



JUNE 23/06/2021

NAENAE COLLEGE

Hea rea here a ngā
raumānuka e kore
whawhati

Bind the multitudes of
mānuka together and
never be broken



PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora koutou e te whānau

Well, COVID-19 has been back on top for the Greater Wellington region over the last few days. I am grateful that this has not yet impacted directly on the college at a time when there is so much going on that builds to a crescendo in the last week of the term. Multicultural Day, Kapa Kaka Regionals and Hutt Fest promise to be spectacular celebrations of culture and the mahi that students and staff have committed to over the course of this term. These events are such a representation of the best parts of the diversity that Naenae College is known for.

Two weeks ago Naenae College hosted two Open Days for prospective Year 9 students in 2022. We held two events due to a large number of students in the current Year 8 cohort at Naenae Intermediate. Both occasions were extremely positive and my thanks to staff and mentors who have helped with these events.

In the same week, we celebrated Pride week and our Rainbow Flag flew for the week acknowledging the inclusive foundation of Naenae College.

I look forward to seeing you at our community events next week and celebrating our wonderful students and the mahi they have done this term.

Fees Free for Adult ESOL

I am very pleased to be able to announce that Naenae College's adult ESOL classes will be fees-free from now on. Our adult ESOL learners are a wonderful group of community members who exemplify the concept of life-long learning. We warmly invite all those in our community who are interested in being part of the adult education programme for English language learning to look on our website for further information. Our website also has further information.

Ngā mihi

Nic Richards, Principal

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Events coming up soon

- **June 29: Normal school day**
Parent report evening postponed
- **July 2:** Multi-cultural day
- **July 2 - 10:** Matariki
- **July 7:** Kapa Haka Regionals, Walter Nash
- **July 9:** Hutt Fest evening concert, Walter Nash
- **Term 2 Ends:** 9 July
- **Term 3 Commences:** 26 July
- **Careers Expo:** 3 August
- **Senior Subject Selection:** Completed by the end of Week 3, Term 3

FROM OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Board Korero,

Vaping is an issue that's cropped up in schools around Aotearoa. At Naenae we share the serious concerns, and as a board we encourage whanau/fono/aiga to talk about it with each other, and be aware of the following key things:

- First of all, the situation is very clear under NZ law. Vaping (and smoking) is **NOT allowed anywhere on the school grounds or in school buildings**. This has been the law since November 2020. As such, no individual, whether students, staff or whanau, can vape or smoke on school grounds at any time.
- It's also **illegal to sell vaping-related products to anyone under 18, anywhere**.
- Thirdly, vaping is not harmless. ***The tobacco industry is lying to us!*** It is useful to visit the following link for accurate information about vaping:

The known harms of e-cigarettes and vaping

Whanau, please talk with your young people about this. There are some misconceptions related to vaping, about health and also about the legal situation in NZ, so please make sure everyone knows the reality. While the NZ Ministry of Health website is ambiguous about the dangers of vaping the truth can be found in the links above and below:

Health effects and safety concerns of e-cigarettes

Nicotine harms developing brains

E-cigarettes can provide high doses of nicotine, which is classified as a dangerous poison. Research shows that nicotine exposure can have significant negative impacts on brain development. For teens, babies, and foetuses – whose brains are still developing – nicotine can lead to lifelong consequences.

Developing brains are more vulnerable to addiction, and nicotine exposure can lead to craving for more of the drug. Nicotine can negatively impact mood, memory, and concentration, and may make it harder for children and young people to learn, concentrate, and control their impulses. These changes can be permanent.

FROM OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A reminder of the Naenae College Goals

The Naenae College goals form a key part of the board's focus so we are always keen to hear from you on the goals:

1. All students will progress and achieve to their highest educational potential through quality teaching and learning, safe environments and positive relationships.
2. Māori students will enjoy and achieve educational success as Māori.
3. Students, staff, whānau, Pacific 'āiga and community experience a sense of belonging because we live our Te Whānau Tahī values.

These are each supported by sub-goals around attendance and achievement for example, (which are very strongly linked to each other), the Te Whānau Tahī values, community engagement, and engaging quality programmes. None of this is easy, and our staff are constantly working on innovations and improvements and ways to help students succeed. And we have had awesome successes – last year we exceeded our goal of 85% of our students leaving with NCEA level 2, which is a supporting goal to Goal 1, and achieved above the National rate! Again, please have conversations with your young people – not just from how they experience things like success, safety, te whānau tahī – but also about how they create or foster those things for others. How do they foster those things for other students? It's all connected and everyone plays a part in the community to make it work. We live in a community where there are some complex issues but there is also huge aroha for each other and desire to see our tamariki be the best they can and succeed in life.

Our school charter goes into deeper detail on these goals. We intend putting something on our website that's easier to read, but in the meantime you can find the Charter here: [Naenae College Annual Plan and Charter 2020-2022](#)

STUDENT SUCCESS

Student Success at the Wellington Schools' Hospo Challenge

Naenae College students from the CAH201 Catering and Hospitality class attended the recent Schools' Hospo Challenge and Expo run by Dine Academy. Our students had entries in the Celebration Cake and Café Cabinet classes and received several awards. Congratulations to the following students who received certificates for their efforts:

Celebration Cake: 1st Place

Tuihana Hohaia

Café Cabinet: Small cakes, muffins, slices, scones

Merit Certificates:

Fatima Alsaeed



Naomi Faauli

Mikala Jensen

Jaynaya Moeau

Malachi Picton

Samira Salameh

Vannah Tuitama

Isabella Woolley



NNC OPEN EVENING AND OPEN DAYS



On Wednesday 9 June it was fantastic to see our potential year 9 students for 2022. Students were able to visit the various subjects that we offer here at Naenae College. We followed this up with 2 open days the following week with fabulous turnouts and up to 250 year 8's getting to experience 'a taste of life as a college student'.

Our mentors did a fantastic job leading and connecting with all the different roopu while they were here. One of the highlights was an impromptu dance party as one of the morning tea activities which many students were super-excited to be part of.



KAPA HAKA REGIONAL COMPETITION

Kapa Haka tickets are now available for purchase at Naenae College. The cost is \$15.00 per ticket. Cash and EFTPOS payments can be made at the school office.



Naenae College Careers Expo

3 August

Naenae College Hall

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Subject Selection 2022

The Careers Expo is an important chance for students to think about the future prior to subject selection for 2022. We look forward to seeing you all there.

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Vaiaso O Le Gagana Samoa/Samoan Language week

On the 1st- 4th of June 2021, Naenae College celebrated the Samoan Language Week.

On the first day, students and some staff gathered in the hall to witness the Ava ceremony to open our Samoan language week. The Ava ceremony is one of Samoa's traditional ways to welcome visitors or farewell those that are leaving. We start our day as usual, with prayer and thanksgiving to the Lord. We sang our National Anthem to mark the 59th Independence of Samoa, and then we did our Ava ceremony.

On Wednesday the 2nd of June, it was a day for some traditional activities. Samoan students were split into three groups of activities. Group 1 we had history and the display of the Samoan traditional wear. Group 2 we had the performing arts in the hall where we were able to teach some of our traditional dances and showcasing our culture, and lastly, we had group 3 which was sports activities where we were able to run traditional Samoan games that are played back in our homeland. And just like that Day 2 was done and dusted.

Finally on Friday the 4th of June, again we all gathered in the hall for our last celebration of the week which was having each year levels from the Samoan class perform a traditional Samoan dance and just showing the good vibes our culture has. But first, we were able to close off our week with a prayer and again just giving thanks to the Lord for being with us throughout the week.

The reason why we celebrate Samoan Language week is that we want to be able to embrace our culture so that others can learn from us and the way we do stuff. Also, Naenae College is a school with mixed cultural diversity and we wanted to show the importance of our culture to us and tell the story of how our people were able to gain independence. We would like to thank all the students, staff, and guests for helping us celebrate our culture with us during this week but a big thank you to Miss [Tapaau Auvaa](#) for all the hard work you did to put it all together. Safe to say that our year 13's enjoyed our last Samoan Language week celebrated here at the Kolisi O Naenae.

Remember: Poupou le lotofale Ola Manuia le anofale. Strengthen the posts of your house, for all to thrive.

Auauana Saolotoga & Anita Va'a



NAENAE COLLEGE LIBRARY

A message from our School Librarian

Cold winter nights are a great time to gather whanau and read stories about Matariki, fantastical places and adventures. The best thing you can do for your child is to let them see you reading and read to them.

Our school library has a wide range of books, e-books and audiobooks. The library is open before and after school and during breaks, the best thing is we don't charge overdue fees. Encourage your child to pop into the library to get some holiday reading.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

FEES-FREE English language classes from Term 3 onwards

Naenae College offers two English language (ESOL) classes for adults. You must be a New Zealand resident or citizen.

Come along to improve your English and feel more confident about living in New Zealand for free.

Enrolment

Make an appointment to meet the teacher.

Phone: Brenda Morrison – 567 7175

Email: bm@naenae-college.school.nz

Students can join a class at any time during the year.

Class Times

Classes run five days a week during school terms.

Mornings 9.30am – 11.30am Post-beginner to Elementary level

Afternoons 12.30pm – 2.30pm Pre-Intermediate level

Many students fit classes around part-time work and caring for their family.

Cost – fees-free

There is now NO COST for enrolling in classes and a term is on average 10 weeks long.

Pre-purchased English Language Tuition (PELT)

Did you pre-purchase tuition before arriving in New Zealand as part of your residence requirement? Naenae College is a TEC-approved provider of PELT.

Immigration New Zealand will give you an “Agreement and Schedule”. Bring this and your passport when you apply to enroll.

Check the Directory of PELT Providers on the TEC website for full details.