

# TE KARERE

A Newsletter from Aotea College

# **Important Dates:**

# **September**

3rd ~ Senior Formal Te Papa 5th ~ Tongan Language week 6th ~ 11PEO Day tramp Pacifika voices meeting 6.30pm 8th ~ 13PEO Belmont Day tramp Whānau Performance Evening 6pm

# 9th ~ Course Selection Day

12th ~ Māori Language Week
15th ~ Algebra MCAT exam
16th ~ PSY300 "Sleep" over
20th ~ Biology Zoo trip
20th&21st ~ Barbershop
Nationals
21st to 23rd ~ 3 Day Bush Craft/
Tramping Trip
23rd ~ Smokefree Rockquest/
Tangata Beats
26th ~ Tuvalu Language Week
Board meeting 6pm
29th ~ Term 3 reports emailed
home

# 30th ~ Last day of Term 3

#### October

17th ~ First day of Term 4
Niue Language Week
17th–21st ~ Hillary Outdoors Year
10 Trip

# 24th ~ Labour Day Holiday

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Kia ora koutou

Thank goodness for a little more sunshine and a lot less rain.

I think we all feel for family and friends living in the Nelson Tasman area that have had further road and school closures added to this term's challenges.

Thankfully we are able to keep a number of good things operating as normal in school and the great opportunities that outdoor education provides for our students as they head off to farms, and forest parks to learn new things.

It is great to celebrate success of past students in Victoria University's graduate list published in this issue of Te Karere. Congratulations to the past students and their families for their achievements.

Lots of things to appreciate.

Nga mihi Kate Gainsford Principal

# **Enrol now for Year 9 2023**

Enrolment and course selection interviews for Year 9 students commencing in 2023 have started. Please get your enrolment applications to the enrolments officer as soon as possible.

If you have any questions regarding enrolment please email Debbie on aln@aotea.school.nz



### Course Selection

Course selection day for Years 9 -12 will be held on Friday 9th September 2022, week 7, term 3. Parents and students will be invited to attend a meeting with the **hui ako teacher** to review the student's academic goals and progress to enable the student to make the best course selection for the following year.

An email has been sent with instructions of how to access and book your appointment time. Please note that appointments are **only to see the hui ako teacher** of your student on this day. Appointments that have been booked with teachers other than your students hui ako teacher will be deleted from the boking system.

Interview slots are 15 minutes long can either be in school in person or online. When making the booking please ensure to make a comment to say which type of interview you would like. Hui ako teachers will send links to parents/caregivers requesting online meetings out on the afternoon of Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September.

# **Pasifika Voices Meeting**

The next Pasifka Voices meeting will be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 6:30pm. This is a change to the scheduled meeting time of 6<sup>th</sup> September due to a prior appointment. Emails to all families will be sent out next week as a reminder. Any agenda items you wish to add please send them through to pas2aotea.school.nz

# Aotea College is looking for host families October 11th to October 27th.

# 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 Coordinator who is able to provide you with advice and support.

Homestay families are paid a weekly fee of \$300.

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

# **Derived Grade Exams and NCEA Exams in November**

Most of the externals are now sat digitally on the student's own Chrome book or laptop through the NZQA exam platform. For many of our Year 12 and Year 13 students sitting their exams online is not a new experience. However, this letter reminds students and whānau of what needs to be done BEFORE the derived grade exams and the NCEA externals in November.

The following subjects will have both the derived grade exam and NCEA externals in November online with students using their own device:

- Year 12 Classics
- Year 13 Classics
- Year 12 History
- Year 13 History
- Year 12 Business Studies
- Year 13 Business Studies

There are a few things that students will need to do now to ensure that they are ready for their upcoming derived grade exams and the NCEA exams in November.

Students must ensure that they have either registered on NZQA or have logged into NZQA. To do this, they are to go to <a href="www.nzqa.govt.nz">www.nzqa.govt.nz</a>, click on Login Options at the top right side of the screen and then click on students. If they have not created an account, they must do this FIRST before logging in. <First Name> will need their NSN number. Their NSN number is available from the whānau portal, their hui ako teacher, whānau leader, or Whaea Rowan Taurima Principal's Nominee. When they have registered on NZQA, students can access their record of achievement and, most importantly, the digital exams.

Students must also check their digital device to ensure that their web browser can support the exam platform. The exam platform can only be supported by Chrome 95+ or Safari 11+. The exam will not run on Internet Explorer or Firefox. If they do not have Chrome on their device, please ensure that <First Name> has downloaded this onto their device.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at <a href="mailto:tma@aotea.school.nz">tma@aotea.school.nz</a>.



# Gateway

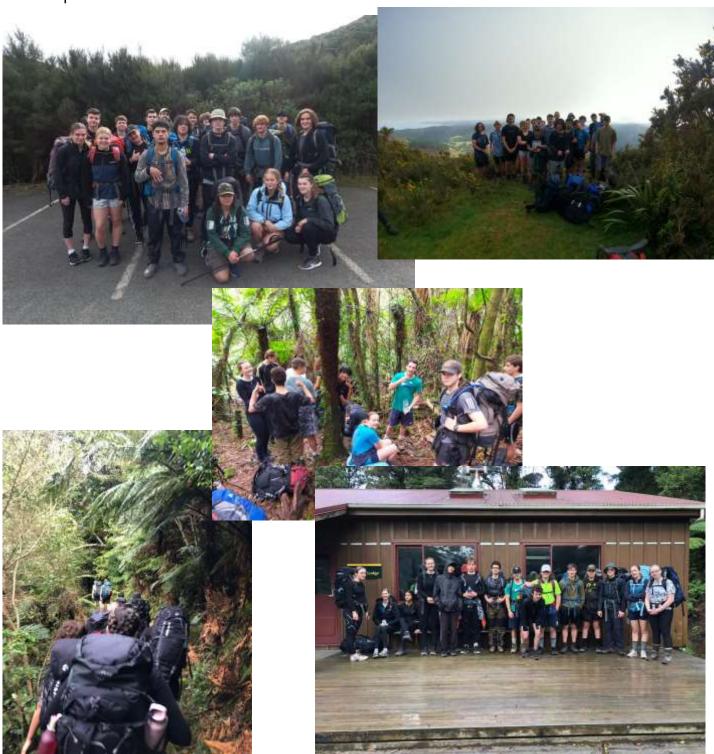
Cameron Judd was this week out the back corner of the Battle Hill farm finishing off pulling down a fence and checking lambing ewes. Cameron will be on a fencing course with Papa Taiao for two days in September as part of his Gateway placement. On another day of the week you will find Cameron working at Vaughanos Diesel Services gaining valuable skills in the automotive engineering industry; a handy skill for anyone thinking of farming.



# **PEO200 Overnight Risk Management Tramps**

Last week both of the PEO200 classes completed a 2 day 1 night tramp into the Orongorongo Valley, in the Remutaka Forest Park. The purpose of this trip was to trial the different risk management strategies the students had chosen. For both trips the weather played ball and students completed 2 successful days tramping on a range of different tracks. It was great to see all of the students push themselves to complete all aspects of these trips.

A huge thank you to Jacob Huntington, Andrew MacKenzie and Miro Fisher for their help making these trips a success



# Former students of Aotea College graduating from Victoria University of Wellington—Te Herenga Waka

First Name	Surname	Qualification	Majors (Multiple
Aissa	Dingenotto	BSC - Bachelor of Science	Biology; Psychology
Amy	McLean	BA - Bachelor of Arts	Film, Theatre
Benjamin	Sawrey	BBSC - Bachelor of Building Science	Project Management; Sustainable Engineering Systems
Benjamin	Head	BA - Bachelor of Arts	International Relations; Political Science
Carly	Akavi	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce	Management
Charlotte	Rowe	PGCC - PGCert in Communication	
Donalin	Saycocie	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce	Information Systems
Elizabeth	Jones	MPM - Master of Public Management	Public Policy
Fawzia	Hekmatzadah	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce	International Business; Management
Georgia	Tricker	BA - Bachelor of Arts	Criminology; History
Hannah	Johns	MTCHLP - Master of TchLrn (Primary)	
Hannah	Crampton	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce	Accounting; Commercial Law; Taxation
Hannah	Pym	BEDTCH - Bachelor of Education (Tchg)EC	
Iotia	Lintern	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce	Information Systems; Marketing
Jason	Dwen	MPAEXE - Master of Public Admin (Exec)	
Joana	Pulepule	MTCHLP - Master of TchLrn (Primary)	
Joshua	Gibbs	BBMEDS - Bachelor of Biomedical Science	Molecular Pathology
Julie	Whitworth	MTCHLP - Master of TchLrn (Primary)	
Kristina	Phouphayly	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce	Information Systems
Lisa	Griffiths	PGDNS - PGDip in Nursing Science	
Lonise	Aitogi Misa	PGDNS - PGDip in Nursing Science	
Luanne	Collier	LLB - Bachelor of Laws	
Maiara	Ah Far	BA - Bachelor of Arts	Cultural Anthropology; Psychology
Mana	Leasi	MED - Master of Education	
Matthew	Groom	BSC - Bachelor of Science	Environmental Studies
Nathan	Thomas	EMBA - Exec Master of Business Admin	
Noor	Shabbar Aljbouri	BHLTH - Bachelor of Health	Health Psychology
Ritesh	Patel	BSC - Bachelor of Science	Computer Science
Ritesh	Patel	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce	Information Systems
Roselin	Philipo	BEDTCH - Bachelor of Education (Tchg)EC	
Rosemary	Barraclough	GDTCSC - GDip Teaching (Secondary)	
Sam	Duff	GDTCSC - GDip Teaching (Secondary)	
Savanah	Hunt	MARCHP - Master of Architecture (Prof)	
Shannen	Clark	BA - Bachelor of Arts	Criminology; Philosophy
Shea	McBride	BSC - Bachelor of Science	Ecology & Biodiversity
Smita	Alipuria	GDDE - GDip in Designed Environments	Architecture
Tenalia	Marsters	MEDPSY - Master of Educational Psych	
Tyrin	Hohaia-Chapman	BA - Bachelor of Arts	Criminology; Sociology

# **Aotea College Association**

# ACA PIE FUNDRAISER



Aotea College Association is back this year, fundraising for our students and whanau. Get in quick and order your pick from the most popular



# THE CLASSICS

Family Pies (~600gms) contain real meat & veg filling, individually wrapped & can be frozen. Mince & Cheese............\$13

Mince......\$13

Mediterranean Lamb......\$13

Country Chicken Pie......\$13

Steak Cracked Pepper ......\$13

# DESSERT

Family Dessert pies come wrapped individually, can be eaten hot or cold and can be frozen.

Apple Pie......\$11

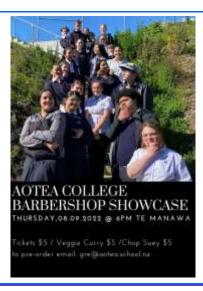
Apricot Pie......\$11

Lemon Flan......\$11

## IT IS EASY TO ORDER!

Select your favorite options, fill in the Google Form & use the payment instructions in the form. Please get your orders to us by 12th September 2022 and the pies can be picked up from Reception area on 29th Sep 2022 between 2pm-3:30pm. Follow updates via TK and College page on Instagram! Thank you for supporting us in our fundraising efforts!

#### The Arts



# **Upcoming Events**

ACBC - Aotea College Barbershop Chorus Rehearsals - Every Tuesday and Wednesday Lunchtimes in Te Manawa

# **Barbershop Showcase**

Thursday, September 8th @ 6:00 p.m. in Te Manawa

# **Barbershop Nationals**

September 21st & 22nd - Palmerston North

# **Music News**

Our Aotea All-Comers Barbershop Chorus continues to grow as we had double the amount of students turn up this week and what a beautiful sound we are making! It isn't too late to join - come along to rehearsals every Tuesday and Wednesday lunch in Te Manawa.

We are preparing for Barbershop Nationals which is coming up on Wednesday, September 21 and Thursday the 22nd in Palmerston North.

#### **Visual Arts News**

Massey Creative Experience Day:

For any senior students interested in a creative pathway at Massey University, you can sign up for a free workshop experience day at Massey (free lunch included too!).

When: Friday 9th September.

Follow the link below to register for a workshop - first come, first served so get in quick!

https://creative.massey.ac.nz/visit/experience-days/

Navigate the website or see the Pathways team for more information about the programmes Massey offers.

### **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.



Sports News

Many of our students are away at the winter tournament this week and by the feedback and photos they are all having a great time and enjoying the week of playing sport and representing our school. Well done to all our students who are participating in this exciting event and thanks to all the work behind the scenes by parents, coaches and managers who make it possible for our students to experience this great week of sport.



# **Community Notices**



The purpose of the Porirua Youth
Awards is to give financial
assistance to young people who are
excelling by providing a financial
recognition of that excellence.
There are up to five categories for
the grants – Art and Culture,
Education, Sport, STEM,
Environmental or community work.
The value of each Award is up to a
maximum of \$1500. You can only
apply to be considered for an Award
in one category, in one round of
applications.

# WHO CAN APPLY?

To be eligible the applicant must:

- Be aged between 12 and 19 years old as at 31 December 2022
- · Reside or attend school within the Porirua City boundaries
- Complete the application form in full
- Previous winners of a Porirua Youth Award are not eligible to reapply in the following year
- · No individual gets more than two grants

Grant applications close 9 September 2022 / Application forms can be downloaded from: https://partnersporirua.org.nz/celebrating-success/