



POMPALLIER CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Te Kāreti Katorika o Pomapārie

"Diligere Verum" "Love the Truth" "Arohatia te Whakapono"

Newsletter 17 : 10 November, 2023

Tēnā Koutou Katoa, Greetings to you,

A favourite story of mine in the Bible is the story of Hosea. It is not a long story as far as Bible stories go and was written a little after the reign of King Solomon. King Solomon was well known for having married many women. Almost 100, it is said. Some of the women were locals, others were from foreign lands. Over time he grew a reputation for wisdom (he would need it) and was a well-respected leader.

However, in marrying into a diversity of families, Solomon did allow for the introduction of a range of faiths. Into a culture of monotheism (one God) comes many gods and a diversity of worship practices and holy sites.

This diversity of faiths became problematic for a nation whose sense of identity was based on monarchy and monotheism. Things started to fall apart in the little nation. Gossip circulated and it undermined the social fabric. Women gathered at the well, men at the market and children shared stories as they played at the river. A network of inter party communication evolved each evening when they all returned home. Sometime later, this communication channel became renamed as inter-net.

Into this social disruption comes Hosea. He was considered to be a good man. Faithful to God, respected by the community and had a steady income as much as that was possible in those days. But what put Hosea top of the gossip was his trophy wife. She was stunning. Quite a few years younger than him and someone who drew the attention of men and women when he went for a walk in the evening with her.

Unfortunately, there was a downside. She wanted a bit more luxury in her life. She realised that her beauty was a potential source of income and began to trade on it. Not in the sense of an "influencer", but in a rather more intimate manner. This trade started to take her out of town and on international trips. People started to make comments about Hosea and his disrupted life and children at home with no mother.

The telling thing about Hosea was that he did not give up on the promise he made before God. He had promised to love and commit his life to his wife no matter what happened. Fires and floods, travel and over-nighters, nothing would shake his commitment. But it seemed that God was not doing much for him when it came to his unfaithful wife.

The years went past, people found new gossip, and time took its toll on the physical beauty of his wife. One day, Hosea is at the market and sees a recently arrived group of slaves for sale. There were a few women in the group, including one that looked as if she was somewhat worse for wear. Hosea recognised this woman and immediately placed a bid on her that nowadays resembled paying Auckland prices for a Kaitaia house. His mates thought he had lost the plot.

Not surprisingly, he was successful in his bid and the woman came to live in his house. Maybe now he would be happy again. The new woman was very grateful to have a new home. She cleaned herself up, got some mud out of her eyes and suddenly realised that she had been reunited with her husband. She sought his forgiveness and cried many tears of sorrow. There was a little bit of self pity but most of this was genuine remorse at having broken their pledge to each other. Hosea's relentless love for her brought her back. A [song](#) was written about this event (Ads are not endorsed by the author).

Of course this was not a real event, but it is true. God does care unrelentingly for his people. In a world of troubled events there is only one stable point. Never lose sight of that.

Richard Stanton
PRINCIPAL

VISION STATEMENT

Pompallier Catholic College is a Catholic community with a Marist charism that challenges all students to excel in their endeavours. We promote Christian values, excellence in learning and quality relationships to enable students to be outstanding citizens. Our College shall be a place where all "...encounter the living God who in Jesus Christ reveals his transforming love and truth".



UPCOMING EVENTS - Term 4

NOTE: All events are subject to confirmation.

NOVEMBER

Mon 6 - Wed 29	NCEA Exams		
Mon 13	Junior Exams (Year 9 & 10)	Timetable on Page 4	
Wed 15	Year 7 & 8 Parish Mass	SFX Church	11:40am - 1:30pm
Thu 16	Junior Exams (Year 9 & 10)	Timetable on Page 4	
Fri 17	Junior Exams (Year 9 & 10)	Timetable on Page 4	
Mon 20	Junior Exams (Year 9 & 10)	Timetable on Page 4	
Mon 20	Orientation Day for 2024 Year 9 students	College	8:55am - 11:15am
Tue 21	Orientation Day for 2024 Year 7 students	College	9:30am - 2:15pm
Tue 21 - Thu 23	Year 9 & 10 e-asTTle Assessments	College	
Fri 24	TEACHER ONLY DAY	School closed for instruction	
Mon 27 - Tue 28	Year 9 & 10 e-asTTle Assessments	College	
Wed 29 - Fri 1 Dec	Year 10 BP Challenge Enterprise	Kensington Stadium	9:00am - 3:00pm

DECEMBER

Fri 8	Junior Prizegiving	College Hall	
Fri 8	Last Day of Term 4	School finishes at approx. 12:00pm (at the conclusion of prize giving)	



OVERDUE LIBRARY & SUBJECT BOOKS

There are a number of overdue library books, and subject textbooks outstanding.

Students - if you have received an overdue library book notice and/or been issued a subject textbook during the year and have not yet returned them, please do so **before the end of this term**, to avoid being charged for the cost of the book.

Parents - if you could ask your child if they have a book outstanding, that would be very helpful! Thank you.



Remember, if you have a student success you would like to share, email us at ...

newsletter@pompallier.school.nz

YOUNG VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL



We invite you to share in the spirit of Christmas by donating gift items to help the less fortunate in our community.

Our Young Vinnies team at school would welcome donations from Term 4 - there will be a collection box at the front office to drop your donations into.

Some ideas for gifts would be: christmas lollies, biscuits (sweet & savory), toys/small gifts for children, christmas pudding, cake, tea, coffee, mince pies, toiletries etc.

Thank you from our Young Vinnies Team



LEAVING SCHOOL THIS YEAR?

If you are leaving the College this year, there are a few things you need to do before you go:

- Return all library books and subject textbooks, otherwise you will be charged for them
- Complete a **LEAVERS FORM**, available from the Student Centre (Year 13 students will receive one shortly from your whānau teacher)
- Return your **completed** Leaver's Form to Mrs Woolston in the College office **BEFORE** the end of term.

Thank you!



Welcome to Term 4 Sports News... Week 5

BASKETBALL RESULTS

7/8 Inter-ball

3 Nov vs Manga won 67 - 13

Junior

26 Oct vs Rookies won 87 - 32

2 Nov vs Rawhitiroa won 85 - 44

YEAR 7 & 8 ATHLETICS DAY - RESULTS

Unfortunately, due to terrible weather, the 7/8 Athletics Day was forced to stop for the day, not long after completing the 100m heats.

The postponement day was Monday 6 November.

Congratulations and well done to all students who participated on a much sunnier day, and thank you to everyone involved in ensuring everything ran smoothly.

We have included some pictures on Page 7.

Congratulations to our **Champions** for 2023 ...

- **Year 7 Girl** Ella Noble
- **Year 7 Boy** Lance Mulle
- **Year 8 Girl** Keira Davis
- **Year 8 Boy** Malachy Smedley

Congratulations also to the following students who broke our school records:

Year 8 Girls:

Long Jump **Keira Davis** - 4.18m
Previously Jordan Panoho, 1999 - 4.10m

Year 8 Boys:

Discus **Malachy Smedley** - 30.20m
previously Terreance Riini, 2011 - 23.40m

Malachy Smedley also now shares the school record in High Jump of 1.49m, set by Tamatea Davis in 2022.

STUDENT SUCCESSES

BMX

Congratulations to **Dario Piskulic** (Year 11) who competed at the North Island BMX Champs, held in Auckland over the long weekend. He gained 8th place in the 15yr boys.

SPORTS UNIFORMS

Most uniforms are back in now, but there are still a few outstanding! Please get these in as soon as possible – especially our senior leavers. Thank you!

SPORTS GEAR

Just a gentle reminder for any coaches/managers to please bring any sports gear back to the Sports Department asap please.

COACHES / MANAGERS

Thank you to all those whānau, community members and students who put up their hands to coach or manage sport this year. We couldn't do it without your continued support.

We are looking for coaches across all codes for 2024 – please contact me if this is something you would be interested in supporting: sports@pompallier.school.nz.

YEAR 7 & 8 HARDBALL CRICKET

The 9-side hardball cricket tournament was held on Tuesday 7 November @ Kensington park. The boys played well and did the College very proud for a new team! Thank you to Mr Cunis for coaching/umpiring on the day.

Results from the day:

Pompallier vs Whangarei Intermediate PCC won

Pompallier vs Rodney College PCC lost



SPORTS FEES

Reminder to pay your sports fees as soon as possible. These are now overdue!

UPCOMING EVENTS - Term 4

7 November - Year 7/8 Cricket Tournament @ Kensington Park

- All students registered for this event please be at Kensington Park at 9:00am for a 9:30am start

12 November - Netball Whangarei "Male Muster" @ Whangarei Netball Centre

- If there are any males interested in Netball, please come along to this muster, 10:00am - 2:00pm

21 November - Year 7/8 Fast 5 Netball (Girls or Mixed)

- If you are interested in playing, please sign up at the Sports Office

22 November - WPSA Year 7/8 Athletics @ Kensington Park

- More details to come

Sam Page
SPORTS CO-ORDINATOR
438 3950 ext 219
sports@pompallier.school.nz



JUNIOR EXAMS (Year 9 & 10)

Exam timetables have been emailed to students

All Exams take place in Rooms 9, 10, 11 and 12 (unless you have special assessment conditions)

YEAR 9 EXAM TIMETABLE

Exams start at the beginning of Period 3

Period	MONDAY 13 November Day 2	THURSDAY 16 November Day 5	FRIDAY 17 November Day 6	MONDAY 20 November Day 1
3 and 4	Social Studies	English	Science	Mathematics

YEAR 10 EXAM TIMETABLE

Exams start at the beginning of Period 1

Period	MONDAY 13 November Day 2	THURSDAY 16 November Day 5	FRIDAY 17 November Day 6	MONDAY 20 November Day 1
1 and 2	Mathematics	Science	English	Social Studies



You can't miss it.

Apply before 16 December
for your student allowance
or loan.

studylink.govt.nz

STUDYLINK 2024

Apply before
**16 December -
you can't miss it.**

If you're studying in 2024, 16 December is a very important date. It's one you just can't miss.

Around 120,000 students will need to get organised for study in 2024. Apply for your student allowance or loan before 16 December to give yourself the best chance of having everything sorted and ready for the start of your course.

If you've had a student allowance or loan in the last 12 months, login to MyStudyLink and use the Returning Application to apply. It'll take less than five minutes.

SENIOR LOCKERS

Be in quick – limited lockers available!!

If you wish to reserve a locker for 2024, or keep your current locker, you will need to fill in an online order form at: www.stowawaylockers.co.nz as soon as possible.

If you no longer require your locker for 2024, please let us know by email: info@stowawaylockers.co.nz. You will need to return your key at the end of the term, sellotaped to a piece of paper with your details on for your bond refund. Ensure the locker is left empty, as any remaining items will be disposed of at the end of the year.

Keys will need to be received within one week of Term 4 ending, and can be posted to: Stowaway Lockers, 475 Crane Road, RD 1 Kamo, Whangarei 0185.

Refunds will be direct credited to your bank account in January 2024.

Robyn, Stowaway Lockers.



SENIOR PRIZEGIVING : Wednesday 1 November, 2023

Thank you to everyone that joined us for our Senior Prizegiving ceremony last week. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the successes of our students. Congratulations to the following senior students who received special awards. A full list of prize winners will be included in our annual College magazine.

HONOUR ROLL

Year 11

- Nicholas Beare
- Alexandrena Beaumont
- Trinity Briden-Jones
- Lucas Dirksen
- April Rose Dylon
- Imisioluwa Falope
- Mikaela Gallardo
- Jamie Gardner
- Ethan Gavin
- Tannen Gilmour
- Sam Glover
- William Gross
- Tada Kayano
- Juri Lee
- Felicia Therese Padilla
- Neve Reiher
- Zoe Ryan
- Rose Shaji
- Jayden Sowry
- Leia Velez
- Sophie Waterman
- Luke Webber

TOP ACADEMIC STUDENT

Juri Lee

Year 12

- Meleena Beatty
- Charlotte Butler
- Grace Christey
- Daniel Coates
- Tom Cunningham
- Monica Davidson
- Mischy Disu
- Alys Finchett
- Caleb Foreman
- Samantha Frank
- Iggi Gervacio
- Macey Going
- Elizabeth Gould
- Eden Hales
- Grace Hanson
- Anabella Hugo
- Kayden Kim
- Jessie King
- Jemela Laurico
- Riley Linford
- Angel Lucas
- Therese Mapa
- Finn Olsen
- Renee Powell
- Hristo Sarcheliev
- Hayley Schutte
- Lucas Seakins
- Harry Trubshaw

TOP ACADEMIC STUDENTS

Anabella Hugo & Angel Lucas

Year 13

- Lauren Beare
- Khaira Chi
- Richard Fallon
- Guide Korchatchawal
- William Langdon
- Sophie Luxford
- Tara Orford
- Amy Robinson
- Lucy Schultz
- Kobe Seymour
- Danielle Sowry
- Paige Thornton

DUX OF THE COLLEGE

Amy Robinson





SENIOR PRIZEGIVING : Wednesday 1 November, 2023

HEAD STUDENTS 2024



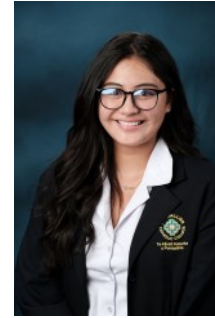
Tom Cunningham
Head Boy



Mischy Disu
Head Girl



Kayden Kim
Deputy



Jacinta Moors-Lemana
Deputy





YEAR 7 & 8 ATHLETICS DAY - Monday 6 November, 2023





TE MANAWA TAHI - Community Timetable, Term 4

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahī have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them.

This is a free service and each site will be identified by a Te Manawa Tahī sign or flag.

Drop into a hub, or make an appointment by: Phone: 0800 524 842, or Email: TT.Support@education.govt.nz



Te Manawa Tahī Community Timetable



WHANGĀREI

All hubs are open from 9:00am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated

Date	Hub Locations	Term 4 2023, Weeks 5 to 10
Tue 7 November	Te Rito, 165 William Jones Drive , Otangarei	
Wed 8 November	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka St, Morningside	
Wed 15 November	Te Horo School, 3239 Pipiwai Road, Pipiwai	
Thurs 16 November	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	
Wed 22 November	Bream Bay Community Trust (10am to 12.30pm) 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā	
Thurs 23 November	Children's Lighthouse Playgroup, 20 George Street, Hikurangi	
Wed, 29 November	St John Ōtamatea Ambulance Hall (10am to 1pm) 172 Hurndall Street East, Maungaturoto	
Thurs 30 November	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka St, Morningside	
Wed 6 December	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville	
Thurs 7 December	Ngunguru School *9am - 10.30am* Te Maika Road	
Thurs 14 December	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	

Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning **0800 524 842** or emailing TT.Support@education.govt.nz.



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Saturday 2nd December 2023



10am-2pm, at
Riverbank Centre carpark,
71 Reyburn Lane, Whangārei

*Come on down for a day full of fun activities,
music and multi-cultural performances.*



FREE EVENT!

LIVE MUSIC



RIDES & ACTIVITIES



PERFORMANCES



*This event is open to everyone, and is accessible
NZ Sign Language interpreter will be present.*

arlene@tiaho.org.nz for further information



JASMAX

Beca

tokotoko
SOLUTIONS LIMITED

CAREERS EVENING

15TH NOVEMBER 2023

5.30PM - 8.30PM

Our third session of Talanoa Ako will provide the opportunity for you and/or your child to connect face to face with people in different industries to make key decisions about their future career choices.



Spot Prizes will be drawn on the night..
Light Refreshments will be provided

VENUE

Beca Offices-Level 2

15 Porowini Avenue Whangārei

REGISTER NOW

admin@tokotosolutionsltd.co.nz



noel leeming friends & family deals

Limited time | 30th October - 12th November 2023

cost*
+ 5%
on all TVs &
Whiteware

cost*
+ 5%
on all Cellular
& Computers

cost*
+ 7.5%
on all
Smart Home

cost* + 10% deals storewide.

Exclusions apply.*



15% off all product protection[^]

Get additional peace of mind.

20% off all tech solutions[^]

Get you up and running in no time, just ask!

nL tech solutions | 0800 555 989

[Learn more](#)



+2.5% of total sales will go to a charity of your choice.

Select the charity below and scan barcode instore or enter barcode at checkout online



Have the barcode scanned in store to receive this offer.



174025

or

Use this code online at checkout **FFNOV_STARSHIP** to receive this offer.



Have the barcode scanned in store to receive this offer.



173991

or

Use this code online at checkout **FFNOV_KIDSCAN** to receive this offer.



Have the barcode scanned in store to receive this offer.



174394

or

Use this code online at checkout **FFNOV_GUMBOOT** to receive this offer.

Offers in this flyer run between 30th October - 12 November 2023. The offer is cost + 5-10% on all product storewide, except Gift Card purchases, Tech Solutions, Endeavour products, Tech.Inc products, extended warranties, laybys, delivery fees, Dyson products, Apple hardware (including iPhones) gaming consoles and bundles, iTunes cards, mobile phone top cards, bonus, free or half price items, IT accessories, PC software & consumables, AV accessories, storage & power products unless otherwise stated. *Average cost reflects the average cost price of the product including administration and handling costs and does include any volume related adjustments which may apply to GST. Offer is available online and cannot be used in conjunction with any deferred and/or interest-free credit offer other than Zip or with any other promotional offer. Flybuys consist of 1 Flybuys for every \$50 spent at Noel Leeming. Noel Leeming Flybuys and Flybuys Membership Terms and Conditions apply. Visit noelleeming.co.nz/flybuys for more details. *All service terms & conditions apply. Any additional work charged at \$99 per hour. Ask us in store, pick up a brochure or visit online www.noelleeming.co.nz for more information. myTechSolutions Package - Noel Leeming. An additional 2% surcharge applies when purchasing items on a credit card. See in store for details. Some of our nationally advertised specials may be at a lower price than this offer but you will receive the best price on the day for the item/s you choose.

0800 44 44 88 | Over 65 stores nationwide | Earn Flybuys

[Shop now](#)

