



Excelling as a creative, innovative, can-do community

Paeroa College Comment

30 September 2022



Our Café Academy students with Mrs Walker last week made a full restaurant type meal for Rotary Paeroa to say thank you for their continued support of Paeroa College



Coming Events

30th September
End of Term 3

17th October
Start of Term 4

20th October
Sports Prizegiving 1.15pm

25th-28th
Fiesta Week

26th October
Swimming Sports

26th-27th October 7.00pm
Performance Academy Showcase

31st October
Board of Trustees Meeting

3rd November
Senior Prizegiving 7.00pm

7th November
NZQA Exams Start

15th November
Y8 Student Day

16th November
Y10 NCEA Evening

28th November
Board of Trustees Meeting

1 December
2023 New Enrolments Due

5th – 8th December
Year 10 Camp
(note change of date)

9th December – Last day of Term 4
Junior Prizegiving

Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa,

As term 3 comes to an end, please accept my very best wishes for a restful and healthy term break. I know that the last two and a half years have been a challenging time for all of us. With the government announcing changes to our country's response to COVID -19 we can all look forward, with some optimism, to a return to a new normal where we can plan to be together and celebrate those things we hold most dear. Please rest assured that, as a school, we will continue to follow all public health advice to ensure we keep doing our part to protect our community and our tauira/students, our most important asset and gift to the future.

It has been comforting over these turbulent times to have some predictability in our lives. One person who has provided us with a sense of stability has been Queen Elizabeth II. During her 70 year reign she remained steadfast in her devotion to duty and public service. The queen declared "that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service,". Her statement has rung true throughout her life. I know she will be missed by many.

With this week marking the end of the term, I am very aware of how important it is to ensure we make the most of the time we are given. Our school vision "Excelling as a courageous, innovative, can do community" captures the heart of what makes Paeroa College unique. Please be on the lookout for your child's school report, which will be sent home during the first week of next term. I encourage you to take the time to discuss the contents of the report with your child and make a plan moving forward that will enable them to make the most of the rest of the year. Please know we are 100% committed to each and every student achieving their very best.

This week we have acknowledged Mental Health Awareness week with a variety of lunch-time activities, a mufti day and a school social. This week provides a timely reminder that wellbeing is something we must all prioritise in our own lives and the lives of those around us. We have spent the week reminding all students that they are not alone and that it is important to ask for help when needed. The teenage years can be particularly challenging for both students and their families. Please know that the school is here to partner with you as we address these challenges.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to clarify a couple of school behavioural expectations. Please ensure your children arrive at school on time, in the correct uniform and prepared to work. Respectful relationships are at the heart of robust and transformative education.

Our commitment to fostering an emotionally and physically safe environment means behaviour that interferes with the rights of other members of the school community will not be tolerated. There is a disturbing trend of students filming and sharing (via social media) antisocial behaviour. This is unacceptable and I make no apologies for the firm stance we are taking against this behaviour.

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.

Ngā manākitanga,

Amy Hacker
Tumuaki/Principal

New Board of Trustees

Below are the results from the Board of Trustees Parent / Staff and Student Representative Election.

Parent & Staff Elections Results Declaration

Parent representative votes:

AUSTEN, Suzanne 42
BUCHANAN, Conall 48
DUSTOW, John 50
MURRAY, Kawetanga Renae 38
TE TEIRA, Christine 53
TILSLEY, Jo-Lene 59
WILKINSON, Larn 58
Invalid votes 1

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

BUCHANAN, Conall
DUSTOW, John
TE TEIRA, Christine
TILSLEY, Jo-Lene
WILKINSON, Larn

Staff representative

At the close of nominations, as there was only one valid nomination received, I hereby declare the following duly elected.

VAN DE WETERING, Grant

Student representative votes:

AUSTEN, Tallis 48
LANCE, Hayden 116

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

LANCE, Hayden

Yolande Lowe
Returning Officer

Enrolments for 2023

We are in the process of finalising plans for the 2023 school year. As such, we are encouraging all families with students in year 8 who intend to begin at Paeroa College in 2023 to submit their enrolment paperwork as soon as possible. The deadline for this paperwork is 1 December, for an on-time start to the 2023 school year.

This timely enrolment will allow us to ensure your child's needs are met in terms of appropriate staffing and course selection. We are also encouraging families with students whose education was disrupted by Covid-19 or who left school, to consider re-enrolment. It is never too late to make a new start and earn your secondary school qualifications. As we do not have a zoning area, Paeroa College welcomes students from within the Paeroa community and throughout the local region. Enrolment packs are available from the Student Centre. Please email deb@paeroacollege.school.nz for additional information.

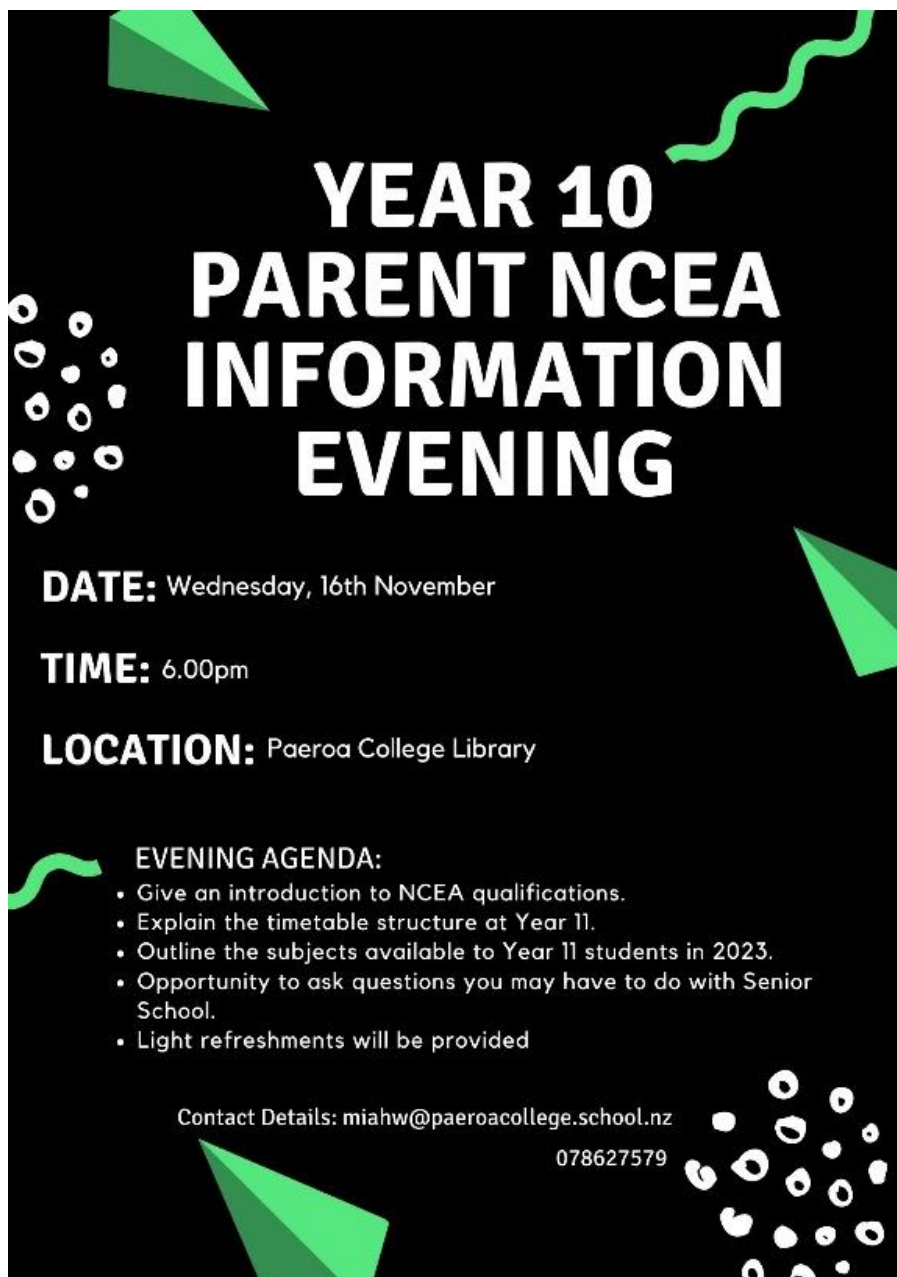


Course Selection for 2023

Below are dates for various year levels for course selection for 2023.

2023 Course Selection Dates:

- 25/10 Course booklets sent out to current Y11 and Y12 students
- 31/10-2/11 Course selection interviews for current Y11 and Y12 students
- 15/11 Course booklets sent out to current Y10 students
- 16/11 NCEA evening for parents of current Y10 students
- 21/11 Option descriptions sent out to current Y9 students
- 21/11-22/11 Course selection interviews for current Y10 students
- 24/11 Course selection of Y10 Options for current Y9 students



**YEAR 10
PARENT NCEA
INFORMATION
EVENING**

DATE: Wednesday, 16th November

TIME: 6.00pm

LOCATION: Paeroa College Library

EVENING AGENDA:

- Give an introduction to NCEA qualifications.
- Explain the timetable structure at Year 11.
- Outline the subjects available to Year 11 students in 2023.
- Opportunity to ask questions you may have to do with Senior School.
- Light refreshments will be provided

Contact Details: miahw@paeroacollege.school.nz
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Club's

Our Club's programme is thriving here at the College!
Our clubs for 2022 include:

Two Dungeons and Dragons Clubs. These two clubs are supported by 3 teachers. One club runs on a Thursday with 2 separate groups. It has a year 11 group of 5 students and a year 12/13 of group of 7 students. There is also a year 10 group of 6 students on a Wednesday. Moving forward, the club will be looking at getting some funding to purchase some dice and laminated maps.

LGBTQ Support group. This has been available at Paeroa College for two years now. They meet once every two weeks at lunchtime and enjoy a time to talk through any issues they may be having as well as generally enjoy camaraderie. Membership is fully confidential. Up to 15 students attend.

Robotics Club. This club meets on Thursday lunchtimes and is a group totalling 10 students from year 9 – 11. They enjoy building, programming, and controlling a VEX robot. This gives practical students a creative outlet, as well as fuelling interest in coding classes. Not everyone can participate at once, as they only have one robot and it is not possible to engage more than 5 people in building a robot at once, as only 2 can feasibly have their hands on the robot at a time. This robot was purchased with funding from the Right to Learn Trust managed by Perpetual Guardian. The club will likely seek funding to expand at a later stage. In future, the club would like to compete at inter-school robotics competitions.

Drama Club is a group of 7 year 9 & 10 students, and they are currently meeting once a week on Tuesday lunches. It allows for a continued meeting place for students passionate about acting. They are currently working towards putting on a 'Mini Production' of a selection of scenes from Grimms Fairy Tales. They hope to perform this in Term 4.

Pottery Club is a group of up to 15 students who meet after school on a Wednesday for around 2 hours. They fashion different items and practice different techniques under the talented expertise of Mrs Dunser. Moving forward the pottery club needs to have its own clay and may charge a fee for this, in a similar way to how sports team charge fees. Other options such as pottery shows are being considered as fundraisers as well. **Movie Club** has been proposed this term and had its first meeting. It is great to see students show initiative and start a club.

Community Notice Board

Whānau Day Out

Wednesday 5th October 2022

10am - 1:30pm

PAEROA WAR MEMORIAL HALL

A fun interactive gathering of local health providers,
social services and community groups for the local
and wider community

Fun kids activities - FREE Sausage Sizzle - Spot Prizes -
Bouncy Castle - Health Services - Community Services
- Music - Mahi Toi - FREE Health Checks + MORE !



Open Community Tennis Day

FREE
ENTRY

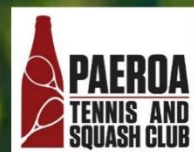
Sunday
9th October

Starting from 10am

Open to ALL ages

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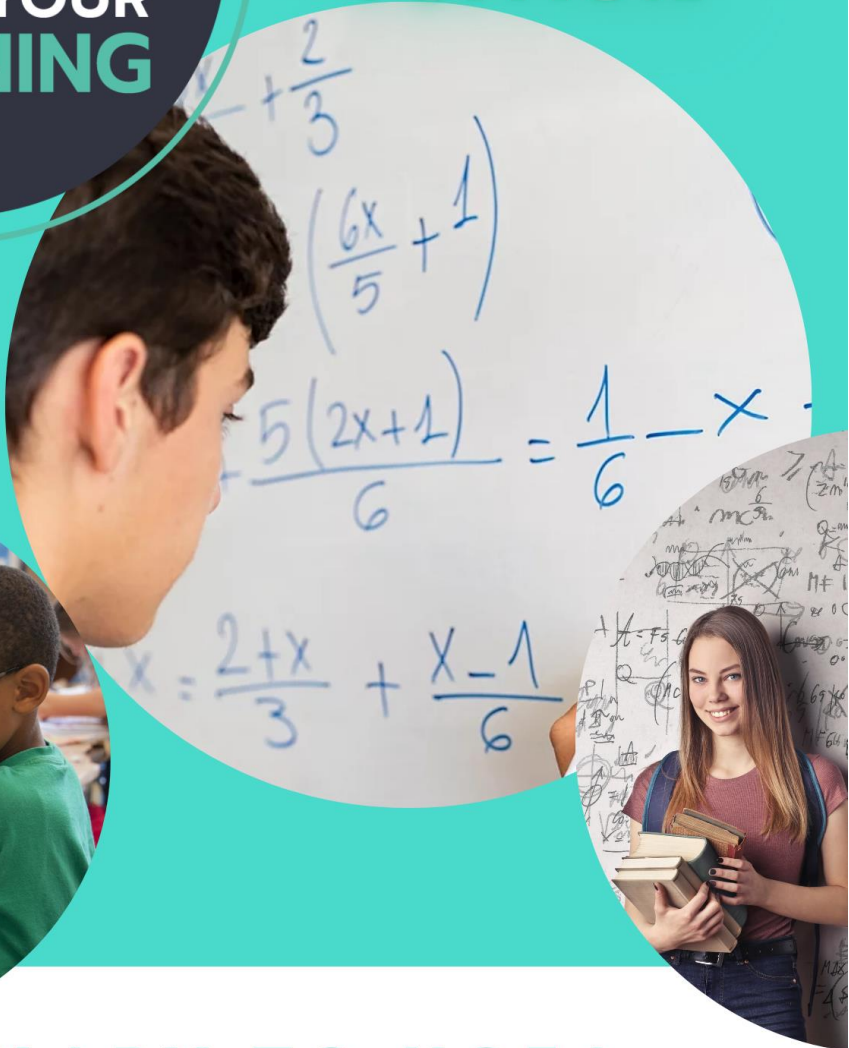
Organised
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activities

For more information please contact: **John 027 4514688**
15 Te Aroha Road, Paeroa - next to Paeroa College



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Thames Valley Deerstalkers Assn. Docking at Panekiri Station, Oct 2022

**We NEED you.
Can you HELP?**

This annual club fundraiser starts on **Friday 7th of October** which is rolling around quickly.

This year we are starting a wee bit earlier (the end of the first week in the school holidays) This will mean that for all those kids, teenagers and parents who are keen to come down – it will be more user friendly with your school terms. We should be finished approx. Saturday or Sunday the following week, end of holidays.

For those who have not been down there before, Panekiri Station is a 9000ha government owned hill country farm. It is located southeast of Lake Waikaremoana, bordering the Waiau River for a good distance and includes the Waihi power station. It farms over 20,000 ewes, so about 30,000 lambs! and over 2000 angus breeding cows.



We run two crews operating on different areas of the station. We stay in the shearers quarters.

Essentially so long as the weather is ok – WE DOCK LAMBS and the more fine days we have the quicker the job is done.

Huge thanks to those who have made contact so far– it really is appreciated.

You don't need to have had experience docking lambs before – it's a case of many hands make light work and with everyone chipping in to help it certainly makes for a real social atmosphere and a great way to help out on both fronts – as an excellent club fundraiser and also helping the team down on the Station.

Parents and helpers for preparing meals etc are also welcome.

All you need to bring is some farm clothes, a sleeping bag and a willingness to work as a team and the rest just falls into place. The meals and food are all provided by the club. Car pooling and transport can also be arranged if need be.

For more info contact Maureen Coleman on 0273337786,
Or Wayne Stachurski on 0274916352.

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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