



# HPC e-Bulletin

Friday 27 October 2023

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

## Farewells

This week, we bid farewell to two staff members, both heading to the new Melville School - Mangakōtukutuku College - opening next year. **Toni Brewer** has been working at HPC since May 2014. Taking on a variety of teaching, Kāhui Ako, and leadership roles during her time here, Toni is currently our Careers Adviser and Year 13 dean. Toni will be missed for going the extra mile for students, being a listener, an advocate, and a superstar organiser. **Inia Daymond** has been with us since October 2017, primarily as Deputy Principal. Inia will be remembered for his contribution to the pastoral program and the impact of his teaching on Junior Te Reo Māori and Hauora.



Toni Brewer



Inia Daymond

## Female shorts and trouser option added from 2024

Our BOT has agreed to add a female shorts and trouser option to our uniform. We are currently working out pricing and availability. Watch this space!

## Literacy and Numeracy Exams

Parents of Year 10 and 11 students who will be sitting any of the reading, writing and numeracy exams (Common Assessment Activities) on 30 and 31 October have been emailed with information regarding this. Students sitting the exams have been provided with printed copies of their exam timetables today. A number of parents have emailed to request previous exam papers to help support their child in the leadup to the exam. This [slide presentation](#) explains how parents can navigate the NCEA website to access these resources.

## Senior Academic Prize Giving Thursday 2nd November 5.30pm

Next Thursday we celebrate all our Senior Academic Prize Giving. Students and whānau will have received emails yesterday with notification of:

- Subject prize winners
- Special prize winners (eg Dux, Blues, RMK)

The livestream link will be posted on our Facebook page and also emailed to all parents and students within an hour before the event starts. Everyone is warmly welcome to attend.

## Mufti Day today!

Money raised today will be shared with both the families of Karly Forsyth and Rylee Sayer. The theme was **Dress up in Bright Colours**. See photos >>>



## LineWize - Computer Detection

The school is responsible for its devices, networks and accounts. If students are logged into their school issued Google account at school (or home) and are typing offensive and/or dangerous words and statements, we get a notification at school. We are following up with students and parents when this occurs. A recent example involved contacting a parent at 8.30pm.

## Head Students 2024

On Wednesday we spent the day interviewing 23 Head Student candidates. The calibre of interviews was very high. We would like to announce our 2024 Head Students at Senior Academic Prize Giving on Thursday 2nd November.





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## New Attendance Notification System

In support of the Government's Attendance and Engagement Strategy, we have started to use a new absence notification system. Students and their River Guides will get a daily notification of the previous two days' **Not in class** (?) absences, although any historical **Not in class** absences will also be listed. It is the responsibility of students to check in with their subject teachers and/or River Guides about those absences and to get it adjusted. Whānau/parents/caregivers will get a weekly notification of their children's absences. After 5 days of no explanation provided, **Not in class** (?) will be changed to **Truant / No Explanation** (T).

If you have questions or concerns about your child's attendance, please contact the appropriate Year Level Dean.

Term 4 Key Dates	
Wed 1 Nov	Pinnock Cup / Last day for non exam students
Thurs 2 Nov	Senior Academic Prize Giving <b>5.30pm</b> (also live-streamed)
Fri 3 Nov	Last day for exam students (except those doing credit catch up)
Mon 6 - Thu 30 Nov	NCEA Exams
Thu 30 Nov	Yr9 Prize Giving - <b>9.30am</b> / Yr10 Prizegiving - <b>12pm</b>
Fri 1 Dec	Yr13 Dancing Block 3
Mon 4 - Fri 8 Dec	Junior Camps
Sun 10 Dec	Graduation Dinner <b>5.30pm</b>

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Sharon Moller  
Principal