

# Event Program



## Welcome to the 2024 official Centenary Celebrations.

This year marks the 100-year anniversary of Kaipara College and Helensville District High School.

### 1924 - 2024

From a handful of Helensville District High School students at makeshift desks in the Star Theatre to present-day Kaipara College, we celebrate the privilege of educating our local rangatahi for a century.

We extend a warm invitation to all alumni, whānau and friends of Kaipara College and Helensville District High School to join us for some or all of the events we have planned on this official program.

Come to reconnect, reminisce, and engage with the present-day staff and students. You, our alumni and community who join us for this special occasion are at the heart of our celebrations. Your presence, energy, stories and history will be the way we honour this occasion and the history of the past.

Nau mai, haere mai.

Join us in celebrating this special occasion.

## Friday 20 September - PM

### Fundraising Golf Day (*Ticketed Event \$45pp*)

- **9am - 2pm**, hosted by South Head Golf Club
- *Format: Team Ambrose. 9am shotgun start.*
- *Enter individually or as a team of 4.*
- *Non-golfers receive a handicap of 24 (men) & 36 (women).*
- *Funds raised from this event go to the 2024 September Kaipara College Japan Rugby Tour.*

### Kaipara College Ag Day

- **3pm - 6pm** on Kaipara College school grounds
- *Ag Day is an opportunity for our alumni & community to be part of our Agri & Rural focused school event.*
- *It will be an all weather & all ages event.*
- **Free entry.** *Cash only for stalls, food & beverage.*

### Registration & Welcome Pack Pick-up, Name Lanyard + Merchandise Pick-up

- **3pm - 6pm** from Kaipara College reception
- *Pick up your Centenary welcome pack. Pack includes your event name badge, a printed program and your commemorative woven badge/s. Note your copy of the commemorative book will be sent at the end of the year once printed. This will include printed photos from the celebration weekend. See the alternative options for pack pick-up time on the Saturday program for those not able to make Friday.*

### History & Memorabilia Exhibition

- **3pm - 6pm** at Kaipara College Library
- *With thanks to many we will showcase a range of historical and memorabilia items. The exhibition will also share printed moments from history and precious video content from across our 100 year history.*
- **Free entry** to see our treasured school taonga.

### Friday Night Social

- **from 6pm** hosted by local venues in Helensville.
- *Helensville RSA and Helensville Bowling Club will host members alongside Centenary alumni. Stop in for a casual social catch up with friends. Food & beverage options available - club rules apply to all. Thank you to both clubs for your hospitality.*
- *Note both venues have a capacity in place and will welcome as many guests as they are able.*
- *Please note the RSA venue is tbc due to access following major remedial works. We'll confirm this venue closer to event date.*



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### Saturday 21 September - AM

- **Registration & Welcome Pack Pick-up, Name Lanyard + Merchandise Pick-up**
- **8am - 9am** from Kaipara College reception.
- See details shared in the Friday program.
- **Official Centenary Ceremony**
- **9.15am - 10.15am** in the school hall.
- Gather in front of our school reception and hall, ready to be welcomed. This ceremony will be the formal welcome and opening to our Centenary celebrations.
- This ceremony will be held in the school hall. Seating will be provided for as many guests as capacity allows and standing room will be offered where possible. Please help us to ensure our eldest alumni generations are seated for this occasion.
- **Large group photo following the Opening**
- All guests, staff and students to gather in school quad for informal group photo. (Rain plan: photo in the Hall)
- **Special Morning Tea (Ticketed Event \$15pp)**
- **2 Sessions** available to book. Hosted in the Kaipara College Staffroom. Limited tickets available to each session.
- **10.30am - 11.15am** or at **11.30am - 12.15pm**
- Join us in our vintage tea room for this special morning tea.
- Your ticket to the Special Morning Tea includes freshly baked traditional scones with jam & cream trimmings. You also get a delicious cookie dough slice from our friends at the Muriwai Deli.
- Thanks to the local High Noon Coffee Roasters (who are our official coffee sponsor) your ticket includes freshly brewed coffee to sip on or you can choose a cup of tea (iced and hot offered).
- Special dietary options available. This adds \$5pp to your ticket for GF/Vegan. Cookie Dough Slice and Ginger Slice with thanks to our friends at Muriwai Deli.
- **Registration & Welcome Pack Pick-up + Merchandise Pick-up**
- **10.30am - 1pm** from Kaipara College reception
- Details shared in the Friday program.
- **History & Memorabilia Exhibition**
- **10.30am - 2pm** exhibiting in the Kaipara College Library.
- Details shared in the Friday program.
- **Guided School Tours & Formal Group Photos**
- **10.30am - midday** from the Kaipara College Hall.
- Stop by the hall to join a guided tour group led by our student leaders. No pre-booking required.
- Get a formal group photo. Best friends, old sports teams or whānau group shots available. Stop by the Hall for your photo.
- **Explore Kaipara College - Open Grounds**
- **11am - 4.00pm**
- Attendees welcome to wander grounds and see our exciting build project sites, current buildings and facilities.
- If you'd like a guided tour stop by the school hall between 10.30am and midday. Our student leaders will be taking tours.
- Find a spot to sit and spend time with friends and catch up.
- **Lunch Break (midday - 1pm)**
- **Bring your own picnic lunch.** We'll share in your welcome pack suggested spots to sit around the school for you to enjoy your lunch in the school grounds.
- **Pre-order** a school lunch for a bit of nostalgia from local caterer Milly's Catering. Lunch Bag \$15, or the Club Sandwich \$5. Orders close 13 September - 3pm. See webpage to order.
- **Buy on the day** options provided by our friends from Helensville Lions Club (Sausage Sizzle \$3 and Bacon Butties \$5) - cash only.
- Espresso Coffee Cart by our friend Dave from Flying Java Coffee (onsite from 10.30am) cash and eftpos (no credit).

### Saturday 21 September - PM

- **Centenary Official Photo Call**
- **1pm - 2pm** the hall will be where we capture our official group photos for this special occasion to keep for posterity and to be printed in the commemorative Centenary book. We'd love everyone to attend if you can stay for this part of the program.
- Our official local photographer Victoria from StellaNova photography will capture these group photos for us. Ngā mihi.
- Group shots will include: HDHS alumni group, Staff Alumni Group and Class Decade Groups. All planned shots and approximate times will be shared in your welcome pack.
- **Invites Only: Faculty of Special Education Afternoon Tea Event (1.30pm - 3.30pm)**
- **2024 Time Capsule Presentation**
- **2.15pm - 2.30pm**, presentation will be in front of the new Whare Ako build off the quad.
- **Sports Showcase & Celebration**
- **2.30pm - 3.30pm** on the school rugby field & netball courts
- Sideline spectators welcome. We recommend you bring your gumboots for the rugby sidelines.
- The **NETBALL & RUGBY** games will be played concurrently. Come see past and present players in these celebration matches.
- **The school grounds close for the day (4.00pm)**

### Saturday 21 September - EVENING

- **Dinner & Live Entertainment Event (Ticketed \$120pp) Limited to 200 tickets**
- **5.30pm - 10.30pm** hosted at the Helensville Rugby Club
- Doors open from 5.30pm with light snacks available to enjoy pre-dinner while you catch up with friends over a drink from the bar.
- Your ticket includes a buffet dinner (a full menu is shared on the ticketing page. Mains and Dessert courses).
- Tea, coffee from High Noon our coffee sponsor and a non-alcoholic iced tea will be available throughout the evening for you to enjoy.
- Cash bar available for your alcoholic and additional non alcoholic beverage options.
- Live musical entertainment will pepper the evening evening. There will be space to dance or be close to music as well as quieter spots to relax & chat in.
- R18 only event.
- **Please note, we need a minimum of 100 tickets sold for this dinner event to go ahead. Lets not miss the chance to enjoy great hospitality and entertainment with alumni friends & family.**

### Sunday 22 September

- **Combined Local Church Special Centenary Service**
- **10.30am - 11.30am**, hosted in the Kaipara College Hall.
- Tea & coffee served following the service.
- Service is organised and led by local community churches.

Please be aware that this Event Program may change or be updated in the lead up to the official celebration weekend as preparation continues. We will update the website regularly and will communicate any key changes or new information to our registered attendees and mailing list. Thanks for your understanding - The Event Planning team.