

15 March 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers,
Kia ora koutou

- **River Conferencing:** The online booking system for River conferences is now open www.schoolinterviews.co.nz (using the code: 3pakc). These are for all students and are scheduled to take place on Thursday, 21 March (4-8pm) and Friday, 22 March (9am - 3pm).

This is an opportunity for you as a parent to sit down with your child and River Guide to discuss the year ahead. Progress reports from each teacher will be available and can be collected from the main foyer. Twenty minutes are scheduled for each River Conference. These interviews are for River Guides only. Subject teacher interviews are held in term two.

- **School App:** To download our school app, search for Hauraki Plains College in the Apple App store or the Google Play store. Information via the app contains daily notices, a school events calendar, contact details of all staff links to website and a parent portal for academic results. For more assistance, contact our e-learning co-ordinator Jonathan O'Neill (jonathano@haurakiplains.school.nz)
- **Winter Shoes:** We understand that some providers of school sandals e.g. The Warehouse do not have them in stock anymore due to the seasonal clothing change-over. It is reported though, that Number One Shoes in Hamilton (The Base) have a large stock available. However, if your child's sandals are broken and you cannot find sandals anywhere, our expectation is that he/she goes into winter shoes and socks/stockings. These are in stock now at all shoe and department stores. That is the only acceptable alternative to the summer uniform footwear. We understand that in the short term your child may be in non-regulation footwear until winter footwear is purchased, however, we do need your child in the correct footwear as soon as possible.
- **Out of Zone Ballot:** The ballot closes Thursday, 4 April at midday. A reminder that out of zone families who already have a child at school are still required to apply to enrol through the ballot system although these go on a priority list.
- **Community Notices:**
 - Flow Yoga with Jessica Worchel Bunce. Mangatangi Hall Wednesdays 9 - 10:15am

Ngaire Harris
PRINCIPAL

"Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching them what counts is best." (Bob Talber)



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