



7 November 2022

Community Update: Term 4, Week 4

Kia ora e te whānau

Term 4 progresses positively at Kaipara College.

Senior student update (Year 11, 12 and 13)

We said goodbye to our Year 13 leavers last Tuesday with a picnic around the pool, a final assembly and the Year13 Prize Giving in the evening. This was a well attended, stellar event celebrating our Year 13 students' many academic, cultural and sporting successes and achievements. Thank you to the whānau of our Y13 students for working with us to support your student to be the best they can be. These students have been well equipped by Kaipara College in partnership with whānau, to step confidently into their future and we wish them every success. We also farewelled many of our other Y11 and Y12 students who have gone off for study leave. We celebrated their many achievements and successes at their prize giving on Thursday evening, another successful event.

NCEA exams begin this week. Here is the exam timetable, so you can ensure your student attends their exams [National secondary examinations timetable » NZQA](#). Here are some study tips on how parents/caregivers can best support their students' study and revision. [9 scientifically proven ways your teen can get the most out of study time](#). Some of our senior students are remaining at school to attend catch-up classes designed to maximise their NCEA success this year. If your student is required for catch up classes you will be contacted by the school. As well as this we have an array of [exam preparation and exam revision workshops](#) for our seniors students over the next few weeks.



Junior students (Year 9 and 10)

Learning continues at school for our Y9 and Y10 students. They are spending time in whānau time and in subject lessons preparing for their exams in week 6. Our junior students have 2 hour exams in 4 of their core subjects. Here is the junior exam timetable.

Date	Monday 21 November	Tuesday 22 November	Wednesday 23 November	Thursday 24 November
Year 9	Science	Mathematics	English	Social Studies
Year 10	English	Social Studies	Mathematics	Science

Each exam will examine work covered through the year. The times of day will be adjusted so Period 2 is two hours long. All the exams will be in period 2. The students have been learning about the importance of having a revision plan and using specific strategies and techniques to help them remember information. Here is a link to some of the information we are learning about at school in this regard [Leading our Learning: Revision and studying techniques and strategies](#) . And here is another useful link specifically outlining how parents/ caregivers can support their teens to get the most out of study time. [9 scientifically proven ways your teen can get the most out of study time](#). Please spend some time with your student discussing this material with them, asking them specific questions about what they are learning and offering to quiz and test them on the material.

Y9 and Y10 Big Day In, Big Day Out and Community Service Day

Our Y9 and Y10 students have Community Action Projects (CAP) Week to look forward to in Week 8. This involves a Big Day In at Kaipara College, a Big Day Out at Wenderholm Regional Park, and a Community Action Day on Friday December 9. During whānau time, students will prepare alongside their kaiārahi (whānau teacher) to give service to the school and wider Kaipara College community for the Community Action day. The goal for all students is to have earned a Member level SVA Service Award badge for this mahi. More information about the SVA Service Award can be found at <https://service.sva.org.nz/>. More details regarding CAP Week to follow.

Y9 option selections for 2023

This week sees the beginning of 2023 option selections for our Y9 students. Here is some information about the subjects choices and also the process of entering their choices [2023 Y10 Options Selections information](#) Parents/caregivers have also been emailed separately instructions and more information today. Please discuss option selection with your student. The options they select for Y10 will lay the foundation for their NCEA qualification pathway which begins in Year 11.

Key Term 4 Dates	
NOVEMBER	
Monday, 7th	NZQA Exams commence
Monday, 21st-24th November	Junior Exam Week (see above for details)
Friday, 25th	Teacher Only Day School is closed for instruction
Wednesday, 30th	PPTA Paid Union Meetings School will close early at Midday
DECEMBER	
Monday, 5th	Teacher Only Day School is closed for instruction
Wednesday, 7th - Friday 9th	Junior CAP Week
Wednesday, 7th	Year 9 Wenderholm Beach
Thursday, 8th	Year 10 Wenderholm Beach
Friday, 9th	Community Service Day
Tuesday, 13th	Junior Celebration of Learning Last day of school for Year 9 and 10 School finishes for the year at Midday



Thank you for your continued partnership in supporting us in working with your young person to be the best they can be, achieving their own academic and personal excellence. Our focus as always is to support the learning, safety and wellbeing of all our students.

Please don't hesitate to contact your student's whānau teacher, kaitiaki or me, if there is something you need assistance with.

Ngā mihi

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Cindy Sullivan
PRINCIPAL