



NEWSLETTER

TERM 3 - Week 10
Wednesday, 25 September 2024



Kia ora e te whānau,

As I write this, it is te Wiki o te Reo Māori - Ake, ake, ake; a forever language. The importance of all our community languages is so evident as we go through our different language weeks and wonderful

race unity day celebrations. The pride of our ākonga in their cultures and the respect shown for other cultures is such a special part of Porirua College.

It is all go with senior credits at the moment and we are really pleased with the resilience our Year 11s are showing tackling the challenges of the NCEA changes. They have been sitting week long exam style assessments in classes and many of them did the online numeracy assessment. We will not get results for any of these until January, when the external exam results come out. The formal NCEA external exams start in Week 4 next term and many seniors will need to be studying hard or doing revision sessions at school.

Lots of internals are being completed this term, but there are less than 3 weeks of senior classes next

term to do final assessments. We are running mahi tahi in the library from 9.30am - 2.30pm on Mon 30th Sep, Tue 1st Oct and Wed 2nd Oct. Seniors who want to come in need to make sure they have work to complete. Teachers will be there to support them. Mahi Tahi will also run in the library for three weeks after senior classes finish. Letters will be sent home for students who are close to passing either their whole level or literacy and numeracy.

It is great to see that our attendance has held up well going into the end of Term 3. Thank you to whānau for all your support getting our rangatahi into school to learn, particularly through this wet and windy weather. Enjoy the holidays and we look forward to seeing all our ākonga back next term.

Ngā mihi nui,
Ragne Maxwell
Principal/Tumuaki

IMPORTANT DATES

- Friday, 27 September** : Last day of Term 3
- Monday, 14 October** : First day of Term 4
- Thursday, 31 October** : Sports prizegiving
- Tuesday, 5 November** : NCEA exams start
- Tuesday, 10 December** : Senior prizegiving, 6 pm
- Thursday, 12 December** : Junior prizegiving, 9.30 am
- Last day of term 4**



Student Absences

We need to know about all absences on the day, to be sure all our students are safe. Please let us know as early as possible, if your child is going to be absent from school by doing any of the following:

- ♦ Ringing the school office ph 237 5465 — after the tone, record the student name, year level, reason for absence and your name. Please speak clearly.
- ♦ Texting 027 237 5465.
- ♦ Logging into the KAMAR student portal.
- ♦ Coming in to the office.
- ♦ Writing a letter explaining the reason for the student absence that they bring with them upon their return to school.
- ♦ Emailing absences@pen.net.nz.

If you need to collect your child for an appointment during school hours, please ring ahead and let the school office know.

Texts/emails are sent out to caregivers around noon for all unexplained absences. We appreciate a response with an update on why the student is away.



Sports Update

What a great winter season we have had with sports!

The senior boys basketball division 2 final at Akau Tangi in Wellington lived up to the hype. Ben and the boys fought all the way until the end where they narrowly missed out. From where they started, to the final, their journey to believe, lift their standards, and have higher expectations made them winners. 3 2 1 ...BROTHERS!



Ka nui te mihi to all our supporters that came to cheer our boys on. We brought the pasifika flavour and all our nations to Wellington even Belgium made it over.



Porirua College's 1st XV had their first hit out at the quad tournament at Petone Recreation Centre. The team finished 4th overall and got a taste of tournament experience. Solomon Pule was named our team's MVP from the opposition. Mike, Ofa and Loa, have built a strong culture in their rugby programme. A culture of discipline, routine, and repetition. We are excited to see the fruits of their labour. Their stars will align soon enough.



Sports update continued



Nga mihi ki a Nuku Ora for donating our branded marquee.



Term 4 summer sports and junior tournaments are coming fast. We are hosting College Sport Junior Kio Rahi Tournament and Holy Family athletics day at our kura in Term 4. This is a fantastic opportunity to put our kura on the map for future sporting events. Come and watch the talented up and coming rangatahi from all over Wellington.



Sports update continued



**CSW JUNIOR
KĪ-O-RAHI TOURNAMENT**

Wednesday 20 November
pp Thursday 21 November
9AM - 3PM

PORIRUA COLLEGE
64 Drivers Crescent,
Cannons Creek
PORIRUA

Powhiri – Thursday
14 November at 2pm

For further information contact
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The poster features a dark blue background with a yellow and black logo in the top left. It includes a photo of a player in a black jersey with the number 90 jumping to catch a yellow ball. A circular inset shows a black bag with 'ki o rahi' written on it, surrounded by colorful items. At the bottom, there are three yellow dots and a row of four white dots.



Student Examination Timetable

All Examinations will take place in Whiti Te Ra (the hall).
Meet at the Music Rooms corridor 20 minutes before your examination starts.
You must follow all examination rules.

Date	Time	Examination
Monday, 21st October	9:20 - 11:20	ELIT100/ELAN100 BI200 PA200
	12:00 - 3:00	GE300 CH200/CH300
Tuesday, 22 nd October	9:20 - 12:20	MT100* 90 mins ELIT200/ELAN200
	1:00 - 4:00	PH200 PH300* 90 mins ELIT300 HI200
Wednesday, 23 rd October	9:20 - 12:20	SC100* 2 hours GE200 HI300 MC300* 90 mins
	1:00 - 2:30	MC200/MT200



Events Calendar

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
29	30	1 School Holidays X Week	2 School Holidays X Week	3 School Holidays X Week	4 School Holidays X Week	5 School Holidays
6 School Holidays	7 School Holidays Y Week Fiji Language Week Defensive Driving Course	8 School Holidays Y Week	9 School Holidays Y Week Defensive Driving Course	10 School Holidays Y Week	11 School Holidays Y Week	12
13	14 1st Day of Term 4 X Week Niue Language Week Defensive Driving Course	15 X Week	16 X Week Defensive Driving Course	17 X Week Ki-o-rahi Coaching Sports Prize Giving	18 X Week	19
20	21 Y Week	22 Y Week	23 Y Week	24 Y Week Ki-o-rahi Coaching	25 Y Week	26
27	28 X Week Labour Day	29 X Week Tokelau Language Week	30 X Week Tokelau Language Week	31 X Week Tokelau Language Week Board of Trustees Meeting	1	2

