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TE KARERE

A Newsletter from Aotea College

Important Dates:

August

1st ~ Cook Island Language Week

2nd ~ Y12PEO Rangatuhi Mt Bike Trails

3rd to 5th ~ DRA 200/300 Class Production

3rd ~ CWS Junior Badminton Champs

4th ~ Australian Maths Competition

5th ~ Kapa Haka Noho Marae
Hongoeka Plimmerton
CSW Table Tennis regionals—
singles
Shave for a cure

8th-9th ~ Y12 PEO Rangatuhi Mt Bike Trials

11th & 12th ~ Y12 PEO Rangatuhi Mt Bike Trials

11th ~ CSW Junior Netball Tournament

12th ~ Polyfest
CSW Table tennis regionals—
Teams

18th ~ Pathway planning evening

22nd to 25th ~PEO200 Risk Management overnight tramp

24th ~ ACA meeting 7pm

26th ~ Teacher only Accord day

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Kia ora e te whānau

We welcomed everybody back to school this week with a special welcome for international students from Japan and Germany. The welcome was warm even if the weather wasn't! Winter has played its part in increasing levels of staff illness and our need to respond with the rostering home of Year 10 students today. Plans for school over the next week depend on our staff numbers and you can rely on us to be doing our best to remain open with business as usual as much as we can in the coming days. We aim to keep everyone informed in advance and to continue to support learning through digital platforms where necessary.

A big thank you to the parents supporting students with mask wearing this week. Senior students and staff have issued free masks daily and people have responded positively overall to this responsibility. We'll continue to follow the advice of the Ministries of Education and Health with the expectations around mask use for the next month or so.

Term three is an important time for a surge of effort for course completion and gaining qualifications in the senior school. Good attendance rates are at the heart of what is possible. The overall student attendance rate for the first week of term is an indication of how people value seeing each other and connecting after earlier experiences of lockdowns. It's also an indication of the focus in the senior school's preparation for the important assessments ahead. We know every minute counts.

To protect the connections and academic progress, contingency planning relies heavily on every student having a digital device that can be used for school work (not just a phone) **and** internet connectivity. We will do our very best to help families with this. If you have any worries about this please contact Hui Ako teachers or email Assistant Principal Mr David Kallahar klr@aotea.school.nz. We have a stunning group of highly skilled students who refurbish laptops for distribution to students and this system works well.

The Aotea College Association of volunteer parents also sees the importance of supporting students to be engaged in all aspects of school - academic and sports and cultural events. I would like to thank them for contributing funds to support students in these ways. It is great to work in a community that wants to look after everyone's access to school events and opportunities. I encourage you to support the ACA fundraising in the upcoming pies for sale - more details will be in next week's Te Karere.

Ngā mihi

Kate Gainsford, Principal



Enrol now for Year 9 2023

We are accepting enrolments for Year 9 students in 2023. Please get your enrolment in as soon as possible to assist us with planning for next year.

Common Assessment Activities (CAA)

The CAA is part of the NCEA Change Package in which one of the externals will be sat in term three, with the final external to be sat during the NCEA exams in November. The CAA is only for the Level One pilot subjects. The results for the CAA will not be available until all external results are released in January of 2023. The student must bring their own Chrome book or laptop to sit the exam digitally.

Please note that the following Level One subjects have their Common Assessment Activity on these days and times:

SPS100 - Tuesday 9th Aug 9:30 - 11:30

COM100 - Wednesday 10th Aug 9:30 - 11:30

HIS100 - Thursday 18th Aug 9:30 - 11:30

As this is a normal school day, those Year 11s participating in the CAAs are expected to be in school uniform. Students will be called for during their period one class and are expected to go back to their normal timetable class when the CAA is finished.

If you have any questions, please contact Whaea Rowan Taurima - Principal's Nominee either email tma@aotea.school.nz or phone (04) 2373166 ext 442

Uniform

We are well and truly into our winter months with wild weather consistently with us. It is very important that students are warm and well at school so ensuring that your child has the correct uniform is very important.

Argyle online (our uniform provider) has all of the options that you need to ensure your child is fully kitted out for school. Students are not allowed to wear non uniform hoodies, jerseys or pants.

Non uniform items will be impounded until the end of term 3 from now on unless collected by a family member.

Pasifika Voices

The next meeting of Pasifika Voices will be on Tuesday 2nd August between 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm in the school staffroom. All Pasifika parents and students are welcome to join us. If you would prefer to join the meeting online then a link will be emailed out to all Pasifika families on Monday 1st August. If you have agenda items, you wish to add please send them to pas@aotea.school.nz. One topic for discussion at the next meeting will be how the school and families can work together to gain success for all Pasifika students.

International Students

Aotea College is very excited to welcome our first group of new International Students since the beginning of 2020.

Our group of students from Germany and Japan have been well supported by our Kiwi Ambassadors.



School Board Elections: Nominations from 29 July.

It's board election time again. This term we will be electing board members for the next three years.

Nominations will open for the election of five parent representatives to the school board **no later than 29 July**.

The returning officer for the triennial board election is Lyn Hagai. She can be contacted at ro253aotea@gmail.com

The timetable for the election is:

Main Roll closes: Wednesday 27th July
Call for Nominations: No later than 29 July
Supplementary Roll closes: Monday 15 August
Nominations close: Wednesday 17 August

If there are more nominations than vacancies, then parents and caregivers will receive an invitation to vote either electronically or by post.

Voting starts: Wednesday 24 August
Election day is Wednesday 21st September
Voting count: Tuesday 27 September
New board in place: Wednesday 28 September

A hard copy nomination form has been posted and can also be obtained from the school office. If you wish to stand for the board, it is recommended that you provide a candidate statement and photograph.

The electoral roll will be held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.
Learn more about the role of school boards

Our [Community Member Guide to the Role of School Boards](#) provides information on what school boards are, the role of members, and how to become a board member.

The Arts

Drama News

Aotea Theatre Makers is a new drama devising club starting this term. Mr Kelly will run rehearsals on Friday lunchtimes in Te Manawa where students will get the opportunity to create and perform their own work. The club will perform a short original work every term and is a great place to explore different drama skills then are covered in class. All year levels are welcome.

If you are interested get in contact with Mr Kelly, KEY@aotea.school.nz, or come along to the first session, Friday 5th August at Lunchtime in Te Manawa.

Music News

Do you like to sing? Would you like to go on an overnighter with some amazing singers? Barbershop Nationals is coming up on Wednesday, September 21 and Thursday the 22nd in Palmerston North. It isn't too late to join as we've just started learning our new songs. Rehearsals are every Tuesday and Wednesday in Te Manawa at lunch. See you there!

Visual Arts News



Aotea College Senior Art Kits:

There are art kits set up on National Art Supplies that you can purchase if you are a senior art student in the classes: ART100, ART200, ARP300 or SPA321. These basic kits include paints, paintbrushes and pencils as well as the option of adding a sketchbook. Having a kit at home will be useful as folios approach their due dates or if you need to isolate (and you are well).

Once you have placed an order, they will be delivered to Aotea College where you can collect them from the Art Office.

FOLLOW THIS LINK: <https://www.naskits.co.nz/kits-for-2022/aotea-college-2022/>

Please email ley@aotea.school.nz if you need some assistance in obtaining a kit.

THRIVING THURSDAYS

Are you a senior art student that has some painting or photography needing attention?
Come and work on it after school on Thursdays!

WHERE: VA01/VA02 + KT12

WHEN: Rāpare/Thursdays after school - 3.45pm

Reward system: Get your attendance card clipped* five times and receive a reward!

*Must attend for min. 45 minutes.



Future Pathways Evening 2022

Pathways Planning & Subject Selection

This evening is open to all students and their whānau to help explore subject selection and future pathways/career options.

Please drop in at any time during one of the below sessions to talk to :

Curriculum Leaders

Whānau Leaders

University Representatives

Whitireia & WelTec

Wellington Trades Academy

Training Organisations & other training institutions.

Date: Thurs, 18 August 2022

Where: Aotea College Library & Pataka

Session 1: **3.30pm - 5pm**

Session 2: **5.30pm - 7pm**



Sports News

Tournament attendees

A big congratulations to those students who competed at national tournaments over the July School holidays. Tatiana Mareko - U17 Basketball Nationals, Mickey Jones, Paris Stapp, Tuvaine Samuel, Alycia Capes-Parr - U18 Netball representative nationals, Millie Jenkins - U18 Hockey Vantage Nationals

Student Achievements

Please remember to send all student sporting achievements through to the sports department this can be done by emailing sport@aotea.school.nz



Sport Competitions coming up

Snowboarding

North Island Secondary School Snowboarding Competition 26 – 28 September 2022 at Turoa Ski Field.

North Island Secondary School Ski Competition 19th – 21st September 2022 at Turoa & Whakapapa ski fields.

Any students who would like to enter please come and see the sports office before 5th August.

Please note - any students who enter will need parent supervision at this event and will need to organise their own transport and accommodation.



Rugby League

The CSW Rugby League season will kick off with the annual 9s Tournament on 17th September, followed by the weekly competition. Entries will be sent out in term 3. If you are interested, please register your interest at the Sports Office.

Sport photos

Sport photos are on the Monday the 26th of September in the small gym.

The timetable will be posted on the sport website as well as emailed to players, coaches and managers.



Sickness in sports teams

Please keep your coach and manager of your team informed if you are unable to attend training or games. Alternatively, you can email the sports department if you are away sick.

A reminder that if you are away from school sick, you should not be attending training or playing a game that day.

Community Notices

Please click on [this link for ticket sales](#) for the event

12
August
Friday

Child — \$5
Adult — \$10

Posifika
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2022

Te Rauparaha Arena, Porirua
9:30am

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Community Notices



Māori Netball Trials (U13, U15, U17)

Hutt Valley Netball courts
Saturday and Sunday 24th & 25th September 2022

9am Registration

9.30am Trials

Please register Online <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/52843>

Website - https://www.sporty.co.nz/iktt_maori_netball

Enquiries phone 021 709 074 or

Email – ikaroakitetonga1@gmail.com

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4. ADHD, ADHD TYPE & HARD TO HANDLE BEHAVIOUR
5. TREATING THE PROBLEMS BEHIND THE BEHAVIOUR, STRATEGIES
6. PROBLEM BEHAVIOUR, KIDS THAT SASS/BULLY THEIR PARENTS
7. PERSONAL GROWTH AS A PARENT/ SELF CARE
8. ATTACHMENT, CHILD DEVELOPMENT
9. 7 STEP PROCEDURE TO WEANING OFF/LESSENING SCREEN TIME
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