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Paeroa College Comment

11 February 2021



Coming Events

12th February
Swimming Sports

19th February
Athletics Day

23rd February
Board of Trustees Meeting

24th -26th February
Year 9 Camp

24th March
Class Photos

2nd April
Easter Friday

5th April
Easter Monday

12th – 14th April
Year 13 Camp

16th April
End of Term 1

Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa,

What an absolute pleasure it is to welcome all new and returning staff and students to the 2021 school year. Paeroa College has experienced incredible roll growth over the past 2 years with our numbers growing by an additional 15% this year. It is humbling to acknowledge the trust you and your whānau place in us as you bring your children, your most precious taonga to us for their secondary school education. This school sits firmly at the heart of Paeroa and its aspirations for our young people and their future.

I would also like to extend a very warm welcome to the new staff we are privileged to have among us. This year we welcome 4 new teachers here to Paeroa College as well as the Hauraki RTL service, for whom we are now the lead school. I also welcome new whānau from Goldfields school, and new support staff.

I would like to acknowledge the relentless commitment and resilience shown in 2020 by the Board of Trustees, the staff, the community and iwi, the families and whānau and our students. It was a challenging year and I am humbled by the commitment that continued to create our positive student-centred educational environment with high expectations for all students.

We have established an expectation of excellence and the spirit of Mahi tahi Kia Kaha. We are determined that every student will discover their own path, their own place to stand, from which they can contribute to their community and wider society.

Our vision has once again resulted in outstanding academic progress and NCEA achievement. However, I am sure you will agree that the success of our school is measured not only in school qualifications, but more importantly in the character of our young people. They are outstanding.

I am excited to remind you that The Government has introduced a free, healthy, daily school lunch for all students at Paeroa College. Providing lunch to every student is a wonderful opportunity to ensure everyone has the energy and nutrition they need to ensure their bodies and brains are ready for learning. We look forward to being able to support our students and families in this way.

Please be assured that my phone line is open. My door is open. And I promise to find the time to sit with you, with parents, with students, with school board members, and with community leaders to hear your aspirations for our young people and any challenges or concerns you hold in your hearts. I hope you will always feel that I value your time and, more importantly, that I value you.

Nga mihi nui,

Amy Hacker
Tumuaki/Principal

Covid-19 Update

We are excited to welcome all students and staff to the start of Term 1. New Zealand remains at Alert level 1 and everyone is doing the right thing to prevent the spread of COVID-19, so we're pleased to say it's business as usual.

With over 100,000 people coming back to New Zealand through managed isolation facilities, the very low number of community cases is a reflection of the quality of work by the managed isolation staff and health authorities. Overall, 1.5 million people have now been tested.

Unfortunately, we have to expect COVID cases to emerge but we can be reassured by the speed, breadth and depth of the health response. New Zealand is top equal with Australia in the world as having the highest rates of testing per positive case. We know that the approaches being taken in the MIQ are at a very tight forensic level.

We continue to have a large amount of control over how we can prevent the spread of COVID. For our school we will:

- display QR code posters for the NZ COVID Tracer App
- keep our visitor register, attendance register and timetables up to date
- be monitoring for illness and asking anyone who is unwell to remain at home, or to go home
- encourage people with relevant symptoms to seek medical advice through Healthline or their GP and get tested for COVID if recommended to do so
- reinforce the importance of good hand washing and drying
- reinforce good cough and sneeze etiquette

I can reassure you that we will continue to regularly clean all parts of our school. Āraia te kino and protect yourself, your whānau and your whakapapa.

Change of Details

Please remember to let us know if you or your emergency contact for your child changes or your details change i.e. home phone number, your cell phone number or new address should you move houses, even your email address.

This way we can make sure our information is going to the correct place when sending reports, letters, newsletters or should we need to ring you regarding your child.

Waitangi Trip

Anō te pai te āhua reka o te noho tahi a ngā teina me ngā tuākana i raro i tēnei kaupapa nui taiooreore, arā, Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

Our rumaki reo and senior te reo Māori students had an awesome day at the Treaty Grounds in Paihia celebrating Waitangi Day. They spent the day visiting places of historical significance, hearing the kōrero of these places, and eating some nice kai.

A special thanks to Mrs Hacker, Roxanne, and Fenella for helping out on our haerenga, aroha nui ki a koutou. Ko koutou kei tawhiti 😊



Lunches in Schools

Term 1 has seen the start of our lunches in schools programme. Lunches are provided to all students who are at school. We even provide lunches for school trips. If your child has any food allergies, please email yolandel@paeroacollege.school.nz. Below please find the daily menu for this term as well as a photo of our lovely Lunches Ladies Sally Dustow, Tania Habib & Tracey Baxter.



Monday - Ham Wrap

Ham, Wholemeal wrap, lettuce, Mayo, Carrot

Tuesday - Bap

White Bap, Egg, Bacon, Mayo, Spinach, Spread

Wednesday - Roast Beef Sandwich

Wholemeal Bread, Sliced Beef, , lettuce, Cucumber, M

Thursday - Chicken Wrap

Wholemeal wrap, Chicken, lettuce, , Mayo, Spread

Friday - Hot Dogs

Wholemeal long roll, frankfurter, Coleslaw, Spread

New Teaching Staff for 2021

We have 4 new teaching staff this year. We would like to introduce the below:

Pippa Lawlor – Technology

Shaun Sanders – Science

Miranda Hodgson – Social Science & Health

Stuart Price - Technology



School Leaders for 2021

Head Students:

Learning	Nelson Thorne
Wellbeing	Sarah Watson
Community	Kiwa Wehipeihana
Sport	Jana Smith
Arts & Culture	Charlotte McKenzie-Jenner
Manukura	Laiken Tui-Williams



Prefects

Korbin Chwesik, Aimee Iremonger, Naomi Smith, Jasmine Lucero, Sydney Stuart, Ariihia Morehu, Tyronne Goble & Hamish Buchanan.



House Leaders

Maru -

Rimu Alexander, Sarah Harris
& Cole Williams – Te Moananui



Ngakotu –

Amber McKain, Carlaus Taholo-Tauranga
& Quinn Hirama-Comer



Rapiri –

Baylie Pratt, Grace Wright
& Treymaine Te Moananui



Tara –

Flynn Halden, Benjamin Vong
& Jenna Cheum



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**

Please Note – The student centre hours are:

Monday – Friday 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 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday's.

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.

Important Contact Details

Senior Leadership Team

Principal – Amy Hacker	amyh@paeroacollege.school.nz
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Deputy Principal – Andrew Cameron	andrewc@paeroacollege.school.nz

Deans

Year 9 – Pastoral – Chris Doak	chrisd@paeroacollege.school.nz
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Year 10 – Pastoral – Ramai Gurnick	ramaig@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 10 – Achievement – Darcy Knyvett	darcy@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 11 – Pastoral – Felise Tai'i	feliset@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 11 – Achievement – Ursula Johnson	ursulaj@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 12 – Pastoral – Taylor Wanakore	taylorw@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 12 – Achievement – Darren van de Wetering	darrenv@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 13 – Pastoral – Kirtis McNaughten	kirtism@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**

Accounts / Executive Officer – Debbie Gould	debbieg@paeroacollege.school.nz
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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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