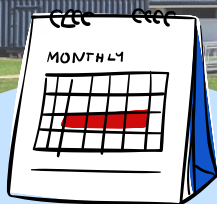


# Community News

JUNE 2025



## Maramataka

### WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE

The official opening of Te Rito was held at dawn.

### THURSDAY 26 JUNE

#### Senior Subject Conferences

Meetings are with Students, Subject Teachers and Whānau. Bookings close online at 9pm on Wednesday - TODAY! Book now.

### FRIDAY 27 JUNE

Last day of Term 2

### SATURDAY 28 JUNE

Kaipara College School Ball  
(Yr 12 & 13 students)

### MONDAY 14 JULY

First day of Term 3

### THURSDAY 17 JULY

#### Open Evening Event

for prospective 2026 enrolments. We welcome students and their whānau to join us for this event.

### FRIDAY 25 JULY

Fortnightly Reports will be shared



[\[CLICK HERE\]](#) to head to our News & Events webpage for back copies of both newsletters.



## Principal's Kōrero

Kia ora koutou

Help Shape the Future of Kaipara College – Stand for the School Board.

Are you passionate about education and your local community?

Do you want to play a meaningful role in shaping the future of our young people?

If so, Kaipara College needs you. With School Board elections coming up, now is the perfect time to step forward and make a real difference.

Every state and state-integrated school in New Zealand, including Kaipara College, is governed by a School Board – a crown entity that plays a vital leadership role. School boards are made up of everyday people from all walks of life who are committed to seeing students succeed. You don't need a legal or business background. What matters most is that you care about education and are ready to contribute your time, voice, and passion.

Kaipara College needs board members who reflect the diversity of our vibrant community. From farmers to office workers, caregivers to retirees, tradies to professionals – anyone can stand for election. If you're a parent, caregiver or legal guardian of a student enrolled full-time, you're eligible to both vote and stand as a parent representative. This is your opportunity to influence how our school is run at the highest level.

So, what exactly does the School Board do?

The board has legal responsibility and accountability for the overall performance and wellbeing of the school. Under the Education and Training Act 2020, board members are charged with ensuring every student achieves their full potential, providing a safe learning environment, and upholding the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi. This includes setting the school's strategic direction, overseeing financial decisions, approving key policies, and engaging with the wider school community.

Importantly, the board does not manage the daily running of the school – that's the role of the principal and staff. Instead, board members are strategic leaders, helping guide Kaipara College into the future.

You may be wondering if you have the right skills. The truth is, most of the qualities a good board member needs aren't found on a CV. If you can work well in a team, ask thoughtful questions, communicate clearly, and stay connected to what's happening in your community, you've got what it takes. Training and support are provided, so you won't be left to figure it out alone.

Standing for the School Board role is a chance to be an advocate for students, to be a supporter of teachers, and a champion for progress. Whether you're looking to give back to the community, develop leadership skills, or help shape the future of local education, becoming a board member is a powerful and rewarding way to get involved.

Nominations for the upcoming elections will open soon. Let your voice be heard. Put your name forward and be part of something bigger.

***\*\*Kaipara College needs leaders like you – step up and make a difference.\*\****

Ngā mihi



Cindy







# Community News

## Celebrating 2024 NCEA Excellence Endorsements

Earlier this term we began recognising the academic success of our students who completed NCEA Level 1 and Level 2 last year. We're proud to have so many students who achieved at an excellence level of endorsement and continue to do so throughout the year since this is an ongoing process. Each student is awarded a lapel pin when they receive this endorsement. This is gifted to each student at an assembly in front of their peers. We've added to the list we shared last month as more students are being recognised for their excellence endorsements as these endorsements are confirmed.

### NCEA LEVEL ONE Achieved with Excellence

Congratulations: Emily Rendall, Ruby Clerke, Sienna Duimel, Monique Ross, Olly Smith, Sequoia Thomson & Blake Young



### NCEA LEVEL TWO Achieved with Excellence

Congratulations: Olivia Kelly, Riley Barrett, Lily Carter, Ryan Cong, Wendy Peng, Kaiya Jones, Samara Gostick, Bella Cornelius, Maggie Redman, Zoe Phillips

## Setting Behaviour and Learning Expectations at Kaipara College.

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing a safe, respectful, and positive learning environment for all students, Kaipara College has been holding assemblies with our Year 9 & 10 students to address current behavioural concerns and reset our expectations moving forward. While other year levels have not had an assembly the expectations are the same for all students. To reinforce this messaging we want whānau to have this information too.

While the vast majority of our students consistently uphold our school values and engage positively in their learning, a small number are demonstrating patterns of disruption and disrespect that undermine our learning environments. The following outlines our clear expectations of all students here at Kaipara College.

#### 1) Our expectations are simple and non-negotiable

Respect for self, others, and property; being in the right place at the right time; being ready to learn with the correct uniform and appropriate learning tools (Chromebook, charger, correct stationery — and phones away), and living by our school WAKA values.

#### 2) Meeting our expectations

Students who are as yet unable to meet behaviour expectations will be supported to do so. Part of this may be engaging with the restorative process. Students who repeatedly fail to meet these expectations will go through our discipline process with whānau involved.

We appreciate whānau support in reinforcing these expectations at home and in helping us maintain a calm, focused culture for learning at Kaipara College. Please feel free to contact your student's Kaitiaki (Dean), with regards to these expectations or any behaviour of concern.

Ngā mihi nui.



## THE SAFETY NET PROJECT

We need your help to make a difference in the lives of young people in our community. Right now, if a young person is experiencing or at risk of homelessness, there's no guarantee they'll have a safe place to stay.

Massey Community Trust, Kaipara College and Outwest Youth are working together to respond to this need in our local community. Our goal is to ensure that when a young person is at risk of homelessness, we can intervene early, ensure they're safe, and connected to any support needed.

The Safety Net is a host home initiative that provides a safe, supported, and healing alternative to motels as emergency accommodation for young people aged 16-24. Short-term host homes offer a safe place for rangatahi who are experiencing homelessness. We're looking for compassionate, caring individuals or whānau willing to welcome a young person into their home and their lives as part of this project. **Could this be you?**

For more details on this project and contact information for those involved please [\[CLICK HERE\]](#)



## WINTER SPORTS



The winter sports season is well underway. You can stay up to date on all our KC Sports news by following on social media. A massive thank you to all who support our students sporting endeavors. Coaches, Managers, Taxi and School Van Drivers, Whānau, Staff, Game Officials, Sponsors, and our dedicated sports team: Kelly & Meghan our coordinators and Israil our Sports Director. Ngā mihi nui.



Kaipara College Sport



@kaiparasports

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# Community News

## IMPORTANT

## CAREGIVERS AND STUDENTS MUST READ THIS INFORMATION.

### Kaipara College is a uniform school.

Students are required to wear the correct school uniform at all times.

In rare circumstances, where students may not be able to wear a uniform item for medical reasons etc, whānau must write a note to the school explaining the circumstances and the school will issue a permit which is only available from the Kaitiaki/Deans office.

The school reserves the right to require students not in correct uniform to wear loan items of uniform while at school. These are issued on a day by day basis. Loan items not returned will be charged for.

**Students who refuse to swap items will be sent home or given an after school consequence dependent on the situation.**

If a student wears an incorrect item of clothing this will be impounded ie. hoodies, jackets etc. Whānau can collect these items from the Student Centre during school hours. All Whānau must report to the main office in the first instance. Any uncollected items are to be collected by the student at the end of each term at either interval or lunch time on the last day of term.

The school **will not** grant permission for students to wear non-uniform items on an extended basis, unless approval has been given by the Deputy Principal in charge of uniform or the Principal. **Permission will only be granted in medical circumstances where there is appropriate medical documentation provided.**

## REMINDER BOOK NOW: Senior Subject Teacher Conferences

**WHEN:**  
**Tomorrow**  
**Thursday**  
**26 June**  
**4 - 8pm**

*See the email sent to whānau for information and the booking details.*

**Note:** The appointment booking system closes today, Wednesday 25 June at 9pm. Our Junior Subject Conferences will be held in Term 3.

## WELL DONE FOR COMPLETING CAAs

We held the NCEA Literacy and Numeracy Common Assessments at the end of last month.

It was great to see our students settling their nerves and heading in to complete these assessments. The CAAs are a critical part of a student's academic journey to achieving NCEA. We'll be able to share the CAA assessment results in Term 3. We are proud of the work our students and staff have put in to complete these.



## Overall TIRA Points for May

RESULTS FOLLOWING THE ARTS WEEK!  
Totals for for our TIRA at the end of May



14

11

10

8



We had the KC ARTS WEEK recently & wow what a week it was.

A massive thank you to Ms Dean & the Arts Faculty for putting on such a great range of events. The energy of those performing and the huge audience was truly EPIC! Well done Takere for taking out the TIRA overall points for the the Arts Week.

**Events included:** Battle of the Bands, a Just Dance Comp, Pictionary Challenge, a Karaoke sing off & finally Kaipara's Got Talent.







# Alumni News

*Last year was a significant year for Kaipara College being our Centenary. The celebration gave us an opportunity to share alumni news & celebrations. It was truly inspiring to hear what our past students have gone on to achieve. We wish to continue what we began and share with you throughout the year news from our alumni community. Please keep in touch to share updates with us if you are an alumni with news to share or know of an alumni we should celebrate. Email us [info@kaipara.school.nz](mailto:info@kaipara.school.nz)*

Recently ArtStart held an Exhibition and sale of art work that has been produced by talented young NZ creatives. At this awesome Auckland pop up event there were three of our KC Alumni: Anna Hilton, Jade Culverwell and Taira Morehu.

It is our understanding that all three artists sold pieces of work! We love to hear of their ongoing success in the arts world. Ngā mihi to the Artstart organisation for creating such a wonderful platform for so many of these talented artists.

Here's the link to the ArtStart web page:  
<https://artstart.co.nz/pages/our-story>

## Artstart



TAIRA MOREHU



JADE CULVERWELL



ANNA HILTON

Artist Photos taken from the Artstart website. Congratulations to all three artists. We're immensely proud of all of your work and all that you are achieving.

## 2025 ASIA PACIFIC TOUCH YOUTH CUP

Congratulations to our alumni Matire Ratima and Ezra Johnson-Smylie who were both involved earlier this year in this major tournament held in Australia. Matire Ratima was a tournament referee and Ezra was capped in the NZ U18 Boys team. Congratulations to you both. We're also very proud to have had current KC student Kai Wilson capped in the U20 Cook Island team at this event. Photos L/R: Matire, Ezra & Kai.



## Jess Cameron (ALUMNI 2022)

We were thrilled to see Jessica Cameron featured in the Herald's "On The Up" series in early May and to discover she has fulfilled her dreams of becoming a shepherd through the Growing Future Farmers programme. Not that we ever doubted she would reach her goals! We remember Jess as a thoroughly dedicated student who knew exactly where she wanted to end up and wasn't afraid of the hard work it would take to get there. We wish Jess all the best with her new career and ongoing success in Waka Ama. Click on the link above to read the article about Jess' study and career path

Photo of Jess at the 2022 World Waka Ama Champs.



We'll share our Alumni celebrations regularly to our website.





# Alumni News



## FUTURE LIONS

They've been shortlisted

AKQA THE WALL STREET JOURNAL GOSPEL

Kaipara College alumni (2021) Gabriella Gillespie graduated from Elam School of Fine Arts last year with top grades and this year is studying at the Media Design School here in Auckland and is doing really well as you will see from these shared links below:

[Future Lions Article \(LINK\)](#)

[Video \(LINK\)](#)

The video about Core is the video Gabriella and her collaborator made. Congratulations Gabriella, this piece is really impressive!

Photo taken from the article shared.

We can't wait to share more Kaipara College alumni updates with you all soon.

## What's On? Spread the Word

KAIPARA COLLEGE  
FOR 2026 ENROLMENTS

## Open Evening



Thursday 17 July 2025, 6.30pm

WELCOMING STUDENTS & WHĀNAU

Stay up to date with our latest news & information on our website see the News & Events page.

## Does your garden need a garden shed?

make us an offer!



Made by KC students undertaking our Level 3 Carpentry course last year.

Please email [info@kaipara.school.nz](mailto:info@kaipara.school.nz) regarding the shed/s.

Sheds have been dismantled for transportation. Note photo does not show final baton fixtures in place. Payment details to be arranged.

2 sheds available.

**SHED SIZE:**

1200 x 1000 x 2300(h)  
Materials valued at \$500+



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](mailto:principal@kaipara.school.nz)