



24 February 2017

Dear Parent / Caregiver

Kia ora Katou

BOT Meeting: At last night's Board of Trustees meeting, Mrs Melanie Shea was re-elected as Board Chair. Thank you to all board members for the time you put into serving HPC.

Year 9 Meet and Greet: Great to see so many parents attend our Year 9 meet and greet evening this week. The River Guide, along with your child's Dean, are key persons to communicate with if you have any questions or concerns.

HPC Swimming Sports: Also good to see so many parents take the opportunity to come along for swimming sports and thank you to those who helped on the day. While we have some adjustments to make, generally we thought the changed time worked well and is likely to remain in this format for next year.

NCEA Information evening: Thursday 2 March 7pm in the college hall. This evening is particularly for Year 11 parents / caregivers and students to go over how NCEA works. What is a standard? What do you mean credits? How do students prepare for exams? These sorts of questions will be the focus of the discussion.

HPC Athletics: This is happening on Tuesday 28 February and is always a good day with the Hapu spirit really coming to the fore. If you are able to help in any way with athletics, please contact Sports Co-ordinator Cindy Berridge 027 4655 289. All parents and families welcome to watch. If your child says parents don't come along, do not believe them!

Sports Executive Meeting: With the winter sports season around the corner, the Sports Executive is holding an information evening for interested coaches and managers with regard to arrangements and expectations for all codes for the year ahead. To be held in the Centennial Centre Wednesday 1 March at 7pm.

Winter Codes: Currently fitness trainings are offered for all students and particularly those who are wanting to get fit for the winter sports season. From early March, we will be holding skills development sessions for each winter code. Trials and trainings for teams will be underway from Monday 3 April. There is no compulsion to attend these pre-season opportunities, but students who are trialling for first teams in particular, are encouraged to make the most of these opportunities.

Staff Professional Development Day: Friday 10 March is a professional development day for staff. The focus will be on learning structures (Hub and Semesters) and the implementation of a behaviour management initiative (Positive Behaviour for Learning). Students are not expected at school and college buses will not run this day, unless they have primary students on board.

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