



Student Leadership Team 2021

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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!

The first month of school has passed and it has been very eventful with a short COVID-19 lockdown and now another one! In the last e-Bulletin we asked for the school community to be prepared for another lockdown. Little did we know that it was going to happen so quickly! Thank you to all parents/caregivers and students for your patience and resilience with the College going back into online learning during this time and again now.

The teachers have managed to now consolidate the work the students were taught during the first three day lockdown. Most students participated in the lessons online, but some did not so the consolidation meant bringing everyone up to the same point and level in terms of the lessons being taught and the work being completed.

The end of February means the 1st of March has arrived. This is a key time for the College as the roll determines the staffing levels and the funding for the year. Our roll at present is 770. This is the biggest roll that Tuakau College has ever had. We have 100 more students compared to this time last year. It is exciting to have more students and I can assure the community that we have planned for this and intend to continue to be proactive to ensure we are resourced appropriately with the increasing roll.

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Koorero a te Tumuaki Haere tonu

The Principal speaks continued:

Last Wednesday we had Mike King come in to speak to the student body. His messages were around mental health awareness. One of the key aspects is to speak to parents and caregivers. He was supposed to be coming back to the College to speak to parents on Wednesday 3rd March however, due to Alert Level 3, this event has been postponed. We will advise you of the new date once we have confirmed it.

Some exciting news is we have been working through the School Lunch programme and Tuakau College has decided to work with LaValla and the Kai Sisterz to provide free school lunches for all students at Tuakau College. This will start on the 3rd of May, at the beginning of Term 2. We have logistics such as who wants a lunch, etc and also contracts to work through before we begin on the 3rd of May. We will be in touch to all parents/caregivers with regard to this programme, dietary requirements etc.

Kia kaha, Kia manawanui, Kia hauora - Be strong, Be Patient, Be Healthy! *Chris Betty*



Tuakau College, over the next seven days will operate at Alert Level 3.

Online Learning has started today. Senior Management has emailed all parents. Students have received emails from their teachers with online learning instructions. Please make sure your child is engaging with their teachers and taking part in ZOOM calls, etc.

The school is still open for children of essential workers only – please email a.fletcher@tuakaucollege.com if you are an essential worker and you need your child to be supervised. School buses will still be running for these students.

Any queries please contact a.jacobs@tuakaucollege.com

Student Council 2021

Kaunihera Ākonga 2021

Tane Mahuta: Cielo Tuapawa, Paige Fletcher, Abbi McKay, Anita van Velthuisen, Calissa Johannesen and Maia James

Tangaroa: Sienna McFadden, Orlando Manuel, Kaiah Hammond, Robert Davies, Sarah Muller and Awhinatia Ngataki

Tawhirimatea: Tayla Yeager, Chane le Roux, Kirimangu Cowley, Payton Munce, Devon Brown and Charlotte Beeby

Ruaumoko: Oli Goodhand, Sean Taka, Willow Hyslop, Kudzanai Makore, Hannah Welch and Lilia Horlacher

House Leaders 2021

Nga Kaiarahi o te Whare 2021

Tane Mahuta: Tyron Tamati, Maia James, Cameron McVicar and Laurien Stone

Tangaroa: Sosaia Tonga, Tiane Vaiioleti, Natasha Kihī Marshall, Lexie Sharp. Keenan Breet is the Deputy House Leader

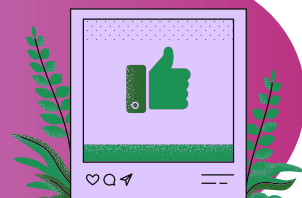
Tawhirimatea: Rehi Harvey, Brianna Welch, Brearna Rowsell and Michayla Van der Byl

Ruaumoko: Hayley Wallace, Caleb Scanlon, Renae Carlson and Aanja van der Heyden



Tuakau College is now on Instagram! You can find us by searching '@tuakau.college' on Instagram. Head on over and 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!



SCHOOL BUSES

The school buses have now settled. Many parents may not realise but it is legal for students to be standing on school buses. Every bus has a loading certificate which gives the total number of students allowed to be transported, the number that can be seated and the numbers allowed to stand. Many parents will be surprised at the capacity of these buses.

For us as the College it is not ideal to have the students standing, but it does fit within the law. Bus cards have been issued to all students that travel on a Tuakau College bus. Every student has to ensure they have their bus card on them everyday to access transport to and from home. This is our contact tracing system for school buses. If students have not got their bus cards then they need to go to the Student Centre and pick up their card or ask for a card to be printed. The first card is free and any subsequent card the students have to pay for. The cost is \$6.

For all the students that come from Pokeno and Pukekohe; remember there is now a public service which can drop students off at the Buckland Street gate if they do not wish to use the school buses. There is a charge for this bus. Please check out the BUSIT website for further details.

CYBER SAFETY



We continue to have issues with students and cyber safety risks. According to the latest statistics there has been an increase in cyber safety risks in the past year throughout New Zealand. There has been an 86 per cent increase in image based abuse online, 21 per cent increase in cyber bullying and a 200 per cent increase in posts to known online child sexual abuse forums. Of course as parents/caregivers this is frightening.

What this means for the College is that we are having to pick up the pieces because of the activities described above, done by students, and most of the time it is done outside of school hours.

We want to support you as parents/caregivers to ensure your child is safe from the issues they face with social media. It is your responsibility, as parents/caregivers, to monitor and control the interactions your child is having on social media. If you have issues then there are actions you can take to placate this:

1. Find out who is doing this to your son or daughter or what sites they are engaged with.
2. De-friend, delete, or uninstall the software from their phone or device.
3. Take the phone or account off your son/daughter.
4. Refer to the Police. They have powers to deal with this.
5. Inform the school so we know in case an issue arises at school. We should not be the first area to try and resolve the issues.
6. Talk to the parents of the other child who is using the social media platform to do harm to your child.
7. Monitor the sites your child is going on - chat rooms, etc.
8. Put cyber safety software on phones and computers.
9. Parents/caregivers have to be proactive in this area.
10. Consider what age is appropriate for students to have a Facebook page, Tik Tok, etc. You decide but it is your responsibility to track, monitor and take action if things go awry.

The College will be reviewing its phone and cyber safety policy at school in light of a couple of incidents that have occurred over the last few weeks. We will consider banning mobile phones at school. Before this happens we will be consulting with the school community. Many school communities have banned mobile phones which has had a positive impact on student and staff wellbeing.

New students and staff Pōwhiri *Tauira Hou me nga kaimahi pōwhiri*

On Wednesday 3 February, 2021 we welcomed our new students and staff to our school with a pōwhiri. After this students learnt a bit more about the school and enjoyed a sausage sizzle and much needed ice block to finish off!



Rounders Competition *Whakataetae Rounders*

All our students started school on Thursday 4 February. After a morning of Whaanau House assemblies 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 and after a very close battle Tane Mahuta came out the winners! Tangaroa was a close second, Tawhirimatea third and Ruaumoko fourth.



Student Leadership Team 2021

Tauira Kaiarahi Tauira 2021

Our Student Leadership Team for 2021 is pictured below. From left: Brooke Wilson (Head Girl 2021), Rose Salani (Deputy Head Girl 2021), Brearna Rowsell (Student Representative on the Tuakau College Board 2021), Ryan Narayan (Deputy Head Boy 2021) and Carlin Lee (Head Boy 2021). These are supported by our 2021 Prefects: Brianna Welch, Anica Dutt, Renae Carlson, Tiffany Swann, Tori Clark and Mere Taaka Te-Kaute.



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

Mike King Student Assembly

Mike King Huihuinga Akonga

We were lucky enough to have Mike King visit our school for a special assembly for our students recently. Mike was named New Zealander of the Year in 2019 and appointed as an Officer of the NZ Order of Merit for Services to mental health prevention and suicide prevention. He spoke to our students about mental health awareness and gifted our students an 'I am hope' wrist band each!

Parents and caregivers in the community are invited to his parents presentation. This was scheduled to happen on Wednesday 3 March, however due to Alert Level 3, this has been postponed. We will advise parents of the new date once we have confirmed it.



SWIMMING SPORTS 2021

Last Friday our students had a great day of swimming, water, games, challenges and tabloids! The day started off with our Swimming Championships in the morning. Ruamoko placed first with 177 points, Tangaroa placed second with 153 points, Tane Mahuta placed third with 149 points and Tawhirimatea placed fourth with 101 points!

A special congratulations to Charlotte Hyland-Mills who broke all of the Senior Girls Swimming records!

In the afternoon we held our Swimming Tabloids which was full of laughter, fun and smiles! After a very close battle Tane Mahuta were announced the winners, with Tawhirimatea and Tangaroa placing second equal and Ruamoko placing fourth! Well done to all for getting involved!





YEAR 7&8 FEATURE

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 past 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 have made this transition seamless, we would like the continued support and awahi from you all, our whaanau. If you have any issues or concerns regarding your child, please feel free to contact me or Ms Clarke (Year 7 Dean) and Mrs Buttery (Year 8 Dean). We are always happy to help! Thanks,

Mrs Preeti Walia



Junior Ambassadors Nga Kaipupuri Matua

From left: Paige Fletcher, Natalia Lorenzon, Sean Taka, Lily Bombardieri, Mattias Tafto, Atarehia Hema, Nate Flipp, Cate Harvey, Lauren Rowsell and Arsh Dhani.

SEAN TAKA

An Ambassadors role is to: be a kind of connection between the students and college staff and to be a voice for peers. There are also a lot of responsibilities which have to be fulfilled, including sharing one's own experience as a student of the college and being the embodiment of the college values: respect, integrity, excellence, perseverance and love.

What am I looking forward to this year? Participating in college academic and social activities, being supportive and inspirational to others, helping organise assemblies and discussing problems, concerns and issues which might appear during school terms.

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!

NATALIA LORENZON

An Ambassadors role is to: show school values (care, love, respect, integrity, perseverance and excellence), be a role model for others, be responsible and help others.

What am I looking forward to this year? Participating in new activities in the school, organising cultural days with other students and being involved in all new events.

LILY BOMBARDIERI

An Ambassadors role is to: show the school values, be respectful and responsible to others,

What am I looking forward to this year? Participating in school activities and organising. In my role as ambassador, I am excited to be there for all the new students and teachers.

ARSH DHAMI

An Ambassadors role is to: help others in need of help, show school values, encourage others, be someone to look up to, carry your badge with pride and be a role model.

What am I looking forward to this year? Participating in big events, helping out teachers and planning activities.

PAIGE FLETCHER

An Ambassadors role is to: look after and watch out for Year 7&8 students and make sure they know that you are always there. Part of it is showing the school values: caring, love, respect, integrity, perseverance and excellence. Being an ambassador means that you wear that badge with lots of pride to show everyone that you deserve the role. Another part of the role is living the school motto - 'Pai rawa atu i nga mea katoa, the very best in all things.' You also have to be a great role model for the Year 7 students and show them that they can be an Ambassador one day.

What am I looking forward to this year? Getting involved in all the big events at our school. I'm also looking forward to learning new things as a leader that will help me become a better person in my life and help me in the future, helping Year 7&8 students teachers and getting out of my comfort zone and speaking in Year Level assemblies.

CATE HARVEY

An Ambassadors role is to: be a role model for Year 7&8 students and help other students. Being an ambassador is being proud that you're a role model and wearing your badge with pride. You also display the school values: caring, love, respect, integrity, perseverance and excellence at all times, as well as living the school motto - 'Pai rawa atu i nga mea katoa, The very best in all things.'

What am I looking forward to this year? Participating and organising lots of events and cultural weeks like Market Day or Maaori Language Week. I am also looking forward to being more able to help students and teachers in the Year 7&8 area and above, giving Year 7&8's a voice and helping run assemblies.

ATAREHIA HEMA

An Ambassadors role is to: be a role model for other students, especially new students and teachers because, it's not only students that are nervous of starting a new school. I want them to feel comfortable and happy. We have to be kind, caring, loving and supportive of each other. It also means to wear your badge with pride, keep your head high and show all the school values.

What am I looking forward to this year? Participating in all activities in the school and organising Market day and cultural days with other ambassadors and students.

MATTIAS TAFTO

An Ambassadors role is to: look after students and make sure they are alright and settling in well, making friends and making sure they sign up for cool events at the school.

What am I looking forward to this year? All the new opportunities and fun experiences I will have and I'm excited to get into the Ambassador job to help the Year 7&8's. The camp also sounds really good so I'm also excited to try that.

Meet the Year 7 and 8 Teachers

Tutaki ki nga kaiako Tau 7 me 8

Mrs P Walia

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



Mrs Walia has been teaching at Tuakau for the past 16 years. She is a committed and passionate teacher who loves to excel student achievement. As Head of Learning Area 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.



Mrs M Van der Byl

7N Homeroom Teacher



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

*7O Homeroom Teacher
and Year 7 Dean*



Ms Clarke is a friendly teacher who is also known as Year 7 Dean. She has had 16 years working at Tuakau College and 6 years as a Dean. Ms Clarke has also had the privilege of leading Year 7 camp and catering for Year 8 camp. She 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.

Mrs C Rivers-Smith

7 Reo Rua Teacher



Whaea Catherine has taught in Year 8 since joining the kura in 2017. She is just beginning her Reo Maaori journey and is excited to be teaching in the 7R Reo Rua akomanga. She believes it's important to remain teachable and values the principle of 'ako' where she can both teach and learn, alongside her students and their whaanau. She welcomes the kete of knowledge that whaanau can bring to enrich the learning environment. 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.*

Miss K Sharan

7P Homeroom Teacher



Miss Kavita started teaching at Tuakau College last year. 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.



Meet the Year 7 and 8 Teachers continued

Tutaki ki nga kaiako Tau 7 me 8 haere tonu

Mrs S Welch

8N and 8O Homeroom Teacher



Mrs Welch is a proud member of Ruauumoko whaanau and she is looking forward to teaching 8O and 8N for 2021. She has been teaching for 14 years; six of these at Tuakau College. She will be teaching in Year 8 this year. In her spare time, apart from looking after her family, Mrs Welch enjoys reading, crochet and cuddles with her miniature schnauzer, Felix.

Mrs J Buttery

Year 8 Dean
(Health and PE Teacher)



Mrs Buttery is in her third year at Tuakau College as a Health and PE teacher and this is her first year as Year 8 Dean. This year she is teaching 8O HPE, 9S HPE, 10N HPE and 11 Health. Her hobbies include cooking, building, spending time with family, the outdoors and sports. Mrs Buttery is part of Tawhirimatea.

Mrs L Shaw

8 Reo Rua Teacher



Whaea Lee has taught at Tuakau since 2002 and has always taught Year 7 and 8. She is also part of the Kapa Haka group. Whaea Lee is dedicated and loves our kura and her Tāwhirimātea whānau.

Miss A McCarthy

8Q Homeroom Teacher



Miss McCarthy lives locally and has been teaching in Waiuku for the past three years and has come to us to make the drive to work shorter. She has taught Year 3 in 2018 and 2019, and Year 7&8 in 2020. Miss McCarthy is looking forward to teaching 8Q this year, along with Year 7 Digital Technology and 8N Science. In her spare time, Miss McCarthy likes to walk with her two dogs Lexie and Charlie or lounge around on the couch watching Netflix. She also likes to travel and go camping around New Zealand with her family.



Mrs S Dzayda

7Q Homeroom Teacher



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 Pumanawa class.

Junior College Dates for your Diary!

Nga Ra o Te Kareti Junior mo to Pukapuka Diary!

Week 4 and 5: Year 7 to 10 EastTle and PAT Testing

March 11 + 12: ASB Bank Getwise Program

March 18: Mufti Day

Friday 9 April: Year 7&8 Market Day

April 14 - 16: Year 7 Camp at Chosen Valley

See the back page of the e-Bulletin for more!



Student Work: Biography Poems

Kind, silly, cheerful and happy
Daughter of Eddie and Melissa
Who loves Among Us, Roblox, painting and cooking
Who feels happy, excited and sad
Who fears cockroach, snakes and spiders
Who needs my phone, ipad and family
Who accomplished top girl at Harrisville School
Resident of Tuakau, NZ
Powell

Paige Powell (7N)



Kind, smart, aloof and vain
Daughter of Jaqueline and Kerry
Lover of chapter books, furry animals and travelling abroad
Who feels tired, smart and creative
Who fears heights, insects and being judged
Who would like to see the Great Barrier Reef
Resident of Pokeno
Tuhiwai

Caiside Tuhiwai (7N)



Caring, kind and helpful
Son of Alice and brother of George
Lover of basketball and rugby
Who feels nervous, joyful and loved
Who fears bullying, spiders and snakes
Who needs delicious food, lots of sleep and good entertainment
Who accomplished primary school with good grades
Who would like to visit France, South Africa and Japan
Resident of Tuakau
King

Nikau King (7N)



Year 7&8 Student Voice Te Reo Tauria 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:

Year 7 students: the canteen and my friends, the teachers are nice, it's a really good school, making new friends, playing games, it gives more subject options, PE is the best, being nice, Mrs Van der Byl is a nice teacher, more things to be part of, pretty good not bad, not too much homework, Whaanau teachers, when I get lost the seniors help me and point me where to go, good work and amazing teachers.

Year 8 students: this school can teach us to be a good person, we get all the knowledge that we need, making new friends, I love playing the sports that I love, I enjoyed this year and last year, the canteen, meeting my BFFs, the amazing teachers, nice school, great people, awesome opportunities, enjoy being in Mrs Walias class, basketball hoops, my new teachers, lovely students and doing cross country.

"... this school can teach us to be a good person, we get all the knowledge that we need. . ."

- Year 8 students

VISION:

Tuakau College prepares students for life through a quality education promoting excellence in all things.



STRATEGIC GOALS: TUAKAU COLLEGE WILL:

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

Kaua e mate wheke mate ururoa.
Don't give up like an octopus but fight like a hammerhead shark.

INTEGRITY Ngakau Tapatahi

Kaua 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. Maku e ki atu. He tangata he tangata he tangata. What is the greatest thing? It's people, it's people, it's people.

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 will be assessed using the Key Competencies in each subject that they are studying.

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



REO RUA 2020

7R, 8R, 9R and 10R

Reo Rua has four year level classes in 2021: 7R, 8R, 9R and 10R. We are extremely lucky in Reo Rua because our kaiako speak to us in both Te Reo Maaori and Te Reo Paakeha. We not only learn things in Te Reo Maaori and Te Reo Paakeha but also learn in the other option classes too.

All of our teachers are very excited and happy to teach new tamariki that would like to be a part of the Reo Rua classes. Many tamariki in these classes enjoy learning Te Reo Maaori, new waiata and haka. We have the privilege to poowhiri our exchange students to our kura and through our whare Te Atarua. "Kia maakoha, kia humaarika hoki," (To be kind and courteous), is one of our many kiiwaha we use in our Reo Rua classes.

Written by Reo Rua students

Useful websites for online learning (during school and lockdowns)

Paetukutuku whaihua mo te ako aipurangi (i te wa o te kura me nga kati)

- [Google Classroom](https://www.google.com/classroom) - 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://nzmaths.co.nz/families-and-wh-nau> - In the nzmaths Families section there are lots of resources for helping your child learn about numbers - this will help them with the maths they do at school.
- <http://www.spellingcity.com/> - An award-winning free game-based learning website for vocabulary, spelling, writing and language.
- <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. To login, students Username: TC+First Name+Surname (e.g. TCJoeSmith - no spaces, not case-sensitive). Password: First name (e.g. joe), unless changed by the student this year.



Inaugural Year: 2021

Te Whare Ako

At the end of 2020 the ORS class, Te Whariki, was disestablished due to the lack of numbers to make this classroom viable. To replace the need to support the moderate learning needs in the school Te Whare Ako was initiated, taking over the previous classroom on the Buckland Entrance driveway.

Te Whare Ako is led by Catherine Hucker as SENCO for Tuakau College with the assistance of Shirley Scott. It also houses the ESOL Department.

The learning needs of Tuakau College students are also supported by seven Teaching Assistants. Included in Te Whare Ako is a wellness area which is designed to support students who need a place of calm to ensure they can then face the rigours of a school day.

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

FRANKLIN SCHOOLS' CAREER EXPO

Where: Pukekohe Indian Association Hall
Ward Street, Pukekohe

When: Thursday, 25 March 2021

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

UNIFORM



CONFISCATED ITEMS

All confiscated items must now be collected by parents from the deans room. If parents are unable to make it in to school to collect confiscated items they can ring the deans to organise an alternative option.

EARRINGS

As of Tuesday 23 February, students are allowed to wear plain sleeper earrings at Tuakau College (pictured below). These are, as the name suggests, earrings that you can sleep in. These must be a max of 12mm in diameter and you must be able to rotate these 360 degrees through your ear. A reminder also that plain ear studs may be worn. Only a maximum of 2 earrings per ear.



UNIFORM IS AVAILABLE FROM The Uniform Shoppe and SAS Sport

Located at 7A, Glasgow Road, Pukekohe.

Phone: 09 239 1310

Shop hours are

Monday to Friday: 8:30 to 5pm.

Saturday: 9am to 1pm

Website: www.theuniformshoppe.co.nz



AGES 9 TO 18

CODING LESSONS



CODINGNZ

Coding NZ Lessons

- Learn coding languages to create technology.
- An expert tutor is online to help during lessons.
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Calendar

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for Term 1 2021

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1 FEB Auckland Anniversary Day	2 Year 12&13 Subject Confirmation	3 New students day Peer Support Programme	4 Term 1 starts for all students	5 Timetable starts Year Levels Assembly	6	7
8 Waitangi Day	9	10 School Assembly	11	12	13	14 Valentines Day
15	16 PTA Meeting	17 Whare Assembly Year 8 Vaccination talk	18	19	20	21
22	23 BOT Meeting	24 Levels Assembly	25	26 Swimming Sports	27 Waka Ama Senior Regatta	28
1 MAR	2 Year 13 Chem Trip - POSTPONED	3 Photolife Day - POSTPONED Mike King Presentation @ 7pm - POSTPONED	4	5 Athletics Day - POSTPONED	PLEASE NOTE EVENT DATES ARE LIKELY TO CHANGE DUE TO COVID-19 ALERT LEVELS	
8	9	10 School Assembly 12OUT Kayak Trip	11 12OUT Kayak Trip	12 Year 12 Hort Trip 12OUT Kayak Trip	13	14
15 Counties Swimming	16	17 Whare Assembly	18 Mufti Day	19 Year 12 Bio Trip	20	21
22 Waka Ama Nationals	23 PTA Meeting Waka Ama Nationals	24 Levels Assembly Waka Ama Nationals	25 Year 8 Vaccinations Franklin Schools' Careers Expo Waka Ama Nationals	26 Waka Ama Nationals	27	28
29	30 11PE Trip BOT Meeting 13OUT Survival Tramp	31 Extended Whaanau 13OUT Survival Tramp	1 APR 13OUT Survival Tramp	2 Good Friday (Public Holiday)	3 Easter Break	4 Easter Break
5 Easter Monday (Public Holiday)	6 Easter Tuesday (Public Holiday)	7 School Assembly	8	9 Market Day	10	11
12	13 PTA Meeting	14 Whare Assembly Year 7 Camp	15 Year 7 Camp	16 Year 7 Camp Term 1 ends		