

PANUI NEWSLETTER



Checkmate Showdown

Attendance rate
84.7%

Kia ora koutou katoa, welcome back to term 4! If this week is anything to go by, buckle yourselves in and hang on cos this term is gonna be a fast one!!

With only 3 weeks left in the senior school year.....14 school days...this is the time to set your excuses to the side and let nothing distract you from getting the mahi done! Find out what you need and make that your #1, #2 and #3 priority for the remainder of the year. Your teachers are here to help so make use of the time you have left with them to seek any more information, suggestions and study tips from them. Find out what you can do once your timetabled classes are done, as once again we are setting up opportunities for you to study, learn and prepare for any exams you may have.

Whilst we have one eye firmly planted on the 6th November (Senior Prizegiving) there is still lots going on and have a look at the calendar to see what I mean. Summer sports has kicked off this week with Lacrosse, Hockey and Touch being played so get out and support those students if you get the chance.

Finally, just a reminder that now that we are back at school we need to be in uniform, in class ready willing and able to participate in learning.

Have a great weekend, see you Monday.

2026 Chess Championships: Top 16 Finals Bound!

ROUND 1

After three action-packed days and 180 hard-fought matches, the preliminary round of our 2026 Chess Championships has officially concluded!

A huge congratulations to our top 16 players who have shown incredible strategy and focus to qualify for the finals round, starting this Monday at lunchtime.

A big thank you to our whānau and teaching staff for supporting our players while they were out of class this week. To ensure minimal interruption to learning, all remaining finals matches will take place during lunchtimes next week, so students won't miss any further class time.

Please join us in celebrating and congratulating our top 16 finalists on this fantastic achievement—we wish them the best of luck as they battle for the crown!

#1 Alex Bernard

#16 Mason Duske-Miles

#8 Cohen Gilchrist

#9 Daniel McKinnon

#4 Rome Petley

#13 Charlie Evans

#5 Ephiram Chakas

#12 Nicolo Garces

#2 Jayden Duske-Miles

#15 Orion Marsh

#7 Reuben Richards

#10 Oran Bennetto

#3 Bryce Marsh

#14 Griff Hopkins

#6 Devontaye Moengaroa

#11 TJ Bryant



Fundraising for Rarotonga



A huge mihi to those who supported our car wash in the holidays! We are incredibly grateful to our local community for getting behind our students and helping them get one step closer to their 2027 trip to Rarotonga.

Every vehicle washed, donation made, and bit of support shown makes a difference, and we truly appreciate your generosity!



A special shoutout to our local fire brigade volunteers, Nathan, Lleyton and Connor, for giving up their time to come along and lend a hand. Your support was greatly appreciated! We would also like to thank SBB for kindly allowing us to hold our car wash outside their gym.

Thank you for providing us with the space and supporting our fundraising efforts.

Fundraisers like this wouldn't be possible without the support of our amazing community, and we are so thankful to have so many people backing our students and their goals.



Youth Wellbeing & Life Skills Lunchtime Sessions

We're thrilled to have external facilitators visiting our school throughout November to run interactive lunchtime activities with our rangatahi!

 Dates: 2 November | 9 November | 16 November

Students can take part in fun games, team challenges, and try out our impairment simulation goggles to safely explore key topics like decision-making, peer pressure, and substance awareness.

These hands-on workshops are designed to encourage laughter, learning, positive choices, and life skills. Don't miss out!

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Get Your Enrolment in Early and Be in to WIN!

Enrolling a new Year 7 or Year 9 student for 2027?

Don't wait until the end-of-year rush—get your enrolment in early, cross it off your to-do list and you could win a complete school uniform on us! Every complete enrolment submitted by the end of Week 2, Term 4 goes into the draw to win.

How to Enter:

- Collect an enrolment pack from our school office or download it from our website.
- Complete all paperwork and ensure all required supporting documents (including your child's birth certificate or passport) are attached.
- Hand in the completed package before the end of Week 2, Term 4 (23rd October 2026).

WIN A FREE SCHOOL UNIFORM FOR 2027!

Enrol a new Year 7 or
Year 9 to start in 2027
by 23rd October for your
chance to win.



*Uniform includes one skirt/shorts, polo
and jersey.





The Waikato Farmers Trust is pleased to announce the opening of its annual Tertiary Scholarship Programme.

There are three scholarships valued at \$7000 each and are available to students from the Waikato (Waikato Regional Council boundary) who are undertaking tertiary study in 2027 in agriculture-related disciplines within New Zealand.

We encourage eligible students to apply and look forward to supporting the next generation of agricultural professionals.

Applications close on 30 November 2026, and successful applicants will be notified by 23 December 2026.

For an Application form please Email office@putarurucollege.school.nz

FMG Junior Young Farmer of the Year

If you're a secondary school student interested in agriculture, this contest is for you!

This competition lets you dive into farming, test your skills, and meet others who share your passion.

Registrations for 2027 open NOW
Visit www.youngfarmers.co.nz



Hands-On Learning

Learn more about the world of agriculture.



Recognition

Be recognised as one of the top young agricultural minds in New Zealand.



Prizes

Compete for some amazing prizes thanks to our sponsor family.



Have fun!

Enjoy the experience, make new friends, and have a great time!



2026 Examination Information!

2026 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE					
Examinations available digitally shown in blue					
Date	Session	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Scholarship
Tue 10 Nov	AM	Mathematics and Statistics	Geography Latin	Dance	Classical Studies
	PM	Te Ao Haka	Japanese	Digital Technologies Samoan	Media Studies
Wed 11 Nov	AM			English	
	PM	Gagana Tokelau Korean	Te Ao Haka	Cook Islands Māori	Geography
Thu 12 Nov	AM		English		Chemistry
	PM	Physics Earth & Space Science	Chinese	Physics Te Ao Haka	French
CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARY DAY (Fri 13 Nov)					
WEEKEND					
Mon 16 Nov	AM	French	Lea Faka-Tonga Te Reo Māori	Calculus	Samoan
	PM	Te Reo Māori	Chemistry	German History	Statistics
Tue 17 Nov	AM	English			Accounting
	PM	Geography	Dance Korean	Biology	Art History
Wed 18 Nov	AM	History	Art History	Health Japanese	Physics
	PM		Physics	Economics	Psychology
Thu 19 Nov	AM		Mathematics & Statistics	Making Music Spanish	Economics
	PM	Chemistry & Biology	Accounting		Biology
Fri 20 Nov	AM		Biology	Chinese Drama	
	PM	Religious Studies	Cook Islands Māori Drama	Chemistry	Agricultural & Horticultural Science
WEEKEND					
Mon 23 Nov	AM	Japanese	French	Latin Psychology Te Reo Rangatira	English
	PM	Spanish	Business Studies	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Earth & Space Science
Tue 24 Nov	AM	Commerce	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Statistics	Te Reo Rangatira
	PM		History	Geography	
Wed 25 Nov	AM	Health Studies	Te Reo Rangatira	Lea Faka-Tonga	Calculus
	PM	Science	Classical Studies	Accounting	Drama
Thu 26 Nov	AM	Digital Technologies	Media Studies	Te Reo Māori	
	PM	Vagahau Niue	Health	Media Studies	Chinese
Fri 27 Nov	AM	Reo Māori Kōki 'Āirani	Economics	Music Studies	Spanish
	PM		Digital Technologies	Art History	History
WEEKEND					
WESTLAND AND CHATHAM ISLANDS ANNIVERSARY DAYS (Mon 30 Nov)					
Tue 1 Dec	AM	Social Studies	Earth & Space Science	Classical Studies	Te Reo Māori
	PM	Lea Faka-Tonga	Music	Home Economics	Digital Technologies
Wed 2 Dec	AM	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	German Social Studies	French	Japanese
	PM	Gagana Samoa		Earth & Space Science	Religious Studies
Thu 3 Dec	AM	German	Home Economics	Korean	
	PM	Chinese	Education for Sustainability Samoan	Business Studies	
Fri 4 Dec	AM		Spanish	Social Studies	German

Whats Coming Up

WEEK 2 19 - 23 October



- **Health & Safety #2** - Monday 19 & Tuesday 20 October
- **SMART Reading Year 9 & 10** - Monday 19 October
- **OED200 & OED300 MTB** - Monday 19 October (TBC)
- **Board of Trustees Meeting** - Monday 19 October
- **SMART Writing Year 7 & 8** - Tuesday 20 October
- **SMART Maths Year 7 & 8** - Wednesday 21 October
- **Canteen Food Sale - Raro Fundraiser** - Wednesday 21
- **SMART Reading Year 7 & 8** - Thursday 22 October
- **CL1 - Catch Ups** - Thursday 22 October
- **OPE100 MTB Overnight Camp** - Thursday 22 October (TBC)
- **SMART Catch-up CL1** - Friday 23 October

WEEK 3 27 - 30 October

LABOUR DAY 26 October

- **Year 13 Spirit Week**
27 - 30 October & Monday 2 November
- **Assembly** Tuesday 27 October
- **CAA Wananga** - 27 - 29 October
- **Year 7 Girls Waste Free Period Programme Workshop P2**
(Hall) - Wednesday 28 October
- **Sausage Sizzle - Raro Fundraiser** - Friday 30 October



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