

PUTĀRURU COLLEGE

Panui / Newsletter

28th July 2023

Tena koutou katoa,

Another week bites the dust! And just like that we are looking at the end of another week and lining up week 3. After a full on start to the term this week has been very much quieter than week one, and really after the year we have had let's hope that more weeks line up like this. In these more quiet weeks our senior students can get a chance to take some time to work out where they are and where they need to go, get stuck into their learning whether assessments or not and make hay while the sun sometimes shines. Turning up is a big part of this mahi.

Attendance matters...with a more settled start we have also seen a return to the higher attendance rates that we would love to make the norm, not the exception! So well done for turning up and let's see if we can make 78% our lowest for the term!

Attendance term 3 week 2: 81%

Uniform - this term we are making a point of enforcing the uniform code even more closely than in term 1 and 2. We will now be removing items of easily removable clothing and also removing students from timetabled classes if they persist in ignoring the expectations. It is fair and reasonable for us to see students in the correct uniform and we will hold the line on our expectations. As always please contact us if you have any issues with meeting the uniform requirements.

Winner winner!

As we mentioned last week, the parent teacher interviews were really well attended and positive. We asked whānau to complete a mid-year feedback survey with some vouchers up for grabs. Winners were randomly selected, please contact us to receive your vouchers!

\$50 Countdown voucher - Karen Tucker-Strachen

\$50 petrol voucher - Catherine Hayward

\$100 school uniform voucher - Nina Lloyd

Almost segwaying (not technically a word but it suits this situation) from the engagement we started at the teacher/parent interviews; an opportunity for you to offer your thoughts, ideas

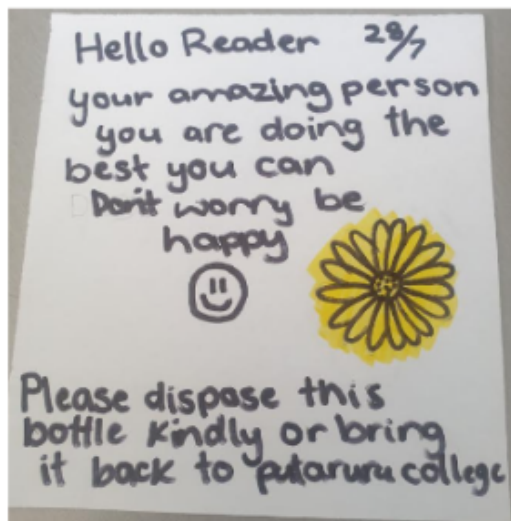
and contributions to our school. Community is at the heart of this idea because we genuinely do want to make this the best learning environment for your child. The idea is simple, come in and korero with me about all things school. No agenda, just me sitting and listening over a cuppa tea/coffee to anyone who wants to meet kanohi ki te kanohi (face to face). The plan is to work together to come up with a plan to meet regularly so that you can know more about what we do here with your child. The first of these meet and chats is next Friday the 4th of August from 3.30pm til 5pm, in A1. This is just a heads up, a flasher invite will follow next week. Until then enjoy the sun if it comes up and enjoy a lil snippet of the week that was.

Message in a bottle

Kia orana from Mr Steven,

Today some of our wonderful year 8 students of ESc created support messages and positive vibes for potential finders of the bottles in our Social Studies class. Sometimes people can be overwhelmed with life and a small piece of sunshine can be so uplifting.

Taejah Dixon also blessed our morning with a Karakia prior to launching our bottles.



Driver's License Success

Congratulations to the following students who, with the assistance of Transform Aotearoa and plenty of mahi, have gained their learners or restricted licence!

Riley Petley (restricted), Erica Galbraith, Charlotte Flutey and Dayton Marsh (learners).



Winter Sports

Rugby - U18 will be training up at the Nola block Tuesday and Thursday at 6pm.

Basketball - Training for senior boys basketball is on Thursday lunch times.

Junior boys and girls basketball are looking for managers and coaches.

Soccer/Football - Friday 3.30 at school.

Hockey - Wednesday afterschool in the gym.

Term 3, Week 3

Monday - come to school

Tuesday - come to school

Wednesday - come to school

Thursday - come to school

Friday - Get 2 Go (Torpedo7 team challenge event for selected Y9&10 students)

3.30pm - 5pm Meet and chat A1

Heads Up

Add Wednesday 16th August in your diary for Y7&8 Winter Sports!

Thursday 24th August will be our Putāruru College Open Day for prospective students in Y6&8 from our contributing school. Students will experience taster sessions with our teachers and student leaders between 10am and 1pm and an open evening (5 - 6.30pm) for whānau to visit our kura, hear from important people and share some kai.