



# Paeroa College Comment

12th March 2018



## Coming Events

5 April	LaiYi High School Visit
6 April	MX Challenge Tauranga
13 April	Last day of Term 1
30 April	Term 2 Starts
3 May	Y9 Vision & Hearing checks
21 May	Mike King Visit
21-25 May	Y10 Camp
30 May	X Country

Kia ora koutou,

It's been an exciting, optimistic start at Paeroa College this year.

We began with receiving our results back from NZQA. We are absolutely delighted that we can confirm fantastic achievement at Levels 1, 2 and 3. Every student who attempted the qualification was successful and we are proud of our students, families and staff that have come together and made this happen. This was the second year of particularly high achievement and we have noticed that the students now truly believe that they can and will succeed.

In addition, we have had some amazing work done to redevelop our Quad space. Now, as well as having a state of the art learning block we also have a state of the art area outside. The quad was designed by our "Enviroschools" group with support in particular from Mike O'Donnell and Trish Waugh. Bill Tissingh, our BoT chairperson, was able to bring together a number of local folk in the community to help make it happen and we are delighted with the outcome. If you haven't popped past to have a look already I suggest that you do. We will have a formal opening sometime soon and you will be the first to know about the date.

We have had a number of summer sporting occasions and I would like to acknowledge the quality of participation from the students. At both our Swimming Sports and our Athletics day we had huge groups of kids throwing themselves into all of our competitive events. They have been a great success down to the enthusiasm of everyone and the hard work of our TIC Sport Ava Meek and our Sports Coordinator Pauline Kisling.

We have also already (pew!) had two camps for our Year 9 students and our Year 13 students. Both of these were fantastic and chances for students, staff and our Perry Outdoor Education Trust liaison to come together and create a great EOTC learning experience for everyone. In addition, we had 10 amazing Y13 students supporting the Year 9 camp and everyone has mentioned what a great job they did.

Our Academy and Ignite programmes began on Friday, offering varied opportunities for learners to engage in learning in a new way. I really believe that this type of learning gives students the space to concentrate on something with depth in a single passion. I would like to encourage everyone to get together and back us with this work – if you would like to know more please do contact us at school and we can talk you through the what and the why.

This year we have seen our roll grow. We are delighted to be backed by the community in this way and feel that we are starting to see that shared sense of ownership and pride in the work that we do. We are determined, however, that as our numbers grow we will continue to offer the 'bespoke' or personalised education to our students that I know we all value.

Keep enjoying the warmth whilst it remains!

Nga mihi nui  
Doug Black

## Year 9 Camp

Two weeks ago the excited year 9's and a group of responsible teachers ventured to Dickies Flat on a rainy Tuesday morning. Some highlights were: difficult raft building, manu master class, rap legends, terrifying burma trail and the extreme amazing race. A huge thanks to Gemma from POET for her support and the group of amazing year 13 leaders and teachers who ensured camp was a huge success.



## New School Jersey

This year we have introduced a Paeroa College school jersey.

These are available from Size Small to 3XL

The price is \$ 66.00



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## **All year 12 and 13 students, What does your future look like?**

Do you want to be a university graduate with at least 6 positions to choose from? a mid \$50K starting salary package? accelerated increases? have an interesting, diverse and exciting career? or will you be content to graduate with one of those degrees where there are least 6 applicants for each job going?

Tertiary education with a science and commerce leaning is a pre-requisite for many of the careers being profiled in an event at Ngatea in April. Opportunities include consultancy, technical, financial, environmental and research roles in positions where graduates are in high demand. Come along to the Primary Industries and Agribusiness Career Day to find out about these careers and university courses to consider.

When; Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup>, 9am-1pm.  
(Light lunch provided)

Where; Ngatea War Memorial Hall.

RSVP; Please contact your school careers advisor for arrangements.

The day will commence with a brief presentation to the combined audience from young professionals with a brief overview of who they are and what they do. Following that the attending students and advisors will break into mini-groups rotating around each professional for a detailed insight into their jobs , the good, the bad, employment packages, qualifications needed etc before a general Q&A wrap up.

P3 is a farmer led group based on the Hauraki Plains co-ordinating various community good and primary industry related events across the Hauraki Plains for the past 7 years.

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