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Student Leadership Team 2024

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*I roto i tenei
putanga*

*Swimming Champs and
Tabloids results + photos*

**STUDENT LEADERS
FOR 2024**

2024 Term 1 Calendar



**Tangaroa
Blue House**

Tangaroa is the 'god of the sea.'
Māori believe that water is an energy, with many moods. It can be calm and life-giving, or dangerous and destructive. This energy is called Tangaroa – 'god of the sea.'

Koorero a te Tumuaki

The Principal speaks:

Kia ora koutou katoa!

It was great to see so many students participating in our Swimming Champs, Swimming Tabloids and Athletics Day earlier this month! The Whare House Points have been very close with some exciting results! There is a House Points update on the next page of this e-Bulletin! Participation at house events and doing your very best is so important in earning your house more points.

We are proud to say that we have received from NZQA our school results compared to other schools and we are the best in the district again in terms of Level 1 and Level 2 results! A huge thank you to all our teachers for their mahi with our students and a huge well done to the students for applying themselves and working hard.

A special congratulations to Caitlin Lees and Sam Raja who sat scholarship exams last year. Caitlin Lees (Year 13) gained scholarship in Biology and English. Sam Raja (Year 12) gained scholarship in English. An outstanding effort from both of them!

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*Nau
mai ki
te tau
hou!*



Koorero a te Tumuaki Haere tonu

The Principal speaks continued:

It has been awesome to see the majority of our students continue to comply with our 'no phone' rule. This has a positive impact on our school and our students. This is now a nationwide government policy so we have been 'ahead of the game' with that and got off on the front foot. A friendly reminder that as parents/caregivers, if you need to contact your child/children please call the school office who will get a note sent to your child. If you have to collect your child's cell phone we ask that you please pick it up after 3:30pm.

We have done a uniform blitz over the last week and will continue to crack down on our school uniform. Following school uniform rules sets students up well for when they get a job and are employed and have a uniform to wear or a dress code. Uniform should be worn with pride - our students look awesome when they are in it! Please read the uniform policy with your student(s) so there is no misunderstanding about what is allowed and what is not.

A reminder that with our 6 Day timetable, where there are sports days or whole day school events it means there are no timetabled classes for students on that day. Therefore, that 'Day' of the timetable is repeated the following week day. For example, Athletics Day is on Day 4 but because there are no timetabled classes that day due to athletics, the 'Day 4' is repeated on Monday 6 March.

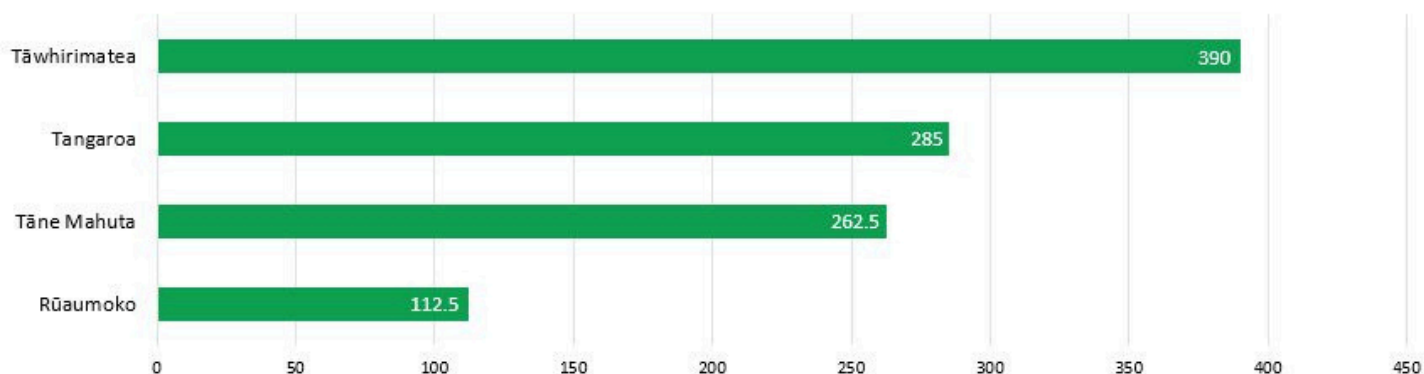
Our Golden Jubilee, celebrating 50 years of the college, is fast approaching! This event, held from Friday 19 April to Sunday 21 April, is open to all ex-students and ex-staff members. Make sure you visit the Tuakau College website (www.tuakaucollege.com) and click on the 'Jubilee' tab for more information about this.

A friendly reminder to all students walking to school of catching a school bus to please be 'road safe.' Make sure you are looking both ways before crossing the road. Be very careful around school buses. If you need to cross the road after getting off the bus please find a safe place to do so and wait until the bus has moved away so you can see clearly in both directions.

We're already into March tomorrow and nearly half way through Term 1 already! I look forward to seeing all the great things our students do and achieve in the rest of the term!

Chris Betty

House Points Update 2024



Term 1 School Value

Wāhanga 1 Kura Uara



At our kura we have four school values and we focus on one value each term of the year. These values are an integral part of our school and we want all of our students to display them in their day to day life, not only at school but also outside of school.

In Term One we focus on 'Manaaki, Aroha + Whakaute - Caring, Love + Respect.' *Respect means that you accept somebody for who they are, even when they're different from you or you don't agree with them.* We can show 'Caring, Love + Respect' by talking openly and honestly with each other, listening to each other, valuing each others feelings and needs, compromising, speaking kindly about others, giving each other space, supporting each others interests/hobbies and building each other up.

Student Leadership Team 2024
Te Rōpū Kaihautū Ākonga 2024

We are proud to introduce to you our senior Student leaders for 2024!



Shreya Reddy
Head Student



Tahlia Mueller
Head Student



Joseph Heta
Head Student



Hauraki Hira
Head Student



Aliz'e Walker
Student Representative
on the Board



Prefect
Kimberley Smith



Prefect
Whitiri Preston



Prefect
Lily McInnarney



Prefect
Wairangi Shaw



Prefect
Bethany Mahoney



Prefect
Kyla Makea



Prefect
Jai Harvey



Prefect
Jade Atkinson



Prefect
Anita van Velthuizan



ROUNDERS COMPETITION 2024

Whakataetae Rounders 2024

On the first day of school for all our students, after a morning of Whaanau House assemblies and Whaanau Class activities, the day was finished off with a whole school Rounders competition! This was the first House Competition of the year.

Congratulations to Tangaroa who placed first, by a small margin! Tawhirimatea placed second (just!), Tane Mahuta placed third and Ruauumoko placed fourth. Well done to all the students that participated!



VISION:
 Ka whakarite kareti o Tuakau i ngā ākonga kia whai tāna e tōmina nei, kia kōunga tonu tana kete mātauranga. Tuakau College prepares students for life through a quality education promoting excellence in all things.

STRATEGIC GOALS - TUAKAU COLLEGE WILL:

- Whakawhānui i ngā whai wāhitanga te angitūtanga o ngā ākonga.**
 Maximise opportunities for student achievement.
- Me ārahi i ngā whanaketanga o te rohe o te Ao hurihuri.**
 Lead local developments in a continuously changing world.
- Kia noho hei manawa o te hapori kia hiahia te katoa.**
 Be the heart of the community where everyone wants to be.

MANAAKI, AROHA + WHAKAUTE
 CARING, LOVE + RESPECT

He aha te mea nui o te Ao? He tāngata, he tāngata, he tāngata.
 What is the most important thing in the world? It is people, it is people, it is people.

NGĀKAU TAPATAHI
 INTEGRITY

Kaua e takahia te mana o te tāngata. Do not trample on the mana of the people.

ŪTONUTANGA
 PERSEVERANCE

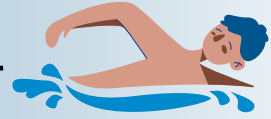
Kaua e mate wheke mate mangōpare. Don't give up like an octopus but fight like a hammerhead shark.

TINO PAI RAWA
 EXCELLENCE

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SWIMMING CHAMPS 2024

Whakataetae Kauhoe 2024



Well done to the students that participated in our Swimming Champs on Thursday 15 February. Congratulations to Tawhirimatea who took out first place with 183 points! Tangaroa placed second with 120 points and third equal went to Tane Mahuta and Ruaumoko who both had 112 points!

A special congratulations to River Missen (Year 8 student) who broke four of the Year 7&8 Boys records - two lengths Freestyle, Butterfly and Backstroke as well as the Medley!

Age group results were as follows:

Year 7&8 Boys

1st - River Missen
2nd - Rhys Campbell-Cox

Junior Boys

1st - Luke Campbell-Cox
2nd - Connor Ashton

Intermediate Boys

1st - Nate Flipp
2nd - Max Thomas

Senior Boys

1st - Whitiri Preston
2nd - Kyan Young

Year 7&8 Girls

1st - Isabella Hawkes
2nd - Ella McMillan

Junior Girls

1st - Danielle Claridge
2nd - Sienna Willing
Elle Entwisle

Intermediate Girls

1st - Lome' Strydom
2nd - Sophie Hall

Senior Girls

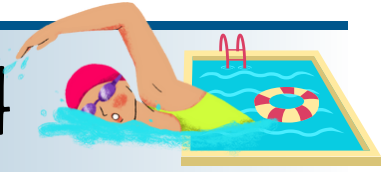
1st - Hayliee Claridge
2nd - Charlotte Hawkes

For full photos please see the Tuakau College Facebook page!



SWIMMING TABLOIDS 2024

Ripa Kauhoe 2024



On Friday 16 February we had our Swimming Tabloids and it was a day full of fun, great activities and laughter! Congratulations to Tawhirimatea who came first with 275 points! Tane Mahuta placed second with 240 points, Tangaroa placed third with 200 points and Ruaukoko placed fourth with 185 points.

For full photos please see the Tuakau College Facebook page!



ATHLETICS DAY 2024

Te Ra Whakataetae 2024

On Friday 23 February we had our 2024 Athletics Day and it was an awesome day with lots of records broken and plenty of smiles as students participated! Congratulations to Tawhirimatea who came first with 1506 points! Tane Mahuta placed second with 1491 points, Tangaroa placed third with 1354 points and Ruaumoko placed fourth with 1318 points!

This year we saw some outstanding performances with an incredible number of school records broken! A special mention to Elroy Vandepitte and Braxton Fletcher who each broke three Year 7 Boys Records! The records broken this year were:

- Elroy Vandepitte - Yr 7 Boys - 100m, 200m and 400m
- Braxton Fletcher - Yr 7 Boys - High Jump, Discus and Javelin
- Temprance Hodgson - Yr 7 Girls - Javelin
- Natacha Moshieim - Yr 8 Girls - Javelin
- Sam Trusler - Yr 8 Boys - Javelin
- Keegan Higgs - Junior Boys - Javelin
- Lucas Nixon - Junior Boys - High Jump
- Terrence Cash - Junior Boys - 200m
- Nate Flipp - Intermediate Boys - Long Jump
- Tipene Thompson - Intermediate Boys - 100m (equaled record)
- Telesia Windlebourne - Senior Girls - 200m
- Takaiho Haunui-Tamehana - Senior Girls - Javelin
- Ruaumoko House - Year 7 Boys - 4x100m (Relay)



Well done to all the students who participated - it was great to see! To see all photos of the event please visit the Tuakau College Facebook page.



Ex-student part of world record winning shearing team *He tauira o mua o te roopu kuti hipi toa o te ao*

Earlier this year a team of shearers made New Zealand history near Gore, smashing a nearly 10-year world record by more than 300 lambs and this team included Trent Hewes (an ex-student of Tuakau College) and his brother Blake (also an ex-student of Tuakau College) as a reserve. At the end of an eight-hour slog of nonstop sheep shearing, the team of five Kiwi lads set a new record of 3236 lambs – beating the previous record by 326.

The team consisted of five and the five record-breaking shearers represented Forde Winders Shearing Ltd, a Riverton-based shearing company. Mr Winders was joined by his cousins Josef Winders, of Invercargill, and Ben Boyle, of Colac Bay. Rounding out the ranks was Waikato-raised Trent Hewes and Trevor Holland, of Taranaki. Blake Hewes, Trent's twin, joined the team in reserve. The team set up shop at Campbell Block, a shearing shed at the Grant Bros Farm in the Hokonui Hills, which set the stage for the attempt. Forde Winders Shearing administrator Lana Winders said the record-breaking attempt had been in the works since March last year.



The lads had never attempted a shot at the record before, but were not hesitant to put themselves under the pump to get the job done. The five shearers, in each of their own stands, shaved lamb after lamb over four sets of two hours – a total of eight hours continuous shearing. The previous record was 2910 lambs, set in 2015, with the men needing to shave more than 75 lambs an hour each, or 150 per run, in order to beat it, Mrs Winders said. By the end of the first run, the shearers were off to a "roaring start", sitting 90 lambs ahead of target.

Mrs Winders said about 400 spectators had shown up to the shearing sheds to witness history in the making. Judges from the United Kingdom flew in to verify the official tally.



Tuakau College social media *Tuakau College pāpāho pāpori*

Make sure you are following Tuakau College on Instagram and Facebook to see all photos of events, important information and any updates! You can find us on Instagram by searching '@tuakau.college' and on Facebook by searching 'Tuakau College.'



Tuakau College Board 'Cottage Meetings' *Te Poari o te Kareti o Tuakau 'Nga Huinga Whare'*

As part of the Tuakau College Board's review cycle and the rewriting of the Strategic Plan the Tuakau College Board recently had some 'Cottage meetings' in the area, to discuss the focus areas and the improvements that Board can make to the college over the next two to five years.

All parents/caregivers have previously been emailed a survey to complete regarding this and the information gained from the survey was invaluable. We appreciate the time taken to complete these surveys. A big thank you from the Board for those that came to the 'Cottage Meetings' as well.



REGISTRATIONS
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GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

19 APRIL - 21 APRIL 2024

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ONLINE AT
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TOOLS TO SUPPORT OUR TEENS

FREE 6 WEEKS SESSIONS FOR PARENTS OF 12-18YR OLDS

COURSE DETAILS:

MONDAY EVENINGS
6PM - 8.30PM

FRANKLIN FAMILY SUPPORT
COMMUNITY HUB

START DATE:
26TH FEBRUARY 2024

TOPICS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Connecting with your teen
- ✓ Having fun as a family
- ✓ Setting family boundaries
- ✓ Strategies to support drugs, alcohol, sex, teenage behaviours

TO REGISTER PLEASE CONTACT:
PARENTING@FAMILYSUPPORT.ORG.NZ
OR 092386233



BOMBAY
JUNIOR
R.F.C.


WEDNESDAY NIGHT

GIRLS RIPPA

530pm Game times
All Games played in Franklin
Year levels: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-11


REGISTER TODAY!

Student Council 2024 Kaunihera Ākonga 2024


 Tane Mahuta: Connor Ashton, Luke Campbell-Cox, Braxton Fletcher, Chloe Jamieson, Eithan Langi and Kyuss McDowall.

 Tangaroa: Charlotte Mowbray, Toni Smith, Cameron Stacey, Caitlin Garth, Kaitlin Cumming and Izzy Currie.


 Tawhirimatea: Ben Tatler, Nathan Haliday, Ranisha Singh, Ava Wilson, Livvy Islip and Cleo Prosser.

 Ruaumoko: Saranya Chitturi, Kalolaine Fetuani, Isabella Hawkes, Sarah Martin, Pippa Thomas and Danielle Van Wyk.

House Leaders 2024 Nga Kaiarahi o te Whare 2024

 Tane Mahuta: Tiaan Botha, Klayton Jensen, Harlem Kawhena and Kate Brown (Mr Heta - Teacher Leader)

 Tangaroa: Cassius Dewan, Brya Mahoney, Lenox Tinei-Wright and Charmaine Hazell (Mrs Nielson - Teacher Leader)

 Tawhirimatea: Ben Tatler, Rangipokaia Shaw and Fiona Norman (Mr Wijdeven - Teacher Leader)

 Ruaumoko: Sophie Dorotich, Johann Jacobs, Haley Dunn and Charlotte Hawkes (Mrs Drew - Teacher Leader)



HEALTH CENTRE Tari Hauora



Hello! We hope everyone is keeping well as we transition from the hot summer to the colder months. Please keep your child at home if they are sick, especially with respiratory symptoms, to prevent infecting other students and staff. If you have a child with medical needs and would like to speak to the nurses, contact us through phone or email. We'd like to hear from you as we endeavor to keep all students safe in their learning environment. Also, a friendly reminder to Year 7 and 8 students' caregivers to return completed vaccination consent forms by Thursday (29 February) if you wish for your child to get their vaccinations in school this year.

Year 9 Health Checks

The Ministry of Health requires school nurses to complete a health check with all the Year 9 students at Tuakau College. The Year 9 Health Check has two parts to it, and verbal consent from your young person is obtained prior. The first part of the assessment is a basic physical health check. This involves checking the student's vision, hearing, blood pressure, weight, height and medical history. The purpose is to identify any current health-related concerns and where appropriate develop an in-school management plan. Our clinic can also assist in referring your young person to other health professionals for further assessment and intervention if needed. The second part is about the student's general well-being which provides a picture of their risk and resiliency.

The discussion will cover topics such as: Health factors relating to school, home and friends, Interests (both inside and outside of school), Education related to drugs, alcohol and sexual health as well as mental health and wellbeing.

The information given by students is kept private and confidential. A third party will only be involved if safety or risk-related concerns are identified. We, as school nurses, are really looking forward to meeting all your amazing young people! Feel free to contact us if you have any questions!

Bianca Bonghanoy and Charlotte Evans (School Nurses)

Phone: 09 236 8521 ext 119



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is Fully BYOD in 2024

Tuakau College started launching BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) in 2022, starting with Year 7 and phased in Year 8 and Year 9 in 2023.

The entire school will be BYOD in 2024.
All parents/caregivers have received emails about this.

Our BYOD requirements are:

- a minimum of a Chromebook (a phone is not a device for BYOD)
- Device must have a keyboard
- Minimum 10.5" screen
- Must hold approx. 5 hours of charge
- Case for the device to protect it from damage

We have signed up with Noel Leeming to get best deals available.
Any further questions please contact a.jacobs@tuakaucollege.com





Calendar Maaramataka

for Term 1 2024

*PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THESE ARE INDICATIVE AND COULD CHANGE
A 'WEEK AHEAD' IS POSTED ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES EACH
SUNDAY WITH UP TO DATE INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK AHEAD.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
29 JAN Auckland Anniversary (Public Holiday)	30 Course Confirmation for Year 12 and 13	31 Course Confirmation for Year 12 and 13	1 FEB New Students Day	2 Whole school starts Rounders competition	3	4
Day 1		Day 2	Day 3	Day 4		
5 Timetable starts	6 Waitangi Day (Public Holiday)	7 School Canteen opens	8 Year Level Assembly	9	10	11
Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2			
12 Year 7 Camp	13 Year 7 Camp	14 Year 7 Camp	15 Swimming Champs	16 Swimming Tabloids	17	18
Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6			
19	20 Small Motors Course	21	22 Whare Assembly	23 Athletics Day	24	25
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5		
26	27 Board Meeting	28	29 School Assembly	1 MAR	2	3
Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4		
4	5 Photo Day	6	7 Extended Whaanau 11OUT Kayak Trip	8 11OUT Kayak Trip	9	10
Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3		
11	12	13 12 OUT Risk Trip	14 School Assembly 12 OUT Risk Trip	15 12 OUT Risk Trip	16	17
Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2		
18 Senior Boys Basketball Waka Ama Nationals	19 Senior Boys Basketball Waka Ama Nationals	20 Senior Boys Basketball Waka Ama Nationals	21 Levels Assembly Franklin Careers Expo Waka Ama Nationals	22 Waka Ama Nationals	23	24
Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6			
25	26 13OUT Survival Tramp Board Meeting	27 13OUT Survival Tramp	28 13OUT Survival Tramp School Assembly	29	30	31
1 APR Easter Monday (Public Holiday)	2 Easter Tuesday (Public Holiday)	3 Day 1	4 Day 2 Home Clothes Day Whare Assembly	5 Day 3	6	7
Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2		
8	9	10	11 School Assembly Junior Social	12 Term 1 Ends		

Golden Jubilee
Friday 19 April -
Sunday 21 April