



TE PAEPAE O AOTEA

Kia eke atu ki Taupaenui o te tangata

Newsletter – 8 September 2023

Kia ora e te whānau

It certainly has been an exciting few weeks. Last week, three of our winter sports teams had the opportunity to represent our school during winter tournament week. Our Netball team played consistently at the lower North Island Secondary Schools Netball tournament finishing a credible 16th in the B Grade section. Our Rugby team competed in the Rugby by the Beach competition against schools from the upper North Island region. The Hockey team travelled to Taupō where they competed in the North Island Mixed tournament. They were very pleased with their 4th place finish.

Practice examinations are starting next week. These are important for our senior students as these grades are used to apply for tertiary courses, scholarships, prizegiving calculations and if they need a derived grade at the end of the year. Students should have been studying and should also spend time this weekend studying. Senior classes will run as usual next week. It is expected that senior students attend class in between their examinations. Our teachers are keen to continue working alongside our students to ensure they are fully prepared for the practice examinations as well as the end of year examinations.

Later in the newsletter we have listed the dates for end of term whānau meetings. We encourage you all to attend these meetings. The focus for junior students is to set their learning programmes for Term 4. Our Year 10 – 12 students also need to select their courses for 2024. Prior to these meetings, Year 10 students have an NCEA Information evening and students who are going to be seniors in 2024 are invited to a senior subject expo. More details can be found later in this newsletter. Year 10 -12 students will be getting the senior course booklet in the next week. It is vital they take time to read the course descriptions to make informed choices. Booklets will be emailed out to students and caregivers along with instructions for entering choices on the portal.

We are pleased with the latest NCEA update. All three NCEA year levels have increased the number of students who are predicted to gain their qualification by the end of the year. Well done to all our senior students who are focused and getting their work completed for assessments.

Schools nationwide are embracing the New Zealand Curriculum refresh. Later in the newsletter I have provided information on the refresh as well as links for those that want to learn more in this space.

Thank you to everyone who attended our cyber safety presentation last week. We have attached resources related to that evening to this newsletter. Hopefully these resources are valuable whether you were able to attend the cyber safety evening or not.

Transition visits have begun and enrolments for 2024 are underway. If you know of students that need to be enrolled for 2024, please send them in the direction of our office or alternatively they can enrol online via our website.

Dates for prizegivings have been set. You will find these later in the newsletter. Please add these to your calendars. You will also find an overview of the awards being given out at each prizegiving. Students are keen to know what awards will be presented. We have three school values; Aotea, Taupaenui and Paepae. These values underpin all that we do throughout our school. At our prizegivings, students will be acknowledged for displaying these values. Each prizegiving will be split into three sections; Aotea, Taupaenui and Paepae.

The last week of term is extremely busy. We have listed all events happening later in the newsletter for your convenience. As always, we will finish the term with a whole school assembly. This will be held on Friday at the HUB at 2pm. Parents and whānau are most welcome to join us. Students will be released for the holiday break following assembly.

Ngā mihi

Rachel Williams

Tumuaki





Panui from Te Paepae o Aotea Establishment Board of Trustees

Te Paepae o Aotea School Board acknowledges the work of all involved in the start-up of our school.

Our school has been operating for six-months now and personnel have done an amazing job establishing the school over such an incredibly reduced timeline. New schools normally have a two-year startup period - we had one.

A staff of 130 are working cohesively to ensure the best learning outcomes for students. Finding quality teachers has been no mean achievement; 10% have been employed from overseas bringing diversity to our school and newcomers to our town.

An exciting new curriculum is being rolled out at government level, given flavour by our school community, to meet our local curriculum needs.

Students arrive at Te Paepae o Aotea from a variety of local schools, many with sound literacy and numeracy skills. For those who experience difficulties, enrichment programmes are provided for English and Math support.

Staff are open to and engage in higher learning for those students whom the school recognise need extension and during flexitime, our junior students have the option to engage in English, Math and Science extension classes. Our senior students have the same opportunity during enrichment time.

Meetings are held with families to discuss individual learning programmes for students who want to engage in more than four senior subjects. This is an area we hear rumblings about. We acknowledge we may need to do more work with our community around understanding the design of our senior curriculum; to focus on students achieving quality credits rather than quantity. If this a concern for you, please come to school and discuss this with a senior leader. Our leaders are very open to listening and working with you.

Progress of all students is tracked across the school and reported to the Board monthly. We constantly look to see how students are progressing toward NCEA credits. Our senior students are on track to gain an 80% plus pass rate at each year level.

Pass Rate	40+	60+	80-100
Level 1	3.9%	18.1%	70.3%
Level 2	8.3%	13.5%	68.8%
Level 3	3.6%	19.6%	67.9%
Description	<i>Could still pass but needs further support</i>	<i>Likely to pass but needs monitoring</i>	<i>On track to pass qualification</i>

Individual Learning Programme meetings (Parent Teacher and student interviews) have been held each term. Ninety percent of families attended the Term 1 meetings and 50% attended Term 2 meetings. Should you require further clarification about your student's learning, please make an appointment with your child's teacher or senior leader. They will be able to help with your query with more clarity.

Students need to take up every opportunity provided, the most essential being attending school.

Attendance rates are appalling.

The Ministry of Education defines regular attendance as at least 90% attendance.

Measure	Percentage half days -whole year up to 12/6/23	Percentage half days -whole year up to 19/7/23	Percentage half days -whole year up to 19/8/23	2024 MoE target
<i>Percentage of ākonga attending school regularly (attending more than 90%, an average of 9 days a fortnight)</i>	41.1%	41.9%	38.3%	70%
<i>Percentage of ākonga moderately absent (attending more than 70% up to 80%, missing two to three days a fortnight)</i>	13.0%	11.9%	14%	6%
<i>Percentage of ākonga chronically absent (attending 70 % or less, missing three or more days a fortnight)</i>	18.2%	19.6%	19%	5%

The school has several staff focussed on attendance and have employed a dedicated staff member to make calls, visit and constantly monitor these students. Our hope is that students will become productive members of our society and add value to our town. Getting students to school is everyone's responsibility, the school can only do so much.

School culture has improved. Exclusion, suspension and stand down rates have dramatically reduced - the Board insists that the school provide a safe and secure learning environment for all.

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
<i>Stand downs</i>	41	25	9
<i>Suspensions</i>	8	5	0
<i>Exclusions</i>	0	3	0

NZ Drug Detector Dogs were recently engaged to further support our safe environment. We are pleased to say there is no cause for concern from this inspection.

Contrary to much 'public discussion / gossip' in the community, the school has not had any stabbing incident nor a variety of other 'reported transgressions.' Very clear processes are in place and operating if student behaviour requires disciplinary action.

The school, which is the only school this community will have for a very long time, is working hard to be the best it can be. A little more support from some members in the community would be appreciated.

We hear how 'droves' of students are leaving the school. This is simply untrue.

142 students have left the school. This includes 82 senior students. Seventy-two students have joined our school from a variety of schools around Taranaki and New Zealand since the beginning of the year.

Students who have left Te Paepae o Aotea have left for the following reasons:

Removed from roll due to continuous absence	Excluded from school	Moved to a school within Taranaki	Moved to another school outside Taranaki	Students who have moved to alternate education courses e.g., Te Kura/home school	Further study e.g., WITT	Employment	Unknown destination (other school)	Left the country	Unknown destination (end of schooling)
26	3	23	10	3	8	25	14	3	27

This equates to 13% of the total school roll who have left for a variety of reasons throughout the year. Fifty-eight percent of those leaving are senior students. One of the objectives for our school is to secure employment and study pathways for our senior students so it is pleasing to see so many transition to the next step of their learning journey.

There are a multitude of engaging subjects offered at Te Paepae o Aotea: Korean, Spanish, Robotics, Animation, Fine Arts, Conservation, Horticulture, te reo Māori, French, Sustainability, Construction, Agriculture, Hospitality, Digital Fluency, Screenwriting, Drama, Community based murals, Music, Vocational pathways, Fashion, alongside all the traditional and foundation subjects.

If students want to succeed, the world is their oyster. They need to take every opportunity and shine!

The majority of students are doing just this. Please acknowledge their success over your coffee and spread the good things that are happening at Te Paepae o Aotea.

Change is hard and change takes time. Together we will make a difference to our young people. It takes a village to raise a child and we thank you for your support.

NCEA Evening Year 10

Monday, 18 September – 5.30pm, Resource Centre

We encourage Year 10 parents and students to attend the NCEA Information evening on 18 September at 5.30pm in the Resource Centre. Level 1 NCEA will change next year for all Year 11 students across the country. We will explain the changes to you and the impact it will have on your child.

Senior Subject Expo

Monday, 18 September – 6-7pm, Te Ramanui Block

On Monday, 18 September 6-7pm, staff will be available to discuss courses available in 2024 to help students decide which subjects to select. The curriculum areas will be spread throughout Te Ramanui and Technology classrooms. We encourage Year 10-12 students to take the time to look through the displays and ask questions. Subject Course booklets and the selection process will be started on Monday, 11 September.



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WHĀNAU MEETINGS

Junior School - Week 10

Interview Dates & Times:

Monday September 18 – Between 3.30pm-4.30pm

Tuesday September 19 – Between 3.30pm-4.30pm

Wednesday September 20 – Between 3.30pm-4.30pm

Thursday September 21 – Between 1pm-7pm

On Thursday September 21 - Junior Students will finish school at 12.30pm

Junior meetings are an opportunity for parents, students and whānau teachers to review learning goals set at the start of term and confirm module selection for Term 4. Year 10 students need to complete course selection for 2024.

Senior School - Week 10

Interview Dates & Times:

Tuesday September 19 – Between 3.30pm-4.30pm

Wednesday September 20 – Between 3.30pm-4.30pm

Thursday September 21 – Between 1pm-7pm

On Thursday September 21 - Senior Students will finish school at 12.30pm

Senior meetings are an opportunity for parents, students and whānau teachers to review learning goals set at the start of the year and complete course selection for 2024.



NCEA Update

We are very pleased to share our NCEA results with you. Our senior students are working hard in classes and all year levels are on track to gain an 80% pass rate.

Pass Rate	40+	60+	80-100
Level 1	3.9%	18.1%	70.3%
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Level 1 achievements (155 students)

88 students have Literacy

92 students have Numeracy

55 Level 1 students have some Excellence credits

107 Level 1 students have some Merit credits

Predicted Pass Rate = 88.4%

Level 2 achievements (96 students)

83 students have Level 1 Literacy

81 students have Level 1 Numeracy

73 students have Level 1 NCEA

18 students have Level 2 NCEA

8 students have UE Literacy

38 Level 2 students have some Excellence credits

51 Level 2 students have some Merit credits

Predicted Pass Rate = 82.3%

Level 3 achievements (56 students)

49 students have Literacy

49 students have Numeracy

49 students have Level 1 NCEA

46 students have Level 2 NCEA

6 students have Level 3 NCEA

31 students have UE Literacy

23 Level 3 students have some Excellence credits

34 Level 3 students have some Merit credits

Predicted Pass Rate = 87.5%

We also have 29 of our Year 10 students who have started their NCEA journey with credits on the system.

New Zealand Curriculum Refresh

We have received questions from parents and members of our community about the New Zealand Curriculum refresh happening over the next few years. Below is key information with links to further information including short videos explaining some of the changes. We encourage you to explore this information.

The Ministry is two years into a six-year programme to refresh The New Zealand Curriculum.

Te Mātaiaho | the refreshed curriculum will support every student to experience success in their learning. It will give effect to te Tiriti o Waitangi and will be inclusive, clear about the learning that matters and easy to use from year 0 to year 13.

The refreshed curriculum content is being developed and released in phases and schools will have until the beginning of 2027 to start using the fully refreshed curriculum.

The first stage of the refresh took effect at the start of 2023 and new [Aotearoa New Zealand's histories](#) content must now be taught in all schools.

From 2025, schools must use the refreshed mathematics and statistics and English learning areas. The implementation deadline for the full curricula is 2027.

Together, we're refreshing The New Zealand Curriculum so that schools and communities are better supported to do what they do best: create rich and responsive learning that helps every student realise their goals and aspirations.

Through consultation, we've heard from tens of thousands of New Zealanders, including students, teachers, education experts and members of the public, about their vision for the future of the New Zealand Curriculum.

We heard that change is needed to ensure [Te Mātaiaho | the refreshed NZ curriculum](#):

- gives effect to te Tiriti o Waitangi.
- is inclusive.
- is clear about the learning that matters for our learners.
- is easy to use.

We are keeping many of the elements from the current 2007 New Zealand Curriculum, but the refreshed curriculum will make the learning journey coherent, rich and responsive to the needs of our students.

Further information can be found following these links.

[Why The New Zealand Curriculum is changing | Curriculum Refresh \(education.govt.nz\)](#)

[What's changing? | Curriculum Refresh \(education.govt.nz\)](#)

[Te Mātaiaho | Curriculum Refresh \(education.govt.nz\)](#)

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Attendance Update

The Ministry of Education has released the following attendance and engagement strategy. We also have developed our own strategy which involves a school and community wide focus on attendance.

[Attendance and Engagement Strategy – Education in New Zealand](#)

We know that students who attend school are more likely to engage in their learning and make progress with their learning. For senior students this can make the difference as to whether they gain their NCEA qualification.

Quick reminders to help with attendance rates:

- When students are working in the resource hub (Library) they need to ensure they sign in and out at the counter with whaea Kris.
- If students are late to class, students need to check in with the teacher to ensure they are marked present.
- If students need to leave school early, parents are to ring the office rather than phone students directly and interrupt their lesson.
- Students must continue to sign in and out at the office if they are late to school or leaving early.
- For students who are not in class, a text will be sent to their families.

We would appreciate your support to follow up at home. We will follow up at school as well.

The Ministry of Education (MoE) has strict guidelines for recording student attendance. If you are not aware of the different attendance codes set by the MoE, check them out [here](#).

Attendance

Please contact the school office or use the School App to tell us about a student absence. All absences need to be explained.

Te Paepae o Aotea phone 06 223 2000



School Accounts

If you would like to set up a Family Account for your student, please contact

Accounts@tepaepaeootea.school.nz

Credit balances from Family Accounts will be applied to any charges as they arise.

Reminder, when paying accounts online, please ensure you include the following details:

Particulars: [SURNAME] [First Initial] [Student Number] [Reference (e.g., Rugby)]

Student Number can be found on MyKAMAR on our website www.tepaepaeootea.school.nz

TSB Bank Limited – Te Paepae o Aotea Account: 15-3950-0777159-00

Charges can also be paid at our Main Office by way of Cash or EFTPOS.



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IMPORTANT EVENTS

Event	Date
Senior Practice Examinations	September 11-15
MCAT Examination	Tuesday September 12
DCAT Examination	Wednesday September 13
Senior & Junior Whānau Meetings	September 18-21
Year 12 TOPEC – L2ORE Class	September 18-22
NCEA Evening Year 10 – 5.30pm, Resource Hub	Monday September 18
Senior Subject Expo – 6-7pm, Te Ramanui Block	Monday September 18
WOW Level 1 & 2 Textiles Trip	September 19-21
Catch Up Year 8 Vision Testing	Tuesday September 19
School Finishes Early – 12.30pm	Thursday September 21
End of Term whole school assembly, 2pm	Friday September 22
Senior Prizegiving – Year 11-13, 6.30pm	Friday November 3
Junior Prizegiving – Year 9-10, 9.30am	Friday December 15
Junior Prizegiving – Year 7-8, 11.30am	Friday December 15

Stationery and Devices

Junior students have begun new modules this term. Please check in with your child to ensure they have the correct stationery and books for their module.

All students are to ensure their device is charged and ready to take to class. Students are welcome to bring their power cord for their device to school if it is having trouble holding charge.

If students need support with stationery, books or devices, they need to speak to their whānau teacher.

Senior School Homework Club

Staff are providing further study and classwork opportunities for students during Terms 3 and 4. Classes will run from 3-4pm in B14 unless stated otherwise. This space can be used for students to receive extra help completing classwork and internal assessments or to start preparing for practice exams in Week 9 (12-15 September).

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
ART TR9 / 10 Drama B9		Drama TN3	
L1 Maths L3 Stats and Cal	Numeracy	L2 Maths	L3 Stats and Cal
		Physics	Science / Biology / Chemistry
	Te Reo		
L1 English			L1-3 English
	Physical Education & Health	Physical Education	Physical Education
Geography / History			Business

HHS and HIS Cups and Trophies

All trophies given out to students in 2022 from Hāwera Intermediate and Hāwera High School are to be returned to Te Paepae o Aotea school office. All trophies will be stored for safekeeping to go on display in the new school building.

Any whānau who donated trophies and would like them returned, please notify the school office.

Uniform Information 2024

Fitting Days – 15-19 January 2024

The following items will be available for purchase from NZ Uniforms

- Blue jacket with school logo.
- Blue hoodies with school logo.
- Polo shirt with school logo.
- School navy blue shorts, culottes, skirt or long pants.
- Orange dress shirts and blazers are optional for senior students.
- A variety of other items will also be available: hats/caps, beanies and ties.

Other uniform information

- Plain black school shoes/sandals.
- Plain black/navy or white socks.
- There is no specific PE uniform - students to change into comfortable activewear.
- Sports uniforms will be provided by the school.
- Pre-owned interim uniform can be worn until the end of 2025.

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TE PAEPAE O AOTEA UNIFORM DESIGN





SPORTS LEADER

Tessa Leatherby



Mālō e lelei,

Our Town and Country event ran today. It will be great to see so all our students getting involved and playing off against their pairs. We're looking forward to hearing the results as they come in.

Big congratulations to all those students who went away on tournament week and represented our school. Well done.

'ofá mo e fiefiá

CULTURAL LEADER

Shaneyya Patel



Mālō e lelei

This week has been full of joy as students immerse themselves in the beauty of the Tongan language and culture. Students have shown great enthusiasm, learning and appreciating Tongan traditions, with many classes reciting their morning karakia in Tongan and others exchanging new greetings and phrases they've picked up. A truly vibrant and wonderful week. Let's continue to celebrate and honour Tongan language and culture so that the appreciation extends far beyond Tongan Language week!

'ofá mo e fiefiá

ACADEMIC LEADER

Ebony Kalin



Mālō e lelei

By looking at the 'Opportunities on Offer' section of this newsletter, you will see there are a lot of academic opportunities scheduled, particularly for year 11 and 12 senior students. Programmes such as 'Hands On Otago' and 'Powering Potential' are all awesome opportunities for our students and I encourage you to apply.

Most, if not all these programmes, are sponsored and entirely free. From experience, I can say these programmes are amazing opportunities to get an inside perspective of university life, to step outside your comfort zone, meet people from across the nation and perhaps, even discover your passion. I highly recommend them.

One big final reminder from the academic committee, Te Paepae o Aotea mock exams for senior students begin next week. Students should already have their study schedule sorted and be preparing for these exams. And remember, if, for whatever reason, cannot make the real NCEA exams, these mock exam grades will be your finals. So, prepare well. We wish you all the best of luck!

We look forward to continuing to celebrate our student's academic success this term.

'ofá mo e fiefiá

COMMUNITY LEADER

Hannah Coogan



Mālō e lelei

This week Te Paepae o Aotea staff and students shaved their heads for Shave for a Cure. Organised by Julia Scott and Nadine Hunt as our Official hairdresser. This was a successful event with over \$5000 raised for Leukemia and Blood Cancer New Zealand. Lauren Gadd donating her hair to be made into a wig. Awesome efforts!

'ofá mo e fiefiá



Student Success

TĀTARAKIHI KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL

Year 7 & 8 Students

Friday September 15, at the TSB Hub

Next Friday 15 September at The Hub, 53 of Te Paepae o Aotea Year 7 and 8 students will be taking the stage at the upcoming Tātarakihī Kapa Haka Festival. They have spent the term preparing for their ngāhau bracket and are extremely excited to showcase their learning. Tickets are \$3 each. Come along and enjoy a day of Kapa Haka.

Below is the table of events for the day:

Time	No.	Kura	Programme	Whakataetae (Competition)
8.15		<i>Pōwhiri</i>		Whakangahau (Non-competition)
8.45	1	Kakaramea School	<i>Kakaramea Roopu</i>	Whakangahau
9.00	2	Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Ngāti Ruanui	<i>Te Ao Marama o Puanga 2</i>	Whakataetae
9.25	3	St. Joseph's Stratford	<i>Hato Hōhepa o Whakaahurangi</i>	Whakangahau
9.40	4	Te Kura o Ngaruahinerangi	<i>Te Kura o Ngaruahinerangi</i>	Whakangahau
9.55	5	Waitara East School	<i>Te Kāhui o Ngā Mātā Raukura</i>	Whakataetae
10.20	6	Tawhiti School	<i>Te Kura o Tawhiti</i>	Whakangahau
10.35	7	Inglewood Primary School	<i>Ngā Raukura o Kōhanga Moa</i>	Whakangahau
10.50	8	Mangorei	<i>Toi Toi Whakamanawa</i>	Whakangahau
11.05	9	Norfolk	<i>Norfolk</i>	Whakangahau
11.15	10	Te KKM o Te Pīpī'inga Kākano Mai I Rangiatea	<i>Ngā Kākano o Rangiatea</i>	Whakangahau
11.30	11	Te Kura Waenga o Ngāmotu - Central School	<i>Te Kura Huna</i>	Whakangahau
11.45	12	Manukorihi Intermediate	<i>Te Kura Takawaenga o Manukorihi</i>	Whakataetae
12.10	13	Te KKM o Te Pīpī'inga Kākano Mai I Rangiatea	<i>Te KKM o Te Pīpī'inga Kākano Mai I Rangiatea</i>	Whakangahau
12.25	14	Waitara East School	<i>Te Mātā Mokopuna</i>	Whakangahau
12.40	15	Puketapu School	<i>Puketapu</i>	Whakataetae
1.05	16	Huirangi	<i>Te Kura o Huirangi</i>	Whakangahau
1.20	17	Frankley	<i>Ngā Tipuranga o Kahikatea</i>	Whakangahau
1.35	18	Highlands Intermediate	<i>Te kura Takawaenga o Pukekura</i>	Whakataetae
2.00	19	Tikorangi School	<i>Tikorangi</i>	Whakangahau
2.15	20	Coastal Taranaki School	<i>Te Roopu o Hangataahua o Coastal Taranaki School</i>	Whakangahau
2.30	21	Egmont Village School, Te Kura o Araheke	<i>Te Roopu Kapa Haka o Araheke</i>	Whakangahau
2.45	22	West End Te Kura Ō Mōrere	<i>Te Puna Waikoropupu Ō Tarawhata</i>	Whakangahau
3.00	23	Te Kura Tuatahi o Te Hāwera	<i>Te Kura Tuatahi o Te Hāwera</i>	Whakangahau
3.15	24	Auroa	<i>Auroa Kapa Haka</i>	Whakangahau
3.30	25	Turuturu School	<i>Te Kura o Turuturu</i>	Whakangahau
3.45	26	Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Ngāti Ruanui	<i>Te Ao Marama o Puanga 1</i>	Whakataetae
4.10	27	Ramanui School	<i>Ngā Manu Tioriori o Te Ramanui</i>	Whakangahau
4.25	28	Avon School	<i>Avon School</i>	Whakangahau
4.40	29	Te Paepae o Aotea	<i>Te Paepae o Aotea</i>	Whakangahau
4.55	30	Hato Hohepa o te Hawera	<i>Hato Hohepa o te Hawera Teina</i>	Whakangahau
5.10	31	Ramanui School	<i>Te Roopu Puawai o Te Ramanui</i>	Whakangahau
5.25	32	Hato Hohepa o te Hawera	<i>Hato Hohepa o te Hawera Tuakana</i>	Whakangahau
5.45		<i>Prize Giving/ Karakia/ Close</i>	<i>Chairman</i>	

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Fortnightly VR Fridays Hāwera Library Plus

Every second Friday from 3:30-4:30pm at the Hawera Library Plus, for ages 13-18.

Powering Potential

Are you a year 11, 12 or 13 student who enjoys STEM subjects, then apply for the Royal Society Powering Potential in Wellington during December. Head to the Royal Society website for more information.

New Zealand Defence Force Opening Evenings 6pm - Wednesday September 27

Defence Careers Office
203-205 Devon Street, New Plymouth

Come along to our information evening and discuss a career with the New Zealand Defence Force with your local defence recruiter. Here you can ask any questions you may have about the application process and the roles available through to the lifestyles and specifics of each service. It doesn't matter if you don't know anything about the services – We're here to help!



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MURAL DESIGN FOR NGATI RUANUI



Matua Sandy, Matua Hemi and Rachel from Ngati Ruanui visited the Te Paepae o Aotea Year 9/10 Art Class. Our students have been working on a mural design for the Ngati Ruanui building.



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2023

Student Achievements

Te Paepae o Aotea we have students who participate and represent themselves in activities from sports, cultural, academic, and community in and outside of school.

Our school values are shown and upheld through



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TAUPAENUI



PAEPAE

We want to capture your achievements and celebrate these with you and our wider school through assemblies, newsletters and our social media platforms.

YOUR achievements are what YOU believe you have accomplished and feel proud about and would like to share.

Information will be collated and entered onto a spreadsheet which will be kept for our records throughout the year. Information gathering helps with reports and prizegiving.

Please take time to share your successes with us by filling in this form and selecting the 'Activity' and then a brief description. Forms can be filled out whenever you need to update your achievements.



Please click the link to complete the form: [Studentachievementform](#)



Sports News

It's great to see the weather starting to warm up. This is a great reminder that our summer sports are gearing up.

Touch season kicked off last night down at the Turuturu Football fields with six Year 7/8 teams and seven secondary school teams participating. These are awesome numbers for our school with 130 students showing off their skills.

Touch

Touch is a fast and fun game that can be enjoyed by all abilities.

Currently training are our Senior Mixed Touch team, participating in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Touch Nationals in Rotorua, 8-10 December. This team will be coached by Matua Anaru who brings great knowledge and a pretty flash quicky with dangerous pace. Our kids are in great hands.

Volleyball

Volleyball Junior Boys have been training hard for their up-and-coming tournaments, Taranaki Schools and Junior Nationals. It's also fantastic to see a girls volleyball team. The girls are dedicated and committed to their trainings and are improving all the time.

Volleyball has seen a huge increase of participation over the last few years from all ages. This is great for the sport.

Cricket

You will see lots of notices going out around Cricket for our Years 7/8, 9/10 and senior students. If you are keen on playing, please see myself or Mr White.

There is a big push is for girls to get involved and give cricket a go. On Thursday next week, Taranaki Cricket will be in school to do some fun skills and drills with girls. This will happen on King Edward Park from 12.45pm – 1.45pm. Girls do not need to know how to play or have equipment. We just want to see anyone who is interested to go along and have a go.

Secondary Schools Winter Tournament Week

Last week we saw three teams spread across the North Island for Winter Tournament week. Netball in Wellington, Rugby in Tauranga and Hockey in Taupo. This was a great experience for all who were involved with successes on and off the field. Winter Tournament week is a highlight for our senior teams as it is an opportunity for them to put their best foot forward and make great memories.

Hockey

Had an epic week, placing 4th in their tournament. This was a huge improvement from the previous year, placing 11th overall. Our team has grown in so many ways with a mixture of junior and senior

students. A fantastic achievement for all involved. Huge thanks to Mrs Williams and Deidre Coogan for their support and guidance this year.

Netball

Coming off a high after winning their Taranaki Netball Satellite competition, our Senior A team were looking forward to the Lower North Island Netball competition. Our team competed in the B Grade which saw great games during the week, winning seven and losing two games overall. Unfortunately, narrowly losing the two games at the beginning of the week saw them placed in the lower half of their section. They finished strong, placing 17th overall. Thanks for Kayla, Fe and Pauline for their support.

Rugby

Blessed with fantastic weather, our Rugby team competed in the Rugby by the Beach tournament in Papamoa. No wins for the team, however, the experience playing against other schools from around New Zealand was appreciated. Lots of learnings to take away. Thanks to Chris, Anaru, Tuki and Ange for their on-going support.

Finally, a heartfelt thank all our student and parent coaches and managers who have given up their time to help with our teams. Your support has allowed our students to get involved, interact with others, create memories and stay active.

Congratulations to our talented Te Paepae o Aotea students

SKATING

Chrissy Southey, Ayla Bond and Elizabeth Cudby attended the 2023 World Oceania Artistic Skating Champions and Pacific Cup Open competition held in Queensland, Australia. Fantastic results for all.

HIP HOP – Mega Crew

HIP HOP – Mega Crew is part of the Taranaki Mega Crew who placed first in their section and are the 2023 National Champions.

LEAGUE

Koha Tamou named in the u16s Central Vipers League team. He will be participating in the League Nationals competition this weekend in Rotorua.

Ngā mihi

Vicki Roberts
Sports Coordinator

Sporting Events	
TSSSA Ki o Rahi	Thursday, 14 September
Te Paepae o Aotea 1st XV Rugby v Te Aute College –	Saturday, 16 September
Taranaki Primary School Cross Country	Thursday, 20 September
Catch up – Sports, Culture and Arts photos	Thursday, 20 September
TSSSA Touch (Junior and Senior)	Thursday, 26 October, Waitara



Sporting Achievements



Score	Team	V	Team	Score
Pool B				
WIN 5	TPOA 1 st XI Mixed Team	V	Rodney College	1
WIN 5	TPOA 1 st XI Mixed Team	V	Campion College	0
WIN 2	TPOA 1 st XI Mixed Team	V	Naenae College	0
LOST 0	TPOA 1 st XI Mixed Team	V	Pompallier	3
WIN 5	TPOA 1 st XI Mixed Team	V	Okaihau College	0
Semi Final				
LOST 0	TPOA 1 st XI Mixed Team	V	Raphael	1
Final for 3rd & 4th				
LOST 0	TPOA 1 st XI Mixed Team	V	Huanui College	4



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Kia eke atu ki Taupaeuni o te tangata

SKATING

2023 WORLD SKATE OCEANIA ARTISTIC SKATING AND PACIFIC CUP OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Te Paepae o Aotea congratulates the following students who attended 2023 World Skate Oceania Artistic Skating Championships and Pacific Cup Open Competition held in Queensland Australia - August 18-22, 2023.

Chrissy Southey
4th - Pacific Cup Youth Figures

Ayla Bond
3rd - Pacific Cup Cadet Figures

Elizabeth Cudby
8th - Oceania's Cadet Freeskating
5th - Pacific Cup Cadet Figures



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Hip Hop Unite NZ school Championship Secondary School Mega Crew

Te Paepae o Aotea congratulates Natalia Rook for being part of the Taranaki Mega Crew who placed first in their section and are the

**2023 National
Champions**

PRESENTING
BPW HAWERA & NORMANBY LIONS'



MEET THE CANDIDATES

28th of September 2023
South Taranaki Funeral Services Chapel,
268 High Street, Hawera

Doors open 6:30pm for 7:00pm start

**Whanganui / Te Tai Hauāuru
electorate**

Q&A session
Followed by
Meet & Greet
With Candidates

Light Supper provided



Normanby & Districts Lions

Key messages from our Community Library



Everyone is welcome to spend time in the district's LibraryPlus after school and in the school holidays

However:

- Please remember to be respectful of staff and other library users. In particular, keep noise at a reasonable level, put rubbish in the bin, look after the library's equipment and no vaping is allowed.
- The staff love to see students of all ages at the library but if they want to continue to use the facility they will need to follow these rules.




AZTEX FOOTBALL ACADEMY

2023 TRIALS

SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST
SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER
SUNDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

Time: 6:00-7:30pm
Place: Hawera Football club, Turuturu Road

FREE PROGRAMME! Open to boys and girls ages 10-14 in the South Taranaki region that are not involved with the FTC program

10 weeks of training and coaching + Kit + Game days



 Aztex Football Academy  @aztex2017



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QUEENSLAND MULTI-SPORT TOUR 2024

HANGI MEAL

\$20

includes Hangi, Pudding and Fizzy Drink

Pick up from
Te Paepae o Aotea Canteen
4:30 - 6:00pm
Friday 15th September



Tickets available from students on the tour or by emailing
chris.robinson@tepaepaeoatea.school.nz



Girl Guiding NZ Hāwera Pippin, Brownie and Guide units currently need Volunteers

Do you have a desire to give back to the community and help build happy, confident and resilient young women? Then becoming a leader in Girl Guiding could be for you. Our Leaders come from various places, ages and backgrounds. No previous Guiding experience is needed; many of our leaders have never been involved before.

Our Hāwera Pippin, Brownie, and Guide (girls aged 5-12½ years) need volunteer adult leaders to join them today!

If you are passionate about positive outcomes and experiences for Girls and Young Women, apply now on our website at

<https://girlguidingnz.org.nz/volunteers/>

Prizegiving Information

Te Paepae o Aotea has three values, Aotea, Taupaenui and Paepae. These values underpin all that we do throughout our school. At our prizegivings, students will be acknowledged for displaying these values. Each prizegiving will be split into three sections, Aotea, Taupaenui and Paepae

 AOTEA	 TAUPAENUI	 PAEPAE
<p>Our value of Aotea represents a caring environment for all students, staff, whānau and community, to explore identity.</p>	<p>Our value of Taupaenui supports the attainment of human potential, the pursuit of knowledge and striving for excellence.</p>	<p>Our value of Paepae supports the courage, adventure, strength, persistence and the pursuit of knowledge in the learning environment.</p>

<h2 style="text-align: center;">TE PAEPAEO AOTEA PRIZEGIVING DATES</h2>	
<p>Senior Prizegiving – Year 11-13, 6.30pm</p>	<p>Friday, 3 November</p>
<p>Junior Prizegiving – Year 9-10, 9.30am</p>	<p>Friday, 15 December</p>
<p>Junior Prizegiving – Year 7-8, 11.30am</p>	<p>Friday, 15 December</p>

<h2>Aotea Awards</h2>
<p>Each whānau class has one award.</p>
<p>Each Senior course/Junior module has one award.</p>
<p>Our service awards are presented in this section e.g., Library, Student Coaches, Volunteers.</p>
<p>Each sports team, arts, cultural groups will have an award in this section.</p>
<p>Kaitiakitanga - contribution to our school and region award.</p>
<p>Promotion of mana Māori award – one award per prizegiving.</p>
<p>Top three students – Aotea Award – awarded in each prizegiving.</p>
<p>Supreme Aotea Trophy Winner – this is awarded to the student who best displays our Aotea values around the school (one per prizegiving).</p>

Paepae Awards

Each Whānau class has one award in this section.

Literacy & Numeracy top three Junior students in each year level.

Individual Learning Modules, Community Contribution, Flexitime - The top three Junior students in each Junior prizegiving receive awards.

Senior Paepae Awards - Teacher Nominations — Students who have challenged themselves in a learning environment outside of the classroom e.g., United Nations, Lions Speech, YES etc.

Each sports team, arts, cultural groups will have an award in this section.

Qualified Referees/Coaches - recognised in this section.

Promotion of mana Māori award – one award per prizegiving.

Top three students - Paepae award – awarded in each year level.

Taupaenui Awards

Senior Courses – Top academic Senior student in each course/subject*

Literacy & Numeracy – Junior – top academic students each year level*

Individual Learning Modules, Community Contribution, Flexitime – Top academic student for each module*

**The number of Taupaenui awards for each subject/module are calculated based on how many students are in the course/module (1 award per 25 students)*

Leadership: Awa Leaders – Certificates.

Leadership: Head Student – Acknowledgements.

Each sports team, arts, cultural groups will have an award in this section.

Students who have gained Regional, National or School Honours will be presented in this section.

Promotion of mana Māori award – one award per prizegiving.

Awa Awards - Top Awa.

Scholarships/Other Awards – Senior Prizegiving.

Top Sporting Student – one per prizegiving.

Top Performing Arts/Cultural Student – one per prizegiving.

Top three students - Taupaenui award – awarded in each year level.

Taioreore (Supreme) Taupaenui Trophy Winner – awarded in each year level to the top academic student (Year 13 student in this section will be Dux).

**Please note all selection criteria for the Te Paepae o Aotea Prizegiving Awards are based on the current academic year level*