



AKO AKO Porirua College

TERM 4 WEEK 4 - 6/11/2020

Kia ora koutou katoa,

It's hard to believe that we only have one week left with all our senior students in school. We are really proud of how focused most of them have been on gaining their credits to achieve their goals, despite all the disruptions of Covid-19.



For those seniors who need to keep going after merit assemblies on Friday 13th November, we will have Mahi Tahi in the library from Wednesday 18th November (following Teacher Only Day on Tuesday 17th November) until the end of the year. This will be from 9.30am until 3.00pm each day and students need to wear their uniform. Fleur Allen will run Mahi Tahi and will keep a list of who attends. Students we are concerned about will receive an individual invitation, but any seniors are welcome to come in to catch up with extra credits or to study for exams. Teachers will also run study sessions and let their classes know when these are. Seniors still in school will also be very welcome to join the juniors in our new free school lunches!

We hope to see many of you at the prize giving's and merit assemblies that are coming up - details are on the next page - to celebrate our students' wonderful achievements throughout 2020. We are very grateful to everything whānau, students and teachers have done to keep this year learning focused and looking after everyone's wellbeing and safety.

Ragne Maxwell
Principal/Tumuaki

Healthy School Lunches

We're getting ready to take part in the free and healthy school lunch programme. Lunches will be available for all our students and will cater for their requirements including diet, health and cultural needs.

We will start supplying lunches for the Junior school from Wednesday 18th of November until the end of the school year. The programme will then increase to include the whole school for the 2021 school year.

The programme will be evaluated whilst it is running and this will help to decide whether it will continue beyond 2021.



Introducing Our Second Student Trustee

Kia ora koutou. Ko Brody toku ingoa. Ko Ngati Kahungunu Ki Wairoa te iwi and I am a Year 11 from Tangare house and I am a Student Trustee for 2021.

I am usually around and am always keen to hear opinions about what everyone is looking to change or improve around our college, whether it is something physical or improving the wellbeing of our students.

Ngā mihi Brody G



Prize Giving and End of Year 2020 Update

The end of the school year is racing towards us and we are excited about the celebratory events that will soon be taking place. Our senior students will be leaving us shortly to commence their study leave in preparation for year end exams. Therefore, our final assemblies with these students will be held on Friday 13th November. Whānau are welcome to attend the assemblies:

Year 11 – Period 2, 11.10am – 12.05pm

Year 12 – Period 3, 12.05 pm – 1.00pm

Year 13 – Period 4, 1.40pm – 2.30pm, followed by poroporoaki

Our Senior Prize Giving will take place from 6pm on Wednesday 9th December in Whiti te Ra. This is a wonderful evening of celebrating student success and our families and teachers enjoy coming together to honour our students. prize winners and their families will be notified by letter and email in advance.

The last day of the school year will finish with our Junior Prize Giving on Thursday 10th December from 10.00am – 12noon. Whānau are welcome to attend.



SENIOR PROM 2020

Saturday 17th of October was truly a night to remember for the Porirua College staff and students who attended the Year 13 Leavers' Ball at the Lower Hutt Events Centre. The venue was tastefully decorated and



provided a simple backdrop for our students who shone as the true stars of the night. They looked amazing in their finery - our young women in their ball gowns, elaborate hairstyles and accessories and the gentlemen looking very dapper in their suits, shoes gleaming and not a hair out of place. The buffet dinner was delicious and well-presented, with enough variety to keep everyone happy. After dinner, once the music started,

everyone hit the dancefloor and did not let up until it was time to go. The photographer was kept busy throughout the evening, taking snaps of groups and partners with a few individual portraits. At the same time, the photo booth on the opposite side of the room was also hard at work, creating memories of the wonderful night that was had by all. Many thanks to the hardworking staff and students who worked together to make this special night happen for our leavers.



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