



Dear Parent / Caregiver
Kia ora Koutou

Throughout this term, our focus has been on unpacking *Kaitiakitanga* and what that means for us as a school community. A Kaitiaki is a trustee or guardian. Kaitiakitanga includes:

- Honouring our heritage, our traditions and stories.
- Being a good steward of what we have now including our environment and learning opportunities.
- Guarding our future through leaving a legacy, making a difference or taking action to make it better for those yet to come.

The recent mufti day raised funds for local services (Fire Brigade and St John) very much fits with the kaitiaki theme and is one way we can show appreciation for those who look after our place and people.

As a school protecting the learning is a significant aspect of a kaitiaki role. A section of this newsletter outlines what we have been working on under a Ministry initiative *Positive Behaviour for Learning*.

One of the messages we have given to students is that they are kaitiaki of their own lives, shaping their own story through the decisions they make and through taking care of their own wellbeing, relationships and learning.

Thank you to everyone, staff, parents and students who have contributed to a number of events over Term 3, both on the stage and sports field. Sports awards in assemblies and the Cultural Arts Awards evening next week reflect the significance of co-curricular activities at HPC. This cannot happen without the commitment of parents and the wider community.

With just 15 school days left, it is now time to turn our attention to finishing the academic year well. In the first week of next term, Seniors have practice exams or for courses which are internally assessed, an opportunity to finish off assessments and projects. While Juniors do not have exams, we encourage them to keep their sights on completing a Junior Certificate or Diploma which reflects their best work.

Ngairé Harris
 PRINCIPAL

KEY DATES

- Mon 15 October**
First day of Term 4
- Tues 16 - 18 October**
Practice Exams for Seniors
- Thurs 18 October**
Year 10 Subject Selection Evening
- Friday 19 October**
Assessment Catch up Day
- Thurs 25 October**
Sports Prize giving 7pm
- Tues 30 Sept**
CD Release Evening
- Wed 31 Sept**
Last day for Non Exam Senior Students
- Fri 2 Nov**
Senior Academic Prize giving
Exam leave for Seniors
- Sun 2 Dec**
Graduation Dinner
- Mon 3 Dec**
Student Leadership Speeches
- Wed 5 - Fri 7 Dec**
SOS Camp
- Thurs 6 Dec**
Year 9 Prize giving
- Fri 7 Dec**
Year 10 Prize giving
- Mon 10 - Wed 12 Dec**
Junior Camps
- Thurs 13 Dec**
Holidays begin for students



ACADEMIC NEWS

At this stage of the year a huge number of students have passed NCEA level's 1, 2 and 3, many now having left school to work for the remainder of the year. Congratulations to all students who have passed, especially those who have worked so hard to gain an endorsement.

Assessment catch up day will be on Friday 19th October. You will be notified by email if your child needs to return to school for this day. If not, enjoy an extra long Labour Weekend.



Year 12 Geography and 12 Earth and Space Science

On Friday 14th September these two classes braved the long bus ride to Tongariro National Park. Both classes are completing research assessments based on this unique volcanic environment. We travelled to Turangi first to be hosted by the Volcanic Activity Centre, where the students were able to view up to date information on geological and tectonic processes occurring in New Zealand. We then travelled to the Mangatepopo Valley, a historic glacial valley where the students walked to the Mangatepopo Hut and completed field sketches and collected ash and rock samples. There was snow on the mountains and several of the students had never touched snow so Mrs Courtney couldn't let them miss this opportunity so we then drove up to Whakapapa Ski Field where we had an almighty snow fight.

It was a fantastic day; thanks to Cherie Richards for her assistance and Bus With Us for the transport.



STAFF NEWS

In Term 3, we welcomed three new teachers to HPC.

Mr Siosaia Pomana is Head of Sciences, specialising in Chemistry. His wife Kylie has also joined the Humanities and English teams. Before coming to HPC, Mr and Mrs Pomana previously taught at a Baccalaureate school in Dubai.

We also welcomed mid term Mr Martin Ash as our new Head of Health and Physical Education. Mr Ash has been a curriculum leader at both Tangaroa College and Forest View High School.



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PARENT PAGE

Positive Behaviour 4 Learning

PB4L is a Ministry initiative which directly supports schools to develop and maintain a culture and learning environment that maximise students' opportunities to develop academically and socially.

PB4L is an evidence based framework for implementation that looks at behaviour and learning from a school-wide as well as an individual student perspective. It provides schools with a process for teaching social and behavioural skills and helps them to develop a positive, proactive and systematic approach to ensure that the environment is positive and supportive, expectations are consistently clear, students are taught expected behaviours, expected behaviours are consistently acknowledged and inappropriate behaviours are responded to in a fair and equitable way.

PB4L is underpinned by fifty years of research into the conditions necessary for the development of motivation, self regulation, perseverance and social competence.

Some of the actions we have taken since joining the PB4L initiative include:

- Clarifying our expectations and school values - Rangatiratanga, Manaakitanga and Kaitiakitanga
- Implementing a reward systems for those students who are getting it right
- Defining, teaching and reinforcing desirable behaviours rather than responding in a random, reactive way.
- Developing more effective strategies for dealing with the small number of students who continually distract and disrupt the learning.

We are proud of the vast majority of our students who want to learn, are considerate of others, appreciate their teachers and are committed to getting the most out of their secondary years. PB4L is about working towards an environment that respects everyone's right to learn.

Well done to those students who have earned RMK badges.

The community has an opportunity to say
"Thank You" to our local Emergency
Services.

Thanksgiving Service hosted by Hauraki Plains
Co-operating Parish and St Paschals.

Where: HP Co-operating Church

When: Wednesday 17th October 7:00pm

All Welcome. Supper to follow



Raise funds for your school this spring!

For farmers who nominate your school, we'll donate \$1 for every tonne of qualifying Balance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser purchased!

Plus, give your school a chance to win iPads!

The school with the highest number of nominations in both the North and South Island will receive three Apple iPad Pros. The school with the second highest number of nominations in both the North and South Island will also receive two Apple iPad Pros.

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GUIDANCE PAGE

SOS and Leadership Training

Hauraki Plains College utilizes our SOS Team (Seniors Offering Support), to aid our Y9's to transition to high school life. The SOS leaders spend a sizeable amount of time with the new Y9's the first 2-3 days of school. During this time the SOS leaders run fun activities. The aim of the activities includes helping the Y9's get to know one another, feel comfortable at their new school, and make some connections with senior students who can be there to help them in College life. In addition, they will learn some skills and how to's for College life!

The activities that the SOS leaders facilitate with the Y9's likewise help them gain knowledge and confidence in:

- Being a high school student (How things work here)
- Knowing where their classes are and what to expect
- How to work together as Y9's (Teamwork and Cooperation)
- Knowledge and confidence on how to manage bullying and cyberbullying
- Feeling connected and accepted at College



The SOS leaders will undergo a 'training camp' Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 5-7 December 2018. This will prepare them to facilitate the activities and sessions with the Y9's. It enables them opportunities to develop and demonstrate their leadership skills, communication skills and abilities to work in a group. It will be a time to prepare to become leaders. It will also include some fun and jell-together time as a group of new leaders. The camp is to be held at school this year. A letter will go out to all Y12's giving information regarding the camp and details as to what they will need.

Many messages are more readily received by new Y9s from older students than from teaching staff and even parents. Therefore the older students are pivotal to serve as role models and mentors. If you have any questions or concerns involving the camp or SOS programme, please do not hesitate to contact Scott Henry, School Counsellor at 07 867-7029.

Public Seminars on Mental Wellbeing and Mental Health 2018 Ask a psychologist!

To celebrate mental health awareness week in 2018 the Manaaki Centre offers a series of 5 evening seminars in Thames.

During these seminars one of our clinical specialists will present relevant knowledge about these topics and discuss strategies to overcome problems. Participants will be invited to ask questions.

For whom: Anyone interested in mental wellbeing and mental health

Time: 5.30 pm until 7.30 pm (light refreshments available!)

Where: Central Venue in Thames

Tuesday 30 October: The psychology of **depression**

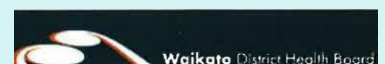
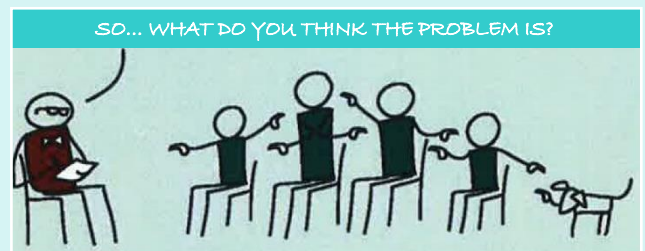
Tuesday 6 November: A psychological perspective on **mental health problems in children**

Tuesday 13 November: A psychological and psychiatric perspective on **schizophrenia**

Tuesday 20 November: A psychological perspective on the **challenges of adolescence/adolescents**

Tuesday 27 November: The psychology of **anxiety**

Interested? Phone the Manaaki Centre on 07 868 0041 and one of our friendly reception staff will take your details and inform you about the venue





CAREERS NEWS

HELPING YOUR CHILD FIND THEIR PATHWAY

How do you help a child decide between further study and going into the work force?

When discussing career options, it's best to remember that there's no "either or" decision to be made. There is a great variety of study and work opportunities available to young people, so many initial decisions can be adapted.

Ideally, young people should start to consider their career journey from around Year 10. As a parent, you can encourage this by listening to their ideas and acknowledging any anxieties they may have about their future. There is often great pressure placed on young people when it comes to making decisions about their future, and at a time when they're only just beginning to transition into adulthood.



Therefore, having an open and willing person who they can test out their ideas with can be a great value. Remember that leaving school is a great shift for any young person, and they are very aware of the impact that their decisions at this time could have.

Career conversations should not be singular, but more of an ongoing process.

You can begin by asking questions like:

"What do you see yourself doing after finishing school?"

"What are you really passionate about?"

"What are your hobbies/interests?"

"Are there any goals that you would like to set?"

These questions can help determine which path would be more appropriate and get them starting to think long term about the future and what they are good at.

It is once you have answers to these questions that you can begin to work into the "Why" and "How" of the next step. Your own life experiences (with regard to how you transitioned from school to work or further study) offer an alternative perspective for your child to consider. Use your experiences and learning and reflect on how you might (or not) have done things differently.

If they do choose a long-running pathway, help them find as much information as possible to best prepare them for that path. Discussing the perceived versus actual pros and cons of the different options as a good way to get a better idea of whether each option would suit.

NORTHFUELS SCHOOL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME

'FUEL FOR SCHOOLS' is a school sponsorship programme aimed at supporting rural schools throughout New Zealand. Every 'FARM or BUSINESS' that receives bulk fuel deliveries from 'NORTHFUELS' can 'NOMINATE HAURAKI PLAINS COLLEGE' to receive sponsorship and it does not cost you anything.

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SPORTS AT HPC

HPC MX TEAM A

Well done to the 17 riders who competed at the Paeroa TT Challenge on Friday 14th September. The day was perfect and the track was very challenging in parts.

Congratulations to the trophy winners Donelle Steer 3rd and Jenna Humphrey 4th in the ladies class. Massey Tohaia came in 6th in competitive which bought home the school team 5th. Well done to a very young team.



SPORTS AWARDS:

Well done to students who received awards at recent assemblies.

Rugby 4th Grade:	Basketball Senior Boys:	Hockey 1st XI Girls:
Best Sportsmanship - Reeve Benny	Captained By - Kelly Newbold	Captained by - Both Morgan Peterson & Paige Warburton
Most Improved - Max Van Hellemond	Most Improved - Aidan Harrison	Most Dedicated - Talia Siddins
Captained By - Caleb Marshall	Contribution To Basketball - Kelly Newbold	Best Team Effort - Jointly won by Morgan Peterson & Paige Warburton
Most Outstanding - Aiden Harrison	Best Defensive Senior Boy - Oscar Smitt	Coaches Cup - Eliaza Nonu
	Best Offensive Senior Boy - Lewis Horder	Most Promising - Kezia Harrison
	Most Outstanding - Lewis Horder	Most Outstanding - Sophie Scott
Rugby Development:		
Best Sportsmanship - Eli Tahitahi		
Most Improved - Jayden Corbett	Football Junior Boys:	Hockey Junior Boys:
Captained By - Isaac Broad	Captained by - Anthony Barker	Captained By - Korey Hill
Most Promising - Ben McIntosh	Most Improved - Caleb Howard	Most Dedicated - Heath Johnston
Most Outstanding - Lewis Horder	Most Promising - Jointly won by Brad Thorburn & Ephraim Adams	Most Promising - Logan Wenzlick
	Most Valuable - Braxton Wehi-White	Most Valuable - Korey Hill
Rugby 1st XV:		
Most Consistent - Cole Stephenson	Football 2nd XI:	Hockey 2nd XI:
Best Sportsmanship - Lewis Goldby	Most Improved - Allen Cosseboom-Flemming	Most Improved - Callum Cryer
Most Improved - Liam Holtham	Players Player - Flynn Purnell Williams	Most Promising - James Knight
Most Outstanding Contribution - Devon Shirley	Most Promising - Matthew Flocks	Most Valuable - Aidan Harrison
Most Outstanding 1st XV Defensive Rugby Player - James Bridle	Most Valuable - Drew Borck	
Most Outstanding 1st XV Rugby Player - Joshua Barker		Hockey 1st XI Boys:
Captained By - AJ Mead	Football 1st XI Girls:	Captained by - Josh Pou & Mitchell Berridge
	Captained by - Sarah Kruger	Fair play Award - Joel Cleyton-Greene
Basketball Junior Girls:	Most Improved - Alexzia Screen	Most Consistent - Liam Gordon
Captained By - Memphis McClelland	Players Player - Samantha Jennings	Most Promising - Jake Harris
Most Improved - Kate McIntosh	Most Promising - Samantha Jennings	Most Outstanding - Mitchell Berridge
Most Outstanding - Ania Ballantine	Most Valuable - Brooke Douglas	
Basketball Junior Boys:	Football 1st XI Boys:	
Captained By - Nikau Hall Tai	Captained by - Hayden Turlington	
Most Improved - Nathan Tribe	Most Improved - Aidin Aikin	
Most Outstanding - Timothy Ampeloqio	Most Promising - Bryn Simpson	
	Players Player - Aidin Aikin	
	Most Valuable - Hayden Turlington	
Basketball Senior Girls:		
Captained By - Helena Challis	Hockey 2nd XI Girls:	
Most Improved - Lily Maitland	Most Dedicated - Lauryn Bond	
Contribution To Basketball - Savaan Ballantine		
Best Defensive Senior Girl - Helena Challis	Most Promising - Jade Cochrane	
Best Offensive Senior Girl - Rebekah Williams	Most Valuable - Kaitlyn Coldicutt	
Most Outstanding - Jointly won by Rebekah Williams and Helena Challis		

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Hauraki Plains College



ARTS AT HPC

SHOWQUEST

This event took place at the Claudelands Event Centre on Saturday 24 August where we were able to showcase our performance after many weeks of planning and rehearsing.

The time frame was tight but with good communication and planning we were ready. Almost every lunchbreak, after school and some weekends were required and we very much appreciate the awesome help and support from our parents and caregivers.

Our theme was based on people being who they are no matter how different and respect for all. We really enjoyed the experiences rehearsing and performing in the arena and were very happy to be awarded first place overall on the night. Also thank you to other local media for their coverage of this event. It is much appreciated.



WAIKATO ITM BAND FESTIVAL

This event was held on Friday 24 August at the Gallagher Performing Arts Centre at Waikato University.

Our jazz band, of 18 students from Year 9 to 13, enjoyed attending, both to perform our own programme which we had spent many hours rehearsing, and to watch and experience many other styles of performances, including guitar combos and orchestral groups. There were 70 groups from other schools over the greater Waikato and Bay of Plenty regions. An exciting day.

NGATEA LIONS CLUB “WORLD SERVICE DAY” ANNUAL EVENT

Each year the College Music and Hospitality students are very happy to be able to support the Lions Club and the Hauraki District Council in having a very special event for all the senior citizens of the Plains.

This is a great opportunity for all the students to give something back to our community and is a very important event for us all.

The Choir, Jazz Band and several soloists from Year 9 to 13 performed a variety of items for entertainment while the Hospitality students prepared for the lunch to be served. From the Year 9 students peeling many potatoes and other veges to the senior students assisting with final preparation and serving the meal on the day.

The students really enjoy the interaction with these community members on the day and we are very proud of them all for their commitments to this event. Everyone is very happy to contribute their efforts to make this day a great success. We look forward to this event continuing in the years to come.



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OPPORTUNITIES OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Year 9 E and A Fundraising for Wellington

In Term 3 the Year 9's have been studying sustainability of our environment and waterways. For part of this project students have been involved in fundraising for a trip to Wellington to go to Parliament and work with NIWA on this issue. 26 Year 9 students are taking part in this trip from October 17th - 20th along with Mrs Courtney and Mrs McIntosh as parent help.

The students have been fundraising by hosting sausage sizzles at school and at the Thames Valley Schools Cross Country, also selling reusable bags which are still for sale at the school office. We also had a very generous donation from Mr Graeme Wright of Graeme Wright Transport, Puriri. Without all of your generous support activities like this are hard to fulfil.

Tonga Volunteer Service Trip, 2019

Current year 12 students have been offered an opportunity to once again be a part of this amazing trip to Vaini, Tonga in July 2019. Students have been asked to complete an application form available from the student centre and return to Mrs Courtney by Friday 21st September.

The students will be involved in fundraising for their own travel but also a gift for the Government Junior and Middle school, Vaini. We would appreciate any opportunities you may have available for fundraising, please contact Miriam Courtney via email at miriamc@haurakiplains.school.nz

Rowing Camp

A rowing camp for students who would like to give rowing a go will be held at Lake Maraetai, Mangakino on Sunday 30 September to Wednesday 3 October (first week of holidays). The aim of the camp is to give rowers and coxswains an additional opportunity to experience the basics of rowing. For further information contact coach Campbell Clayton-Greene (027 433 3909) or Andrew Gordon (027 476 3686).



Lifeguard Training Opportunity 2018

Waihi Beach Lifeguard Services is holding a four day lifeguard training camp on October 3rd to October 7th. If you would like to become a volunteer lifeguard over the summer months then enrol now to secure your spot.



To qualify for the camp you must be 14 years old and be able to swim 400m in 8 minutes. The camp will provide you with all of the necessary training to sit the lifeguard exam and swim practice can prepare you for the 21 October planned lifeguard examination.

For only \$175 you will get the course and exam fees, workbooks, uniform, 12 months membership, accommodation and meals.

To register or for more information email the club at info@waihibeachlifeguards.co.nz or Head Instructor Lucy on lucy.scown@gmail.com and we will provide an enrolment form. Office phone number is 07 863 5108.
