



Student Leadership Team 2022

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**Tangaroa
Blue House**

Tangaroa is the 'god of the sea.'
Māori believe that water is an
energy, with many moods. It
can be calm and life-giving, or
dangerous and destructive. This
energy is called Tangaroa – 'god
of the sea.'

Koorero a te Tumuaki **The Principal speaks:**

Kia ora koutou katoa!

"He rā ki tua: There's better days ahead" is a whakatauki that we should all keep in the forefront of our minds as we contemplate another week of the COVID-19 pandemic. I hope this e-Bulletin finds you and your whānau well, especially in the last few weeks where Omicron has taken a hold in our community. There are no surprises with this - we expected this contagious virus to come and get us and now it is here. Please, to all our whānau, kia kaha. I want to take this time to thank the school community for your positive support in the way that we have been managing the COVID-19 phases. We all know that it is stressful times for whānau/families, especially when there is so much change. Please be assured that you and your family are doing an awesome job in assisting the school in dealing with the positive cases we have identified.

We are working through the government's phased response to this pandemic as best we can and with a number of students and some staff contracting COVID-10, we are certainly hesitant about what to expect. Please do not get anxious! The best protection you have is being vaccinated and wearing masks. Your job remains the same - please continue to keep a close watch on your whānau for anyone with symptoms. If anyone is unwell, please stay at home and take advice about getting a COVID-19 test. The disease can be hard on the body and very contagious but if we continue to follow the mandated rules then it is easier to deal with. The use of RAT tests is certainly

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Koorero a te Tumuaki Haere tonu

The Principal speaks continued:

... making it easier to identify the cases in our school community. Under the 'Phase 3' response, only 'Household Contacts' of COVID-19 (or positive cases) have to isolate. We have a lot of information on our website in this regard and I would like you to read it if you have not done so already. You all would have received a letter from the school also, in regard to what 'Phase 3' looks like.

As part of our response, we had to cancel the Swimming Tabloids and postpone Athletics Day. We hope that that we can run Athletics later, or as soon as the peak of COVID-19 cases diminishes. Schools are deemed safe places because the transmission of COVID-19 is still most likely to happen in your home – so please keep doing things to keep your whānau safe. Wash your hands, get lots of fresh air, cover any coughs and sneezes, clean surfaces regularly and seek advice if anyone is not feeling well. Please also wear a mask when you are out and about.

The two major defences against Omicron are vaccination and wearing of masks. We all know that prolonged use of masks does become very uncomfortable BUT it is so important for all our students to wear them properly. Please see in this e-Bulletin a poster about how to wear masks properly. We are all doing this for our own protection and the protection of others. It is now a key function of stopping people from coming into contact with the virus. So all I can do is reiterate that you encourage your son/daughter to wear their masks and to wear them appropriately. I expect that in the near future we will not have to wear masks as the mandate will be revoked. We are not there yet and need to persevere with this.

Just to remind parents/caregivers please:

- Continue to notify us if your son/daughter tests positive for COVID-19
- Only 'Household Contacts' need to isolate. All students should be at school unless they are a 'Household Contact.'
- The Attendance service will be used to ensure all kids are attending when they should be.

Our NCEA results for 2021 were the best in the Franklin district. We had the best overall results in Year 12, Year 13, University Entrance and we came second in Year 11. Outstanding effort by Tuakau College – Miharo koutou! With the disruption of the lockdown and the use of online learning we have done exceptionally well compared to other schools. We are all very proud of our students and the staff for their dedication to improving achievement.

Over the last weekend the Tuakau College Board appointed two Assistant Principals. Congratulations to Mr Slee, present Head of Physical Education and Health, for being selected for one of these positions and we welcome Mrs Dinneen as the other new Assistant Principal. Mrs Dinneen will be coming to us from Thames where she works with the Northern Health School. One of these positions is Mrs Stilwell's position, who is leaving us at the end of this term to look after her whānau. You will see that we have a number of new staff that have joined the school. We are very pleased with the calibre of the candidates we have employed.

The administration block is well under construction for its revamp. The internal coverings are going on this week and we are still hoping that they will have the area finished by the end of this term.

The subdivision next to the College (the Booker Estate) is on its final stages, ready for the houses to go in. We are not sure how long this will take. It is important that if you are using Elizabeth Street to access the College that you are aware of the roading construction in this area. Thank you for your cooperation with this. At 3:30pm this area can become very congested. Please be patient and tolerant. All the school buses access the students through this entrance as well. School Bus Cards will be issued soon, after the ID photographs are completed tomorrow, Tuesday 1 March.

We are half way through Term 1. Autumn has also arrived with a reprieve from the very hot days we have had. Ngā mihi koutou! *Chris Betty*

New Teaching Staff 2022

Kaiako Hou 2022

From left: Mrs Dunchie-Coley (English Teacher), Mr King (Technology Teacher), Miss Colmer (Social Sciences Teacher), Mr Anderson (Health and Physical Education Teacher), Mrs McGill-Wright (Head of Music), Mr de Kock (Year 7 and Year 8 Teacher), Ms Te Kaute (Reo Rua/Te Reo Māori Teacher), Mr Bailey (Mathematics Teacher) and Mrs Jacobs (Science Teacher).

Absent: Ms Zarah (Technology Teacher)



Whaanau Class Activities 2022

Nga Mahi Akomanga Whānau 2022

Before our school timetable started for 2022, students spent a day in their Whaanau classes putting together a pou. Pouwhenua or pou whenua (land post) are carved wooden posts used by Māori to mark territorial boundaries or places of significance. They are generally artistic and elaborately carved and can be found throughout New Zealand. Tuakau Colleges' Whaanau rūpu are areas of significance.

Whaanau classes made pou that were decorated using paper and cardboard. As part of this students took photos out and about around the school. Below are some of the photos that were taken.



Photolife
School Photos
Tuesday 1 March



Student Leadership Team 202

Tauira Kaiarahi Tauira 2022

Our Student Leadership Team for 2022 is pictured below.

This year our Student Leadership team was selected on merit, not gender. From left: Michayla van der Byl (Head Student 2022), Samantha Smith (Head Student 2022), Awhinatia Ngataki (Head Student 2022) and Charlotte Hyland-Mills (Head Student 2022). These are supported by our 2022 Prefects: Lilia Horlacher, Regan Penning and Caitlin Morris.



Check out @tuakau.college on Instagram to see a 'fun fact' about each of our 2022 Student Leadership Team members! (Look under our saved Instagram stories).

ROUNDERS COMPETITION 2022

Whakataetae Rounders 2022

On the first day of school for all our students, after a morning of Whaanau House assemblies (via ZOOM) and Whaanau Class activities, the day was finished off with a whole school Rounders competition, split into year levels! This was the first House Competition of the year.

Congratulations to Tawhirimatea who placed first, Tangaroa who placed second, Tane Mahuta who placed third and Ruaumoko who placed fourth. Tawhirimatea have set the bar high for the rest of the houses to chase down in the next events. There was a high participation level and it was awesome to see our house colours all over the field!



SWIMMING CHAMPS 2022

Whakataetae Kauhoe 2022

Due to COVID-19 'Red' settings we were unable to hold our awesome Swimming Tabloids this year, but we were able to have our Swimming Championships! Well done to all the students that participated! Tangaroa placed first with 174 points, Ruaumoko placed second with 156 points, Tane Mahuta placed third with 89 points and Tawhirimatea placed fourth with 57 points! A special congratulations to Charlotte Hyland-Mills who broke all five of her own records!

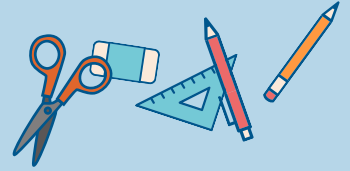


YEAR 7&8 FEATURE

Tau 7 me 8 Whakaaturanga

A word from Preeti Walia (Head of Year 7&8):

A warm welcome to all our new students and a big welcome back to our Year 8 students too!



The last few weeks have been an emotional rollercoaster for some of our Year 7 newbies. High school expectations and new school systems have been a challenging experience. Our students have had to settle and adjust themselves to fit into a new school; a fresh bunch of friends, a new bell system, a new uniform and a completely new way of 'doing things.' However, they have managed to cope and adjust to these higher expectations.

While many of our tamariki/children have made this transition seamless, we would like the continued support and awhi from you all, our whaanau. If you or your child has any issue at school, over any concern whatsoever, your first point of contact is with their Homeroom teacher. If you feel that the Homeroom teacher is not the best person to deal with your issue then please refer the matter to me or the Year 7&8 Deans. We are always happy to help!

Mrs Walia



Junior Ambassadors 2022 Nga Kaipupuri Matua 2022

From left: Sienna McFadden, Michelle Jacob, Tula Ani Bowers, Arvia Stewart, Nareach Choeu, Tiraha Cook-Fifita, Dan Nicholls and Oli Goodhand. **Absent:** Armani Tupaea.

OLI GOODHAND

An Ambassadors role is to: look after the younger part of the school, as well as anybody in need. Ambassadors help by running Junior assemblies and doing what is right for the younger part of the school by improving it in any way possible and setting a good example. Ambassadors help on Orientation Day and mark the Year 7 students' book of behavior every week to see which class gets the class trophy.

What am I looking forward to this year? Trying my best to make a change in the school in any way. I'm also excited about the sporting events and hope that all the Year 7's give it a go even if they are not in my house. I'm also excited about running assemblies, helping out at Orientation Day and learning new things from my teachers and my fellow students.

We asked some of our Junior Ambassadors about what it means to them to have the role of an Ambassador. Their responses are shared on the next page!

DAN NICHOLLS

An Ambassadors role is to: give good advice to younger students and support them. We also need to help out during Junior assemblies and show good examples. If students need help knowing where everything is, we will give them a hand. We also help out on events like Orientation Day and Māori Language Week. There are also top classes for the Junior College for behavior, that we help out with.

What am I looking forward to this year? Making sure the litter gets taken care of and standing up in Junior assemblies and giving speeches. One thing I know this year's Ambassadors are looking forward to is getting their badges.

ARVIAH STEWART

An Ambassadors role is to: look after Year 7 students, give them advice and help if they need help (eg. if they're lost, don't know what to do, or just need support with something in school). We also run assemblies so we need to be confident and believe in ourselves. The Ambassadors make little activities for Māori Week and Matariki and give them out to classes for a competition. The Junior leaders also help Mrs Walia and Mrs Clark come up with new ideas to make our school better.

What am I looking forward to this year? Working with teachers and fellow Ambassadors to make new ideas for the school. I'm also excited to talk at Year Level assemblies and lead the Junior college to be the 'very best that they can be.' I'm looking forward to getting the badges so the Year 7's know that I'm an Ambassador and they can trust me and talk to me if they need to.

NAREACH CHOEU

An Ambassadors role is to: guide the Junior college students around the campus whenever they require assistance. We organise and run Junior assemblies, help scribe the e-Bulletin and assist students who are lost. I believe that it is critical to help the younger students because if we don't they may be late for class, late for a meeting, etc. We are required to set a good example towards the Year 7's because if we didn't the Junior school may be in shambles. Ambassadors encourage Year 7's and Year 8's to be on their best behavior so they get the class trophy in weekly reports.

What am I looking forward to this year? Being a 2022 Ambassador and assisting the younger students during school times and possibly out of school times. I strive to be the best I can, whenever I can. I will help out my friends and classmates. I will try my best to represent Tāwhirimātea (Yellow house) in sports competitions, Cross Country and Athletics.

TIRAHA COOK-FIFITA

An Ambassadors role is to: take good care and responsibility of the Junior College students. It means running the Junior College assemblies, taking part in the weekly report and having fun. If any Year 7's are lost they can always find us and ask for help. The Ambassadors make fun little activities for Matariki and Māori Language Week. All of us are helped out by our Junior College Deans; Mrs Clarke and Mr Williams and our Head of Learning Area, Mrs Walia. We all should show good and positive behavior.

What am I looking forward to this year? Co-operating with the other Ambassadors and teachers, helping our Year 7's and helping out with assemblies. For me, getting the opportunity to be a leader and help out the Junior College is a blessing. I will try my best to be an amazing role model to the younger ones.

MICHELLE JACOB

An Ambassadors role is to: take care of new Year 7's, help them when needed/if they're lost and don't know where to go. We also help organise activities for Matariki or Māori Week, run assemblies confidently and be good, responsible role models. All of us have to be respectful and helpful, especially towards Mrs Walia, Mrs Clarke and Mr Williams.

What am I looking forward to this year? Taking care of the younger ones and working with teachers, my class and the other Ambassadors. I'm looking forward to getting our Ambassador badges to let the new people know that they can talk to me, trust me and I can help them and support them. Another thing I'm looking forward to is Athletics Day.

TULA BOWERS

An Ambassadors role is to: help others and encourage them when they have a goal. It means that if someone was scared or lost that you would be able to help them. Being an Ambassador means helping out with assemblies and school activities. We need to set a good example for the younger students in this school and make sure that if they're doing something wrong, to remind them to do what's right.

What am I looking forward to this year? Being the best I can be as an Ambassador and student, setting a good example for Year 7's and making sure they feel comfortable talking to me. I'm excited for Year Level assemblies where I can help out and contribute to the school. I'm hoping that with some time we can make this school even better.

SIENNA MCFADDEN

An Ambassadors role is to: help younger students navigate around the school, be involved in school events, help run Junior assemblies and provide teachers with ideas and feedback to make Tuakau College the best that it can be. I'm looking forward to being able to help out when I can.

What am I looking forward to this year? Working with other Ambassadors and teachers, being a good role model to younger students and helping out with school events, such as assemblies and sporting events. I will do my best to encourage younger students to strive academically, even when learning is challenging.

Meet the Year 7 and 8 Teachers *Tutaki ki nga kaiako Tau 7 me 8*

Mrs P Walia

*Head of Year 7&8 and
8N Homeroom Teacher*

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Mrs Walia has been teaching at Tuakau for the past 17 years.

She is a committed and passionate teacher who loves to excel student achievement.

As a Head of Year 7&8, Mrs Walia looks after students learning and makes sure they are progressing well in the classroom.

She enjoys Bollywood dancing and shopping in her free time.



Miss K Sharan

7P Homeroom Teacher

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Miss Kavita started teaching at Tuakau College two years ago. She has a passion for teaching and love for children. Miss Kavita is known for her politeness and patience. She believes that a little act of kindness can leave a great impact on someone's life.

She thoroughly enjoyed teaching Year 7&8 and looks forward to teaching again this year. Miss Kavita enjoys cooking, writing, listening to music, doing yoga and dancing in her free time. Last year she enjoyed teaching bollywood dance, along with Mrs Walia, to a Bollywood Dance Group.

Mrs M Van der Byl

7N Homeroom Teacher

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Mrs Van Der Byl has been teaching since 2008 and still has a strong passion for teaching. She has taught in both mainstream and special needs schools and sets high expectations for all her learners. This is her third year at Tuakau College and not only is she a homeroom teacher of 7N, but she also teaches Year 8 Art and Maths classes. She is in the mighty Tane Mahuta house and takes Tane Mahuta Pumanawa class. Mrs Van Der Byl is loving her new classes this year and looks forward to a prosperous year ahead. She lives locally and enjoys spending time with her family and friends, travelling and Netflix!

Ms H Clarke

*8Q Homeroom Teacher
and Year 8 Dean*

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Ms Clarke is a friendly teacher who is also known as Year 8 Dean. She has had 17 years working at Tuakau College and 6 years being a Dean.

Ms Clarke has also had the privilege of leading Year 7 Camp and catering for Year 8 Camp.

Ms Clarke has taught many classes such as Science, Food Tech, Social Studies, Biotech, Health, Gateway, etc.

She loves to have a good chat with her students to build positive teacher/student relationships and has taught most of our family lines.

Ms Clarke is part of Tawhirimatea and loves to meet new students and their Whaanau.



Meet the Year 7 and 8 Teachers continued. . . *Tutaki ki nga Kaiako Tau 7 me te 8 tonu. . .*

Mr M Williams

Year 7 Dean

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Mr Williams joined Tuakau College at the end of 2020.

He currently teaches English and Media Studies in the Senior College. He joined Tuakau from Hockey New Zealand where he was the Media and Communications Manager.

He has a passion for sports and enjoys following along with most American sports.

His main sport is hockey, something that he has been playing since he was four years old. Mr Williams currently plays for the University of Waikato Hockey Team.

Previously he worked at Rosehill College where he was the Head of Media Studies. He loves spending time outside of school with his friends and getting outside and doing as many active things as he can find.

He looks forward to working with everyone throughout your time at the college.

Miss Tania Te Kaute

8 Reo Rua Teacher

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Whaea Tania is the Homeroom teacher for 8R. Although she has just started teaching here she is not new to Tuakau College, as she attended the college from 2006 to 2008.

Whaea Tania became a qualified teacher and has been in the teaching profession for seven years. She taught in Primary schools for six years before moving on to college.

Whaea Tania has a philosophy in her classroom where the students are encouraged to do their best and to believe in themselves. She is a Māori warden for the Pukekohe Sub and has been a warden since 2012. She believes that teachers don't just teach students, students teach her as well.

In her spare time, she likes to weave korowai, study towards her masters degree in Te Reo Maaori, as well as going to the river.

Mrs C Rivers-Smith

7S Teacher

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Whaea Catherine has taught in Year 8 since joining the kura in 2017. Recently, she began her Te Reo Maaori journey and is excited to be able to utilise her knowledge within the classes she teaches.

She believes it is important to remain open to new learning and values the principle of 'ako' where she can both teach and learn from and alongside her students and their whaanau.

She welcomes the kete of knowledge that whaanau can bring to enrich the learning environment (and welcomes participation and partnership from whaanau).

In her spare time she loves to cook, get lost in a book, ride her bike and more recently has become addicted to watching Netflix.

Nau mai, haere mai koutou ki taa taatou akomanga kia awhina kia tautoko kia tipu ake oo taatou tamariki.



Meet the Year 7 and 8 Teachers continued. . . *Tutaki ki nga Kaiako Tau 7 me te 8 tonu. . .*



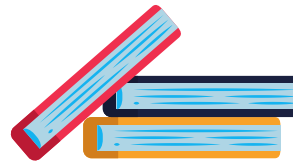
Mr L De Kock

8Q Homeroom Teacher
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Mr de Kock joins Tuakau College as the next step in a very long teaching journey. He started his career in South Africa before emigrating to New Zealand with his wife and two children.

While he has made Pukekohe his home and taught in various schools in Franklin, he has also explored international teaching, having spent time in Doha (Qatar), Hangzhou (China) and most recently, Maputo (Mozambique). He thoroughly enjoyed being immersed in, and learning about, other cultures.

His main motivation is helping students, both homeroom and Tawhirimatea whaanau, to become the best version of themselves and develop into the citizens that the world needs right now.



Mrs S Dzayda

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Mrs Dzadya might be new to Tuakau College but she's definitely not new in the teaching field and child development.

Mrs Dzadya joined New Zealand education in 2002 and since then has taught in Christchurch and Taranaki region.

In 2008 she joined Oranga Tamariki where she contributed a lot in child development and behaviour management for 10 years.

She worked in collaboration with Police, DHBs, Psychologists, the community and schools to wrap around the students at high risk of dropping out of school to keep them at school and motivating them to achieve to their best abilities.

She has a great passion for working with children. Combining social work skills and 12 years teaching experience makes her an all rounder in engaging and motivating students to achieve to their full potential.

Mrs Dzadya is a dedicated member of Tangaroa and takes the Tangaroa Puumanawa class.



Miss P Mistry

8O Homeroom Teacher
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Mrs P. Mistry is a Homeroom teacher for 8O in 2022. She joined Tuakau College last year.

She loves being around the children and working with them. Her mantra in life is "be positive."

She came to New Zealand two years ago and fell in love with the nature and beauty of it.

Her hobbies are yoga, travelling, cooking and sometimes shopping.



"The capacity to learn is a gift; the ability to learn is a skill; the willingness to learn is a choice."

- **Brian Herbert**

"Minds are like parachutes, they only function when they are open."

- **James Dewar**



Year 7&8 Student Voice *Te Reo Tauira Tau 7 & 8*

We asked our Year 7 and 8 students what some positives were about starting at Tuakau College this year. Below are some of their replies:

"Tuakau College has been wonderful about meeting new people, it's been a joy to start this fabulous school, I like the timetable and the free lunch, everything is fun and positive, I am grateful to begin Year 7 here, I really like the canteen and the big Gym, being able to learn new things and meet new people, I like the timetable and the school is so big, the first day here at Tuakau College was cool, 5 star rating, it's so fun, it's such a nice school, there are a lot more things to do and a we have a lot more space, we have hard working teachers and free food, lots of opportunities for students and to have a voice in certain situations, Tuakau College has a lot to offer and lots of teams/clubs, it has free lunches for all students so we don't have to bring lunch, all the teachers are kind, the work is more challenging, many sporting opportunities, great learning resources."

"... everything is fun,
great and positive..."

- Year 7&8 students

Junior College DIPLOMA



In 2015 Tuakau College began assessing Year Seven and Eight students using a Junior College Diploma. At the end of Year Eight students will be awarded a Junior College Diploma, based on their academic performance at the curriculum level they are working on. Students are assessed using Key Competencies in each subject.

Each term, subjects the student are studying will have twenty points on offer. The exception is their whaanau report which only offers ten points. The first two Key Competencies relate to the Knowledge and Skills of the subject. Using Language, Symbols and Text (or Practical Skills if it is Art or PE) and Thinking and adds up to 10 points. The last three Key Competencies relate to the self-management skills of the student and fall into the following categories; Relating to Others, Managing Self and Participating and contributes 10 points. Each subject area has decided on the self-management skills that are important for success.

At the end of each term all the points the student has gained will be added up and students will receive a points update, which will show how well the student is achieving using a grade point average. In order to achieve a Silver grade, students need a grade point average of at least 75 and for Gold, a grade point average of 85 or higher. Students achieving Bronze will need a grade point average of 50 to 74. Whaanau reports will reward students with points for their extra-curricular activities and willingness to help others in whaanau and house competitions. Wearing the correct uniform will also be a way of gaining quality points.

Two full school reports and two progress reports will be issued during the year. Students will receive a table of criteria on how to get the points for each subject and this will be placed in a part of their workbooks or booklets that are easily accessible and where teachers will be able to explain what students need to do to be successful.

In Summary:

- 20 points awarded in each subject each term
- Whaanau reports will award 10 points each term
- Students will receive two full reports and two progress reports
- Students must achieve two thirds of the credits available
- Bronze GPA needs a grade point average of 50 - 74
- Silver GPA needs a grade point average of 75 - 84
- Gold GPA needs a grade point average of 85 - 100



Useful websites for online learning (during school and isolation)

Paetukutuku whaihua mo te ako aipurangi (i te wa o te kura me te noho mokemoke)

- [Google Classroom](https://classroom.google.com/) - Students are expected to utilise Google Classroom for most of their school and homework. This is one of the most effective way for us to assign class work and communicate with our students and parents/caregivers when required. Most of the students have already signed up, but for those that haven't, please see their homeroom teacher for the Google Classroom code.
- <https://www.khanacademy.org> - Khan Academy is an organisation on a mission. This is a non-profit website with the goal of changing education for the better by providing a free world-class education for anyone anywhere. All of the site's resources are available to anyone. Khan Academy's materials and resources are available for all the subjects to you completely free of charge.
- <https://www.educationperfect.com/app/#/login> - We are lucky to have an unlimited access to Education Perfect for English, Social Studies, Mathematics and Science. All students already have the login details. Any new students, please follow the instructions below. If the login doesn't work, please email your homeroom teacher.



VISION: Tuakau College prepares students for life through a quality education promoting excellence in all things. 	STRATEGIC GOALS: TUAKAU COLLEGE WILL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximize opportunities for student achievement. Lead development in local education in a continuously changing world. Be the heart of the community where everyone wants to be. 	EXCELLENCE Tino pai rawa Pai rawa atu i nga mea katoa. The very best in all things. 	PERSEVERANCE U tonutanga Kua e mate wheke mate ururoa. Don't give up like an octopus but fight like a hammerhead shark. 	INTEGRITY Ngakau Tapatahi Kua e takahia te mana o te tangata. Do not trample on the mana of the people. 	CARING • LOVE • RESPECT Manaaki • Aroha • Whakaute He aha te mea nui? Māku e kōwhiri. He tangata he tangata he tangata. What is the greatest thing? It is people, it is people, it is people.
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TUAKAU COLLEGE
 Pai rawa atu i nga mea katoa | The very best in all things
launching
BYOD in 2022



Tuakau College will launch BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) in 2022, starting with Year 7 (optional for rest of year levels for 2022). The rest of the year levels will be phased in over 3 years, with Years 7, 8 and 9 in 2023 and the entire school in 2024.

Our BYOD requirements are:

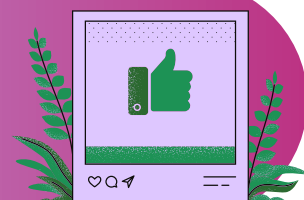
- A minimum of a Chromebook (phone is not a device for BYOD)
- Device must have a keyboard
- Minimum 10.5" screen
- Must hold approx. 5 hours of charge
- Case for the device to protect it from damage

We have signed up with Noel Leeming to get best deals available. Any further questions please contact a.jacobs@tuakaucollege.com



Tuakau College is on Instagram! You can find us by searching '@tuakau.college' on Instagram. Follow our page for regular updates and information!

Don't forget we also have our Facebook page, which you can find by searching 'Tuakau College' on Facebook! This is a great way to see all photos of events, important information and updates!



Student Council 2022 *Kaunihera Ākonga 2022*

Tane Mahuta: Louise Moshier, Ava Ngatai, Zac Bull, Abbi McKay, Joseph Heta and Layne Heaslip

Tangaroa: Millie Calder, Samantha Sharp, Rohaan Prasad, Kaiah Hammond, Shiya Gosai and Sarah Muller

Tawhirimatea: Ava Wilson, Sean Hilton-Taufua, Teja Graham, Kirimangu Brown-Cowley, Malia Potini and Devon Brown

Ruaumoko: Justin Taka, Natalie Maisey, Caleb Quinlan, Chelsea Tregurtha, Kudzanai Makore and Caitlin Lee

House Leaders 2022 *Nga Kaiarahi o te Whare 2022*

Tane Mahuta: Maia James, Jordyn O'Meara, Gemma West and Wil Ryan (Mrs Van der Byl - Teacher Leader)

Tangaroa: Natasha Kihi-Marshall, Kayla Mailangi, Zachary Blundell and Blake Hannah (Mrs Preston - Teacher Leader)

Tawhirimatea: Danielle Hepburn, Hayden Thompson, Keegan Twist and Marisa Rowsell (Mrs Shaw - Teacher Leader)

Ruaumoko: Micaiah Adams, Lilia Horlacher, Jess Lusby and Sam Nicholson (Mr Prakash - Teacher Leader)



Spare Musical Instruments?

Do you have any instruments at home that no one wants to use anymore? Tuakau College would love to take them off your hands and put them to good use!

You can send them in with your child and they can drop them in to the Music Department. For any enquiries please contact Ms McGill Wright (Head of Music) on c.mcgill-wright@tuakaucollege.com

SAVE
THE
DATE

FRANKLIN SCHOOLS' CAREER EXPO

Where: Pukekohe Indian Association Hall
Ward Street, Pukekohe

When: Thursday 30 June, 2022

Doors open from 5:30pm to 7:30pm

MASKS IN THE CLASSROOM: HINTS AND TIPS

HERE'S SOME GREAT MASK ADVICE FROM NZPPTA COLLEAGUES IN AUCKLAND



MASK MINDSET

- A lesson in patience: get used to having to put masks on and have patience to put the mask on correctly.
- An attitude shift: masks are uncomfortable, BUT they really are necessary, especially if there isn't ventilation.
- Like wearing pants: we'd all love to go without them but for the collective good we wear them. Yes, they're hot and they contain us but we're all ok with doing it!

MASK CHANGING

- New mask? Make sure you are replacing your mask every 4 hours or when it gets damp.
- When taking your mask off please dispose of it correctly - do NOT just leave it lying on a table, the ground, etc.

MASK COMMUNICATION

- Face people when you speak to them and use lots of eye contact
- Remember that masks can affect the volume of your voice. It takes some adjustments, but you should not be removing your masks to speak.
- Big breath; the louder you speak, the harder it is to catch your breath, so masks on can mean lower volumes
- Use body language and gestures, like nodding, to show that you are listening
- Be prepared to explain to people how you are feeling, as people cannot read your facial expressions properly with a mask on

MASK CHALLENGES

- Drink a lot: keeping hydrated is important as you can easily become dehydrated when wearing a mask
- Skin care: it's hard and hot and you will sweat, particularly in the medical masks. Make sure you moisturise your face to avoid chaffing/pimples around the mouth

COVID-19

FACE MASK DO'S AND DON'TS

WHEN PUTTING ON A FACE MASK

Before putting on your face mask, clean your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser (containing at least 60 percent alcohol). Ensure your hands are dry.



Place the face mask over your nose and mouth, holding it by the sides (or ties) and secure with ties or loops. Make sure the mask fits snugly, moulded to your face and around your nose. Make sure the mask fully covers your nose, mouth and chin. Your mask should be comfortable, with no gaps around the mask and your face, and allow you to breathe easily.

WHEN WEARING A FACE MASK, DON'T DO THE FOLLOWING:



DON'T wear your face mask under your nose or mouth.



DON'T touch or adjust your face mask without cleaning your hands before and after.



DON'T wear your face mask under your chin or around your neck.



DON'T wear your face mask on your head.
DON'T wear your face mask around your arm.

WHEN REMOVING A FACEMASK

Before removing your face mask, clean your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser (containing at least 60 percent alcohol). Ensure your hands are dry.



Remove the face mask (do not touch the front of the mask) by untying ties or removing loops and pull it away from your face. Be careful not to touch your eyes, nose and mouth when removing your mask. Clean or dispose of it appropriately.
Clean your hands again.

Calendar

Maaramataka for Term 1 2022

Please note that events on this calendar are subject to change due to COVID-19 restrictions/Traffic Light System

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Auckland Anniversary Day (Public Holiday)	1 FEB Year 12&13 Subject Confirmation School Bus starts	2 New students day Peer Support Programme	3 Term 1 starts for all students	4 Timetable starts	5	6
7 Waitangi Day (Public Holiday)	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Valentines Day	15	16	17 Swimming Sports Championships - NO Spectators	18	19	20
21 Year 7 Camp - POSTPONED	22 BOT Meeting Year 7 Camp - POSTPONED	23 Year 7 Camp - POSTPONED	24	25 Athletics Day - POSTPONED	26	27
28	1 MAR Photolife Day	2 Extended Whaanau	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 12OUT Kayak Trip	10 L2 Biology Trip 12OUT Kayak Trip	11 12OUT Kayak Trip	12	13
14	15	16	17 L3 Geography Trip	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Year 8 Gardasil Vaccinations	25	26	27
28	29 BOT Meeting	30 13OUT Survival Tramp	31 13OUT Survival Tramp	1 APR 13OUT Survival Tramp	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Parent Teacher Interviews	13 Parent Teacher Interviews	14 Term 1 ends	15 Good Friday (Public Holiday)		Term 2 starts on Monday 2 May. Term 2 finishes on Friday 8 July.