



*Excelling as a creative, innovative, can-do community*

# Paeroa College Comment

19 May 2023



Some of our wonderful Y9's supporting  
Pink Shirt Day against bullying.



## Coming Events

25<sup>th</sup> May  
Year 11 Rostered Home

30<sup>th</sup> May  
Year 13 Rostered Home

1<sup>st</sup> June  
Year 12 Rostered Home

1<sup>st</sup> June  
Board of Trustees Meeting

5<sup>th</sup> June  
King's Birthday – No School

6<sup>th</sup> June  
Teacher Only Day

8<sup>th</sup> June  
Year 9 Rostered Home

13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> June  
Year 11 Camp

30<sup>th</sup> June  
End of Term 2

17<sup>th</sup> July  
Start of Term 3

2<sup>nd</sup> August  
Whole School HSP Day

23<sup>rd</sup> August  
Sports and Clubs Photos

28<sup>th</sup> August – 3<sup>rd</sup> September  
Tournament Week

28<sup>th</sup> August  
Board of Trustees Meeting

# Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa,

I hope this newsletter finds you buzzing with the excitement of both learning and winter sport and activities. It was a real pleasure to catch up with so many of you in our HSP meetings. With the ongoing industrial action, it is essential that your child attends school every day. On the days your child is rostered home, please remember that they are meant to be studying from home. Although their teachers are not available on the day, your child will have ongoing mahi to focus on and the opportunity to catch up on reading or study. This is particularly true for our NCEA students, all of whom have ongoing assessments.

Unfortunately, recent research has highlighted increased levels of stress, anxiety and depression in today's young people. When it comes to teenagers, it can sometimes 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 wellbeing concern. 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. In addition, stress and anxiety can be exacerbated by irregular sleeping patterns or poor nutrition.

As adults, we know that if we neglect our physical health, our mental wellbeing also suffers. Teenagers can sometimes have difficulty making these connections for themselves and so rely on adults to set solid expectations for them in terms of diet, exercise and sleep habits. Please also consider whether your child's use of social media is supporting or hindering their wellbeing.

If your child is struggling, please reach out and let us know. We have a variety of counselling services available at the college with no charge to you. In addition, we are happy to connect you with a variety of professional services off-site that are available free of charge.

As always, I am committed to ongoing positive reciprocal relationships with you. I love having a chat along the side lines of the sports fields. Please feel welcome to get in touch and share whatever is on top for you!

Noho ora mai/ stay well,

Amy

# Creative Cats Academy

## Red Leap Theatre Workshop

On Friday 12th May the Creative Cats Academy were visited by the Red Leap Theatre Company.

The day comprised of 14 students from years 11-13 taking part in a half day workshop. The company introduced the students to Red Leap's style of theatre. This is a physical, abstract approach to performance; in which the actors work as an ensemble. The students learnt a number of games and exercises designed to help them build confidence, focus, collaboration and physical timing.

The leaders of the workshop, Mar-Mer and Tama, guided the students through a series of challenging concepts and ideas in order to allow them to experience how they can create their own theatre. Everyone enjoyed the day and it is hoped that the students will be able to use this experience later on in the term when creating their own drama pieces.



# Attendance Codes

We have had a few questions around what the attendance codes are and what they mean. These questions were raised at the HSP Day.

Please find below a list of codes that get entered when your student is away based on each situation. If you feel your student has been coded incorrectly, please contact their House Group Teacher.

Select Attendance Code for HOUSEMEETI A	
* Present in Class	M Short Term Illness / Medical
L Late to Class	G Holiday during Term Time
? Not in Class	U Temporarily Withdrawn / Stood Down
	O Overseas Posting
P Alternate Tuition / Present in Class	N School Based Activity (on-site)
V Study Period	Q School Trip / Camp (off-site)
X Exam Leave	W Work Experience
S Sick Bay	
D Doctor / Dentist Appointment	Z Attending Secondary Tertiary Programme
I Internal School Appointment	K Attending Teen Parent Unit
R Removed from class (Temporarily)	A Attending Alternative Education
	Y Attending Activity Centre
T Truant / No Explanation	H Attending Health Camp / School
E Explained Absence (Unjustified)	C Attending Justice Court Proceedings
J Explained Absence (Justified)	F Attending Off-Site Course / Class
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## Outward Bound

A big congratulations to Charlotte Eastham for securing the Sir Roy McKenzie Outward Bound Rotary Scholarship. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to attend a 21 day Outward Bound adventure. Charlotte's voyage will be held between 28th June – 18th July 2023 at the end of the second school term.

The scholarship is offered as a bequest left by Sir Roy, a former Rotarian, and enables the recipient to gain a scholarship valued at \$4,025.

Charlotte was selected from 56 Rotary clubs, as one of the two recipients. We are extremely proud of her and wish her all the best on her adventure in the Marlborough sounds. Thank you to Paeroa Rotary for their ongoing support.



## Rostering Home

As part of the PPTA industrial action, year levels will be rostered home each week. The days are as follows:

Thursday 25 May – Year 11 are at home

Tuesday 30 May – Year 13 are at home

Thursday 1 June – Year 12 are at home

Thursday 8 June – Year 9 are at home

## School Jackets

Paeroa College is lucky enough to be part of the Kidscan Programme. This means we are gifted hooded jackets to be used as school jackets at no cost to our students.

Each student is entitled to receive one of these jackets. Please make sure it is named. Should a student lose their jacket, we have 2<sup>nd</sup> hand jackets in the original school design (no hood) available to be used or there is the option to purchase a new original jacket for \$75.00. The Kidscan jackets are unable to be purchased. We cannot sell these jackets due to Kidscan rules.

These can be ordered through the normal school uniform purchasing system.

The only way a student can receive another Kidscan jacket is if they have outgrown their existing one. Therefore, they would then bring the smaller item back to be swapped for a larger one.

## Community Notices


A message from a member of the public:

*Dear Paeroa College staff,*

*I drive past Paeroa College several times a year on and I ALWAYS think how beautiful the grounds look.*

*Paeroa College looks absolutely immaculate and who ever looks after the grounds obviously takes great pride in keeping the school looking superb.*

*Congratulations to your grounds people because I do a lot of driving around the country and Paeroa College has the most pristine grounds of all of the schools I pass by.*



**REAC**

### WALKERS WANTED!

- Reliable distributors wanted for part-time work delivering catalogues/newspapers into household letterboxes
- No experience necessary - really!
- We would prefer if you had a smartphone
- Materials to be distributed are delivered right to your door
- Regular work - Updated Rates

**EARN EXTRA CASH, GET YOUR DAILY EXERCISE  
& EXPLORE THE NEIGHBOURHOOD!**

**APPLY NOW!** Please visit: [reach.nz/walker-signup](https://reach.nz/walker-signup)

# 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 school doctor is available most weeks either onsite or through a virtual appointment. These appointment times vary so it is best for students and whānau to inquire through our nurse for an appointment.

Our school nurse is Sue Els. Sue will be here on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday's 9.00am – 3.00pm

We have counsellors available at school. This service is available on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 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.

## Buses

Any queries regarding buses, please contact Pauline Kisling via email at [paulinek@paeroacollege.school.nz](mailto:paulinek@paeroacollege.school.nz)



# Important Contact Details

## Senior Leadership Team

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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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