



# TE PAEPAE O AOTEA

*Kia eke atu ki Taupaenui o te tangata*

Newsletter – 5 May 2023

Kia ora e te whānau

It has been great having our students return to learning over the last two weeks following the school holidays and ANZAC day. ANZAC day gave us an opportunity to reflect on the service so many people have given to our country and to be grateful for the opportunities that we have. Our students who attended four of the different services around the district represented our school by displaying all three of our school values; Aotea, Taepaenui and Paepae. I was proud of all our students who attended services but particularly those that spoke at two of the different services. They were well prepared and spoke with confidence and compassion about a very important topic.

This term we have asked our students to continue to focus on getting the little things right, so they are able to focus on their learning. Two big initiatives we have asked for is mobile phones to be away during class and for our uniform to be perfect. Thank you to everyone who has supported us to make this happen. Keep having conversations with your child around the importance of not having their phone in class as it is too much of a distraction for them in class. With winter fast approaching it can be challenging to have uniform dry at times. If your child does need to wear incorrect uniform, please send them with a note for their whānau teacher. Our pastoral team do have some spare uniform items students might be able to borrow until they can get back to correct uniform.

Junior students have started in their new modules, and it has been great to see them meet new faces in their modules as they start their learning journey in a new area for Term 2. Senior students continue in their same modules until the end of Week 7 this term. Prior to this, each senior student will have a meeting with their whānau teacher to check credits, review goals and set their learning programme for the second half of the year. We have been sharing what students are learning on facebook and our school app. Keep an eye on these spaces to learn more about the amazing things happening around our school.

Winter sports are now well underway. I have been getting great feedback from the community about our students and the values they display on the sports field. Once again, game times are shared across our platforms so take the opportunity to get along and support our students. Our Year 7 and 8 students have been busy trialling for winter exchanges coming up. These teams will be announced shortly and then preparation will start to ensure we are ready. Other extracurricular activities like Kapa Haka, Debating, Race Unity Speeches have also started, and students have been excelling in these areas. I would personally like to thank everyone in our community who is helping with our extra-curricular activities. With your continued support we can offer a greater range of opportunities for our students.

Our school values of Aotea, Taupaenui and Paepae continue to underpin everything we do at Te Paepae o Aotea. Further information can be found later in this newsletter. We would encourage you to have conversations at home about what each one of these values looks like in the school setting and across our wider community.

Many of you would be aware that we are in the middle of industrial action as the secondary teacher's collective has not been settled. This means there will be some unavoidable disruption to Term 2. Key dates are noted later in the newsletter. We will continue to remind you about each of these dates as the term progresses. As always, we are thankful for your continued support. We look forward to working alongside you this term.

*Poipoia te kākano kia puāwai*

*Nurture the seed and it will bloom.*

*(We all need love and care to fully realise our potential)*

Ngā mihi

Rachel Williams

***Tumuaki***



# TE PAEPAE O AOTEA

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*The following values are the way we do things at Te Paepae o Aotea*

## AOTEA



**Our value of Aotea represents a caring environment for all students, staff, whānau and community, to explore identity.**

We create safe and caring learning environments.

We value and celebrate individual mana.

We develop authentic relationships.

## TAUPAENUI



**Our value of Taupaenui supports the attainment of human potential, the pursuit of knowledge and striving for excellence.**

We uphold a learning culture that is inclusive and diverse.

We strive for personal excellence.

We have a positive attitude and a growth mindset.

## PAEPAE



**Our Value of Paepae supports the courage, adventure, strength, persistence and the pursuit of knowledge in the learning environment.**

We are courageous and visionary.

We challenge with confidence, where appropriate.

We support each other to overcome obstacles and build resilience.

## Rostering home

1. While students may continue work on currently assigned material, there should be no special preparation of work for online platforms for the day they are rostered off.
2. Other teaching and duties continue as normal.
3. Rostering does not include out-of-school-hours voluntary extracurricular activities.
4. Organised camps etc., would be rescheduled around rostering plan.
5. Year 7/8 student classes continue as normal unless there is a full school strike day.

<b>THIS IS THE ROSTERING HOME PLAN</b>		
<b>TERM 2</b>	<b>DAY/YEAR LEVEL</b>	<b>DAY/YEAR LEVEL</b>
<b>Week 3</b>	Tuesday – Year 12	Thursday – Year 13
<b>Week 4</b>	Tuesday – Year 9	Wednesday – Year 10
<b>Week 5</b>		Thursday – Year 11
<b>Week 6</b>	Tuesday – Year 13	Thursday – Year 12
<b>Week 7</b>	Tuesday – Year 10	Thursday – Year 9



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# Cellphones at School

Phones are not learning devices.  
Phones are not to be used in class.  
We advise students to leave  
phones at home.

**The Board of Trustees expectations are very clear.  
These rules are to be upheld at all times.  
Their priority is to provide a safe learning  
environment for all students.**

If a student is asked by a teacher on a second  
occasion to put away their phone, it will be  
removed and stored in a safe lockable cupboard.  
Students will be able to collect their phones  
at the end of the day.



## Uniform

Our Board expects all students to wear correct uniform and our school logo with pride at school and out in the community.

Students must wear the polo and sweatshirt provided. Plain black shoes (no coloured markings) or sandals must be worn. Plain black, navy or white socks are acceptable. Plain black shorts, trousers or skirts/culottes are to be worn. Almost all students are wearing our uniform proudly. Please continue to do this in the coming days/weeks. Families will be contacted by their whānau teachers if there are uniform issues from next week.

## School Accounts

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

**TSB Bank Limited – Te Paepae o Aotearoa**

**Account: 15-3950-0777159-00**

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

**Student Number can be found on MyKAMAR on our website**

**[www.tepaepaeoaoatea.school.nz](http://www.tepaepaeoaoatea.school.nz)**



# Te Paepae o Aotea Head Leader News

4 May 2023

## ACADEMIC LEADER

Ebony Kalin



Kia Ora

Welcome back to term two! The academic committee has been working hard over the past couple of weeks to create and promote academic opportunities for our students.

Currently we are working alongside the Mayor's Task Force to increase employment in South Taranaki. With this in mind we will be releasing a survey to senior students next week. The information gathered will help us to build impactful employment event for our students. In week seven we plan to host our very own Te Paepae o Aotea 'The Chase' LRA competition. If you would like to take part in this, please see your Awa Academic Leaders.

Remember, check out the 'Academic opportunities on offer' below. We highly encourage our students to get involved and take advantage of these opportunities to build your knowledge and experience. If you need any further information, please message me on teams.

We look forward to seeing what term two has in store.

## SPORTS LEADER

Tessa Leatherby



The sports council congratulates everybody who is getting involved in winter sports and representing our school.

One thing that the sports council is doing this year is LRA which stands for lunchtime recreational activities.

This is going to promote student participation and involvement within our school.

We started with, and are currently playing dodgeball which seems to be a success and we look forward to seeing the juniors play next week. Thank you to everyone that is getting involved in allowing us to run these events. Thanks, the sports council

## COMMUNITY LEADER

Hannah Coogan



Community leaders have started Term 2 with a roar! They have been working hard organising an inter-Awa can drive that will run from next week all the way to the end of term.

This can-drive will involve all students at Te Paepae o Aotea, helping to build initiative in all students to give back to the community. This drive is being supported by myself and Ms Walker.

Our community leaders will continue to organise events that give back to our wider community and we look forward to instilling this initiative throughout the school.

## CULTURAL LEADER

Shaneyya Patel



Congratulations to everybody on a successful Term 1! We're incredibly impressed with how our students and staff have settled into our new school. From learning their way around to getting to know new routines, new classmates and new teachers, everyone has done an amazing job of embracing each and every challenge.

I wanted to recognize the amazing work that everyone has been doing to create such a positive and friendly school culture. From the very first day, everyone has shown remarkable kindness and encouragement toward each other. It's been fantastic to see.

Whether it's a kind word, a helping hand, or a simple smile, your actions are making a real difference to those around you. Thank you for keeping high-spirited attitudes. It's clear everyone is committed to creating a collaborative and cheerful sense of community.

Let's keep up the positive momentum we've created this year and keep working together to create a school environment where everybody feels valued and supported. Let's all look forward to an even more successful Term 2!



# Student Success

## PĀTEA AWA Student Academic Recognition



The Pātea Junior Assembly saw Senior Patea Leaders present Junior Patea Leaders with their leader badges. Certificates were presented to junior Pātea student showing our school values, wearing their school uniform with pride, and good attendance.



## PASIFIKA STUDENT STUDY SUPPORT PROGRAMME

A programme for Pasifika secondary school students in Taranaki

- Safe environment
- Support from registered teachers
- Transport available
- Meal provided
- NO COST

The only cost involved is a willingness to take advantage of this amazing opportunity!

Where: *St Andrews Church, Lizardet St, New Plymouth*

When: *Wed 12th April, 4pm – 6pm*  
*Wed 19th April, 4pm – 6pm*  
*Wed 26th April, 4pm – 6pm*  
*Wed 3rd May, 4pm – 6pm*  
*Wed 10th May, 4pm – 6pm*

To confirm your / your child's attendance **OR** for more information please contact  
Josh on 027 266 8649 OR [info@vaimoana.org.nz](mailto:info@vaimoana.org.nz)



## ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

### Victoria University Visit

Wednesday May 17

For Year 13 Students - in the Resource Centre

### Year 12/13 Professor Harry Messel International Science School, Sydney - July 2023

The ISS is a free, biennial science event that celebrates and honours excellence in young people displaying an interest and aptitude for science, aiming to encourage these students to pursue careers in science and related areas.

Applications are due May 22, for more information see Ebony.

### Ronald Hugh Morrison Writing Competition

For Year 9-13 Students - DTBC

All participants must be over the age of 13. Categories include secondary school poetry, secondary school short story, and secondary school true story. Up to three entries per category for each student. Competition will open midterm term two and close early term three.

### WITT Taranaki Science and Technology Fair

July 31 - August 2, 2023

Are you a year 7-13 student interested in science or technology? This event could be for you!

The different categories include scientific journalism, advertising poster, scientific photography, observational drawing, robotics water rockets, and scientific investigation. Prizes are up for grabs! For more details and information on how to enter head to their website [taranakisciencefair.co.nz](http://taranakisciencefair.co.nz)

### Fortnightly VR Fridays at Hāwera Library Plus

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

### Nga Manu Korero Speech Competition

This is an upcoming speech competition that sees the best young Māori orators from around the region, for more information see Matua Aranui.

### Pasifika Student Study Support

A Taranaki study support group for Pasifika Students, held every Wednesday from 4pm-6pm in St Andrews Church Lizardet St New Plymouth. Transport is available. For information see the attached poster.

### Otago University Open Day May 7-8

### Victoria University Information Evening

Held at The Plymouth International on May 17, 5:30-8:00pm (Open Day is August 25)

### FREE Taranaki Bus to Waikato Open Day May 26

A FREE bus for Taranaki students wanting to attend the Waikato Open day on May 26. See Sue in the transition office for more information and details. **Literacy Quiz in**

### Normanby/Ronald Dahl Quiz



# Student Activities



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## FLAX PLANTING AT TAWHITI STREAM



Today our students from Ko wai Au got to participate in planting bushes and replanting flax bushes along the Tawhiti Stream with the crew from Fonterra, Te Korowai Ngaruahine and Ngati Ruanui as part of their community contribution.



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## RACE UNITY SPEECH AWARDS

On Tuesday May 2, three of our Senior Students Ebony Kalin, Emilia Scott and Mapet Bacor competed in the South Taranaki Race Unity Speech Awards. They all spoke exceptionally well, with Ebony Kalin winning the competition and Emilia Scott as runner up.

Ebony advances to the National Race Unity Awards Semi-final held in Auckland on June 17, she will compete to make the top 10 speakers in New Zealand. Ebony will also present her speech to our local Police Force (Principal Partner of the Speech Awards) on June 16. Awesome effort girls!



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## LEST WE FORGET ANZAC Day Service Tuesday April 25, 2023

Te Paepae o Aotea staff member Emily Davidson and Patea Sports Leader Luke Barnett proudly representing the school at the Patea dawn service this morning. Luke also attended the Alton ANZAC service. Awesome efforts.



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**LEST WE FORGET  
ANZAC Day Service - Tuesday April 25, 2023**  
Te Paepae o Aotea staff, leaders and students proudly representing the school at the Hāwera dawn service this morning.





# Sports News

This week we have seen our Netball, Rugby, Hockey, Football and Yr 7&8 Basketball teams compete in their competitions. Over 160 kids out in our community representing Te Paepae o Aotea - Tu Meke!!

I've managed to get along to several games and have been highly impressed with the skill, passion and pride our students have shown when playing. A couple of teams I would like to acknowledge:

**1<sup>st</sup> XI Mixed Hockey Team** - I didn't realise how fast and skilful hockey really is until Tuesday night. Our team had an outstanding start to their season with plenty of opportunity on the field. Great game to watch. FYI - these cookies are fit!! The running they do is crazy!

**Year 7&8 Basketball team Aotea** - On Wednesday this group of amazing young men played a much younger team who were in the wrong section. Team Aotea showed great sportsmanship, behaviour and leadership by adapting their game allowing the opposing team to score goals, opportunities to play ball without hard defence and allowing team to have fun and feel good about themselves. They showed all our school values - So proud!

Our Year 7&8 students have finished the week trialling for teams in a range of codes to participate and play against Highlands, Devon and Manukorihi Intermediate schools later this month and next. We have some very excited players and teachers who are looking forward to these exchanges.

There are a few TSSSA events this term in which I will be calling interest for. Don't forget to look out for these posts and register.

## **Te Paepae o Aotea Cross Country Championship and Inter Awa Color Run - Friday May 12.**

Championship Cross Country starts 9.30am at the A&P show grounds with the Colour Run in the afternoon at school from 1.30pm. Colour run is a fun event. You don't have to run, you can walk while doing a few obstacles along the way - Get amongst it and earn a point for your Awa.

I see some great numbers participating in our sport however feel there could be more students involved whether it be in a team or as an individual or as a coach, manager or umpire. We all have our strengths and it's not necessarily about being a good player or on the winning team all the time. Playing sports is about getting out and being active, to meet new people, have fun alongside your friends, and challenging yourself. Know that every person brings something different to the table.

Every Monday, all sports results will be posted on our social media platforms from the week. All Te Paepae o Aotea games for the week will also be posted on Monday.

Please, if you have the time, get along and support our amazing teams on the sideline. Be positive, supportive, and encouraging on the sideline to all involved.

Vicki Roberts  
**Sports Coordinator**



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## GOLF FLURO FUN DAY

Manaia Golf Club  
Thursday 25th May | 10am  
\$5 per player

Join us for our Golf FLURO Fun Day to learn new skills and enjoy a day out with your friends.

Teams of 4 students | Year 4 to Year 8  
Fluro dress-up | Great spot prizes.

- Each team must be accompanied by an adult.
- Please bring golf balls and clubs if you have them.
- Prizes for best dressed Fluro team

To register, see your school sports teacher or keep an eye on your school newsletter for details.

For Year 7 & 8 students.  
All interested students please see Mr Chand or Mr Bernard.

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# COMPETITIVE CROSS COUNTRY

**FRIDAY MAY 12, 2023**  
9.AM-12.50PM  
A&P SHOW GROUNDS  
You must register using the link below

Runners who do well will present Te Paepae o Aotea at the TSSSA Cross Country Monday May 15, 2023 - A&P Show Grounds, Hawera

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# INTER AWA COLOUR RUN

**FRIDAY MAY 12, 2023**  
1.30-3.00PM  
SCHOOL GROUNDS

**See your Whānau teacher to sign up!**

**CONDITIONS**  
Whānau teacher to have final list to Vicki by Wednesday May 10, 2023 - 3pm.  
Runners **MUST** be in a change of clothes to participate. You will **NOT** be allowed to run if you are in your school uniform. Automatic disqualification.  
Each entry gives you Awa a participation point.



**The Hawera Highland Pipe Band**

Are currently looking for Year 7–13 students interested in learning to play either drums or bagpipes with a view to becoming playing members of the band.

Tuition is available (currently \$50 per term) on Monday nights at 6:00pm. This is an awesome opportunity to learn an instrument and to take part in community events such as Christmas parades, school galas etc.

Please note that learners will be expected to purchase their own drumsticks or practice chanter.

If you are interested, please contact Robert Colville (robbie.colville@gmail.com, or 027 290 4422) or Kristy Colville (kristy.colville@gmail.com, or 027 318 4180)



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**JUNIOR SCULPTURE**  
**We Need Your Junk**



If you have old plastic toys (\$2 shop junk, animals, army men, McDonald toys etc) lying around, the Junior Sculpture students need your old toys to create Readymade artworks.  
**Please drop to the school office.**



TRC is currently seeking feedback from the Taranaki community on transport. The views will shape transport strategies and plans by the TRC, New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and South Taranaki District Council. There is a survey and an interactive map where participants can share their views on road safety and speeds, cycling, walking and active travel, the vision for transport in 2050 and public transport.

Please follow the link below:

<https://trcnz.mysocialpinpoint.com/transport>



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 School App

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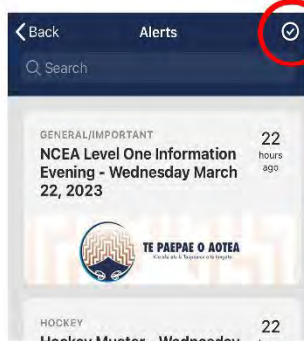
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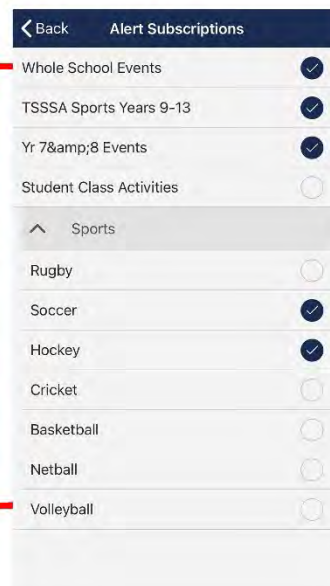


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