## Brandon Intermediate

# YEARBOOK



Experience Achievement Learning





Sports Arts Culture Music EOTC Maths Reading Writing Technology ICT



Dare To Be True



Kia ora koutou,

2015 had been another exciting year for Brandon Intermediate.

There are some very satisfying results with the student achievement data. The students have been working hard and many have shown accelerated progress with maths and literacy.

Many of our leaving year 8 students will arrive at college with both the skills and attitude to succeed with whatever subjects or interests they choose. We wish them well.

Intermediates are schools that offer our emerging adolescents the opportunity to discover and explore. We know that all our students have had experiences that have given them opportunities to learn about their talents, interests and personal qualities.

Highlights for 2015 include Sports tournaments, Saturday netball, Battle of the Bands, Kapokapo, Polyfest, murals for the school, planning an outdoor classroom and EOTC week including the camp.

2016 promises to be even more exciting. The school will be remodelling the classrooms. The classrooms will be rebuilt with a different layout that will support the style of teaching needed for our students to be able to work co-operatively, or alone. There will be new furniture and modern resources such as smart TVs and increased access to computers.

We will be progressing the outdoor classroom to include a fitness circuit as health and fitness are a big part of what we believe is important for everyone.

I would like to thank the students, all our staff, the Board of Trustees and our parents for all the support given to the school. We do need everyone to achieve the best results for our students.

Brandon Intermediate is the Intermediate for Porirua East and the school is going from strength to strength.

I wish everyone a safe holiday season and may 2016 be even better for everyone.

Paul McKendry Principal















"Tay, Tels, Aisjahana" - Ana "I'm hoha" - Aisjah "Bradaaaahssss" - Kingston "What the Eth?!!" - Keswick Brotherhood "We were all together, just like a family, now we're all vanished, and there's nothing to treasure" - George "Jordy-boi!" - Wiremu "Woodie-boi!" - Jordan "Yeah boi!" - Keswick Nation "What are those???!!!" -Telsie "Happiness is a choice. If you choose to be sad, you'll never be happy in life" -Faiza "Ui Sole!" - Tayla "I had a dream we would unite, but only if we put up a fight." - George. "United we stand, divided we fall" - Tayla "Don't be something your not"-Ana "Once you start looking for the joy in your life, it is everywhere you look" - Mrs Whyte "Be the change you want to see in the world" - Ghandi "BELIEVE IN YOURSELF" - Mrs Whyte







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## A Recipe for Success

Pacific Harmony took out 3<sup>rd</sup> place honours at this year's Intermediate Battle of the bands. The 16 piece unit complete with full horn section brought the house down with their stunning performance. Brandon Pride in action!





Once again, I am overwhelmed by the talents and resolve of the students at Brandon. Their work and dedication has made 2015 another fantastic year for me and for the school. Two major musical events this year have enabled our musicians to showcase their talents across the Greater Wellington Region. I have been privileged to work with such an amazing group of young people this year.

Peter Diglin































# Hard Materials

This year in the Hard Materials workshop, Brandon students have been making some popular projects such as container boxes, wood carvings and whizzers as well as some new projects such as puzzles and marble runs. A significant number of students have been producing projects to a high quality standard.



Also Brandon students have been taught and reminded to practice all the necessary correct safety procedures while in the workshop. Well done Brandon It's been another successful year. I look forward to seeing the Year 7s next year (as Year 8s) and best wishes to our current Year 8 students who are going on to college next year. Kind Regards Mr Pillar















**Dion Kemp** Most Dramatic

Joyner Gaualofa Most Friendliest

Nelisa Vaovasa Reihana Morehu Most Musically Gifted Successor to Steve Jobs



PJ Lyne Marsters Most Wittiest

Hans Amusia Class Clown

Tereina Faraimo Most Intellectual

Gaib Mata for the F.B.I

Best Smile

Maila Lafaele Most likely to work Most likely to become a talk show host



Lahjahn Tauroa Most likely to become Prime Minister of NZ



Most likely to become famous

Best Laugh



















Javanah Seumanutafa Sebastian'Baz'Vaasili Pou Hope Most likely to travel Most likely to become Most Sarcastic the world a famous artist

David Elekana Most likely to become Mayor of Porirua

Makerita'Sina'Parker Most likely to become a Nun

# oral Compass



Berlina Putaura Most Accident Prone

Respect Loyalty **High Expectations** Selflessness Perseverance Identity Compassion Honesty



Isahaq Yusuf Most likely to be an entertainer

We would like to acknowledge: Tyrone Ahnau, Elenisi Paipa, Peterson Tuara, Jhon Caicedo, Tere Ioane and Mr. Gibson for their time spent in Room 6 this year.















Nikora Ngatai - he is the class game-freak and a undercover Math-whiz



Fetuleni Tuimauga is one of our Class Clowns, he is a hard worker and a good rapper



Peter Waitere-Brown is pretty funny and can be a bit of a chatter box.



Chevrolet Tagatauli is the sportiest in the class... She's pretty much good at everything!!



Etena Guendouz is a hard worker and has a nice, caring personality



Angelina Polutea is one of the Room 7's sportiest students...



Tauaasa Taafaki is the funny one in our class... he can be pretty cheeky too!



Lucian Marsters-Elkington is one of the creative and confident members of our class who is pretty funny too!



Opetaia Manase is a sporty and a fantastic artist



Soane Tuangalu is Room 7's hardest worker and a legendary rapper



Paora Temoananui is the class artist and a guitarist



Jahqualin Hopfler is our class's best actor, a very hard worker and a good at Beat boxing



Ihaia Skipworth is a good rapper and is good at maths too.



Joshua Xiong is a hardworker and very artistic



Sulu Kaiau is always smiling and has a great personality



Drew is the class helper and a hard worker.



La'mont Tairea is the class Basketball and Volleyball player



Michael Taputoro-Byrne is the class basketball player



Neriah is a hard worker and a good singer



Rimu Winiana is kind and is really good at having small writing



Ella Baker is the biggest animal lover ever!



Ruana Crawshaw is a friendly and helpful member of Room 7



Junior Misa is our song freak and one of the class clowns











It has been a pleasure teaching in Room 8 this year! I have got to know all of the students and learn from them about their cultures, families and interests. As they go on in their education journey I hope they will remember their time at Brandon and the importance of showing Brandon PRIDE in all that they do. We are a family here and I hope to hear how everyone is doing in the future! All the best for 2016- Miss Campbell

### **Soft Materials**





2015 what a year in Soft Materials - can you imagine 600 students sitting their licence? Some tears, great successes, lots of broken needles and drivers off course but all passed. Just as well we are talking sewing machine driver licence.

Highlight of the year for me:- the trip that we went on to a local kindergarten. Students spent several sessions making items to give to the children. these included beanies, I Spy bags, and soft balls that could be thrown inside.

Individual students created some great projects for family members and presents for friends.

When students were given the opportunity to make what they wanted after they had finished their licence they mostly chose, soft cushions, bags and toys. This was a great learning curve for all and I hope they got a lot of enjoyment out of it.

I wish all a great Christmas and a Happy New Year.









#### **Room 4 Yearbook**

This is Ms Fuimaono having fun with the camera on the way back to Curious Cove from our day trip on the launch – tug boat (from Ship Cove) with Veronica.



Room 4 class photo 2015.



Hi everyone, I have had a wonderful year, I will miss all the students and staff leaving this year. I would love to thank Room 4 for being a great class of kind spirited people who think of others and always come to school with big smiles ready to learn. To all the year 8's I wish you all the very best. Remember all the values you learnt here and you are all a part of our family. Year 7's we have an awesome 2016 lined up for you next year, so get ready to PAR-TAY in term one, 2016! Have a great Xmas and a safe and wonderful holiday.



#### Many Thanks

Ms Fuimaono

This is Veronica, Sitiva and Merolina working on their maths



Our term three inquiry project was about Seasons and Space, we had to choose one and study more about the topic we chose. Our inquiry groups then had to form an investigative question, plan, retrieve information and track our process. We produced some really cool movie trailers about what we learnt. You can check them out on YouTube!



This is Toetu and Tugaki posing for their inquiry trailer their group name is T.S.T.

We had a wonderful year, we learnt to work together, be respectful, work hard and believe in ourselves, how about you? Some of our highlights were our Inquiry studies; constructing an outdoor model, going outside and sussing out the building site, measuring and making sure it was to scale on our model. Next year we want more cool Inquiry projects and challenging maths work to make us think!

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