



# MARLBOROUGH GIRLS' COLLEGE

*Te Kāreti Kōhine o Wairau*

## House Competition - 2021

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The Main house award at MGC is the Rickard Shield. This is awarded to the winning house every year.

A little bit of history for you - the shield has been competed for over 58 years.

- The red house (Stewart then Awatere) has been won 16 times
- The yellow house (Allen and Ōpaoa) has won it 15 times
- The Blue house (Robson, Pelorus and Kaituna) have won it 15 times and
- The Green house (Waihopai and Wairau) have won it 12 times.

So there is not much separating the houses. Once again, the competition in 2021 has been extremely close.

All of the houses have managed a win in at least 2 events - in the major events Awatere has taken out Swimming and shared Cross Country, Kaituna were victorious in Athletics and shared Cross Country, Wairau took out the Drama title while Ōpaoa worked hard to finish at the top of Reading pile and came through on a winning note with our last event - the Police Fitness Course. Minor events proved to be a battle between Kaituna and Wairau. Unfortunately House Choir was cancelled due to Covid restrictions.

Kaituna started the year with a win and have kept that lead throughout, while the other houses have closed in on them. Awatere drew level after the Drama competition, and then it was neck and neck between Awatere, Kaituna and Wairau. Kaituna had forged a narrow 3 point lead by the time House netball was finished and then slowly but surely Wairau closed the gap, point by point, event by event!

So, with all the competition points tallied: Have Kaituna done enough? Have Wairau denied them the win? And what about the battle for 3rd and 4th? Did Ōpaoa gain enough momentum at the end or have Awatere protected their lead?

SO..... Final points for 2021

In 4th place on 93 points - Opaoa

In 3rd place on 98 points - Awatere

The 2nd placed house scored 106 points and the winning house scored 107 points.

**2nd is Wairau and the winner is Kaituna!!!!**