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

Nga mihi nui kia koutou,

Term 3 is well under way and the students have once again settled into their routines and their learning. This year's work has culminated in the reports that have recently been issued. On August 3rd and 5th we will have Parent Teacher interviews and I would encourage you all to attend these to find out how your child is doing and what can be done to make an improvement over the rest of the year.

This is the term for students to consolidate their work, ready for the assessments at the end of the year. Senior students may not realise but they have less than 13 weeks left of school, so this term is the 'make or break' term.

Things have been disruptive and timetables and events have been thrown around with Covid-19 lockdown, but we are on target for the students to be achieving at the levels they should be achieving at. Many of the school events have either been cancelled, postponed or shifted on the calendar. I want to thank you all for your patience with all the change that has occurred. Please, if you cannot make parent-teacher interviews, make an appointment to see a teacher outside these times, to discuss your child's progress.

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**Tāwhirimātea  
Yellow House**

**In Māori mythology,  
Tāwhirimātea (or Tāwhiri) is  
the god of weather, including  
thunder and lightning, wind,  
clouds and storms.**

*Business Studies Feature*  
**Rangahau Pakihi Pūrongo**

'THE PRINCIPAL SPEAKS' CONTINUED. . .

We are now well into winter sport and our teams have been playing competitively. Rugby, Netball, Hockey and Soccer have all started. The season may be shorter but the students have taken to it and are really enjoying their time as part of the team. The benefits of sports are great for student wellbeing. Some students excel in sport but struggle in the classroom but through sport students learn discipline, how to be a good loser and winner and all about fair play. These skills can be transposed into the classroom and when this occurs both sport and academic work improves.

We are very lucky to be living in New Zealand. The world is rife with Covid-19. Our neighbours in Australia are suffering. Our students have done amazingly well through our lock down time and are resilient. We have had a focus on student wellbeing and continue to monitor student welfare through these times. Unfortunately the International Student market has also taken a big hit. At Tuakau College the International Programme has too.

The Board of Trustees have completed a review of our International programme and have disestablished the programme for the near future. It means we have had to lose our International Manager, Roxane Miller. We wish her the best for the future.

We have passed through the Māori new year, Matariki. This is a significant time for us all. It is the beginning, a new start and with the Matariki stars showing in the skies, it indicates that we are starting to move into Spring - the days are getting longer! The daffodils are popping their heads out.

During this term we plan for the beginning of 2021. Our enrolment of new students has started with talks at our contributing schools, Orientation Day coming up, Open Evening coming up, etc. We are predicting a larger roll for next year so teaching space will be at a premium. We are working on keeping class sizes below 30. It is exciting that the roll is growing again, but we are also very conscious of the growing pains that can occur. We are putting things in place to ensure these are kept to a minimum.

Enjoy the rest of the term!

Kia Kaha kia manawanui, kia hauora koutou.

*Chris Betty*

## Term 3 School Value: Perseverance

- perseverance/pəːsɪˈvɪər(ə)ns/  
noun

persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

*"his perseverance with the technique illustrates his single-mindedness"*

We encourage all our students to keep persevering until the end of the year. All your hard work will pay off - perseverance brings success!

## PERSEVERANCE U tonutanga

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



**Only two weeks until the inaugural 2 hour Racetrack Run and Hampton Downs are making it 40% CHEAPER for all school children, teachers and their families.** Simply enter the discount code RUN40 at checkout to take advantage of this offer. They are also going to give the school that raises the most money for their charity, \$1500 worth of experience vouchers for fundraising purposes.

For more information and to book, visit <https://www.hamptondowns.com/event/2-hour-race-track-run/>

## A FEW SNAPS FROM THE **start of Term 3**

Term 3 started on Monday 20 July and students have been full on since then! Lots of exciting things have been happening around the school, with plenty more to come!



### POPPY AISLABIE WINS FRANKLIN SPEECH FINALS

Huge congratulations to Poppy Aislable (7N) for winning the Franklin Speech Competition! Poppy won first prize overall in the Year 7 and 8 category, with her exceptional speech about 'Women are better leaders than men.'

Congratulations also to Skye Jenkins (8N), who captured the audience with her outstanding speech "It could be Worse."



### 'WORKERS OF THE TERM' STUDENTS FOR TERM 1 AND 2



Well done to our 'Workers of the Term' for Term 1 and 2. These are nominated by subject teachers and drawn out of a box.

From left: Kristina McGonagle, Paige Fletcher, Brianna Welch, Lily McInnarney, Wyndham Bruce and Simione Toafa!



### SOFT MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY THANKS MITRE 10 MEGA PUKEKOHE

The Fabric Technology Department would like to acknowledge Catriona Wild from Mitre 10 Mega Pukekohe for the incredibly kind donation of Resene test pot paints.

A number of senior students are creating wall hangings for their final product through printing techniques and they are looking amazing. Thank you very much Catriona and Mitre 10!



# Business Studies Feature

## Rangahau Pakihi Pūrongo

Head of Department: Keril Simpson

## ACCOUNTING

Accounting is the practice of maintaining and auditing financial statements and preparing reports on the assets, liabilities and operations of a business.

In the photo below is the Year 11 Accounting class at Tuakau College - Mrs Simpson's most hardworking class. Right throughout the lockdown period they worked so hard and have had so many excellence's awarded across the class.



## BUSINESS STUDIES

Business Studies combines elements of accountancy, finance, marketing, organisational studies and economics.

Business Studies helps students to make more informed decisions in the everyday business of living. It gives them a better understanding of the world of work and encourages them to think about how and why people start up in business and why they too might also consider starting a business.

In these photos the Year 10 Business Studies class are working away at assessments.



## VC LEARNING

Mrs Simpson also takes care of the VC (Virtual Classroom) Learning. This is where students can take subjects that aren't taught at Tuakau College, via online learning.

One example of this is Mika Hannah, a Year 12 student, also studies Equestrian via online learning! She aims to go to Wintec and study to be a vet nurse in the future.



Another example of this is Jaymee Hands, a Year 13 student, who takes Level 3 Psychology via VC Learning!

She is pictured, on the left, taking part in a virtual classroom conference call.

Although she finds psychology very interesting, she also has background in drag car racing so she's not sure what she wants to do when she leaves school yet.



**Congratulations to the students who have earned their SVA Award pins recently!**



Bronze Award Pin



Bronze Award Pin



Bronze Award Pin

Michayla Van der Byl, Daniel Burrows-Chatwin, Te Aomarama Heta and Natasha Kihi-Marshall were awarded a bronze pin and Charlotte Beeby earned her Silver pin!

This award is a free nationwide framework that recognises volunteering efforts of Year 9 to 13 students. Students are awarded a pin for initial volunteering hours before logging additional efforts online.



Bronze Award Pin



Silver Award Pin

To register under Tuakau College visit <https://service.sva.org.nz/>

**ENROL NOW FOR 2021**

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**Orientation Day**  
Thursday 13 August from 9am - 3:15pm

**Open Evening**  
Wednesday 19 August from 4 - 7pm

**Enrolments due**  
28 August - In Zone  
4 September - Out of Zone

Ballot completed - 11 September

**For information or an enrolment pack**  
email [t.potts@tuakaucollege.com](mailto:t.potts@tuakaucollege.com) or phone 09 236 8521

The Tuakau College Orientation Day will be held on Thursday 13 August, 2020. All students are welcome to come along for the day, which starts at 9 am and finishes at 3:15 pm. Enrolment forms and information can be found on the school website ([www.tuakaucollege.com](http://www.tuakaucollege.com)) or at the Student Centre. Enrolment packs will be given out at the end of the Orientation Day. These need to be completed and handed in by the 28 August for In Zone and the 4 September for Out of Zone Applications.

An information evening will be held on Wednesday 19 August from 4 pm to 7 pm. There is no need to book - just turn up at the Elizabeth Street entrance! This is an opportunity for students and family members to have a tour of the college and speak to current students.

Entrance testing will be completed at contributing schools (Mercer School, Mangatawhiri School, Pukekawa School, Pokeno School, Harrisville School or Tuakau Primary). Students from non contributing schools need to book to do this at our college. This will be done on Wednesday 9 September. Students that are not from a contributing school will also need to have an interview. The school will contact parents to organise this. Any enquiries please contact [t.potts@tuakaucollege.com](mailto:t.potts@tuakaucollege.com)

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**ORIENTATION DAY**

**Thursday 13 August**  
From 9 am to 3:30 pm

All students to meet at the gym at the start of the day.  
If applicable, students to wear school uniform.

Students need to bring a packed lunch.  
Food can also be purchased at the school canteen.

If you are not from a contributing school (Mercer School, Mangatawhiri School, Pukekawa School, Pokeno School, Harrisville School or Tuakau Primary), please register by emailing [t.potts@tuakaucollege.com](mailto:t.potts@tuakaucollege.com)

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18  
19  
PREMIUM 400

## Year 7&8 Netball Tournament *Tau Whakataetae Netipeti 7 & 8*

On Thursday 30 August, our Year 7&8 students took part in the Franklin Year 7&8 Netball Tournament at the Pukekohe Netball Centre. Our A Grade team came second overall and have qualified to go to the Year 7&8 Auckland Netball Champs. One of our B Grade teams won first place in B grade! Well done to all our teams for playing so well!



**Year 10 Poems**  
***Nga rotarota Tau 10***

Mrs Welch's Year 10 class recently wrote some poems. Here are a couple of them:

A Hot Summer Day Cohen Nicholls 10P

It was a hot summer day.  
We packed our bags.  
We went on our way.

On the long black road.  
We went along, watching the heat rise from the street.  
As the night sun lights up.  
Eyes lark in the dark.  
I was afraid, afraid of not knowing what is out there.  
Travelling under the stars eating Mars bars.

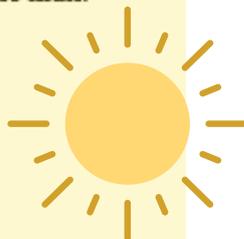
When the daybreak broke, my eyes awoke.  
Finally, we were there!  
Downtown, Cape Town,  
My new Hometown., ha-ha.  
Our lodge was bigger, it was brighter, and I was happier.  
My old hometown was now a ghost town.

We dined and wine through the first night.  
Lounging and playing and no worrying about studying.  
As the night came to an end we had to descend.

At the break of dawn, a new day was born.  
We had a lot to see, and everywhere to be.  
But first, we need a big breakfast indeed.

Off to the beautiful ocean in one motion,  
The sand was quite bright.  
Running and jumping, like fish in the water.  
We had lots of fun.  
Then suddenly, my tummy went funny.

With wet feet and all, we had to leave for the mall.  
As the day grew old, we had to fold.  
No time to chat, we left in one second flat.  
Back to the lodge we had to go.  
Bathing, eating, and sleeping we know.  
As my eyes close, I say my goodbyes  
to a hot summer day.



Lock down

What a funny time it is

I am looking forward to telling my kids

We cannot go out and do all the things and mess about

While inside I cannot find a place to hide,

How I spend a lot of my daytime playing games, watching Youtube and tiktok online,

I have done lots of baking --made same cookies, pasta, and coco pop cakes

I have been for long walks and scootering around the lakes.

Doing schoolwork is long and hard but must be done

The grades do count according to mum.

The school holidays came and went,

did they cost anything?

not a cent!

Dad's back at work,

mum's still at home keeping an eye on me while I'm on my phone.

"Come on" she said we've got a Zoom meeting to get done,

let's hope this is the last one!

Can't wait for school to be back,

then I can see my friends and we can chat.

Chloe Duval

**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 is people, it is people, it is people.



## Bulls Basketball Visit *Haere ki te poitūkohu Bulls*

**On Friday 3 July, some of the Franklin Bulls Basketball team members visited our school!** Students enjoyed testing their skills against the players, asking them some questions and learning a little bit more about basketball. A huge thank you for the basketballs the team donated to our school also!



## Winter Sports

### *Hākinakina te takurua*

**Rugby has kicked off for secondary schools!** Our 1st XV team had their first game on Friday 24 July, against Wesley College, and after a good game the final score was 25 - 7 to Tuakau College! The U15 team had their first game on Saturday 25 July, against Alfriston College, and won with the final score being 12 - 5! Congratulations on a great start to the season boys!

#### 1st XV vs Wesley College



#### Under 15's vs Alfriston College



## Clay Target Shooting *Huri Puehu*

### Auckland Metropolitan Clay Target Club Event (25 June)

We were super lucky with the weather at the Pukekohe shoot. The forecast was supposed to be rubbish but a storm came through over night and, apart from one slight shower, we stayed dry for the whole day! The kids all shot really well, especially considering this was the first competition ever for 4 of the 5 team members! No shoot off's or placings for our team this time but we were very proud of their efforts.



From left: Liam Booker, Hannah Wilson, Ethan Peddie, Caleb Duval and Geordie Wilson.

### Hamilton Boys High School, Hamilton Event (2 July)

Once again we were really proud of all the kids. They got out there and shot their best, conducted themselves well and just overall had a fantastic day. Hannah ended up in her first ever shoot off for third place in single barrel. She competed against 3 other ladies and managed to win the shoot off so was placed third in the single barrel category - her first individual placing in a school competition. Caleb had a ripper of a day also! He scored the most points out of our team and his scores put him in the top 25% of all shooters of the day and was in the top 5 shooters of the Junior category.



The next competition is the 13th of August so in the mean time the team will keep practicing hard and hope for some placings there!



# Fibre is coming

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We're building New Zealand's ultra-fast fibre network in your neighbourhood and our new fibre network brings some of the best, most reliable broadband in the world right to your house with your own dedicated fibre connection.

The great news is that there is usually no cost to bring this all the way into your place. You may have questions about the work we're going to be doing or what the next steps will be so you can get connected.

With that in mind we're coming to your neighbourhood and look forward to talking with you.

**When: Tuesday, 18 August 2020**

**Time: Pop in between 3pm and 6pm and we'll shout you a coffee**

**Where: Tuakau Cosmopolitan Club, 16 Carr Street, Tuakau**

# Calendar

Maaramataka

## for Term 3 2020

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
20 JULY Term 3 starts	21 Photolife Team Photos PTA Meeting	22 Franklin Speech Finals School Assembly	23 Reports emailed/issued	24	25	26
27 12OUT Rockclimbing Blood Drive	28 BOT Meeting	29 Year Levels Assembly	30 Year 12 Loves Me Not	31	1 AUGUST	2
3 12OUT Rockclimbing Parent Interviews Maths Week	4 Maths Week	5 Whanau Assembly Parent Interviews Maths Week	6 Auckland Careers Expo 12OUT Rockclimbing Maths Week	7 12OUT Rockclimbing Maths Week	8	9
10	11 Mufti Day	12 School Assembly	13 Orientation Day	14	15 School Ball	16
17 13OUT 5 Day Tramp	18 PTA Meeting 13OUT 5 Day Tramp	19 Year Levels Assembly Year 9&10 Mathex Open Evening 13OUT 5 Day Tramp	20 Year 7&8 Mathex 13OUT 5 Day Tramp	21 13OUT 5 Day Tramp	22	23
24	25 BOT Meeting	26 Whanau Assembly	27 Matariki Awards	28 In Zone Applications due	29	30
31	1 SEP ICAS Maths Year 7-10	2 School Assembly	3	4 Out of Zone Applications close	5	6
7 Year 7 Camp	8 Year 7 Camp	9 Year Levels Assembly Entrance Testing Year 7 Camp	10 Special Olympics Basketball	11 MOCK EXAMS	12	13
14 MOCK EXAMS Te Reo Maori Week	15 MOCK EXAMS Te Reo Maori Week	16 Junior Social MOCK EXAMS Te Reo Maori Week	17 MCAT Year 11 Year 12&13 Tough Guy/Gal MOCK EXAMS Te Reo Maori Week	18 Year 13 Bio Zoo Trip Year 8 Zoo Trip Te Reo Maori Week	19	20
21	22 PTA Meeting	23 School Assembly Year 7 Boostrix Vaccination	24 Reports emailed/issued	25 Term 3 ends		

Term 4 starts Monday 12 October and ends on Friday 11 December.