



# Putaruru College

## Newsletter

*Learning for life*

Term 2  
Week 3

### Module B26—The Human Race

Perseverance and Ingenuity are two amazing machines that are exploring the surface of Mars at the moment. One is the Mars Rover (Perseverance) and the other its helicopter that looks just like a drone. The ingenuity part is actually being able to fly it in Mars' lack of atmosphere.



In our Social Sciences Module B The Human Race our students created their own Mars Rovers. Using various NASA websites we crated rubber band and cardboard propelled vehicles. Understanding Potential and Kinetic energy was probably the greatest hurdle in making these creations actually move across a surface.

The winning team created “Bob.” Bob was superior to any other invention!! Well done, Isabella Bentley and her team!!

### HIS300 Field Trip to Rotorua

Earlier this week the Year 13 History students went on a field trip to Rotorua. We went to Te Koutu Marae and listened to an oral history presentation regarding the 1823 invasion of Mokoia Island by Ngapuhi warriors and rangitira Hongi Hika by Paora Te Hurihanganui.



It was such an amazing presentation especially when he touched on anxiety, depression and trauma; themes that are present in our modern society, and explained how they related to the pre-treaty world of Aotearoa- New Zealand. In particular the trauma that is passed through generations. Such a neat trip.

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## Class Time is Valuable

There are 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.

## Bossy is Leaving

I'd like to say a big thank you to Putaruru College who gave me the opportunity to work as a teacher aide alongside our wonderful teachers but most importantly, our Rangatahi. I have learnt so much from our teachers and students and hope that I have left footprints of values that are important to me: being respectful, treating people how you would like to be treated, doing the right thing, being kind, and having a smile on your face. My heart hurts that I must leave for personal reasons. Hei aha! I wish our staff and students all the best for the future. Over but not out! Kia kaha, kia maia, kia manawanui!

Mā te wā, Bossy



## Calendar

### Thursday 27th May

WSS Swimming Championships

### Friday 28th May

Year 9/10 Module Awards—10:15am

### Monday 31st May

South Waikato Careers Expo

### Wednesday 2nd June

Pōwhiri for new principal

### Thursday 3rd June

Sexwise presentations

### Tuesday 8th June

Year 7/8 Options Rotation 3 begins

Year 7/8 Options Rotation 2 Reports available on the portal

### Monday 21st June—Wednesday 23rd June

Senior Assessment Week

### Wednesday 23rd June

Year 7/8 Reading, Writing, Maths and PE Reports available on the portal

Year 9/10 Module Reports with student and teacher comment available on the portal

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## Auckland Trip

On Thursday 13th May the Level 3 English class, Level 2/3 Media Studies class, and Level 2/3 Painting class departed Putaruru College at the dark hour of 6am for our Arts and Culture trip to Auckland.

Thursday saw us attend the Auckland Writers' Festival, where students were addressed by rock-star American author Angie Thomas (*The Hate U Give*) and outstanding New Zealand poet Karlo Mila, among others. A favourite was Nathan Joe, who performed spoken word poetry and discussed his approach to playwriting.

After taking some time to explore the Auckland CBD (including Unity Books) and having dinner and a sing-along at Elliott Stables, we went to Sky City Event Cinemas, sat back in the luxurious reclining seats and saw James & Isey, directed by Florian Habicht. Most of us describe it as a film we would not choose to see ourselves. It is a documentary about an (almost) centennial mother and her son and the lead-up to her 100th birthday. The story is told as a countdown to her birthday and gives the audience a look into their daily lives during preparations for the culminating birthday. Overall it was an interesting film.

On Friday, students took in different experiences based on their subject focus. The Media Studies crew visited the South Seas Film School, and then spent time at Magnesium. Magnesium is a forward-facing advertising company specialising in using advanced data techniques to create engaging advertisements. Stationed in the old Walt Disney studios in Auckland, they have a modern, slick approach and design (with colourful lights) showing the modern approach to advertising, showing us lots of interesting data and graphs (yay maths!) that showed the efficacy of advertising in these ways. It was a really great experience showing us about the modern look of businesses in the future and the applications of the filming and production skills that we have been taught.





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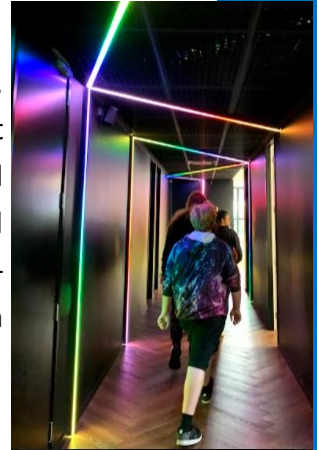
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## Auckland Trip continued

Painting and English students spent Friday morning at the Auckland Art Gallery, viewing the Toi Tū, Toi Ora exhibition as well as the Gallery's permanent exhibitions. Later, English students were lucky enough to experience a real university experience. We were welcomed as guests to a lecture for the second-year paper ENGLISH 217 Postcolonial memory: Ireland. This was an eye-opening experience. Friday afternoon featured art galleries and sketching in Devonport and a visit to Auckland War Memorial Museum.



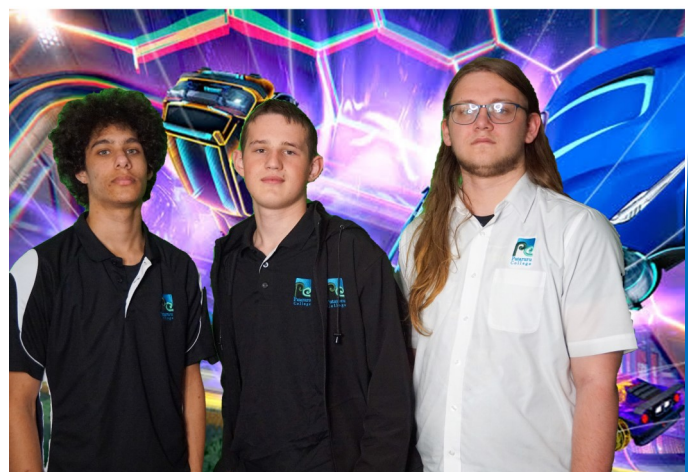
We returned to Putaruru filled with memories, inspiration and ideas, and - for many of us - carrying lots of new books to read!

## E-Sports

Massive Congratulations to our e-sports team of Anthony (C), Ethan and Ansaar who comprehensively beat Katikati College in their 1st round match of Rocket League:

Match 1 : 12 - Nil

Match 2 : 15 - Nil



With over 70 Schools, 198 Teams and 1036 students competing in the only Government sanctioned Secondary Sports Esport League in NZ , its very exciting as they compete to be crowned the top e-sports team in the Country representing Putaruru College.

Good luck for the rest of the tournament.

2021 South Waikato  
Future Career Pathways

**EXPO**

# Careers EXPO

SW Sport and Events Centre Tokoroa

## 2021

9:00am to 2:30pm

FREE  
EVENT

Employers  
Universities  
Tertiary Institutes  
Apprenticeships  
Interactive Activities  
Gap Year Opportunities

**May  
31st**





# South Waikato's Got Talent!

## ROTARY PUTARURU

**Saturday 26th June**

**The Plaza, Putaruru**

**7:00pm**

Doors open 6:30pm—Supper Included

Tickets: \$10.00 Teen  
\$20.00 Adult  
\$30.00 Couple  
\$40.00 Family

Available from: The Plaza, Van Dykes, Pride in Putaruru, Rotary Putaruru

**Rotary Putaruru** - Raising money to add a Barbeque table and shelter to the Barnett Street playground in Putaruru

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