

2024 Kaipara College and Helensville District High School

CENTENARY

Join us on **20 - 21 September** for Centenary Celebrations



Wed 15 May

 Paid Union Meeting School finishes early at 11:50am

Mon 27 - Wed 29 May

 Numeracy & Literacy Corequisite Assessments

Fri 31 May

 NCEA Accord Teacher Only Day School closed for instruction

Mon 3 June

King's Birthday

Wed 12 June

Year 9 Hearing Screening

Thur 13 June

Careers Expo Visit



Principal's Korero

Kia ora e te whānau

Welcome back - I hope you all found an opportunity somewhere in the holidays to enjoy some extra family time with your young people before we dive back into term two.

Our winter terms are our most hard-working terms where we continue to have our focus firmly on teaching and learning to ensure our students reach their potential and achieve the success they are capable of. If you can see that your student is struggling or behind, now is a good time to encourage them to talk to their whānau and subject teachers and find out what they need to do to catch up.

Looking back to last term, in addition to plenty of work, there were a number of events where we celebrated whanaungatanga (our people), beginning with a Year 13 Whanaungatanga Breakfast which I had the pleasure of attending. It was wonderful to see our Year 13 students building connections and celebrating each other's successes as we gave out pins to students who had achieved an Excellence Endorsement the previous year.

The connection-building continued with a sports exchange with Waitakere College on the last day of term one. Around 100 of our students travelled to Waitakere to participate in games across a range of sporting codes throughout the day. Despite the weather, the students came back delighted with their experience and talking about the hospitality and welcome they received. They had noticed some differences with a larger city school and I was reminded how important these kinds of experiences are for broadening horizons – something it is great to have back after years of Covid- and weather-related cancellations.

Another community connection that we value is with the Helensville RSA. During the holidays I attended the Anzac Day Dawn Service where our student leaders acted as flag bearers. As you can see from the photos on page four, they exemplified our WAKA values and I felt very proud of the commitment and pride they show in their role, and grateful to the RSA for giving our students this experience.

I look forward to another strong term of teaching and learning as we continue to embed our WAKA values.

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Cindy Sullivan - Principal





Getting you ready for the Year 9 Camp in November.

In our **Pānui** we shared an intro to our Year 9 Camp. Camp provides an opportunity for students to establish and strengthen healthy relationships with each other, learn valuable social skills and develop a greater sense of belonging.

To help all our Year 9 students and whānau to get ready for camp this November we are sharing some key reminders and dates for your calendar.

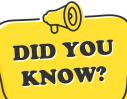
- Camp is in Week 6 of Term 4 (Week beginning 18th Nov)
- Camp will be held at Mangawhai at Moirs Point. moirspointmangawhai.co.nz
- Camp is 2 nights (3 days) either (Mon, Tues, Wed) or (Wed, Thu, Fri)
- The cost is \$330 per student. The cost covers accommodation, access to all the camp resources and activities, meals and transport (bus)

Payment Reminders:

- Non-refundable deposit of \$150.00 per student be paid by **Friday**, **5 July**
- Remaining fee needs to be paid to the school in full by **Friday, 11 October**

EFTPOS payments are also available at the Student Centre during school hours. Payments can be made online directly into the school bank account **ASB** 12 - 3139 - 0002717 - 00.

Banking details: Particulars - CAMP2024, Code - Yr 9, Reference - Student Name.



Be sure to read all this information if you are a student using AT Hop Card. **Public transport**

2023 Year 9 Camp



Fares are changing for under 25s from 1 May

Register now for at least 40% off travel for school students





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STUDENT LOAN DEVICE INFORMATION

- Students who've forgotten their Chromebook, or it's not been charged, or is broken, need to have their caregiver fill out the **Request a Device** form, which allows the student to get a day loan for a maximum of 5 days. Loan devices need to be returned at the end of the school day.
- The Request to Borrow a Chromebook form is available on the Caregiver Portal.
- No device will be loaned to a student without this form being completed in advance and only caregivers can complete the form because by completing this form, you are accepting liability for the device while it is in your student's possession.
- For all the information on student devices and temporary or long term loans see the 2024 Pānui on our website.

Uniform Shoppe Update:

Please be aware that there are a number of uniform items that are currently unavailable.

- Sports Socks (size 4 7)
- Girl's blouse (size 8 and 10)
- V Neck Ribbed Jumper (size 6 and 8)
- Girls Long Skirt (size 6 and 8)

The Shoppe is expecting stock to be available again for sale early June. We will announce in the student notices as soon as these items are available again to help with your winter uniform needs.







Introducing Jarrod Spence

When Jarrod Spence finished school in '96, nobody could have predicted the twists and turns his life would take. After a brief stint at . Unitec, he worked at a local winery "like half the people in the valley". Another Kaipara alum, Tom Redwood, suggested a job as a counsellor at a summer camp in the States and that was the beginning of an OE that took him around the world and back to summer camp in the States. Once he returned, he stayed, finding a home in Washington State. In 1999 he joined the volunteer fire department, and in 2005 he was hired as a full-time firefighter, moving up the ranks until he became Deputy Chief of support operations, overseeing training and IT. In his 25 years with the fire department he has operated as Battalion Chief in some of the largest fires ever seen on the Western Seaboard. Currently, he has temporarily stepped down from his shift position as tillerman on their ladder truck in favour of a position as a Training Lieutenant while also working part time as a contractor developing the training facility at his volunteer fire department. His new fixed schedule working four 10-hour days in his current role is helpful given his other role helping his partner Eva raise their two boys and building a new home.

Despite this busy lifestyle Jarrod has found time over the last 15 years to travel extensively around the States and the world. His travels have seen him making friends and memories all over the world.

When asked about his experiences at Kaipara College, he says his experiences here contributed to his current success. He describes himself as someone who learns best in the real world with a hands-on approach, but appreciates the social interactions and friendships he made at College. Academically, he has great memories of the "Stewart boys" (two maths teachers), while on the sports field his passion was Rugby (a life highlight was partying with Norm Berryman in Cape Town). He credits his experiences with sports teams with teaching him that life is not always fair - a lesson he has turned to his advantage in his role as training chief where he is careful to focus on fairness and communication. He also attributes his success training others to his experience with the school guidance counsellor on how you should help people discover their strengths and weaknesses and determine their goals and passions.

He encourages current students to "Do what you love!!! ...if you always do what is right for you, you will be happier for it, everything else will fall into place."

The full interview & additional photos will be posted on our website.



Ngā mihi for sharing your journey Jarrod.

We welcome suggestions for our next alumni profile. Please email centenary@kaipara.school.nz



From green to red and from red to green By Noah Everard. (Yr 13 - Student Leader). Read by Tyla Baker (Yr 13 - Head Student) at the Parakai Anzac dawn service.

Adventure beset in the green boys' eyes His hat thrown aloft, cheers ripple through the pride Unknowingly celebrating their own demise Anon they will know but for now let them smile For they think not of the war-stricken wiles

Green boys they were, not yet blackened by life Set on a ship and tossed into strife Their smooth faces of youth, marred by a helm Their adolescent incandescence blown out via shell

By the path of a bullet their green was gone Like a paint brush over the innocent throng And from green to red their faces turned And what in the end did they learn? That as their green bodies bled The poppies grew red Making the muddy fields anew

In peace and death, and simple sleep Ere the jubilations of any feat They will not be forgotten From green to red and from red to green From the blood that was spilt, to the poppies which now gleam Atop the hills which now have healed but still remain scarred They shall not be forgotten



Our Student Leaders were part of the Anzac services this year. Flag bearers for the dawn service (above) and with Principal Cindy Sullivan & Deputy Principal Brigitta Bravery (below).



THANK YOU TO NEW WORLD KUMEU



placed 1st out of all the NZ competitors.









Our Year 13 Students who achieved Level 2 Excellence last year were celebrated in front of their peers at the breakfast event.