

OTOROHANGA COLLEGE WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Term One, Week Six - Monday 3rd March - Friday 7th March 2025

MATHS FACULTY

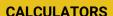
What a busy start to the year it has been, it is all go here in the Mathematics Faculty. The asTTle testing is now all complete and the Faculty staff are looking at where to next to help our students. This information is being shared with the students so they too are part of these next steps in their learning.

For many of our students the Numeracy CAA is the focus for the first part of the year and both the Year 10 and Year 11s are working hard on this, starting with their Number and Measurement skills. Our Year 12 classes have sat their first assessment and about to enter the world of Statistics.



MATHS HELP

Next week Maths help with Miss Wards in A1 is starting, this will be held on Wednesday lunchtimes. Students are welcome to bring work, pop in with a question or use the space to work on some tasks - everyone is welcome to come along!



It is wonderful to see so many students in class with scientific calculators. We do encourage students to have their own calculator to use in class, they will use this calculator all the way through College.



3.1415926... how many digits of Pi do you know? Next Friday, 14 March, is World Pi Day, there will be some activities happening along with a recall of Pi competition. So the question is, how many decimals of Pi can you remember??











T = 3.14 Happy Pi Day



ATHLETICS DAY



Empowering learners to succeed

ATHLETICS DAY

Hotson House Claims Victory at Ōtorohanga College Interhouse Athletics Day

Ōtorohanga College's Interhouse Athletics Day once again delivered an action-packed day of fierce competition, College spirit and outstanding individual performances. Under near-perfect conditions, students showcased their athleticism and House pride, making for an unforgettable event.

From the first race to the final relay, each House gave it their all, but in the end, Hotson House emerged victorious, amassing an impressive 662 points to take the coveted title. Brown House put up a strong fight, finishing second with 604 points, while Eveleigh (573) and Kedgely (499) rounded out the standings.

The day was filled with standout performances across all events, from blistering sprints to powerful field events. Students competed with heart and determination, earning valuable points for their Houses while pushing themselves to new personal bests.

A massive thank you goes out to the staff, parent helpers and student leaders who made the day run smoothly. A special mention to Year 11 Blair Edwards and Mr. Buckley, whose videography and drone footage captured the energy and excitement of the event.

With another thrilling Athletics Day in the books, attention now turns to upcoming sporting events—will Hotson defend their crown, or will another House rise to the challenge next year?











JASE WILLIAMS

On Monday, our Head Students Holly Church and George Kopa welcomed approximately 120 educators from our district, including our Hauora team, for a full professional development day. The session focused on the crucial theme of Trauma-Informed Practice and was expertly facilitated by Jase Williams, who has truly "walked the talk." Jase is recognised as one of the leading presenters in Trauma-Informed Practice in Education, bringing years of experience and a deep understanding of the challenges educators and students face.

Throughout the session, Jase shared invaluable insights and practical strategies. He drew from his extensive experience, having collaborated with thousands of educators across various settings to help them become more effective in trauma-informed education. Attendees were engaged in discussions, case studies and interactive exercises that encouraged them to apply what they learned to their own classrooms.

Jase provided our team with plenty to think about and reflect on, sparking important conversations about how we can better identify and meet our learners' needs. His emphasis on understanding the impact of trauma on learning and behaviour challenged us to consider our current practices and explore new, innovative approaches to support our students.







KEY DATES AND FUTURE HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday 13th March - King Country Athletics
Friday 14th March - Pi-Day
Friday 21st March - King Country Swimming
Wednesday 9th April - Parent, Student And Teacher Conferences
Friday 11th April - End of Term 1