

PANUI NEWSLETTER



HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK

Final term of 2024!
Start strong to finish strong.
Attendance: 79%

Putāruru Kahui Ako started the term with a hui to discuss assessment coherence across our learning areas and years.

The Kahui Ako is committed to sharing best practice and supporting the akonga of Putāruru from Year 0 to Year 13 for their best future.

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou katoa! Welcome back to school! Term 4 promises to be busy, short and full on for all levels of the school. Seniors have two weeks to go before prizegiving and exams... Start studying now! Yr 7&8's have testing of their own to do and the year 9 and 10s have camps and setting up for 2025 where NCEA beckons for our current year 10s and our year 9's have the CAA to tackle!! So busy busy busy. Read on for more info on the shave for a cure and mountain biking events over this week. We also have ERO visiting us in week 7 and this coincides with the departure of Ms Carli Last. Carli has been here for six years and is currently our Curriculum DP. Before that she taught English and Media Studies. The saddest aspect of her leaving is that she is leaving education (for the meantime) and has secured an opportunity to work for the Waikato District Council in their Media & Communications team. We wish her all the very best. Have a great weekend...off to touch now...might see you there!

KEY DATES

Week 2 (21st October to 25th October)

Monday – Year 9 Camp
Tuesday – Year 9 Camp
Wednesday – Year 9 Camp
Thursday – STARS Teina Awards Evening, Waikato University
Friday – Senior Reports Published, Year 13 Leavers Dinner

Week 3 (28th October to 1st November)

Monday – Labour Day – school closed
Tuesday – normal school day
Wednesday – normal school day
Thursday – normal school day
Friday – Senior Prizegiving – begins at 1pm

SAVE THE DATE

NCEA CAA RESULTS

Log onto your NZQA Student Portal to see your CAA Numeracy, Reading and Writing CAA results

Don't know how to log onto NZQA?
Ask Ms Carr, our NZQA guru
eileen.carr@putarurucollege.school.nz

NZQA
05 Dec 2024
09.00

After prizegiving seniors should only in school for three reasons:

1. To attend a scheduled NCEA exam
2. To revise for an upcoming NCEA exam
3. To complete NCEA assessments, as agreed and invited by teachers.

They will need to be in the correct uniform, and follow all our usual school protocols and will sign in and out at Student Services.

Proudly seeing Putāruru College in the news!

Excerpt from NewstalkZB 16 Oct 2024:

Transform Aotearoa Putāruru community liaison Lamen Hohaia, who has been a driving instructor for 10 years, is leading the programme and said he has a near-perfect passing rate.

“For the theory, I have a 100% pass rate. For the practical, we have independent assessors from [Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency]. We are sitting at a 90% pass rate for restricted licences.”

Hohaia, who is assisted by his daughter Amber within the programme, said it was important for instructors to get to a level where the students can trust them.

“You’ve got to be able to talk to kids at their level, so they can express themselves ... Some have ADHD, autism or Asperger’s. You need to recognise that and teach them in other ways,” he said.

Free programme helps rural youths gain driving licences – with near-perfect success rate

NEWS NATIONAL

Waikato Herald, Wed, 16 Oct 2024, 3:29pm



Driving instructor Lamen Hohaia (centre, back) with Astar Rapson Jones, Shanaia Thompson, Alex Bond-Kemp, Paetin Ogle and Sharize Rankin. Photo / South Waikato Investment Fund Trust



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

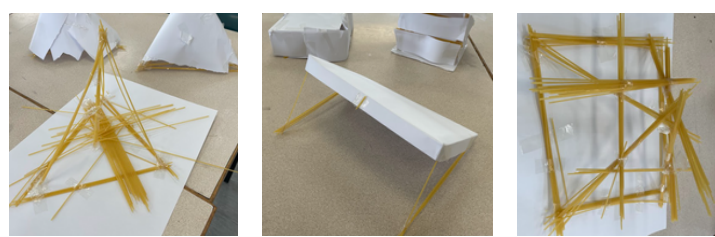
Juniors: Tevon Bracken Robinson -nominated by Ms Taylor for a fantastic start to our class; good work ethic and being a respectful citizen

Middles: Mellody Stevenson -nominated by Mrs Walker for showing resilience and a great work ethic in Digital Technology

Seniors: Madie Curran -nominated by Mrs Argent for actively seeking feedback to make progress on her assessment

This term in Science Y9 students are exploring the skills and knowledge required to survive in a world after an apocalypse. To kick things off we've practised ethical decision-making, explaining the reasons for our choices and collaborating with others, all very important skills for modern scientists to have.

After brainstorming the most important things for survival and learning that shelter from the elements is a top priority, Miss Schick's class were challenged with the task of making the largest spaghetti structure they could that would survive a storm. With limited time (weather waits for no one), groups took various approaches to designing their structures, some focusing more on the size of their structure while others prioritised making it weather-proof.



We are so lucky and grateful that the Waikato River Trails and Riverside Adventures have secured funding for an educational programme, bringing a spotlight to biking in the South Waikato.

These lucky Year 10s will be part of a six week programme. By the end, they will have cycled the entire length of the Waikato River trail!



Senior Academic Success

Achieving Excellence Marks in Term 3

Year 12 Excellence Achievement



Nikita Baker

- **History** - Examine a historical event or place of significance to New Zealanders

Holly Miller

- **Physics** - Demonstrate understanding of atomic and nuclear physics

Ashlee Syben

- **Physical Education** - Perform a physical activity in an applied setting

Year 13 Excellence Achievement

Rebecca Coop

- **History** - Analyse a historical event or place of significance to New Zealanders

Tamsyn Sneddon

- **Science** - Investigate an aspect of astronomy

Continuous Achievement

These students have demonstrated ongoing success and achievement throughout the year with at least 10 credits at Merit or Higher

Year 11

Joseph Cole
Isis Curd
Alex Durrant
Ashlee Farnworth
Christina Lichtwark
Rome Petley
Katelyn Taylor
Taylor Wellington

Year 12

Nikita Baker
Benjamin Coop
Ashlee Syben
Jayden Winikerei

Year 13

Rebekah Coop
Ella Dixon
Jannah Douthett
Jessica McKinnon
Matthew Morrison-McKenzie
Tamsyn Sneddon
Haylee Zein



Senior Exams start on the 5th November!

These are fast approaching, and all senior students entered into exams should have a study plan in place.

We expect all students to attend their exams to demonstrate the learning they have done this year.



If you are coming into school during the exam period please be extra quiet around the hall!



EXAM!



2024 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

Examinations available digitally shown in blue.

Date	Session	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Scholarship
Tue 5 Nov	AM	Lea Faka-Tonga	Mathematics & Statistics	Dance	Classical Studies
	PM	Gagana Sāmoa Spanish	Biology	Japanese Making Music Spanish	Statistics
Wed 6 Nov	AM			English	
	PM	Geography	Spanish	Cook Islands Māori Social Studies	German
Thu 7 Nov	AM		English		Latin
	PM	Reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani	Accounting	History	French
Fri 8 Nov	AM	Mathematics & Statistics		Chemistry	Accounting
	PM		Music		History
WEEKEND					
Mon 11 Nov	AM	French	Lea Faka-Tonga Te Reo Māori	Calculus	Samoan
	PM	Commerce	Korean	Agricultural & Horticultural Science Chinese German	Media Studies
Tue 12 Nov	AM	English			Physics
	PM	Korean	Drama	Samoan	
Wed 13 Nov	AM	Science	Chemistry	Drama	Geography
	PM	Gagana Tokelau Vagahau Niue	Geography	Biology	Art History
Thu 14 Nov	AM	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Art History	Statistics	Drama
	PM	History	Chinese	Accounting	Agricultural & Horticultural Science
CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARY DAY (Fri 15 Nov)					
WEEKEND					
Mon 18 Nov	AM	Te Reo Māori	French	Latin Psychology Te Reo Rangatira	Chemistry
	PM	Japanese	Health	Economics	
Tue 19 Nov	AM	Chemistry & Biology	History	Physics	Te Reo Rangatira
	PM	Health Studies	Business Studies Cook Islands Māori	Health	
Wed 20 Nov	AM	Chinese (Mandarin)	Te Reo Rangatira	Lea Faka-Tonga	English
	PM	Social Studies	Classical Studies	Art History	Economics
Thu 21 Nov	AM	Physics Earth & Space Science	Latin	Te Reo Māori	Calculus
	PM		Economics	Korean	
Fri 22 Nov	AM	Religious Studies	Physics	Business Studies	
	PM	German	Media Studies		Biology
WEEKEND					
Mon 25 Nov	AM	Digital Technologies	Japanese	Geography	
	PM		Earth & Space Science		Religious Studies
Tue 26 Nov	AM		Home Economics	Classical Studies	Te Reo Māori
	PM		German	Home Economics	
Wed 27 Nov	AM		Social Studies	French	Japanese
	PM		Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Media Studies	
Thu 28 Nov	AM		Education for Sustainability Samoan	Earth & Space Science	Chinese
	PM			Music Studies	Spanish
Fri 29 Nov	AM		Dance		Earth & Space Science

IMPORTANT

On the day of your exam:

- Be in School Uniform
- Bring your Admission Slip
- Turn off and Remove all phones, smart watches and digital devices
- Be on Time

TIME
TO
STUDY

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We had 5 brave people who contributed to **Shave For A Cure 2024** - Ali, Isabella, Jahrell and Mr. Pitcher. Jessica also cut her long hair short!

Mr. Pitcher said that he would shave his eyebrows off too... If we raised over \$600. Guess what... We did!

Great effort from the awesome year 13's who organised it - especially Jahray, Jahrell & Kiri.





PIHMS – Taster Week

The Pacific International Hotel Management School, or PIHMS as it is fondly known, is based in New Plymouth and offers a working hotel environment where students study hotel management, tourism and business.



Five of us travelled to New Plymouth on Monday 7th October for the PIHMS Careers Week. We enjoyed table setting, creating designer mocktails, house-keeping relays and role-plays as hotel managers and guests.

We are all so grateful to Whaea Kate, Mr Abernethy and his daughter Hanna for taking time out of their holiday to take us down to New Plymouth. We were so sold on the idea of new opportunities, meeting new people and studying alongside tutors we met, that half of our group are now enrolled in the Diploma programme for 2025.

If Careers Week sounds like something you'd like to do in 2025, keep reading your emails, attend assemblies and listen out for items like this in the Student Notices.



A huge congratulations to Jamie Ruck who has been offered a place on an **AFS exchange programme**.

AFS Intercultural Programs is an international, voluntary, non-governmental, non-profit organisation that provides intercultural **learning opportunities** to help people develop the knowledge, skills and understanding needed to **create a more just and peaceful world**.

While there are few more steps for the exchange to be confirmed, **Jamie exemplifies what it means to shape your reality, work hard, chase your dreams and persevere. Well done Jamie, we wish you all the best!**



The Year 8s have been busy learning about layering wet and dry media and creating character paintings. Here just a few (photo credit top left, clockwise Maddison-Drew Marsh, Tom Shaw, Vaine Petero, Nina Lloyd, Dijonay Lewis)





IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT RELIEF CRISIS

The Teaching Council has initiated a temporary change to our policy for Limited Authority to Teach (LAT).

The temporary change means that if you are currently registered or were previously registered as a teacher, but don't have a current practising certificate AND do not want to return to a permanent teaching role, you may be able to apply for a LAT for a fixed period. The policy took effect on 6 September 2024 and you can apply for a LAT under its provisions until 31 December 2024.

- You can apply for a LAT for one year, with the option for one re-issue of the LAT – for a further year.
- You will need to meet all other criteria for obtaining a LAT.
- A principal will need to attest to your specialist skills or skills in short supply.

Who can apply for a LAT?

Tūranga Whakaako Whai-herenga | Limited Authority to Teach is not a type of practising certificate and it is not for registered teachers nor for permanent employment. It enables people without teaching qualifications to teach in positions where there is a need for specialist skills or skills in short supply.

If you have a specialist skill or skills that are in short supply, but are not a registered teacher, you may apply for a LAT and teach lawfully.

Specialist skill: A skill which requires a high level of expertise in a specific subject area that is not widely available among registered teachers, for example, musical instrument, language or guidance counselling.

Skill that is in short supply: Teaching positions which should be filled by a registered teacher but for which there are currently no such teachers available because of supply issues in a geographic location. The need for these positions must be demonstrated by an employer and will be considered within a regional context.

Contact office@putarurucollege.school.nz or 078838323 for more info.