

# HPC e-Bulletin

Friday 10 November 2023



Kia ora koutou and welcome to Week Five of Term Four .

## Rylee Sayer Update

Year 10 student Rylee Sayer has recently undergone surgery to remove her arm and some of her shoulder. Rylee was diagnosed last month with an aggressive form of bone cancer called Osteosarcoma in her proximal humerus. Despite losing her arm, Rylee remains positive that she will get back in the pool soon, competing in a different para-grade, and representing New Zealand. Rylee has an extraordinarily positive and inspiring attitude, and we send all our love to Rylee and her whānau. Rylee's mum, Amanda Sayer (née O'Brien, an ex-student), is our Learning Support superstar and a Hospitality teacher, and Rylee's brother, Danny, has just completed Year 13. Please click on this link to read more about Rylee's journey and to make a donation if you are able: <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/rainbows-and-pretzels>.



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## NCEA Exams

Well done to our senior students who have started their NCEA exams this week. We have daily Facebook posts of which exams are on, and students can check the full schedule [here](#).

## Health Consultation - From BOT

Our consultation period is over, and the Board have shared the feedback and modifications made to our Health Statement [here](#). Thank you for participating in our health consultation.

## Start Dates 2024

We are currently finalising these and aim to publish them next week.

## Library Books / Signing Out

A number of student leavers are using the online sign out form. If they have library books owing, the value of these books will be added to school accounts. Students have received multiple reminders of overdue books.

## Final Reminder - Findlay Road Bus students

Our bus controller, Michelle Isbister, has emailed the Findlay Road parents impacted by the slip. There is a subsidy available for those who have dealt with disruption this year.

Please check your emails and get back to Michelle with the required information. This means \$\$\$\$ for families impacted!

## Credit Catch up Workshops

Senior students please keep an eye on emails, as there are some additional workshops running to support students who need a few remaining credits to gain their NCEA.

## Camp Update

YR9/10 camp students have completed camp preparation this week. They will be bringing home their planners so parents and caregivers can help prepare food and camp gear to take to camp. Gear lists are available on the YR9/10 Google Classrooms or a hard copy is available in the student centre. Further information closer to the time will be posted on the YR9/10 Google Classrooms.

## Left Students with Credit Balances

On Monday this week, we sent out invoices showing credit balances for left or leaving students. If your child is one of these, please email Mrs Purcell on [exec@haurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:exec@haurakiplains.school.nz) with your bank details to receive a refund. If you wish to have this amount carried over to a sibling, please also email regarding this. Thanks in advance for your help.

## Dental Van

The dental van returns next week.

## Performing Arts HPC Students

Two of our students have leading roles in Onewhero Society of Performing Arts' upcoming High School version of Clue, based on the board game Cluedo, in December. Aimee Johnston-Biggs is Mrs White and Evie Taylor is Miss Scarlet, two key characters in this classic whodunit murder mystery. Go along and support them. More info [here](#).

## Term 4 Key Dates

Mon 6 - Thu 30 Nov  
Thu 30 Nov

Fri 1 Dec  
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Mon 4 - Fri 8 Dec  
Sun 10 Dec Yr13

NCEA Exams  
Junior Prize Givings:  
Yr9 at 9.30am and Yr10 at 12pm  
Yr 8 Discovery Day  
Yr13 Dancing: Block 3  
Junior Camps  
Graduation Dinner 5.30pm

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Sharon Moller  
Principal

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