

HPC e-Bulletin

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

Assembly Visit >>

Our senior students received an inspirational message from Danny Hodder at assembly this week. Danny, who is the father of Year 13 Tadhg Hodder, is the Asia-Pacific Regional Security Manager for Caterpillar. His role is to ensure the safety and protection of Caterpillar staff in various high-risk locations in South-East Asia. Prior to this, Danny worked for Astra-Zeneca, investigating the illicit trade of counterfeit pharmaceuticals. Danny shared his life story from leaving high school and entering the Australian Police Force, all the way through to his current role. His key messages were about the importance of maintaining integrity in the workplace and the value of developing a range of 'soft skills' such as effective collaboration and communication skills and emotional intelligence. Thank you, Danny!



Reports are out!

This week students were given a hard copy of their report in River. Reports have been emailed to both residence A and B. Please read through the report with your young person. We warmly encourage you to book appointments with teachers www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

- Senior Parent Teacher Interviews Thursday 20th June 3.30-7.30pm. Bookings opened 13th June (Code: qnc8g).
- Junior Parent Teacher Interviews Wednesday 26th June 3.30-7.30pm. Bookings do not open until 20th June (Code: xe77w).

If you have questions about your students' subject report, or can't make these interview times you are encouraged to contact the specific subject teachers. If you have questions regarding GPA results, please contact your child's River guide.

Learning Support team members are available for bookings on both evenings. Please book the relevant team member:

- Rachel Purcell SENCo Y9, Y12, Y13
- Jacqui-May Allison-Dodds SENCo Y10 and Y11
- Laura Dowding Deputy Principal (Learning Support, Junior Curriculum, Y12 cohort).

Grade Point Average for Juniors - how is this calculated?

*Term 2, Term 3 and Term 4 GPA's are averaged to calculate the endorsement level.

%	Component of GPA	How it is calculated	Example 1	Example 2
10%	Attendance - number of ?'s for first 14 weeks of school	0 ? = 10% 1 ? = 5% 2+ ? = 0%	1 ? = 5%	12 ? = 0%
10%	Follows Hauraki Way and RMK	No pastoral entries = 10% 3 entries = 8% 4+ entries = 5%	3 entries = 8%	0 entries = 10%
10%	Out of Class Activities e.g teams or one off activities (T2 report - summer activities only)	1+ = 10% 0 = 0%	0 = 0%	5 = 10%
70%	Progress of Learning (not curriculum level, but progress). This grade is out of 4 and given for each of the 6 subjects	1pt = Of Concern 2pt = Satisfactory 3pt = Very good 4pt = Excellent 6 subjects x 2.92	2,2,3,4,1,2 x 2.92 = 41%	4,4,4,3,2,3 x 2.92 = 58%
100%	Total GPA for Term 2		54%	78%



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Restricted Ready Programme - volunteers drivers needs

We are getting ready to launch a driving programme to support students with practising driving skills ahead of sitting their restricted licence. Do you have 1 or 2 hours available to volunteer weekly or fortnightly? I would love to hear from you - please email principal@haurakiplains.school.nz Provided - 2 full days training, monthly morning tea, and the awesome company of our students. Skills needed - clean drivers licence and PATIENCE and POSITIVITY. Please spread the word amongst family members, retired friends and grandparents!

2023 Outstanding Sports Fees

We have thousands of dollars outstanding from 2023 sports teams. Students with unpaid 2023 sport fees will not be able to participate in 2024 tournament and representative sport competitions. If you seek financial assistance or need to discuss a payment plan, please contact our Executive Officer Carolyn Purcell exec@haurakiplains.school.nz. Individual follow up letters will be emailed home in the next 2 weeks.

Sports - Demerit Point letters

Students who have not followed the Hauraki Way get demerit points, which can impact their ability to represent our school in activities such as sports.

- on 5 demerit points students receive a warning letter from the Sports Executive
- on 10 demerit points students receive a stand down letter for one event

Mahurangi Sports Exchange

HPC is hosting Mahurangi College on Tues 25th and Wed 26th June for our annual Sports Exchange, including overnight on the 25th. We are currently short of beds for Mahurangi students. If any families are able to host a billet/s for the night of the 25th, please contact Cindy Berridge - sport@haurakiplains.school.nz

HPC Upcoming Dates

Day/Wk	Week 8 - Week commencing 17th June		Week 9 - Week commencing 24th June	
Monday	17		24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 130TE Tramp #3 • 13 Dig Outreach Trip
Tuesday	18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor Ed Hillary Program 12pm • Head student trip to Hamilton Schools 	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restricted Licence Session • Mahurangi Exchange (home)
Wednesday	19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learner Licence Course • TVSS 'Boulton Cup' Netball 	26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mahurangi Exchange (home) • Junior Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30-7.30pm
Thursday	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learner Licence Course • EOTC Girls in Infrastructure • Senior Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30-7.30pm 	27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Waikato Scholarship visit
Friday	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learner Licence Course • Tough Guy/Gal Trip (Girls) 	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No school - Matariki
Sat/Sun	22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rockquest Regional Finals 		



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Careers Corner

A number of universities have made changes to their programmes for 2025. The most current information should be on their websites but Mrs Lawlor has details if you are becoming confused! Remember that there are deadlines for applications - not just for university study but also for scholarships and accommodation. These vary between universities, so the clear message here is DO NOT DELAY!

If students are hesitating about applying for scholarships, please come and chat with Mrs Lawlor. Every university has a story about the thousands of dollars which go unclaimed each year.

We would all much rather see that funding allocated to our wonderful HPC students!

This week we had a visit from Lucy at Wintec. A number of students at HPC have been out on STAR taster days and Lucy was keen to showcase all of the pathways programmes including those which help step students into trades qualifications and degrees. Come and see Mrs Lawlor in the Carers Centre when you would like further information.



A useful science study tool for students, especially those thinking about applying to University of Auckland, is STEM online. It is free for any student to use. <https://www.stemonline.auckland.ac.nz/the-standards/>

Event	Date	Where	Notes
Hillary Outdoors Tertiary Programme liaison visit	Tuesday 18th June 12:00	Careers Centre	For any senior students interested in a career as an outdoor instructor, guide or educator. Qualifications offered include the New Zealand Certificate in Outdoor and Adventure Education (multi-skilled) Level 4 or New Zealand Diploma in Outdoor and Adventure Education (multi-skilled) Level 5. Please email Mrs Lawlor pippal@haurakiplains.school.nz so that we have an idea of numbers.
Career presentation for social work and counselling career information.	Monday 24th June	Careers Centre	For any senior student, especially Gateway students, interested in careers in counselling and social work, and wanting to know more about what is involved and what the career pathway looks like. Please email Mrs Scott; laurensl@haurakiplains.school.nz so that we have an idea of numbers.
Aidan Tully - National Ballet of Canada	Thursday 27th June 9am	Hall	Aidan is an ex-student of HPC and graduate of the New Zealand School of Dance. This will be a wonderful opportunity for any student interested in performance arts. Here's the link to his insta https://www.instagram.com/aidan_tully_dance/

Nga mihi,
Sharon Moller (PRINCIPAL)



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Afternoon tea with the Head Students at Hauraki Plains College!

3/7/24 1.30pm

New students, families, grandparents - we warmly welcome **anyone** from our community to a meet and greet hosted by the Head Students. We would love to show you around our school on **Wednesday the 3rd of July 1.30pm-2.45pm**. Please meet at the main office.

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