

HPC e-Bulletin

Friday 17 May 2024



Kia ora koutou and welcome to the third week of term two.

Mufti Day Friday 17th May

Students were encouraged to come dressed up as a service person for mufti today. We raised \$869.30!!



****22nd May, Paid Union Meeting - school closing at 12.30

On Wednesday 22nd May classes will finish at 12.30pm. The majority of teachers will be attending the paid union meeting in Paeroa. Bus students will be supervised in the Hub and will not be able to go downtown! Classes will not be running. Non-bus students are welcome to go home at 12.30pm. If students are going home with other students' parents, they need to bring a note.

Whānau Hui Success

On Tuesday 14th of May we had 30 students, 25 whānau and 10 staff attend the Whānau Hui. Please keep a look out for a feature in the upcoming Valley Profile. Together we celebrated 'he kākano' - some of the seeds and successes that are developing at HPC:

- Increase in Māori staff
- Reestablishment of a Te Reo Māori department - with its own Curriculum Leader
- Increase in ākonga choosing to study Te Reo Māori and Māori Cultural Studies
- Te Reo Māori available at all year levels
- 70 ākonga taking part in Kapa Haka
- Te Whare Manaaki - a space for ākonga requiring additional pastoral support underpinned by Māori values
- Māori students in 2023 achieved a 94% success rates in NCEA Level 2, which was exactly the same as the overall HPC pass rate in NCEA Level 2
- Widening Tikarahi (Māori student) council with ākonga taking specific leadership portfolios
- More ākonga proudly wearing their taonga
- More training across the school for kaiako and ākonga to learn Tikanga and Te Reo Māori through karakia, waiata, and haka pōwhiri
- Iwi representation on the HPC Board
- New wharenui in discussion with iwi!

Thank you 13 Business Studies Students

From Mary in the office - *I just had a phone call from Shirley Hewitt from 3 Weddell Place, Ngatea wishing to thank and acknowledge the work the students did for her today in her garden. She was absolutely thrilled with them and the way they conducted themselves. She was very impressed with the students.*

Common Assessment Activities (CAA)

From 29th-31st May, we will be running the CAAs at school. These are the NCEA Reading, Writing and Numeracy exams. The majority of our current Year 11s sat these last year. Year 11s who did not pass any of the three exams last year will re-sit those exams in this testing window. Many of our Year 10s will also sit these exams during this window. When deciding which Year 10s we will enter into the exams we will consider their academic level and readiness for the exams.

Students will be given their exam timetables early next week. Please contact Mr Jaco Dreyer (jacod@haurakiplains.school.nz) if your child is unable to attend any of their scheduled exam sessions due to prior commitments, such as medical appointments, so that we can reschedule their exam session.

CAA Practice through Estudee <https://www.estudee.co.nz/login/>

Fraser High school has developed an online platform where students can access online practice Reading, Writing and Maths exams. There is a small cost involved. If you would like to support students at home with additional practice, we recommend you check it out! The exams are marked and feedback given to students on how to improve.



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Student Accounts with Credits

We have a large number of student fee accounts showing credits, some very large. If you would like this credit refunded, please email exec@haurakiplains.school.nz including your bank details for payment.

Board News

The HPC Board is looking to co-opt new members on. Please read the following [information](#).

CAREERS CORNER

Meeting with Academic Council >>

The members of the academic council met with Mrs Lawlor this week to discuss their plans for careers activities in school. It was a productive meeting and our students have lots of exciting ideas that they want to put into action.

Lincoln University

This week we welcomed Liz Turney (nee Thomson) from Lincoln University. Liz is herself a former student of HPC and was delighted to be able to return and meet current Year 12 and 13 students. Lincoln University offers so many innovative courses including brewing and viticulture, and Liz is a passionate advocate for them. Any students who would like to find out more are welcome to call into the Careers Centre and pick up a new prospectus. >>



Massey University - Cultivating the Future

Agriculture offers many opportunities for future careers. Massey University is holding a webinar evening for potential students interested in Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal and Environmental Science programmes called "Cultivating the Future" the event is on 28th May 7 to 8pm. Find out more and register using this link: <https://www.massey.ac.nz/about/events/cultivating-the-future-webinar/>



Upcoming Visits

Event	Date	Where	Notes
Waikato University Open Day	Fri 24th May 9am-3pm	Waikato University	Open Day - Hamilton :: University of Waikato
Victoria University of Wellington Liaison	Weds 29th May 9am-10am	Careers Centre	Please email Mrs Lawlor if you intend to attend
Waikato University Liaison (Scholarship)	Thurs 27th June 9am-10am	Careers Centre	Please email Mrs Lawlor if you intend to attend
Waikato University Campus Open Day	Sat 6th July 9am-3pm	Waikato University	Hamilton Campus Community Day

School to Skies

Following our visit from NZDF in term 1, it was a pleasure to welcome further members from the Royal New Zealand Air Force, who came to HPC to talk to students about possible career opportunities. Students were able to learn more about the different aircraft the RNZAF uses, what kinds of operations they are used for, from humanitarian purposes to transporting the Prime Minister and senior members of the Royal family. Pilots were generally the airforce personnel front and centre of students' minds however, they were able to learn about some of the other kinds of roles that are required to support a pilot flying a Hercules, Boeing or NH90 helicopter, particularly aircraft technicians, logistics personnel, physical trainers, flight stewards, refuelling technicians,



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marshalls, load master and medics just to name a few.

Thank you to Mrs Clelland for organising the Schools to Skies event. We have lots of information about NZDF pathways in the Careers Centre for all our high-flying students at HPC.

University of Waikato Open Day Visit

A reminder that the University of Waikato Open Day is happening on Friday May 24th. Students who are travelling on the bus to this venue need to have returned all their paperwork no later than Thursday 23rd May. Students who are intending to drive themselves will also need permission slips, which can be collected from the Careers Centre. Students also need to register for the event using this link: <https://crmwaikatoportal.powerappsportals.com/events/event/?id=7d18001d-177c-ee11-8179-002248e29ed6>

Girls in Infrastructure

We have 4 places available for girls in Years 12 and 13 who are keen to find out more about careers in Infrastructure. This event takes place in Hamilton on 20 June from 10.00am-2.00pm and is led by female engineers. Students will be engaging in many activities - there will be cranes and diggers, visiting education and employer exhibitions, site visits and a tour of the Ruakura superhub. It's fully funded and lunch will be provided. Mrs Lawlor will arrange transport to and from the event. You can find out more from the website: <https://www.girlsininfrastructure.org.nz/> and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/GirlsInInfrastructure/>

Gateway Placements

These courses are for students engaged with the Gateway programme. They are a prerequisite for going out of school on a work experience placement. The Youth Employment course has a future focus for those students currently in Year 10 or 11 who would be interested in taking part in the Gateway programme in Term 3 2024 or during 2025. In all instances, students need to speak with Mrs Lauren Scott, our Gateway coordinator or with Mrs Pippa Lawlor, Careers advisor, to book a place or find out more about Gateway. You can email pippal@haurakiplains.school.nz for further information.

Course	Date	Who's attending
Health & Safety "A" course	20th/21st May	20 students in Years 11-13- fully booked
Health & Safety "A" course	10th/11th June	25 students in Years 11-13- fully booked
Health & Safety "B" course (Level 3 course)	1st/2nd July	20 students - limited spaces available
Youth Employment course	3rd July	Year 10 and 11 students interested in Gateway - spaces available

Learner Driving Licence Course

The next drivers' licence course is booked as follows:

Dates - Wednesday 19th June, Thursday 20th June TESTING - Friday 21st June.

You MUST be able to attend on all 3 days/dates and will need to check that you have no clashes with assessments or trips out. You MUST be at least 16 years old before you start the course.

The training is provided free of charge in school. Testing also takes place in school. Students will only need to pay for their student ID (\$5) and the cost of the test (\$96.10) Letters will be going out to parents/caregivers and students next week with all the details. Please email Mrs Pippa Lawlor pippal@haurakiplains.school.nz for further information.

Techweek 24

May 20-26 is Techweek in New Zealand. There are lots of amazing events happening throughout New Zealand including virtual and free events. Check out the programme here: <https://techweek.co.nz/>

Here are a few of our top picks for the week:

Virtual colouring competition: [EPIC colouring competition - Techweek](#)

Shadowtech - inspiring girls to choose a Tech career: [Introducing ShadowTech Day 2024 - Inspiring girls into tech - Techweek](#)

VR Virtual art exhibition: [Anna Bella Geiger's drawings - VR exhibition - Techweek](#)

Diversity in Tech panel: [Diversity In Tech Panel - FREE EVENT - Techweek](#)



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Upcoming Dates

Day/Wk	Week 4 - Week commencing 20th May		Week 5 - Week commencing 27th May	
Monday	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health and Safety Course, First Aid Course x130 students taking part in Burn Bright Leadership day 	27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tooth Group here
Tuesday	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health and Safety Course, First Aid Course ShowQuest Waikato Inter-Collegiate Golf 	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tooth Group here TV X-Country (HPC hosting)
Wednesday	22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12.30pm School ends, early closure 	29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tooth group here Literacy/Numeracy CAA exams Vision and Hearing Screening Victoria University Visit 9-10.20 4.30pm Board Meeting
Thursday	23		30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WaiSS Swimming Champs Literacy/Numeracy CAA exams
Friday	24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> X-Country Champs 12/13PRI (Hikutaia planting) 	31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Literacy/Numeracy CAA exams

JASE WILLIAMS

TRAUMA HEALING PRACTICES COMMUNITY HUI

Connecting school and home strategies

It's an opportunity hear from trauma-informed education consultant and former school principal, JASE WILLIAMS, who has been working across the Hauraki Kāhui Ako (Cluster).

Come and connect the dots between what our schools are learning about the science behind behaviour and stress - and how you can support your tamariki at home.

Join any of the 2 hui being offered

COMMUNITY HUI

NORTH HAURAKI REGION
MARAMARUA SCHOOL
 Monday, 27 May 2024
 6:00 - 7:30 p.m

HAURAKI PLAINS REGION
HAURAKI PLAINS COLLEGE
 Tuesday, 28 May 2024
 6:00 - 7:30 p.m