

Mahi Tahī Kia Kaha

Issue 24 – 6

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

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

Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Firstly, I want to say thanks to all those students who continue to regularly attend school and engage in the lessons prepared for them. We have celebrated those students who have had 100% attendance in Term One and will continue to do this as the year progresses. A wide range of research shows that attendance is one of the major contributing factors when it comes to students' academic performance. We have also seen an improvement on the percentage of students attending school more than 80% of the time in term one this year compared to 2023, well done to these students.

As winter sets in, attendance can become more of a challenge with the number of bugs and sickness going around. If your child is unwell then please do keep them at home rather than spread illness. The Government through the Ministry of Health has recently put out some advice around when to keep students at home and when to send them to school. This can be accessed through this [link](#) or by typing in the following: <https://info.health.nz/pregnancy-children/childhood-conditions/knowning-if-your-child-is-well-enough-to-go-to-school-guidance-for-parents/>

Congratulations to our sports teams with a range of very pleasing results in recent games. School sport is one of the best features of New Zealand schools compared to other similar countries such as Australia where students usually have to play for clubs. I encourage our students to commit fully to these teams, attending all practices where you can and supporting your teammates. Give it 100% and make sure we play within the spirit of the game.

The famous US College Basketball Coach of UCLA John Wooden is often quoted as saying "Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there." Part of character is turning up to training, listening to coaches, taking on advice and working together. It is the way that we play the game and the people we are that matters more than the results. These same lessons from sport can also be applied to other aspects of life including the classroom. Work with your teachers and always seek to get better. Work on the next steps so that you make the most of the learning opportunities you are presented with.

Finally, we are having a Matariki Dawn Ceremony on Monday 1st of July. This is open to the community and further information will be sent out to all whānau via email and the school's Facebook page. This will also mean an early finish at 1:00pm on this day, students requiring supervision etc will be able to stay at school until the usual 3:00pm finish. This is a fantastic way for us to celebrate Matariki here at Paeroa College.

Ngā mihi

Kieran Udy
Acting Principal/Tumuaki

Coming Events

24 th June	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
24 th June – 27 th June	Matariki Week
28 th June	Matariki – No School
1 st July	Matariki Dawn Service
1 st July – 3 rd July	Year 11 Camp
5 th July	End of Term 2
22 nd July	Start of Term 3
29 th July	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
8 th August	Prospective Parent Evening – Year 8 Students for 2025
12 th – 16 th August	Maths Week
26 th August	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
29 th August	Sports Photos
2 nd – 6 th September	Tournament Week
16 th – 20 th September	Te Wiki O Te Reo Māori Week
19 th September	Haka Wars & Waiata Challenge
23 rd September	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
25 th – 27 th September	Year 12 Camp
27 th September	End of Term 3
14 th October	Start of Term 4
21 st – 24 th October	Fiesta Week
22 nd October	Sports Prizegiving
25 th October	Techer Only Day
28 th October	Labour Day – No School
29 th October	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
30 th October	Senior Prizegiving
5 th November	NZQA Exams start
11 th November	Teacher Only Day – Exams still take place
25 th November	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in B1
26 th November	Year 8 Day
3 rd December	Last day of NZQA Exams
11 th December	Junior Prizegiving
12 th 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

Student's Own Vehicles

We have recently received communication from the Paeroa Squash and Tennis Club around our students parking in their carpark. As of Monday 10th June, our students are no longer to part in their carpark.

Please park on the road or in the new carpark at the far end of the school.

Matariki

Matariki Dawn Ceremony Monday 1st of July 2024

Nau mai haere mai, Paeroa College would like to invite whānau, friends and community to join with us to celebrate our special school Matariki Dawn Ceremony at the school on Monday 1st of July 2024.

This will be a special time to celebrate the incoming Māori new year with a karanga, karakia acknowledging ngā whetu e whitu (seven stars of Matariki) Ko Waipuna-ā-rangi, Tupu-a-nuku, Ururangi, Matariki, Tupu-ā-rangi, Waita and Waiti in a Hautapu ceremony.

After the ceremony whānau and the community will be invited to parakuihi (breakfast) together in the school hall. Our ceremony program will start at 6.00am with the karanga followed by karakia lead by Larn Wilkinson. Please gather outside Te Ruma OHINEMURI, Paeroa College (near field).

For catering purposes, we ask that you RSVP our main office either by phone 07 862 7579 or email traceyb@paeroacollege.school.nz by Monday 24th June.

For further information you may also contact whaea TeAhoraurangi Melba Pakinga, Te Pou Ārahi Māori at the school.

He waka eke noa e te whanau. (We are all in this together) nau mai haere mai, all welcome.

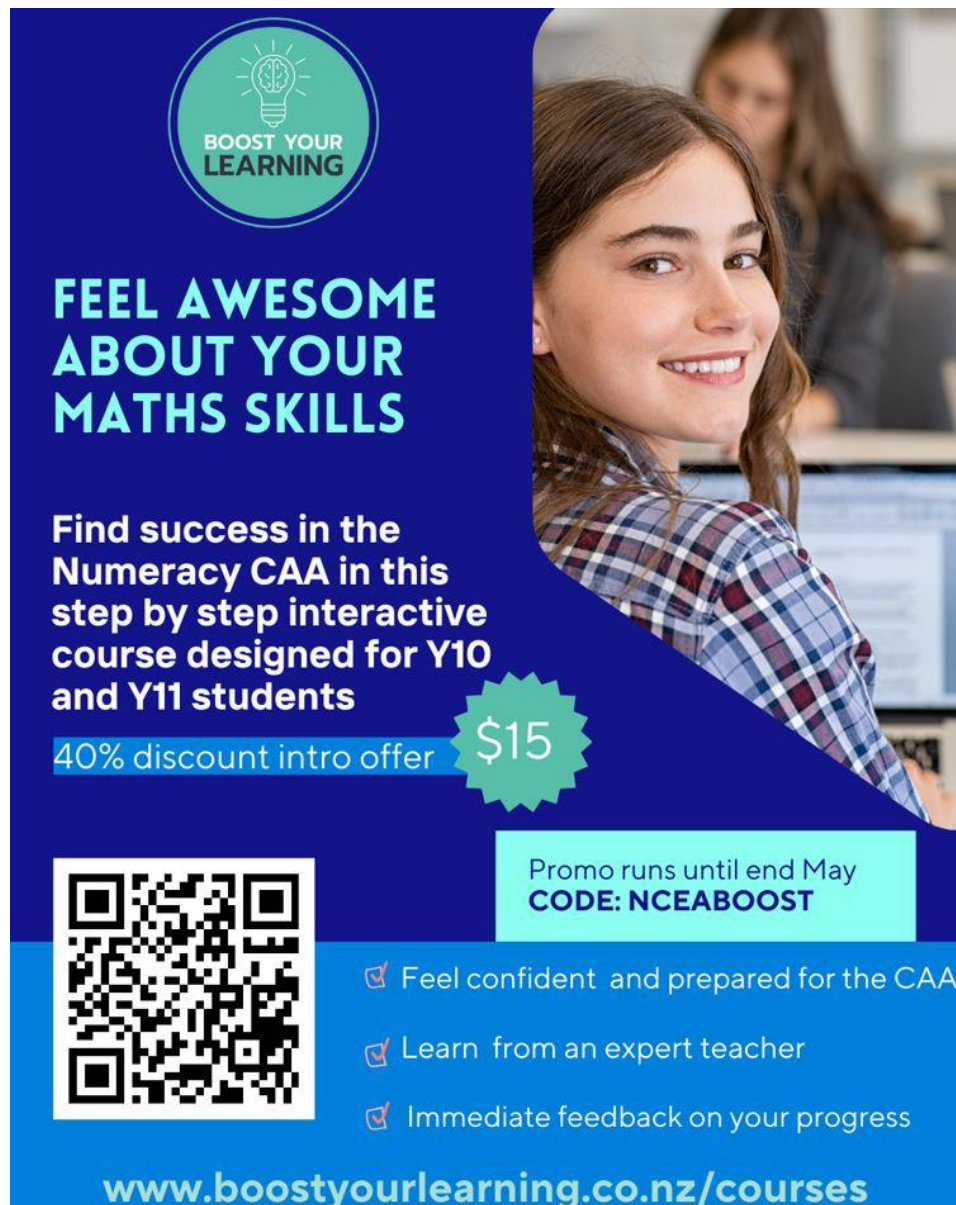



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Student / Parent / Caregiver Information

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 2nd 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

Important Contact Details

Senior Leadership Team

Acting Principal – Kieran Udy	kieranu@paeroacollege.school.nz
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Deans

Year 9 & 10 – Achievement – Emma Black	emmab@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 9 – Pastoral – Paul Beisly	paulb@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 10 – Pastoral – Melissa Tonkin	melissat@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 11 – Achievement – Grant van de Wetering	grantv@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 11 – Pastoral – Chris Doak	chrisd@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 12 & 13 – Ramai Gurnick	ramaig@paeroacollege.school.nz
Year 12 & 13 Transitions – Denise Grimmer	deniseg@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
Principal's PA – Yolande Lowe	yolandel@paeroacollege.school.nz
Student Services –	traceyb@paeroacollege.school.nz
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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

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