

They have done well!



Photos courtesy of Nori Parata



NPEC vs Thames Valley 5 August 2006 Coast players
Left to right Huki Wilson, Kerehama Blackman,
Richard Tuhaka.



NPEC vs Thames Valley 'rumble at scrum time'.



NPEC vs Thames Valley NPEC half back Charlie Harrison set to clear.

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The New Digital Net Goes Fishing

Digital Natives. Generation Text. Ngati Porou rangatahi are part of a world wide movement of young people who are embracing new technology that was once unavailable and unaffordable to earlier generations. And they are using this new technology to potentially launch themselves into careers in the creative industries. Teenagers with pix- cell phones are already well equipped to become photographers. The computer programme Microsoft Publisher has enabled ten year olds to create their own magazines and posters. I Pod users have the same power as radio DJ's to create their own playlists of music.

Back in the day making a film or TV programme would have been beyond the realms of possibility for most people. Now anyone with a video camera, an I Mac and a good idea could make the next Hollywood blockbuster or reality show.

Technology is motivating our rangatahi to think beyond fishing,. farming and forestry, and inspiring them to consider careers as film-makers, designers, music producers and publishers. So the next time you think your teenager is mucking around with their mobile or computer, just remember the whakatauaki, "Ka pu te ruha, ka hao te rangatahi."



Alex McClutchie from Ngata Memorial College takes a pix photo of her school mate Kalesha Pakai.