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**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!

Here we are at the end of Term 2 already! Halfway through the year, and getting very close to NZQA exams for our senior students.

We are celebrating Matariki and Maaori student achievement on Thursday 4 July in the Gym. This is a time to recognise and celebrate the Maaori new year, Matariki, but also to recognise and celebrate Maaori student achievement. Matariki is the star that signifies the beginning of the Maaori New Year and her appearance in the sky is seen as a time for reflection, renewal, and new beginnings.

Soon we will see Matariki, an open cluster of stars, of which only a handful are visible in the night sky for most of the year. Matariki appears from the end of June or beginning of July and disappears from vision around May. This star cluster is about 425 light years away and so far about 1000 stars have been confirmed in Matariki. Matariki is also known as Messier 45, Subaru, and Pleiades, being part of the Taurus constellation. Sighting Matariki signals the start of the lunar-stellar calendar, the beginning of the Maaori New Year. It does not have a fixed calendar date, based on the Gregorian calendar that we all live by. Matariki is based on moon phases and the lunar year is shorter

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Koorero a te Tumuaki Haere tonu

The Principal speaks continued:

... than the Gregorian. Matariki stars that approximately coincide with Gregorian calendar dates are Hootoko (June to August), Kooanga (September to November), Raumati (December to February), and Ngaahuru (February to March) is the time to harvest. Matariki has only 10 months. In April and May, above Taramainuku is a star who gathers in the dead, taking them into the underworld to Hine-nui-te-poo and, on the rise of Matariki in the following month, releases them back into Rangī-nui to become stars.

1.Matariki - The Mother Matariki is the mother star and is considered the most significant star in the cluster. She is often referred to as the 'eyes of the god' and is associated with the goddess of fertility and motherhood, Papatuaanuku. Matariki is the star that signifies the beginning of the Maaori New Year, and her appearance in the sky is seen as a time for reflection, renewal, and new beginnings.

2.Poohutukawa - The Star of Remembrance Poohutukawa is the star of remembrance and is associated with those who have passed away. It is believed that the spirits of the dead return to the earth during the rise of Matariki, and Poohutukawa is the star that guides them. This star is also associated with healing and regeneration, making it an important symbol of hope and renewal.

3.Tupuaanuku - The Star of Food Tupuaanuku is the star of food and is associated with the earth and the crops that it produces. It is said that Tupuaanuku is responsible for the abundance of food and the life that it brings. A time for planting winter vegetables. This star is also associated with the traditional Maaori practice of kaitiakitanga, or guardianship, of the land.

4.Tupuarangi - The Star is associated with food that comes from the sky and is linked to birds. It is connected to the harvesting of elevated foods such as berries and fruits. It is about sharing with whaanau, the community and friends. It is also said that Tupuarangi is responsible for the inspiration and creativity that brings beauty to the world. This star is also associated with the traditional Maaori practice of kaitiakitanga, or guardianship, of the arts.

5.Waitii - The Star of Freshwater Waitii is the star of freshwater and is associated with the lakes, rivers, and streams of the earth. It is said that Waitii is responsible for the abundance of freshwater and the life that it brings. Waitii is also associated with the traditional Maaori practice of kaitiakitanga, or guardianship, of the environment.

6.Waitaa - (the twin of Waitii) The Star of the Ocean Waitaa is the star of the ocean and is associated with the vast bodies of water that surround New Zealand. It is said that Waitaa is responsible for the abundance of seafood and the life that it brings. Waitaa is also associated with the traditional Maaori practice of kaitiakitanga, or guardianship, of the ocean.

7.Waipuna-aa-rangi - This is connected to the rain. The name itself means 'water that pools in the sky'. Reflect that this star in reflection and recognition of how vital fresh rainfall is to life on earth

8.Ururangi - The Star of the Winds Ururangi is the star of the winds and is associated with the four winds that bring change and new beginnings. It is said that Ururangi is responsible for the movement of the stars and the balance of the universe. This star is also associated with the traditional Maaori practice of kaitiakitanga, or guardianship, of the atmosphere.

9.Hiwa-i-te-rangi - This is connected to the promise of a prosperous season. It is also known as the wishing star. Maaori traditionally would use this star to meet their desires and dreams for the year, commonly known now as New Year's Resolutions.

Happy New year everyone, Ngaa Mata o te Ariki Taawhiri-mātea.

Earlier this month our senior students enjoyed the School Ball at Sky City in Hamilton and this was a great evening! Photos of this can be seen inside this e-Bulletin.

At the end of this term we farewell some of our staff and at the start of Term 3 we will welcome some new teachers! We say goodbye to Mr B Kumar from the Technology Department. We will welcome Mrs Williams, who has travelled to us from South Africa, to take up a Year 7&8 teaching position. We are hoping she will arrive within the first two weeks of the term.

It was awesome to listen to the Junior College Speech Finals! There was some great talent on display and some great topics chosen to speak about. We are proud of everyone that participated. It is great to learn and start developing skills like public speaking at a younger age and it will no doubt be of benefit to the students as they move through the college.

Have a lovely, relaxing holidays, safe travels if you are travelling near or far and I look forward to seeing you all back again in Term 3!

Chris Betty

VISION:

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

TUAKAU COLLEGE

STRATEGIC GOALS - TUAKAU COLLEGE WILL:

Whakawhānui i ngā whai wāhitanga te angihitanga 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.

Ū TONUTANGA
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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Junior College Speech Finals 2024

Te Whakamutunga Whakamutunga mo te Kura Tuarua 2024



This month our Year 7&8 speech finalists spoke at the 2024 Junior College Speech Finals. There was some amazing talent on display and it was great to hear speeches on a variety of topics. We would like to acknowledge the staff members and parents/caregivers who supported the event!

Congratulations to Madam Semau who won first place in the Year 7 category with her speech about 'why I think Hana Rawhiti is a good role model for young Maaori!' Second place in the Year 7 category went to Rhys Campbell-Cox for his speech on 'being vape free.' Third place went to Gus Barlow-Rhind for his speech about 'why I think Sir Apirana Ngata is an inspirational leader.'

Congratulations to Eila Weren who won first place in the Year 8 category with her speech about 'why everyone should have empathy in life!' Second place in the Year 8 category went to Toby MacDonald for his speech on 'why we need to stop this sixth mass extinction.' Third place went to Pippa Thomas for her about 'getting back in the saddle - the power of overcoming fear and resilience.'

Congratulations to all our Year 7&8 speech finalists! You spoke with courage and made us proud!



School Ball 2024
Paoro Kura 2024



Our 2024 School Ball was held on Saturday 8 June, 2024 at Sky City in Hamilton. It was a lovely evening and our students (who were dressed beautifully) enjoyed themselves! A massive thank you to Mrs McMillan (Year 13 Dean) and the Ball Committee for organising a great event! Thank you also to White Door Photography for the awesome photos - to see all photos please visit https://www.whitedoor.co.nz/gallery-collection/Tuakau-College-Ball-2024/C0000Wh6e5q_YS.4





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Matariki CELEBRATION EVENING

***Recognising Māori
student achievement***

**THURSDAY 4 JULY, 2024 AT 6PM
IN THE TUAKAU COLLEGE GYM**

**ALL PRIZEWINNERS/AWARD RECIPIENTS
WILL BE INFORMED VIA EMAIL.**

**ALL RECIPIENTS, WHAANAU PUUMANAWA AND
REO RUA STUDENTS SHOULD ARRIVE AT THE GYM
BY 5:45PM, WEARING SCHOOL UNIFORM.**

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL L.SHAW@TUAKAUCOLLEGE.COM

ENROL NOW FOR 2025  **TUAKAU COLLEGE**

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Orientation Day

Thursday 8 August from 9am - 3pm

Open Evening

Wednesday 14 August from 4 - 7pm

Enrolments due

23 August - In Zone

30 August - Out of Zone

6 September - Ballot completed

Online enrolments at

www.tuakaucollege.com/enrolment

Any queries please email

t.potts@tuakaucollege.com

Cross Country 2024 Whakawhiti Whenua 2024



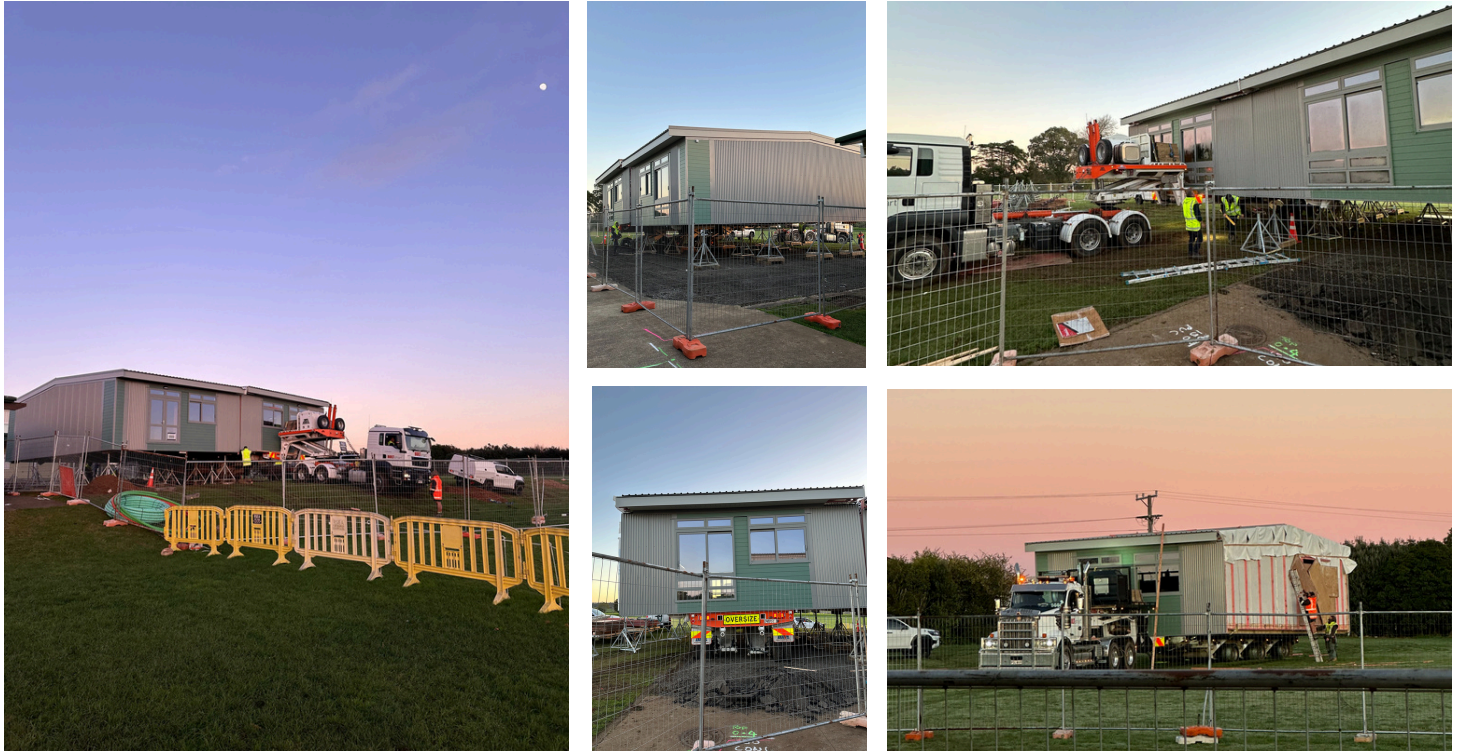
On Tuesday 18 June we had our 2024 Cross Country and it was awesome to see students getting involved and earning some house points! Congratulations to Tangaroa who placed first with 1305 points! Well done to Tawhirimatea who placed second with 1293 points, Ruamoko who placed third with 1232 and Tane Mahuta who placed fourth with 1183 points! It turned out a beautiful sunny day for it and the recent rain had made the swampy areas very boggy! Well done to all the students who participated!

The age group winners were: Year 7 Girls - Eleanor Williams, Year 7 Boys - Rhys Campbell-Cox, Year 8 Girls, Natacha Moshem, Year 8 Boys - River Missen, Junior Girls - Danielle Claridge, Junior Boys - Oli Goodhand, Intermediate Girls - Hazel McMillan, Intermediate Boys - Strummer Archer, Senior Girls - Willow Hyslop and Senior Boys - Ben Tatler.



New Modular classrooms arriving *Kua tae mai nga akomanga Modular hou*

We have been patiently waiting for new Modular classrooms to arrive at our school and over the last couple of days they have started arriving! Students will have noticed that we now have 4 out of the 5 Modular classrooms on site. These won't be ready for use until sometime next term.



Counties Manukau Rugby recognise talent *Ko nga Counties Manukau Rugby e whakanui ana i nga pukenga*

Congratulations to the following students from our school who have been selected to be part of the upcoming Counties Manukau Secondary Schools Under 16 Boys and Girls Talent Identification Day for 2024:

UNDER 16 GIRLS

Taliyah Heta
Tutai Rae
Chiquita Dewan
Ngakoia Te Papi
Matariki Ruka

UNDER 16 BOYS

Leshon Tinei-Wright
Nate Flipp
Tukaha Aupouri
Harlem Kawhena

Congratulations to the following students from our school who have been selected to be part of the upcoming Counties Manukau Secondary Schools Under 18 Boys Emerging Players Camp 2024:

UNDER 16 BOYS

Whaitiri Preston
Hauraki Hira
Kyan Young

Year 12 student tops MIT class *Ko nga taurira o te tau 12 kei runga i te akomanga MIT*

Congratulations to Ben Tatler, Year 12 student, who topped his MIT class! We look forward to his formal recognition of this at a prizegiving in November. Well done Ben!

Science Roadshow *Te Whakaaturanga Putaiao*



On Thursday 13 June our school hosted the Science Roadshow and students enjoyed interacting with various different science displays! Our Year 7 students had a chance to explore some of the many 'feel and touch' science and technology concepts that the Science Roadshow had on display. A number of students, teachers and parents who offer home-schooling also attended!



HEALTH CENTRE *Tari Hauora*

As we are in the middle of winter, there are a lot of bugs and winter illnesses going around. Please keep your children home from school if they are not well.

The nursing team have seen an increase in self-inflicted aerosol burns in young people of all age groups. We believe this is partly due to rising social media trends and peer pressure.

We ask you to please help to educate your child in the safety risks associated with this type of behaviour and advise them to please seek help from the Nurses here at Tuakau College if they do inflict self-injuries, or know of people who have done so.

Tuakau College Nurses
09 236 8521 ext. 119

Tough Guy Tough Gal 2024 Whakawhiti Whenua 2024

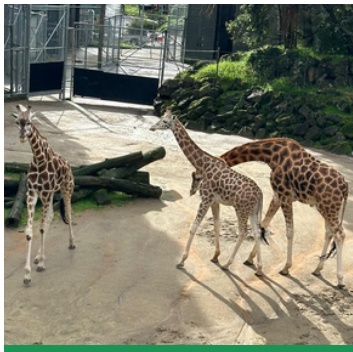
Well done to our Year 12 and 13 Physical Education, Sports Leadership and Outdoor Education students who participated in the Tough Guy Tough Girl competition in Ngāruawāhia on Friday 21 June! It was a very muddy track and a good challenge for the students! We are proud of them all.



Year 13 Biology Zoo Trip
Tau 13 Biology Zoo Trip



The Year 13 Biology students visited the Auckland Zoo on Monday 17 June. This educational excursion consolidated their understanding of animal interactions - an External Achievement Standard they will sit in the upcoming exams.



Cross Country Poem
Whitiwhiti Whenua

In wet-swampy mud, rain-soaked trails spread,
Runners toil through, although soaked but still pushing ahead.
Students laugh through the wet and grey,
Their spirits high, come what may.

Then the dawn breaks, the sun rising up high,
Its golden rays painting the sky.
Laughter echoes as light fills the day,
Transforming the path from mud to clay.

They laugh and joke beneath the sunny ray,
Each step is a delight in the warm, bright day.
Through challenges faced, they persevere,
Finding joy in the run, year after year.

By Jack Haliday





SPORTS UPDATE

FULL PHOTOS OF WINTER SPORT ON FACEBOOK



Winter sports have kicked off for another season! It's great to see our students enjoying their sports again after so long and we wish all our winter sports teams the very best for their games! Make sure you're following Tuakau College on Facebook or on Instagram (@tuakau.college.nz) for regular photos of sports games/events.

RUGBY



1st XV Team:

Rosehill College vs Tuakau College/OAS: 38-27 to Rosehill College
Pukekohe High School 1st XV vs Tuakau College/OAS: 51-7 to Pukekohe High School
Waiuku College vs Tuakau College/OAS: 25-22 to Waiuku College

U15's Team:

Alfriston College U15's vs Tuakau College/OAS: 33-10 to Tuakau College/OAS
Papakura High School U15's vs Tuakau College/OAS: 29-12 to Tuakau College/OAS
Te Kauwhata College vs Tuakau College/OAS: 29-12 to Tuakau College/OAS

U14's Team:

Pukekohe High School U14's vs Tuakau College/OAS: 33-24 to Pukekohe High School
Wesley College U14's vs Tuakau College/OAS: 39-12 to Tuakau College/OAS

Girls 12's Team:

Waiuku College vs Tuakau College/OAS: 42-5 to Tuakau College/OAS Girls
Alfriston College vs Tuakau College/OAS: 24-12 to Alfriston College

FOOTBALL



Junior Boys Team:

Rosehill College vs Tuakau College: Win to Rosehill College
Strathallan B vs Tuakau College: 2-2 all
Strathallan A vs Tuakau College: 1-0 to Strathallan A
Pukekohe High School vs Tuakau College: 2-1 to Pukekohe High School



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BASKETBALL



Senior Boys:

Strathallan Senior Boys B vs Tuakau College Senior Boys: 60-24 to Tuakau College Senior Boys
Onewhero Area School vs Tuakau College Senior Boys: 55-50 to Tuakau College Senior Boys
Waiuku College Maroon vs Tuakau College Senior Boys: 29-26 to Waiuku College

Junior Red:

Saints vs Tuakau College Junior Red: 38-28 to Tuakau College Junior Red
Hauraki Plains College Junior Development vs Tuakau College Junior Red: 32-28 to Tuakau College Junior Red
Waiuku College White vs Tuakau College Junior Red: 55-12 to Tuakau College Junior Red

Junior Boys:

Waiuku College Junior Gold vs Tuakau College Junior Boys: 47-39 to Tuakau College Junior Boys
Pukekohe High School Red vs Tuakau College Junior Boys: 61-31 to Pukekohe High School

MIXED 5'S HOCKEY



Tuakau College Green:

Onewhero Area School vs Tuakau College Green: 8-0 to Onewhero Area School
Alfriston College Mixed 5's Kiwi vs Tuakau College Green: 10-2 to Tuakau College Green

Tuakau College White:

Te Kauwhata College vs Tuakau College White: 11-3 to Te Kauwhata College
Waiuku College Gold vs Tuakau College White: 12-3 to Waiuku College Gold
ACG Strathallan Mixed Fast 5 vs Tuakau College White: 3-0 to Tuakau College White



SPORTS UPDATE

FULL PHOTOS OF WINTER SPORT ON FACEBOOK



NETBALL



Tuakau College Premier:

Waiuku College Gold vs Tuakau College Premier: 40-25 to Tuakau College Premier
Papatoetoe High School Prens vs Tuakau College Premier: 25-19 to Tuakau College Premier
Pukekohe High School Premier vs Tuakau College Premier: 42-31 to Pukekohe High School

Tuakau College Junior Red:

Alfriston College Year 10 vs Tuakau College Junior Red: 32-16 to Alfriston College
Pukekohe High School Year 10 B vs Tuakau College Junior Red: 41-12 to Pukekohe High School
Alfriston College Year 10 vs Tuakau College Junior Red: 28-12 to Alfriston College

Tuakau College Junior Green:

Aorere College vs Tuakau College Junior Green: 39-8 to Tuakau College Junior Green
Pukekohe High School Year 9 A vs Tuakau College Junior Green: 33-19 to Tuakau College Junior Green

Tuakau College AIMS:

Kauri Flats School Toa Wahine A vs Tuakau College AIMS: 35-9 to Tuakau College AIMS
Randwick Park Development Squad vs Tuakau College AIMS: 30-7 to Tuakau College AIMS
Kauri Flats School Toa Wahine A vs Tuakau College AIMS: 18-16 to Tuakau College AIMS

Tuakau College Intermediate Red:

ACG Strathallan 7/8 B vs Tuakau College Intermediate Red: 21-16 to Tuakau College Intermediate Red
St Ignatius Gold vs Tuakau College Intermediate Red: 28-4 to St Ignatius
ACG Strathallan 7/8 B vs Tuakau College Intermediate Red: 15-11 to Tuakau College Intermediate Red

Tuakau College Intermediate Green:

ACG Strathallan 7/8 D vs Tuakau College Intermediate Green: 11-7 to Tuakau College Intermediate Green
Ormiston Junior College Y7 White vs Tuakau College Intermediate Green: 7-7 draw



NGĀKAU TAPATAHI INTEGRITY

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

In Term Two we focus on 'Ngākau Tapatahi - Integrity.'

Having integrity means that you live in accordance to your deepest values, you're honest with everyone, and you always keep your word. Integrity is a highly valued trait, especially in leaders.

Integrity often means refraining from sharing secrets with others, avoiding gossiping about others, following through on promises you make and admitting when you are wrong.

Let's all do our best to show integrity in everything we do this term!

Franklin Year 7&8 Rugby Tournament *Whakataetae Whutuporo o Franklin Tau 7&8*



Last week on Wednesday the Franklin Year 7&8 Rugby tournament was held at the Puni Rugby Club! Tuakau College had a girls and boys team compete and great determination and skill was displayed in both teams! The boys team were victorious against Sandspit School to take out the boys tournament, finishing first overall! The girls team had a tough game against View Road School, and finished second overall in the girls tournament! Awesome effort teams!

Thank you to Whitiri Preston and Hauraki Hira (Year 13 students) for leading the team with lunchtime trainings and coaching on the day!

Thank you also to Cooper Lovatt and Regan Styles for attending as our referees for the day. This was lots of learning for these young men, who have completed their referees certificate with Counties Manukau Rugby!

Thank you also to the parents who supported the team on the day, with a special mention to Nick Nahi and Nadine Rawiri! Your support is much appreciated!



'Girls Only' Basketball sessions *'Kotiro Anake' Hui Poitūkohu*



We were fortunate to have Sam Funnell from Franklin Basketball lead our Girls Only lunchtime basketball session last week on Thursday and also this week on Thursday! Sam brought with her lots of fun games and prizes to give away! Awesome work from the girls that got involved!



Counties Manukau Junior Sports Awards *Counties Manukau Tohu Taakaro Teina*



Earlier this month the Counties Manukau Junior Sports Awards were held and we had two students attend these! Congratulations to Braxton Fletcher (Year 7 student) who won the U13 Sportsman of the Year award! Congratulations also to Bethany Mahoney (Year 13 student) who was a finalist for the Official of the Year award! Mr Bailey was also the guest speaker for the event and gave all the attendees an inspiring message. Awesome achievements!



Basketball Referee journey continues for Bethany *Kei te haere tonu te Haerenga Kaiwawao Poitukohu mo Petani*

Bethany Mahoney (Year 13 student) was recently selected by BBNZ to officiate at the Basketball New Zealand Footlocker U20 National Championships over King's Birthday weekend in Rangiora! Another incredible achievement on her refereeing journey, and such a great experience being able to referee with professional NZNBL refs!



Clay Target Shooting *Te Puru Whaingā Uku*

Another month, another Clay Target Shooting competition! On Thursday last week the event started off with an early, brisk and foggy morning in Matamata. Over 20 squads participated, competing across three rounds.

The Franklin team put on an impressive performance with some competitive scores. Charmaine Hazell (Year 12 student) in particular stood out by tying for first place, leading to a shoot-off to determine the winner!

Congratulations to Charmaine for staying calm and focused, ultimately securing another victory in the Ladies' division! Well done!



Respecting school grounds *Te whakaute i te papa o te kura*



A friendly reminder that there are rules that apply to school grounds. There are policies in place that outline no smoking and/or vaping on school grounds and no dogs on school grounds. These policies can be found on SchoolDocs (link and password found on our website) and these policies apply at any sports games played on school grounds too. We appreciate your understanding and respect for our school grounds in this.

Process for raising problems and concerns with the school *Te tukanga mo te whakaputa raruraru me nga awangawanga ki te kura*

We understand that from time to time parents/caregivers will have problems/concerns that they will want the school to know about. Tuakau College has a process in place for this to happen. Please understand that parents/caregivers are NOT usually able to go straight to the Principal.

The first step in raising a problem/concern about your child(ren) is to speak to their Year Level Dean. Students should know who their Year Level Dean is by now. If they do not then there is a list on our website with their contact details. Once you have spoken to the Year Level Dean about the problem/issue they will follow it up/investigate further. If the Dean identifies that the problem/issue needs to be escalated to a higher level they will then refer it to a member of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT). The SLT will then investigate the problem further. The Principal will be involved if an SLT member refers the problem on to him.

It is important to note that if we do not know about the problem we are unable to help you. Sometimes we get parents/caregivers call telling us about an issue/problem that is serious that we could have prevented if they had told the Dean about it in the first instance. We appreciate your understanding in this process!

More information about the complaints process can be found on our website, by logging on to SchoolDocs (<https://tuakaucollege.schooldocs.co.nz/index.htm> - link and password for this can be found on the Tuakau College website).

Stand Downs and Suspensions *Tu ki raro me te Whakatarewa*

Sometimes students at school are 'stood down' or 'suspended' and below is some information about what this means. A stand down is the formal removal of a student from school by the Principal for a specified period. Stand downs can be no more than five school days in a term or ten school days in a year. A stand down is usually anywhere from 1 - 5 days in length depending on the reason. While on stand down students are not allowed on or around the school grounds, nor are they permitted to attend any sports practices, games, socials or other school activities.

A suspension is the formal removal of a student from a school by the Principal until the Board decides the outcome of the suspension at a suspension meeting. At a suspension meeting the Board can decide to:

- Lift the suspension without conditions or
- Lift the suspension with reasonable conditions imposed or
- Extend the suspension with reasonable conditions imposed or
- exclude (if the student is under 16 years of age) or expel the student (if the student is over 16 years of age)

These are serious consequences and not what we want for our students, however all actions have consequences and unfortunately sometimes these are the consequences.

Attendance Codes *Waehere Haerenga*



Please note that if you call the school to let us know that your child will be absent, it is important you also provide a reason for your child being absent. Within the absence attendance code, there are different codes for the absence (depending on if the student is sick, on holiday, at a funeral/tangi, etc).

Please don't call the school and leave a message only saying your child is absent. Rather, please state they are absent and the reason for their absence. If you do not provide a reason for the absence it may be coded as 'Unjustified.'

This is particularly important if your child is playing a school sport or wants to attend the Ball, etc. where there is an attendance requirement. By providing a reason for the absence it makes things a lot smoother in the long run. We really appreciate your help in this!

Connecting with our teens!

Only \$18

Join super-experienced youth worker, Amber for a fun-filled session all about how we can nurture and build the relationships we have with our teens!



ONLINE - Tuesday 30th of July
7:30 -9:00pm

Bookings essential
<https://events.humanitix.com/connecting-with-our-teens>

Connecting and communicating with our teens - online event:

Join youth worker Amber for a fun-filled session where we will explore how to nurture and build strong relationships with your teens!

In this engaging and interactive workshop, we will dive into effective communication strategies, trust-building activities, and ways to support and understand your teenagers better.

Amber will share valuable insights and practical tips to help you connect with your teens on a deeper level, fostering a positive and supportive environment for their growth and development.

real parents



'Girls in High Vis' 'Kotiro i te High Vis'

Recently a group of Tuakau College girls attended 'Girls in High Vis,' organised by Connexis and hosted by Counties Energy, Pukekohe! The girls enjoyed a fun day participating in a range of activities including crane operation, detecting hidden cables and watching their extensive operations in action. The new multi million dollar facility in Glasgow Road is state of the art. Students were able to appreciate the variety of job opportunities available in not only the power industry but also in civil engineering, telecommunications and water!



*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.

Calendar Maaramataka for Term 3 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Day 1 22 JULY Term 3 Begins	Day 2 23	Day 3 24	Day 4 25 School Assembly	Day 5 26	27	28
Day 6 29	Day 1 30 Board Meeting	Day 2 31	Day 3 1 AUG Whare Assembly	Day 4 2	3	4
Day 5 5	Day 6 6	Day 1 7	Day 2 8 Orientation Day School Assembly	Day 3 9	10	11
Day 4 12 Maths Week	Day 5 13 13OUT Trip Maths Week	Day 6 14 13OUT Trip Maths Week Open Evening	Day 1 15 Extended Whaanau 13OUT Trip Maths Week	Day 2 16 13OUT Trip Maths Week	17	18
Day 3 19 Snow Camp	Day 4 20 Snow Camp	Day 5 21 Snow Camp	Day 6 22 School Assembly Snow Camp	Day 1 23 Snow Camp	24	25
Day 2 26	Day 3 27 Board Meeting	Day 4 28 12OUT Rockclimbing	Day 5 29 Levels Assembly 12OUT Rockclimbing	Day 6 30 12OUT Rockclimbing	31	1 SEP
Day 1 2 Tournament Week	Day 2 3 Tournament Week	Day 3 4 Tournament Week	Day 4 5 School Assembly Tournament Week	Day 5 6 Tournament Week	7	8
Day 6 9 AIMS Games	Day 1 10 Lit/Num Exams AIMS Games	Day 2 11 Lit/Num Exams AIMS Games	Day 3 12 Lit/Num Exams AIMS Games	Day 4 13 AIMS Games	14	15
Day 5 16 Mock Exams	Day 6 17 Mock Exams	Day 1 18 Mock Exams	Day 2 19 Mock Exams	Day 3 20 Mock Exams	21	22
Day 4 23	Day 5 24 Board Meeting	Day 6 25	Day 1 26 Whare Assembly	Day 2 27 Tug of War Term 3 Ends	28	29