

Kia ora koutou
Dear Parents and Whānau

Subject selection for Year 11 and 12: A reminder that Thursday 22 October is an opportunity for Years 11 and 12 students to get help with choosing subjects for 2021. Teachers and Curriculum Leaders will be available to answer any questions which students and parents / whānau may have. Starts 6:30pm in the College Hall.

Junior Term 3 Reports: Juniors have received their Term 3 reports today as well as a Grade Point Average update with regard to their Junior Certificate and Junior Diploma. If there are any concerns, please contact your child's River Guide or Dean.

Call Back Day for Students Friday 23 October: Students and parents have been emailed if they are expected to come to school on Friday to complete assessments, missed exams or catch up on work. This is a really important opportunity to ensure that seniors are on track to complete their qualifications by the end of the year.

We have also reminded students that if they have not completed qualifications, then students are not able to go on study leave until they do so.

Subject Selection Forms: A reminder that all subject selection forms are due in after Labour Weekend i.e. Tuesday 27 October

School Nurse: Welcome to Susan McInnes who has started at HPC in the role of school based health service. The purpose of a registered nurse on site is to improve access to primary health care of students and to ensure appropriate and timely referrals are made to improve youth health.

Sports Prize Giving: This is happening Thursday 29 October 7pm in the College Hall. Students who are receiving awards will be notified early next week.

Senior Graduation: It's that time of the year where we will be celebrating the Graduation of the Class of 2020. This will be held in the College Hall on Friday December 4th. Doors open at 5pm to allow time for formal photos and everyone to be seated by 5.45pm. Invites will be sent out in due course with the programme being available via a QR code on the invite. RSVP and payment information are on the invite too.

Facial Piercings: A reminder that the only jewellery (other than a wrist watch) students may wear is one plain gold or silver stud in each ear. Nose or facial studs are not permitted including clear studs and space savers. Cover up plasters are also not permitted (From the HPC General Information Guide - BOT Policy)

Years 9 and 10 Camps: Students will come home today with information about camps at the end of the year. For the Year 9 camp, we are keen for any parents / whānau who are able to help with our *Nga Reo o Nga Tupuna: The Voices of our Ancestors* week. We particularly need help with weaving, the hangi and leadership activities. Please email Amanda Sayer, Camp Co-ordinator, if you are able to help amandas@aurakiplains.school.nz

Transition Period: The expectation is that all students will be in full summer uniform after Labour Weekend.

Key Dates Term 4:

Thursday 22 October

Subject Selection Evening 6:30pm in the College Hall

Thursday 29 October

Sports Prizegiving 7pm in the College Hall

Friday 6 November

Senior Academic Prizegiving 7pm in the College Hall

Monday 16 November

NCEA Exams start

Thursday 3 December

Junior Certificate Prizegiving for Year 9s 9:30am in the College Hall

Friday 4 December

Junior Diploma Prizegiving for Year 10s 9:30am in the College Hall

Friday 4 December

Year 13 Graduation Dinner 5:30pm in the College Hall

Mon 7 Dec to Wed 9 Dec

Years 9 and 10 Camps
This is the last day of school for Juniors

Enjoy the long weekend.

Ngaire Harris
PRINCIPAL