



*Taku Mana
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My Heart*

TE KARERE

A Newsletter from Aotea College

Important Dates:

September

30th ~ Last day of Term 3

October

17th ~ First day of Term 4

Niue Language Week

17th–21st ~ Hillary Outdoors Year

10 Trip

18th ~ Pasifika Voices meeting

24th ~ Labour Day Holiday

Pasifika leavers event 6pm

27th ~ Arts awards evening 6pm

28th ~ Non uniform day

31st ~ Board meeting 6pm

November

2nd ~ Seniors last day

3rd ~ Senior award ceremony

7th NZQA exams start

21st to 24th ~ P10PEW Junior camp

25th ~ Teacher only accord day

28th ~ Teacher only accord day

December

2nd ~ Last day for NZQA exams

5th ~ Big Day Out and

Year 8 Orientation Day

8th ~ Junior academic awards



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Kia ora e te whānau

It's been an uplifting week to finish the term. The first group of students to signal they're prepared to contribute in leadership roles in 2023 have met with members of the senior team. They spoke about projects, initiatives and care for others in the school they would like to drive next year. I wish everyone could have witnessed their energy, commitment and good will. Students as leaders across the school step up every day to support each other in big ways and in small acts of kindness.

On Monday this week, Faamalele Tovio and Taranaki Te Hauora accompanied me to Saint Paul's cathedral for the memorial service for Queen Elizabeth II. It was an amazing experience combining the formality and pageantry of old and the beauty of Te Reo in music and manaakitanga, making it familiar and meaningful. Our students stood alongside community leaders from Porirua - the mayor Anita Baker and Member of Parliament Barbara Edmonds, and were part of a full congregation including the current prime minister Jacinda Ardern and her ministers and members of parliament from across the house, past prime ministers, international diplomats, leaders of universities, Armed forces and the judiciary, mayors from around the country and the famous Willie Apiata. Taranaki and Faamalele signed the condolence book to mark the moment in history they were part of.

From the sublime to the little bit ridiculous, we finish this week of school with the final performance of the Year 11 Drama production this evening - 'Ed Sheeran tastes like Chicken. This production is a little bit mad with a funny, - if somewhat bizarre plot and script and very funny comic delivery from many of the cast members.' I'd like to thank this team for the bit of joy they bring to an otherwise cold rainy night.

With only two and a half weeks in term four before study arrangements and external exams replace the normal timetable, senior students need to be focused on achieving as much as they can. Family support and extra advice in the coming Te Karere about study skills and Homework club will be useful. I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable term break and for those students completing portfolios and revising for externals and completing assessments for courses, I wish you a productive time ahead.

Noho ora mai

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Queen Elizabeth II Memorial

Mayor Anita Baker, Faamalele Tovio, Taranaki Te Hauora, Kate Gainsford and MP Barbara Edmonds , at the memorial service for her Majesty Queen Elizabeth



Ringa Toi exhibition

"L1 Jewellery students attended the opening of Ringa Toi on Wednesday and viewed their work on display.



Request for Expression of Interest – Café Operator at Aotea College

Aotea College is seeking expressions of interest for a Cafe Operator from January 2023 for all days that the college is open for instruction. This is part of the normal process of the college reviewing ongoing services and supplies by going out to the market

The café is an autonomous operation with some chattels provided by the college. There is a potential client base of approximately 1,300 people.

Further information on the Canteen Operator Proposal Request process is available on the college website www.aotea.school.nz or contact Tui Brunner on 237-3174 or tb@aotea.school.nz

Aotea College Pathways Student Support

Aotea College is looking for a self starter, with a positive outgoing personality, to work with our Pathways team to help prepare students to transition from college to further education, training or employment. Part of the role will be overseeing the on site Barista Programme operation and managing the Pathways communication tools including the website and instagram in line with college policies.

The successful candidate will need to be able to readily relate to college students, organised with strong time management skills. You will need to be able to work well independently and be a positive member of a small dynamic team. Knowledge of secondary - tertiary programmes and workplace learning is an advantage, but not essential.

This position is 25 hours per week, term time only, starting as soon as possible. Appointment is subject to a police vetting.

If this sounds like the role for you please go to the Aotea College website - www.aotea.school.nz for the full job description and support staff application form.

Contact the Head of Pathways, Zoe Miller, with any questions at mlr@aotea.school.nz or on 237-3166 ext 431.

Closing date for applications: Monday 17 October 2022 at 4pm

TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE ROLE YOU MUST COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE SUPPORT STAFF APPLICATION FORM BY THE CLOSING DATE WITH A COVERING LETTER

Applications to be emailed to Debbie Allan, Principals PA at aln@aotea.school.nz before the closing date

Ex student achievement

Former Aotea College student (and 2016 Sports Prefect), Daniel Hillier, is closing in on a place in golf's big time. On Monday 26th September (NZ time) he won his second European Challenge Tour title – the Swiss Challenge event in France.

This, after he had held his nerve under immense pressure at the end of last season to birdie the final hole and claim his first-ever European Challenge Tour title at the Challenge Costa Brava in Spain.

On Sunday in France, starting the final day four shots off the lead, Hillier produced a stunning final round of 64 – holing 10 birdies – in an eight under par round which gave him a two-shot victory.

With this victory, the 24-year-old has jumped up to 13th on the “Road to Mallorca” Rankings following this victory and, with the top 20 players on the secondary tour at the end of the season gaining a spot on the DP World Tour (previously known as the European Tour) for the next year, Daniel is in a great position to lock in a spot, leading the 20th ranked player by 20,000 points with four tournaments to play.



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He told the official Tour website that the win was “pretty unbelievable” and added “I played really solid on the front nine and didn’t miss too many greens. I hit some of the best wedge shots I’ve hit in a long time and gave myself a lot of really good chances”. He also holed a couple of clutch putts to keep the momentum going and then managed to birdie five of his last six holes. “It was a crazy day and I felt like I was in autopilot. I’ve been working on my short game a lot in the last couple of years and it’s something that has really let me down in the past”.

Many of you will remember Ms Weaver, who was a science teacher here last year.

She left Aotea College to join Daniel on the tour – and has been his caddy since she arrived for the Open de Portugal at Royal Óbidos in September 2021 – helping him to a tie for 6th in that tournament and improving his all-round game.

In Daniel’s own words, “She is so level-headed and keeps me focused on the job at hand”.

Congratulations Daniel and Siobhan.



PEO 100 camp

During week 9 from Wednesday 21st to Friday 23rd, both PEO100 classes had a hiking trip in the Remutaka Ranges. Over the course of this trip, we had one night where we stayed at the Catch-pool campsite, and one night at the Turere lodge on the Orongorongo River Track. In total we had 32 students and 4 members of staff taking part in a variety of tramps, cooking, shelter building and water crossing activities learning about safety and self management in the outdoors. Big congratulations to all the students that came along and battled the weather and a huge thanks to the staff members that were involved helping make the trip a success.



Meet the candidates assembly

Year 13 students had the chance to meet and question the candidates for the local body elections yesterday at a special Year 13 assembly.



The Arts

Upcoming Events

Aotea Arts Awards Evening

Thursday, 27th October 6:00 p.m. Te Manawa by Invitation

Drama News

The year 11 Drama class will be performing their production of Ed Sheeran Tastes Like Chicken, a play written in Aotearoa about the dwindling numbers of Maui dolphin. Alistair Emerson wrote the play as a parody of the interactions between government, Department of Conservation, local pāpori (community) and the taiao (environment) of Aotearoa.

All are welcome to watch.

Cost: Koha entry (suggested \$5)

When: Thursday 29th and Friday 30th

Time: 6:30pm

Where: Te Manawa, Aotea College

Who: All welcome, no age limit

Music News

Aotea College Barbershop Chorus had a fantastic trip to Palmerston North for the National Competition! Not only did students show excellence in their performance, they demonstrated manaakitanga for our school by representing Aotea College in the Palmerston North Community with pride. We brought home 3rd place in the Mixed Chorus Category and our New Life Quartet placed 4th in the Mixed Quartet Category. Congratulations ACBC and thank you to the supportive families. We wouldn't be able to do this without you!

ACBC in Palmerston North for the National Competition



Sports News

Massive congratulations to Jess McManaway and our student leaders who organised the first Porirua basin girls only sports day which was a huge success. Junior girls from Mana College, Bishop Viard, Whitby Collegiate and Porirua College all participated.

They kicked off the day with a Just Dance warm up, then moved into the sports rotations of volleyball, basketball, netball and ki-o-rahi. Thank you for all the amazing young wahine who participated, and to everyone who was involved in making the day possible. Special thanks to Ateliana and Kamaea from Te Whatu Ora for organising all our sponsors, and to Whitney Souness for coming along and helping with handing out our prizes.

Amazing work by Jess and her team.



Our junior floorball team competed this past weekend at the Floorball Nationals at ASB Sports center and finished a impressive 3rd place

The boys played a simple game plan with basic structure but ultimately be creative, freestyle expressing individual X factor through the sticks.

A great weekend was enjoyed by all the boys and they are looking forward to another tournament next year.

Well done to Tommy Hanna who was the 2nd highest scorer for the tournament.

Thanks to Leigh Robertson and Dan Hanna for helping the boys over the two day tournament



Sports News continued

On Wednesday we had seven students enter the CSW Skateboarding Champs, this is the first time we have had students compete and it was a successful day for the boys.

Well done to Ethan Docherty, Poitki Hohaia, Tai Sato, Roan Thomas, Braxton Tiraha-Siou, Ciad Tiraha-Siou, Braden Willoughby.

Braxton Tiraha-Siou placed second in the junior finals, Braden Willoughby was in the junior finals and came 1st place in long jump skate trick out of junior and seniors & Caid Tiraha-Siou also made the junior finals.



Registrations are still open for term four Futsal and Cricket.

We are looking for more senior boys and girls to join our senior volleyball teams, please come to the sport office if you are keen to play.

Basketball Junior Competition

There will be a 3x3 basketball competition for Aotea College students, starting in Term 4. The games will be held on Tuesdays after school in the gym and will run from 2:30-5:30 pm. Each player will need to register through the sports website. If you have a team of three or four you would like to play with, please email gre@aotea.school.nz otherwise you will be put into a team.

- You are allowed a maximum of four students per team.
- The cost per student will be \$10
- All genders are welcomed (boys/girls/mixed) however, it will only one league/draw

This competition will be used as a selection process for the tournament team that will be competing in mid-November against other schools in the CSW 3x3 Basketball tournament. Make sure to register if you wish to participate in this tournament.

Coaches and Managers - if you are interested in supporting a Volleyball by coaching or managing a team in term 4 please email rsn@aotea.school.nz

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Sports news continued

Co-Curricular photos are being held on Thursday 20th October.

Here is the timetable for the day:

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Students must wear their full correct playing uniform - students who forget their uniform will either have to wear school uniform or miss the photo (we won't have time on the day to try and find a replacement uniform for them to wear).

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Sports Prizegiving

The Aotea College Sports Awards will be held in Te Manawa on Monday 31st of October at 6.15pm.

Nominations are open for Junior Sportsman & Woman, Senior Sportsman & Woman, Team of the Year, All Rounder of the Year, Service to Sport, Student Coach of the Year.

Please let us know of any Regional or National representatives or title holders.

Please use the following links to enter nominations:

[Sports Awards](#)

Rugby coaches and managers - we are looking for coaches and managers for the 2023 season for our rugby teams, if you are interested in supporting a rugby team please email WRL@aotea.school.nz

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