

# TE KARERE

A Newsletter from Aotea College

#### **Important Dates:**





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# **November**

7th NZQA exams start

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

25th ~ Teacher only accord day

28th ~ Teacher only accord day

29th ~ Paid union meeting 9:30 to 11:30am
Kāhui kuratea End of Year & School Leavers Celebration 6-

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

#### **December**

7.30pm

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 Kia ora e te whānau

We have enjoyed two large ceremonies in the school this week celebrating students academic, leadership service and sporting achievements.

It is a good feeling having the school community come together in support of our young people.

Thank you for your attendance and support.

Noho ora mai

Kate Gainsford Principal

# **PPTA Union Meeting**

The school has been notified of a union meeting for PPTA members on Tuesday 29th November from 9:30 to 11:30am. Although the school will be open for instruction there will only be a small crew of staff available to supervise students who turn up. NCEA exams will continue uninterrupted.

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Email: enquiries@aotea.school.nz Website: www.aotea.school.nz A special edition of the Te Karere will come out early next week with photos from our Senior Awards Ceremony.

# **Upcoming important events**

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



# **Revision Timetable - Link**

A number of teachers will be running revision classes in the run-up to exams. The revision timetable can be found by following the link above. Each revision lesson is one period long, starting and finishing at the regular lesson time. In each lesson slot on the revision timetable you can see the session running, the teacher's class and the room the revision session will be in. Students need to be mindful when coming and going from the revision classes as exams will be running in school.

### **Derived Grade Information**

If you are unwell on the day of your exam please contact the school as soon as possible. We will then be able to give you and your whānau the best advice about the best steps you will need to take. A derived grade application form will need to be completed. These can be obtained by Susan or Whaea Rowan.

#### COVID

For the purpose of 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 the **test is positive** that will provide the evidence for a derived grade.

# Language exams for NCEA

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 devices. They will need to use any headphones that are compatible with their device. To help them prepare, use the <a href="Language Listening Standards familiarisation activity">Language Listening Standards familiarisation activity</a> to do a headphone check and play the audio files, to see how their headphones work.

#### **Te Kura Summer School**

Registrations for Te Kura Summer School will be opening on 7 November 2022. Summer School courses are delivered online from December to February, so with access to a computer and the internet, ākonga can learn anywhere and anytime. More than 1500 ākonga take advantage of Summer School each year to complete their studies, enabling them to go on to further study, training or employment. We have had a number of students from Aotea College take up this opportunity in the past few years using it to complete a level, gain University entrance or help to achieve the credits needed for course or certificate endorsement.



# **Hillary Outdoor Pursuit Trip**

It's been a long time since our last visit to the Hillary's Outdoor Pursuit Centre and the return was well received. A group of 20 Year 10 students were given the fantastic opportunity of spending 5 nights there. Students were pushed outside of their comfort zone and challenged to participate in activities such as rock climbing, high ropes, low ropes, hiking, camping, caving, canoeing, team building activities, flying fox and a trip to the snow. It was awesome to see the students branching out and interacting with new people and building positive relationships with their peers. Seeing our students grow in confidence and hone their leadership skills in such a short amount of time was amazing to see.

Parents of Year 9, we will be advertising for next year's trip in the coming weeks.













# **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.



#### Ex student achievement

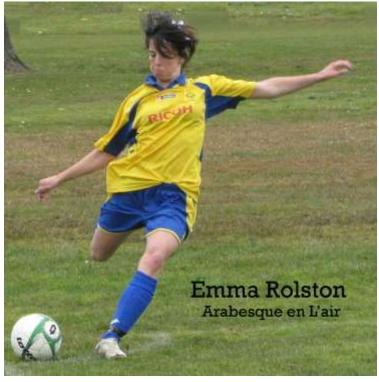
Aotea College alumnus, Emma Rolston, is back in the Football Ferns. She has been re-selected and will join the New Zealand Women's Football squad to contest the Women's World Cup in 2023, which is on here in New Zealand and in Australia in July. The other exciting prospect is that she is also back in the yellow and black of the Wellington Phoenix – for the upcoming Women's A-League.

A truly gifted footballer, Emma was a mainstay of the Aotea College girl's football team from year 9 and was the midfield lynchpin in the team that won a silver medal in the NZSS Cathy Seaward Trophy Tournament in 2011, also winning the MVP and runner-up in the golden boot.

Emma was selected for the NZ under-17 side for the World Cup playoffs in 2013 and was required to move to Takapuna Grammar, where the team were preparing – but she will be remembered for tormenting our opponents and scoring magic goals for Aotea College in 2012.

# Congratulations Emma





#### **Year 13 Students**

As per tradition, Aotea Year 13 attended a Poroporoaki to farewell their peers and those Aotea staff who have supported them in their high school journey. The students shared beautiful memories and there was plenty of joy in the connections we've all developed.

Ngā mihi to those who stood and shared some korero acknowledging the impact that their fellow students and their teachers had had on their lives and wished each other well. This wonderful cohort will be sorely missed and we wish them wonderful exciting things in their futures.

Beth Draper, Eliana Drummond & Mr O'Connor



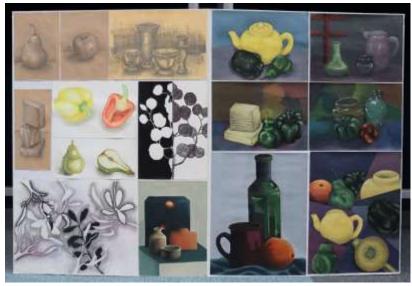
#### The Arts at Aotea

### **Visual Arts News**

Our Y11 and Y12 folios have been handed in! Ka pai to the students who have put in hours of work into these masterpieces!

Here are the folios of Y11 artist of the year (Samantha Solomon), Y12 painter (Kelsey Roberston) and Y12 photographer (Ryan Flower) of the year.







## **Sports News**

It was great to see so many students at the sports awards this week. Congratulations to all students who were acknowledged for their achievements in sport this past year and congratulations to our main award winners:

Service to Sport - Jess McManaway		Student Coach of the Year - Cam Linkhorn	
Official of the Year - Tiana Tuiviati		All Rounder of the Year - Jesse Kibblewhite	
Manager of the Year - Naomi Lee		Coach of the Year - Greg Lee	
Junior Sportsman of the Year - Lui To'omaga Tapuai		Junior Sportswoman of the Year - Ana Ellison-Lupena	
Team of the Year - Sen- ior A1 Badminton		Senior Sportsman of the Year- Liam Neal	
	Senior Sportswoman of the Year - Dakota-Jolee Asi- Hellfritz		

Special Mention to the recipients of our 5 Year Service to Sport: Greg Lee ~ Boys Hockey
Naomi Lee ~ - Boys Hockey
George Strickland ~ Netball & Basketball

#### **Sports News**

This Sunday College Sport Wellington will be holding the Wellington Sports Awards and we wish the following finalists from Aotea College good luck:

Naomi Lee - Volunteer of the Year Jess McManaway - Service to Sport

Cam Linkhorn - Student Coach of the Year

Dakota- Jolee Asi - Hellfritz - Sportswoman of the Year.

Congratulations to our two junior Basketball 3x3 teams who this week competed in the CSW Basketball 3x3 Slam. Our Junior White team made the quarter finals and Junior Navy took out the Division 1 win. Well done to all the boys.





Congratulations to Peyton Rudman-Wilson for her achievement in the Wellington Secondary Schools Powerlifting competition at Heretaunga College in the U16 girls division. She ended up getting a total points score of 294.76 which put her in first place in U16 Girls.

She lifted 90kg squat, 50kg bench press and 97.5 kg deadlift.



Good luck to our Junior A Girls Volleyball team who are competing in the CSW Junior Volleyball Tournament this Friday and Saturday.

# **Community Notices**



- Use your Snapper card on the K\u00e4piti Line from 12 November and all other lines from 27 November.
- · Tag on and off for every journey on the platform card readers.
- If you are travelling to or from Wellington Station, the Snapper 30-day rail pass will include your bus trip to or from your local train station within zones 4-14 only. Remember to tag on and off for every journey.
- · Your Snapper payment may be checked on board the train.
- You can still pay with cash on board the train.



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# **Community Notices**

# Malo ni and warm Pacific greetings,

Le Fale and team would love to welcome you all to "Women Inspire", a hands-on expo targeting women wanting to get into the **trades and manufacturing industry**, on **Wednesday 16**<sup>th</sup> **November**, **10:00 am to 2:00 pm**, **at PIC House**, **207 Champion St**, **Porirua**.

Selected employers will be on site to speak with potential employees about the opportuni-

# What to expect -



Family friendly environment



Music, Fun, and Food





Meet local employers and their vacancies

ties they have available and a clear pathway to being a successful candidate.



Learn about how to get started.

2 scheduled van tours to meet with employers on-site (one morning and one afternoon)

# What to bring -

Your registration ticket/Copy of the QR scan code (see the



Your smiley self

Scheduled van tours have limited seats, if you would like to register your interest for the scheduled van tours, then please email <a href="mailto:Presley.ahhoi@lefale.org.nz">Presley.ahhoi@lefale.org.nz</a> with the number of spaces you require. A separate email will be sent to those with details

Please click the link below to register. Attached is the "Women Inspire" flyer and the QR code for convenience.

Women Inspire: Trades and Manufacturing Connection Event - Porirua - Mana - Eventfinda

Please share the love and info by forwarding this email to your networks/people We look forward to seeing you there

# **Community Notices**





More than 150,000 students will be applying for student allowances and loans.

Applying before 16 December puts you in the best position to have everything sorted ready for the start of your course.

Before you apply, there are a few things you should do.

#### First time students

If you don't have a RealMe verified identity, set one up on the RealMe website. It'll mean you won't need to send us evidence of your identity for your application.

\*\* Check if you can get fees-free on the <u>fees-free website</u>. If you qualify, you may not need a Student Loan for your course fees. You'll still need to apply for a Student Loan for course-related costs or living costs.

https://www.providers.studvlink.govt.nz/about/news/2022/getting-ready-for-2023.html