



Putaruru College

Newsletter

Term 1
Week 3

Principal's Message

Nau mai ki te Kāreti o Putāruru mō te tau e 2021. Mēnā he tauira hou, he kaiako hou, ki te hoki mai koe/koutou, nau mai whakatau mai.

Welcome to Putaruru College for 2021, if you are new to the school or returning, welcome.

We are three weeks into the term and lots has been happening. The first week provided students with a range of new experiences and learning opportunities which will hopefully stand them in good stead for the year.

Year 9 and 10 students have had the opportunity to select their module programmes for the year and then to get into the learning.

Year 7 and 8 are enjoying their swimming programme, headed towards their swimming sports next week. And, in week six the Year 7 students, accompanied by a number of Year 13 students, will be headed to Raglan for their annual camp.

We welcome a new staff member, Miss Jackson to the P.E. Department who is replacing Mrs Hunter.

Unfortunately, reminders need to go out already about lateness and attendance as some students are already starting to get into bad habits in this area. School uniform should all now be the new uniform, black and white with school logo which we have been introducing over the last two years.

All uniform items including black socks (for boys and girls) and a selection of shoes are available from Student Services.

We finally signed off on our contract to provide healthy lunches for all students. This programme will start on the first day of next term, where students will have lunches provided through the canteen during what is currently our interval time.

We are also part of the "This is Me" programme being led by Sport Waikato which is aimed at encouraging greater participation in sports by girls.

At Friday's assembly, student leaders and prefects were presented to the school and presented with their badges. Decisions were made after consultation with staff at the Year 13 Leadership Camp, consultation with the Year 13 students themselves, and consultation with the wider staff.

In these days of Covid 19 and a greater awareness of the importance of well-being and resilience, the students themselves suggested the Hauora role, with a focus of caring and listening and fostering student caring and well-being

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School Leaders 2021

Head Girl — Daley Nicholls

Head Boy — Fletcher Meads

Deputy Head Girl — Amelia Periam

Deputy Head Boy — Caleb Stone

Cultural Leaders — Daley Nicholls and Fletcher Meads

Sports Leader — Ken Llubit

Hauora Leaders — Caleb Stone, Amelia Periam, and Jordyn Douthett



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Class Placements

It is now the end of Week 3 and students should have settled into their classes and we now ask that no further class changes or requests be made as this will interfere with learning opportunities.

Unless there are exceptional circumstances, please encourage your student to build resilience and accept their class placements so that they can make the most of their learning.

Class Time is Valuable

There are already a number of students who are turning up late to school or leaving early. Please encourage your student to make the most of the school day by arriving at school promptly and not leaving during the day.

We also ask that parents and caregivers do not ring their student's cellphone during the day as it can interrupt valuable learning time for them and for others. If there is an urgent matter, please contact Student Services directly on 07 883 8323.

Student Services Requests

1. Please make sure contact details are up to date - phone number, address, emergency contacts.
2. Please name your student's clothing, as we often get items with no name and no idea who it belongs to.
3. Please make sure you ring our absentee line in the morning and leave a message if your student is away. 883 8323 then press 1.

Calendar

Wednesday 24th February

6pm—7:30pm BBQ: Meet and Greet the Teachers at the Putaruru Pools

Friday 26th February

Y7—8 Swimming Sports Day

Tuesday 2nd March

Interschool Swimming Sports

Wednesday 3rd March

School Athletics Day

Monday 8th—Friday 12th March

Y13 Camp—Raglan

Monday 8th March

Y7—8 Immunisations

Tuesday 9th—Friday 12th March

Y7 Camp—Raglan

Wednesday 17th—Friday 19th March

Senior Marae Noho

Friday 19th March

Y7—8 Marae Visit

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Uniform—School Shoes

School shoes must be black but may have small amounts of white on them. Shoe laces and socks must be plain black.

Students can also choose to wear black sandals. Please see the photos below of what is accepted.



School of Music

Hello, my name is Patricia and I am co-ordinator for the Putaruru school of music which runs every year on a Monday after school during term time. We teach out of school hours music.

We teach keyboard, guitar, flute and recorder. This includes learning how to read music. We cater for ages 8+ and our classes are small numbers. Some flutes are available to use for First year students but all other instruments are to be provided by students.

Our classrooms are located at Putaruru College and we have been running for over 25 years.

If you would like more information or to enrol please call Patricia on 0225112897 for more information or email for more details. poole5party@outlook.com

School Doctor and Nurse Hours

School Nurse — Jenny Taylor

Monday	9:30am—4pm
Tuesday	9:30am—4pm
Wednesday	9:30am—4pm
Friday	9:30am—2pm

Doctor — Francis Robbins

Tuesday	10am—12pm
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Reports 2021

A reminder that all students receive their reports online through the KAMAR Portal. Please contact Student Services for your log on information.

Years 7—8 Core Reports

Term	TRUMP Report – CORE + PE	RWM Report + Comment
1	Week 8 – Wed 24 March	
2		Week 8 – Wed 23 June
3	Week 8 – Wed 15 Sept	
4		Week 8 – Wed 8 Dec

Years 7—8 Options Reports

Rotation	RWM Report + Comment
1	Term 1 Week 9 – Tues 30 March
2	Term 2 Week 6 – Tues 8 June
3	Term 3 Week 4 – Tues 17 Aug
4	Term 4 Week 2 – Tues 26 Oct
5	Term 4 Week 8 – Wed 8 Dec

Years 9—10 Module Reports

Term	Report with comments	End of Module Report
1	Week 8 – Wed 24 March	Week 11 – Fri 16 April
2	Week 8 – Wed 23 June	Week 10 – Fri 9 July
3	Week 8 – Wed 15 Sept	Week 10 – Fri 1 Sept
4	Week 8 – Wed 8 Dec	Week 8 – Thurs 9 Dec

Years 11—13

Term	Report
1	RWA Report with Teacher Comment Term 1 Week 11 – Mon 12 April
2	NCEA Progress Report Term 2 Week 10 – Mon 5 July
3	RWA Report with Teacher Comment Term 3 Week 10 – Mon 27 Sept
4	NCEA Summary Report Term 4 Week 6 – Mon 24 Nov

RWA stands for Ready, Willing and Able.

Gateway and Toi Ohomai

Dianne Collins from Gateway has started interviewing students for some work experience for 2021 starting with Year 13s. Hopefully we will get more students involved this year.

Toi Ohomai courses have started again this year. We have students going to Rotorua for Level 1 Engineering, Level 2 Automotive, Level 2 Construction, Level 3 Hospitality and Level 3 Construction. Our Level 3 students taking Automotive will be based in Tokoroa this year.

Google Classroom with Careers information for Years 11 to 13 students is available. There is careers information regarding courses, jobs, and scholarships. All senior students have been emailed the code needed to access the page. The page is updated and added to on a regular basis and students should be checking what's on there everyday.

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PC Films Success

'A Celebration of All Things Before Us' produced by Pippa Stone, Cassidy Greene & Matthew Richards placed 3rd in the bilingual section of the Ngārimu VC and 28th Māori Battalion Memorial Scholarship Video Competition - Ministry of Education.

Prize Money for 3rd is \$750 to the students and \$225 for the School. TVNZ connections from Cassidy's whanau have seen the film and were impressed with their empathy, storytelling and emotion and have invited them up to Auckland to hopefully watch 'The Hui' being recorded and meet the journalists with the possibility of doing a story for them in the future, which is really exciting.



<https://vimeo.com/466434718>

'Teachers are not Superstars but we can make them' produced by Anthony Cole, Ethan Fulford & Matthew Richards was one of the ten winning films in The Outlook for Someday competition this film shows the efforts that PCFilms took to innovate continued learning throughout lockdown.

Various prizes from the sponsors include a \$150 Photogear Voucher.

<http://www.someday.co.nz/challenge/winning-films/2020/020/>

So an awesome start going into 2021 for the crew. Full steam ahead!!!!



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Year 9-10 Hikoi

On Friday 5th February, our Year 9-10 students participated in a marae Hikoi. The purpose of the visit was to build cultural relationships with our local marae and for students to gain an understanding of the local history of the Raukawa iwi.

All students travelled to Whakaaratamaiti Marae. The students listened to the history of the marae, its people and the iwi, and then participated in waiata, haka, rakau, and art activities.



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Volleyball to start the sports season: New beginnings for Putaruru College

On Saturday 13th of February, eight senior boys from Putaruru College traveled to The Peak Rototuna Hamilton to compete for the Waikato Senior High School Volleyball Competition and dashing us up to the first sports to be played at the beginning of the school year 2021.

The school's sports coordinator Mrs Vaughan and team coach Jo Stone made everything happen. With their guidance and effective approach, the team was able to snatch their first victory. It was a tough 2 sets win, via best-of-three set up against Hamilton Boys' Gold at 2nd Division. The boys have shown a lot of power and talent as they smash that volleyball. Carrying the name of the school across their jerseys, definitely gave them a sense of pride making every point count.



Although they lost their second game against Fairfield on the same day, the intensity of the match was observed and the pressure was on. We look forward to supporting them on their journey to get the mighty title of Volleyball Champions. Team Captain Ken Llubit believes that this is just the beginning of something great and the best is yet to come. "We have come a long way, literally and figuratively. I mean we've been training for this since last year and we all looked forward to showing how great of a player we are by wanting to join the tournament. Each of us has improved a lot and now is the time to maximize them." He undoubtedly loves the sport and aims to improve the growing volleyball community of the school. "Volleyball isn't just a sport for me, it's something much more and I hope that the meaning of volleyball for you guys somehow changed too now that we are playing for a team, for the school and not just for ourselves," he added in the team huddle.

The senior boys' volleyball team introduced their name as "The Maroons" to the volleyball stage by winning their first game, a very momentous juncture for the college as this is their first year to play the sports of volleyball competitively. As a rookie team, they exhibited good sportsmanship towards the game and we will expect more from them in the following Saturdays. The team consists of Year 13s Caleb Stone, Ken Llubit, Ansaar Thebus, Berin Hubert, and Mar Lagman. Year 12 Charles Montes, and Year 11s Jack Periam, and Tama Stratford. They will be back in action this coming Saturday.



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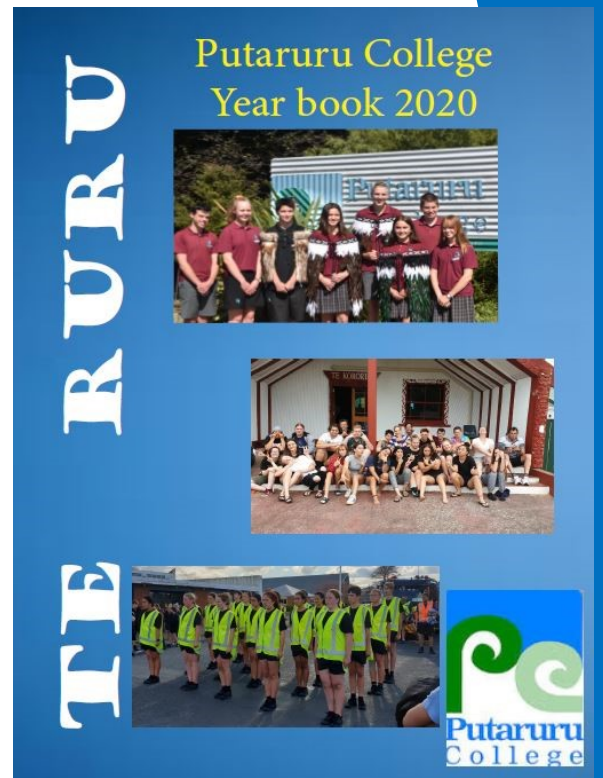
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Te Ruru

This is our annual school year book. For 2020 it was uniquely assembled by a few Year 13 students and Year 9 and 10 Magazine module 2020. A big shout out to Nikita, Jia and Ashley for their hard work. Te Ruru 2020 will be available next week for purchase at Student Services...here is a little taster for you.



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From the School Nurse

Dear parents/guardians/caregivers and students,

Putaruru College has an agreement with Pinnacle Midlands Health Network and the Waikato District Health Board to provide free nursing services on site.

The health and wellbeing of students at the school is important to us. The main aim of the clinic is to improve the health of our students, so they come to school well and able to

learn. So, as part of this, RN Jenny Taylor, school nurse will complete

a comprehensive health review for all consenting Year 9 students, and any Year 10 students missed last year.

This will provide an opportunity for our students to discuss their:

- health/social concerns
- medical history
- emotional strengths and whanau and community supports
- vision and hearing testing
- height and weight
- nutrition and physical activity.

The review is likely to take 30-60 minutes and a referral to other services will be available where needed. It will take place during the course/school day and there is no cost for the service. You are welcome to attend the review with the student if you wish.

Please advise the school office or nurse if you would like to attend the health assessment or would like to book an appointment to see the nurse at any time.

If you have any questions, or if you do not consent to your child having this health review, please contact the school nurse or the school office.

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Building awesome whānau

with Pio Terei

In this show, well-loved entertainer Pio Terei shares his heart, stories and practical parenting ideas about family life in a way that really 'clicks'. This presentation will have a wide appeal across all audiences.

Tuesday 23 February 2021

Putaruru Gospel Chapel, 86 Kensington Street, Putaruru

6.30pm: Doors open

7-8.30pm: Presentation

Cost: Free community event

For further information, please contact Andrea DeVorms at devormsfamily@gmail.com

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