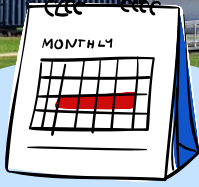


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MARCH 2025



Maramataka

MONDAY 10 MARCH

New Uniform Shoppe hours came into effect. See detail shared

THURS 20 & FRI 21 MARCH

Year 12 PE Camp in Waipu

FRIDAY 28 MARCH

Fortnightly Reports will be shared

SUNDAY 30 MARCH

Last day for the Photolife Free Delivery Promo for the Class and Portrait photos. See detail shared

THURSDAY 3 APRIL

(IEMs) Individual Education Meetings. See detail shared

Year 9 Whānau: Now is a good time to start thinking about the Year 9 Camp and fee. You may like to set up an automatic payment for this activity to help spread the payments out. [Click on this link for more info in the Pānui](#) regarding the Year 9 Camp in November (Term 4).



Have you seen our story on who created this stunning artwork? [CLICK](#) for all the details.

Principal's Kōrero



Kia ora koutou e te whānau

We are in full swing here at Kaipara College with academic and extra-curricular activities well underway. Students will be completing assessments to reflect on their progress so far, and many of our winter sports squads have been announced and pre-season training has commenced. We launched our school Tira or house system with a fabulous Tira Tabloids day, with all our students and our staff getting into the spirit, wearing their Tira colours and participating in events to earn Tira points. It was also a pleasure connecting with whānau at our recent new parents barbeque and our NCEA information evenings.

Around this time each year a focus for us is helping our new students ground themselves in our WAKA values. Our goal is always to create a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment for all our students. Violence, in any form, is not tolerated in our school community as it starkly contradicts our core values which promote respect, empathy and tolerance. We believe that every student has the right to learn and thrive in a calm, learning-focused environment. Acts of violence not only harm individuals but also disrupt the positive culture we have worked hard to cultivate. As a school it is crucial for our students to understand that engaging in violent behavior will lead to serious consequences, involving disciplinary action aligned with our school policies, including stand down or suspension from school.

Students who involve themselves in filming or encouraging aggression in others will also be disciplined. It is our collective responsibility to foster a supportive environment where disagreements can be resolved through dialogue, understanding and the restorative process, rather than through aggression. We encourage students to communicate with and seek help from staff when faced with conflicts.

In addition we require all members of our community—students, parents, whānau and staff—to work together to ensure Kaipara College remains a safe, nurturing and positive place to learn, allowing every student to succeed both academically and socially. Let's stand together against violence, embrace the values that define who we are as Kaipara College and not allow the very few who choose to engage in violence define us.

Take a look at page four for more information about bullying, what happens when bullying is reported, and the contact details for our deans and guidance counsellor.

Ngā mihi nui



Cindy



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Announcing the 2024 Kaipara College NCEA New Zealand Scholarship recipients.



**ANAHERA
ABRAHAM**

LEVEL 3 CLASSICAL STUDIES



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LEVEL 3 ENGLISH

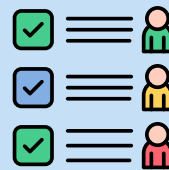
Congratulations to you both
on this wonderful achievement!

NCEA NZ Scholarship

Assessments are designed to be challenging for the most able students in each subject. Assessment is by either a written or spoken examination or by the submission of a portfolio or report of work produced throughout the year. To be awarded the NCEA NZ Scholarship, students are expected to show deep understanding of the subject, demonstrate high-level critical thinking and the ability to apply their understanding to complex situations.

The number of Scholarships available in a subject is limited to around 3% of the number of students who achieve 14 or more credits in that subject at NCEA Level 3.

School Attendance Info for Whānau



For all of our team at Kaipara College seeing our students in their classes learning is important to us. Being in class means they are setting themselves up to achieve and grow - Eke Panuku, Eke Tangaroa. We will work alongside whānau to have all our students settled in their classes daily & focused on their learning journey. Together let's help students to be where they need to be, in class: learning & growing. This intention is also a key focus from the government for 2025. They too have set goals to see our students at school regularly.

The Government's target is for **80%** of students to attend regularly, that is to attend school more than **90%** of the time. The Ministry of Education has **four** steps:

1. **Good** - less than 5 days per term there is a good chance of success.
2. **Worrying** - Up to 10 days of absence in a school term there is less chance of success.
3. **Concerning** - Up to 15 days of absence in a school term it is hard to make progress.
4. **Serious Concern** - 15 days or more of absence in a school term it is very hard to make progress.

We ask that whānau support their student/s by doing the following to build positive attendance routines:

- Ensure your student/s attends every day they are able.
- Reinforce good attendance habits.
- Encourage other whānau to reinforce good attendance habits.
- Support your student/s to catch up on missed learning.
- Open communication with the school ie. inform school in advance when a student will be absent, has an appointment during the day or will be late to school etc.
- [<LINK>](#) for attendance contact options.
- Engage in attendance support offered.



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reminder

As we transition into the middle of Term One it is a great time to share reminders with our students & whānau.

PHONES AWAY POLICY

Please respect the government mandated "Phones Away" policy. Students **are not** able to use their phones during the school day with the exception of outlined times. [<Click for more>](#). We ask that you refrain from sending messages to your students device during school hours. Please contact the school and we can send messages directly to the class as needed.

A DEVICE IS A REQUIREMENT.

We're a BYOD school and students are required to bring a device, fully charged to school every day. Bring the charger to school also to ensure the device doesn't go flat during the school day. We no longer offer short term loans. The onus is on the student to remember to come to school prepared for learning. Note the change to the conditions for a long term device loan. This change ensures that only students who really need to borrow a school device are able to do this. **For more read our [Pānui](#)**

PLAN ALL STAFF MEETINGS

Impromptu visits to meet with our staff are not possible. We ask that you arrange an appointment officially when you need to connect with our staff. Contact 09 420 8640 or email staff as needed. Please be kind to our admin team as they are not able to confirm any unplanned meetings on the spot if you arrive unannounced. The team will always work with you to ensure follow up plan is in place so you can connect as needed.

Individual Education Meetings (IEMs)

When: Thurs 3 April



What is an IEM & why are they important?

An IEM is a student-led meeting between the student, their whānau and the Kaiārahi (whānau teacher). The purpose of the IEM is to bring together the important partners in a students schooling. Students spend time in whānau class preparing for their IEM.

The IEM allows all three partners to:

- Celebrate learning that has occurred and discuss any difficulties or barriers to learning.
- Discuss any support that is required in order to overcome any barriers.
- Review progress on goals set earlier in the year and set learning and wellbeing goals for the remainder of the year and beyond.
- Make a plan to ensure the goals are achieved.

IEMs provide an opportunity for information sharing and reciprocal learning and for whānau to share their expectations, their child's interests, strengths and learning needs and the knowledge that they value. Each IEM is approximately 15 minutes long.

IEMs will be held in week 10 term 1, **Thursday 3 April**. Students and their parents/whānau attend for their students IEM appointment. **IMPORTANT regular school classes will not run on that day. [Students are to stay home on this day](#).** We ask that students catch up on any work that needs completing online and attend their booked IEM with whānau.

We would urge all parents/whānau/caregivers to make an appointment to attend. There is an on-line option available if that is more convenient. Information and instructions on how to book an IEM appointment will be emailed to you this week.

Please note that there will be an opportunity to meet with your student's subject teachers later in the year (Senior students - 18 June, Junior students - 12 August).



If you have unresolved concerns and would like to be in touch with us at Kaipara College, here are the concerns and complaints [process](#) and [policy](#). If you have any queries about the complaints process, please email principal@kaipara.school.nz



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Eke Panuku, Eke Tangaroa Navigate to Success

Together staff and students are setting themselves up for success in the classroom. These simple slides were part of a larger presentation to all students this week. This work supports the vision to we have to see all our students navigating to success. We want whānau to join our journey too.

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS: DURING THE LESSON
<i>Phones stay in bags (unless allowed by teacher for learning purpose)</i>
<i>No earpods (unless allowed by teacher for learning purpose)</i>
<i>No individual deals with students - eg. No eating outside/ no reading outside.</i>
<i>No exceptions; NO eating/ NO ear buds/ NO working outside.</i>
<i>Follow instructions from the teacher</i>

This classroom work builds on the attendance goals we have also shared in this newsletter.

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS: DURING THE LESSON
<i>Water only to drink in class (in bottle)</i>
<i>Follow orange, white, red card system and restorative chats</i>
<i>Use toilet pass routine and no trips to toilet in first 20 mins or last 15</i>
<i>Food only for special occasions as determined by the teacher eg whanaungatanga activity</i>
<i>Work hard, do your best, ask questions</i>
<i>Stay on task</i>
<i>Uniform correct</i>

What is Bullying?

Bullying is deliberate and harmful behaviour that is repeated, or continues over a period of time.

It may include:

- Verbal bullying
- Physical bullying
- Social bullying (e.g. exclusion, spreading rumours, damaging relationships)
- Discrimination - Based on ethnicity, gender, religion, sex and sexuality, disability, age, etc.

Online bullying (or "cyberbullying") and harassment is when digital technology is used to bully or harass. It may include spreading rumours, and/or sharing private images, screenshots, or personal information without someone's consent.

What Happens After Bullying is Reported

Bullying is always taken seriously, and we address it quickly and discretely. There will always be an investigation and we use Restorative Practice when dealing with bullying. Restorative Practice addresses the harm that has been done and ensures that the bullies are held accountable for their actions, along with appropriate consequences.

Contact: dutydeans@kaipara.school.nz OR guidance@kaipara.school.nz if you would like to report bullying or if you would like any further information or support.

Tell Someone

If students are being bullied they are encouraged to tell someone about it. Report it to a trusted teacher, senior student or friend. We encourage students to be **upstanders** and speak out about bullying.



Be an Upstander

"Bullying behaviour ignored is behaviour accepted."

For advice on upstanding, take a look at this fact sheet from the Mental Health Foundation ["How to be an upstander"](#)

Look for the Tabloids Day Photo Montage coming soon to our [News & Events page](#).



It was such a great 1st TIRA event!



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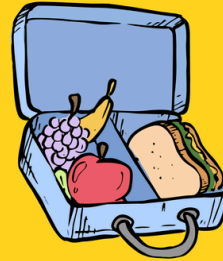
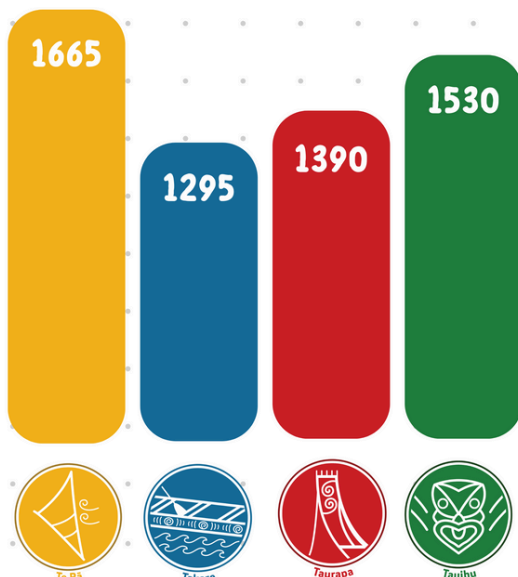
OUR 1ST TIRA TABLOIDS DAY GOES YELLOW!



[LINK for more about our TIRA](#)

Final Points Tally

Competition was close! Te Rā sets the challenge for the next TIRA event.



PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING LUNCH TO SCHOOL.

As advised via our school communication channels last Friday, our school tuck shop has unexpectedly closed. We are working to have a Tuck Shop service return as quickly as possible. Remind your students to bring lunch to school each day. In the interim, while the tuck shop is not running we would welcome donations of fruit or sandwich spreads that our Hauora Hub can utilise if needed.

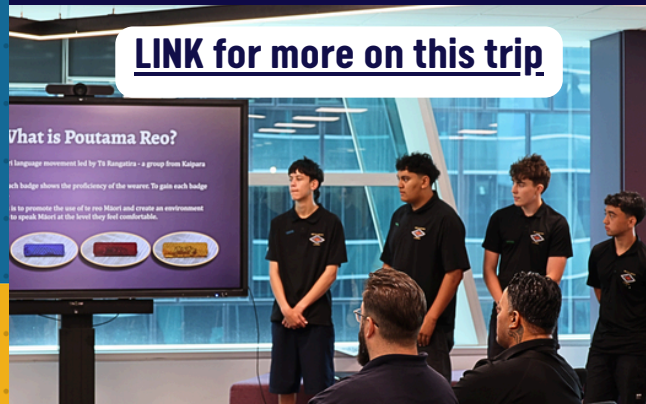


CELEBRATING TE WAKA O KAIPARA



Tū Rangatira taking the Poutama Reo movement all the way to Wellington!

[LINK for more on this trip](#)



Please note **NEW** Uniform Shoppe Hours that came into effect this Monday gone the 10 March.

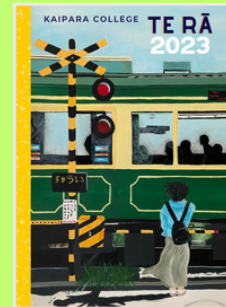
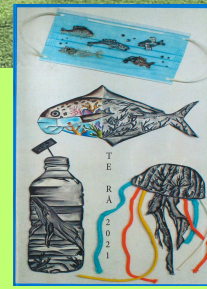
MONDAY = Closed
TUESDAY & THURSDAY = 1.15pm - 2pm
WEDNESDAY = 3pm - 4.30pm
FRIDAY = 8am - 9.30am



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Last week we had the absolute pleasure of welcoming Kaipara College 2016 alumni Sophie Fisher to a special assembly. We were honoured to have Sophie visit to share her journey and success in her chosen sport of Rugby. Our senior students heard her story and words of wisdom. Sophie then presented our own current age group student rugby representatives her debut Super Rugby Aupiki Blues players' jersey for us to cherish in our school alumni collection. We are so proud of Sophie and are truly honoured that you have shared this taonga with us.



LIMITED Available

KAIPARA COLLEGE TE RĀ - OUR YEARBOOK -

Te Rā celebrates all of our KC students each year. Currently back copies are available to purchase. The 2024 Centenary Book. All while stocks last. Contact the front office to get copies. Prices:

- 2021, 2022 = \$5 per copy
- 2023 = \$10 per copy
- 2024 = \$25 per copy

Centenary Book=\$35 per copy.

email: info@kaipara.school.nz or call 09 420 8640 - 800

PhotoLife

SCHOOL PHOTOS

PhotoLife has emailed all whānau directly with this years ordering information for the class and individual portraits. Check your inbox for this information. Note the Free Delivery promo expires on the 30th March

email: info@kaipara.school.nz if you have any queries.