

PĀNUI NEWSLETTER

Week 4 Attendance

- 71%



Kia ora koutou katoa. In this week's panui we mainly celebrate the success of our students who were spotlit at the recent prizegiving. A massive thank you for all who attended and made the day happen. The pictures highlighted in the panui are just a sample of what we have on file and if you would like to see them please feel free to contact us at the school. If you have some suggestions about how we can make our prizegivings even better let us know your ideas so we can keep on improving. The phone ban in classrooms starts on Monday. Included in this panui is the simplest version of the process so please familiarise yourself with it. We had a lil assembly on Thursday where the process was explained to students and some questions were answered. Remember we are doing it to focus your child's attention to the learning tasks assigned in class and to reduce distractions to their learning. As always feel free to contact the school if you have any questions or queries. Finally with weeks to go we still need your support in doing the boring things well, attendance, uniform and readiness to learn. Roll on summer! Have a great weekend.

KEY DATES: 12th December last day of 2023

Week 5 - Term 4 PHONE BAN BEGINS!

Monday - NCEA exams start, Y8&9 Writing Exam

Week 6 - Term 4

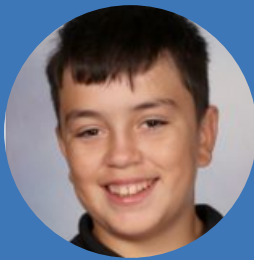
Normal school week!

Week 7- Term 4

Monday - Teacher Only Day - school is close

Tuesday and Thursday - Y7&8 Interschool Athletics

Week 10 - 12th December last day of school for 2023



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Juniors:

Tyler Cossill

Working hard at doing the little things well.

Middles:

Honey Timu

Being motivated to do her mahi.

Hot off the press

2024 is steadily taking form and we can now let you know of the timings of our days. You will notice some subtle changes that we think will help us achieve our goals of improving our results school wide.

School day start; Monday,
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
845 whānau

9am pd 1

10am pd 2

11-1130 interval

1130 pd 3

1230 pd 4

1330 lunchtime

1400 pd 5

1500 end of school

Wednesday

930 whānau/assembly

10 am pd 1

11-1130 interval

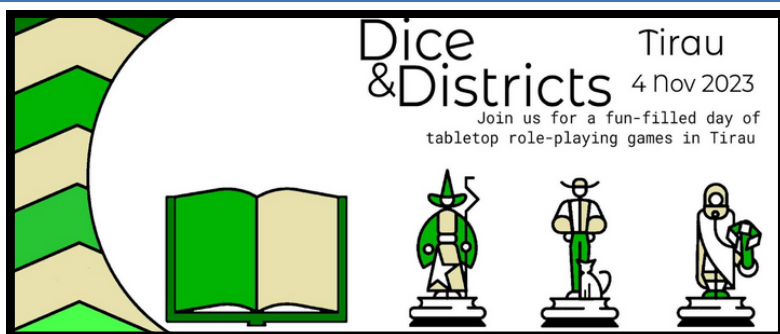
1130 pd 2

1230 pd 3

1330 lunchtime

1400 pd 4

1500 end of school



Come and play tabletop role playing games such as D&D (Dungeons and Dragons) in Tirau on Saturday - 4th November. Mrs Argent will be there running a game and its only \$5 for the day to play! Open to all ages, NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED, but it is asked that under 16s have parental supervision.

For more information, catch up with Mrs Argent or check out the event on Facebook. If you need a ride, please come talk to Mrs Argent to see what can be arranged.



Level 1 Subject Awards

- Outdoor Education – 100% Effort
Bridget Campbell
Seth Davey
Phoebe Gibbons
Poppi Gordon
Rizyah Gray
Bridie Meads
Holly Miller
Kaitlyn Morrison- Mckenzie
Aaron Rogers
Shanalae Thompson
- Charlotte Flutey
Recipient of the Community Gardens Cup
for all round achievement in Horticulture
- Isabella Bentley
First in Art
- Bryah Martin
First in Digital Technology
- Ashlee Syben
First equal in English
- Te Haukore Thompson – Keene
First equal in English
- Holly Miller
First in Food Technology
- Troy Sinclair
First in Hard Materials Technology
- Nikita Baker
First Equal in Humanities
- Layla Hearsey
First in Numeracy
- Jahkoda Strange
First in Literacy
- Ben Kerton
First in Physical Education
- Jayden Winikerei
First in Te Reo Maori
- Ben Coop
First Equal in Humanities
First in Mathematics
First in Science

Level 2 Subject Awards

- Alex Thompson
First in Art – Painting
- Alro Slabbert
First equal in Agriculture and Horticulture
- Raven Boyd
First equal in Agriculture and Horticulture
- Tamsyn Sneddon
First equal in Biology
- Mathew Morrison – McKenzie
First in Geography
- Ellie Burgoyne – Smith
First in Food Technology and recipient of
the Senior Homelife Cup
- Jenah Douthett
First in Science
- Kiri Joyce
First equal in Te Reo Maori
- Rikihana Shadrock Fisher
First equal in Te Reo Maori
- Dan Kerton
First in Hard Materials Technology
First in Physical Education
First in Art – Photography and Design
- Rebekah Coop
First in Mathematics
First in Art Photography and Design
- Jessica McKinnon
First equal in Biology
First in Physics
First in Outdoor Education
- Danielle Baker
First in Classical Studies
First in English
First in History

Level 3 Subject Awards

Breiana Rhodes
Graeme Dingle Foundation Waikato Career
Navigator Manukura Eke Pakura 3
Outstanding Achievement Award

Melody Steadman
First in Art – Painting

Charlee Steiner
First in Art Photography and Design and
recipient of the Creative Photography Award

Bhavini Patel
First in Classical Studies

Jordan Wellington
First in Geography

Jake Mathis
First in Hard Materials Technology and recipient
of the Freemasons Cup
First in Physical Education

Keirah Winikerei
First in History
First in Outdoor Education

Lily Fulford
First in Mathematics and recipient of the
Mathematics Cup for all round excellence in
mathematics
First in Science

Maungaatai Keene Thompson
First in Biology and recipient of the Willy- J Cup
For Biology and Sciences
First in English and recipient of the the Simpson
Cup
First in Physics

2023 Head Students

Head Boy Jake Mathis
Head Girl Shaun – Leigh Davey

Student Leader – Cultural Dakota France
Student Leader – Hauora Jazell Dashwood
Student Leader – Sport Breiana Rhodes
Student Leader – Technology Kaya Allison
Student Leader – Academic Maungaatai Keene- Thompson

Principal’s Award For Leadership Jazell Dashwood

Arts and Culture Awards

Charlee Seiner
Farquhar Trophy for production and technical
work behind the scenes in assemblies and
school productions.

Jazell Dashwood
Vonnie Kay Cup for performance for music and
contribution culture in the current year.

Dakota France
David Bell Cup for overall growth and
excellence in music through service to school
during their years at college.

Jazell Dashwood and Dakota France
Female Leader of Kapa Haka

Dakota France
Makene Trophy for commitment in Kapa haka,
Academic, Sporting Achievement.

School Service Awards

Bryah Martin and Troy Sinclair
Senior Librarian Award

Shanalia Shaw and Mikaila Shaw
Breakfast club

Shanlaia Shaw, Mikaila Shaw and Caleb White
Lunch Monitors

**Bay of Plenty Futures Academy
Level 2**

Devin Winterson
Merit Award in Mechanical Engineering

Logan Putt
Excellence Award in Mechanical Engineering

Cohen Wiseman
Excellence Award in Farming

Level 3

Kaya Allison
Merit Award in Automotive Engineering

Graduate Profile Awards

These are granted to those senior students who have been living examples of Putāruru College's graduate profile.

For Waihou

Mana Motuhake (Identity) - Cody Purchase

Whanaungatanga (Connections) - Corey Gratton

Hīkina (Advocate for myself and others) -

Kruize Crawford

Kia Tutuki (Success) - Danielle Baker & Jessica McKinnon

For Oraka

Mana Motuhake (Identity) - Ricki Fenton

Whanaungatanga (Connections) - Kaya Allison

Hīkina (Advocate for myself and others) -

Layla Hearsey

Kia Tutuki (Success) - Rebekah Coop & Charlee Steiner

For Waimakariri

Mana Motuhake (Identity) - Benjamin Coop

Whanaungatanga (Connections) - Acaysha Amouta

Hīkina (Advocate for myself and others) - Kiri Joyce

Kia Tutuki (Success) - Tamsyn Sneddon

For Pokaiwhenua

Mana Motuhake (Identity) - Ashlee Syben

Whanaungatanga (Connections) - Jennah Douthett

Hīkina (Advocate for myself and others) -

Bryah Martin

Kia Tutuki (Success) - Bhavini Patel

Top Awards

The winner of the Adrienne Marr Trophy for 2023 is Shaun-Leigh Davey

Proxime Accessit and recipient of the Dallas Cup
Bhavini Patel

Dux of Putaruru College and recipient of the Mason Cup
Maungaatai Keene - Thompson

High Achievement Awards

Unichem Award for Excellence in Sciences

Year 12 - Jessica McKinnon

Year 13 - Maungaatai Keene - Thompson.

Melody Steadman

Burgess Cup for Endeavour - given to student who has overcome learning challenges for their determination and achievement

Maungaatai Keene - Thompson

He Taonga Whakamaumaharatanga Ki a Doreen Gregory Award For Academic achievement of a Maori Student

Runner up in Year 11 Nikita Baker

Overall Academic Top Year 11 Ben Coop

Runner up in Year 12 Rebekah Coop

Overall Academic Top Year 12 Danielle Baker

Scholarships

Shaun-Leigh Davey

South Waikato Mayoral Scholarship for \$10,000

Kaya Allison

Prime Ministers Vocational Excellence Award for \$2000

Danielle Baker

New to Massey University - Agriculture and Horticulture Scholarship for \$5000

Keirah Winikerei

The University of Waikato Ko te Tangata Scholarship For \$5000 and the POET HeadStart Scholarship for \$5000 and POET Excellent Participation & Leadership Award

Top Sports Awards

Azikiel Reyes
Senior Boys Basketball Player of the Year

Lleyton Ward
Boys Football Player of the Year

Ashlee Syben
Girls Football Player of the Year

Harrison Meads
1st XV Player of the Year

Bridget Campbell
Girls Hockey Most Valuable Player

Jennah Douthett
Fairplay Cup for sportmanship

Mixed 1st XI Hockey
Team of the Year

Waimakariri
Mansell Cup for House Points

Aaron Davey
Senior Boys Athletic Champ
Senior Boys Swimming Champ
Boys Hockey Play of the Year
Boys Badminton Player of the Year

Shaun-Leigh Davey
Senior Girls Swimming Champ
Senior Girls Athletic Champ
Girls Badminton Player of the Year'
Girls Rugby Player of the Year
Rugby Player of the Year - all grades

Shaun-Leigh Davey
Putāruru College Sportsperson of the Year and recipient
of the Sharna O'Rourke Memorial Trophy





Photos available on request, please get in touch with Student Services or email office@putarurucollege.school.nz





Thank You to Our Exceptional 2023 Student Leaders

As we reflect on the year gone by, we would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to our exceptional student leaders who have been the guiding lights of Putāruru College in 2023.

Jake Mathis, our Head Boy, and Shaun-Leigh Davey, our Head Girl, have shown remarkable leadership, inspiring their peers and embodying the values of our school with kindness, commitment and humility.

Maungaatai Keene-Thompson, the Academic Student Leader, has consistently championed excellence in learning, while Dakota France, our Cultural Student Leader, has enriched our school's cultural fabric.

Jazell Dashwood, the Hauora Student Leader, has been dedicated to our well-being, and Breiana Rhodes, our Sport Student Leader, has led the charge in athletic endeavors. Kaya Allison, as our Technology Student Leader, has continued to support a range of school-wide projects and assemblies.

Their dedication, commitment, and exemplary leadership have made a significant impact on our school community. We thank them for their tireless efforts and unwavering commitment to the betterment of Putāruru College. Your legacy will continue to inspire and guide us.





Welcoming Our Inspiring 2024 Student Leaders

Putāruru College is thrilled to announce our new student leaders for 2024, a team of young individuals who are set to lead by example, inspire, and create a positive impact in our school.

Sports Leader - Jennah Douthett, Pokaiwhenua

Jennah's passion for sports and her dedication to fostering a culture of physical well-being will undoubtedly invigorate our kura. Her leadership will inspire our students to strive for greatness.

Arts Leader - Shanaka Resch, Waimakariri

Shanaka brings creativity and a profound appreciation for the arts. As Arts Leader, she will encourage artistic expression, innovation, and the exploration of new horizons for our kura.

Environment Leader - Layla Hearsey, Oraka

Layla's commitment to the environment is admirable. This is a new student leadership position and we are excited to see how we can drive our school's sustainability efforts.

Academic Leader - Rebekah Coop, Oraka

Rebekah's dedication to academic excellence is commendable. As the Academic Leader, she will inspire her peers to embrace a love for learning and to strive for scholastic greatness.

Cultural Leader - Acaysha Amouta, Waimakariri

Acaysha's passion for culture and diversity will be instrumental in celebrating our school's multiculturalism. She will encourage a rich tapestry of traditions and creative expressions.

Head Students

Our Head Students for 2024 are exceptional leaders in their own right. **Kiri Te Aurere Joyce-Paora, Jessica McKinnon, Jahrell Strange, and Jahray Strange** will guide our school with wisdom and a deep sense of responsibility. We look forward to the vision they will share and the positive influence they will exert on the Putāruru College community.

As we embrace the new year, we are excited and inspired by the dedication, passion, and promise our student leaders bring. Their leadership will undoubtedly shape a brighter future for our school, and we eagerly anticipate the positive impact they will make in our community.



Celebrating Shaun-Leigh Davey: A Beacon of Excellence at Putāruru College

Shaun-Leigh Davey's journey at Putāruru College has been nothing short of extraordinary. This week she was recognized as the "Putāruru College Sportsperson of the Year" and was awarded the prestigious "Sharna O'Rourke Memorial Trophy." These accolades were just a glimpse into her remarkable achievements.

Shaun-Leigh's sporting journey began with rugby, where she not only played for the Harlequins Under 18 and Waikato Women's Under 18 Rugby teams but also represented Putaruru in national competitions. She attended the NZ Rugby National Maori Under 18 Manukura Camp, demonstrating dedication and passion for the sport.

In rugby, Shaun-Leigh achieved great heights, earning titles such as "Girls 15's Rugby Back of the Year," "Rugby Player of the Year," and "Putaruru College Rugby Player of the Year" across all grades.

Beyond rugby, Shaun-Leigh's talents extended to swimming and athletics, where she was the Senior Girls champion, proudly representing the school in regional competitions. Her versatility shone as she joined the 1st XI Mixed hockey team at the North Island Mixed Teams Tournament.

Shaun-Leigh was also recognized as the "Senior Girl and Overall Badminton Player of the Year." She competed in both the South Waikato and Waikato Badminton competitions, showcasing her diverse skillset.

Her dedication wasn't confined to sports. She served as a Rippa Rugby referee, helped during Winter Sports Day, and contributed to various school events as Head Girl and Student Representative on the Board of Trustees.

Shaun-Leigh's remarkable journey was acknowledged with the South Waikato Mayoral Scholarship, a \$10,000 honor that reflected her academic and sporting excellence. This scholarship will assist Shaun-Leigh as she begins her Bachelor of Physiotherapy at WINTEC.

Recipient of the Adrienne Marr Trophy, recognizing excellence in scholarship, sportsmanship, leadership, culture, and character, stood as a testament to Shaun-Leigh Davey's exceptional achievements.

Shaun-Leigh Davey's story is a testament to what can be achieved with hard work, dedication, and a passion for excellence, making her an inspiration to all at Putāruru College.

The Remarkable Achievements of Maungaatai Keene-Thompson

Maungaatai Keene-Thompson, a finalist for the Adrienne Marr Trophy, has been an exemplary head student with a focus on academics.

Maungaatai's dedication to her studies is evident in her creation and leadership of the Study & Chill club, which has provided a supportive environment for students to work on their studies. Her active involvement in the School Ball committee has allowed her to make key decisions about the event's 'look' and theme, showcasing her leadership abilities.

Maungaatai's commitment extends to the sporting arena with her participation in Badminton.

Additionally, her academic excellence has earned her recognition as the top Maori student in Putāruru College, a remarkable achievement that reflects her dedication to scholarship.

Dux of Putaruru College – A Scholar's Pinnacle

Maungaatai Keene-Thompson stands tall as the Dux of Putāruru College, a pinnacle of academic success. Her relentless pursuit of knowledge and commitment to excellence have earned her this prestigious title, setting an example for all students to follow.

He Taonga Whakamaumaharatanga Ki a Doreen Gregory Award – Recognizing Academic Achievement

In recognition of her outstanding academic achievements, Maungaatai Keene-Thompson was also honored with the "He Taonga Whakamaumaharatanga Ki a Doreen Gregory Award." This award reflects her dedication to academic excellence, particularly as a Maori student, and serves as a source of inspiration for others.

High Achievement Awards – An Academic Triumph

Maungaatai Keene-Thompson's exceptional performance in the sciences did not go unnoticed. She received the Unichem Award for Excellence in Sciences, marking her as an exemplary student in this field. Her achievements include securing the first position in Biology, earning her the prestigious Willy-J Cup, as well as claiming the top spot in English and Physics, showcasing her aptitude for diverse subjects.

Maungaatai's journey at Putāruru College is a testament to the remarkable potential of our students. Her story reminds us all that with dedication, passion, and unwavering commitment to excellence, we can achieve greatness. As we celebrate her achievements, we are reminded that the future is indeed bright at Putāruru College.



Celebrating Resilience and Achievement: Melody Steadman

Our prize giving was a perfect opportunity to shine a spotlight on a remarkable student, Melody Steadman. She was honored with the Burgess Cup for Endeavour, a testament to her unwavering determination and remarkable achievements.

This award is specifically granted to a student who has overcome learning challenges, showcasing Melody's resilience and grit. Her journey is an inspiring reminder that with determination and hard work, anyone can overcome obstacles and achieve success.

Putāruru College is immensely proud of Melody's accomplishments and the example she sets for all of us, proving that resilience and perseverance are powerful catalysts for achievement. Congratulations, Melody!



Recognizing Exceptional Effort and Perseverance

At Putāruru College, we believe in celebrating not only the achievements that bring the limelight but also the unwavering effort and determination displayed by our students throughout the year. Our Meritorious Awards serve as a tribute to those who have tirelessly worked to make progress, even when the going gets tough.

These awards underscore the value of persistence and the importance of celebrating not only the destination but also the journey. We are immensely proud of these students and their stories remind us that hard work, dedication, and resilience are the pillars of success.

Year 11: Gypsey Crawford

Gypsey embodies diligence, thoughtfulness, and a relentless commitment to academic progress. Always keen to achieve and proactive in finding solutions to challenges, Gypsey has exhibited remarkable growth in both confidence and ability this year. Her dedication to continuous improvement is truly inspiring.

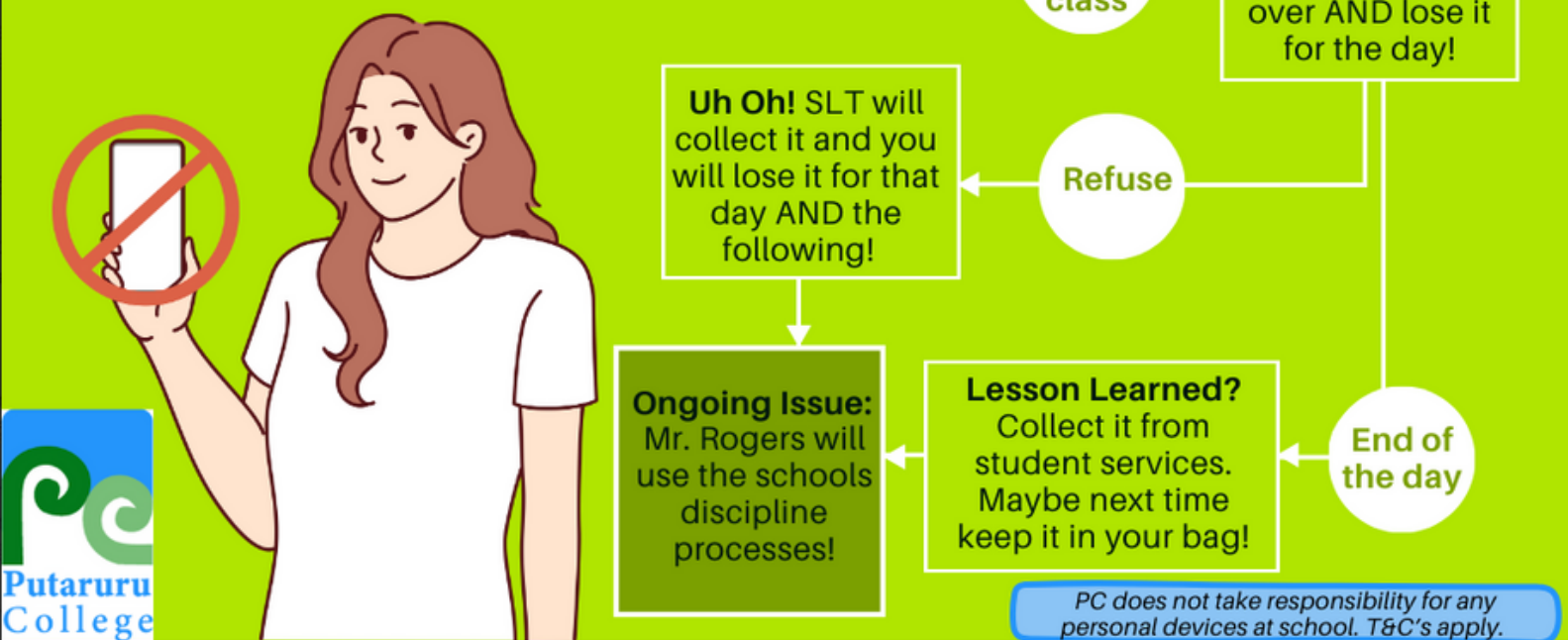
Year 12: Layla Hearsey

Layla has shone brightly as a proactive learner, setting ambitious goals and growing in confidence throughout the year. It's impressive to note that Layla has achieved an incredible amount in just half a school year, highlighting her unwavering commitment to personal and academic growth.

Year 13: Bhavini Patel

Year 13 brings its unique set of challenges, and Bhavini has risen above adversity, emerging as a top in class award winner and this year's Proxime Accessit. Bhavini's journey has been a testament to dedication and commitment, and she has exemplified the pursuit of excellence in her academic endeavors. Her resilience is an inspiration to us all.

PUTARURU COLLEGE CELLPHONE USE



This starts Monday week 5!

Here is the simplest version of the process...we have plans for increasing the complexity as needed on an individual basis...but we are keen to hear your feedback so let us know what you think! Like everything at school it relies on whanau and student cooperation to work.

Students are still able to bring phones to school but do so at their own risk. Putaruru College, as a matter of policy, holds no liability in regard to damage/loss that happens to a phone/digital device while at school.

Having issues with the digital teen? See flyer below as a potential kete filler.

The Digital Parenting Journey



Internet parenting, the hardest job on earth!

Join us for an interactive and informative evening to help you navigate the online world with your children.

14 November 2023 @ 7pm

Putāruru Gospel Chapel, 86 Kensington St

with guests: Rory Birkbeck, founder of *Safe Surfer App*.
and Frank Eijgenraam, local counsellor specialising in
this subject area.

+ Free Event

+ Coffee & Cake

Science fun

The year 9's have continued to learn about surviving in an end of world event. Mrs Argents class has had recent challenge to try and make water as clean as possible! Miss Schick's class has been trying out their microscope skills.

Friendly reminder though, lab safety is an important requirement within science and students will be removed if safety instructions cannot be followed.



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