



Paeroa College

Comment

10 May 2019

Student Council Members with some of our students who are running the Breakfast Programme which started yesterday.



Coming Events

13-14 May
Teacher Only Days

16 May
Pink Shirt Day

21 May
School Cross Country

21 May
Board of Trustees Meeting

22 May
Whole School HSP Day

28 May
Parent Portal Tutorial 6.00pm

4-6 June
Year 13 Camp

17 June
Teacher Only Day

2-5 July
Year 10 Camp
(with Year 12 leaders too)

Principal's Comment

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Welcome to Term Two which is filled with many exciting activities, traditional events, curriculum delivery, internal assessment, school camps and the familiar excitement of winter sports practices and games. I hope you managed to have some high-quality family time and are rested and ready for the term ahead.

As you will read later in this newsletter, we have begun our triennial Board of Trustees parent representative election process. You are warmly encouraged to consider nominating yourself or someone else to support the school in this way. The Board needs diverse skills and representation to enable us to fulfill the aspirations of our community. If you have any questions about what being a Board member is all about, our current Board chair, Bill Tissingh would welcome the opportunity to talk with you about it.

No doubt, as a whanau, you will soon find yourselves caught up in the relentless winter routine of supporting your children in their various cultural and sporting activities and reassuring and encouraging them as they work on assignments with deadlines looming. May 17th is Pink Shirt day, a day that aims to create schools, workplaces and communities where all people feel safe, valued and respected. In recognition of our shared humanity and the challenges it brings to all of us, I want to share some thoughts that you may find valuable.

Recent research has highlighted increased levels of stress, anxiety and depression in today's young people. When it comes to teenagers, it can be difficult to know the difference between a bad mood related to hormone changes, or standard teenage angst, and a bad mood that is a signifier of an underlying mental health concern. A marked difference in your child's behaviour – if they are no longer doing the things that they enjoy, if their academic performance is suffering or if their bad mood lasts longer than a few weeks, could indicate a mental health issue.

If your teen starts talking to you about how they are feeling, take the time to listen to them, without being too critical or overbearing in your worry. Knowing that you are there for them, supporting them, can do a lot to help a depressed or anxious teen. Dedicate time to sitting down and talking or doing something fun that you both enjoy. Your undivided attention is the greatest gift you can give your child. In addition, stress and anxiety can be exacerbated by irregular sleeping patterns or poor nutrition. In our busy lives, it is sometimes difficult to prioritise these. However, if we neglect our physical health, our mental wellbeing also suffers.

If your child is struggling, it can be enough to ask what they think might help them to feel better and to implement the change. However, if you have ongoing concerns about your child's wellbeing that you have not been able to address, it is important to seek professional help. Please reach out and let us know. We are here to help connect you with a variety of professional services that are available free of charge.

As always, I am committed to an ongoing positive reciprocal relationship with you. The upcoming Home School Partnership meetings on 22 May are vitally important to nurturing the educationally powerful connections that will support our children on their journey. I look forward to seeing you there.

Nga mihi nui,

Amy Hacker
Principal

Student / Parent / Caregiver Information

Student Services

Parents / Caregivers please note the number to text to advise the school your child is absent is **021 157 4615 - This is for TEXTING ONLY**

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.

Year 13 students are only allowed to leave the school grounds if their parents have signed the consent form and this has been returned to Mrs Berry in the student centre.

Medical Information



The Doctor will be here on Wednesdays (starting 27 March) from 9.00am – 11.00am. If you require an appointment, please see Ms Berry at Student Services

We expect to have a new nurse at the College shortly. Please watch this space for details.

NZQA



NZQA Fees are currently being loaded to students accounts for \$76.70. However, there is a subsidy form available for those that have a current community services card. The forms are available from Student Services and you must bring in your community services card to be sighted. Please find below the link to the NZQA page re funding if you are unsure if you qualify or not.

<https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/entry-into-ncea/fees-for-ncea/financial-assistance/>

School Fees

As our academy classes have started and winter sport approaches, fees will start to be added to student accounts. To keep on top of this, the school has an AP system where you can set up an automatic payment into your child's account. This can be as much or as little as you would like. Please note: Some of these fees are payable within certain time frames.

The account number is: Payable to Paeroa College BOT

Account 03 1572 0004693 00

Particular – please make sure you have the student's name in this part.

Code – the student's school number – this can be given to you by contacting the school.

Rugby fees have been added to the students accounts and these need to be paid by the 3rd playing Saturday. Fees are \$80.00 in total per player. If you have any questions or queries, please contact Pauline Kisling pkisling@paeroacollege.school.nz

New for Term 2 – Kickstart Breakfast Programme

All students are warmly welcomed Wednesday mornings 8:15-8:45 to B1 for a bit of breakfast, friendship and the opportunity to chat with members of the student council. There will be weetbix, milk, fruit salad and other goodies on offer.

Please come join us! Thank you to Fonterra, Sanitarium and the Ministry of Social Development.

The Kickstart Breakfast Programme will give students the opportunity to chat with friends and fuel-up to ensure their minds and bodies are ready for classes.



Extra-curricular and Attendance

School core business is teaching and learning. The goal of the below is to encourage all students to prioritise their attendance at school.

1. Students must be attending school regularly and with commitment to participate in extracurricular activities. Students can only take the field/court/stage etc. if they are present at school on the day of the after-school activity. Where an activity falls on the weekend, students must have been present on Friday to participate.
2. The Ministry defines “regular attendance at school” as 90% or better. All students who meet this criteria are eligible to participate in the extra-curricular (sport or cultural) activities of their choice as long as all other criteria are met.
3. When a student’s attendance falls below 90% for the term, the following process will be used to determine eligibility to compete/participate:
 - a. Attendance for the preceding week will be checked each Monday. Any student whose overall term attendance is less than 90% will be scrutinised to determine if there are any unjustified absences for the preceding week.
 - b. Students whose overall attendance is less than 90% and who have unjustified absences will be notified on Monday that they are ineligible to compete the following week.
 - c. Said students have until Wednesday 3:00 pm to correct any discrepancies in their attendance to regain eligibility.
 - d. Coaches and Managers will be notified on Wednesday after 3:00 pm of any students who cannot take the field/court/stage the following week.
 - e. For purposes of sport and other activities, weeks begin on a Monday.

Teacher Only Days

Teacher Only Days May 13 and 14

At the start of Week 3 Term 2, on May 13 and 14 the College will be closed for instruction. This is to enable our teachers to participate in an in-depth Relational and Restorative Practice professional development using a bi-cultural, culturally responsive approach. The focus of the training is on the continued development of positive learning-centred relationships among staff and between teachers and students. The evidence is very clear that as the quality of the relationship between the teacher and learner increases, student engagement and academic success also flourish.

We are excited about this opportunity and appreciate your support.

Uniform

In Term 2 we are introducing a number of new uniform pieces.

We will have	Green Culotte for the Junior Girls	\$ 50.00
	Black Shorts for the Senior Girls	\$ 55.00
	Black Pants for the Senior Girls	\$ 65.00

These pieces are on a pay to purchase basis. Once we have received orders, we will send away for these.



We still have the Black Pants and Long Sleeve White Shirt for our Senior Boys in stock.

Black Pants	\$ 65.00
Long Sleeve White Shirt	\$ 55.00





Jerseys \$66.00

Jackets \$75.00

Sports Hoodie \$ 60.00 (not to be worn as part of your school uniform)

We also have in stock Paeroa College Hoodies for the younger members of the family who wish to support their siblings. Price is \$50.00.



Paeroa College has a simple rule around socks as part of the uniform. The expectation is plain black socks with no markings or labels e.g. white Nike ticks. Some students are still choosing to wear non-uniform socks, as of Term 2 this will no longer be acceptable.

If a student attends school with non-uniform socks they will be sent to the Student Centre and provided with a pair of plain black socks. The cost of these socks is \$3 per pair and will be added to the students account. Please take the time over the holidays to get your students socks sorted so that you will not incur this cost.

We appreciate your support in keeping our young people looking the best they can and representing Paeroa College with pride.

HSP Information

On the 22nd May we have our first whole school HSP (Home School Partnership), this is a chance for you to come into school and discuss your students' progress for Term 1 while setting goals for the remainder of the year. Students will need to attend their interview in correct uniform. They do not need to attend for the rest of the day as normal classes will not be running. You will have been posted and emailed detailed information around the HSP interviews. Senior (Year 11, 12 & 13) and Junior (YEAR 9 & 10) school will be running different HSP processes this year and these are summarised below.

Junior School HSP

Junior students will each have a 20-minute HSP appointment with their Academic Tutor for 2019. Appointments have been specifically scheduled for each Year 9 and 10 student to enable us to meet with each Junior student throughout the day. As this is an official school day, it is our expectation that all students attend their appointment with whanau. To confirm or rearrange your HSP appointment please contact Deb Berry on 07 862 7579 or by emailing deb@paeroacollege.school.nz.

Senior School HSP

Senior students will have interviews on this day with their classroom teachers, Learning Leader and/or Senior Leader. You can make your own appointment times with the people you wish to see.

As this is an official school day, your student is required to make at least one 10-minute appointment. You are strongly encouraged to attend with your student. We will phone home beginning 16 May for all students who have not yet scheduled appointments.

An appointment can be made by:

- Ringing (078627579) or emailing (deb@paeroacollege.school.nz) the school and asking Deb Berry to book you in for a specific time with a specific person.
- Going to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and putting in the code **ra6ad** here you can select the relevant teacher and pick a time slot that suits you.
- Teachers and Learning Leaders may be phoning you to make a time to see you as they feel it is important to speak to you about the progress that your student is currently making in their class. This may be to discuss areas of concern or success.

Paeroa College – Junior (Year 9 and 10) Academic Prize Giving Awards and Criteria

First in Subject: This is awarded to the top student in each subject. It shall be awarded to the student with the highest GPA in the subject. If this results in a tie then it will be at the discretion of the teacher to award the first in subject.

First in Year:

This will be determined by the GPA across all subjects studied over the entire year. The GPA will be based on the top 80 AMPS credits. In the case of a tie we will look at the additional AMPS credits achieved.

GPA calculations for first in subject and first in year:

AMPS Excellence 4 points, Merit 3 points and Achieved 2 points.

Diligence Award:

Students who have worked exceptionally hard through the term/semester/year and have achieved to their potential.

This should consider regular attendance of 90% or more, timely completion of all AMPS tasks to the best of students ability.

Excellence Award:

Options: Students have to have achieved at the Excellence standard in all Option AMPS assessments.

Core: Students have to have achieved at the Excellence standard in all CORE AMPS assessments.

PE and Health: Students have to have achieved at the Excellence standard in all PE and Health AMPS assessments.

Board of Trustees Parent Representative Election

Paeroa College School Board of Trustees' election.

Nominations are invited for the election of 5 parent representatives to the board of trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself.

Both parts of the form must be signed.

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Friday 24 May and may be accompanied by a signed candidate statement and photograph.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on Friday 7th June.



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Schools need
us all to **step
forward.**

Nominate yourself or someone
you know to be a school trustee.

Contact your local school for a
nomination form.

**Step forward
for our schools**



Find out more www.trustee-election.co.nz



Returning Officer:
Yolande Lowe
07 862 7579 ext 207
yolandel@paeroacollege.school.nz

 **SCHOOL
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ELECTIONS**

Academies

Cooking Academy

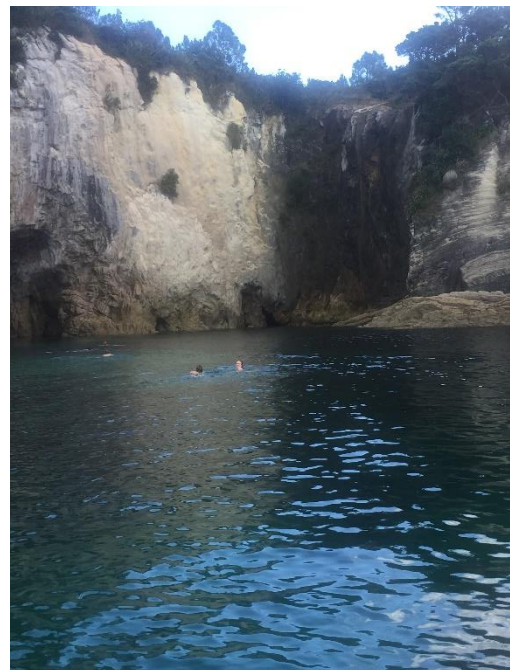
Students were taken on a tour through Donovans Chocolate factory and saw how different products were made in the factory.

The Girl on the Swing shop allowed us to watch a demonstration on how to decorate a cake which was being made to order for a customer.



This Is Me Academy

The This is me group enjoyed a glass bottom boat experience in the marine reserve near Cathedral Cove and explored caves and saw amazing sea life for our team building experience. This was also, a farewell to Mathilda from Sweden



Sports

The MX team had great fun at the HPC Schools X Country event at Honda Park - Maramarua on the last day of Term 1. The teams finished 7th and 21st out of 68 teams of 3. This was a fantastic effort. The riders had to do one race 1 ½ hours long. They had to do as many laps as fast as they could in this time.

Ashton Whyte came first in the expert 12 - 16 race 85cc - 150cc

Grant Hart came 3rd in the intermediate 14-16 200cc - 250cc.

Ashton has also been competing at the nationals over the holidays and should be congratulated for finishing 9th overall in the nationals MX. Well done!



Rugby kicks off this weekend with both teams at home against Whangamata. The Under 15 game starts at 10.00am and the Open Grade starts at 11.30am. We hope to see you all there.

Basketball this Friday is at home against Hauraki Plains College

Tip-off is:

Junior Girls	4.15pm
Junior Boys	5.15pm
Senior Girls	6.15pm
Senior Boys	7.45pm

ANZAC DAY



Robyn Taiawa, Jemma Rose and Hannah Harris led the songs as the Paeroa College Choir at the Anzac service last Thursday at the War Memorial Hall service. Thank- you ladies, you did a beautiful job.



Our Head students also spoke at the Anzac Day Service held in the Paeroa War Memorial Hall. Darion and Ruby delivered powerful messages to our community while Kyan and Skye delivered well selected readings. Out students also laid a wreath. You all did Paeroa College proud. To the right is a photo of our Head Students with Paeroa Local Dave Rawlinson

Community Notices

Free Ear Clinic Service for Children – Term 2

The date for Paeroa is Thursday 4 July – Plunket rooms, Cnr Wharf & Marshall Street, Paeroa
9.30am – 12.30pm

Host Families Needed in April.

If you are interested in hosting an exchange student (France, Denmark, Finland or Germany) they will arrive in April, May, June and July. They are to attend the local school for 3, 5 or 10 months.


If you are interested please contact Student Exchange Australia New Zealand Ltd, 0800 44 00 79 or www.studentexchange.org.nz

Bowls


I have a plea from the TV Indoor Bowls group who use our Gym on a Wednesday night from 7- 9.30pm. They would love to see some new members come along and have a game or two.

If this is for you or a member of your family, please rock up on a Wednesday night from 7pm onwards. Sue Sheary is the lady whom you can contact – email: tvindoorbowls@gmail.com for more info.

Paeroa Badminton Club



*Come join our fun and friendly
badminton club
Any ability, any skill level welcome.*



Tuesdays at 7.30pm
Adults \$5.00 per night
held at Paeroa College

Rackets available @ \$2 hireage per night

***Juniors' season starts Term 2 at
6pm (\$2 per child)***

For further information contact Anna: 021 132 9511

Gymnastics

There is a gymnastics class for high school kids on Thursdays from 6.30 at a new facility in Kopu. Email: thamesgymnsports@gmail.com or check out the Facebook page Thames Gymsports inc

Important Contact Details

<p>Learning Leaders</p> <p>Year 9 – Corrie Anderson extn 228 Email: corriea@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>Year 10 – Letitia Voss extn 228 email: letitiav@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>Year 11 – Denise Grimmer email: deniseg@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>Year 12 – Karen McLean extn 224 email: karenm@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>Year 13 – Miah Williams extn 241 email: miahw@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>Principals PA – Yolande Lowe extn 207 Email: yolandel@paeroacollege.school.nz</p>	<p>Careers – Denise Grimmer email: deniseg@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>Learning Support / Student Well-being email: andrewc@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>Accounts / Executive Officer Debbie Gould extn 205 email: debbieg@paeroacollege.co.nz</p> <p>Absences – Extension 201 or dial 1 at the prompt, School Absentees – Text 021 157 4615</p> <p>Reception, Student Services and General Enquiries dial 1 at the prompt</p> <p>Deb Berry – Extn 201 email deb@paeroacollege.school.nz</p>	<p>Senior Leadership Team</p> <p>Principal – Amy Hacker extn 207 email: amyh@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>Junior School & Acting Deputy Principal Andrew Cameron extn 206 email - andrewc@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>Senior School Tina Youngman extn 219 email - tinay@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>Senior Leader of Community Miah Williams extn 241 email: miahw@paeroacollege.school.nz</p> <p>PO Box 144 Paeroa 3640 Phone 07 862 7579 Fax 07 862 7578 www.paeroacollege.school.nz</p>
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MIXED SOCIAL LACROSSE

2ND MAY - 6TH JUNE

THURSDAY 4:30-7:00PM

KEY INFORMATION

All inclusive, fun, mixed, 4 a side social lacrosse league happening indoors in the Paeroa College gym.

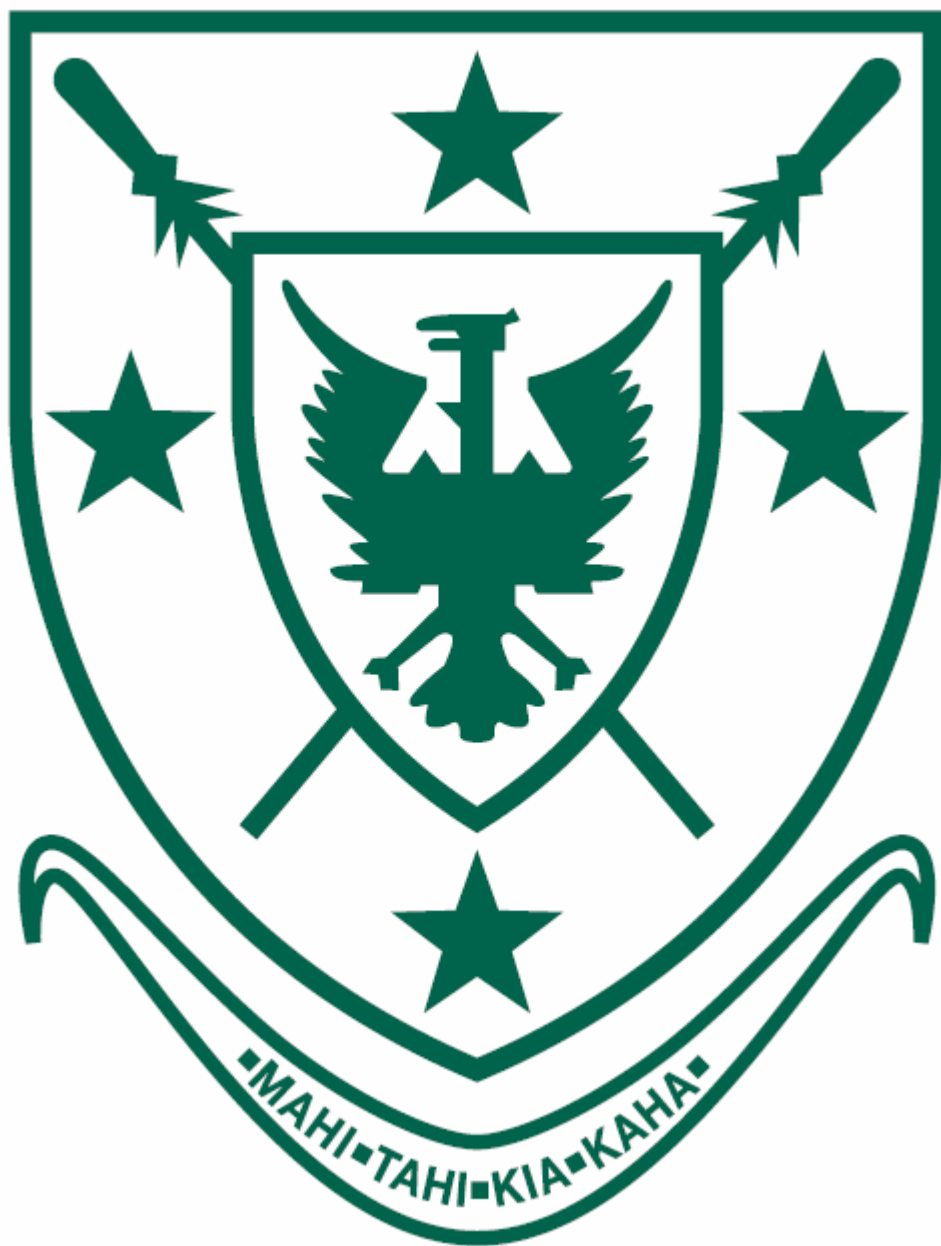
No experience needed and all equipment is provided.

Enter a team of 6-8 players.

Cost - \$80 per team for the league.

FOR INQUIRIES & REGISTRATION
INFORMATION CONTACT URSULA
JOHNSON:

ursulaj@paeroacollege.school.nz



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