

PANUI NEWSLETTER



HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK

2025 leaders wananga
Year 10 Okataina camp
Year 8 Bay of Plenty camp
Junior reports
Attendance:

Week 9 (9th December - 13th December)

Monday - normal school day

Tuesday - normal school day, Year 7 & 8 pool fun day!

Wednesday - Year 10 Mountain Bike Trip

Thursday - Junior Prizegiving at 12.30 **LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS** (Pd 1 & 2 normal, Interval, Pd 3 11.30 - 12.20, whanau for 10 mins uniform Check assembly at 12.30)

Friday - Teacher Only Day

A WORD OR TWO....FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou katoa! It is hard to remember a quieter week at school than this week! (I also think it is the shortest Panui ever!) With two camps out, 18 staff and about 100 of our students, it has been really easy to make a coffee in the staff room....and for the kids to find a nice place in the sun or the shade to enjoy the weather that we have been blessed with. In the background there has been a lot of work finishing off assessments, exams, planning, timetables and those last week jobs that seem to appear every time you open your emails! A massive thank you to all the staff for their mahi in getting students ready for the end of year exams and in writing reports. Junior reports will be out today so keep an eye out for them. Next week sees the end of our year. Prizegiving on Thursday and then a teachers only day on Friday.

There are a couple of things that I need to bring to your attention in preparation for 2025. We will be adopting the full cell phone ban in school in 2025. This means that phones will need to stay at home for the day next year...or off in a bag. This aligns with the government desire to let kids be kids at school and not be distracted by a digital existence. More details at the start of next year. Secondly, I am signalling a change to our weekly timetable. Currently we have a late start on a Wednesday for staff PLD. In 2025 this late start will be on a Tuesday. This is an attempt at addressing the slump in attendance we have noticed on the Wednesdays this year. As always feel free to make contact with me if you want to have about this or anything school related. There will be one more Panui to end the year next Friday so stay tuned and stay well. Thats it from me this week....I to go. Have a great weekend.



PLEASE NOTE:

Caregivers, the current parent portal web address is changing and will stop working on the 1st of Jan 2025. This is a forced change.

The new parent portal that can be used from now is;
<https://putarurucollege.school.kiwi>

PUTĀRURU COLLEGE GIRLS LACROSSE TEAM

This season, our girls have had the incredible opportunity to compete in the Waikato club league, facing skilled and experienced teams from Hamilton. Each game has been a valuable learning experience, and their growth as players and teammates has been inspiring. Their resilience, determination, and teamwork have shone through every challenge they've faced. A heartfelt thank you to our generous community for their donations, which made this opportunity possible. Your support has empowered these girls to develop their skills and passion for lacrosse. Congratulations, girls, on your outstanding achievements this season – you should be very proud!



Lauren Matchitt
Defence | Midfield

No doubt inspired by their NZ rep coach Ms Lauren Matchitt!!
Congratulations and good luck Lauren and go team Putaruru!!

Lake Okataina 2024



With two camps out this week here is a sneak peak of what they experienced. Stay tuned til next week for more pics and stories!