

SEPTEMBER 17/09/2021

NAENAE COLLEGE

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

TUMUAKI'S COMMENTS

Kia ora ē te whānau

It has been great to celebrate Te wiki o te Reo Māori in our first full week back after lockdown. Unsurprisingly, the school is not quite the same without the buzz of students in its classrooms and corridors. We have missed them. It is also timely to share this whakatauki:

Ko te manu e kai i te miro nōna te ngahere, Ko te manu kai i te mātauranga, nōna te ao. *The bird that eats the miro berry owns the forest. The bird that feasts on knowledge owns the world.*

This is clearly a metaphor for how education and learning can open the world to our rangatahi. School attendance is a key measure of student engagement and wellbeing. Previous research has also found that it is strongly linked with student attainment - what we call success!



Find out what's happening through our website: www.naenae-college.school.nz or our Facebook page

- Friday 1 October End of Term 3
- Friday 15 October Senior Formal
- Monday 18 October Term 4 Commences
- Wednesday 27 October, BOT Student Representative Election

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or our Facebook page

Email: admin@naenae-college.school.nz

or ring us at College during office hours. We are happy to discuss how this works and how we can help you.

Regular attendance at school, measures the percentage of students who have attended more than 90% of the term. This is our board goal and fundamentally speaks to our desire for students to be successful by being at school.

What this all boils down to is we are going to do everything we can to support students to be successful. If they turn up every day, this will happen.

We also have an exciting opportunity to support vaccination that may be available to all students next week. Students over 16 can consent themselves but students younger than 16 will need to collect a consent form and have it signed by a parent or caregiver. No form, no jab! A second vaccination would be available next term to all students who received the first.

I can also confirm that there will be **no shifting of the school holidays** which is a relief as our positive momentum this week will mean that our students can continue that progress into the next two weeks and then have a rest before committing themselves to the final term. Keep up the good work and thanks for your ongoing support to get students back to school. It is vital!

Ngā mihi manaaki Nic Richards Tumuaki



Possible Vaccination Opportunity for Students at Naenae College

It would great to be able help the school and wider community in accessing COVID vaccinations. We have been administering vaccinations since April to a variety of settings ranging from mobile delivery at aged care facilities to large-scale community vaccinations at Riverstone Hall in Upper Hutt. The DHB has approved us to engage at a local level with your school.

I'm happy to work with you on the way in which you think would be best to deliver these.

We would need an open space such as the hall, some tables set up for administration and vaccination and some seating set out for the students spaced 2m apart to complete a 15-minute wait post-vaccination. We would need the school to assist with organization and flow of students. Our team would consist of 6-10 people depending on the planned number of vaccination deliveries - all staff have been police vetted as per our Green Cross Health HR policy.

I've attached the consent form in English and have requested Te Reo and Samoan language forms too - I will forward these once they become available. These will be available from Naenae College Reception.

The Ministry of Education policy is that written consent from a parent or legal guardian is required for school-based immunisation programmes:

"For children aged under 16 years who are being immunized at school, written consent must be obtained from the parent/guardian. Individuals who are aged 16 years or older may self-consent." (section 2.1.2. of the Immunisation Handbook)

Getting the COVID-19 vaccine If you're between 12-15 years old, you can get your free vaccination now.

I have also requested some printed versions of pamphlets below for your student's information: https://covid19.govt.nz/assets/resources/Vaccine-resources/Getting-the-COVID-vaccine-12-15.pdf Getting the COVID-19 vaccine

What is a vaccine? Vaccines protect you and help stop you getting sick. Some vaccines you may have had before include the flu and measles vaccines.

covid19.govt.nz

The vaccine should be given as 2 doses spaced 6 weeks apart - it would be great to get the 1st dose in before the end of this term.

Duncan Sutherland BPharm MPS Pharmacist / Manager / Director

Messages from our Head Boy and Head Girl

This week Aotearoa has been celebrating Maori language week and it has been amazing to hear all of the Te Reo spoken around the kura this week. No matter if you're Maori or not, Tikanga Māori is very important to all of us in Aotearoa New Zealand. Just because Te Wiki o te Reo Māori has come to an end does not mean that the effort stops there. I encourage everyone within the Naenae College community to go above and beyond to learn Te Reo Maori, Learn about Te ao Māori, and to educate yourself on Aotearoa's history to further discover the changed historical narrative that has been hiding behind colonization. Furthermore with the end of term 3 around the corner and term 4 on the horizon there are many things to be looking forward to.

My key advice to students in this busy time is to: Stay on task, Stay motivated and Stay positive. In addition to that, if you find yourself slipping with any pressure, be sure to take the time to reflect and set yourself some small achievable weekly goals. Also don't be shy to reach out if need be.

Alex Greenfield, Head Boy

Kia ora koutou

So pleased and relieved to be down on Alert level 2. We are so happy to have everyone back to school and ready to re-adjust in the classrooms. I know it's going to be difficult being back to school, especially after a restful and productive lockdown. Just remember that you are now back with your friends to catch up about being back to school and how your lockdown has been for you. End of year is also creeping up and exams are getting closer. Just remember to work through things slowly, take time to adjust and remember to work at your own pace. Don't be afraid to ask for help as we are surrounded by our teachers and many supports at our school.

Kia Kaha

Auauna Saolotoga, Head Girl

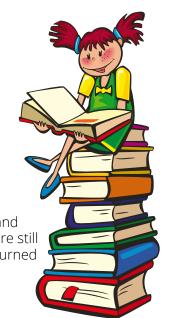


Chromebooks

It's has been great to see students settling back into their class and school routines. Many school devices have been returned but we are still waiting on almost ninety to come back. Please ensure these are returned asap.

Ngā mihi

Alex Maehe Deputy Principal



Naenae College 2022 Enrolments

Year 9 Enrolments for 2022

Enrolments for 2022 are due today. If you haven't yet enrolled your child at Naenae College for next year, please call into school at pick up an enrolment pack from our School Office.

Nominations for Student Representative, Board of Trustees, Naenae College

Nominations are being called for a student representative on the Naenae College, Board of Trustees for 2021/22. Students - please see school noticeboards for information next week. Election day is Wednesday 27 October. It's time to think about who you'd like to nominate to represent the student voice or to consider whether you'd like to be nominated for this leadership role.

Congratulations

Congratulations Nikau Reihana-Kennedy on your selection as Captain of the under 18 Maori team representing Wellington this weekend in Whanganui. Congratulations too on being awarded this week's Te Whānau Tahi award for displaying Kotahitanga by working hard in Sports Studies with Mr Kravcenco during lockdown.



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