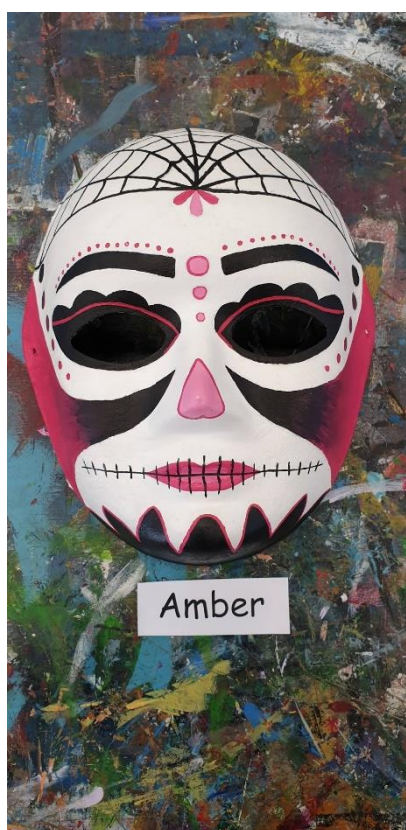




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Paeroa College Comment

21 August 2020



Amber Bowden-Work
Y10 Mask Assessment



Coming Events

25 August
Paeroa College Cross Country

26 August
HSP – Whole School

27 August
School Sports Photos

7-8 September
Year 13 Camp

9 September
Prospective Paeroa College
Parent Evening

14-18 September
Te wiki o te reo Maori language
week

24 September
Reports emailed and posted
home

25 September
Last day of Term 3

12 October
First day of Term 4

Principal's Message

Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa, warm greetings to you all,

Learning is in full swing at Paeroa College! Term 3 is an important time for students to focus on their learning experiences, and even more so this year. I want to acknowledge your support as we continue to navigate the challenges presented by Covid. It has been a pleasure to see high levels of attendance and engagement from our students as they endeavour to achieve both personal and academic excellence. It is important that our students continue to focus on all curriculum learning experiences, as each makes a unique contribution to their growth and development. As a school, our focus continues to be on high-quality meaningful outcomes for all learners. This means that every student is focused on, and working towards, outcomes that are connected to who they are and where they see themselves in the future.

Also as we inch closer to the end of year, NCEA continues to be a strong focus for our senior students. We are working in partnership to ensure that NCEA outcomes are in line with each student's goals and aspirations. We look forward to continuing our Home-School Partnership through the HSP meetings on 26 September. Please be aware that this is a compulsory school day and all students are expected to attend at least one learning conference.

Last week's COVID-19 announcement certainly came as an unexpected development. I want to assure everyone that we are following the Alert Level 2 guidelines that have been put in place and that under Alert Level 2, learning should continue as normal for nearly all learners.

Alert Level 2 measures

- At Alert Level 2 it is safe for all students, children and staff to attend school and early learning.
- Children and staff who are at higher-risk of severe illness are encouraged to take additional precautions when leaving home (masks, personal sanitiser etc).
- Please be alert to illness. We are asking anyone who is presenting with cold or flu symptoms to stay home.
- We are reinforcing good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette.
- Students and staff have been asked to be far enough away from each other so that they are not breathing on or touching each other,
- We have increased the daily cleaning of commonly touched surfaces.
- Physical distancing of 2 metres is recommended for school visitors (to align with public health measures outside the school grounds)
- We have displayed the QR code posters for the NZ COVID Tracer App.

Stay safe and well everyone. In a world in which you can be anything, be kind.

Nāku noa nā, ngā manaaki,
Amy
Principal/Tumuaki

Riding the Corona Coaster

Please find below the latest instalment from the Coronavirus Special Report Series which addresses the 'Corona Coaster' being experienced in areas of New Zealand and Australia.

Across New Zealand and Australia, students and their families are experiencing challenging times, being in various stages of lockdown yet again. Riding this 'corona coaster' and navigating the ups and downs of the current reality is proving to be confronting for many people. The coronavirus has turned our lives upside down with some students returning to remote learning and parents continuing to juggle the home environment.

In this Special Report, families are encouraged to embrace the guidance offered to help minimise the impact of this 'corona coaster'. We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this Special Report, and as always, we welcome your feedback.

If you do have any concerns about the wellbeing of your child, please contact the school for further information or seek medical or professional help.

Here is the link to your special report:-

https://schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-riding-corona-coaster

Face Masks

A huge thank you to the sewing ladies who switched from making boomerang bags to masks last week, we really appreciate you. You are able to purchase these from the Student Centre at Paeroa College. 2 for \$5



Sports

The WSSSA Executive has made the decision to recommence School Sports Fixtures under Alert Level 2. This is fantastic news, as we know the positive impacts sport has for our students. During this ever-changing time, we want to keep as much normality in our students' lives as it is safe to do. However, with the decision to recommence sport under Alert Level 2, come extra Health and Safety procedures.

The main procedure that has been added is that **Secondary School Sport will proceed under Alert Level 2, with all fixtures being Spectator Free.** This is to ensure that schools can manage the **100-person** gathering limit or any other limits placed upon the organisers by venues. This decision is to ensure the safety of the students, team support staff and the wider community. We know how much of a sacrifice this will be for many and the inconvenience this could create. But we ask for your continued support to keep our students, volunteers and community safe by following the procedures we now must implement.

Additional Procedures for sports played at Paeroa College

- No spectators allowed on site (Paeroa College grounds)
- Students to be dropped off and picked up at the Paeroa College bus bay.
- Students will be given arrival time by coach/manager and after the game will be required to change and leave the venue promptly.
- No after match function on College Grounds
- All away game procedures are given to us by the school we are going to and this information is passed on to the appropriate coaches and managers. Relevant information will then be given to students and parents.

Any breach of the procedures put in place will result in the game being stopped and the venue shut down with all required to leave.

Again, I acknowledge the impact this will have on all involved and many of the things we are required to do now are the opposite of what we ask for normally with regard to your support and presence on the side-line. However, the support we need most right now is for each of us to make the required sacrifices to keep our community safe.



Sports Photos are on Thursday 27th August in the school hall. Below is the timetable for the photos. If you are a coach or manager please arrive 10mins prior to your photo.

9.00am Basketball Senior Girls
9.05am Basketball Senior Boys
9.10am Basketball Junior Boys
9.15am Basketball Junior Girls
9.20am KapaHaka
9.25am 9A Netball
9.30am 10A Netball
9.35am Junior A
9.40am Senior Dev
9.45am Senior A Netball
9.50am Jun Boys Touch
9.55am Jun Girls Touch
10.00am Senior Mixed Touch
10.05am Girls Touch
10.10am Athletic Champs
Thames Valley
10.15am Athletics
10.20am Swimming Champs
Thames Valley
10.25am swimming
10.30am Triathlon Champs
10.35am Cross Country Champs
10.40am Motor Cross
10.45am Chess
10.50am Rugby Girls
10.55am Under 15 Rugby
11.00am First 15 Rugby
11.05am NZ REPS
11.10am Head Students
11.15am House Leaders
11.20am Prefects
11.25am Enviro
11.30am School Council

Get2Go

On Tuesday 11 August our group of eight students went to Cambridge to compete in the Get 2Go Competition. There we participated in three events, mountain biking, orienteering and paddle boarding as our team of eight.

We rotated around the three and had eight groups from different schools in our rotation. First, we did mountain biking which was at the Cambridge velodrome. While there we raced around a set track and counted the number of laps we could do in an hour, then compared that to the other teams in our rotation. This was good fun as the weather was clear and we did the best in our rotation.

After biking, we drove to an orientation course. As groups of two we had to follow a map across a course through the bush and after finding our first three points, merged into two groups of four and went to find the rest. This was pretty challenging but a good way to bond as a team.

To finish was a paddle boarding course. It was pouring with rain but we still managed to get 9 laps around a course on the lake. Overall, it was a great day and we are so glad to have had the opportunity to do it.

Grier Buchanan & Jamie-lee Owen



HSP (Home School Partnership)

We are approaching our second HSP (Home School Partnership) of the year. The purpose of these meetings is to see how your student is progressing and make some goals for the remainder of this year.

This HSP will involve the whole school (Year 9-13) and regular classes will not occur. Students are only required to attend for their interview times. However, supervision is available on request.

HSP Date: Wednesday 26th August 2020 8.20am-6.00pm

As this is an official school day, your student is required to make a 20 minute appointment with at least one of: their classroom teachers, Dean or Deputy Principal. You are strongly encouraged to attend with them. Your student will only need to attend their appointment/s on this day, they must be in correct school uniform.

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 **xgtqe** here you can select the relevant teacher and pick a time slot that suits you

*Teachers and Deans 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.

Please see this day as an opportunity for you and your student to have a positive conversation with the school around how we can best meet your student's needs and work our way through any concerns that you may have.

Breakfast Club

A big thank you to Richard Cox Contracting (RCC) for providing a smoothie maker to our Student Breakfast Club.

RCC sponsors the breakfast club which runs every Wednesday before school.

The student council set this up as a time for students to get some food or a warm drink. As well as cereals and toast we now have smoothies. The student council aim to get the pancakes up and running again soon.

The student breakfast is also a time to meet some different people in the school.

Thank you RCC for your support of the Breakfast Club.



Netsafe Parent Evening

Netsafe is hosting a free Netsafe LIVE event at Karangahake School, Paeroa. Join Netsafe's Education Advisor Pauline Spence as she talks about the risks, challenges and opportunities of digital tech and online spaces, and ways we can help young people to be safe online.

Karangahake School
Monday, 7 September
Parents and whānau 6.30 – 7.30pm

Powerful Partnerships – working together to support young people as they navigate the online world. Online safety for parents and whānau is more important than ever. As young people and children begin to spend more time online, it's important that parents help them build their knowledge of the online environment and develop emotional and social capabilities to help them make safe and responsible choices when they are online. So, how do you get started? This session is for parents and whānau who are caring for young people of all ages – from preschool to teenagers – and will look at they can support and enable children and young people to navigate online opportunities, challenges and complexities.

New Staff

This term we have welcomed 4 new Teacher Aides to Paeroa College.



(L-R) Vicki Martin, Leona-Jan Goodhue & Rana Lloyd and Megan Bruce

National Maths Week

Last week was National Maths week across the nation.

Every day there was a question in the notices for students to answer. One correct answer was drawn each day with the winner getting a \$5 canteen voucher. The winners were, Hamish, Grier, Wairua & Chandana. Well done to all those that entered.

The annual guess the number of lollies was won by Mrs Gurnick correctly guessing correctly with 187 lollies. Enjoy 😊



The lunch time quiz was completed by 4 teams. It was a very close race. The winners were the teachers – Mr Williams, Mr Koller, Mr McNaughten and Miss Hodgson with 60 pts. Closely followed by Hamish, Tyrone and Connor with 58 points and in third place the year 13 group with 56 points.



The Year 9 students took part in The Amazing Maths race period 6 last Friday. It was great to see all the year 9s out and enjoying the fresh air running around the school. It was a close race with 3 teams having equal points so the decider was their time.

The winners were: Tautoko, Ryan and Thomas - Well done team.

In second was Keanu, Phoenix and Matai

Third was Danica and Summer.

Every year there is a maths week website to go onto and this has different activities for students to take part in. <https://mathsweek.co.nz/>

Thanks to all who took part or helped with Maths Week – A special thank you to Ms Lowe and Mrs Berry for their extra support of Maths week.

Uniform

We now have images up on our website www.paeroacollege.school.nz of our school uniform.



Student / Parent / Caregiver Information

Student Services

Parents / Caregivers please note the number to text to advise the school your child is absent is 021 0885 8220- This is for TEXT only **** NEW NUMBER ****

Please Note – The student centre hours are:

Monday, Wednesday Friday 8.40am – 3.30pm, Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am – 3.30pm.

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.

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 is Sue Els. Sue will be here on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday's.

Counselling Service

We have counsellors available at school. This service is available on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday's, 9.00am – 3.00pm.

School Accounts

To keep on top of your school account, the school has an automatic payment system where you can set up a regular payment into your child's account. This can be as much or as little as you would like. Please note: Some school 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.

Collecting of Students from School

If you are collecting your child from school during the school day, whether it be for an appointment, or illness, you **MUST** come to the student centre to collect your child. Students will not be allowed to stand outside and wait. This is to ensure our students are safe.

If your child has to walk to an appointment etc, this must be pre-arranged with the College.

Students who need to leave school during the school day must have had a phone call from home made to the student centre prior to leaving and or a note from home. If they do not have either, then a phone call will be made to the immediate caregiver. This includes Year 13 students.

Uniform

If you are wishing to purchase a Jersey, Hoody or Jacket, please make sure you have paid either via internet banking or at the student centre. If you need us to measure your child for the correct size, please send them to the front office to see Ms Lowe and we can organise to have this done. Please note these items are not held in stock and need to be ordered.

Jackets \$ 75.00

Jersey \$ 66.00

Hoodie (not school uniform) \$ 60.00

With cooler days now upon us, please remember we have the long sleeve shirt and long pants for our Senior Boys and the long pants for our Senior Girls.

Boys Long Pants \$ 65.00

Boys Long Sleeve Shirt \$ 45.00

Girls Long Pants \$ 65.00

Important Contact Details

Senior Leadership Team

Principal – Amy Hacker	amyh@paeroacollege.school.nz
Deputy Principal – Miah Williams	miahw@paeroacollege.school.nz
Deputy Principal – Tina Youngman	tinay@paeroacollege.school.nz
Assistant Principal – Loretta Goodhue	lorettag@paeroacollege.school.nz

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Year 9 – Pastoral – Ramai Gurnick	ramaig@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 9 – Achievement – Grant van de Wetering	grantv@paeroacollege.school.nz
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Year 10 – Achievement – Ursula Johnson	ursulaj@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 11 – Pastoral – Felise Tai'i	feliset@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 11 – Achievement – Darren van de Wetering	darrenv@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 12 – Pastoral – Kirtis McNaughten	kirtism@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 12 – Achievement – Sheree Dunlop	shereed@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 13 – Pastoral – Denise Grimmer	deniseg@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 13 – Achievement - Bianca Till	biancat@paeroacollege.school.nz

Absences – ext 201 or dial 1 at the prompt or TEXT **021 0885 8220 ** NEW NUMBER ****

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 – Please keep them coming in 😊

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.

ValleyProm

What you need to know

- Location (Paeroa Memorial Hall opposite maccas)
- Date 14th November 2020
- Time 8pm - 12am
- Theme Graffiti
- Ticket price \$65 or a two tickets (couples) for \$100
- Year 11-13

Our two performers we have are Emilia Richards (dnb DJ), and the Famous KidRey! We also will be having a bunch of surprise tiktok guests from Rotorua boys & girls.

Tickets are only on sale for a limited supply so don't miss out. For any questions go to "valleyprom" on instagram and ask, cheers can't wait to see you there!

Surf Lifeguard training camp

Whangamata Surf Lifesaving Club
Saturday 26th - Tuesday 29th September
(First weekend of the school holidays)



Minimum age 14 years as at 20 Oct 2020.
Training and membership fees apply.

To register please email Dominic at
whangamata.slsc.recruitment@gmail.com
Applications close September 10th

**Want to spend your summer at the beach,
make new friends and learn some new skills?**

Join the team at Whangamata!

PAEROA COLLEGE TREATY

MAHI TAHI KIA KAHA

We respect people, their belongings & our environment

We promote a caring, safe & welcoming environment

We appreciate our people and place

We are supportive of each other

We own our actions & decisions

We are organised and prepared

We are committed to learning

We show pride in all we do

We are role models

We are inclusive

We are kind



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