

APRIL 16/04/2021

# NAENAE COLLEGE

Hea rea here a ngā raumānuka e kore whawhati Bind the multitudes of mānuka together and never be broken



# WHAT'S HAPPENING?

**Events coming up soon** 

- ANZAC Day Observed: 26 April
- Term 2 Commences: 3 May

# PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora e te whānau

Today is the last day of Term 1 which has seen many amazing achievements by our students. We celebrated these at our student-led end-of-term celebration assembly this morning. We acknowledged those for whom this term has allowed them to shine, whether it has been through leadership, exceptional academic success, sporting triumphs or programme completions. As I heard at Outward Bound's Pōneke celebration this week 'there is more in us'. I take this to mean that we do not know our own limits and the challenge this lays down for all of us is to have the courage to exceed what we think is possible. I believe that students will be surprised that there is indeed 'more in us' if we stay the course and support each other.

We also acknowledged our wonderful community of perfectly 'ordinary' students who without fanfare uphold our Te Whānau Tahi values in their everyday ordinary actions of rangitiratanga. They do all that is required of them with grace and perseverance and are the backbone of the school's sustained culture of Te Whānau Tahi and will no doubt have their time to shine.

I acknowledge that we are wrestling with vaping amongst our student population at present and this concerns me. The Board and I discussed this last night and the Board will have more to share on this next term.

I finally acknowledge that this term has been long and we are all in need of a break. Naenae College staff have been stoic in their efforts to support students and I am grateful for this and have encouraged them to have a well-earned rest. Go well, enjoy the holidays and stay safe.

Ngā mihi Nic Richards Principal

# SPORTS NEWS



# **Roller Skating**

Caitlin Munn successfully skated her way to medals at the annual Upper Hutt Roller Skating Open Day Championships which were held on the 19, 20 and 21 March which are combined with the College Sport Wellington Championships.

With Skaters from Hastings, Manawatu, Wanganui, Blenheim, Tauranga and the Wellington region, it is a very busy weekend. Caitlin received College Sport Wellington medals for Large Show group (Revolution), Junior Quartet (Dreamskate), Mini Precision Team (The Upper Hutt Rollers) and for Novice 2 Figures.

Caitlin will be attending the Central Area Championships for 2021 in Palmerston North in a few weeks to compete in her individual and team events. Successful artistic roller skaters from this competition are selected to compete at the National Championships later this year.

# **Athletics - High Jump**

Shea Bosher was one of two athletes from Wellington competing in the High Jump event at the North Island Athletic Champs in Hamilton last weekend. The field of 12 consisted of athletes from Auckland, Counties Manukau, Waikato, East Coast, North Harbour, Wairarapa and Wellington. Shea jumped 1:70m finishing top 3 1st place Jacob, Counties; 2nd Ben, Waikato; 3rd equal Shea Wellington and Benjamin, Auckland. This is a fantastic result!

### Mountainbiking

Adam Shivnan is an avid mountain biker. He has been competing on the circuit since the start of the year. Adam's first event was the Belmont Enduro which entails 4 tracks. Athletes complete all 4 tracks within an allocated time frame. Adam completed the tracks with a time of 12 minutes to secure 1st place in the U16 age group.

#### **Indoor Bowls**

Zander Meadows and Alex Greenfield performed admirably in the final of this years College Sport Wellington bowls final held at the Naenae Bowling club.

As the coach stated: 'they were humble in victory and gracious in defeat.

The final match came down to the last bowl and unfortunately it was just a touch too long. The crowd of Naenae supporters thoroughly enjoyed the finals and are proud of the team's performance.



### **Outward Bound**

Kia ora, talofa lava, on behalf of Auauna and me, I am here to share our experience from Outward Bound which is a 21 day course located at Anakiwa in the South Island. We were lucky enough to get a fully paid scholarship along with 12 other students from 6 different schools in the Wellington region (2 from each school)

With this course came many challenges and growth opportunities. Throughout the duration of the course, we participated in a variety of different activities in which we called schemes (so each scheme was a different activity) such as hiking through tough terrain up to astonishing views more than one thousand metres above sea level. White water kayaking down rapids; outdoor rock climbing, high ropes, a solo 3 day camp in the bush alone, sailing as a team around different islands, service for the camp we were staying at and a 21km half marathon on the last day.

Outward Bound really helped Auauna and me grow as individuals and it showed us all the things that we took for granted back here at home, like the easily accessible things such as going to the shop, hanging with friends, spending time with family, a toilet, technology and even time for yourself to reconnect with nature.

For myself personally, I felt Outward Bound isn't a course that is there to change you. I went to Outward Bound thinking it would change me as a person but soon realised that it only made me grow and thrive as a man and a leader of this school.

I highly recommend Outward Bound to everyone of all ages, as it brings you back to the basic things in life before technology came along. It gave me the spark I needed to ignite the flame that I must keep burning throughout the rest of my life.

Thank you and enjoy the two week holiday. See you next term

Reihana Rapira

# **SCHOOL NOTICES**

'ŌLELO PASEFIKA

# TERM 1 HOLIDAY PRACTICES WILL BE HELD IN THE SECOND WEEK OF THE BREAK



ALL PRACTICES IN THE BIG GYM BYO WATER BOTTLE AND LUNCH/SNACKS

# SCHOOL NOTICES

# 'ŌLELO PASEFIKA

# Poly Club PARENTS INFORMATION EVENING



The Poly Club staff would like to meet with our members' parents/caregivers about Term 2 practices and fundraising plans for your child or children's outfits for their upcoming performances.

# TUESDAY 4 MAY 5.30-6.30PM • NNC HALL

# SCHOOL NOTICES CONTINUED

# Poly Club TERM 2 PRACTICE SCHEDULE

WHOLE GROUP MON & TUE 3.30-5.30PM

BOYS ONLY WED 3.30-5.30PM

All practices in the Hall See Ms Taeao or Mr Tiria for more info

# SCHOOL NOTICES CONTINUED



ENHANCING PASIFIKA EDUCATION THROUGH TALANOA.

THURSDAY 13 MAY

6:00-8:00PM

# NAENAE COLLEGE SCHOOL HALL

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED









# SCHOOL NOTICES CONTINUED

# Learning From Each Other: Enhancing Pacific Education through People, Concept and Culture-focused Inquiry

A teacher led research initiative (TLRI) Funded through the New Zealand Council for Educational Research (NZCER)

Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Noa'ia, Mauri, Ni Sa Bula Vinaka, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Tālofa, Kia orana, Mālō nī, Halo olaketa, Tēnā koutou katoa and warm Pacific greetings

You are warmly invited to partner in Learning From Each Other. This is a Pacific Education research initiative which aims to improve the quality of education of Pacific students by supporting teachers to learn from local Pacific communities. We hope that the Pacific families and communities of our area will gift their knowledge, experiences and understanding as support for a group of our teachers in their journey to serve our Pacific students better.

### What is involved

Partnering in Learning From Each Other involves taking part in a fono with other Pacific parents and community members to deal with matters such as:

- What matters to you in education
- Ideas about success in education
- What teachers should know about Pacific students
- What teachers should know about your communit
- Your aspirations for your children's education
- Other areas you think are important

After the fono, this knowledge will form the basis of a professional learning and development programme for a group of teachers from across the local Kahui Ako group of schools. At the end of the initiative, a second fono will be held to acknowledge the progress that has been made and to gift the learning back to communities.

### Who is involved

Other partners in Learning From Each Other include Dr Cherie Chu-Fuluifaga and Dr Martyn Reynolds of Victoria University of Wellington, and Sinapi Taeao and Marc van der Poest Clement of Naenae College. Cherie has a long track record in Pacific Education research and policy; and has supported the development of many education professionals in the field. Martyn has a background in secondary education and focusses on the place of culture in education in Aotearoa New Zealand. Sinapi is a Naenae College whānau head and is coordinating a group of Pacific teachers from across the Kahui Ako schools. Marc is an Across Schools Teacher in the Kahui Ako and is coordinating the groups of teacher-learners involved.

Soifua ma ia Manuia Sinapi, Marc, Cherie and Martyn

# SCHOOL NEWS

# Whakaharatau Kapa Haka



"Ko te Kaupapa ko nga tamariki" Ko nga tamariki te Kaupapa"

Awesome kapa haka practice at the marae last weekend. Whakawhanaungatanga and learning went brilliantly. A great start for our upcoming items for Multi-cultural day and Regionals.

### "Ka Mau te wehi whanau"

Whaea V Kaiako Matua o te Wāhanga Maori NNC





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### **Year 10 Business Studies**

On Tabloid Sports day the Y10 Business studies class decided that they would sell products to students. Prior to Tabloid Sports day, the Business studies class conducted surveys to see what students would like, which they advertised, and products were purchased to sell. The products sold on Tabloid Sports day consisted of lollies, watermelon, homemade cakes, candy floss and a lot more goodies.

After Tabloid Sports day, students counted up the funds they had collected and worked out if they had made a profit, after taking off money for power used, GST, advertising and reimbursement for products purchased at the beginning. All groups in the Business Studies class had made a profit after taking the overheads off. The students decided to use some of the profit to donate items to the Lower Hutt Foodbank. We contacted them and the foodbank indicated that they would like nappies, shampoo and conditioner.

Ashton Leenderts, Spencer Phillips and Saad Asif took the donated items down to the foodbank and helped put the goods on the shelves.









### News from the SNU

As part of the Integrated Studies progrhe SNU, Ms Gorsuch and Mr Minot's class have been learning about New Zealand. Today's focus was Taihape.

We invited Mr Perry's Integrated Studies class to join us for a gumboot-throwing competition on the astroturf.

We discovered that we have some outstanding gumboot throwers, and that this should be an Olympic sport. Here are the results

Third Place = Christian Jepson Second Place = Philip Ritchie First Place = Arshaq Buksh



