

10 May 2019

Dear Parents / Caregivers  
Kia ora koutou

- **Tertiary Preparation Workshop:** Good to see a number of parents and students take advantage of this opportunity to understand the process of applying for tertiary study next year. Feel free to contact Mr Keith ([peterk@haurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:peterk@haurakiplains.school.nz)) or Mrs Carter ([joyc@haurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:joyc@haurakiplains.school.nz)) if you need any help.
- **Reports:** Juniors have received reports and an update of their progress in the Junior Certificate or Diploma this week. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your child's River Guide. Seniors will receive updates on their progress to date in Semester A courses on Wednesday, 22 May.
- **Subject Teacher Interviews:** These are happening on Thursday, 30 May (4-8pm) and Friday, 31 May (9am-3pm). More information about how to book times in following e-bulletins.
- **212 Awards:** If your son or daughter comes home to say they have received a 212 award, this is based on the old Fahrenheit system of measuring heat i.e. at 211 degrees, water is hot and at 212 degrees, water boils. One extra degree of effort makes all the difference. A 212 award indicates outstanding effort or quality of work. The student also meets with the principal at 2:12pm (end of lunchtime) with an acknowledgement and small reward.
- **Board Elections:** Nominations for Board of Trustees elections are now open and closes on Friday, 24 May. All nominations to be sent to the Returning Officer (Carolyn Purcell) at HPC by this date with a Candidate Statement. Boards need a balance of skills and experiences around the table to ensure effective processes for planning, monitoring, reporting and reviewing of the school's performance. Any questions, please contact the Returning Officer ([exec@haurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:exec@haurakiplains.school.nz)) or current Board Chair Andrew Gordon ([southfarms@xtra.co.nz](mailto:southfarms@xtra.co.nz))
- **Summer/Winter Uniform Transition:** The transition period for changing from summer to winter uniform expires at the end of this week. On Monday, 13 May all students are expected to be in correct winter uniform, i.e. standard black lace-up school shoes, long grey socks (boys), black stockings (girls) and regulation uniform jackets/jerseys.
- **Events Coming Up:**
  - Wed 22 May: Senior Reports issued
  - Thu 30 May and Fri 31 May: Subject Teacher Interviews
  - Tue 11 June: Te Kuiti Exchange
  - Fri 14 June: Assessment catch up day
- **Community Notice:** Youth Club *Let's Get Wild*. Every Friday night 7 - 9pm at Crossroads Church, Mangatangi. Contact Courtney [courtneyletitiathompson@gmail.com](mailto:courtneyletitiathompson@gmail.com) or 0278575194

Ngairé Harris  
PRINCIPAL

Great quote: *Night never had the last word. The dawn is always invincible.* (Hugh B. Brown)



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