



PAEROA COLLEGE COMMENT

18 October 2024



Principal's Comment

Tēnā koutou katoa,



Term Four has now begun and there is a range of key events and dates that have been emailed out to all whānau and contained in this College Comment. Please take note of these events. Goodluck to all the senior students now involved in derived grades exams and preparing for end of year external assessments.

As you will be aware the College Board of Trustees has appointed Mr Andrew Cameron as the permanent Principal of Paeroa College from Term One 2025. I am confident he will do a tremendous job and will bring passion to this position.

Congratulations to all those students who will receive awards at the various prize giving ceremonies this term. This reflects the effort you have put it over the year as well as the various people who have supported you in your pursuits.

Also to inform the community that we are currently in the process of getting vape detectors installed in the student toilets. This will help to ensure that the toilets become a vape free area and students can safely use these without hassle. It is also timely to notify the community again that the College has several cameras around the campus. These are used primarily for security purposes and footage from these are not shared with parents etc due to privacy restrictions.

Ngā mihi

Kieran Udy

Acting Principal/Tumuaki

Phones at School

We would like to remind parents and students of the Ministry's ban on mobile phones during school hours. We understand the importance of keeping in touch with your child. However, if you need to get a message to your child, please contact the student centre and leave a message. We will make sure your child receives this message and students have the opportunity to phone home if required too.

Y10 Camp

Just a friendly reminder that camp fees need to be paid before students head off to camp on the 5th November. A letter will be coming home soon with a gear list and further information.



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Y12 Camp

The Year 12's started their camp journey in Tauranga, visiting Te Ohomai Institute of Technology. There the students had the opportunity to see a number of practical classes in action.

Students were amazed at the hands-on approach to learning, for example seeing fully functional hair dressing salons and restaurant catering kitchens. We left Tauranga for our backpackers lodging in Rotorua. Over the next 3 days, we embarked on a number of activities including an outdoor evening swim at the Polynesian Hot Pools, orienteering at the Rotorua Gardens, Escape rooms and mini putt. We also walked amongst the biggest Kauri trees in the Redwood forest and finished off with a Trick Art Museum.

It was a jammed packed three days of Whānaungatanga and fun.



School Uniform

As of the start of the 2025 school year, Year 11 students will now be in the senior uniform. This is our white shirt and black skirt, shorts or pants. Uniform shop hours for the start of 2025 will be advised towards the end of this year.



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Calendar Term 4 2024	
21-24 October	Fiesta Week
22 October	Sports Prizegiving 1.00pm – 3.00pm
23 October	Amy's Farewell Assembly Period 6
25 October	Teacher Only Day
28 October	Labour Day – No School
29 October	Board of Trustees Meeting in B1 @ 5.30pm
30 October	Senior Prizegiving 6.00pm – 8.00pm
5 November	NZQA Exams start
5 – 8 November	Year 10 Camp
11 November	Teacher Only Day – Exams still take place
25 November	Board of Trustees Meeting in B1 @ 5.30pm
26 November	Year 8 Day
3 December	Last day of NZQA Exams
11 December	Junior Prizegiving 11.00am – 12.30pm
12 December	Last day of Term 4

2025 Term Dates

Term 1	28 January – 11 April (school start date etc)
Term 2	28 April – 27 June
Term 3	14 July – 19 September
Term 4	6 October – 9 December

Parent / Caregiver Information

Number to Text for students being absent

021 024 04645

Student Centre is open 8.30am – 3.30pm Monday to Friday.