to be postponed until Friday 6 May 2022 as

a result of the appearance of cyclone Fili this week, and Vanguard is very disappointed that the entire school will not be marching at this year's ANZAC Day ceremonies. Even though we are not able to march this year, our recruits have still worked very hard in preparation and can be very proud of their marching prowess. Had the school been able to participate this year, we are totally confident that they would have performed as well as any other year.

It is a pleasure to be able to share with you the fantastic 2021 academic results:

## THE FINAL ACHIEVEMENT IN NCEA AND UE FOR VANGUARD MILITARY SCHOOL AS RECEIVED FROM NZQA.

### LEVEL ONE

|      |   |              |
|------|---|--------------|
| 2019 | - | 90.5%        |
| 2020 | - | 84.8%        |
| 2021 | - | <b>98.2%</b> |

**29.9% above national average**

National Average 68.3%, down 3.5% from 2020.

### LEVEL TWO

|      |   |              |
|------|---|--------------|
| 2019 | - | 100.0%       |
| 2020 | - | 98.3%        |
| 2021 | - | <b>94.1%</b> |

**16.19% above national average**

National Average 77.2%, down 2.9% on 2020.

### LEVEL THREE

|      |   |              |
|------|---|--------------|
| 2019 | - | 87.5%        |
| 2020 | - | 87.8%        |
| 2021 | - | <b>88.1%</b> |

**18.3% above national average**

National Average 69.8%, down 2.3% on 2020.

### LEVEL THREE UE

|      |      |              |
|------|------|--------------|
| 2019 | UE - | 47.5%        |
| 2020 | UE - | 34.1%        |
| 2021 | UE - | <b>45.2%</b> |

Vanguard Males 50.0% - **6.1% above national average**

## MĀORI ACHIEVEMENT AT VANGUARD MILITARY SCHOOL IN 2021

### LEVEL ONE

**100% - 43.6% above national average**

National Average 56.4%, down 2.9% on 2020.

### LEVEL TWO

**100% - 32.7% above national average**

National Average 67.3%, down 4.6% on 2020.

### LEVEL THREE

**90.9% - 33.3% above national average**

National Average 57.6%, down 3.1% on 2020.

### LEVEL THREE UE

**63.6% up 32.8% from 2020 and 33.3% above the national average**

National Average 30.3%, down 3.8% on 2020.

**Congratulations!**

Congratulations to the recruits, the staff and our parents and caregivers for your effort in 2021. Even with all the disruptions and national averages dropping dramatically, Vanguard managed to surpass even our own high expectations. Thank you to our Māori community for once again being the top performers in the school; it is no mean feat to better the national averages by such enormous amounts.

Well done staff, recruits and parents/caregivers.

**Vanguard currently sits on 92.3% Attendance Rate for Term 1 2022.**

|         |       |
|---------|-------|
| Year 11 | 92.8% |
| Year 12 | 91.5% |
| Year 13 | 92.6% |
| Overall | 92.3% |
| Females | 90.2% |
| Males   | 93.3% |

These attendance rates are very good, considering the requirements to isolate for COVID-19.

Well done to all recruits who have made this result possible and to those who know they could have

done better, you have Term Two to show what you can do.

Thank you and well done to all those people who have contributed to this amazing success story.

I would like to thank all the staff and recruits for their hard work this term and wish you all an enjoyable term break.

## FROM THE ADMIN DESK

### ABSENCES

A reminder for Term 2 that a **parent/caregiver must call** in an absence before 0830 to avoid recruits receiving a CT for Non-Contact. A recruit is more than welcome to also call in their absence in the first instance but a parent/caregiver must verify this by call or email by the allocated time.

If the school has to contact a parent/caregiver to investigate an absence, the recruit will also be issued a CT. A timely reminder also that all medical appointments where a recruit will be late to school or must leave early require approval

**REMINDER  
RECRUITS WEAR  
WINTER UNIFORM IN  
TERM 2**

from their Deputy Principal prior to the day they require leave.

### TRAVEL ALLOWANCE

You will all be aware that there was **no travel payment made in March**. The reason for this is that travel is paid for the following month so February's payment cover all of March. In light of the fact that we shut down rendering travel unnecessary for two weeks, recruits were over paid two weeks. Due to April being only two weeks of school and two weeks of holidays, the overpayment covers the remaining days at school during April. The next travel payment will be in April for May.

From April 1<sup>st</sup> 2022 – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022, **the Government reduced public transport fares by half**. This will be reflected in your next travel payments. Recruits will still receive the correct amounts to be able to buy concessions for travel to and from school.

You may also be aware that **student discounted fares ended on March 31<sup>st</sup> 2022**. There is no need to have a new student ID card to renew this. The renewal process only requires you to have an AT online account and your child's NSN (National Student Number). Once you have input these details into their AT online account, their student discount should be reactivated for another year. If you have questions about this process, please contact Auckland Transport directly to discuss on 09-3553553.

## REMINDERS

Please remember when travelling to school that **MASKS on public transport** is mandatory. Safety is paramount while NZ still fights the COVID battle so please remember your hand hygiene at all times and keep socially distanced from each other where possible. This helps our school and the wider community.

## UPCOMING EVENTS 2022

|        |                           |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 14 APR | Last Day of Term 1        |
| 15 APR | Good Friday               |
| 18 APR | Easter Monday             |
| 2 MAY  | Start of Term 2           |
| 6 MAY  | Terminator Challenge      |
| 10 MAY | Parent/Teacher Interviews |
| 18 MAY | Parent/Teacher Interviews |
| 31 MAY | School/Class Photos       |
| 7 JUN  | Orientation Evening       |
| 24 JUN | Matariki                  |
| 28 JUN | Orientation Evening       |
| 8 JUL  | End of Term 2             |

# INTERSECTION LEADERBOARD

| Section | Points |
|---------|--------|
| HINTON  | 207    |
| LAURENT | 174    |
| TRENT   | 168    |
| UPHAM   | 130    |
| APIATA  | 128    |
| ELLIOTT | 127    |
| BASSETT | 119    |
| HULME   | 75     |
| JUDSON  | 71     |
| TRIGG   | 70     |
| WARD    | 67     |



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