



# Kaipara Pānui

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## Kaipara Students Meet the Prime Minister

*From the Principal*



E te whānau whānui o Kaipara, tēnā koutou.

Recognition of the skills and talents of Kaipara College students has come from the highest level this week. Representatives of the Waka Ama World Championship team met the Prime Minister, John Key, and cabinet ministers, Simon Bridges and Paula Bennett as part of their build up towards the May event on the Sunshine Coast in Australia. Following this, Bianca Bailey in Year 12 worked with the Ministers in her role as the Prime Minister's Youth MP to help try and solve the transport problems currently being experienced by people living in the North West of Auckland.

Please be aware that school is closed next Tuesday 29 March following the Easter weekend.

*Patrick Gale*

## Academic News

A number of Māori students have stepped up to develop policy and practice for improving the engagement and academic outcomes for Māori students in Years 9 to 13. These students are working with a group of teachers to help design learning experiences that will open up lessons for Māori to learn as Māori. The school is keen to involve whanau who wish to collaborate on this project, please get in contact through the Whare Ako. Student and whānau involvement is key to ensuring all our students gain equitable outcomes.

# Culture

## ***No Bullying Campaign:***

This last week has seen the No Bullying Campaign for the juniors. Each day different activities highlighting different aspects of bullying were undertaken with an emphasis about cyberbullying. The purpose of the campaign is to encourage conversation about bullying and to encourage students to always tell us about bullying at school, so that it can be addressed and resolved as soon as possible.

## ***PSSP Peer Sexuality Support Program:***

The Kaipara College PSSP team for 2016 are Keziah Lawes, Jamie Beale, Ismay Masters, Bianca Bailey, Bryony Roberts, Teone Wilkinson, Jade Williams-Pratt and Troy Broadley. We're here to help our fellow students with questions around sexuality, gender, bullying, mental illness, teenage pregnancy, contraception, STi's and any other questions around their wellbeing. Throughout the year we will run a series of promotions as well as providing support whenever students request it. Earlier in the term we introduced ourselves by positively bombing the school and inviting students to participate by sharing their positive experiences with us and others on social media. To know more about what we are up to and our plans for the rest of the year, you can follow our social media pages.



***Instagram: kaiparacollegepssp***

***Facebook: Kaipara College PSSP***

# Sport

## ***Coaches and Managers Needed:***

We require coaches and managers for our Winter Sports Teams. Without a coach or manager we are unable to enter teams into competitions. Based on numbers of students registered we will require coaches and managers for the following teams:

**Netball:** Senior 2, 3 & 4 team

**Football:** Junior Boys

If you can help or would like more details please contact Emma in the Sports Office as soon as possible 420 8640 ext 821 or [sports@kaiparacollege.school.nz](mailto:sports@kaiparacollege.school.nz)

## Community

### **Youth Member of Parliament:**

Last Friday morning I was able to sit in on a meeting with The Prime Minister, Minister Paula Bennett, Minister Simon Bridges, NZTA and AT. It was great to hear about the changes that are going to be made over the next few years as our population grows and we struggle to keep up with the growth curve.

The impact this growth and the construction of the Waterview tunnel has had on the north-western motorway has made a 30 minute trip take at least an extra hour in peak hour traffic and the locals are getting more and more frustrated. But it's okay, change is coming! I even got to talk about my pet peeve - the lack of public transport in my Helensville electorate. I was delighted to receive a response directly from Auckland Transport letting us know that more buses going in different directions are coming soon. I'll keep you posted, but if you've got any specific transport niggles come and talk to me.

*Bianca Bailey, Youth MP for Helensville*

### **Board of Trustees:**

Election of members to the Kaipara College Board of Trustees will take place in June this year. This is a great opportunity for interested parties to take an active role in using their skills and experience to aid the governance of the school. If you would like any further information please contact current Board member Brent Bailey at [bbailey1157@gmail.com](mailto:bbailey1157@gmail.com) or telephone Brent on 021 634 721. Information from the NZ School Trustees Association can be found at: <http://resources.nzsta.org.nz/videos/becomeatrustee/html5video.html>

### **Notices for parents**

Please ensure your contact details are up to date at the school office. It is the intention for the school newsletter to be delivered via email from term 2 onwards. Arrangements will be made for those who do not have an email account.

Computer Lockers are available to rent @ \$10. Per Term – see Mrs Brown in Accounts

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### **Upcoming events:**

**Friday 25 March to Tuesday 29 March - School closed for Easter break**

Wednesday 13 April – Kaipara College Golf Championship

Friday 15 April – End of Term 1

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