# TE KARERE

A Newsletter from Aotea College

#### **Important Dates:**

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Taku Manawa

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#### **October**

Taku Mana

**My Prestige** 

31st ~ Sports prizegiving 6:15pm

#### **November**

1st ~ Board meeting 6pm

2nd ~ Seniors last day

3rd ~ Senior award ceremony 6pm

7th NZQA exams start

21st to 24th ~ 9/10PEW Junior camp

25th ~ Teacher only accord day

28th ~ Teacher only accord day

29th ~ Kāhui kuratea End of Year & School Leavers Celebration 6-7.30pm

30th ~ Pasifika Prize End of Year & School leavers celebration 6pm

#### December

2nd ~ Last day for NZQA exams

5th ~ Junior students Big Day Out and Year 8 Orientation Day

8th ~ Junior academic awards Y10 ~ 9:15 to 10:45 Y09 ~ 11 to 12:15pm

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Kia ora e te whānau

We have missed the opportunity for school and families to be together to acknowledge the achievements of students face to face over the last two to three years so it is a welcome relief to see everybody attending the beginning of Awards ceremony season.

I know our teachers really enjoy sharing this time of recognition and acknowledgement of what has been achieved.

Thank you for being there to support your children as they cross the stage in these events.

Noho ora mai

Kate Gainsford Principal

# Upcoming important events

#### Senior Awards

When: Thursday 3rd November Time: 5.30pm for a 6.00pm start to 9pm Where: Aotea College Gymnasium



**Kāhui kuratea End of Year & School Leavers Celebration** When: Tuesday, 29th November Time: 6 to 7:30pm Where: Aotea College Pātaka

Pasifika Prize End of Year & School Leavers Celebration When: Wednesday, 30th November Time: 6 pm Where: Aotea College Pātaka

**Junior Prize giving** When: Thursday, 8th December Time: Year 10 ~ 9:15 am to 10:45am Year 09 ~ 11:00 am to 12:15 pm Where: Te Manawa

# **NCEA Language Exams**

This year all digital language exams with a listening assessment will include an audio file. Students will have control over playing the file from their device. They will need to use any head-phones that are compatible with their device. To help them prepare, get your students to use the Language Listening Standards familiarisation activity to do a headphone check and play the audio files to see how their headphones work. The check can be found on the NZQA website under the *Have a play* section.

# **Illness and Covid - NCEA Examinations**

For NCEA examinations, where a student has cold / flu symptoms and there are concerns about them attending the exam, they should take a COVID-19 test.

If they **test negative**, they should attend their examination. Showing a negative test result at the examination indicates the Covid risk has been actively managed.

If **test is positive**, that will provide the evidence for a derived grade.

Please contact Rowan Taurima, Principal's Nominee <u>tma@aotea.school.nz</u>, if you have any questions.

# Aotea College Association (ACA)

Aotea College Tote Bags - \$10 each.

The proceeds from these bags go to support Aotea College Association projects around the school that benefit students and the wider school community.

Great for carrying round PE gear or even pop one in the car to hold those last minute groceries on the way home! These can be purchased from the school office.

## Uniform

Aotea College continues to be a uniform school for all students in years 9-12, and as such we expect these young people to wear their correct uniform with pride. If a student arrives to school without their correct uniform, they are now provided with clean second-hand uniform by Whānau Leaders to wear for the day, or they have their items of non-uniform confiscated for the day. This is obviously not an issue for all of those students who wear their uniform well every day.

If any Aotea College families have second-hand uniform of a reasonable quality, they would be willing to donate, the College is always grateful to increase our stocks for the purpose outlined above. These items can be delivered to the School Office.

# Arts Awards 2022

Te Manawa was filled with entertainment, celebration and aroha on Thursday night with the Arts Awards. The afternoon started with an impressive Visual Art Exhibition showcasing our talented visual art students and continued into the evening with a variety of performances from Te Kāhui Kuratea, The West Coast Modern Groove Club, Ataahua Pakaurangi and Zung La Htaw playing a violin duet, ACBC Chorus and The New Life Quartet. Thank you to the School Board, Senior Leadership and Whānau / Caregivers who came along to support!

Award	Name		
Junior Leadership for Kapa Haka	Alej'a Aleni Ahhoi & Holden Talaepa		
Senior Leadership for Kapa Haka	Rylee Herewini & Kauri Leach		
Samoan Leadership for Polyfest	Fa'amalele Tovio & Malama Pritchard Aiono		
Tokelauan Leadership for Polyfest	Emelia Gaualofa-Wright		
Cook Island Leadership for Polyfest	Teina Daniel		
Kiribati Leadership for Polyfest	Ronita Kuaoni		
Outstanding Leadership in Jazz Band	Grace Williams		
Junior Instrumental Award	Kelso Keogh, William Tobin & Raymond Wong		
Junior Contribution in a Class Production	Lucy Byers, Belle Henderson, Sophie Mackenzie, Mar-		
Outstanding Effort in a Senior Class Production	Harrison Benton, Max Calvert, Hannah Dingfelder, Sa-		
Contribution to PFA Technology	Samuel Strachan & Charlie Trevathan-Tier		
Best Costume Design in a Musical	Josh Verhoeven		
Best Dancer in a Musical	Eseta Aiulu		
Best Choreography in a Musical	Keely Popata		
Best Supporting Actor	Sophia Wood		
Best Actor	Bede Blake-Palmer		
Junior Leadership for ACBC	Lenaia Nore-Grace		
Senior Leadership for ACBC	Letisha Smith		

Congratulations to our award winners for the 2022 Arts Awards!

#### **Cups and Special Awards**

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Les Nation Award Aruana Vaotuua	<b>Sacha Kilgour Vocal Award</b> Amelia Taatiti	Mary Staple Award The Aotea Jazz Orchestra	Outstanding Jazz Improvi- sation Hannah Coulston	Manaakitanga in Extra-Curricular Performing Arts Samuel Strachan	<b>Mercer Family Trophy</b> Harrison Benton

### Visual Arts Awards

				Kotuku Roroman
<b>Milla Pratt</b> Year 9 Painter of the Year	<b>Fa'avae Mailo</b> Y9 Designer of the Year	<b>Alani Hodgson</b> Y10 Artist of the Year	<b>Samantha</b> <b>Solomon</b> Y11 Artist of the Year	<b>Emelia Gaualofa- Wright</b> Y11 Senior Pasifika Artist of the Year
Ataahua Pakaurangi Y12 Senior Pasifika Artist of the Year	<b>Ryan Flower</b> Y12 Photogra- pher of the Year	Caitlin Winchester Y13 Photographer of the Year	Kelsey Robertson Y12 Painter of the Year	<b>Fa'amalele Tovio</b> Y13 Painter of the Year

# Some highlights from the night...







For someone leaving school who wants to work in science in the Lower Hutt area, we have teamed-up to create an opportunity that ticks all the boxes:

🖌 A laboratory job

Tertiary science education

Qualifications

🖌 Local

No fees paid by you

Express preliminary interest by 31 October 2022 at www.RWE.ac.nz/asurequality