



Welcome to Year 10 Literacy for Academic Purposes at Rangī Ruru Girls' School

What is the course about?

This course is designed to complement the foundation built at Year 9 for your academic success at Rangī Ruru. It is divided into two components and uses current evidence from both the Science of Reading and the Science of Learning to ensure the best course for you. It follows on from the literacy courses offered at Year 9 but is also appropriate for any student hoping to develop their reading and writing skills. This course helps support you as work towards the NCEA Literacy Common Assessment Activity (CAA).

Reading CAA: you will be presented with a diverse range of reading opportunities throughout the course and supported in developing the skills required to unpack unfamiliar and complex texts. Your teacher will aim to broaden your general knowledge, drawing on elements from other subjects you are taking.

Writing CAA: for this aspect of the course you will practice the skills you have been taught and write in a range of genres. You will feel confident in being presented with a brief and being able to respond appropriately. There is a focus on the mechanical side of writing so that your ideas shine through.

Home Learning: home learning is an expectation of this course. The focus will alternate between writing and reading, but will be set on a Monday and need to be completed for the Friday. The homework is run through the Readworks platform (www.readworks.org).

Students in this course will flourish through using the following school values:

Whakaute- Respect	Aroha	Rikarika- Endeavour	Ngaana- Enthusiasm	Manaakitanga - Generosity of Spirit	Tika- Integrity
Acknowledge and respect different perspectives.	Show empathy for others and compassion to yourself; engage with empathy	Learning is a process; engage with it Manage your time effectively	Be curious and inquisitive about new ideas.	Contribute generously and listen carefully	Be honest about your own work and outcomes

What will I learn in this course?

Language and literature give us insights into ourselves and others.	<p>Mā te reo, ka mōhio; mā te reo ka mārama; mā te reo ka ora.</p> <p>Through language comes knowledge; through language comes insight; through language comes wellbeing.</p> <p>You will be encouraged to consider different audiences and purposes that texts have been designed for.</p>
Literature, language, and texts are powerful.	<p>Ko te manu e kai i te miro nōna te ngahere; ko te manu e kai i te mātauranga nōna te ao.</p> <p>We are empowered through knowledge and understanding.</p>
Communication depends on shared codes and conventions	<p>Ko te reo me ōna tikanga te hā o te whakawhitiwhiti kōreo</p> <p>Language and its rules are the essence of communication. To participate in effective communication, strong knowledge of those codes must be present.</p>

What is the assessment for this course?

As well as preparing you for the CAA, this course helps support the other courses you will attend throughout Year 10. You will be assessed on your ability to write in a range of genres, along with reading comprehension. Your teacher may also use The Code to check your knowledge of spelling patterns.

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