# HPC e-Bulletin 27 September 2019

# Kia ora Koutou

Well done to all students who received awards at this week's Cultural Arts Awards evening.

### From the Classroom: Senior Exams

Seniors who have external assessments as part of their courses will have practice exams first week back of Term 4. These are vital in terms of showing students what they need to do to be thoroughly prepared for external exams in November. They are also used as emergency grades should a student be unwell or other circumstances prevent them from sitting the external exam.

Students have been given some information on how to study and teachers have also reinforced this. Parents can help by putting in place some expectations around a regular study programme.

### Subject Selection Evening (Current Year 10s)

A subject information evening will be held next term on Thursday 17 October at 7pm to assist Year 10s with choosing subjects for Year 11 2020.

## 212 Awards

Well done to students who recently received 212 awards: Gabriel Rangitaawa, Eden Veal, Ngahuia Castle-Toto, Ella Pirie, Astrid Bithell, Kaylah Hood, Hayden Adams, Haylee Jones, Jorzja Dalton, Logan Humphrey, Alyson Hood, Isaac Corbett, Callum Lang, Chloe Watson, Narissa Siddins, Cyrus Paynter and Alysha Read.

# **Parent Page**

Uniform Transition Period: We are in the transition period from winter to summer uniform. This period ends at the end of Week 2 of Term 4 and all students are expected to be in full summer uniform by then. This gives families/whānau almost 5 weeks to get summer uniform sorted out.

Summer Shoes: The only acceptable summer school shoes, as indicated under our uniform requirements in the HPC Prospectus, are black Roman sandals (as shown in



the image). There are a number of students wearing nonregulation shoes as a substitute for our summer footwear, but they are not acceptable under our policy. The only exception to this will be granted to Year 13 students leaving at the end of Week 4 of Term 4, who would like to remain in regulation winter shoes instead of buying sandals for just a few weeks. Please make sure your children are in the correct footwear.

### Student Support

We have seen an increase in the number of students vaping on the way to and from school and in school grounds. A reminder that any vaping is against school policy regardless of whether or not they contain nicotine. If your child is in possession of this paraphernalia then we encourage families to discuss the need for this to remain at home and used under the guidance of parents and caregivers only.

# **Sports @ HPC**

Novice Rowers Camp

Great to see a good number of students giving rowing a go at the novice camp. The novice camp runs from the first Sunday of the holidays until Wednesday. Any queries contact Andrew Gordon 0274 476 3686.

Good luck to the senior girls' basketball team and the shooting team heading to nationals over the break. Also to those students in various Thames Valley representative teams.

### **Careers Corner:**

Enrolment Drop In Days:

Massey University is holding Enrolment Drop In Days on Wednesday 2 October and Thursday 3 October during the Term 3 holidays - 8am - 5pm at the Albany Campus. SH17 -Gate 1 (across the road from the Albany Westfield), at the Round Room in the Atrium. Get 1 on 1 help with your application and verification of documents. Register using this link https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/enrolment-drop-in-daystickets-60449646520 and one of our SRA team will then be in touch to confirm a time that suits you on the date you have selected. If there are any questions please get in touch with r.simanu@massey.ac.nz

# Term 4 Calendar:

Senior Exams: Tuesday 15 to Thursday 17 October.

Catch-up Day: Friday 18 October. Students will be notified if they need to attend. School is open and buses will run as normal.

Sports Prizegiving: Thursday 24 October.

Second out of Zone Ballot: Closes 12 midday on 25 October.

CD Release Concert: Tuesday 29 October.

Last day for non exam senior students: Wednesday 30 October.

Senior Prizegiving: Friday 1 November at 7pm.

Year 8 Orientation: Wednesday 20 November.

Year 9 Certificate Prizegiving: Thursday 28 November.

Year 10 Diploma Prizegiving: Friday 29 November.

Junior Camps: Monday 2 December to Friday 6 December.

Year 13 Leadership Camp: Monday 9 and Tuesday 10 December.

