

PAEROA COLLEGE

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12 March, 2026

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Tumuaki MESSAGE

As we approach the business end of term one I want to acknowledge the positive start to the year we have had because of our students and staff. We regularly have visitors to our kura who comment about the friendly and positive environment we have here. This is because of the people who fill it on a daily basis.

We are now at a crucial stage of term where key learning and assessment take priority across all classes. For our students this means prioritising your mahi at school and breaking your tasks down into smaller more manageable chunks. For our whānau this looks like continued encouragement and involvement in your students' learning. This year we are continuing with catch-up days on the last day of each term to create the opportunity for students who have missed work or need a resubmission to catch up. These days are extremely important to enable our students to achieve success and catch up when and where necessary.

Lastly, as we head towards term 2 and the colder months we encourage our students and whānau to begin preparing for this in terms of our uniform. We strongly encourage a white short sleeve thermal top under uniform shirts to maximise warmth close to the skin. A reminder that all shoes and sandals must be completely black for the start of Term 2. As always if you have any issues with uniform please make contact with year level deans so that we can support finding the right solution for students.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa,

Andrew Cameron
Tumuaki / Principal



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Takarei Rayner



Azurith Taylor-Smith



Michaela Holloway



Seth Dally

2026 PREFECTS



Aimee Hill



Ruby Walmstey



Jonty Pollock



Amelia Kats

Y9 PREFECTS TO BE ANNOUNCED IN T2

SCHOOL BRIDGE



Welcome to School Bridge!

- This is where you can report an absence, check attendance, see the notices and our school calendar along with seeing your student's timetable.
- Eventually you will receive permission slips for trips through this app.
- To get started, download the app and then click on the Parent / Caregiver box.
- You will be asked to enter an email address. This email address MUST be the one we have on file for you. Schoolbridge will then send you a code and then you are in.

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Athletics results

Junior Girls

- ★ 1st Denvor Kisling
- ② Katie Davies
- ③ Layla Hannah

Junior Boys

- ★ 1st Kiwi Gurnick
- ② Zach Brown
- ③ Trey Koia- Hamling

Intermediate Girls

- ★ 1st Indie Robinson
- ② Mila Howard
- ③ Abigail Hill

Intermediate Boys

- ★ 1st Leon King
- ② Noah Ngaronga-
Luckman
- ③ Travis Nagal

Senior Girls

- ★ 1st Mikayla Beisly
- ② Eliza Stepanicic
- ③ Miley Maber

Senior Boys

- ★ 1st Clay McAdams
- ② Jacob Smith
- ③ Dante Taylor

House Results

- 4TH - MARU ❤️
- 3RD - TARA 💙
- 2ND - RAPIRI 🟡
- 1ST - NGAKOTU ❤️

REPORTING TIMELINE



In line with the new Ministry of Education reporting structures we have adjusted our reporting structures and timelines. Please read through the following as it outlines the 2026 reporting, Home School Partnership and Interview processes.

- **Weekly Summaries:** each week you will be emailed home a summary of your child's attendance, achievement, upcoming events and due dates.
- **Mid Year Report:** (23rd July) you will be emailed a mid-year summary report. This report will follow the new guidelines for Year 9 and 10 students. This webpage has some information for parents around MoE reporting guidelines for Parents & Whānau.
- **Home School Partnership Meetings with Deans:** (4th May) you will be able to book a 20 minute interview with the Pastoral or Achievement Dean to look at their progress across the school. All interviews will be able to be booked through the school interviews website.
- **Class Interviews:** (13th May) you will be able to book a 10 minute interview with any of the subject teachers to talk through specific things to do with particular subjects. All interviews will be able to be booked through the school interviews website.
- **End Of Year Report - Seniors:** (5th November) you will be emailed an end of year summary report.
- **End Of Year Report - Juniors:** (8th November) you will be emailed an end of year summary report following the new guidelines.

NEWS UPDATE

WE SUPPORT SAFE DRIVING IN OUR COMMUNITY. IF YOU SEE ANY DANGEROUS DRIVING BY PAEROA COLLEGE STUDENTS, PLEASE CALL *555



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Board of Trustees

Kia Ora Everyone,

My name is Seth Seerup, and I am a Year 13 student who is passionate about leadership, wellbeing, and creating positive change within my school and wider community.

For the past three years, I have served as the Student Representative on the Board of Trustees, where I have worked to represent the students' voice and contribute to decisions that shape our school environment. In 2026, I am also proud to serve as the Head Student of Wellbeing, a role that reflects my strong belief that wellbeing should not be an occasional focus, but an everyday part of school culture. These roles are so much more to me than it might seem. It allows me to express myself and who I am as a person.

I am passionate about creating environments where people feel supported, valued, and able to thrive. Beyond school leadership, I also enjoy volunteering in the community and contributing to initiatives that make a meaningful difference. Through these experiences, I aim to promote a culture of care, connection, and wellbeing both within my school and in the wider community throughout my different roles.

I can't wait to start this journey for 2026 and end my High School journey on a high note.

Nga Mihi
Seth Seerup



Careers

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18 March Women in Trades - Rotorua

24 March RYDA Driver Safety Training for ALL Year 12 students

22 April University of Wellington Liason Visit

30 April University of Otago Liason Visit

22 May University of Waikato Open Day - Hamilton Campus

1 July University of Waikato Open Day - Tauranga Campus

24 July Pacific International Hotel Management School Visit (PC)

CATCH UP day

On the last day of each term this year we will be running catch up days.

These days are designed to help all students who need to catch up on assessments and learning to have time to do so. On these days the school will remain open but the timetable will not run.

Classroom teachers will identify students who need to catch up on NCEA assessments or AMPS tasks and these students will be required in school on this day.

Students who do not need additional catch up will have two options:

1. Attend school and work in a supervised space.
2. Work from home.

Students in Year 9 and 10 will have online literacy and numeracy tasks to complete, while students in Year 11, 12 and 13 will focus on NCEA assessments.

Letters will go home on Friday 27th March as to if your child is required to be onsite on Thursday 2 April for catch up day.

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Attendance matters!



Regular attendance is one of the strongest predictors of student success. The Ministry of Education Attendance Management Plan sets a clear expectation that students attend school regularly (90% or more of the time) so they can fully engage in learning, build positive relationships, and achieve their qualifications.

Every day at school counts – missing just one day a fortnight can add up to a month of learning lost over a year!

Please check the codes set by the ministry of what absences affect attendance.

Attendance Code Decision Tree



Attendance Code Descriptions

Present for 1/2 day calculations	Justified absence	Unjustified absence
P Present Student is present in class. This includes supervised dual tuition with Te Kura. L Late to class Student is late to class. Schools set the threshold for lateness (e.g. 10 minutes) in their school policy. A Alternative provision Student is present in a Ministry-approved alternative provision, such as a been parent unit, alternative education, secondary-tertiary program, health school or activity centre. V Unsupervised exam study Student is present in an examination or unsupervised study where the student is on-site.	N Present but out of class Student is present but out of class due to an on-site school activity (cultural or sporting events), internal appointment, temporary removal from class, or time in the sickbay. G Board approved offsite learning Student is present in Board-approved off-site learning, including courses, school-organised activities, and work experience. D Approved external appointment Student is present but has a medical appointment which is outside to be scheduled outside of school hours (e.g. doctor or dentist) and includes travel time) or is participating in court proceedings.	J Explained and approved Student is absent due to explained and approved reasons (e.g. family emergencies, bereavement, representing in national / cultural events, approved exemptions, or accompanying parents on overseas diplomatic / military postings). M Illness / Medical absence Student is absent due to illness or medical reasons, including mental health-related absences (e.g. anxiety). X Exam leave Student is absent studying offsite preparing for exams. NOTE: Time allocated to this code is not included in Ministry attendance calculation. U Stood down or suspended Student is absent due to formal stand down or suspension. This code applies to the period of the stand-down or suspension, excluding the day it was imposed.
		T Truant Student is absent without explanation or permission from a parent / caregiver (e.g. skipping class). E Explained but not approved Student is absent and the reason provided does not meet the school's policy for a justifiable absence (e.g. a parent states their child didn't want to attend sports days). G Holiday during term time Student is absent due to a holiday taken. Y Unknown (temporary) Temporary code used when the reason for a student's absence is initially unknown. This will be updated once the reason is confirmed.

SCHOOL MAGAZINE

If you do not wish to receive the school magazine for 2026, please email office@paeroacollege.school.nz so the fee can be removed from your school account.



BYOD/SCHOOL DEVICE

Everyone should now have either their own device or a school device. If you do not have a device please contact the student centre to get one organised.



STUDENT CENTRE

- Number to Text for students being absent 021 024 04645
- Student Centre is open 8.30am – 3.30pm Monday to Friday.
- Just a reminder when making payments into the school bank account the correct name for our account is: Paeroa College Board of Trustees - 03-1572-0004693-00



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COMING SOON

Calendar Term 1 2026

- 17 March** O1REC Rafting Trip
- 17 March** Lunchtime Music Concert
- 18 March** Waikato / BOP Athletics
- 18 March** Women in Trades Trip Rotorua
- 19 March** Thames Valley Swimming
- 20 March** Thames Valley Tennis
- 23 March** Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm
- 24-25 March** Regional 3x3 Basketball - Rotorua
- 24 March** RYDA (Y12 students)
- 30 March – 1 April** Year 11 Camp
- 1 April** Thames Valley Bowls
- 2 April** Thames Valley Softball
- 2 April** Catch up day – more information to follow
- 2 April** End of Term 1 – start of school holidays



Calendar Term 2 2026

- 20 April** Start of Term 2
- 22-24 April** Year 12 Camp
- 27 April** ANZAC Day Observed – no school
- 30 April** Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm
- 4 May** HSP Interviews – Deans Only
- 13 May** Thames Valley Squash
- 15 May** Thames Valley Golf Round 1
- 15 May** HSP – Whole School Interviews – school closes at 2.30pm
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- 25 May** Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm
- 1 June** Kings Birthday - No School
- 3 June** Thames Valley Cross Country
- 10 June** Waikato / BOP Cross Country Champs
- 18 June** Thames Valley Teams Badminton
- 22 June** Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm
- 25 June** Netball Boulten Cup
- 26 June** Thames Valley Golf – Round 2
- 2 July** Matariki Celebrations
- 3 July** Catch Up Day
- 3 July** End of Term 2