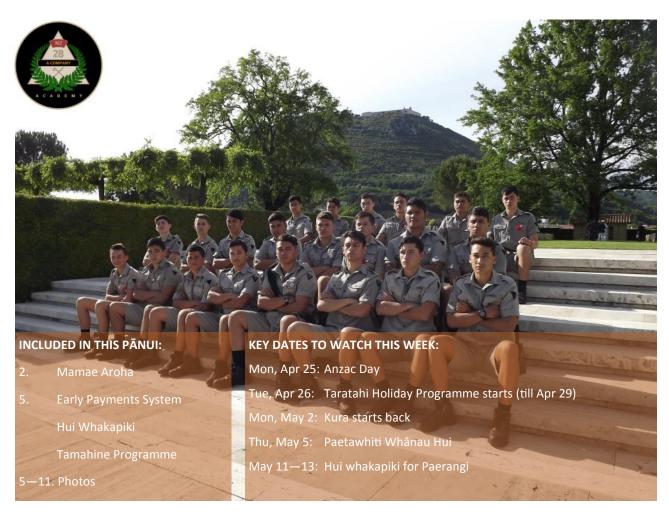




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E rere e te kōtuku rerengatahi.

Kua whakawhiti koe ki te whatiwhati korero ki te huihuinga wairua.

Ko koe tēnei e Hone, kua momotu atu i tēnei ao ki tua o te arai.

E Hone, e rere i te rere ka horekau nei i hokia.

Haere atu ki nga rangatira i takahia te ara ki te whare tapu o tō tātou Matua Nui I Te Rangi.

E Hone, haere, haere atu i runga i te rangimarie, taukiri e te mamae.

Tū ki te marae, tū ki te ao, tihewa mauri ora. Tēna tātou e te whānau, tuatahi, me mihi ki tō tātou matua nui i te rangi, nāna nei ngā mea katoa. Tuarua, ki ngā mate huhua o te wā, haere. Haere ki pae maumahara, haere ki te kainga tūturu mō tāua te tangata. Mate atu he tete kura, ko rātou tēna i okioki ai. Ara ake he tete kura, ka hoki tēnei ki ngā kanohi ora, koutou rā e te whānau, tēna koutou.

The Leadership Academy

The 28th Māori Battalion was part of the 2nd New Zealand Division, the fighting arm of the 2nd New Zealand Expeditionary Force (2NZEF) during the Second World War.

A frontline infantry unit made up entirely of volunteers, the Battalion contained 700-750 men divided into five companies.

Like the other infantry battalions, the Māori Battalion was divided into five companies: four rifle companies of about 125 men each and a headquarters (HQ) of around 200 men. Each company was commanded by a major or captain. The Battalion's four rifle companies (named A, B, C and D) were organised along tribal lines, while HQ Company drew its personnel from all over Māoridom.

The main body of the Māori Battalion left New Zealand as part of 2NZEF's 2nd Echelon in May 1940. The last Māori recruits to see action, part of 2NZEF's 14th reinforcements, arrived in Italy in April 1945.

In 2009, He Puna Marama Trust became one of seven successful applicants to receive significant ASB funding to implement its vision of a leadership academy for Māori boys. The Leadership Academy of A Company was formally established in 2010.

The Leadership Academy was given its name by the survivors of A Company, including Charlie Petera and the late Sol Te Whata.

The men took on the bureaucracy to claim the Leadership Academy's name saying they will *live forever through the Academy*.

The Leadership Academy is seen as a marae for boys. Their vision is $T\bar{u}$ Ki Te Marae; $T\bar{u}$ Ki Te Ao - Stand on the marae; stand in the world. The boys are encouraged to see the Academy as a place to stand tall and be encouraged to do things they never imagined they could do.

The kaupapa of the Leadership Academy draws its strength and direction from its links to the 28th Māori Battalion, in particular their legacy of honour, courage, resourcefulness, hard work, pride and commitment.

Following in the footsteps of the 28th Māori Battalion, the Academy instils a military ethos that emphasises a sense of purpose, discipline, routine, personal responsibility, leadership training and strong, supportive relationships.

Academy boys undertake physical training, parent-directed activities, te reo and tikanga Māori and, depending on their interests, also participate in sports, music or boxing. The boys get tired, which is part of the challenge! There are no roses in the trenches; it's all hard work.

Wrapped in a korowai or cloak of unconditional support, the boys come to know that it's up to them to accept responsibility by making the most of the opportunities put before them.



In the lead up to ANZAC day at the going down of the sun boys from the Leadership Academy of A Company join representatives from the Defence Forces and RSA to lower the ensigns, read the ode in English and Māori and play the last post. Pictured is Te Rangi Munro on the Wednesday night shift.



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Kura Starts Back May 2

Kura starts back on May 2.

Ākonga are expected to arrive in full uniform by 8:45am ready for the start of a new term.

Hui Whakapiki Term 2

Hui whakapiki for Paerangi ākonga (Years 11-13) will be held on the second week of term 2 from May 11 -13.

The Kura is trialling an online booking system for whānau to use. To make a booking go to www.parentinterviews.co.nz:

- 1. Enter the event code: 69YSX
- 2. Enter your details
- 3. Select your tamaiti's mentor (a list of mentors and the ākonga they are mentoring is attached to the pānui)
- 4. Book a date and time slot.

Tamahine Leadership Programme Touted

The Kura will support applications to the Tamahine leadership programme, Urutapu.

The purpose of Urutapu is to inspire, educate, empower and enable Tamahine through meaningful leadership.

Tamahine who participate in the program will be supported to identify their purpose gifts talents and passion. This will then be followed up by creating a 24 month self-development plan

that aligns with girl's aspirations.

It's a free two-year program that the girls must be committed to completing, and is run as a series of quarterly noho mare and monthly workdays, which means that it will not interfere with school work or study.

Go online to www.urutapu.com to apply.

Early Payments Encouraged

Whānau are being encouraged to take advantage of the early payments system for fees, like NCEA.

Administrator Kaylem Corkery said NCEA fees of \$76.70 can start being paid to the Kura now, even though they're not due till September 14.

"Whānau can start making weekly contributions at \$5-10 per week, or whatever they can afford," she said.

The early payments system can be applied broadly across a number of Kura-related costs like sports trips and stationery.

"Even though we don't charge school fees like most kura, there is still a cost for things like trips and stationery that whānau need to bear,"

All late payments for NCEA incur a \$50 late fee (applied by NZQA)

Whānau can apply to NZQA for financial assistance if they earn below the following (before tax):

Family of 2 \$49,447 Family of 3 \$59,743 Family of 4 \$67,932 Family of 5 \$75,952 Family of 6 \$84,915

Financial assistance reduces their fees to \$20 per ākonga; \$15 per ākonga for whānau with 2+ sitting NCEA this year.

More information is available on the NZQA website (http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/qualifications-and-standards/qualifications/ncea/Application-For-Financial-Assistance.pdf).

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It's been a big first term for the Kura and we'd like to acknowledge both the ākonga and their whānau for their cooperation in making the most of every opportunity. Here were present some of the highlights in photos for you to relive.



The year began with the whole of school pōwhiri on February 9 (above), and the opening of Paenuku's new purpose-built buildings (below).



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The Warriors rugby league team had a pre season game in Whangarei against the Gold Coast Titans (below). The Warriors came to the Kura for a visit, while our ākonga helped out with the pōwhiri for the Titans at Toll Stadium.



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Sporting royalty also made a surprise visit to the Kura with sports superstar Sonny Bill Williams dropping in randomly on a whirl wind visit to the North.



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Late February the Kura hosted Ross School from New York. Ross had hosted some of the Kura in October in New York and wanted to come to New Zealand for a cultural experience. They stayed at Motatau Marae, went to Ruapekapeka and also saw Tane Mahuta while they were here. Above they're welcomed to the Kura, and below perform their haka.



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Mid March some of the senior ākonga were involved in a photo shoot for Northland Inc. The photos would be used to promote Northland to overseas tourists. Above they are seen being photographed for the shoot, while (below) is a photo from the Northern Advocate article who ran a story about it.





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The Kura has also had a busy sports programme with success across the board including athletics, bowls, volleyball and waka ama. Above, Trieste (Trieze) Mei came third in the u19 girls, w1, 250m, plate final at the waka ama secondary schools nationals in Rotorua. Below, the senior boys A volleyball team came runners up in division three at the secondary schools nationals in Palmerston North earning promotion to the top division in 2017.



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The Kura's kapa haka group took part in the 41st Tai Tokerau Festival at Otamatea High in the last week of school.



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