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Vocational Pathways – Te Waka Huarahi

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DUAL PATHWAYS @ WITT

This holiday course is another exciting and authentic learning opportunity for our students to take advantage of.

It's school holiday time but not everyone has taken a break from the books or learning.

A handful of keen Spotswood students have converged on WITT to complete Dual Pathway programmes in bakery, beauty therapy and computing.

The Dual Pathways pilot is designed to help school students move into employment or higher level study and assist in gaining NCEA credits.

Spotswood has the following students attending Dual Pathways.

Daniel Jury is part of the Cookery course, supporting his ambition to be a Baker.

Star Healy and Catriona Oates attend Beauty, while year 13 students Cheyanne Nuku and Talia Calder-Blake are testing their Computing skills and knowledge.



Daniel Jury @ WITT



Head of Faculty Message

Term 3 has been another busy and action packed 10 weeks within the department.

We have had students on STAR courses, hosted ITO training opportunities and also had our college open night and senior subject evening.

The Vocational Pathways presentations at both these events was well received, as was a presentation to the Taranaki Futures consortium and college Board of Trustees at the end of the term.

We now look forward to Term 4 and the annual Gateway luncheon to thank our many work place employers for their support throughout the year.

Scott Manson



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We gratefully thank the following organisations for their support of our department .



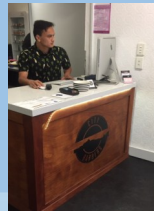
Maisie—Midwifery

Maisie has intentions to be a midwife. She is completing level 3 credits through Tui Ora in the field of health care, wellbeing and also physiology. Her work with Tui Ora around ante-natal care has seen her further develop her interest in this career choice.



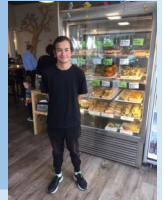
Xavier @ City Barbers

Xavier attends his Gateway placement at the City Barbers and to support his learning and skill development he is completing HITO units. Xavier enjoys booking in clients and dealing with customers in the busy environment of barbering. He is currently working to get practical assessments checked off.



Aiden @ Locals Cafe

I complete my Gateway placement at Locals Café in Westown. I enjoy the variety of work and team atmosphere at the café. Earlier in the year I completed my Barista course also. I attend work experience each Friday and have been going since Term 1. I have been fortunate enough to pick up some paid work in the holidays.



Daniel Jury. Gateway and Dual Pathways.

Daniel Jury (year 12) hopes to pursue a career as a Baker.

He has shown a dedicated approach to this goal by attending both a Gateway placement at New World (New Plymouth) and also enrolling in the Dual Pathways Cookery course at WITT during the school holidays.

Daniel's commitment even saw him get up and attend work experience at 4am one morning "just to see what it was like".

Daniel has also attended a fire safety course through Safety N Action, recognising the importance of this skill and knowledge. His passion and dedication to his chosen career



Daniel @ New World Bakery in New Plymouth.

EMPLOYMENT SUCCESS STORIES

Azaria Court attends Oakura Primary for her Gateway placement and her positivity and well-built relationships with the students and staff saw her offered a position as a team member in the after school care program they run. Azaria also attends a Swim Instructor course through Swim NZ. We commend Azaria for her hard work and lively approach to her Gateway and vocational studies.



Jake Courtneil is the first ever Gateway student to have a placement at the new Novotel Hotel in New Plymouth. Jake hopes to study Hospitality and possibly a Flight Attendant course in the future. The front of house work through his placement has resulted in him obtaining paid employment at the Novotel restaurant, Governors. Jake works 9am to 2pm most Saturdays. He has also attended STAR Barista, LCQ and Get Training courses through the Vocational Pathways department and the skills learnt have assisted with his customer service role.



Forklift Operating Course (STAR)

Seven senior students were lucky enough to attend a STAR funded Forklift operating course in Term 3.

The course was held at AB equipment in Waiwakaiho and allowed the students the opportunity to learn about safe operating of a forklift. The course gave the students a chance to work as a group and to experience driving a forklift in a controlled environment. All students passed the course and received their certificate of achievement.

Well done to all involved.



Spotswood College Gateway Luncheon

Friday October the 27th. College Hall, South Road, New Plymouth.

"A great opportunity to celebrate the success of the program, individual achievements and to

THANK our many valuable 2017 employers".