

*Mahi Tahī Kia Kaha*

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**\*\* events calendar has moved \*\***

# Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa,

We have had a successful round of HSP interviews to start the term and I want to thank all those parents who took the time out of their day to engage with these. The partnership between home and school when strong is known to help students maximise their learning potential. I encourage all our students to work on the areas highlighted in these interviews and through the progress reports. Term two is a time to settle into the work and make significant progress towards achievement goals, especially for students undertaking NCEA assessments.

Winter sports are now well underway. We have had some pleasing results across a range of codes and once again thank you to all the coaches, managers and parents that make these sports possible. Educational research is saturated with data around the benefits of involvement in team or group based extracurricular activities. What we often refer to as the soft skills such as communication, problem solving, collaboration and dealing with conflict are developed through such activities. Students participating in these activities generally speaking tend to have significant improvement in these skills due to their participation.

The new phone rules have made a positive change to both the classroom environment and break times. I appreciate all those students who have made the adjustment to the new rules and are working with the school to ensure we comply with these changes. A reminder that those students who have their phones placed in a Yondr pouch three times will need their parents to come in and collect their phones from one of the Deputy Principals.

As winter sets in and the mornings are getting colder this can make students more reluctant to attend school. I can only continue to encourage students to keep up with regular attendance. This is one of the most significant indicators for student achievement. Regular attendance ensures that students are up to date with their learning, that new learning is consolidated and that they are best prepared for assessments. If transport to school is an issue, please notify the dean as Paeroa Community Trust has partnered with the College and can collect students who need a lift to school.

Keep up the good work and we are looking forward to a busy but fruitful Term Two.

Ngā mihi

Kieran Udy  
Acting Principal/Tumuaki

## Coming Events

22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Paid Union Meeting – School closing @ 1.00pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Whānau Hui 5.30pm
30 <sup>th</sup> May	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
31 <sup>st</sup> May	Teacher Only Day
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Kings Birthday – No School
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
24 <sup>th</sup> June – 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Matariki Week
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Matariki – No School
1 <sup>st</sup> July – 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 11 Camp
5 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term 2
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Start of Term 3
29 <sup>th</sup> July	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> August	Maths Week
26 <sup>th</sup> August	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
29 <sup>th</sup> August	Sports Photos
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Tournament Week
16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Te Wiki O Te Reo Māori Week
19 <sup>th</sup> September	Haka Wars & Waiata Challenge
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 12 Camp
27 <sup>th</sup> September	End of Term 3
14 <sup>th</sup> October	Start of Term 4
21 <sup>st</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Fiesta Week
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Sports Prizegiving
25 <sup>th</sup> October	Teacher Only Day
28 <sup>th</sup> October	Labour Day – No School
29 <sup>th</sup> October	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
30 <sup>th</sup> October	Senior Prizegiving
5 <sup>th</sup> November	NZQA Exams start
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Teacher Only Day – Exams still take place
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Last day of NZQA Exams
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Junior Prizegiving
12 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Term 4

# Cell phone Policy

Students are not allowed to bring their phones to school and will need to leave these at home. Parents wishing to contact their child can do so via the school office or student centre.

If a student is caught with their cell phone out during the school day and does not have an approved exemption then the phone will be placed into a Yondr pouch and locked. If they have a smartwatch this will also be placed into a Yondr pouch and locked. These are to remain locked and in the possession of the student for the duration of the school day. Students can unlock these on their way out of school at the end of the day using the Yondr unlocking stations that are located in the student centre and DP office. If a student is caught with their phone out three times, then a parent or guardian will need to collect the phone from the school and this will be collected from the DP's office.

Students who wish to apply for an exemption can do if they meet the following criteria:

- a phone is needed for health reasons (for example, to monitor insulin levels); or
- a phone is needed to help a student with a disability or learning support need (for example, to assist with impaired communication); or
- the principal decides that they are needed for special circumstances (for example, the student is a teenage parent).

Students at Paeroa College will not require phones for educational purposes as they are already issued with a Chromebook. Applications for exemption can be made using the "Cell phone exemption" form which is available from the student centre.

## Board of Trustees

In the interests of continuity and succession, the Paeroa College BoT invites expressions of interest in joining the Board as a Trustee.

Being a Trustee is a responsible and rewarding role, it contributes to the real impact our school has on our students' journey through life.

In the first instance please email our Principal, Kieran Udy [kieranu@paeroacollege.school.nz](mailto:kieranu@paeroacollege.school.nz)

# Winter Sports 2024

Winter sports are upon us and in some of our codes they have already had a few warmup games.

Fees have been charged to each student's account for those who are a member of a winter sports team.

These fees need to be paid in full before the third playing day. All winter sport codes will start play the first week of Term 2.

Below are the contact details for the coach in each code:

1 <sup>st</sup> XV Rugby	Aaron McKain	027 242 1289
Youth Rugby	Felise Tai'i	021 163 5842
Girls Rugby	Steven Hill	027 280 6302
Touch Rugby	Chris Doak	021 263 6430
Netball Open A	Holly McGahan	0274 818 690
Netball 10A	David Cranson	021 189 1833
Netball 9A	Lindy Gurnick	021 027 33620
Hockey – Mixed	Alison Imrie	022 088 6409
Lacrosse	Ursula Johnson	021 122 1874
Football – Mixed	Paul Beisly	022 072 0052
Basketball – Junior Boys	Steve McKain	027 556 0778
Basketball – Senior Boys	Steve McKain	027 556 0778
Basketball – Senior Girls	Gavin Johnson	022 455 2363

# Community Notices

## **PAEROA COLLEGE – Examination Centre Manager (Job Opportunity)**

Paeroa College is seeking an Examination Centre Manager (ECM) to run NCEA and NZ Scholarship examinations in 2024. The smooth and successful running of an exam centre is important for all students participating in these examinations.

The ECM must have a high level of digital literacy and experience with applications such as Microsoft Word and Excel, with the capability to develop competence with new applications quickly.

The ECM must also have a high level of organisational skills with great attention to detail, strength in following processes precisely and confidence leading people of all ages.

The position requires you to complete an online training programme and attend a one-day training session with NZQA in August.

The position requires you to complete a number of administrative tasks to plan and prepare for the exams. You must be available to work for the entire exam period (Tuesday 5 November to Friday 29 November).

For a job description or if you have any questions, please email [tinay@paeroacollege.school.nz](mailto:tinay@paeroacollege.school.nz).

Please send your CV and cover letter to [yolandel@paeroacollege.school.nz](mailto:yolandel@paeroacollege.school.nz)  
Applications close Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024





## Community Notices

Passing an exam when you aren't sure of the content and applications is almost impossible. At Boost Your Learning we want all students to feel confident and supported at NCEA, so we have developed this fantastic, interactive course to equip Y10 and Y11 students with everything they need to be successful in the Numeracy CAA. The course is split into a series of four modules with short five-minute lessons with an experienced teacher, an interactive quiz and follow up work designed to build NCEA Numeracy Skills:

With the first sitting of this exam at the end of May and with not enough students passing this exam in the pilots, set your child up for success by purchasing the course today. Each module is priced at \$25. To help you get started with your study schedule we have a free taster version of the course and a 40% discount for our in-depth modules.

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- ✔ Immediate feedback on your progress

[www.boostyourlearning.co.nz/courses](http://www.boostyourlearning.co.nz/courses)

# Thinking about university?



The team at Universities NZ are excited to offer the *Thinking About University?* guide and the *What to Study and Where?* guide for study in 2025. These resources are available on our updated website at [thinkingaboutuni.nz](https://www.thinkingaboutuni.nz)

Follow us on Instagram @thinking\_about\_uni to stay up to date with what we're doing.

We will also be at the NZ Careers Expo events (dates below.) Come past and say hi to the team!

New Zealand Careers Expo 2024	
9 - 10 May	Christchurch
15 May	Dunedin
22 May	Palmerston North
28 May	Napier
9-10 June	Hamilton
20-21 June	Auckland
26 June	Wellington







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# Rainbow Student Waananga



Weds  
26 June '24  
(T2 WK9)

9AM - 3PM  
Te Rapa  
Hamilton

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CONTACT: [RACHEL@INSIDEOUT.ORG.NZ](mailto:RACHEL@INSIDEOUT.ORG.NZ)

# 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.

We have a new school nurse has started. We would like to welcome Sheree McKain. Sheree will be here Monday, Tuesday, Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday & Thursday's 9.00am – 3.00pm.

We have counsellors available at school. This service is available on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 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

Acting Principal – Kieran Udy	<a href="mailto:kieranu@paeroacollege.school.nz">kieranu@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>
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Deputy Principal – Andrew Cameron	<a href="mailto:andrewc@paeroacollege.school.nz">andrewc@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>

## Deans

Year 9 & 10 – Achievement – Emma Black	<a href="mailto:emmab@paeroacollege.school.nz">emmab@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>
Year 9 – Pastoral – Paul Beisly	<a href="mailto:paulb@paeroacollege.school.nz">paulb@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>
Year 10 – Pastoral – Melissa Tonkin	<a href="mailto:melissat@paeroacollege.school.nz">melissat@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>
Year 11 – Achievement – Grant van de Wetering	<a href="mailto:grantv@paeroacollege.school.nz">grantv@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>
Year 11 – Pastoral – Chris Doak	<a href="mailto:chrisd@paeroacollege.school.nz">chrisd@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>
Year 12 & 13 – Ramai Gurnick	<a href="mailto:ramaig@paeroacollege.school.nz">ramaig@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>
Year 12 & 13 Transitions – Denise Grimmer	<a href="mailto:deniseg@paeroacollege.school.nz">deniseg@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>

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

Accounts / Executive Officer – Debbie Gould	<a href="mailto:debbieg@paeroacollege.school.nz">debbieg@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>
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Learning support & Student well-being –	<a href="mailto:andrewc@paeroacollege.school.nz">andrewc@paeroacollege.school.nz</a>

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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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