

HPC e-Bulletin

18 Nov 2022

Kia ora koutou
Dear Parents / Whānau

Thank you for your cooperation with the Ministry accorded Teacher Only Day last Friday. It was a valuable time to get our heads around some of the changes ahead and what needs to happen to prepare for these.

Step It Up

For the last few weeks of the term (starting yesterday), we have developed a *Step It Up* programme designed to give students experiences they would not normally have the opportunity for and to ensure that we keep students engaged until the end of the year.

Year 10 Option Subjects 2023

Students have been given a Subject Guide explaining options available to them in 2023 during an assembly on Thursday. Students will be asked to choose four options from the list, with a term spent on each option.

These booklets will be brought home for whānau / parents / caregivers to support choices and River Guides will also discuss with students. The students need to have chosen their options by Monday 28 November.

To select their options students need to complete the Google Form on the Year 9 Google Classroom page. There is also an electronic version of the Subject Guide on Google Classroom.

Year 10 Prizegiving

The Year 10 Junior Diploma Prizegiving will be held at 9:30am on Thursday 1 December.

We ask that Year 9s remain home that day to enable as many staff as possible to attend the prizegiving.

The ceremony normally takes around an hour and a half and students are welcome to go home with whānau / parents / caregivers after the event. All are welcome!

Year 10 Camp

Students who are going on a camp are not required to attend school the other two days for the week of Monday 5 to Friday 9 December.

Those students not attending either group 1 or group 2 camp are expected to attend school during that week.

Students had a meeting today to sort tent groups and advise them on what they need to organise regarding food, tents etc. They all have a booklet with information. Please review this with them to ensure their group has all the required equipment. We have some spare tents and cookers if needed.

As per our school no phone policy there will be no phones on Year 10 Camp. If students need to bring a phone they can hand it in at the beginning of camp and it will be returned when the camp is finished.

If parents have any questions around this, please contact the Year 10 Dean, Jenny Tawa (jennyt@haurakiplains.school.nz)

Year 9 Prizegiving

The Year 9 Junior Certificate Prizegiving is at 9:30am on Tuesday 6 December.

As with the Year 10 prizegiving, the celebration usually takes around an hour and a half and students are welcome to go home with parents / caregivers afterwards. All are welcome!

Year 9 Camp

A reminder that if students are in the first camp, students do not need to attend on Friday 9 December and if in the second group, they do not need to attend school on Wednesday 7 December before camp. This is

because the vast majority of our staff are at either Year 9 or Year 10 camp that week. Those students not attending camp are expected to attend school.

Participation Agreements - Message from Camp Adair

As part of the Adventure Activity regulations we are required to directly disclose to our activity participants the risks of doing the activities and then get approval from them to take part. To this end we have a simple online form to pass on to everyone attending the programme and collect the information we need. We need all parents of Year 9 students attending camp to fill out this [online agreement form](#). This needs to be completed by Wednesday 23rd November.

- **Group name is:** Hauraki Plains College
- **Start Date Group 1** (9CW, 9CO, 9GL, 9HK, 9LD, 9PK, 9MP) Wednesday 7 December
- **Start Date Group 2** (9BK, 9DO, 9PM, 9PN, 9TJ, 9WK) Thursday 8 December

There has been an email form sent to parents of children with dietary requirements.

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Year 8 Big Day Out

The Year 8 Big Day Out or Orientation Day is happening on Friday 2 December. It is school as normal for Years 9 and 10.

Sports:

Applications are now open for 2023 COACHES and MANAGERS for the following Sports Codes - Touch, Cricket, Rugby, Football, Hockey, Basketball & Netball. Please contact (sport@haurakiplains.school.nz) for an application form. Applications close 30 November 2022.

Careers:

Money Hub Money in a Nutshell - To help form great money habits for life, Money Hub reveals 10 super important money must knows for every teenager. See this [link](#)

TE KURA Summer School

Registrations for Te Kura's Summer School opened on 7 November for students who need up to 12 NCEA credits to progress further study, training or employment. Students apply themselves on the Te Kura website and can contact the Summer School team for assistance. Phone: 0800 65 99 88 opt 5 or email: (summerschool@tekura.school.nz)

Dental Service at HPC

The Mobile Dental Clinic at the college will be leaving in the next few weeks. If there are any year 9 or 10 students who have enrolled with this service and have not been seen please contact School Nurse, Susan McInnes (susanm@haurakiplains.school.nz) to arrange an appointment. The dentist will be here on Thursday 24 and Friday 25 November for any catch-ups. If you have not enrolled in the service yet and want to make use of the free service, please follow this link [Tooth Group Enrolment / Decline Link](#)

Waka Kotahi Road Maintenance

We have been advised work will take place Nov 21 - Nov 24. This will be after Maramarua townside to Coalfields Road and Monument Road to Dimmock Road. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Ngairie Harris
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