

PAEROA COLLEGE

COLLEGE COMMENT

25 September 2026

Tumuaki MESSAGE

Tēnā koutou katoa,

It is hard to believe we are already at the end of Term 3 after another busy term at Paeroa College. Last week, we celebrated Te Wiki o te Reo Māori, culminating in our annual waiata me te haka wero. As always, it exceeded expectations, with our students performing with incredible pride and passion. Congratulations to Rapiri for taking out the waiata competition and to Maru for winning the haka war. Well done to all of our students who got involved and made it another awesome house competition.

Over the past two weeks, our students have also been focused on their Common Assessment Activities (CAAs). A huge thank you to Ms Youngman and her team for all the preparation, organisation, and care they put into ensuring our students had the best opportunity to complete these assessments successfully.

We have finished the term this week with Fiesta Week, celebrating and honouring the life of former teacher Derek Beisly, who tragically passed away in 1992. This is a significant week on our school calendar filled with fun dress-ups and activities in memory of a much-loved staff member. It is particularly special having Paul Beisly (Derek's son) on staff, as well as Derek's grandchildren attending as students. This deep connection is real and very meaningful to our kura.

Looking ahead to Term 4, please note that we will have two Teacher Only Days coming up:

- Friday 13th November (Week 5)
- Monday 16th November (Week 6)

These days are crucial for our teachers to collaborate and plan effectively for the upcoming curriculum changes, and we appreciate your support as we prepare for these changes.

Finally, I want to wish all of our students, staff, and whānau a well-earned, safe, and restful break over the holidays. Take the time to recharge and set your targets for the final term of the year. For our senior students, it is definitely crunch time, use this break to take stock, refresh, and put the necessary steps in place to enable you to achieve your goals.

Mahi tahi kia kaha,

Andrew Cameron
Tumuaki / Principal



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DEPARTMENT
Spotlight

Te reo Māori

Whiria Te Taura

It has been a privilege to get to know the tauira, their capabilities and proficiency with Te Reo and Maatauranga Māori. There have been times with consistency with managing tasks but that is a focus we will be initiating next year.

It is good to see our tauira take a keen interest in learning Te Reo, gaining confidence and working together to support the learning. We have much to do to embed Te Reo here at Paeroa College. But our values are Mahitahi and Kia Kaha.

Plenty of talent potential in our tauira to nurture their potential to achieve. I hope to get to know them all and walk alongside their journey here at kura.

Kaua E Mate wheke Mate Ururoa

Provided those opportunities for our kaiako, tauira and hapori to excel together. 2927 brings exciting times but also challenges which we will persevere together to strive for excellence (Ka Eke te Kairangi)

Toituu Te Mana

Unfortunately we were not able to put together a Kapa Haka Roopu. But our vision for 2027 and onwards is to establish a core group of competitors to represent our kura. Looking forward to the challenge and progress forward.

2027: Bring it on!

Normie Anderson
HoD Te Reo Māori

HAKA *wars*

Last Friday we held our annual Haka and Waiata Wars!

Congrats to **Rapiri** for taking out Best Waiata! Congrats to **Maru** for taking out Best Haka!

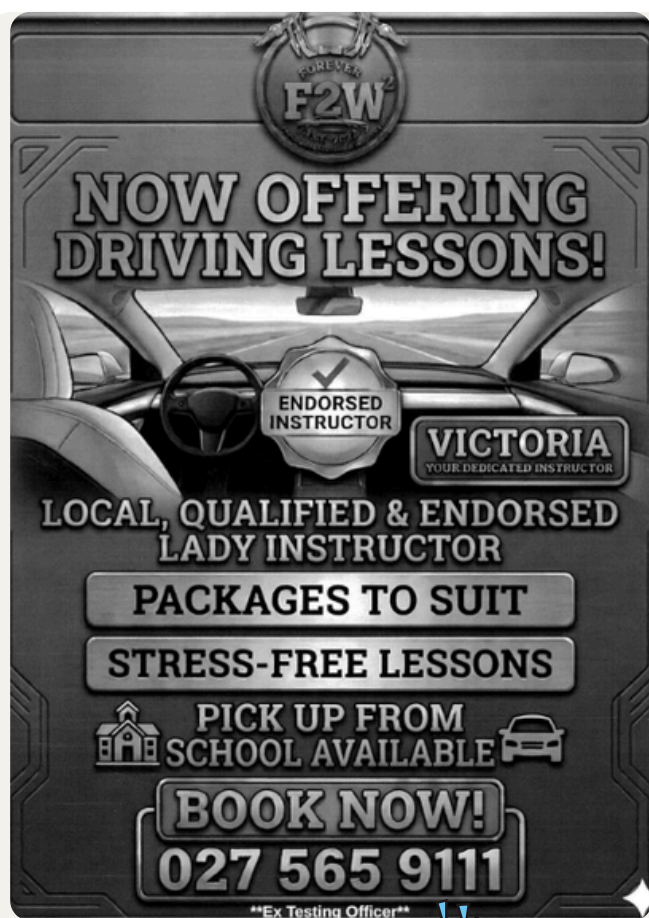
The overall winner for Haka and Waiata Wars will be announced next term.



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Mahi Tahi Kia Kaha

Parents and Whānau are invited to attend the
Paeroa College End of Year Prizegivings for 2026

Sports Awards Assembly – Thursday 29th October 1.15pm – 3.00pm

Senior Prizegiving – Wednesday 4th November 6.00pm – 8.00pm

Junior Prizegiving – Wednesday 9th December 10.00am – 11.30am

100% ATTENDANCE T3

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Kyan Anderson, Stella Carroll,
Alexis Hubbard-Zurcher, Reece
Mical, Allie Patridge, Mario
Patridge, Leo Wadsworth

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Hamish Baxter, Ruby Benton-Wilson, Samantha
Brewerton, Odin Eden-Hunter, Jake Hubbard-
Zurcher, Keanu McGregor, Ella Rummelink, Arnav
Singh, Dakota Taylor

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Abigail Hill, Lucas Kerr, Jayden
Richmond, Kenzie Walmsley, Ruby
Walmsley

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Crystal Lawrie, Kyan Necklan, Lena van de
Wetering, Bella Walmsley

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Maiya Edlin, Deeya Patel

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Calendar Term 4 2026

**COMING
SOON**

Calendar Term 1 2027

12 October Start of Term 4

13 October Senior Music Performance Evening

26 October Labour Day - No School

27-30 October Senior School Devices are being collected.

29 October Sports Prizegiving (afternoon)

29 October Board of Trustees Meeting

4 November Senior Prizegiving (evening)

5 November Thames Valley 3x3 Junior Basketball

10 November - 4 December NZQA Exams

11 November Thames Valley Junior Volleyball

13 November Teacher Only Day

16 November Teacher Only Day

23 November Board of Trustees Meeting

24 November Year 8 Enrolled Students Day

25 November Junior devices being collected

1-4 December Year 10 Camp

9 December Junior Prizegiving (morning)

9 December End of 2026 School Year

2 - 4 Feb Y13 Camp

3 - 4 Feb Y11 Block Course

3 - 4 Feb Y12 First Aid

5 Feb Pōwhiri

10 - 12 Feb Y9 Camp

17 Feb Girls Swimming

18 Feb Boys Swimming

5 Mar Athletics

26 Mar Good Friday