

PANUI NEWSLETTER



HIGHLIGHTS...

- **Kings Birthday (No school)** - 2nd June
- **Agriculture/ Horticulture Field Days trip** - 11th June
- **Matariki Celebrations** - 12th June
- **School exams** - 16-20th June
- **Showquest** - 26th June

Attendance rate 74.1%

Let's keep each other healthy!

We've seen a noticeable increase in illness across the school this week. To help keep everyone healthy, please keep your child at home if they are feeling unwell. This will help prevent the further spread of bugs and ensure a quicker recovery for all.

Thank you for your support!



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou katoa! Winter it seems looms large! This week has given us a taste of the weather we can expect more of and also the ills and chills that abound this time of the year. That is what we will blame the attendance dipping below the 75% mark on. Check out the tips from our school nurse about some medical stuff that you can make the most of this winter in keeping your whanau safe.

We are also experiencing some uniform derivations that coincide with the drop in temperatures. When our uniform is worn correctly it is more than adequate to keep students warm in winter. The addition of the optional trackpants make it even more adequate. Please help us in this regard by making sure they leave home in uniform and when they can't, please write a note to explain non uniform items.

Finally at the Principal conference I have just returned from we heard from the Minister of Education about the increase in funding in learning support. We are blessed here to have an already amazing learning support team so with this boost in government support we will only get even better! Have a great long weekend, stay warm, stay safe and go the Chiefs.

JOIN US FOR OUR

MATARIKI CELEBRATIONS

12 JUN
5-8PM

*E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e ngā rangatira maha o tō tātou nei kura, tēnā koutou katoa.
You are invited to join us to acknowledge the Māori New Year. Nau mai haere mai.*

Details:

Tāite, 12th o Pipiri 2025
5-8pm
Putāruru College School Hall

What?

Enjoy an evening of kai, performances and connecting with friends, whānau, and our school community.

PLEASE RSVP OFFICE@PUTARURUCOLLEGE.SCHOOL.NZ

Future pathways at the University of Waikato

Last week, a group of students had the exciting opportunity to visit the University of Waikato alongside Whaea Kate and Ms Townsend. During the visit, they explored the wide range of study options available and learned about the pathways that can help them reach their future career goals.

A highlight of the day was the Stock Market Challenge, where Rachel White came out on top—winning an impressive LEGO set for her efforts!

Experiences like this are all about inspiring our students, broadening their horizons, and encouraging them to stay motivated in their learning journey. We're proud of their curiosity and enthusiasm as they plan for what's ahead.



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KEY DATES

Sport updates

Weekly sports draw:

Friday night netball

- Pc Magic Touch vs Pc Pulse up (5pm) Court 3
- Pc Super Stars vs Kao Kao kiwi (5:25) Court 1
- Pc Pulse up vs TW Hoop Hustlers (5:25pm) Court3
- Pc Magic Touch vs St Mary's Red (5:25pm) Court 4
- Pc Silver Steel vs Pukeatua Kiwi (5:50pm) Court 3
- Pc Silver steel vs St Marys Pink (6:15pm) Court 3
- Pc Super stars vs St Mary's Black (6:15pm) Court 4

Saturday Netball: NO GAME!!

Saturday Football: NO GAME!!

Sports results:

Football: Lost 1-7

Player of the Day: Jazaiah and Cooper

Basketball: Putāruru College Juniors vs St Peters Junior Boys Blue 64-27 to PC

Player of the Day: Deano Hohaia

Ready to go!



This week, we were honoured to welcome one of our local kaumātua, Emmerson Rikiriki, who led a special blessing of our newly renovated facilities and brand-new turf at 6am on Monday morning. Teachers, students, and members of the Board of Trustees gathered to walk through each of the new spaces, acknowledging the significance of the occasion.

Following the blessing, everyone was treated to a delicious early breakfast, lovingly prepared by Ms. Duthie, all before the school day had even begun!

We're proud to share our new community space with you. It is a taonga for our school, and we ask that it be respected and cared for as a shared community responsibility.

This incredible new turf was made possible thanks to the generous support of **Pub Charity and the Tū Manawa Active Aotearoa Fund**. We are deeply grateful for their contribution to supporting active play and wellbeing for our tamariki.

Thank you for helping us look after this special space!

PC Turf – Conditions of Use

To help keep our turf in great condition for everyone, please follow these guidelines:

- No food or drinks on the turf
- No scooters or bikes
- Please use equipment only for its intended purpose
- Public use permitted after 4:30 PM on weekdays and all day on weekends

No bookings are required, however cameras are in operation. Please access the turf from our main school carpark gate.

Sports Coordinator office

What's been happening this term?

Winter sports are off to a fantastic start! This term, our students are actively participating in netball, football, basketball, rugby, and hockey—showing great enthusiasm and team spirit across the board.

Throughout the school during lunch and interval, we've added paddle ball and badminton to the mix, and it's been a hit with the students! There's even been a request for an outdoor volleyball net, so it's back to the drawing board to see how we can make that happen. We love seeing our tamariki getting involved and sharing ideas!



Looking ahead...

With June just around the corner, we're gearing up for an exciting month of competitions, including:

- Interschool Cross Country
- Year 9 & 10 Volleyball
- Turbo Touch (Te Awamutu)
- Senior Turbo Touch (Auckland)
- Badminton

As we dive into a busy sports season, we continue to promote the values of teamwork and respect. *"The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team."*

A big shoutout to the tamariki who have been volunteering their time to set up and distribute sports equipment during morning tea and lunch. Your leadership and commitment are appreciated! Let's keep the energy high and the sportsmanship strong!

WHERE IS THE OFFICE?

Lilian can be found in the Sport's Coordinator office which is located beside the netball courts outside A block. Her office is between the Computer Lab and Music Room.



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 🐾

LAST DAY OF SALES: Sun 1st



Scan the QR Code to access the fundraising
page OR type this link into your address bar:
<https://putarurucollegepies.raiseit.co.nz/bx52uezc59>



Biking Adventure to Jones' Landing

On Tuesday, a group of students took on an exciting biking challenge—cycling approximately 30 km from Pokaiwhenua Carpark to Joneses Landing Lookout and back. It was a fantastic day filled with adventure, teamwork, and stunning scenery.

A big thank you to Lofty from Riverside Adventures for supporting us and helping make the day such a success!



Free health checks

If the school nurse is not available for the students and they have a sore throat **REMEMBER** that there are **FREE** sore throat checks at your local pharmacy. Sore throat checks are available for eligible people (i.e. are free for all young people) at participating pharmacies.

This is a swab test or assessment of the throat to see if the streptococcus bacteria is causing a sore throat (strep throat). A specially trained pharmacist will do the check. They can answer any questions you have at the time.

In some cases, antibiotics are needed to treat the infection. If you need antibiotics after your throat check, the pharmacist will supply them to you. A full course of antibiotics is 10 days. It is important to take the full course of antibiotics. There is no cost for the antibiotics.

Creative talent

Our Year 8 HBU students have just completed their art rotation, showcasing some incredible animal-themed artwork. Their creativity and attention to detail really shine through in each piece.

Pictured from left to right: Pounamu, Cleo, Kadin, Liane, and Quinn—ka pai to all of you for your amazing mahi!



Rotary



Combined Districts of
New Zealand



ROTARY CANS FOR A CAUSE

Many families across New Zealand are struggling to put enough food on the table for their whānau and are in urgent need of support.

Items most in need:

- Canned fish
- Baked Beans and Spaghetti
- Canned veges
- Canned fruit
- Soup
- Diced tomatoes
- Spreads
- Rice
- Pasta
- Cereals

The Rotary Clubs of New Zealand are committed to collecting 1 million cans of food to support local food banks in our communities.

You can help!

Donate your food items between 9th – 16th June to help us collect a million food items.

A community project organised by:

Rotary Putaruru

Our collection will support the food bank @ The
Overdale Community Centre Putaruru



**40 HOURS?
CHALLENGE ACCEPTED.**



**SIGN UP NOW
40HOUR.ORG.NZ**



13-15 JUNE 2025

MY 40 HOUR OFFLINE CHALLENGE

Here are 40 ideas to help you make
the most of your 40 Hours Offline!



1 40 Hours, Outdoors. Get out in nature and explore for 40 hours. Fresh air, wide open spaces and sleeping under the stars.	2 40 Hours, Dance Party. Gather your mates, pump up the tunes and tag team for a dance marathon.	3 40 Hours, Volunteering. Help a cause you care about, like a local food bank, tutoring students or an animal shelter.	4 40 Hours, Creating. Painting, writing, coding, crafting, how creative can you and your mates get in 40 hours?	5 40 Hours, Fitness. From cardio to yoga, endurance, flexibility and strength. Set a goal and see how hard your team can go.
6 40 Hours, Board Games. Winner takes all! Stock up on games from your local op shop and play it out for 40 hours.	7 40 Hours, Cleaning Up. Head to local beaches, lakes, parks and playgrounds and see how much rubbish your crew can remove.	8 40 Hours, Gratitude. Put pen to paper and find other creative ways to thank people you're grateful for to brighten their day.	9 40 Hours, Performing. Put on plays, music recitals, choirs, sketches and more to provide 40 hours of entertainment.	10 40 Hours, Baking. Choose your recipes and get busy in the kitchen, then gift or sell your tasty treats as fundraisers.
11 40 Hours, Caring. Make cards for sick kids at your local hospital and nursing home residents.	12 40 Hours, Hanging Out. Disconnect to reconnect with mates in a whole new way.	13 40 Hours, Upskilling. Offer to skill share with friends, teach guitar, Italian, karate, dance etc.	14 40 Hours, Reading. Go somewhere cozy with your mates and tackle a box of books.	15 40 Hours, Exploring. Go on a new adventure with your crew, plan ahead, paper maps only.
16 40 Hours, Gardening. Get your hands dirty, plant trees, sow seeds, pull weeds.	17 40 Hours, Inspiring. Paint rocks, canvases and more with inspirational messages.	18 40 Hours, Running. How far can you go in 40 hours? Do it in a team and split the km!	19 40 Hours, Painting. Paint by number, do a friend's portrait, a landscape, go abstract, just paint.	20 40 Hours, Making Music. Get all your musical mates together and don't stop the beat.
21 40 Hours, Upcycling. Repurpose, repair, refurbish, bring new life to unwanted items.	22 40 Hours, Joking. Write and perform a comedy show, hide jokes for people to find.	23 40 Hours, Journaling. Take this time to write and process what's on your heart and mind.	24 40 Hours, Crafting. Knitting, sewing, woodworking, painting, jewellery-making, scrapbooking.	25 40 Hours, 40 Mountains. How many summits could your team do between you?
26 40 Hours, Whittens. Plan a family adventure, cook your loved ones dinner and hang out.	27 40 Hours, Sewing. Clothing, accessories, quilting... what could your crew create in 40 hours?	28 40 Hours, 40 Stories. Create your own writers' sanctuary and leave with a book collab.	29 40 Hours, Skipping. Basic jumps, double unders, crisscrosses, speed skipping...	30 40 Hours, Kindness. Small acts can make a big impact! How many ways can you pass it on?
31 40 Hours, Art Installation. Planning, sketching, creating, installing your own art show.	32 40 Hours in Polaroid. Take instant photos of friends, family, nature, things that bring you joy.	33 40 Hours, Scrapbooking. Use stickers, old magazines, photos and flowers to boost creativity.	34 40 Hours, 40km. Swim, cycle, walk, skate, roll, do it in a team or take it on solo.	35 40 Hours, Mindfulness. Grab this time to meditate, walk, journal, breathe, be still, be chill.
36 40 Hours, Donating. Clothes, food, books, toys, towels (for animal shelters), how much can you give away in 40 hours?	37 40 Hours, Family Legacy. Create a family time capsule, scrapbook, album or other special items that can be passed down.	38 40 Hours, Full-body Challenge. Create a workout with a mix of challenges and rotate sessions with your team.	39 40 Hours, Storytelling. Record stories from older family members and friends, create a version to keep and one for them.	40 40 Hours, Puzzle Mania. Solve jigsaw puzzles, crosswords, riddles or brain teasers non-stop with your team.

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