

PANUI NEWSLETTER



HIGHLIGHTS...

- **Year 11/12/13 CAA Exams**
26/28/29th May
- **Kings Birthday (No school)**
2nd June
- **Agriculture/ Horticulture Field Days trip**
11th June

Attendance rate 78.3%



Good luck to Putāruru College
Smokefree Rockquest band -
Waterpurifier



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou katoa!!! Woohoo! The turf is finished! We now have, from Monday, a new area for kids to get involved with sport! The transformation of the area has been a long awaited development and now we just need to add kids!! Can't wait to play the year 13s at 5 aside Hockey, Tennis or Futsol on the surface.

The other major news for this week was the first round of CAA's that our year 10s faced. By all accounts their focus, effort and behaviour highlighted their understanding that these are high stakes assessments. Now we await the results.

Clearly the cold weather is effecting attendance with our results slipping under the 80% we have averaged so far. Remember attendance is a key contributor to success so it is super important that our students turn up every day. Learning takes time and effort to develop; and holes quickly appear when attendance is low.

Good luck to all the winter sports this weekend; Go Putaruru Rugby and go the chiefs!!! Have a great weekend.

MATARIKI CELEBRATIONS

KAI, WHAKAWHANAUNGATANGA, PERFORMANCES **AND MORE...**

12 JUN
5-8PM

REMINDER:

CAA Exams this Monday



A reminder that the Year 11, 12 & 13 Literacy and Numeracy CAA exams are happening on Monday for students who are entered (you will have received an email if this applies to your child):

Monday – Writing

Wednesday – Reading

Thursday – Numeracy

These assessments are very important as they provide students with valuable opportunities to gain NCEA literacy and numeracy credits. These are essential requirements for achieving NCEA and moving on to further education or training.

This weekend is a great time for students to do some practice exams and feel confident heading into the week. Ngā mihi for your support in helping them be prepared and ready to ACHIEVE!

Flag Football Comes to Putāruru College

This week, we were excited to welcome Sarah and Georgia from NZ Flag Football—both representatives of the national team—who introduced our PE and Outdoor Education students to one of New Zealand's newest sports: Flag Football.

Flag Football is a fast-paced, non-contact version of American Football, played by teams of five on smaller fields. Using passing, catching, and strategic movement – it's an awesome sport for young players to build their skills before moving into contact football.

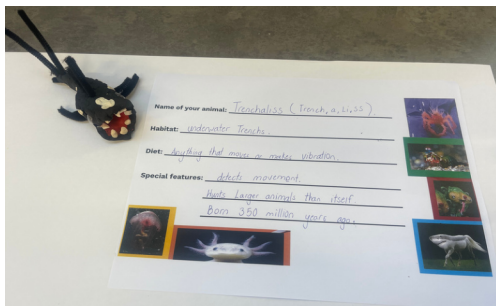
As the sport continues to grow in New Zealand, there's a real possibility we could see a Putāruru College Flag Football team in the near future! If you're keen to give it a go or want to learn more, be sure to get in touch with our Sports Coordinator.



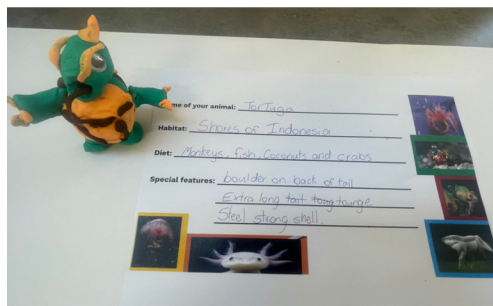
Creative Creatures in Science!

Our Year 7 and 8 students have been putting their science learning into action by designing their own imaginative creatures! Using play dough, pipe cleaners, googly eyes and a whole lot of creativity, they built models of creatures complete with a name, habitat, diet, and three unique features. This fun hands-on task helped students apply their understanding of the characteristics of living things (MRS GREN) in a memorable and creative way. The classroom was full of colour, imagination and some truly wild inventions! This quickly turned into a competition with the following results:

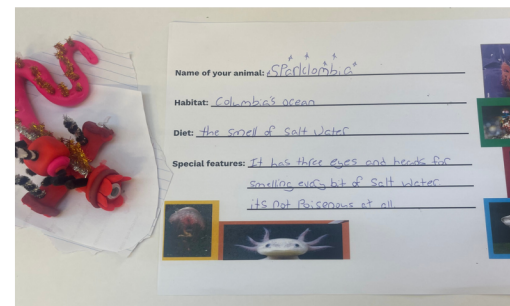
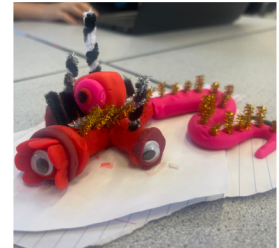
1st Place - TJ Bryant



2nd Place - Niziah-Lee Marino



3rd Place - Alex Bernard



Mountain Biking with Riverside Adventures

This term, a group of Year 10 students has been taking part in a mountain biking course on Tuesdays with Lofty from Riverside Adventures. They've been learning essential bike maintenance and repair skills, as well as how to stay safe whilst riding. They've also had the opportunity to ride along the Waikato River Trail. The students have really enjoyed the experience so far and are looking forward to getting back on the trail next week. A big thank you to Lofty and the team at Riverside Adventures for making it all possible!



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KEY DATES

Sport updates

Weekly sports draw:

Friday night netball

PC Silver Steel vs St Mary's Black (5pm) Court 1
PC Super Stars vs Pukeatua Tui (5:25) Court 3
PC Pulse Up vs St Mary's Reds (5:25pm) Court 4
PC Super star vs Tw Hoop Hustlers (5:50pm) Court 3
PC Silver steel vs PC Magic Touch (5:50) Court 4
PC Magic Touch vs Pukeatua Kiwi (6:15) Court 3

Saturday Netball:

Senior A vs THS Rebels (9:55am) Court 4
Senior A vs FVHS snr Mixed (11:40) Court 4
Senior B vs FVHS Jnr B (11:40am) Court 2

Saturday Football:

Putāruru College 7/8 Vs Te Waotu 7/8 (10:45am)
Glenshea Park J5

Putāruru College SB Mixed vs Paeroa College SB
Mixed (10:00am) *Home Game*

Get involved with Volleyball

Upcoming Volleyball tournament

Date: Thursday 7th September

Location: South Waikato Events Centre, Tokoroa

Time: 9am-2:30pm

Grades: Juniors (Y9&10 only) & Seniors (Mixed gender)

We have some students interested already but we need a full team so if you are keen too, touch base with the Sports Coordinator, Lilian.

SPORTS RESULTS:

Football: Putaruru College SB
Mixed (0) vs Taumaranui (10)



Congrats to our World Champions

Jordan and Lleyton are coming home with gold and silver!

A huge congratulations to Lleyton, who has brought home gold after an incredible victory against England in the Under 17 Muay Thai World Championships!

We also celebrate Jordan, who earned a silver medal in the Under 14 Muay Boran division—a fantastic achievement on the international stage. Both boys have shown outstanding dedication, skill, and sportsmanship. A special shoutout to their trainers, teams, and whānau for the unwavering support behind their success.

We can't wait to welcome you home and celebrate your achievements in person!



Are you interested in playing Turbo Touch?

We're putting together a Turbo Touch team for both boys and girls, and we'd love to see you get involved! Whether you're experienced or just keen to give it a go, this fast-paced, fun sport is a great way to stay active and connect with others. If you're interested in playing, please get in touch with our Sports Coordinator to sign up or find out more.

Youth Week kicks off with sports and connection

To celebrate the start of Youth Week, the South Waikato District Council put together an exciting line-up of events aimed at bringing our rangatahi together. As part of the celebrations, Mr McLaren and Whaea Georgia took a group of enthusiastic Year 9 students to Tokoroa to take part in a fun-filled Sports Day.

Our students had the opportunity to try their hand at a variety of sports, including Kī-o-Rahi, touch rugby, volleyball, basketball, and more. They showed great teamwork and spirit as they competed with and against older students from schools across the South Waikato region. It was a fantastic day of connection, competition, and fun—and a great way to kick off Youth Week!



Teachers take the win...again!



Our much-anticipated Teacher vs Student basketball game took place as well this week—and it didn't disappoint! The court was full of energy, laughter, and competitive spirit as students faced off against their teachers in a fun and friendly match.

Despite the light-hearted atmosphere, the teachers brought their A-game and managed to secure the win! Better luck next time students.

Food and Nutrition/Hospitality

What's been happening this term?

Each Year 9 class is completing a 10-week, foundation Food and Nutrition course which is designed to expose them to a variety of cookery equipment, cookery methods and a range of practical dishes to give them some basic cookery skills and techniques. They are also learning about health and safety, and basic nutrition needs.

In term one, the Year 10 Food and Nutrition classes were busy producing a range of dishes from around the world. Each week we have visited a different country and produced a sweet and a savoury dish from each country whilst enhancing our knowledge of the history of food from each country through inquiry-based research tasks. The year 10 class voted on what they wanted to learn about this term and have now just begun a unit on baking which will finish with a bake off later in the term.

Senior Hospitality classes are continuing to complete the mahi and gain credits towards their NCEA qualifications. They are continuing to give back to our community by assisting with the Kura Kai initiative and in the last few weeks have completed roast chicken with all the trimmings, chicken soup with pizza bread, sweet and sour chicken and apple crumble which has been donated to members of our community.



Year 11 Students preparing and presenting Chicken Stir fry for their knife assessment.



Year 12 Students preparing and presenting Chocolate cake for their baking assessment.



Roast Chicken and apple crumble produced by senior students for Kura Kai.



Year 9 students enjoying stuffed potato after learning how to use the microwave.



Year 10 starting their baking unit by making pizza pinwheel scones

Luv-a-Pie



**FROZEN
GOURMET PIES
& SAVOURIES
FUNDRAISER**

Support our Aims Games
students as they fundraise to get
to this year's tournament!

Your support is much appreciated 🐱



Scan the QR Code to access the fundraising
page **OR** type this link into your address bar:
<https://putarurucollegepies.raisait.co.nz/tx52uezc59>



Waterpurifer are performing in the big smoke

Our incredible Smokefree Rockquest band – Water Purifier, were getting in some practice this week for their performance happening this weekend in Hamilton! Epic work to the students; Mattaia Bester, Eli Martin, Ben Schwass, Jayden Duske-Miles and all the teachers involved in the preparation and practice for getting them on stage.

Thanks to the students who showed up to support and be a fantastic audience too. You can support them by heading along to Smoke Free Rockquest, tickets are \$15 for students, \$20 for adults at Clarence Street Theatre on the 24th May 1.30pm. Good luck Water Purifier, we can't wait to see you perform!



Ready this week...

We're thrilled to announce that our new turf is now complete and ready for use! Over the past week, the final layers of sand have been laid and the vibrant red outlines have been finished. We'll be welcoming our local kaumātua on Monday, 26th May, for a blessing of the renovated areas and our new turf. Once the blessing is complete, the turf will be officially open for public use.

Please keep an eye on our Facebook page next week for important information about court rules and how we can all help keep the turf in great condition for everyone to enjoy.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

TE KAWAU TOI WINTEC TUTORS PRESENT

PERFORMING ARTS WORKSHOP



ENTRY BY AUDITION
JULY 9-11TH | 9-3:30PM
LIMITED SPACES

FREE R BLOCK THEATRE, WINTEC CITY CAMPUS
SEND AUDITION VIDEO: NICK.BRAAE@WINTec.AC.NZ



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► **Private Enterprise**

Our team supports those businesses that make up 97% of New Zealand's economy - our small to medium-sized enterprises (SME's). We provide expert accounting services and advice to help these businesses succeed and grow.

► **Employment with KPMG**

You will begin your career as a Junior Accountant at KPMG in April 2026, on a permanent basis, working at least 30 hours a week while pursuing your studies in accounting.

► **Come to one of our Information Evenings!**

If you're interested in learning more, join us for some food and meet team members who started their careers at KPMG as Junior Accountants. Register using the QR code! →



Applications Open
26th May 2025

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SKILLS CLINIC



Fletcher Adams & Kayley McMillan are fundraising to go race in Europe by holding a **SKILLS CLINIC**.
Followed by a group ride for those that are keen

DATE: Sat 5th July 10am - 1pm
VENUE: Te Miro MTB Park
AGE: EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Skills covered
Cornering, race lines, drop offs, bunny hops etc.
These skills will be covered in games & group ride

Click on link to register
<https://forms.gle/BgzXSaJ85AZbUcyE6>

FREE PAYMENT
But we would love it if you could make a donation to our give a little page PLEASE!!!!



Attention: Showquest Whanau

Our performance is coming along nicely... Just a reminder that our performance is at Claudelands on Thursday 26th June. We will leave the college by 11am and return after the performance (around 10pm).

Whanau who attend, can collect and take their performer/helper home directly. We will also have additional practices Wednesdays after school 3pm-4pm.
Stay tuned for our Facebook post next week about tickets.

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