



Paeroa College Comment 12 September 2019

The Winners of the Haka Wars – TARA.

House Leaders:

Selwyn Taiawa-Tukerangi

Justyce Paraku-Harris

Montelle Herekiuha

Bella McLeod



Coming Events

16-20 September
Practice Exam Week

17 September
Board Meeting

24-26 September
Year 12 Camp

27 September
Last Day of Term 3

14 October
First Day of Term 4

15-17 October
Year 11 Camp

15 October
Board Meeting

21-25 October
Fiesta Week

23 October
Sports Awards

30 October
Junior School HSP

5 November
Senior Prizegiving

Principal's Comment

Tēnā koutou katoa,
Ki te kaupapa nunui o te wiki o te reo Māori
Ki te korero Māori
Ko tenei te wiki kawē e te taonga, te reo Māori
Anei te whakatauki - 'Ko taku reo, taku ohohoho, ko taku reo taku mapihi mauria'

The last couple of weeks have been filled with many action-packed days, incredible learning opportunities and student achievements. I encourage you to have a look at this newsletter to better understand all of the exciting activities in which our students are involved. Last week was winter sports tournament week which saw our teams competing throughout the North Island. It was my pleasure to spend time with them supporting at court-side and I could not have been more proud of the positive attitudes and sportsmanship shown by our students. The new kapa haka uniforms have arrived and our kapa haka group was hard at work all day Saturday and Sunday at a school noho.

This week is te wiki o te reo Māori, Māori Language Week. Kia Kaha te reo Māori is the theme this year. 'Kia Kaha' means to 'be strong'. So, when we say 'Kia Kaha te reo Māori' we're saying - 'Let's make the Māori language strong'.

The Māori Language Act 1987 declared Māori to be an official language of Aotearoa. It is the foundational language of New Zealand, the ancestral language of the tangata whenua and one of the taonga guaranteed protection under the Treaty of Waitangi. We have spent this week encouraging each other to learn and use as much te reo Māori as possible. Our students got stuck into all of the aspects of te wiki, which included daily activities, a waiata competition, a shared meal and the tradition school haka wars! Please have a look on Facebook to see the students in action! A big congratulations to Tara, the winning house. Kia kaha kia māia.

Wednesday night was our annual Prospective Parent/Students evening wherein next year's year 9 students and their whānau had the opportunity to visit the college and meet some of the staff. It was wonderful to have so many new families in attendance and to feel the excited vibe around the school. Be reassured that we have already begun preparations for next year and that we are working hard to ensure that the transition to college is a smooth and happy one.

We continue to work towards a more restorative culture where students are 'in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing', because we have high expectations for them and because they desire to work every day to meet these expectations. You can support us by ensuring your child arrives at school every day on time, in the right uniform and ready to learn.

As always, please be assured that my phone line is open. My door is open. Together we can continue to build and maintain a strong and vibrant school that serves our students and our community.

Nga mihi nui,

Amy Hacker
Tumuaki/Principal

Student Nutrition

There is significant research that student learning progress is maximised when young people have access to quality nutrition. As such, we are always looking for ways to support our students to eat healthy foods. Please remember that breakfast is available to all students on Wednesday before school. We also have fruit available at the student centre and are working hard to ensure our school canteen serves nourishing lunch and morning tea options.

You may be aware that Countdown is introducing an age restriction on energy drinks from Monday 2 September, which means that customers will need to be 16 years or older to buy these products in their stores. The college is in support of this initiative, so please be aware that students should not bring energy drinks to school. Energy drinks are not recommended for children. We thank you for your support.

Communicating with Us

The home-school partnership is key to your child's success at College. We pride ourselves on having an open and welcoming school wherein parents and whānau are encouraged to communicate in partnership with us. If there is something you would like to touch base on, there is no need to wait for HSP days. These formal interviews are the minimum meeting requirements. We welcome regular contact from you.

If you would like to send a compliment - please make contact with your child's teacher/ staff member. Compliments are gratefully received and go a long way toward building good relationships.

During the course of your child's time at College, it is possible that a concern may arise for you. If this does happen, we encourage you to communicate with us sooner rather than later so that we can work together pro-actively to support your child.

If your **concern is about your child's pastoral needs or wellbeing** - your first contact should be your child's year level Learning Leader who will work with you to support your child. They will also brief the relevant Deputy Principal who will ensure your child can access any relevant pastoral or medical services. The Principal will be notified if the issue involves significant wellbeing concerns.

If your **concern is about your child's teaching and learning**- your first contact should be your child's subject teacher. If this does not resolve the issue, or the issue is not confined to a single subject, please contact the year level Learning Leader who will work constructively to resolve the concern. They will also brief the relevant Deputy Principal. The Principal will become involved in those rare instances when the issue is not resolved to your satisfaction at this level.

Vaccination Information – Students

Paeroa College are needing to know if your child is NOT vaccinated against Measles. If your child has **not** received the vaccine, can you please contact the office by phone 862 7579 or email yolandel@paeroacollege.school.nz

Measles Imminent - Public Health Advice

With large number of measles cases, particularly in South Auckland, Waikato District Public Health is providing the following advice:

In the event of a confirmed case of measles at Paeroa College, we are required to take the following actions:

- ensure exclusion of the case while infectious – Waikato Public Health will advise on safe return date
- quarantine the susceptible (non-immunised) contacts – Waikato Public Health will advise on quarantine period.

“Quarantine” is when people susceptible to measles have been potentially exposed to measles and are required to stay at home for the period when they might become infectious. Those students and staff not known to be immune may be quarantined should measles occur in our school.

Vaccination for 1 to 50 years

Measles cannot cause large outbreaks or epidemics when enough people are vaccinated. This is not the current situation in NZ. We encourage our staff, students and whānau to get at least one MMR vaccination. “On Time” vaccination at 15 months and 4 years of age is best, but “catch up” is recommended for anyone aged 1-50 who cannot show they have had two vaccinations. Many adults mistakenly believe that they have had a measles-containing vaccine as a child, so it is important for families to confirm this. Vaccination of our school community helps protect others, especially those at risk of complications from the disease.

Thank you for your help in reducing the impact of measles in our community.

Health Consultation Curriculum

According to the Education Act of 1989, at least every 2 years, the board must consult with its school community on its health curriculum implementation plan. Schools are all required to:

inform the school community on the content of the Health and Physical Education (HPE) curriculum and consult the school community of how the HPE curriculum will be implemented.

We are interested in partnering with you to discuss how the school community would like the HPE curriculum to be implemented given your views, beliefs and customs. Broad consultation is part of our focus on whole-school wellness and will assist the board in determining the health education needs of our students. This component of the curriculum is critical to ensuring the school is inclusive and is a physically and emotionally safe place where every student can reach their highest possible standard in educational achievement. We invite you to be part of this consultation process. If you would be willing to answer a brief survey or join a small focus group to discuss this topic, please phone Yolande Lowe, Board Secretary, to register your interest.

Please use the link below to access our Health Curriculum:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rdljh8QBe9skPDTX2YW_5sCj13wB07SY/edit

Year 13 Statistics

It was a pleasure to have former student Michael Watton come and talk to the Year 13 Statistics class on his job as a Product and Customer Insights Analyst within the casino gaming industry.

He offered a great insight to the students on what he has done since leaving college and how economics and statistics are part of his every day work - even though he did not study either at college. He talked about probability, chance, risk, trends and patterns.

He gave the students an insight into the well-being of customers. Michael kindly shared his future dreams and goals with the students and was open to answering questions from them.

He is now starting a new job in Malta and we wish him all the best for the future.

Thank you for taking the time to talk to the Statistics class and show them how Statistics is used in the real world and how it has given you international opportunities.



Reports

School reports will be coming out at the end of this term.

These should provide a snapshot indication of your child's current learning strengths and opportunities for improvement. Please feel welcome to contact the school if you would like to further discuss your child's progress and achievement

Breakfast Club

A big thank you to Richard Cox from RCC who came to the student council breakfast this morning with a donation of a new crepe machine to use in Breakfast Club. The student council were very grateful to accept this donation from Richard Cox Contracting.

Thanks, RCC we appreciate it!

The Student Council runs breakfast for all students on a Wednesday morning before school. All students are welcome. Weetbix, toast, milo and now crepes are on offer. We hope to soon be doing smoothies.



Sports

Basketball

Paeroa College Senior Boys came 16th overall in their Tournament last week, one up from last year so that is an achievement in itself. We had a few injuries, but the boys stuck with it. This was a great way to end the season.

Overall results for the season:

2nd TV league

16th Prem Qualifiers.

Thank you to Diane, Josey, Jess, Wanui, Warren and Steve for a great tournament.



Netball

Tournament week saw the girls travel to North Harbour for UNISS.

This photo is from their last game for 2019. A win placed the girls 15th in c grade. Great effort by the girls involved.



Girls Rugby

The next Girls Rugby game is on next Thursday 19th September at home against Mercury Bay Area School – kick off at 4.30pm

Sports Awards

Our school Sports Awards are coming up on 23rd October. We try very hard to keep up with all our student's amazing sporting success, but there are some things that only a family may know. If your son/daughter or family member has had sporting success outside of school sports, please email paulinek@paeroacollege.school.nz and let us know.

Paeroa College Sport Survey - Parents and Whānau

We are looking at developing a strategic plan around sport at Paeroa College. In order to do this, we are gathering information from all areas of our school including parents and whānau. Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete the survey.

To complete this survey please click on the link below or type it into your web browser.

<https://forms.gle/q27VfaTtyMPtowEE8>

Uniform

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.

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 student's account. Please take the time to get your student's 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.

Uniform Donations

If you have any uniform pieces at home that your students are no longer using and would like to donate them to the school, please bring them into the college and leave them at the student centre.



UNIFORM PRICES

Junior Uniform Yr9 - Yr11		
Junior Boys Shorts	Waist 61 - 120	\$40.00
Junior Boys Short Sleeve Shirt	Size XS - 4XL	\$45.00
Junior Girls Skirt	Size 6 - 24	\$50.00
Junior Girls Culotte	Size 6 - 24	\$50.00
Junior Girls Short Sleeve Blouse	Size 6 - 24	\$45.00
PE House Shirts	XS - 2XL Y9 & Y10 only	\$25.00

Senior Uniform Yr12 - Yr13		
Senior Boys Shorts	Waist 64 - 112	\$40.00
Senior Boys Long Black Pants	Waist 76 - 104	\$65.00
Senior Boys Short Sleeve Shirt	Size XS - 4XL	\$45.00
Senior Boys Long Sleeve Shirt	Size XS - 2XL	\$45.00
Senior Girls Shorts	Size 6 - 24	\$55.00
Senior Girls Long Pants	Size 6 - 24	\$65.00
Senior Girls Skirt	Size 6 - 24	\$50.00
Senior Girls Short Sleeve Blouse	Size 6 - 24	\$45.00

Thermals	Ladies and Mens	\$15.00
Paeroa College Bucket Hat	Unisex	\$18.00
Soft Shell Jacket	Ladies: S - 2XL Mens: S - 5XL	\$75.00
School Jersey	Size S - 3XL	\$66.00
School Sports Hoodie	Size S - 5XL	\$60.00
Sports Bags		\$50.00

- If you need a size made other than the standard sizes there is a 30% surcharge

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 TEXT only**

To All Parents and Students

Please be reminded, when your child has an appointment or is leaving school for specific reasons, could you please contact the student centre to advise them of this, or send a note or copy of any appointment to school with the student. When a student is leaving school, the person collecting the student **must** come to the student centre to sign the student out unless prior arrangements have been made.

It is **only** Year 13 students that have the privilege of leaving the school grounds at lunch time. Year 13 students **MUST** still sign out if leaving the school grounds.

Medical Information



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

Our school nurse Margie Goldsworthy will be here Monday – Thursday 9.00am -3.15pm.

School Fees

Just a reminder that ALL sports fees need to be paid if you have not already done so. To keep on top of your school account, 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.

School Yearbook

We are hard at work putting together our Paeroa College Yearbook. This magazine comes out in Term 4 and is an important way to remember the good times and achievements of the year. As a courtesy, the cost of the yearbook (\$30.00) has been placed onto your school account. Please contact Debbie Gould, Executive Officer, if you do NOT wish to order a Yearbook for 2019. This cost will be automatically paid if your account is in credit.

Important Contact Details

Senior Leadership Team

Principal – Amy Hacker	amyh@paeroacollege.school.nz
Deputy Principal – Andrew Cameron	andrewc@paeroacollege.school.nz
Deputy Principal – Miah Williams	miahw@paeroacollege.school.nz
Deputy Principal – Tina Youngman	tinay@paeroacollege.school.nz

Learning Leaders

Year 9 – Corrie Anderson	corriea@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 10 – Letitia Voss	letitiav@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 11 – Denise Grimmer	deniseg@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 12 – Karen McLean	karenm@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 13 – Bianca Till	biancat@paeroacollege.school.nz

Absences – extn 201 or dial 1 at the prompt or TEXT 021 157 4615	
Accounts / Executive Officer – Debbie Gould	debbieg@paeroacollege.school.nz
Principal's PA – Yolande Lowe	yolandel@paeroacollege.school.nz
Student Services – Deb Berry	deb@paeroacollege.school.nz
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Community Notices

Unwanted Bras

Ladies don't send those unwanted bras to the landfill – send them to paradise.


Paeroa College is now a drop off point for your unwanted bras. The Uplift Project set up by Liz Baker in 2005 sees her collating unwanted bras and sending them to the ladies in Fiji.

Many women in the Pacific Islands often live without a bra. A new one is usually beyond the reach of most women, when their priority is to feed and educate the family.

Please drop them into the front office at Paeroa College.

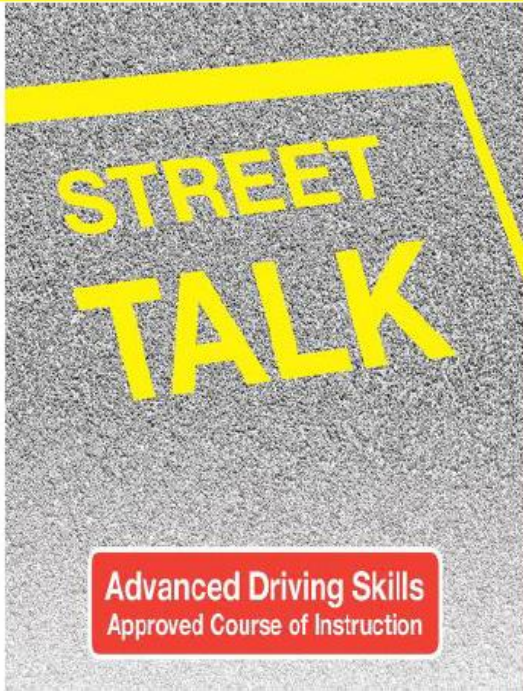
Driver Education

Welcome to the



Presentation
of the
Street Talk

Driver Education
course



Enables you to take your Full Class 1 driver licence test after 12 months instead of 18 months.
The course consists of four 2 hour in-class sessions and 1 in-car session with instructor over a 2-week period. (minimum of 4 participants required).


Where: MSD/WINZ 646 Pollen Street, Thames

When: Mon 16th, Weds 18th, Mon 23rd & Weds 25th September 2019.

Time: 6pm to 8pm

Cost: \$190

Contact: Nigel Smith on 027 612 8991

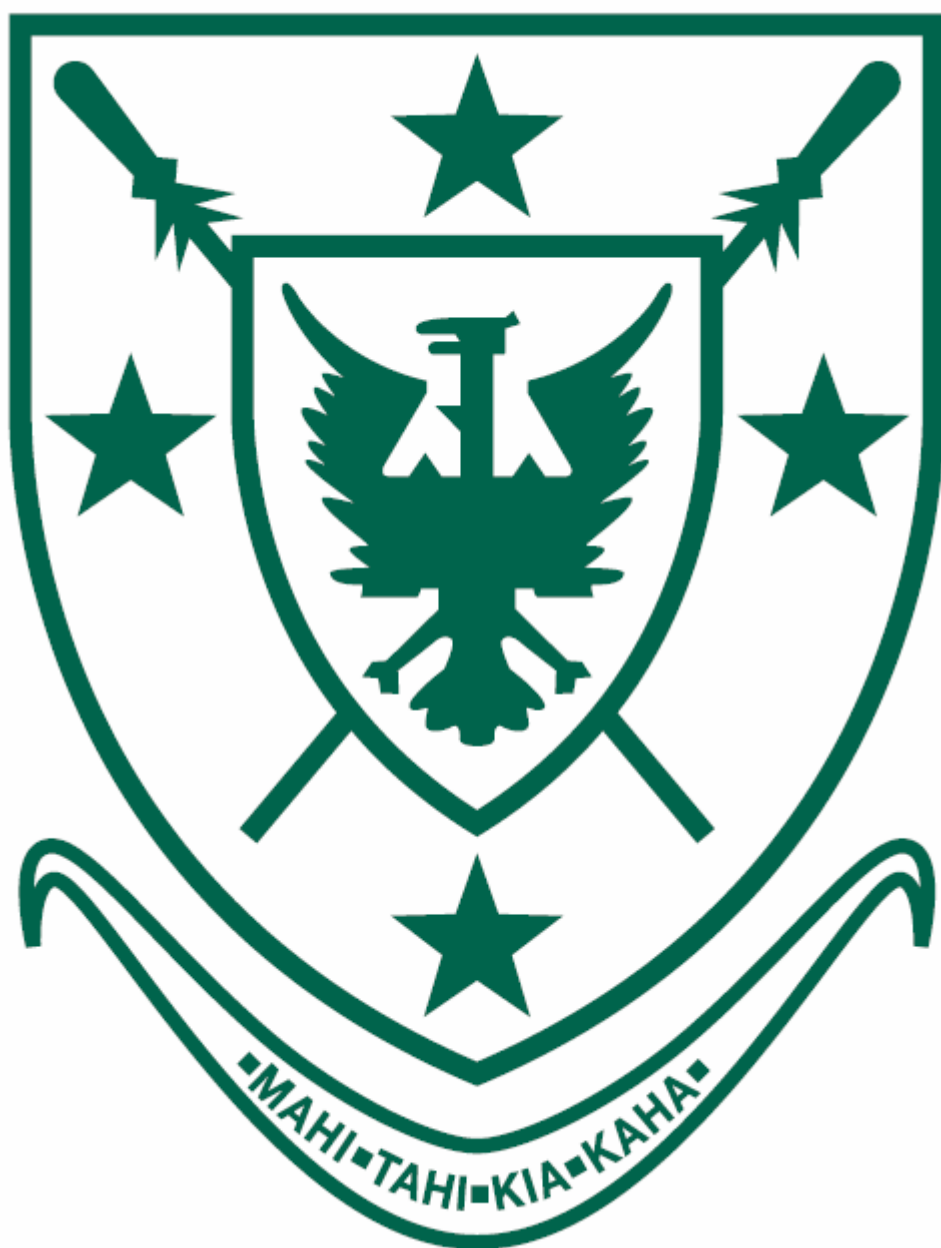
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