

# POMPALLIER CATHOLIC COLLEGE Te Kāreti Katorika o Pomapārie

"Diligere Verum" "Love the Truth" "Arohatia te Whakapono"

### Newsletter 13: 30 August, 2024

#### Kia ora koutou katoa,

"I can't believe we won. That was so good". This was the conversation that I overheard between two students as I was heading back to my office after our whole school house speech, waiata and haka competitions. And it was more than 'so good' – it was awesome, spine tingling and electrifying!

The students had spent over a term preparing for this highly contested competition. Each house had representatives deliver an inspiring speech about their house founder. A waiata from the speakers' house in support and then the house haka.

At end of the competition, the whole school did a haka to tautoko the judges, Tyson and Joanna. '*Kia korero te katoa o te tinana – the whole body should speak*,' according to haka master Henare Teowai, and that gym floor certainly took a pounding as 650 feet stomped in unison.

Dave, a teacher orignally from overseas, told me that he had never experienced an indoor haka before. "The reverberations were impressive and it touches your very being". How can you not be affected? The haka always brings out an emotional response in me. I could feel my eyes welling up as I described the performance to my PA.

"How was it?" she enquired.

"Seriously impressive, inspirational!" I exclaimed.

My heart was bursting with pride that, even for this short duration of 6 months, I have been so blessed to be the tumuaki of this amazing school and experience this humbling expression of students who are so proud to be a part of this learning community.

These students, so proud to express our unique bi-cultural identity here in Aotearoa, assures me that te ao Māori is already deeply embedded in our young people.

Our future as a bi-cultural nation is assured. We, as educators, are creating the future – and today's performances assure me that the future is looking extraordinarly positive.

That was the gift that was given to me that day, our future looks fabulous.

#### Ms Chris Allen ACTING PRINCIPAL

## NEXT NEWSLETTER ...

We have some key staff who will be away at tournaments for the week when our next newsletter is due to be distributed (Friday 13 September). The newsletter will therefore be emailed to families the following Monday, 16 September. Thank you.

# 2025 ENROLMENTS

Our enrolments for 2025 closed on 2 August 2024. We are now operating a waiting list in accordance with our <u>Enrolment Policy</u>.

If your child is not going to be returning in 2025 please email Kelli Adams as soon as possible, so we may offer places to those applicants on our waiting list.

For any enrolment queries, please contact Kelli Adams: admin@pompallier.school.nz

#### **VISION STATEMENT**

Our Pompallier community living the values of Christ through faith, scholarly inquiry, aroha and courage.



# **UPCOMING EVENTS - Term 3**

#### NOTE: All events are subject to confirmation.

#### SEPTEMBER

Mon 2 - Fri 6 Wi	inter Tournament Week - Hockey & Football		
Thu 5 Tot	tara Point Mass (selected students	Hokianga	8:00am - 3:00pm
Thu 5 - Fri 6 Ha	ands on Barista Course	NorthTec	9:00am - 3:00pm
Fri 6 E-M	Mission Day		
Sat 7 - Fri 13 AIN	MS Games	Tauranga	
Tue 10 Wa	aikato University Course Planning	Pompallier	10:00am - 11:00am
Tue 10 OL	C Exams (timetable has been emailed to students)	Pompallier	
Thu 12 - Fri 13 Sei	nior EDGExams (timetable on Page 3)	Pompallier	
Thu 12 - Fri 13 Ha	ands on Barista Course	NorthTec	9:00am - 3:00pm
Mon 16 - Wed 18 Sei	nior EDGExams (timetable on Page 3)	Pompallier	
Wed 18 - Fri 20 Co	prequisite Exams (Session 2)	Pompallier	11:30am
Tue 24 Sp	ort and Group photos	Pompallier	
Thu 26 Un	iversity of Auckland Course Planning	Pompallier	10:30am - 11:30am
Fri 27 Las	st day of Term 3	School finishes at 3:00pm	

#### OCTOBER

Mon 14

First day of Term 4

School	starts	at 8:45am	

## **2025 CURRICULUM BOOK**

The 2025 Curriculum booklet, which has detailed course information on subjects available next year, is now available to view on our website:

#### 2025 Curriculum Booklet

If you have any queries please contact your child's Year Level Dean.

# **2025 OPTION CHOICES**

Students should have completed their subject choices via the online portal by Wednesday 28 August.

If they have not done so, they will need to see their Dean, as the portal is now closed for this option.

## **IMPORTANT BUS INFORMATION ...**

We have a stretched loading system for most of our bus routes.

All students have a Student ID card, which shows which bus they are eligible to catch. **Passes must be produced** every time when boarding their allocated bus. We operate a "No Pass No Ride" policy. Please note that bus drivers will be vigilantly checking passes, and if a student is unable to produce the correct pass for that bus, they may be refused travel and have to make their own arrangements.

Eligibility for buses are dependent on where a student lives, and available public services in the area. Please note that variances to student travel may be made in *emergencies* only, and with approval from the school. The Ministry of Education provides transport, in the form of bus services, to and from a students place of residence, and **not their after school activities**.

It is also vital that we have the correct up-to-date address for your child. If you have changed addresses, please inform us immediately via <u>admin@pompallier.school.nz</u> to ensure their eligible bus route and Student ID are updated and they are not refused travel for being on the incorrect bus.

If your child loses their bus pass, they can apply for a replacement by paying \$6.50 to the College office. A temporary pass will be issued at the Student Centre, and a new one will be ordered for them.

For any bus queries, please contact Michelle Lawson via email: <u>buses@pompallier.school.nz</u>. Thank you.



# 2024 EDGExams

Years 11 - 13

	THURSDAY (Day 5) 12 September	FRIDAY (6) 13 September	MONDAY (1) 16 September	TUESDAY (2) 17 September	WEDNESDAY (3) 18 September
	12 September	10 September	MORNING	17 September	10 September
		8:55 /	AM START (report at 8:	40 AM)	
HALL	11RST	11ENG	11GEO	11SCI	11FRE
	12BUS	12DRA	12ENG	12HIS	13MAS
	12FRE	12GEO	12ENI	13GEO	Reading Corequisite
	ESOL	13BUS	13FRE		starts Period 3
Other				Boardroom	Room 21
				12MUS	12/13ART*
			AFTERNOON		
		12.0	0 START (report by 11.	45 AM)	
HALL	12CHE	12BIO	12PHY	12MAC	13PHY
	12MAO	13MAC	13BIO	13CHE	12PHYwaves
	13ENG	13HIS	13DRA		
Other	Room 21		Room 19	Room 19	
	12/13ART*		12/13ARD*	12/13ARD*	
	(12:35 start)		-	(12:35 start)	

The library will be open for students to study each day.

The morning time slot is officially two hours; however, students may continue into interval.

Year 11 students will have normal classes for periods 3, 4 and 5 during the first four days of EDGExams. All Year 11 classes will run on Wednesday, 18 September. Year 11 students are expected to be in school uniform.

> Year 12 and 13 students will not have any classes running during EDGExams. Year 12 and 13 students are expected to wear appropriate, comfortable clothes.

All OLC exams will run on Tuesday, 10 September. This timetable will be emailed to OLC students.

Official Corequisites (session 2) will run Wednesday, 18 September (Literacy: Reading); Thursday, 19 September (Numeracy); and Friday, 20 September (Literacy: Writing) All corequisites will start Period Three at the Hall.

\*Scheduled exams takes precedence over 12/13ART and 12/13ARD times.

If your school bus is running late when you have a morning EDGExam, please do not panic - just come to the Hall as soon as your bus arrives.

#### **INFORMATION FOR EDGExams:-**

#### This year, the EDGExams run from Thursday 12 to Wednesday 18 September.

EDGE stands for Emergency & Derived Grades Exams.

If your child is too unwell to sit a final exam in Term 4, their results from these exams will be used instead.

The majority of exams will be held in the Hall, but in some cases they may be in other rooms, so students need to check the timetable they have been provided.

If your child gets Special Assessment Conditions (SAC's) and they decide not to attend an exam, please inform us beforehand, as it is likely we will have booked a supervisor or reader/writer.

Students need to report to the exam venue fifteen minutes before the exam is due to start.

If they are doing a digital exam, they must provide their own computer. With all exams, they are expected to bring their own equipment such as calculator, ruler or coloured pencils.

Appropriate, comfortable non-uniform clothes should be worn by the Year 12 and 13 students who are on study leave. Students may be asked to clear out pockets of clothing with large pouches or pockets.

Students will not be allowed into the exam if they are more than 30 minutes late.

Year 12 and 13 students will not have any classes running for the duration of exams, however, the Year 11 students timetable will vary due to the new Level 1 NCEA structure. Please refer to the exam timetable they have been provided.

The library will be open for students to study each day.



## SPORTS DEPARTMENT NEWS : Term 3, Week 6

#### **BASKETBALL RESULTS**

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15 Aug	vs Aces	won 43 - 31	
22 Aug	vs Kamo Seniors	won 51 - 33	
Junior Bo	oys Gold		
15 Aug	vs WBHS Runnes	won 61 - 21	
15 Aug	vs Kamo Green	won 61 - 19	
22 Aug	vs Tauraroa 9/10s	won 46 - 22	
Junior Boys Blue			
22 Aug	vs WBHS Nets	lost 30 - 39	

#### **HOCKEY RESULTS**

Collegiate 1<sup>st</sup> XI

19 Aug	vs WBHS Black	lost 1 - 3
26 Aug	vs WBHS Gold	draw 2 - 2
Collegiat	te 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	
19 Aug	vs Otamatea/Dargaville	draw 1 - 1
•	vs Otamatea/Dargaville vs Huanui 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	draw 1 - 1 won 1 - 0

16 Aug	vs HH Gold	lost 2 - 7
23 Aug	vs WIS Mixed	won 6 - 5

#### **NETBALL RESULTS**

#### **Collegiate Team 1**

17 Aug	vs Otamatea Silver	lost 10 - 38	
Collegiate Team 2			
17 Aug	Default	lost	
Collegiat	e Team 3		
17 Aug	vs Waipu Yellow	draw 14 - 14	
24 Aug	vs Hikurangi Gold	won 18 - 13	
Collegiat	e Team 4		
24 Aug	vs WGHS 9-Grey	won 23 - 18	
Intermediate Team 1			
17 Aug	vs Otamatea Purple	lost 17 - 22	
24 Aug	vs WIS Silver	won 18 - 11	
Intermediate Team 2			
17 Aug	vs Tauraroa Kowhai	lost 9 - 16	
24 Aug	vs KIS 7	lost 12 - 13	



Remember, if you have a student success you would like to share, email us at ...

newsletter@pompallier.school.nz

#### STUDENT SUCCESSES

#### **Gymnastics**

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected for the Northland Gymnastics team who will compete in Palmerston North in October:

**Charlee McKenzie, Katie Perris** (Year 7), **Rosie Hewitt, Jessica Kalkhoven** (Year 11), and **Charlotte Butler** (Year 13). Well done girls!

**Jessica Kalkhoven** participated at the Icon Trampoline competition in Auckland on 4 August. She came first in Double Mini Tramp, also winning the division for the Secondary Schools competition. Awesome Jessica!

#### Swimming

**Hans Haufe** (Year 12) and **Te Rauroha Paki** (Year 9) attended the NZ Short Course Swimming Championships last week, under the Northwave Club. They came away with some impressive results and medals:

#### Te Rauroha:

- Gold in 200m IM (PB)
- Gold in 200m Backstroke (PB)
- Gold in 100m Butterfly (PB)
- Gold in 50m Butterfly (PB)
- Gold in 100m Backstroke (PB)
- Silver in 100m IM (PB)
- Silver in 50m Backstroke (PB)
- Silver in 200m Butterfly (PB)

#### Hans:

- Gold in 100m Backstroke (PB)
- Bronze in 200m Backstroke (PB)



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#### **NETBALL - SPORT NORTHLAND TOURNAMENTS**

Our Netball Girls' and Boys' have had a great couple of weeks at Sport Northland Tournaments. Our Seniors competed on 20 August and our Juniors & Intermediates on 27 August. Both days were a great atmosphere with some teams coming away with some amazing results!

Thank you to all the coaches, managers, umpires and parent support that make these days possible!

Collegiate Girls' - placed 5<sup>th</sup> in their Division

Junior (Year 9/10) - placed 4<sup>th</sup> in their Division

Junior Mixed (Year 9/10) - placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in their Division

Intermediate AIMS Team - placed 1<sup>st</sup> in their Division









#### **BAY OF ISLANDS BEAST**

On Friday 23 August a group of brave students headed north to compete in the Bay of Islands Beast Run. This was 5km of mud, rivers, hills and a huge amount of fun!

Everyone had a great time and we even had some place getters – **Ayla Dyer** (Year 7) and **Kaelyn Dyer** (Year 9) placing in the top 3 girls.



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS - TERM 3**

All events entered are subject to student interest, parent help and organiser's changes.

- Wed 4 Sep WPSSA Cross Country Barge Park
- 2 6 Sep Winter Tournament Whakatane/Whangarei
- 7 13 Sep AIMS Games Tauranga

#### **KEEP UP-TO-DATE WITH SPORTS AT POMPALLIER...**

<u>Add us on Facebook</u> for all sporting communication for PCC! Not on Facebook? – no worries – all important information will still be posted internally through email and school notices!

Sam Page SPORTS CO-ORDINATOR 438 3950 Ext 219 sports@pompallier.school.nz



# YEAR 11 COMMUNITY SERVICE ...

As part of our Year 11 community service, students from one of our RE classes have been regularly spending time with residents at Selwyn Park Rest Home in Maunu, since the beginning of this year.

Last weeks visit was all about craft! Students helped residents create sun catchers for their rooms.

We are now on first names basis with our regulars and our students are now fully comfortable with chatting and interacting with them. The power of relationship is an amazing thing to witness!

#### Mrs Katrina Perry RE TEACHER









Philippians (2:3-4) "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."





## SPECIAL OLYMPICS BASKETBALL ...

We had a fabulous day at McKay Stadium on Thursday 29 August, playing 3 games of basketball and practicing basketball drills.

Our Pompallier students played well as a team and were very inclusive of other students who played for us. They really displayed our Marist values brilliantly. So proud of them all!

Thank you to our Teacher Aides Nanette Brown and Joy Hoyle for their support on the day.

We also ran into a friendly face while there - Mr McDonald, our Head of Arts, who is on leave this year. What a treat for the students to catch up with him!

#### Mrs Anna Henare LEARNING SUPPORT CO-ORDINATOR









