

TE KARERE

A Newsletter from Aotea College

Important Dates:

June

3rd ~ NPKA Teacher only day 6th ~ Queens Birthday holiday

7th & 8th ~ PEO300 Mountain biking—10.40-2.20pm

16th ~ Open Evening 3.30 to 5pm & 5.30 to 7pm

23rd ~ PEO301 Triathlon Training

24th ~ Matariki Public Holiday

27th ~ PED300 Mountain biking assessment Board meeting 6pm

28th PED300 Mountain biking assessment

July

7th PEO300 Outdoor adventure Term 2 reports emailed home

8th ~ Last day of Term 2

25th ~ First day of Term 3
Board meeting 6pm

28th & 29th ~ Y12PEO Rangatuhi Mt Bike Trails

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Tēnā koutou e te whānau

And just like that we are halfway through term two!

Co-curricular involvement is well and truly underway and it is great to see and hear sport and cultural performance groups around the school at various times.

This week has seen senior staff members and students visiting Year 8 students at the local contributing schools ahead of our Open Evening on Thursday 16th June.

We have also celebrated Samoan Language Week with a variety of student and staff led initiatives, including a cultural food market day.

Today we have been learning and connecting with the staff from the other schools in our Kahui Ako. These connections and professional learning opportunities are so critical for the primary and secondary academic journey of the tamariki in our community.

We hope you all enjoy the long weekend. Travel safe if you are heading away and we look forward to the start of the second half of term 2 next week.

Ngā mihi nui

Kate Gainsford Principal



Open Evening for Year 9
enrolments in 2023
Our open evening will be
held on

Thursday 16th June.

We are running two sessions 3:30 to 5:00 pm & 5:30 to 7:00 pm

2022 Tough Guy Tough Girl Report

Last Friday our PEO200 students completed in the Wellington Secondary Schools Tough Guy Tough Girl Challenge. This event required students to complete a 6k obstacle course requiring them to climb over large obstacles, crawl through tunnels and electric fences, swim through cold water and climb up muddy hills. This year the course was full of mud and provided an extra challenge for the students. It was great to see everyone push themselves to try and complete the course. All of the students represented Aotea College in a positive way. There were some great results from the event and as a college we placed 5th overall out of 24 schools in the female category.











Pasifika Voices

With the disruption to all our lives that COVID brought it has been some time since we have had a Pasifika Voices meeting at school. The meeting is a chance for our Pasifika families to come together to discuss how we can all best support students to be successful at school, to share information and ideas and connect with other families. There are opportunities for the group to invite teachers to come and speak to the group on areas of interest such as pathway planning, NCEA and University or vocational pathways.

We will be holding our first meeting of the year in the school staffroom on Tuesday 7th June at 6:00 pm. All parents of Pasifika students from across the school are welcome to join us. If you have any items for the agenda or requests for information to be brought to the meeting for discussion please email them to Rachel Parsons (pas@aotea.school.nz)

Become a host family

Aotea College is excited to be welcoming International Students back!

With the return of International Students, we are now looking to expand our pool of homestay families, for both short term and long-term hosting.

Why host?

Hosting a student is an enriching experience for both yourselves and the student. You'll experience a true cultural exchange, sharing knowledge of your culture whilst learning about the many different cultures represented by our students. Often host families build lasting relationships with their students

What is expected from host families?

Involve their student in their life, spend time talking with their students to give them confidence speaking in English and treat them as a member of the family.

Be caring and understanding, patient but able to set boundaries

Show their students how to get to and from school (e.g., where the bus stop is, how to access the bus schedule, how to walk to school).

Provide three meals a day and snacks (including a packed lunch during the school week).

Provide a furnished bedroom

Provide bed linen (sheets, pillow, and blankets) and towels

Provide wifi

What we provide

Aotea College has a well-resourced International Department, with a Homestay Co-ordinator who is able to provide you with advice and support.

Homestay families are paid a weekly fee which is reviewed annually.

For more information about hosting a student please check out: <u>international.aotea.school.nz/homestay</u> or email cox@aotea.school.nz

10GEO

Thank you to Lewis Ferris from Metservice for speaking to the 10GEO class about the role of Metservice and natural disasters.





Kapa Haka Roopu

The Aotea College kapa haka roopu - Te Kāhui Kuratea are hosting a movie fundraiser to help our kids get to Polyfest 2022



8:30pm - Thursday 30 June, Light House Cinema Pāuatahanui Tickets \$20

Each ticket entitles you to an entry into the draw for a kete pō (flax evening bag) along with kai to enjoy during the movie

Email Maureen at tekahuikuratea@gmail.com

Rated PG (parental guidance recommended)

Ngā Toi | The Arts at Aotea

Upcoming Events

Manawatu Jazz Festival - Saturday June 4th

Music News

Jazz Bands:

The Aotea Jazz Orchestra and The West Coast Modern Groove Club will be competing at the annual Manawatu Jazz Competition on Saturday afternoon. Held at The Globe Theatre, our students have regularly competed and enjoyed the experience of seeing bands from other schools do the same. Wish them luck as they head north for the day trip!





All Comers Choir:

Don't forget that the all comers choir rehearses every Tuesday and Wednesday lunchtime in Te Manawa. All are welcome!

Visual Arts News

On Wednesday, senior art and photography students got to see the Top Art exhibition brought to Aotea

College by Pātaka Art + Museum. The folios in this exhibition are the top folios from around Aotearoa in 2021.







Sports News

NZSS Squash teams champs

If you are a keen squash player and interested in competing in the NZSS Squash teams championships please come and see the sport department.

Sports hoodie and long sleeve tee

Students and the Aotea College community are now able to purchase an Aotea branded sports hoodie and long sleeve tee to wear to games, training and tournaments.

The long sleeve tee is signed off for our teams to wear at games where applicable i.e Hockey & Netball.

Students are reminded that these items are not part of the official school uniform so please do not wear them to school.

Please use the following link to order a hoodie or long sleeve tee:

Aotea College Sports Hoodie

Sport uniform

With winter well and truly here we would like to make sure that students are staying warm during the season. In saying this please make sure that students are still continuing to wear the correct uniform.

- •Netball Can wear a black thermal/ polyprop or new sports long sleeve tee underneath their playing dress.
- •Basketball No tops are to be worn under their playing singlet, but can wear their Aotea Navy sweatshirt or the new sports hoodie to games
- •Football Can wear a black thermal /polyprop or new sports long sleeve tee underneath their •playing top
- •Hockey Can wear a black thermal / polyprop or new sports long sleeve tee underneath their
- playing top / dress

Please make sure that students have a warm jacket or top for after their game or training.

Students please make sure that the correct uniform is worn on and off the court during any Aotea College Sport game.

Sport draws

- Our netball draw can be found on the Kapi Mana netball page or through this link https://www.netball.com/assoc_page.cgi?c=1-9578-0-0-0&a=COMPS
- Our basketball, badminton, rugby and underwater hockey draws can be found on College Sport
- Wellington through this link https://collegesport.org.nz/draws-results/. The draws will also be posted on the sport notice boards around the school.
- Our Hockey draw can be found on the Wellington Hockey website or through this link https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/org/wellington-hockey-association/d023b04a

Gymnasium car park

A reminder that the bottom car park closest to the gym is locked everyday at 5pm and does not open until early the next morning. If you have training or games that will be played after 5pm please park on the other side of the school by the main reception to avoid being locked in.



Sports News continued

Training schedule

Please find the training schedule <u>here</u>. Alternatively, you can find it on the Aotea Sports Website under one of the tabs at the top of the website.

Student Achievements

Please remember to send all student sporting achievements through to the sports department.

Badminton have a go

