

Kia ora koutou
Dear Parents / Whānau

Welcome back to students from the Waikato area following the lifting of the Alert Level 3 restrictions midnight Tuesday.

Years 9 and 10 Students in Auckland Alert Levels 3

An update on the Camp Adair arrangements:

- At this stage we are confirming that Camp Adair, Hunua will go ahead for Years 9 and 10 students on Friday 19 November and Monday 22 November. Staff will be there from 9am until 3pm (note the earlier start time on account of the Orere Point transport arrangements).
- Tuesday 23 November is a Teacher Only Day (Ministry accorded) so we will let parents / caregivers know what is happening for Wednesday 24 November.
- It is not compulsory for students to attend Camp Adair, if students are happy and settled learning from home. If your child is intending to attend Camp Adair, Hunua, please email (studentservices@haurakiplains.school.nz) to register.
- Students do not need to wear school uniform.
- For students from Orere Point, you are able to take the normal school bus which leaves at the usual pick up point and times. These students will be transported to north of Kaiaua to the normal bus change over place - a college van will transport them from there to Hunua. Similar arrangements will be made for the afternoon - or alternatively parents can make their own arrangements. A reminder you must wear a mask on the bus.
- Students from Clevedon, Hunua or Bombay will need to make their own way to Camp Adair.
- We will run the camp with all Level 3 school requirements e.g. social distancing, good ventilation and masks (unless they have an exemption).

Years 11 - 13 Students in Auckland Alert Level 3

Students who need to return to school to prepare for exams or sit external exams are able to do so from Friday 19 November. Ministry buses will be running for those students. In order to cross the border, you will require paperwork from the school. Please contact Mary Aislabie (marya@haurakiplains.school.nz) or Inia Daymond (iniad@haurakiplains.school.nz) for the paperwork to be emailed to you and so we have a record of when your child is intending to attend school or an exam.

Tutorials for Exam Students

Tutorials for seniors students will be held at the normal 5x5 timetabled class time. Please email the teacher directly if you wish to make arrangements outside of these times.

Senior Academic / Cultural Prize Giving

This is happening on Thursday 18 November starting at 1:30pm. We need all students who are receiving awards to be at school on Thursday from 9am. Students will be able to both come to school and go home on buses. If students have number ones, we encourage these to be worn. Senior students not receiving an award, do not need to attend school that day.

So that as many staff as possible can attend this prize giving, we are asking that Junior students learn from home on this day; however, if this does not work for families, they are welcome to attend and will be supervised during the prize giving. Buses will run as normal.

Junior Assessments

Next Monday, Years 9 and 10 students will be doing literacy and numeracy assessments so we can benchmark progress and plan for next steps for 2022. These are not exams, but it is important that students have the experience of doing their best work in a formal test situation. Arrangements are being made for students in a lockdown situation to do these from home later in the week.

Ngaire Harris
PRINCIPAL