



Paeroa College Comment

11th April 2018



Principal's Comment

Kia ora koutou,

It has been a busy, exciting, eventful term at Paeroa College. It seems barely believable that we are already into April.

Our new vision has been established – Paeroa College: Excelling as courageous, innovative, can-do community. Today I spent a bit of time reflecting on this I thought about when and where we have been able to demonstrate excellence, courage, innovation and a positive community focus.

The most obvious physical example of this vision is the wonderful quad that we are now enjoying. Please do make an effort to come and see how the main exterior area of the College has been transformed from a pretty tired looking lump of tarmac to a modern environmentally appropriate space. This was designed and developed by students at the College and we are delighted with the outcomes.

Our students have at many times this term been courageous in their sport and their learning. I regularly see students step outside of the 'comfort zone' to push themselves on. Supporting our kids to take risks and try something that pushes them is really important in the current age of health and safety. It doesn't matter if they don't succeed as long as they learn from the failure!

Our staff regularly exhibit these qualities and I would particularly like to take time to acknowledge our new teachers this year. They have come in like ducks to water and whether it is Mrs. Rodley with her robots, Mrs. Wanakore with her traditional games or Mr. Van de Wetering with his sense of humour! It is never easy beginning at a new school but our new pros look like old pros already! We are already looking forward to welcoming Mr. Sands and Mr. Norman into our technology team next term and can't wait to see what they can come up with.

I would like to wish all of our whanau and families the very best for our first holiday break of the year.

Nga mihi nui

Doug Black

Coming Events

13 April	Last day of Term 1
14 April	School Formal
30 April	Term 2 Starts
3 May	Year9 Vision & Hearing Checks
8 – 9 May	Year 9 Marae Visit
21 May	Mike King School Visit
21 May	Mike King Parent Evening
21-25 May	Year 10 Camp
30 May	X Country

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Student Centre Information

Parents / Caregivers please note the number to text to advise the school your child is absent has changed

New Number..... 021 157 4615

Could you please return your completed blanket consent forms asap. These were sent home in the last mail out

To All Parents and Students

Please be reminded, **only** Year 13 students have the privilege of leaving the school grounds at lunch time.

Year 13 students **MUST** still sign out if leaving the school grounds.

Parents of Senior Students Y11 - Y13



NZQA fees of \$ 76.70 have been added to your child's accounts. This is payable by Friday 31st August, 2018.

If you qualify for a subsidy, the forms are available from the Student Centre. You must bring your Community Services card with you.

HSP - Early Warning

We will be having the first of our Home School Partnership meetings on 16th may. This is a 3 way conference between ourselves, yourself and your son or daughter. We will be confirming appointment times with you shortly.

House Points

Ngakotu 1192

Rapiri 1180

Maru 1174

Tara 1164

(No change in the points from 28th March, 2018)

Taiwanese Student Visit

On Thursday 5th April we had a group from Lai Yi High School visit for half a day where we exchanged cultural performances and the students spent time together in our class rooms.



Congratulations

Sydney Stuart represented Paeroa College at the Inter School Equestrian Event recently. This is the first time we have had a student compete in a number of years.



Mike King Tour

Mike King will be coming to Paeroa College to talk about Mental Health with our students on his nationwide tour. The students will have their presentation on May 21st at 9.00am and we are inviting Parents / Caregivers and the wider community to another session that evening at 6.30pm.



Lois Craill



It was with great sadness that the school learned of the passing of former Principal, Lois Craill on the 27th of March. In the words of her family, “She fought a brave and determined stand against leukaemia” which comes as no surprise to anyone who knew Lois. Her long association with the college began with her teaching in the field of typing, but grew to a leadership role, first as a Deputy Principal and then as Principal.

Anyone who knew Lois knew that she was a lady who held great mana. She cared deeply about the students of the college and the staff. In education, she was recognised for her innovative approach both in terms of her mentoring and views on how to best work to ensure all students achieved to their potential. Her door was always open, as was her house and she went out of her way to make all feel welcome.

The large number who attended her funeral were testament to the high regard and love in which she was held, as a mother, grandmother, community member and educator. She was someone who could walk and hold her head high in both worlds and our community is lesser for her passing.

Always humble, Lois is beautifully summed up by the following;

Ehara taku toa, he takitahi, he toa takitini

Enviro School Update

Kia Ora from the Enviro Team at Paeroa College.

If you haven't heard or seen, our quad is looking very different this year. This is a huge step towards making our school a better place to be. Our Enviro group will be meeting early next term to develop our Vision Map and set it up in the hall for all to see. A waste audit will take place at the start of next term and we are fortunate to have Skye Budge join our Enviro Team.

Skye is passionate about recycling and is keen to get some better systems in place for this. We look forward to seeing how this will develop. Watch this space as we will continue to bring you up to date information about all things Enviro at Paeroa College.



Moto X

Last Friday the MX team went to Tauranga TECT park for the Tauranga Boys Interschools MX Challenge. The day started early meeting at 5.30am at school, with racing starting at 8.30am. MX races involve a few practice laps and then 3 races over the day. We had 17 students that went to this event, three are from our primary technology class - Devon Begbie, Travis Cox and Rhys Baxter. We also had three new students that had not raced before in the team, Flynn Halden, Max Paterson and Grant Hart.

We are very lucky that since our last report we have had a practice track made out at Steve and Roz Begbie's farm. We were able to hold a small training day and have Mark Whyte come to give our riders some tips. We are very lucky to have this support from our local community and we thank you for this. After this training we were set up well for the challenge.

Most riders improved on their placings from Rotorua. Grant Hart was 2nd out of 38 riders in the 12 - 19 125cc & 250cc Novice race. This means he will have to race in competition races next time.

I would just like to thank the people that support us on these days. To transport 17 students and MX bikes is a big effort and many parents take time off work to support us. So, thank you!

