



HPC e-Bulletin

Thurs 21 Sept 2023

Kia ora koutou and welcome to week ten of term three.

Cultural and Arts Awards

A huge congratulations to our prize winners acknowledged at the annual Cultural and Arts Prize Giving on Monday 18 September. Our Kapa Haka group began the evening with a haka pōwhiri as guests arrived. It was an incredible showcase of talent including the Jazz Band, Jacob King's original song, media clips, showquest footage, drama, dance, and Kapa Haka. Collecting our first Special Award was Eleanor Clarkin, who received a Cultural Blue for her leadership of Māori culture in our Kura. Our second Special Award was Joel Hunt, who received the Rhodes Green Cup for Contribution to the Arts.



More good news for Skateboarding Champ Lenny Torrens in Year 9

Lenny has just made the camp for the development squad for NZ Nationals in Gisborne!

Thank you community for fixing the Okaeria Road Bus Stop!

We would like to acknowledge their kindness in improving the safety of the bus stop for the students and bus drivers. As you can see the results are just brilliant! The bus stop is now larger, safer and weather proof. Check out the before and after pictures:



A true team effort - huge thanks to:

- Sheena Young, Callavate Limited - For her organisation and project management in overhauling the bus stop
- Craig Pallister - For being on site all day, carting excess material and overseeing the project.
- Rob Schoonderwoerd / Rayonier Matariki Forest - For working with Bob Dowling, for the digger and roller work. Also providing base material from their quarry.
- Ward Quarries - For donating all of the metal and cartage.
- David Jefferis / Waikiwi Farms and Matt Young / Lynlyse Farm - For the use of their tractors and trailers.
- Fiona Bryant - For sending through these pictures and the acknowledgements

Advance Notice no classes Friday 13th October (1st Friday back)

As was done last year, on Friday 13th October there will only be selected senior students at school for assessment catchups - there won't be any classes running for juniors or non invited seniors. Emails will be sent home to the parents of the senior students we need to attend on the Friday.

PE Gear - Please take note

A reminder that students participating in Physical Education must be in the correct PE gear. This includes the following:

1. Hapu PE shirt (if cold students can wear a black thermal underneath). We encourage students not to share their Hapu shirt with any other student.
2. Official HPC PE shorts or plain black exercise shorts above the knee





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3. Learning and Physical movement is compromised when students are not in the correct PE gear. Students can wear alternative exercise clothing if their PE gear is in the wash, but must supply a note or email from a parent/caregiver.

Sports Photos

Parents have been emailed their child's unique Key Code to go online to view and purchase 2023 school sports team photos. **Please note** that an email was only sent to the students who are in team photos. If it has not appeared in your inbox, you might need to check your spam folder.

Maths Tutorials at lunchtime each week

Year 11 Wednesdays and Fridays in Room 27

Year 12 Mondays and Tuesdays in Room 27

Year 13 Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in the Careers Centre

Winter to Summer Uniform Changeover

We are now in our uniform changeover transition from winter to summer uniform and it will run until Friday 20 October (end of week 2 of Term 4). From Tuesday 24 October all students must be in full summer uniform. This period would've given whānau/families 6 weeks to get the correct uniform items, especially sandals. During the changeover period students may wear either winter or summer uniform and not a combination of both, e.g. a scarf with sandals. Here are links to our [Uniform Policy](#) and [Argyle's online uniform shop](#).



A note about uniform

Uniforms are all sold online. HPC overalls, sport hoodies, Hapu tees, PE shorts and footwear are online at <https://haurakiplainscollege.nz/uniforms.com/>. All other uniform is online at <https://www.argyleonline.co.nz/shop/waikato/hauraki-plains-college>

Novice Rowers

Any novice (new) rowers wanting to row this season, please contact Amanda Sayer amandas@haurakiplains.school.nz

Community

A Short Film Festival is being held at the Thames Civic Centre on October 21st October. It is a fundraiser for the Thames Coast Community Kindergarten. More details: www.showmeshorts.co.nz / shortfilmsthames@gmail.com

Term 4 Key Dates

Mon 9 Oct	Start of Term 4
10-12 Oct	NCEA Practice Exams
Thu 12 Oct	Spirit Day Activities in the afternoon
Fri 13 Oct	No school for Yr 9 and 10s - only seniors at school for course catchup
Thu 19 Oct	Sports Prizegiving
Fri 27th Oct	Yr 13 Dancing Block 3
Fri 1st Dec	Yr 13 Dancing Block 3
Sun 10th Dec	Graduation Dinner

Ngā mihi,
Sharon Moller (Principal)





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