



# NEWSLETTER

## Porirua College

TERM 3, Week 10, Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September



Kia ora koutou katoa,

It has been a busy term three with language weeks, tournament week, trips and seniors working hard to get their credits. There will be mahi tahi support for seniors to gain further credits next week and during term four.

Teachers will work with students to plan a pathway so they can achieve their goals for the year.

I will be away on sabbatical for the rest of this year, but back for 2024. John Topp will be acting principal in my absence and Georgina Walker has joined the senior leadership team until the end of next year.

I look forward to joining the prizegiving live streams at the end of next term to see students receiving awards and celebrating their successes with their whānau. We are really proud of all the students who have shown so much resilience in pursuing the pathways to their futures through these difficult Covid years.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Ragne Maxwell  
**Principal/Tumuaki**

### Important Notice

Unfortunately a significant amount of damage has occurred in the wharepaku at school. We are having to put in cameras that view the public spaces in the toilets to ensure this does not continue.

It is unfortunate that we and other schools are in a position of having to do this.

Any queries can be directed to John Topp on email [jtopp@pen.net.nz](mailto:jtopp@pen.net.nz).

### Key Dates

*Friday 22nd September:* Last day of term 3

*Monday 9th October:* First day of term 4

*Friday 20th October:* Sports prize giving

*Monday 23rd October:* Labour day - school is closed

*Thursday 2nd November:* Final senior assemblies

*Monday 6th November:* NZQA exams begins

*Monday 20th November:* *Staff Only Day* - school is closed

*Saturday 2nd December:* Yr 13 prom

*Monday 11th December:* Senior prize giving

*Wednesday 13th December:* Junior prize giving & last day of term 4

**Remember!**

### Mahi Tahi—Credit Catch Up

We will be holding Mahi Tahi on the first three days of the holidays next week, the library will be open Monday 25th September, Tuesday 26th September and Wednesday 27th September from 9.30am-1.30pm.

This is an opportunity for senior students to catch up on their credits. Some students will be specifically invited on Wednesday this week as they need support to complete NCEA. A teacher will supervise and lunch will be provided for those who are in on time.

# Parliament Trips



During term 3 Year 10 Social Studies classes visited Parliament for a guided tour and the opportunity to watch debates in the Parliament. They were lucky enough to meet a few Members of Parliament including Barbara Edmonds. They were also able to witness debates in Parliament in the lead up to the general election in October.



## GO Rafting Trip



Going Outdoors had the opportunity to raft Te Awakairangi just up past Upper Hutt. Despite many people getting stuck due to the low flow in the river for this time of year, a great day was had by all! We would like to thank Wellington Rafting for this opportunity and hope to enter some rafting teams for their race in the future.

## Farewell Ms Bean

Lauren Bean, Pastoral Leader of Rangituhi leaves us this Friday to take on new adventures with her whānau as they travel overseas. We wish them all the best.



Toa Mailo-Alexander will be taking over the Pastoral Leader role for Rangituhi from the beginning of term 4. We know he will do a great job.



## Term 3 Sport Breakdown

### Netball

The A team had a remarkable run this year, moving up into Championship A the top grade on a Saturday at Mungavin Courts and ending the competition in 3rd place.

A special mention to Rose Time Taotua who made the Kapi Mana U17's rep team.



### Basket Ball

Junior Boys were an athletic and skillful team with some big wins throughout the season, ending 3rd in the Northern Zone Pool 2.



Junior Girls moved up into Div 2 this year. They had some good wins and close games ending 4th equal on the table.

Senior Boys played and won every game convincingly, only to come up short twice against Paraparaumu, who won the grade. They placed 2nd in Div 4.



### Rugby

Rugby U15's boys had a stellar season, moving up to Division 1 in College Sport Wellington. One of only two Co-ed Colleges in the grade, our boys had to be more than confident, they had to believe and be resilient during the whole season. Finishing 6th on the table set them up for the Hurricanes U15 Festival, where they finished 3rd in Div 2, ending the last game looking like a basketball score 62-7 vs Ngati Porou.

Special mention for Eteuati Masoe who was the 4th top scorer with 8 tries.



### Tournament Week

The Lower North Island Netball Tournament was held in Wellington. The team had some really close games, pushing themselves to the limit, they ended on a high coming 3rd in the B grade, a fantastic result for the team.

### Other Mentions

Badminton and Junior Netball tournaments were attended during the term. All teams played well and had a great time.

### Sports Prizegiving

This will be held on Friday 20 October 2023 7.00pm in Whiti Te Ra. Letters will be sent out and a message will be posted on Facebook. A big thank you to the coaches, managers and parents who helped our teams. Let's celebrate together at prizegiving.



### Voice

EVERYONE HAS A VOICE THAT CAN  
CHANGE THE WAY THINGS ARE

### Action

LEARNERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

### Identity

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SHOW WHO YOU ARE

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# NCEA Exam Dates

Day	NCEA Level 1	NCEA Level 2	NCEA Level 3	NZ Scholarship
Tuesday 7 Nov	AM NCEA L1 Geography (41) (S:2)			
Wednesday 8 Nov	AM PM	NCEA L2 Mathematics and Statistics (58,58)(S:2)	NCEA L3 History (18)	
Thursday 9 Nov	AM PM	NCEA L1 Mathematics and Statistics (87)	NCEA L3 Chemistry (6,6) NCEA L3 Samoan (7)	
Friday 10 Nov	AM PM	NCEA L1 English (111,1) (S:2)	NCEA L2 Lea Faka-Tonga (2,2)	
Monday 13 Nov	AM PM		NCEA L3 Calculus (12)(C)(S:1)	Scholarship Samoan (5,5)(C)
	AM	NCEA L1 Science (40,40)(C)	NCEA L2 Chemistry (15,15)(C)(S:1)	
Tuesday 14 Nov		NCEA L1 Gagana Samoa (EX) (12,12)(C)(S:1)(DE:12)	NCEA L2 Geography	
	AM		NCEA L2 English (29) (S:2)	
Wednesday 15 Nov	PM	NCEA L1 History (22,22) (S:1) NCEA L1 Te Reo Maori Kuki Airani (EX) (1,1)(DE:1)		
Thursday 16 Nov	AM	NCEA L2 History (19)(S:1)	NCEA L3 Physics (4)(S:1)	
	PM			
Monday 20 Nov	AM	NCEA L1 Te Reo Maori (4)		
	PM			
Wednesday 22 Nov	AM PM		NCEA L3 English (24)	
Thursday 23 Nov	AM PM	NCEA L2 Biology (12,12) (C)(S:1)	NCEA L3 Geography (22,22) (C)	
Monday 27 Nov	AM PM	NCEA L2 Physics (10) (S:1)		
Wednesday 29 Nov	AM PM	NCEA L2 Samoan (9)		