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WISHING YOU ALL A

Merry Christmas + Happy New Year

with love from the Staff at Tuakau College!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Kaupapa ka whai ake

Student Centre and Accounts
Office Open - Tuesday 23
January, 2024

New Students Day -
Thursday 1 February, 2024

Whole School starts -
Friday 2 February, 2024

**SEE THE BACK PAGE FOR A
TERM 1 2024 CALENDAR**



**Rūaumoko
Red House**

Rūaumoko (also known as Rūamoko) is the god of earthquakes, volcanoes and seasons. He is the youngest son of Ranginui (the Sky father) and Papatūānuku (the Earth mother) (commonly called Rangi and Papa).

Koorero a te Tumuaki

The Principal speaks:

Tēnā koutou katoa!

We have made it to the end of 2023! A huge thank you to all the students that have worked hard and diligently over the year, the staff who have worked tirelessly to teach and support our students and all the parents/caregivers and family members who have encouraged students throughout the year! You all deserve a well earned festive break.

Included in this e-Bulletin is some important information about 2024 start dates and BYOD in 2024. The last page of this e-Bulletin has an indicative calendar for Term 1, 2024. On this calendar it has the 'days' for our 6x6 timetable printed. I suggest that you print this calendar off and have it handy somewhere in your home/residence to refer to - both for yourself and your child(ren). Students timetables will be published for them to view at the start of 2024, once the timetable has been finalised.

In January 2024 an e-Bulletin will be published that will include further key information about our kura (such as reporting absences, communication with the school, etc.)

At the end of this term we celebrated the academic successes of your Junior College and Middle College students. It was a great day and we are proud of all your achievements. Well done to all the prizewinners!

Have a great Christmas and New Year, keep safe and healthy, and I look forward to seeing you all after the break! Meri Kirihimete! Ka kite ano!



Mr Chris Betty

2023

Junior College Prizegiving

We held our Junior College Prizegiving on Wednesday 13 December. A special congratulations to our special award winners (see images of some of these recipients below). To see all photos of the event please visit the Tuakau College Facebook page.

The 2024 Junior College Leaders are Eithan Langi, Eila Were, Pippa Thomas, Toni Smith, Ryan Sinclair, Dero Tonga-Awhikau, Taan Kanimako, Piper Shields, Syriah May Toea'ana and Lineti Fetuani.



Betty Family Cup
Top Year 7&8
Academic student

Lucas
Astadan



Paton Family Cup
Top All Round
Year 7&8 Student

Liam
Goodhand



Mary Nelson Cup
For outstanding
citizenship and
embodying the
school values

Ava
Wilson



**Wolfsbauer
Attitude Award**
For Excellence in
Attitude

Xavier
Nahi



**Rowan Hucker
Cup**
For the top Year 7&8
student in PE

Charli
Sabine

2023

Middle College Prizegiving

We held our Junior College Prizegiving on Wednesday 13 December. A special congratulations to our special award winners (see images of some of these recipients below). To see all photos of the event please visit the Tuakau College Facebook page.

The 2024 Middle College Leaders are Mercury Heta, Sam Brown, Ava Ngatai, Oli Goodhand, Arviah Stewart, Paige Powell, Danielle Claridge, Ashley Shepherd, Michelle Jacob and Ranisha Singh.



The Principal's Cup
Top Year 9&10 student
for overall Academic
Excellence

Caleb Quinlan



Chris Betty Cup
Top All Round
Year 9&10 student
across the four kete

Caleb Quinlan



The Hema Cup
For reflecting the
school motto across
the four school values

Eknoor Kaur



The Tim Foy Cup
For a Year 10 student
for industry, co-
operation and service

Caleb Cottee



**The Douglas
Hughes Memorial
Trophy**
For Whaanau loyalty

Hazel McMillan



2024 Staff Updates 2024 Nga Whakahou Kaimahi

To our staff leaving; on behalf of the Tuakau College community, staff, students and parents/caregivers we wish you the best on the new challenges and journey you are about to undertake. Thank you for all the work with our students and the influences you have had on their lives and their futures. Haere ra to Mrs Chahar, Ms Vakalahi, Mrs Venter, Mrs Jones and Mrs Rivers-Smith!

Next year, due to roll growth, we have a large number of new teachers starting at our college:

- Miss Powley (Health and Physical Education Teacher)
- Miss Cowley (Health and Physical Education Teacher)
- Mr Cochrane (Health and Physical Education Teacher)
- Miss Muir (Business Studies Teacher)
- Mr Gibbison (Mathematics Teacher)
- Mr Makun (Mathematics Teacher)
- Ms Yeo (Mathematics Teacher)
- Ms Wilton (Year 7&8 Teacher)
- Miss Deepshikha (Year 7&8 Teacher)
- Mrs Fung (Year 7&8 Teacher)
- Mrs Ferguson (English Teacher)
- Mrs Lata (English Teacher)
- Mrs Frank (English Teacher)
- Mr Selda (Science Teacher)
- Ms Jones (Science Teacher)
- Mr Prakesh (Science Teacher)



Next year we also have a couple of staff members going on maternity leave and we wish them all the best. Mrs Hyde (Guidance Counsellor) will be on maternity leave and her replacement during this time will be Miss Pritchard. Mrs Nielson (Science Teacher) will also be on maternity leave and her replacement during this time will be appointed over the school holidays.

To our staff that remain with us - we are always thankful for your efforts with our students and your dedication in helping them to be the very best in all things. This school wouldn't be the way it is without you, so thank you!

<p>VISION: Ka whakarite kareti o Tuakau i ngā ākonga kia whai tāna e tōmina nei, kia kōunga tonu tana kete mātauranga. Tuakau College prepares students for life through a quality education promoting excellence in all things.</p>	<p>STRATEGIC GOALS - TUAKAU COLLEGE WILL:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div data-bbox="293 1413 459 1534"> <p>Whakawhānui i ngā whai wāhitanga te angītūtanga o ngā ākonga. Maximise opportunities for student achievement.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="467 1413 633 1534"> <p>Me ārahi i ngā whanaketanga o te rohe o te Ao hurihuri. Lead local developments in a continuously changing world.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="641 1413 807 1534"> <p>Kia noho hei manawa o te hapori kia hiahia te katoa. Be the heart of the community where everyone wants to be.</p> </div> </div>		<p>MANAAKI, AROHA + WHAKAUTE CARING, LOVE + RESPECT He aha te mea nui o te Ao? He tāngata, he tāngata, he tāngata. What is the most important thing in the world? It is people, it is people, it is people.</p>	<p>NGĀKAU TAPATAHI INTEGRITY Kaua e takahia te mana o te tāngata. Do not trample on the mana of the people.</p>	<p>ŪTONUTANGA PERSEVERANCE Kaua e mate wheke mate mangōpare. Don't give up like an octopus but fight like a hammerhead shark.</p>	<p>TINO PAI RAWA EXCELLENCE Pai rawa atu i ngā mea katoa. The very best in all things.</p>
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Thank you

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2023 Leavers Dinner
2023 Kai Whakarereā



On Tuesday 5 December we had our Leavers Dinner where we officially farewelled our Year 13 students. It was a lovely evening and great to see our students receiving their certificates for completing 13 years of schooling. We wish them all the best for the future and the very best in all things! A special thank you to Mark Woodward, an ex student and owner of Blue Ox Babe in Pukekohe, who was our guest speaker!



House & Land Packages

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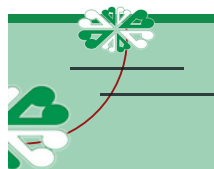
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- 3 Bathrooms
- 2 Living areas
- Double Garage
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2024 Start Dates

Tuesday 23 January Student Centre and Accounts Office open.

Monday 29 January Auckland Anniversary (Public Holiday)

**Tuesday 30 January and
Wednesday 31 January** **Course Confirmation for Year 12 and Year 13 students** will occur from 10:30am - 3:30pm in the English breakout space in B Block. Please be patient during this time.

Thursday 1 February **New Students Pōwhiri/Orientation.** New students pōwhiri and orientation from 9am - 1pm. Arrive to school at 9am and go to D Block. All students to be in correct uniform. Year 12 and Year 13 students to meet in the gym at 9am. Day finishes at 1pm. Parents/caregivers are welcome at the Pōwhiri at 9am and the BBQ lunch at 1pm.

School bus service starts.

Friday 2 February Whole school starts. All students arrive at school at 8:50am for a 9am whole school assembly. All students to be in correct uniform and to bring a pen - no other stationery required. Please ensure you have your PE uniform, hat, sunscreen and water bottle for the Whānau House Rounders competition in the afternoon.

Monday 5 February Timetable starts. Stationery is required.

Tuesday 6 February Waitangi Day (Public Holiday)

Wednesday 7 February School Canteen opens.

All other Key Information for 2024 (including Tools For Learning Lists, Fees Schedule and more) can be found on the Tuakau College website (www.tuakaucollege.com) under the 'Key Information' tab.

We look forward to seeing you!





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is Fully BYOD in 2024

Tuakau College started launching BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) in 2022, starting with Year 7 and phased in Year 8 and Year 9 in 2023.

The entire school will be BYOD in 2024.
All parents/caregivers have received emails about this.

Our BYOD requirements are:

- a minimum of a Chromebook (a 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





'6X6' TIMETABLE IN 2024

In 2024 Tuakau College will continue to have a 6 Day Timetable.

What does this mean?

We no longer have Monday, Tuesday, etc. but instead we will be using days (eg. Day 1, Day 2, etc.)

The benefits of this include:

- Students no longer miss the same subjects due to Public Holidays, sports days, etc. falling on Mondays/Fridays
- Trades/Gateway students who are out one or two days a week no longer miss the same subjects each week
- Friday last period is no longer be the same subject each week
- Wednesday afternoon sport means students are often away for part or all of Period 6 on Wednesday and this means they no longer miss the same subject each week
- We have been able to move back to our senior students having six subjects/lines in the timetable

An example of what a Year 11-13 students timetable could look like is below:

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
Period 1	Maths	PE	Hort	DVC	Geo	English
Period 2	English	Maths	PE	Hort	DVC	Geo
Period 3	English	Maths	PE	Hort	DVC	Geo
Period 4	Geo	English	Maths	PE	Hort	DVC
Period 5	DVC	Geo	English	Maths	PE	Hort
Period 6	Hort	DVC	Geo	English	Maths	PE

More information on the timetable will be published in the January 2024 e-Bulletin.



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Our Committee invites you to sponsor!

Sponsorship invites have been emailed/posted out to a large number of local businesses and companies. There are five different levels of sponsorship and this will assist us with the running of the Jubilee weekend, a new carved pou at the main entrance and a new electronic sign on Buckland Road.

If you would like to offer sponsorship and haven't received a sponsorship form, please email tuakaucollegegoldenjubilee@gmail.com and we will send you info on how you can assist with sponsorship.

Calendar

Maaramataka

for Term 1 2024

*PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THESE ARE INDICATIVE AND COULD CHANGE

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
29 JAN Auckland Anniversary (Public Holiday)	30 Course Confirmation for Year 12 and 13	31 Course Confirmation for Year 12 and 13	1 FEB New Students Day	2 Whole school starts Rounders competition	3	4
Day 1 5 Timetable starts	6 Waitangi Day (Public Holiday)	Day 2 7 School Canteen opens	Day 3 8	Day 4 9	10	11
Day 5 12 Year 7 Camp	Day 6 13 Year 7 Camp	Day 1 14 Year 7 Camp	Day 2 15 Swimming Champs	Day 3 16 Swimming Tabloids	17	18
Day 4 19	Day 5 20 Board Meeting	Day 6 21	Day 1 22	Day 2 23 Athletics Day	24	25
Day 3 26	Day 4 27	Day 5 28	Day 6 29	Day 1 1 MAR	2	3
Day 2 4	Day 3 5	Day 4 6	Day 5 7	Day 6 8	9	10
Day 1 11	Day 2 12	Day 3 13 12 OUT Risk Tramp	Day 4 14 12 OUT Risk Tramp	Day 5 15 12 OUT Risk Tramp	16	17
Day 6 18	Day 1 19	Day 2 20	Day 3 21 11OUT Kayak Tramp Careers Expo	Day 4 22 11OUT Kayak Tramp	23	24
Day 5 25	Day 6 26 13OUT Survival Tramp Board Meeting	Day 1 27 13OUT Survival Tramp	Day 2 28 13OUT Survival Tramp	29	30	31
1 APR Easter Monday (Public Holiday)	2 Easter Tuesday (Public Holiday)	Day 3 3	Day 4 4	Day 5 5	6	7
Day 6 8	Day 1 9	Day 2 10	Day 3 11	Day 4 12 Term 1 Ends		

Golden Jubilee
Friday 19 April -
Sunday 21 April