

TE PAEPAE O AOTEA

Kia eke atu ki Taupaenui o te tangata

Newsletter - Friday, 11 April 2025

Kia ora e te whānau

What an amazing Term 1 we have had. Our students have certainly made the most of the opportunities presented to them. This was highlighted last weekend by the amazing performances of our Athletics students at the North Island Championships. We are incredibly proud of these students. A full run down on their performances can be found later in the newsletter.

Our students have had incredible opportunities provided during Term 1, thanks to our dedicated staff and amazing community volunteers. Connect with us on Facebook to find out more about what our students have been up to and what opportunities are coming up for them.

In June we have our new elected school board take office. Last week we had an information evening about becoming a school board member. We have one more information session on 29 April. I would encourage anyone interested in putting themselves forward to become a board member to attend this session to learn more. **Nominations close 9 May 2025.**

We finished this term celebrating success in our whole school assembly. Academic, sport and community contribution awards were given out to deserving students who display our school value of Taupaenui. Taupaenui is about the pursuit of knowledge and striving for excellence.

Attendance remains a national priority. We are proud to report a dramatic improvement in average attendance this year at Te Paepae o Aotea, with our daily average reaching 88.9%. We are deeply grateful for the unwavering support of parents, caregivers and the wider community in encouraging our students to make the most of the opportunities available to them.

We are grateful for the continued support of the community as we work together to ensure that all our students reach their full potential. We hope everyone has a restful Easter break before we pause to remember those that passed during war time and honour those that served on ANZAC day. Our students will represent our school at various services around our district. All students are invited to march with our student leaders at the Hāwera dawn service. Meeting time is 6.15am outside Ngati Ruanui building on Princes Street.

Ngā mihi nui, Rachel Williams **Tumuaki**



Te Paepae o Aotea Parent Board of Trustees Elections

	Event	Date
	Select Returning Officer by	Friday, 11 April 2025
	Close Main Roll	Friday, 18 April 2025
SIP CIL	Call for Nominations by	Sunday, 20 April 2025
TE PAEPAE O AOTEA Kia eke atu ki Taupaenui o le tangata	Close Supplementary Roll	Wednesday, 7 May 2025
Parent	Nominations Close (at 12pm)	Friday, 9 May 2025
	Voting Papers Issued by	Friday, 16 May 2025
Board of	Election Day	Friday, 13 June 2025
Trustees	Close Poll	4pm on Election Day
Election	Accept Postal Votes	Wednesday, 18 June 2025
	Count Votes	Thursday, 19 June 2025
Timeline	Board takes Office	Friday, 20 June 2025
	First Meeting of New Board	Thursday, 26 June 2025

Please click on the link to register your interest https://forms.office.com/r/47g9vz59zF

Information Evening

For parents interested in becoming a Board of Trustees representative

with Paula Helms Regional Advisor - Governance NZSBA

Wednesday, 2 April At 5.30 pm Tuesday, 29 April MEET AT SCHOOL OFFICE, 13 CAMBERWELL ROAD, HAWERA





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TE PAEPAE O AOTEA BOARD PARENT ELECTION 2025

Nomination round

Our school will be undertaking a parent election for 5 School Board vacancies. These positions will be held until the triennial election in 2028. This process will start with the issuing of nomination emails to our caregiver community by Sunday, 20th April 2025.

We have employed Schooled Limited to undertake the election process on our behalf. The nomination form will be emailed to you if we have your email address in our database or you will receive it by post if we don't have your email in our database.

Nomination papers will also be available at the school office. The school will send those on to Schooled Limited for processing upon receipt from candidates.

Nominations close on Friday, 9th May 2025 at 12 noon.

We look forward to your participation in this process.

Returning Officer

Schooled Limited

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END OF TERM 1

Term 2 starts Monday, 28 April



7-8 WINTER SPORTS EXCHANGE

TPOA v Manukorihi at Home



TSSSA FOOTBALL

Waitara Soccer Grounds



TSSSA BOYS DAY OUT

Venue TBC



SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Held at the A&P Show Grounds

For more upcoming dates check out our calendar on the school website www.tepaepaeoaotea.school.nz



After School Senior Sessions Term 2

SUBJECT	Room	DAY	
English	B11	L1 - 3: Tuesday L1 - 3: Thursday	
Maths	B3 B3 B3	SHU & ADU: L1 - Maths: Wednesday VKU/SHU/ADU: L2- Maths: Tuesday VKU: L3: Stats & Calculus: Thursday	
L1 Science		EPL – Tuesday and Thursday TWI - Wednesday	
Biology	B10	EPL - Tuesday and Thursday TWI - Wednesday	
Physics	B13	GBA - Thursday	
Chemistry	Chemistry B10 EPL - Tuesda		
Hard Materials	TN5	Tuesday	
Digital	G1	Monday	
Textiles	TR6	Monday	
Art/Photography	TR 10	EDA - Tuesdays	
Drama/Music	Music/ Drama space	KBA/SCA – Odd weeks (1,3,5,7,9)	
Te Reo	B5	L1-3: Te reo Maori: Monday L1-3: Te Ao Haka: Thursday	
PE/Health	В7	L2/3 PE - Thursday	
Commerce/ Accounting/ Economics	B1	KEL - Tuesday	
History/ YES	B2	CMO Tuesday / Wednesday	
Geography	B1	Monday Odd weeks (1,3,5,7,9)	
Psychology	В6	YCO - Thursday	

For Senior Students who have not passed their CAAs, it is important that you attend the after school sessions leading up to the assessments.

Numeracy Wednesdays B3 Literacy - Tuesday & Thursday B11

School Policies

The school has a subscription with SchoolDocs to maintain, update and review our policies. SchoolDocs provide us with a comprehensive core set of policies that are well researched and follow the Ministry of Education National Administration Guidelines. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school and we supply specific information such as our charter together with procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents, etc.

SchoolDocs update, modify or create policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team.

We invite you to visit the site at https://tepaepaeoaotea.schooldocs.co.nz

SchoolDocs login details

Username tepaepaeoaotea
Password excellence



Policies under review Term 1

Health, Safety and Welfare Policy Safety Management System Risk Management Healthcare

Please login to SchoolDocs to read and provide feedback on these policies.

All school uniform items are purchased through



The school office has a full uniform set for sizing purposes

Public Health Nurse

The Public Health Nurse will be at school two days every week for any health needs. Clinic is confidential and free.

- Health and Hauora (wellbeing checks)
- General health concerns
- Contraception
- Condoms and pregnancy tests
- STI checks and the morning after pill
- Vision and hearing

For students to book an appointment, please visit reception at the Pastoral Hub or contact a Public Health Nurse directly:

Danielle Peach Mobile <u>027 239 0679</u> Email <u>Danielle.Peach@tdhb.org.nz</u>
Mary Poulose Mobile <u>027 517 3480</u> Email <u>Mary.Poulose@tdhb.org.nz</u>

Reminder for Students Taking Repeated Medication

Medicine plans must be arranged at the office for students taking repeated medication. Please see or contact Mel at the School office 06 223 2000.



TE PAEPAE O AOTEA Head Leader News

14 March 2025



ACADEMIC LEADER

Carlitos Morellon Anderson



Kia Ora

Term 1 has been a long and exciting term full of many sports and cultural events. As always, we are very proud of our students for their achievements both inside and outside of school. Well done to those who have worked hard to earn certificates today.

As the seasons change, many of our activities will move indoors. Next term, the academic committee has some exciting LRAs and events planned, so please come along and bring some friends. It's a great way to have fun while testing your skills and earning points for your awa!

That's a wrap from the academic committee this week. I wish everyone a great term break and look forward to seeing you all back very soon.

Ngā mihi Carlitos Morellon Anderson

COMMUNITY LEADER

Julia Scott



Kia Ora

It has been an absolutely jampacked Term 1 for the Community Council, running a total of eight events throughout the term including Valentine's Day, Kura Kai Cooks, Pasifika Day and Relay for Life. Next term we aim to continue to give back to our community with many more events planned. Our first event is a council initiative where we collect milk bottle tops for recycling. We're asking everyone to begin collecting milk bottle caps so when term begins you can bring them to your form class for community leaders' collection. We're also planning a school can drive with donated cans going to a local charity. We'll continue cooking for Kura Kai and this is available for those who need it. Our senior school ball is in T2 Week 6. Seniors will begin their planning and purchasing for this event. Thank you all for your support this term. Have a fantastic holiday.

Ngā mihi Julia Scott

CULTURAL LEADER

Bethany Gyde



Kia Ora

As the last week of Term 1 ends, the cultural team is gearing up to bring new and exciting activities in the coming term. We are finalising details for cultural week,12-15 May and this year's Waiata competition.

We will be looking for communities willing to provide their expertise for our cultural week whether that be through food, clothing, art, etc. We want to showcase the vibrant cultures within our school. More details will be available at the beginning of the term.

Enjoy your holidays and we'll see you all back next term, ready for more fun and creativity!

Ngā mihi Bethany Gyde

SPORTS LEADER

Baxter Hunt



Kia Ora

Wow, Term 1 has flown by. From swimming sports, to our first LRA, to athletics and relays, I am incredibly proud of the work my council has done. A lot of credit must go to my three other head leader partners as well as all the sports leaders, staff; especially our sport staff as without them our school sporting events wouldn't have been anywhere near as successful as they are. After a nice long two-week break, you'll return to school, excited, for full awa vs awa LRAs, four days a week. So, make sure you come and compete for awa points to get your awa ahead and challenge your mates to do the same.

During the holidays I encourage everyone to get outdoors, stay active, enjoy yourselves and come back refreshed and prepared to kick off Term 2.

Ngā mihi Baxter Hunt



As Term 1 of 2025 ends it's a great time to reflect on the creativity and innovation that has been happening in the Arts Department.

Drama

We are excited to be presenting an all 'senior' production this year, "Into the Woods JR. This will be on at the Memorial Theatre May 29 - June 1. The musical centres on a baker and his wife who wish to have a child; Cinderella, who wishes to attend the King's festival; and Jack, who wishes his cow would give milk. When the baker and his wife learn that they cannot have a child because of a witch's curse, the two set off on a journey to break the curse and wind up changed forever. A special mention must be made of Year 13 student, Julia Scott, who is choreographing this production. Tickets are now available online through iTicket or from iSite.

Every year we take students out to see as much theatre and performance as possible to enrich their education and help connect them to pathways for a future in Performing Arts. As part of Shakespeare week, Senior Drama classes enjoyed the dazzling production of 'Hamlet' by the Ugly Shakespeare Company, whose aim is to take the fear out of Shakespeare.

As part of this theatrical week (held in Stratford) we are proud to recognise the talent of two of our senior drama students who performed in the Sheilah Winn Drama evening, one of 24 nationwide, in which secondary-age students, perform 5 or 15-minute scenes from a Shakespeare play. This year Elizabeth Cudby and Anastazja Kowal performed from Romeo and Juliet. All performances by our senior students fulfil credits for their NZCEA courses and we're excited to see such a high calibre of performers in this year's classes.

Visual Arts

With the purchase of more cameras for the Photography Department, the addition of a darkroom and extra printing presses, senior students are eagerly learning new techniques and exploring creative processes for their folios due later in the year. Our senior arts students enjoyed a noho at Pariroa Pa where they built on their understanding of a Māori world view particularly through the whakairo, tāniko and oral stories and traditions shared by local kaumatua. The theme of Tūrangawaewae, personal expression of students' identity and connection to place continues to be explored through artworks in the classroom.

This year the Arts department is excited that 25% of our seniors are involved in this creative area of the curriculum as we continue to be a vibrant centre of creativity.

Music

Students from all levels continue to take advantage of the itinerant music teachers who visit us weekly, with 70 students enrolling in the programme offering tuition in guitar, bass, cello, drums, piano, vocals, brass, guitar, woodwind and violin.

As students gain experience, they move into playing with our Te Paepae o Aotea Concert Band. The Band finished this term by joining with other Taranaki Secondary Schools for 'Orchestra Day' held this year at New Plymouth Girl's High School. With well over 100 musicians coming together to play it's an experience students look forward to.

Our students continue to impress us with their desire to strive for their own personal excellence in the arts as they Kia eke atu ki Taupaenui o te tangata.

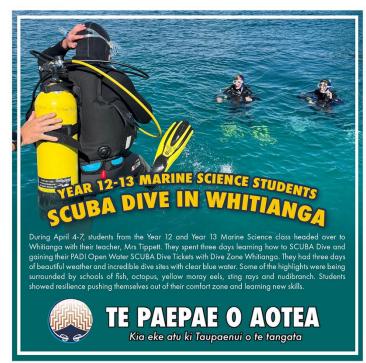


2025











On Friday, 4 April 2025 our Te Paepae o Aotea Concert Band attended the Taranaki Secondary Schools Orchestra Day. They joined musicians from other school to form over 100 piece group where each orchestral section worked together to perform for the audience in the afternoon. This year's pieces included the theme from "Harry Potter" by "March of the Dwarfs by Grieg and "Born to be Wild" by Lady Gaga.





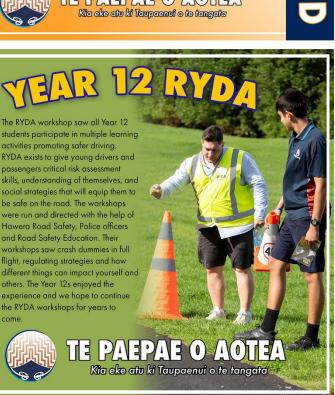
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Sports News

Term 1 Sports Round-Up

School Swimming Sports and Athletics Day

Our School Swimming Sports and Athletics Day took a fresh approach to boost participation. Despite some weather challenges and an unexpected helicopter visit, all events were well supported. Congratulations to our school champions and to all students who gave it a go.

TSSSA Events

We traveled around Taranaki and participated in seven TSSSA events this term. Our biggest event was Rogaine, with 100 students navigating around Lake Mangamahoe.

We had great success on the track and in the field at TSSSA Athletics, showcasing our students' talents and dedication. A special mention to Daniel Mandengu for breaking the Senior Boys 400m record set in 2004 with a new time of 50.31 seconds.

All Abilities students are looking at attending as many TSSSA events as possible. This term Swimming and Outdoor Bowls were on offer with both students and staff having a great time.

Year 7-8 Events

Year 7-8 students have been involved in various events. We've seen talent in the pool, on the cricket pitch, catching waves and showing their skills on the Rippa Rugby field. Congratulations to our TPOA Blue Rippa Team, winners of the 2025 Southern Junior Rugby Tournament.

Cricket Success

Te Paepae o Aotea had three cricket teams participate in Taranaki Schools cricket tournaments. It's great to see more interest from girls this year. Our Junior girls' team did exceptionally well, winning their grade, Year 7-8 Intermediate Timberco Bash.

Emma Wasley is a valuable member of the girls' team, showing a lot of promise.

Thank you to Yr13 student Theo Soothill for his assistance coaching all three teams.

Lunchtime LRA

Sports leaders have organized lunchtime LRA on Wednesdays during interval and lunch times. Students enjoyed themselves, getting active in events on offer. Hobby Horse races were a favorite with several staff joining in the fun. Awa competitions begin in Term 2.

National Events

Two groups attended National events during Summer Tournament week: Senior Boys Volleyball team and Waka Ama. Both groups posted good results. It was a great experience for all involved and for some, their first time representing their school at a national event. Interest has grown for 2026.

Winter Sports

Winter sport teams have been confirmed and are training. It is important everyone is prepared and committed to their teams.

Great to see our 1st XV Rugby team play a pre-season game Saturday against Stratford/Central. Coaches Biff and Shaan Stevens have the team coming along nicely.

Acknowledgements

We thank all the parents, outside organisations and staff who have helped with events, travel and supporting our students. Your dedication and support have been invaluable in making this term's sports activities a success.

Overall, it's been an exciting and eventful term for sports. We look forward to building on this momentum in Term 2 with sport exchanges, TSSSA events and the School Colour Run/Cross Country.

"Be a leader, not a follower. Be the one who sets the trends, not the one who follows them." – Unknown

For all sports queries, please contact Vicki Roberts, Sports Coordinator, via email vicki.roberts@tepaepaeoaotea.school.nz

2025 Upcoming Sporting Events				
TSSSA Events				
Indoor Bowls	Thursday, 1 May			
Football	Wednesday, 7 May			
Boys Day Out	Friday, 9 May			
Cross Country	Tuesday, 13 May			
Indoor Bowls & Boccia	Thursday, 15 May			
Indoor All Ability Indoor Bowls				
Netball	Tuesday, 20 May			
Whole School Events				
School Cross Country	Friday, 16 May			
Year 7-8 Sports Events				
TPOA v Manukorihi Sports Exchange	Wednesday, 7 May			
Held at TSB Hub, Hawera				
TPOA v Devon Sports Exchange	Wednesday, 14 May			
Held at Devon Intermediate, New Plymouth				



ACHIEVEMENTS



Te Paepae o Aotea congratulates the following students who placed at the North Island Secondary Schools Track and Field Championships held in Hamilton during 5-6 April 2025.

Our students represented the Taranaki region well.

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Student	Event	Placing
7 1 0	Junior Girls 800m	5 th Place
	Junior Girls 300m	6 th Place
Tayla Sturgeon	Taranaki Senior Girls Relay	
	4x400m	4 th Place
	Junior Boys 100m	21st Place
	Junior Boys 200m	15 th Place
Leonardeous Snooks	Junior Boys Long Jump	14 th Place
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	4x100m	7 th Place
	Senior Girls Triple Jump	1st Place
Elizabeth Cudby	Senior Girls Long Jump	6 th Place
*	Senior Girls 100m	13 th Place
Carlitos Morellon	Senior Boys 800m	13 th Place
Anderson	Senior Boys 1500m	7 th Place
7.11.00.0011	Senior Boys Long Jump	1st Place
	Senior Boys 400m	2 nd Place
	Senior Boys 100m	3 rd Place
Daniel Mandengu	Senior Boys 200m	4 th Place
Dunier Manacinga	Taranaki Senior Boys Relay	,
	4x100m	3 rd Place
	4x400m	2 nd Place
	Senior Boys High Jump	2 nd Place
	Senior Boys Triple Jump	2 nd Place
	Senior Boys 100m	8 th Place
David Mandengu	Senior Boys 200m	12th Place
	Taranaki Senior Boys Relay	Annual Control of the
	4x100m	3 rd Place
	4x400m	2 nd Place
Elliot Wills	Senior Boys Long Jump	3 rd Place
Elliot Wills	Senior Boys Triple Jump	4 th Place







ARUGBY



Ollie Symes

TPOA Senior Stableford Champion

Afeef Ridzuan

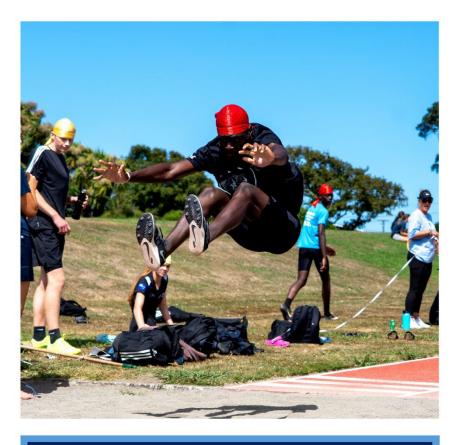
TPOA Best Gross

Divan Denton



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JUNIOR CRICKET

Year 7-8 Girls Cricket

The Year 7 and 8 Girls Cricket team from Te Paepae o Aotea has come a long way, with many of the players being new to the sport at the start of the season. Despite their inexperience, they have shown incredible determination, improving their skills with each game. Facing fair but tough competition, the team has learned to work together, develop and celebrate their progress, whether in batting, bowling, or fielding. A huge part of their success comes from the support of their parents, who have been there to encourage them at every game, cheering from the sidelines and helping with trainings. Their growth as a team is a testament to their hard work, and the incredible effort from all the parents, coaches, and managers. The girls ended up winning their grade after a great season. Thank you to everyone who participated and I hope we can take it into next season and continue to grow as a team!

Year 7-8 Boys Cricket

At the start of the season, many of the Year 7 and 8 Boys' Cricket team from Te Paepae o Aotea were still very new to the game, but that didn't stop them from diving in with energy and determination. Week by week, they've sharpened their batting, bowling, and fielding skills, turning nervous first-time players into confident competitors. Facing tough but fair opposition, they've learned to adapt, work as a team, and push themselves to improve. Their development has been incredible, with each player growing in skill and confidence. But more than anything, they've had a great time! Celebrating big hits, cheering each other on, and enjoying of the game.





Much like anything else the volleyball season doesn't last forever. The season had a rocky start but with the help of whanau and the volleyball management team we made it to Nationals in Palmerston which saw the participation of over 200 schools across Aotearoha.

Although the boys didn't advance as far as they had hoped after day one of competition they fought hard, ending up with a solid 5th placement in Division 6.

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The season came with a lot of challenges and rewards. There was a lot of great leadership within the team, awesome sportsmanship both on and off the courts, good chemistry, and the boys kept their energy up to overcome all the injuries and challenges they faced this season.

Sadly we say fair well to our awesome year 13 players Charlie Ainsworth and Ethan Hagley who played some amazing games at both Regional and National competitions. We will miss you both next year!!

Onward and upward Bring on the 2026 season!



TE PAEPAE O AOTEA School Sponsorship



Te Paepae o Aotea wish to thank our amazing local businesses for their support with sports teams and school events.





















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If your business would like to sponsor a school sport or event please contact Vicki.Roberts@tepaepaeoaotea.school.nz or Claire.Kalin@tepaepaeoaotea.school.nz