

Piopio College

Te Kura Tuarua o Piopio

Newsletter



Panui 4– 28 February 2020

COMING EVENTS

Monday 2 & Tuesday 3 March

* Student, parent, teacher 3 way conferences

Thursday 5 March

* School Photos

Friday 6 March

* Junior Interschool Swimming Sports Te Kuiti

Tuesday 10 March

* KC Athletics Te Awamutu

Tuesday 17 March

* McQuilkin Cup

Tuesday 19 March

* Piopio College Athletics

Friday 20 March

* KC Swimming Sports Taumarunui

Kia ora koutou,

Yesterday was our swim sports event and it was awesome to see all the students, families and whanau cheering each other on. A huge congratulations to all swimmers, and a big thank you to the organisers, parents, swim club, and staff for helping make this event so successful. We are working through the result list, which will be announced next week.

Parent, student, teacher 3-way conferences are on Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 March. This is an opportunity for you as parents to sit with both staff and your child to discuss their goals for the year and any aspirations you as a parent may have. So far we only have 45 bookings! To make a booking please go to <http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au> and enter code 34aab. We really hope that you can find a suitable time on one of these days to come and have a chat with staff. If you are unavailable to make either of these dates or do not have online access, please feel free to call the office and arrange a suitable time.

I would like to let you know that the Government has recently confirmed the final NCEA change package. The intention with the changes is to strengthen our national qualification; address over-assessment and fragmented learning; promote culturally responsive teaching and learning; and improve accessibility, the support available to teachers, and the information available to students and whānau. Please read our announcement here: [Ministry website](#).

We are in the process of establishing Subject Expert Groups comprised of practicing teachers and experts from diverse education settings will begin developing the new achievement standards and resources that underpin NCEA. In doing so, they will help us to shape the future of our school-leaving qualification, so that it works for all New Zealanders.

Public engagement on the subject list for NCEA Level 1 started this week for a period of two months (closing on 20 April 2020). We want to encourage all New Zealanders to give their feedback. There are changes to the subjects we propose to support at NCEA Level 1. This is consistent with the policy for Level 1 to become a broader, foundational qualification that allows students to keep their pathway options open, while Levels 2 and 3 promote greater specialisation.

More information is available on our website along with the provisional subject list for NCEA Level 1: <https://consultation.education.govt.nz/ncea/ras-provisional-subject-list>. We have also released the associated Cabinet paper and decision minute and our supporting advice ([see under the February tab](#)). You can see the list in the engagement questionnaire, or for your ease of reference it is also accessible from this [link to the Cabinet paper](#) (go to pages 19 and 20).

On Wednesday 4 March we will be holding a This Is Me presentation in assembly for all girls in an aim to increase health and wellbeing through physical activity. This event will start at 1.55pm and we would like to invite mums/aunties to come and join us in the gym hall for this event.

Ngā mihi

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Principal/Tumuaki

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FINANCE OFFICE HOURS

8.45am - 1.45pm

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday to Friday (Term only)

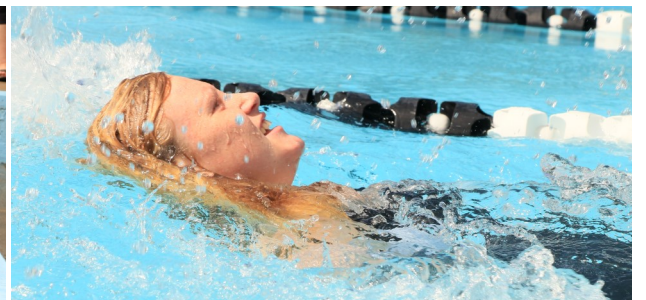
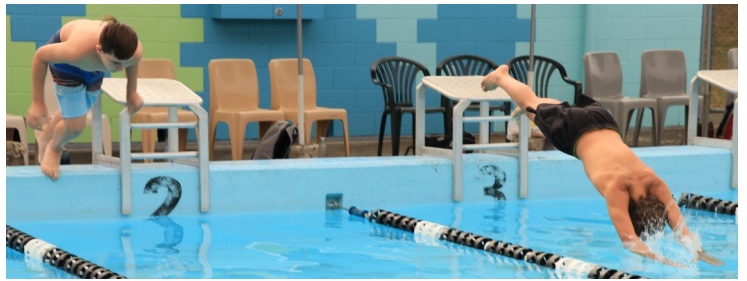
10.00am to 2.00pm

library@piopio.school.nz



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SWIMMING SPORTS 2020



PIOPIO COLLEGE After School Learning Hub

Starts Wednesday 26 February for 6 weeks
3.05-4.30pm in the Hallam Learning Centre

Why? To help individuals reach their desired academic goals and get into a regular pattern of doing homework early in the year and before the winter sport season sets in.

What if I don't have any set homework, can I still attend? Yes you can as the supervising teachers will guide you with appropriate pre-learning, to prepare you for topics and skills coming up

YEARS
7-13

Please bring a food item or a coin donation for our shared kai from 3.05 pm - 3.30 pm and any set homework

Please get a permission letter from Mrs Baker at the front office and take it home and get it signed. Together with Health & Safety requirements this will help us to see if we need to organise transport home for anyone

We would love a couple of parents to help out with the setting up of the food and drinks, as well as any others happy to work alongside students. Any other ideas would be welcomed too.

Please don't hesitate to ring the school office (Ph: 877 8173) for further information

Wanda Ebofin (HOD Maths & Teacher of Digital Technology)/Marina Rauputu (Y9 Maths/Science/Ag Hort/Gateway)

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King Country Junior Hockey

DEVELOPMENT HOCKEY 2020 MUSTER

All interested Year 7 to 8 players wanting to join the King Country Development Hockey Squad to further develop their skills and experience full field hockey should come to our muster.

Muster Dates - held at Te Kuiti High School

⇒ Thursday 12th March at 3.45pm

⇒ Another Muster to be confirmed

What to bring: Mouth guard, shin guards and hockey stick.

The Development Squad practice once a week on a Sunday and play games in the Waikato Competition in Hamilton on Friday nights, times vary.

Any year 5 and 6 interested in improving their hockey skills are welcome to attend the muster and trainings.

Competition starts on Friday 1st May and runs through until Friday 28th August.

For more information please contact Trudy Denize on
vbeekdesign@gmail.com

PIOPIO COLLEGE CANTEEN MANAGER

Piopia College BoT, students and staff are looking for someone special to manage their canteen.

The canteen services Piopia College students and staff as well as Piopia Primary school students.

Are you passionate about our community and enjoy creating delicious and healthy food?

Do you have good business sense? This could be the opportunity you are looking for. Must have a current food-handling license and food safety plan.

Expressions of interest or for more information

email admin@piopia.school.nz or phone 07 877 8173. Start date ASAP. Applications close 3.00pm Wednesday 11 March 2020.

Y11/12/13 Soft Materials Fabric

Soft Materials offer a range of free fabrics to choose from for senior students. However, some students prefer to purchase their own fabric. We are happy to assist them in doing this online. This cost will be charged to your school account or you can purchase fabric yourself. Please talk to your child about the different options available. Any questions please contact the school.

College Bucket hats and caps are now available to purchase from the Office, \$15.00 each.

FOR SALE

Reddish colour leather lounge suite, 1 x 3 seater & 2 x single chairs. Average used condition. Two dishwashers, going at time of removal. Koha to Piopia College, collect ASAP please. Please contact main office if interested

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

100% attendance is very important. One characteristic of successful students is that they attend school regularly and punctually. If a student is going to be away, we ask that you contact the College **0800 240 173 / 07 877 8173** and leave a message on our answering service. We will need to know:
*Who is going to be away
*The reason why they are away (for MOE coding requirements).