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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Tena koutou e te Whaanau

Matariki 2022

Fairfield College's Matariki production has been a highlight of the school year. I am extremely proud of the students that performed in the production and also the staff and community volunteers that contributed their time and efforts so that our production goals could be realised. Our production goals were:

- To provide a quality performing arts experience for our students that would teach them the significance of Matariki.
- To increase the Matariki knowledge of all of our students.
- To increase the Matariki knowledge of our school community.
- To engage in an inclusive and memorable activity to celebrate the inaugural Matariki national holiday.

I am hopeful that the students that performed in the production will always remember their production experience when celebrating future Matariki events. A special thanks to our dynamic sibling Fairfield College teacher team Charlotte Ferris and Jamey Ferguson for their vision and committed efforts that ensured that the production was a success.

Sports 2022

It is great that Fairfield College has been able to participate fully in the local secondary school sports competitions. Our participation in 2020 and 2021 was compromised due to covid-19 so it has been a highlight of our 2022 year that we have been able to participate once again in sports. I thank the coaches of our teams who selflessly give of their time so that our students can participate in the various competitions. I especially acknowledge the work of Toni Phillips and Vikki Rangiawha, our sports coordinators, for their exceptional efforts in providing quality sporting opportunities for our students.

Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Trials for the National Certificate of Education (NCEA)

I want to thank our Year 10 students that participated in our first trial of the NCEA literacy and numeracy assessment standards that were planned to become compulsory from 2023. The government has recently decided to delay this until 2024. Our trials took place on June 24, 25, and 26. On each of these days our year 10 students, and some of our senior students, sat

either a writing, reading, or numeracy assessment. The

feedback that I have received is that overall the students enjoyed the experience and we have learned how we could more effectively hold these types of assessments which all schools will be required to do in 2024. The assessments are marked externally and it is anticipated that students will receive their results within six weeks of sitting the assessment. There will be another opportunity for students to sit their Literacy and Numeracy assessments towards the end of Term 3. You will be advised of the dates early next term. A special thank you to the school's Principal Nominee, Andrea Rodgers, for her organisational work in preparing the school for these trials.

Partnership Through Collaboration (PTC Trust)

I would like to thank PTC Trust for their commitment to provide equitable educational opportunities for students. This has been expressed through their generous funding of laptops for four Fairfield College students.

In their application for the laptops, students had to state how they would use the laptop to further their education goals. They also had to prepare a graphic on the subject of public health messages related to covid-19. The students and their whaanau, as well as Fairfield College, are grateful to the PTC Trust for providing these laptops to Toakase Ma'u, Jimi Taylor, Blez Penny, and Mariana Kingi (as pictured below with Mr Crawford).

<http://www.ptctrust.org.nz/>



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Improving Attendance and Engagement

Last month the Ministry of Education (MOE) published the Attendance and Engagement Strategy document. This document was in response to the national trend of declining school attendance. On page 5 in this document the MOE has set national attendance improvement goals that are outlined in the following table:

Measure	2024 Target ⁵	2026 Target	2015 rates	Current (2021) rates
Percentage of ākonga attending school regularly (attending more than 90%, an average of 9 days a fortnight)	70%	75%	69.5%	59.7%
Percentage of ākonga who are moderately absent (attending more than 70% up to 80%, missing two to three days a fortnight)	6%	4%	6.3%	8.5%
Percentage of ākonga who are chronically absent (attending 70% or less, missing three or more days a fortnight)	5%	3%	4.6%	7.7%
Percentage of unexplained absences where schools have notified whānau on the day of absence and initiated intervention after 5 days of unjustified absence in a term.	95%	100%	This is a draft measure and is subject to further work with the sector. There is currently no mechanism for measuring this activity.	

Fairfield College will be joining with the other 21 Te Pae Here Kaahui Ako schools to improve levels of school attendance so that we will be in a stronger position to meet the Ministry of Education national attendance goals by 2024 and 2026. Fairfield College has to improve significantly if we are to achieve these goals that have been set. We look forward to working with our

students, their whānau, Ngaati Wairere, other Te Pae Here schools, government and community agencies, and the Te Hononga Te Pae Here team to make the consistent improvement that we are seeking.

The following link will give you access to an attendance presentation that the Board of Trustees student representative Vine Jnr Anae, and Head Student Katie Irwin, presented in the School Assembly on July 5. They emphasised the importance of attendance and how research has linked improved attendance to improving the probability of achieving qualifications which ultimately can improve the amount of income a student could earn when they leave school. Viewed in this light it is critical that we collectively work together to progress our school goal of improving school attendance.

[Attendance FFC goals and assembly on July 5th](https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/overall-strategies-and-policies/attendance-and-engagement-strategy/)

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Fairfield College Board of Trustees Elections

I have been fortunate during my ten years as principal to work with Board of Trustees members that have been committed to supporting Fairfield College to continuously improve. They will continue to play a critical role in Fairfield College's commitment to continuously improve so that we are responsive to the changing needs of our communities.

On September 7 we will be holding the Fairfield College Board of Trustee elections and I encourage all parents that want to make a contribution to Fairfield College at a governance level to complete the nomination process which will commence shortly. Further information will be forthcoming regarding these elections.

Keeping Fairfield College Open

I want to finish my comments by acknowledging our staff who have worked tirelessly this year to keep Fairfield College open for on-site learning for all students. Many schools have had to adopt some form of remote distance learning throughout the year and notwithstanding the challenges that we have faced with covid-19 we have managed to stay open.

We have been able to do this because of the efforts of previous Fairfield College teachers Jenny-Rae Middleton and Wafa Roumayah who have stepped out of their retirement to help the school remain open. I acknowledge and thank them for their efforts.

The willingness of our staff to cover their sick colleagues is another reason why the school has been able to avoid going to any form of distance learning. I commend our staff for their efforts and we all hope that we will be able to avoid going to any form of distance learning in the future.

However, I want to assure you that Fairfield College is prepared to operate distance learning effectively if we are required to do so.

Ngaa mihi nui
Richard Crawford
PRINCIPAL

R. Crawford

Matariki School Production 2022



Amazing cast of the School Production 2022 'Matariki'

Fairfield College

2023 INFORMATION EVENING and Open Day

All students are invited to attend an evening with the Fairfield College Senior Leadership, Staff and Students introducing and showcasing opportunities at Fairfield College.

Information Evening
28th July, 2022
5:30pm-7:00pm

Open Day
11th November, 2022
10:00-3:00pm

All students are invited to experience a snapshot of what Fairfield College can offer with a variety of interactive workshops. Please bring logs and towel. Lunch will be provided for the students.

Enrolment applications must be submitted by 1st December 2022. To enable us to cater for individual needs, all enrolling students will be interviewed.

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HONOURS ASSEMBLY



Y13 student Nathan Bateson receiving an award for achieving NCEA Level 2 Endorsed with Excellence



On Tuesday 10 May, we finally recognized students for their NCEA achievements in the Honours Assembly. Due to Covid restrictions we have been unable to hold this event in previous years. Congratulations to the following students acknowledged for their high achievements in NCEA Endorsed with Merit and/or Excellence:

NCEA Level 1 Endorsed with Merit:

John Baunton-Browne	Khanh Linh Dang
Jayne Irwin	Katie Irwin
Mahdyn Marsh	Elisha Mekuli
Levi Moana-Wharenuhi	

Brodie Hudson
Heather Jamieson
Shelley Ye

NCEA Level 1 Endorsed with Excellence:

Hinerangiora Keepa Hale

NCEA Level 2 Endorsed with Merit:

John Baunton-Browne	Luca Cittadini
Elisha Mekuli	Tasha Terelmes

Brooke Janssen
Inge Van der Berg

NCEA Level 2 Endorsed with Excellence:

Nathan Bateson

'Koorero Mai, Koorero Atu, Mauri Tuu, Mauri Ora'

Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

Pink Shirt Day commenced on Friday the 20th of May and the purpose of this day is to put a stop to bullying. This movement began in Canada, 2007, after a peer was bullied for wearing a pink shirt, two students decided to take a stand against homophobic bullying. Our kura supported this anti-bullying stance and everyone rocked up wearing both pink and white outfits. Students also gained many Maunga points for their efforts. Special thank you to our Maunga Leaders for collecting all the points, and Mrs Heta and Whaea Vinnie for arranging this dress up day! A few of us celebrate anti-bullying by wearing pink every Thursday. Fairfield College continues to walk the walk and not tolerate any kind of harassment or bullying.

PINK & WHITE DAY



LA Ye—Year 13 student

FFC CROSS COUNTRY

Term 2 has seen us able to run maunga events again which has been great. On Thursday May 26th we had our first school wide event for the year, our school cross country/fun run. We couldn't have asked for a better day, it was a glorious autumn afternoon.

There were some great results from our competitive runners. Special mention to Ryan Leeming (pictured left) who has won the event all 5 years he has been at Fairfield College. Our fun runners had a great time on the slip and slide and enjoyed the obstacles that were set up in the gully.



Mrs Jenny Heta—Mountain Dean

SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK

TALOFA LAVA

What an amazing week we had last week in celebrating Samoan Language. Our Pasifika students have had weeks of planning and practicing to showcase their culture. The following events they organised throughout the week were:

⇒Monday 30th May: Flag Raising Ceremony

⇒Tuesday 31st May: School Assembly Performance

⇒Wednesday 1st June: Students address staff at staff briefing; Fire Dance

⇒Thursday 2nd June: Pasifika Feast

Congratulations to all students involved with these performances, sharing your culture and experiences with your Fairfield College family.

Fa'afetai to Ms Summerfield for her ongoing support, it is very much appreciated



Manuia le gagana Samoa!



FFC Sport Appreciation Post

Winter sport has started – and even though we fought to get our current sports off the ground this season – we have already had some impressive results. This is a testament to the perseverance of staff, coaches and keen students that had the drive to want to compete and represent our school.

Many thanks to those parents, grandparents and especially the FFC staff who (on top of their already hectic work and life schedules) year after year give back to our students by either coaching and/or managing a FFC Sports team so that your

children can compete in their chosen sporting code. Toni and I appreciate it all and give a great big THANK YOU for volunteering your time to help our sporting students.

The “struggle is real” trying to find coaches and managers for our sports teams is becoming increasingly difficult. Getting help from the community is welcomed and very much appreciated by our students and FFC sport staff. If you can offer help, please contact us on the following:

Toni Phillips and Vikki Rangiawha email: sport@faircol.school.nz ph. 07 853 5660 ext.854.

Staff Name	Position	Sport
Toni Phillips	Manager Extraordinaire & Admin	All Sports
Vikki Rangiawha	Coach & Admin for all sports	Netball, Softball, Volley, Basketball +
Pat Whitiora	Coach	Boys & Girls Rugby
Michael Rasdall	Asst. Coach	Rugby
Christine Cosgrove	Coach	Girls Football
Jenny Heta	Coach	Waka Ama & Dragon Boat
Shon Wright	Coach	Year 9 Netball
Annalise Pulman	Coach	Year 10 Netball
Simon Lovatt	Coach	Inline Hockey
Liam McMahon	Coach	Badminton
Julie Wright	Coach/Manager	Hockey
Malgosia Cholewa	Coach/Manager	Hockey

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grassrootstrust.co.nz

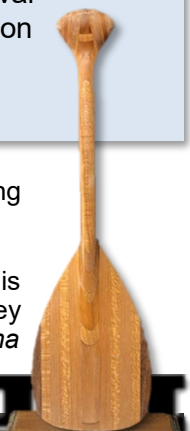
We would also like to acknowledge GRASSROOTS TRUST for their continued support of Fairfield College Sport. Being able to provide sports uniforms and equipment for our students is largely due to the funding support we receive from them. Thank you from FFC Sport.

grassrootstrust.co.nz

Waka Ama

The FFC Waka Ama Teams were recognized for their efforts at the Secondary School Nationals in 2021 (this event was cancelled this year) at the recent Waikato Dragon Boat and Waka Ama Association AGM. They received the Best Performed School Trophy (pictured right).

Jenny Heta—TIC Waka Ama



TERM TWO

Upcoming Events

JULY

- 8 **End of Term 2**
- 25 **Start of Term 3**
Behind the Scenes (Year 11)
SMART \$ (Year 10)
SMASHED (Year 9)
- 28-31 Year 8 & New Student Information Evening 5:30pm
NZ Swimming
- 29 WA Bunting Competition

AUGUST

- 1-5 Cook Islands Language Week
- 2 Health and Safety Course
- 4 Health and Safety Course
STARS Community Project
- 11 STARS Community Project
- 12 Weekly Quiz Competition
- 13 School Ball
- 15 Victoria University Course
- 16 PISA Research Study
- 19 Weekly Quiz Competition
- 22-26 Inter-Mountain Netball Challenge
- 23 NCEA Teacher Only Day
- 24 Senior Subject Choice Evening
- 25 Auckland Writers Festival
- 26 Weekly Quiz Competition
- 29-2 Arts Week
- 29-31 APE Snow Trip



MOUNTAIN POINTS

Maungatautari	12
Pirongia	10
Karioi	12
Kakepuku	16

As we all know Covid has had a major impact on events. It was because of this that we were not able to celebrate our winning Waananga Akotahi classes from 2021, until this term.

A belated congratulations to PD, KC, MF and RE for winning your respective competitions. They celebrated with a pizza lunch on Friday May 20th.

Time will tell whether or not they will be able to back this up with a win in 2022. Currently the competitions are being led by different WA classes:

Karioi: RD **Pirongia:** PL
Kakepuku: KA **Maungatautari:** MB, MF, MG are tied for 1st=