



TUAKAU COLLEGE

Pal rawa atu i nga mea katoa . The very best in all things

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Koorero a te Tumuaki The Principal speaks:

Ngā Mihi Mahana Kia Koutou – Warm greetings to you all! Welcome back after the Term One holidays. I hope you are all ready for another action-packed term. During the holidays we celebrated our Golden Jubilee (50 years of the school) and it was awesome to catch up with past students, teachers and staff members! More photos of this can be found inside this e-Bulletin.

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Koorero a te Tumuaki Haere tonu The Principal speaks continued:



You will notice that we have two new pou (carvings) at the Elizabeth Street entrance to our school. These have been installed as part of our Golden Jubilee celebrations during the holidays. More information about these pou and what they mean can be found further in this e-Bulletin. A massive thank you to ex-student, Uenuku Hawira, for all his work on these pou. They look beautiful and we are pleased to have them to welcome students, parents/caregivers, staff and all others into our kura.

At the start of Term 2 we have some timetable changes and we appreciate your understanding in this. The decision was made to dissolve 9R as a class and move these students into the other Year 9 core classes. This is due to Whaea Ariana leaving and we haven't been able to find a replacement for her as yet. We also haven't been able to find a replacement hard materials teacher for Wood and Metal technology. This has meant some Year 9 and 10 option classes have had to be removed from the timetable. The students that this affected were all spoken to by Mrs Fletcher at the end of Term 1 and they have picked new options for this term. If you have any queries about this please email a.fletcher@tuakaucollege.com. I know it is not ideal having students moving into the other option classes after a term of learning but unfortunately we don't have much other choice. This is not unique to Tuakau College as New Zealand faces a large shortage in teachers. Most applicants for teaching job advertisements across the country are from overseas.

At the start of Term 2 we have also had a change to our school bell/timetable times. Information on this was emailed to all parents/caregivers at the end of Term 1. Please make note of these new times.

Winter will be upon us shortly. Tuakau College is a uniform school so please ensure your child has the correct uniform when attending school. Non-uniform items will be confiscated. Please re-read the uniform policy items if you are unsure. This can be found on the Tuakau college website. Our uniform looks smart when it is worn correctly and we often get compliments from other schools, members of the community, etc. about how good our students look in their uniforms. Be proud of your school and wear your uniform correctly with pride. It is a good habit to get into to prepare you for the workforce.

All the best to the winter sports teams that are kicking off their seasons shortly! We wish all our students representing the school the very best! A friendly reminder about school sports conduct and how we expect our students and spectators to behave and fair play. Students are representing our school in school uniform kit and therefore we expect a good behaviour and sportsmanship in every aspect of the sport - whether it be games, trainings, travelling to trainings, etc. Another friendly reminder that when games are held on school grounds the school rules still apply to everyone on the grounds and therefore this means no smoking/vaping, no dogs or animals on site, etc. We love to see whaanau there supporting our students and encouraging them and we know it means the world to your children when you are there watching them. They are however, only children, and so we ask that spectators are considerate of this and kind and respectful. We say a massive thank you to all those who volunteer as referees/umpires for sports as we know that games cannot go ahead without them and we ask that students and spectators alike are respectful of them also. Thank you also to the parents/caregivers/members of community that step up and dedicate their time for our students as coaches, managers, etc. Thank you so much for this as it couldn't happen without you!

Please make sure you see the updated Term 2 calendar on the back page of this e-Bulletin. It has the correct 'Days' on it (they have changed since the previous e-Bulletin was published). We also have a couple of Teacher Only Days this term that mean students get an 'extra' long weekend over Kings Birthday.

Mr Chris Betty

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!

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:

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

Pai rawa atu i ngā mea katoa. The very best in all things.



ANZAC Day Parade 2024

Our Head Students and some Interact Rotary Club students represented our school in the Tuakau ANZAC Day Parade on Thursday 25 April, 2024. They represented our school with pride and Shreya Reddy (Head Student) did a fantastic job speaking on behalf of the kura. Her speech can be read below. We remember them, we will remember them. Lest we forget.



SHREYA REDDY'S ANZAC SPEECH:

We are gathered to acknowledge and pay our respects to the soldiers and elders past and present. We acknowledge their sacrifice in warfare and the contribution and suffering of all those who have served for our country. I was asked to write a speech explaining what ANZAC day means to me as a young citizen of Aotearoa. Although I was born here my roots do not originate from Aotearoa, but ANZAC day never fails to make me feel pride and strength as an individual. People perceive ANZAC day in many different ways, some of which being deceased soldiers/loved ones or cookies. I like to see ANZAC day from a different perspective, being a way of bonds. Aotearoa and Australia built an unbreakable bond through this time of hardship where we had to lean on each other to succeed. This bond strengthens itself on 25 April every year. But only on this specific day. When it's the All Blacks vs the Wallabies it's a whole different story. But no matter what, when the time comes and we need one another we don't hesitate to stand beside each other, to fight for each other and protect one another regardless of what that could mean for ourselves. In today's world this can be seen at our kura. We may bawl and sigh at the presence of one another but we have this bond that runs through all our whaanau at Tuakau College where we know we have the support of each other and can always lean on each other. We put our differences aside and unite together as one. Each individual holds a unique strength and together, as one, we are more powerful than we could ever be by ourselves. This encourages the will to speak up, seek help and reach out which benefits us as young kiwi kids in numerous ways.

ANZAC Day has become an occasion to honour all who have worn our country's uniform in service. We are here today to reflect on that service. We recognise more than a hundred thousand women and men who lost their lives in military operations whilst carrying our country's name with mana. We honour the values that have been instilled in us - selflessness, loyalty, courage and the ways in which recent generations have measured their own achievements against those of the soldiers who fought on Gallipoli. ANZAC Day is a day to remember all New Zealanders and Australians who gave their lives in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping missions around the world. It is a time to remember and thank those who have served and continue to serve in the Australian and New Zealand Armies. To some ANZAC Day is just another public holiday, another day to sleep in or another day off school and work. But there is a deeper meaning to this day. This day ensures that stories about our heroes and our history are passed down to our tamariki to help them better understand the value and need for peace, in not just our kura or Aotearoa but anywhere we may be. ANZAC Day provides us with the opportunity to reach deeper within ourselves, our whaanau and our ancestors.

Today we wear these poppies with mana, pride and as a symbol of our remembrance and hope for a peaceful future in the aftermath of the First World War. We stand tall and strong as an outcome of our tupuna who served for us. For our peace and for the world that we grow in today. Lest we forget.

Golden Jubilee 2024
Tiupiri koura 2024



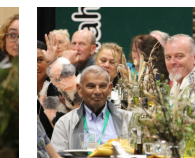
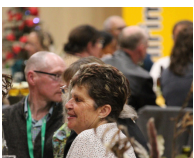
During the school holidays our school celebrated its Golden Jubilee, 50 years of the school! It was a great weekend with a great turnout of people sharing memories and good times. The weekend started off with the blessing of the 50th plaque and then a registrations/wine and cheese evening on Friday 19 April. On Saturday 20 April the weather was a bit rainy so we started the day off with morning tea in the staffroom followed by photos (decades, etc.) in the iHub. The Rotary Club kept people fed with a sausage sizzle and due to the weather the decision was made to cancel the sports afternoon. Later that night we had the Jubilee Dinner which was an awesome event and a big thanks to KaiSisterz for the food. Sunday 21 April was a Gala Day with community involvement. On Monday 22 April there was a dawn blessing for the new pou at the Elizabeth Street entrance to the kura.

A special thank you to all our sponsors for this weekend who made it possible - their generous support is greatly appreciated! The platinum sponsors were: Milford Foundation (Bryce Marsden), Wayne Besant, C&K Betty Whaanau, Andrew and Glenice Culley, Dayaveg Tuakau, Hinemoa Produce Ltd (The Nicholson family), Spiral Drillers Civil and Sundale Farms Ltd. The gold sponsors were: Anne Aarts, Green Valley Dairies, Pukekohe Builders Ltd, Tuakau Cosmopolitan Club and Kani Whaanau - Ngaati Tiipa. The silver sponsors were: TTT Products Limited, Mere Pompallier Astle and Tuakau Rotary Club. The bronze sponsor was Merlene Walker.

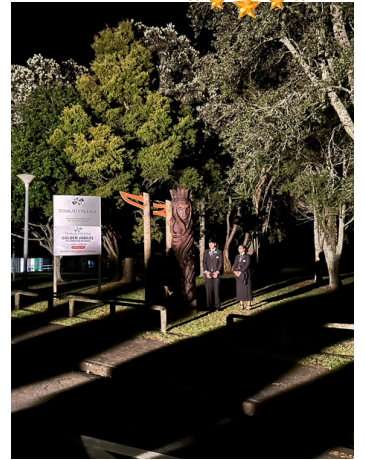
A massive thank you to the Golden Jubilee committee for making the event/weekend happen - it couldn't have happened without your many hours of hard work on this!



Golden Jubilee 2024
Tiupiri koura 2024



Golden Jubilee 2024
Tiupiri koura 2024



The pou were named on the morning of Monday 22 April, 2024 (morning of the blessing/unveiling). Their names are 'Tuahua' and 'Hinekura.' Each person can make their own interpretations of 'Tuahua' but basically it means to stand with your own and stand in your own – with your identity and your mana and to help tautoko everyone else's. 'Tuahua' means to almost stand and shine. 'Hinekura' has more of an embracing feel to it. The carver combined a lot of the korero from Maoritanga and our culture and acknowledged certain aspects that are sort of vital to the waharoa to be the gateway inviting people in and protecting and looking after people and encouraging them, etc.

For each person that has been through Tuakau College, what is consistent is that each person has found their passion of some sort, through struggles and triumph. They have all reached their own versions of success. That's what our taonga's (the pou) are about – to help everyone find their own successes. Not just for students but for everyone.

As we acknowledge the past with the unveiling of the plaque, we also acknowledge the 50 years to come with the unveiling of the pou. These structures that are put up are subtle reminders of that responsibility and as we refer to 'Tuahua' and 'Hinekura' the purposes of those two pou is to ensure that we set a strong foundation for our tamariki/kids and our community.

BP Challenge for Business Studies students
BP Wero mo nga tauira Akoranga Pakihi

During the last week of Term 1, some of our Business Studies students spent three days participating in a BP Challenge as part of the Young Enterprise Scheme! This involved coming up with a product, creating a logo, pitching the product and presenting it to judges from community organisations/businesses! A massive thank you to the judges that took the time to judge the students products A special congratulations to the 'Eco Hydration' group who won with their drink bottle product which was a water purifying bottle that used dehumidifier type technology!



NEW BELL TIMES 2024

Commencing start of Term 2 (Monday 29 April)

		Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
8:55am to 9:05am	Whaanau	10	10	No Whaanau	10	10
9:05am to 9:55am	Period 1	50	50	50	50	50
9:55am to 10:45am	Period 2	50	50	50	50	50
10:45am to 11:10am	Interval	25	25	25	25	25
11:10am to 12:00pm	Period 3	50	50	50	50	50
12:00pm to 12:50pm	Period 4	50	50	50	50	50
12:50pm to 1:30pm	Lunch	40	40	40	40	40
1:30pm to 2:20pm	Period 5	50	50	50	50	50
2:20pm to 3:10pm	Period 6	50	50	50	50	50

Drawing Club *Karapu Tuhituhi*



Well done to all the members of the Drawing/Art Club that takes place each Wednesday lunch in the iHub. We have a very enthusiastic bunch this year. They have had two competitions for Term 1. The themes for these were 'Easter' and 'Mystical.'

The 'Easter' winners were:

First: Chelsea Lord
Second: Toni Smith
Third: Isabella Hamilton

Staff pick: Livvy Islip
Highly commended: Sam Trussler

The 'Mystical' winners were:

First: Toni Smith
Second: Olivia Ryder
Third: Isabella Hamilton

Staff pick: Nirvana Forder
Highly commended: Livvy Islip



Year 13 Outdoor Education Trip *Tau 13 Haerenga Matauranga o waho*

Our Year 13 Outdoor Education students went on their 'Survival Trip' at the start of April, in the Hunua's.



Clay Target Shooting Success *Ko te Angitu o te Puru Whakaputanga*

Congratulations to Charmaine Hazell (Year 12 student) who competed in the Auckland Met Clay Target Club club champs last month and shot hot 49/50 targets to win the C-Grade Single Rise and came second in the Woman's single rise competition (after a three way shoot off)! Then, just before the school holidays, the Clay Target Shooting team braved the windy conditions and had a great result at the Thames Clay Target Club! Charmaine was tied first equal in her division and won a shoot out to take first place! Saxon Jamieson also shot well getting 82 out of 90 points and achieving a personal best (just outside the placings)!



Netball Representation *Whakaaturanga Poitarawhiti*

Paris Luu and Taimana Kingi-Cooper (Year 11 students) represented Te Raki Paewhenua Under 17's Netball team at the Aotearoa Maori's Netball Tournament throughout Easter weekend! Congratulations to Taimana who made the Aotearoa Maori Secondary School team trialist! Congratulations to Paris who also played for Harbour Open Womens and Harbour Open Mixed teams for the Auckland Indoor Netball Superleague competition which led into the National Netball Superleague competition!



Downhill Mountain Bike Secondary Schools Event *Takahanga mo nga Kura Tuarua Paihikara Whakaheke*

Sebastian Williams (Year 9 student) raced his downhill mountain bike on Monday 18 March in Rotorua's Whakarewarewa Forest, competing in the U15 Boys North Island Secondary School event! There were around 250 riders in total over about five different age groups from U13 - U20 Boys and Girls. Sebastian finished around 25 out of about 50 in the U15 boys. On Tuesday 19 March in the same forest, but on four different tracks, Sebastian raced his Enduro mountain bike for the North Island Secondary School Champs in the Enduro event! This is an event where you pedal around the forest up to the top of some big hills and then get timed on four different tracks from the top of the track to the bottom. The times for all four tracks are then added together and the fastest combined time wins. Sebastian finished about 56/90 in the U15 Boys class! Well done Sebastian!

Charli rides at Sydney Royal Easter Show and Grand Nationals *Ka eke a Charli ki Sydney Royal Easter Show me Grand Nationals*



Congratulations to Charli Sabine (Year 9 student) who recently got back from Australia, where she rode at the Sydney Royal Easter Show and Grand Nationals! Her results at Sydney Royal were: 1st Showcase Girl or Boy Rider 2nd 12-15 Girl rider, 1st Novice 12.2 pony, 2nd Open 12.2 pony, 3rd Childs 12.2 pony and 6th Childs 13.2 pony. Her results at Grand Nationals were 4th Open 12.2 Show Pony. For the Sydney Royal the 12.2 pony VP Little Secret was flown over for Charli to compete in ridden classes!



Students shine at NZ Horse of the Year Show *Ka tiaho nga taurira ki te Whakaaturanga Hoiho o te Tau o Aotearoa*

The NZ Horse of the Year Show was back on this year in Hastings, after being cancelled for 3 years due to COVID and Cyclone Gabrielle. Three girls from Tuakau College rode at the event and produced some exceptional results!

Charli Sabine (Year 9 student) won the 138cm Show Pony of the Year on Windermere Tiara and Runner up Paced and Mannered Show Pony of the Year! Charli also won the Cat B Show Hunter Pony of the Year Title on Hesasuperstar and was first in the National Cat B Hi-Points series and 2nd in the National Equitation Series! Charli was also runner up in the 12-under 15 Junior Rider of the Year.

Ellie Entwisle (Year 9 student) competed with her two ponies Luna and Rufus. With Rufus (Linden Heavenly Music) she was awarded Runner Up in the medium Show Pony of the Year! With her other pony Luna she was awarded Runner Up Rising Star Working Pony of the Year and took out the big win in the Open Hunter Pony of the Year!

Pippa Thomas (Year 8 student) and Hollybank Wildwind had a fantastic show, being very consistent for the whole show! Pippa was the 2024 Category A Showhunter of the Year Runner up! Pippa also got three other seconds, including second in the Category A Championship class! An amazing achievement for Pippa's first time at Horse of Year! Outstanding work girls - awesome results!



Chess Club
Karapu Chess



A friendly reminder about Chess Club in Term 2! This is held on Tuesday lunch times in the iHub. All are welcome - if you are new to chess or experienced come and join in.



U18 NZ Maori Rugby Camp
U18 Aotearoa Maori Te puni Whutuporo

The U18 NZ Maori Rugby Camp was held recently in Te Puaha o Waikato! Great work from Hemi McGrath, Xavier Tarapata, Hauraki Hira, Kyan Young, Wairangi Shaw and Whitiri Preston who participated in this!



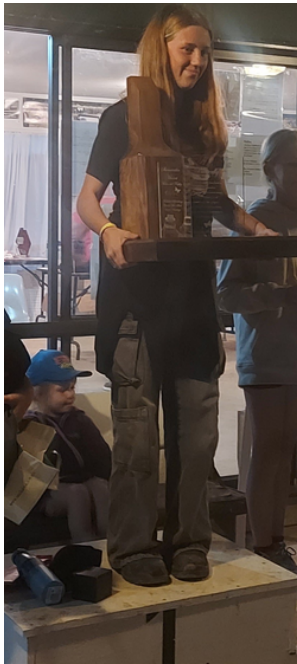
Cleo Beckett wins another trophy

Ka riro i a Cleo Beckett tetahi atu tohu

Cleo Beckett (Year 10 student) traveled up to Kaikohe Speedway for their Easter Stampede event and competed for the Samantha Mouat Memorial trophy. Cleo's weekend didn't start well with a brake problem in the first race, putting her out of the race. She came back in full force from back of the grid in the second race to get the win of the second race and then also won the third race. By the end of Day 1 she was in first place on points going into Day 2.

There was more competitors and making the racing more exciting. Cleo started near front for Race 1 taking an early lead and won the race, Race 2 she started second to last but got a good start getting up through the competition early making it to the front for a second win for the day. The third race Cleo started mid pack, but early in race there was an incident and Cleo ended up at the rear of the race. On the restart she worked her way from last to first place and came out the winner of that race also.

This gave Cleo enough points over the weekend to win the Samantha Mouat Memorial trophy! Congratulations Cleo!



Junior College Poems

Nga Pehepehe mo te Kaareti Teina



Tuakau College

By Maeve Glynn

No sun,
Lots of wind,
Summer is disappearing.

Trees
Moving,
The green leaves.

Sport,
Athletics,
Loud.

Quiet
Class,
No talking.

A Cold Autumn Day

By Kobe Smith

On the field laughter and shouting can be heard
through the autumn atmosphere.

The wooden fence chipped and damaged stands
there with crunchy leaves below it.

The power lines charged with electricity
swinging in the freezing breeze.

Wind brushes across the school, cold and chilly.

*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 2 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Day 3 29 APRIL Term 2 Begins 12 OUT Trip	Day 4 30 Board Meeting	Day 5 1 MAY	Day 6 2 Extended Whaanau	Day 1 3	4	5
Day 2 6 13 OUT 5 Day Tramp	Day 3 7 13 OUT 5 Day Tramp	Day 4 8 13 OUT 5 Day Tramp	Day 5 9 School Assembly 13 OUT 5 Day Tramp	Day 6 10 13 OUT 5 Day Tramp	11	12
Day 1 13	Day 2 14 11 HOR Small Motors	Day 3 15	Day 4 16 Report Evening	Day 5 17 Year 9 Science Trip	18	19
Day 6 20 Lit/Num Exams	Day 1 21 Lit/Num Exams	Day 2 22 Lit/Num Exams	Day 3 23 Levels Assembly 11OUT Tramp	Day 4 24 11OUT Tramp	25	26
Day 5 27	Day 6 28 Board Meeting	Day 1 29	Day 2 30 School Assembly	31 Staff Only Day	1 JUNE	2
3 Kings Birthday (Public Holiday)	4 Staff Only Day	Day 3 5 12OUT Mini Survival	Day 4 6 Extended Whaanau 12OUT Mini Survival	Day 5 7 12OUT Mini Survival	8 School Ball	9
Day 6 10	Day 1 11 12OUT Mini Survival	Day 2 12 12OUT Mini Survival	Day 3 13 Whare Assembly Science Roadshow 12OUT Mini Survival	Day 4 14 Teams Photos	15	16
Day 5 17	Day 6 18 Cross Country	Day 1 19	Day 2 20 School Assembly	Day 3 21 Tough Guy/Gal	22	23
Day 4 24	Day 5 25 Board Meeting	Day 6 26	Day 1 27 Levels Assembly	28 Matariki (Public Holiday)	29	30
Day 2 1 JULY 11OUT Rock Climbing	Day 3 2 11OUT Rock Climbing	Day 4 3	Day 5 4 School Assembly	Day 6 5 Term 2 Ends	6	7