

PORIRUA COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER



Term 4 - Week 9
December 2025

Kia ora koutou,

The end of the year is coming up fast with junior projects including our whānau afternoon and senior and junior prizegivings still to come.

We look forward to seeing you at our whānau afternoon and prizegivings. Please see the dates in this newsletter.

We have been so impressed with the commitment our ākonga have shown to their learning throughout 2025. Seniors have owned their credits and pathways, with the support of their houses and whānau.



High numbers of students are sitting exams with many students already passed their level and lots of credits still to come. Mahi Tahi has been needed by fewer students, but a number have quietly worked on achieving their goals. An exciting development this year has been our new PC Pride Values and Strategic Plan.

Thank you for all your work to help us come up with values that really represent who we are as a community:

- **MANAAKI** - respect and wellbeing
- **TUAKIRI** - identity
- **AKO** - teaching and learning

These values are driving our next 3 year strategic plan, based around your feedback, which you can see the front page of below.

We hope everyone has a wonderful festive season and summer holidays. Stay safe and we look forward to seeing most of you again in 2026.

To those who are leaving us, we wish you a wonderful future and please stay in touch!

Ngā mihi mahana,
Ragne Maxwell
Principal/Tumuaki

PORIRUA COLLEGE

STRATEGIC PLAN 2026-2028

Porirua College empowers ākonga to strengthen their voices, actions and identities, to make a difference in their communities

MANAAKI	TUAKIRI	AKO
<i>Wellbeing and Pastoral Care</i>	<i>Partners to Te Tiriti o Waitangi</i>	<i>Teaching and Learning</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Attendance<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Leadership and plan• Kaiāwhina✓ Pathways<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learner Agency• Student Leadership✓ PC Pride Values✓ Kanohi Ki Te Kanohi<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Neuroscience / Trauma Informed practices• Restorative Practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Mana Motuhake✓ Cultural Diversity✓ Whānau Connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Curriculum Change✓ Assessment Change & Achievement✓ Literacy & Numeracy✓ Professional Growth<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pedagogy• Effective Teacher Profile• Effective Leadership Profile✓ Digital Literacy



UPCOMING EVENTS



5th December - 2:00pm-3:00pm
Whānau Afternoon in Houses

8th December
6:00pm-9:00pm Snr Prize Giving
9:00am-1:50pm Jnr Activity Day

9th December - 9:00am-1:50pm
House Activity Day

10th December
9:30am-11:00am Jnr Prize Giving
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



WHĀNAU MĀORI EVENING



Our final Whānau Māori evening for 2025 was held on Tuesday 25th November. We acknowledged the many successes of the year, the achievements of our ākonga Māori and the creation of our new Māori Faculty for 2026, led by Teremoana Tokaduadua as Head of Faculty.

Ngā mihi everyone who helped make the night a success and a special thank you to all our whānau Māori who came along. We hope to see you (and heaps more whānau!) in the new year.

We can't wait for 2026 and the exciting new developments to come!

Kōmiti Ākonga Māori, PC.



NZQA EXAMS 2025

NZQA Exams are done and dusted, our seniors can now breath and finally enjoy their holiday. A massive well done to you all for all the hard work and sheer determination you all put in this year, we're so proud of each and every single one of you - YOU DID IT!! woop woop.

THANK YOU!!

Danielle, Rob, Lou and Chris for all the hard work behind the scenes and a special mention to our amazing property team for setting up the hall and also to every teacher who turned up to support their students YOU'RE ALL AMAZING!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS/PARENTS/CAREGIVERS!!

You can access students results and scanned answers through the MyNZQA learner portal

- Online results: NCEA results will be available online from January 14, 2026.
- Scanned answers: Will be available online soon after the results release date.
- MyNZQA account: Ensure your login details are up-to-date and you have access to your email, especially if you have left school.

HOW DO YOU LOG IN?

1. go to the MyNZQA learner portal link: <https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/login/>
2. click on the 'Learner log in' box
3. enter your email or username and password in the correct boxes
4. click on 'sign in to MyNZQA' box and away you go :)

Log in to NZQA

Scroll down to find log in options for learners, providers and contractors, or apply to have your qualifications recognised in New Zealand



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Submit digital files, request your Record of Achievement and more in MyNZQA.

New user? You'll need your NSN to create an account.

Learner log in

Create or activate account

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Mana Tohu Mātauranga o Aotearoa
New Zealand Qualifications Authority

Email or Username

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SPORTS PRIZE GIVING 2025

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL



ALL-ROUND EXCELLENCE

Leadership, Pride, Passion, Integrity & Ability

- Jean-Rima Leofa (Athletics & Jnr A Netball - Mao)
- Travis Schuster (Athletics)
- Mary Shalom Innkuan (Badminton)
- Abi Vang (Badminton)
- Anna Kamikamica (Badminton)
- Panitai Vailahi (Badminton)
- Lucien Tulia (Jnr Boys Basketball & Jnr Boys Futsal)
- Posidon Marsters (Snr Boys Basketball)
- Vannessa-Jane Lolagi (Snr Girls Basketball)
- Qu'Pid Paul (E-Sports)
- Arahia Rameka (Jnr Girls Football)
- Anarosa Kelemete (Jnr B Netball-Kakerori)
- Lilly Akania Lamsam (Jnr C Netball-Kakapo)
- Koreta Va'ai (Snr B Netball-Lakia)
- Mattelena Tepai (Snr A Netball-Manumea & Snr Girls Volleyball)
- Sandy Foisaga (Rugby Union-U15 Kotiro & Jnr Girls Volleyball)
- Mikayla Aitogi-Wilson (Rugby Union-U18 Kotiro)
- Fa'amatala Va'ai (Rugby Union-U15 Tama)
- Sonny Togafiti (Rugby Union-2ND XV Tama)
- Brayden Lemalu (Rugby Union-1ST XV Tama)
- Te Jay Waara (Jnr Boys Table Tennis)
- Foisaga Foisaga (Jnr Boys Volleyball)
- Lei Manase-Maniti (Snr Boys Volleyball)

PC PRIDE

Commitment & Sportsmanship. Shows pride & mana representing Porirua College

- Alysshah Suailua (Athletics)
- William Pei (Athletics)
- Manaia Ngatai-Felise (Jnr Boys Basketball)
- Isara Pupi (Snr Boys Basketball)
- Mary Shalom Innkuan (Snr Girls Basketball)
- Cyrus Nema (E-Sports)
- Shy-Anne McMurtrie (Jnr Girls Football)
- Te Jay Waara (Jnr Boys Futsal)
- Olipelise Leofa (Jnr A Netball-Mao)
- Euodias Maiava-Tuimaolo (Jnr B Netball-Kakerori)
- Khloe Fiso (Jnr C Netball-Kakapo)
- Rosa Malaesilia (Snr B Netball-Lakia)
- Mia Nikora (Snr A Netball-Manumea)
- Indy Lealamisa (Rugby Union-U15 Kotiro)
- Faustina Vaimoli (Rugby Union-U15 Kotiro)
- Kaewa-Li Lukitau (Rugby Union-U18 Kotiro)
- Mattelena Tepai (Rugby Union-U18 Kotiro)

MOST IMPROVED

Determination. Strives to succeed & develops their ability throughout the season

- Caidyn Mokalei-Leiataua (Athletics)
- Tawera Makalio (Jnr Boys Basketball)
- Leon Tauroa (Snr Boys Basketball)
- Kylee Mangantulao (Snr Girls Basketball)
- Luchiano Leilua-Leota (E-Sports)
- Kharley Laulu (Jnr Girls Football)
- Ioani Vaea (Jnr Boys Futsal)
- Sausolio'ana Kelemete (Jnr A Netball-Mao)
- Angel Shankar (Jnr B Netball-Kakerori)
- Arahia Rameka (Jnr C Netball-Kakapo)
- Sou Fugalei Va'ali'i (Snr B Netball-Lakia)
- Gloria Time Taotua (Snr A Netball-Manumea)
- Jamie Lemisio (Rugby Union-U15 Kotiro)
- Joyce Taesali (Rugby Union-U15 Kotiro)
- Missouri Maifala (Rugby Union-U18 Kotiro)
- Anna Kamikamica (Athletics; Rugby Union-U18 Kotiro; Snr Girls Volleyball)
- Foisaga Foisaga (Rugby Union - U15 Tama)
- Braxton Taia-Roberts (Rugby Union - U15 Tama)
- King Logovae (Rugby Union - 2ND XV Tama)
- Tyrell Tinei (Rugby Union - 2ND XV Tama)
- Cordeius Faraimo-Selave (Rugby Union - 1ST XV Tama)
- Anton Roebeck (Rugby Union - 1ST XV Tama)
- Leon Mason (Jnr Boys Table Tennis)
- Lina Emosi (Jnr Girls Volleyball)
- Paul Brown (Jnr Boys Volleyball)
- Johnwesley Paulo Brown (Snr Boys Volleyball)

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- William Eddie (Rugby Union-U15 Tama)
- Teeneta Timeri (Rugby Union-U15 Tama)
- Licoln Leilua-Leota (Rugby Union-2ND XV Tama)
- Rougan Duncan (Rugby Union-2ND XV Tama)
- Togiola Manase-Maniti (Rugby Union-1ST XV Tama)
- Matthew Patelu (Rugby Union-1ST XV Tama)
- Elvis Chong-Nee Emile (Jnr Boys Table Tennis)
- Segia Tanuvasa (Jnr Girls Volleyball)
- Shekinah Moananu (Snr Girls Volleyball)
- Feagaiga Roebeck (Jnr Boys Volleyball)
- Olaf Roebeck (Snr Boys Volleyball)



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CUS Volunteer of the year award 2025

FAITH TUSANI MITI

Umpire for Jnr & Snr boys & girls basketball,
3X3 basketball

Albert Alapati Sportsmanship Trophy 2025

GIRLS JNR A NETBALL - MAO

Coach: Fay Skipworth

Ignite sport character coach award 2025

SHERRI BURGESS

Snr & Jnr Girls 1st XV Rugby Coach

Junior Girls Sports Cup 2025

SANDY FOISAGA

Jnr volleyball, U15 & U18 girls rugby and
Wellington U18 volleyball Reps

Ignite sport character athlete award 2025

VANESSA LOLAGI

Snr netball, basketball, volleyball, Ki-o-Rahi,
Kotiro day, Rugby PPSSA umpire - rippa rugby,
netball

Junior Boys Sports Cup 2025

AJ SEKO

Snr boys basketball, Jnr boys volleyball, Porirua
U16 basketball reps, 1st nations U16 Porirua
Heat

Phil Skipworth most valuable player 2025

POSEIDON MARSTERS

Snr boys basketball team

Falemaka Snr Girls Sports Cup 2025

MATTELENA TEPAI

Snr A netball, girls volleyball, U18 girls rugby,
CSW jnr girls umpire, athletics - Kahui Whetu

David Underhill Rugby Trophy 2025

BRAYDEN LEMALU

Wellington Samoan's & Orcas U18

Snr Boys Sports Cup 2025

BRAYDEN LEMALU

PC 1XV, Snr volleyball, Rippa rugby, Ki-O-Rahi
mixed, rugby league 9's

MIKAYLA AITOGI-WILSON

Wellington Centurion U18

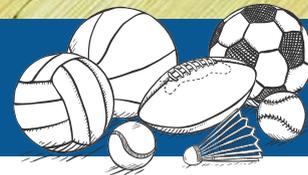
Pllimmerton Rotary Club Team of the Year
2025

SNR BOYS VOLLEYBALL TEAM

Phil Skipworth Coach of the Year Award 2025

MIKE & LOA LI'A

HAKINAKINA



We hosted 400 players in the CSW Junior (Year 9 & 10) Kī-o-Rahi tournament on our bottom field during week 3. We stayed in the Junior Girls Division 2 and Junior Boys Division 2.



The finals were thrilling, with the girls coming home with a win and the boys narrowly missed out to come 2nd.

Thanks to the student refs for all of your great calls and hard mahi. Our refs trained for 3 months to be their best on the day. We are forever grateful to R2R (Rangatahi 2 Rangatira) for providing us with the skill sessions to ref games to a high standard.

Thanks Jason and Bill for the immaculate fields and AJ Green for cooking and giving away 300 sausages.

Our junior boys volleyball team have spiked the ball down hard in the Region. Dominating at the CSW Regional Tournament they came 2nd to Saint Patrick's Silverstream in the finals only losing by 2 points. With a new old coach Aimee Paipa at the helm she has turned this fresh baby face junior boys team into the talk of the town.



- Badminton
- Refereeing - PPSSA
- Girls Football
- Athletics/Cross
- Country
- Kōtiro Day
- CSW Kī-o-Rahi
- Activity Day
- Rock Climbing

TRADES ACADEMY 2026

Congratulations to the following students have been accepted into Trades Academy for 2026.

We would like to give a big ngā mihi to the staff who completed KURA references for our students. Having these returned in a timely manner greatly supported their placement into their chosen courses for next year.

Please take note of the attendance days for each student, as we will have a high number of Trades students out of school on Thursdays.

If you have any questions or any concerns about any students on this list, please feel free to come and speak with either Sherri or Georgina who are more than happy to help where they can.

“Ehara te angitū o ā tātou ākongā i te mahi a te tangata kotahi, engari he mahi a te tokomaha.”

“The success of our students is not the work of one person, but the work of many.”

Ngā Mihi
Careers Department

<u>Course: Health Pathways</u> <u>Attendance Day: Thurs only.</u>	
<u>Student name</u>	
Enxy Corpuz (A&P)	
Ezekiel Fuimaolo (A&P)	
Fakaalofa Kaue (A&P)	
Sheina Patulot (A&P)	
Nazareth Tinielu (L2)	

<u>Course: Digital Media</u> <u>Attendance Days: Thurs & Fri</u>	
<u>Student name</u>	
Benjamin Vaea	
Daniel Mika	
Nabeel Mohammed	
Poseidon Marsters	
Raymond Peita	
Royden Takao-Cox	

<u>Course: Salon/Beauty Services</u>	
<u>Student name</u>	<u>Attendance Days</u>
Sally Shawaf	Mon & Tues
Abigail Vailoa	Thurs & Fri
Amayah-Eline Lopa	Thurs & Fri
Ripeka Rankin	Thurs & F

<u>Course: Construction/Mixed Trades</u>	
<u>Student name</u>	<u>Attendance Days</u>
Pati Taulapapa	Mon & Tues
Kingston Tangaroa-Elia	Thurs & Fri
Lyrell Joe	Thurs & Fri

<u>Course: Baking/Cafe Services</u> <u>Attendance Days: Thurs & Fri</u>	
<u>Student name</u>	
Shmuel Gonzales	

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES



Race Unity Day on Thursday, 16 October was a vibrant celebration of the cultures that make our school community special.

Our assembly featured guest speaker Hon Willow-Jean Prime.

Filipino students captivated the audience with traditional folk dances, including Tinikling—where dancers step gracefully between bamboo poles—and Pandanggo sa Ilaw performed with lighted candles to showcase balance, poise, and joy.

Our Syrian students also shared a meaningful presentation about the Syrian flag and its significance. A colourful cultural catwalk followed, with staff and students proudly wearing their cultural attire and sharing impressive dance moves.

We ended the week on a positive note with a staff shared lunch, enjoying dishes from many cultures. The day highlighted the beauty of diversity and the strength we gain when we celebrate one another.



Mrs Zhang's EAP100 class visited Wētā Workshop on Tuesday 7 October, with Mrs Ape accompanying the group.

Students enjoyed an engaging tour where they learnt about the history of Wētā and explored the many films and projects the studio has contributed to through its costumes, miniature sets and special effects.

A highlight of the trip was the hands-on opportunity to create fake blood for a realistic wound effect. It was an exciting and memorable experience for all our students.



Year 9 have been visiting Wellington Museum and Te Papa to look at the changes within our local environment and cultures over the years.

They have also been looking at people who have fought for social change.

TALOFA SAMOA



From the 21st to the 29th of September, some of our senior Gagana Samoa students travelled to Samoa with Mrs Ape, Mr Topp, Miss Tu'itupou and four other family members.

Students experienced an unforgettable cultural and educational journey across Upolu and Savai'i, immersing themselves in the Samoan language, history and traditions.

Highlights included:

- 'Ava ceremony and a cultural exchange at Itu o Tane College
- Visits to the Sale'aula Lava Fields, Robert Louis Stevenson Museum, To Sua Ocean Trench, Lalomanu Beach and Togitogiga Falls
- Time at the Fugalei and Salelologa markets, where students put their language, numeracy and literacy skills to good use while supporting the local economy.

Fa'afetai tele lava to our Board of Trustees, SLT, staff and wider school community for their support, a special thanks to Pak'nSave Porirua for hosting our fundraising sausage sizzles and to family and PC alumni for their generous donations.

Fa'afetai le agalelei! Fa'afetai le alofa!

We look forward to taking more students to Samoa for another rich cultural experience in the near future.





ART & DRAMA



Our Senior Production team performed Dawn Raids by Oscar Kightley during term 3.



Thank you Lou Dawson and Gia Albertini for prepping our students and for making this performance a one to remember.



Thank you to everyone that came to watch, we hope you were entertained 😊



Your cast:



- Sione - Hazel / Jericho
- Fuarosa - Missouri
- Teresa - Lina / Ripeka
- Bene - Kaycious / Anjelica
- Mose - Nazareth / Lote
- To'aga - Mikayla
- Steve - Vanessa



María Joséfina Chila Sinisterra Cortes (Colombia) of Porirua, 15 years old entered the Etū Whānau art competition with her stunning piece (pictured).

Maria said that *her piece is about her hobbies, culture and what she wants to be someday and in particular its all about HER*



CONGRATULATIONS



Hazel Teaurima

The Creative Arts faculty would like to take a moment to say a huge thank you to everyone who has supported and encouraged Hazel over her years here at Porirua College.

Earlier this year Hazel decided that she wanted to audition for Toi Whakaari, Aotearoa's prestigious national drama school. The process to get into this program is competitive and intense; Toi Whakaari only take twenty-two actors a year from across the country and there are several rounds of auditions.

School leavers are often auditioning alongside older performers, as well as people who have auditioned for the program more than once.

Hazel completed her first audition in the Term 3 school break and was one of forty people selected for the second round of auditions from across Aotearoa. The second audition round consisted of two eight-hour days; both of these days were very physically and mentally demanding.

Hazel showed such tenacity and bravery over all of her days of auditioning and represented herself and the PC community with pride. We are extremely proud to announce that Hazel has been offered a place in the acting class of 2026 at Toi Whakaari.

Thank you again to her family, friends, supporters and teachers. HUGE congratulations to Hazel; we are all so proud of you.

WELCOME

NEW STAFF MEMBER

Kia Ora,



My name is Sarah Smith and I am really excited to join the team as the social worker for Porirua College. I have been a social worker for 13 years and completed my studies locally at Whitireia. I grew up in Wellington and then lived in Porirua as a young adult, I currently live in Paraparaumu.

I am passionate about supporting Rangatahi to thrive and I will provide a safe space for students at Porirua College to share their feelings and feel heard and supported.

I love music and singing, and am teaching myself to play guitar. I have two children, one is now 25 and my youngest is 7. I have always wanted to work in a college environment so am so happy I have been given this opportunity to work in Porirua College.

As the sign on my office door says, "I don't have a magic wand, crystal ball or all the answers, but I do have a heart to care, ears to listen, time to give, ideas to share, and an open mind. I am here for you"

Thanks
Sarah

THANK YOU & ALL THE BEST



Wills Dobson



Ben Jaspaert



Povalu Kelemete



Steve Barnsley



Lisi Hughes



Don Stevens



Anju Rani

This year we say au revoir to not only our Y13s, but also some of our most amazing teachers, thank you all so much for your hard work and for everything you did for our students and their families.

It has been an absolute pleasure to be working with you all throughout the years, we wish you nothing but the best in your new adventures and we cannot wait to get photos of you in these adventures. Take care and go well!

We also say good bye to our amazing Y13 students. It's been a long 5 years but you did it! We wish you all the best and hope you all achieve your goals you set for yourselves!!

2026 START DATES FOR PORIRUA COLLEGE

30 January 2026 @ 10:00am-12:30pm Powhiri to welcome Y9 students & new teachers/staff Prefects (& any other students who wish to attend)

2 February 2026 @ 9:00am-3:05pm School starts for all students & teachers



We still have many items that belong to students, if you are missing clothes, rings, necklaces or glasses, please ask the student to check in at the office first. All items left at the office by the end of school term will be disposed off.

Kia ora!

Hauora Kai is all about healthy food. The Fruit & Vege Co-op provides local, fresh, seasonal produce every week at a low price across the Wellington region.

Hauora Kai - Good for growers. Good for community.
Good for you.



What is a Fruit & Vege Pack?

A pack (\$15) generally consists of 3-4 varieties of fruit and 3-4 varieties of vegetables that are currently in season. The pack contents vary from week to week, but it's always great value!

During Term 3, the Attendance Services team purchased fruit n vege bags from Wesley Community for local whānau and they were gratefully received.

Please contact Cory Hope via email chope@wesleyaca.org.nz if you would like to order a fruit & vege pack.

website: <https://www.hauorakai.nz/>



PE PROM 2025

