



Porirua College NEWSLETTER

Principal's Message



Nau mai, haere mai, welcome back to PC 2023! We have had a great start to the year with 128 Year 9s and over 630 students on roll. We are particularly pleased to welcome all the new students and staff who have joined our PC whānau. It was great to meet up with Year 9 whānau at the noho marae and connect with so many of you on goal setting day.

We have a great range of courses, options and subjects available this year, with nine different languages being taught in the school. We are also working with local primary schools so that students can continue to learn their community languages right through their schooling journey.

Our prefects have started strongly, supporting the noho and setting up Academic, Sports, Cultural and Service councils. Year 12 leaders are part of a STARS programme for the year growing their leadership skills and all students are welcome to join the councils. We are looking forward to celebrating Colours Day together at the end of term.

Thank you for all your support with getting students into school, attending regularly and wearing their uniform. Being here and ready to learn is that first step to success and without you it wouldn't happen. There is heaps of PC pride out there and students have made an excellent start on their learning.

It was great to work with the PC parents groups last year and create a new strategic plan for how to improve Porirua College 2023-25. We really look forward to working with you again this year and welcoming lots of new families to discuss how we can keep growing and improving our school

Ngā mihi mahana,
Ragne Maxwell
Principal/Tumuaki

Onsite Visits During the School Day

Any adults coming on site during the school day need to sign in at the school office. Students who come in after Learning Coach has finished in the morning should also sign in by letting the Receptionist know they have arrived. For student safety, please do not drive around the school ring road during the school day, just park out front. The front of school is very busy at the end of the day and it is a good idea to pick up students from the road down below.

Voice

EVERYONE HAS A VOICE THAT CAN
CHANGE THE WAY THINGS ARE

Action

LEARNERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Identity

KNOW WHO YOU ARE-BE WHO YOU ARE-
SHOW WHO YOU ARE

Visit our website: <https://poriruacollege.school.nz/> Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Porirua-College-106614949374053/>
64 Driver Crescent, Cannons Creek, Porirua 5024 Phone: 04-237-5465

We welcome,

Staff Changes



Kenepuru whare/ Blue house

Shikha Rani (SRA)
Maths Teacher



JP van Heerden (JVA)
Head of Faculty – Technology



Jessica Hall (JHL)
Science Teacher



Whitireia whare/ Yellow house

Sangeetha Poulose (SPO)
Maths Teacher



Margi Carroll (MCA)
Head of Faculty—Technology



Oscar Lawrence (OLA)
Maths Teacher



Tangare whare / Orange house

Saili Peau (SPE)
English Teacher



Toni Brooks (TBR)
Head of Faculty—Arts



Library

Sarah Fallon (SFA)
Library Manager



We welcome,



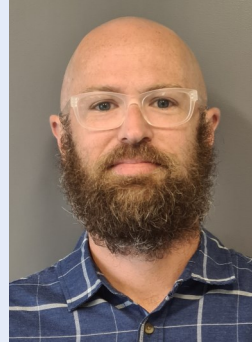
Anna Cammock-Nicholls (ACA)
Student Teacher



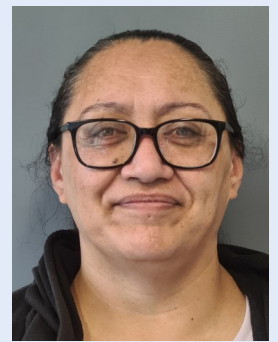
Panatswa Dindingwe (PDI)
Youth Worker



Cormac Ferris (CFE)
Teacher Aide



Kataraina Joseph (KJO)
Commis Chef



Melena'a Moala (MMO)
Teacher Aide



Julie Ann Tafale (JTA)
Teacher Aide Kaiawhina



Rohi Tofilau (RTO)
Teacher Aide



Tyra Graham (TGR)
Teacher Aide



Sherrie Wharewaka-Paulo (SWH)
Social Worker



Adam Bain (ABA)
Social Worker



Hera Hune (HHU)
Commis Chef



Henry Lockhart (HLO)
Student Teacher



When a Student is Absent

We need to know about all absences on the day, to be sure all our students are safe.

If absence occurs, caregivers must inform the college by one of these methods:

- Ringing the absence line on 2375465—after the tone record the name of the student, their Year Level, the reason for their absence and your name.
- Sending a text to 027 2375465
- Coming in to the office
- Writing a letter explaining the reason for the students absence that they bring with them upon their return to school
- Sending an email to poriruacollege@pen.net.nz

School Uniform

Bottom Items (minimum of 1 Item required)	Price
Boys' or Girls' Unisex Trousers	\$90.00 – \$98.00
Lava lava	\$43.00
Skirt	\$40.00
Shorts	\$27.00 – \$45.00
Top Items (minimum of 2 items required)	
Shirt (long sleeve)	\$40.00 – \$48.00
Blouse (short sleeve)	\$37.00 – \$42.00
Polo Shirt	\$33.00 – \$38.00
Outer Layer Items (minimum of 1 item required)	
Jersey	\$84.00 – \$95.00
Sweatshirt	\$39.00 – \$43.00
Jacket – waterproof & warm	\$90.00
PE Items – Junior Students (compulsory)	
Year 9 & 10 T-Shirt	\$14.00 – \$15.00
Year 9 & 10 Shorts	\$25.00 – \$35.00

Upcoming Events



M	T	W	T	F
27 Y WEEK	28 Y WEEK	1st MARCH Y WEEK	2 Y WEEK Kahui Whetu o Porirua (Porirua Secondary Schools Athletics Day)	3 Y WEEK
6 Student 360 Programme Connect X WEEK	7 X WEEK	8 X WEEK Y11 Ignite Trip (Tongariro Nat. Park) CSW Western Zones Athletics	9 X WEEK Y11 Ignite Trip (Tongariro Nat. Park)	10 X WEEK Y11 Ignite Trip (Tongariro Nat. Park)
13 Victoria University Y WEEK	14 Y WEEK Ignite Yr 12 Sports Leaders	15 Y WEEK	16 Y WEEK	17 Y WEEK Simply Dental Onsite
20 Simply Dental Onsite X WEEK	21 Simply Dental Onsite X WEEK	22 Simply Dental Onsite X WEEK	23 Simply Dental Onsite X WEEK	24 X WEEK