

# HPC e-Bulletin

Friday 7 June 2024



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

## Chess Tournament >>

The school Hub hosted the Regional Inter School Chess Tournament this week. Well done to all participants! Students played seven games in a row which is a huge task. Congratulations to Ngaruawahia High School for taking out the top title.



## Upcoming Teacher Only Days

The Board have approved the following Teacher Only Days:

5th July - HPC TOD (last day Term 2)

23rd Aug - HPC teachers attending Kāhui Ako conference (mid Term 3)

## Reminder - Tooth Group Dental Van

The Dental Van will be here next week (wk 7). If you want your child to see the dental technicians, you **MUST** click on this [link](#). They will only see those students that have filled in this form.

## Bring Your Own Device 2025

We are transitioning to be a BYOD school for Year 9 and 10 in 2025. Rationale and details to follow.

## Special Assessment Conditions (SAC)

One thing that could help students is the possible use in assessments of Special Assessment Conditions (SACs). A couple of examples - Student A has illegible handwriting - so A can use the SAC of using a computer to write the answers. Student B reads and or writes a bit slower than most - SAC of extra time.

The SACs that are available are:

**Reader:** a Teacher Aide reads the assessment to the student or a reader app is used

**Computer:** the student uses a computer to write the answers which are then printed off or for digital assessments

**Writer:** a Teacher Aide writes the answers that the student says aloud or a writer app is used

**Separate Accommodation:** the student does the assessment away from the rest of the class

**Extra time:** student can have 10 minutes extra for every hour of assessment done in class

**Rest breaks:** as and when required

A way I like to explain SACs is that they are like a safety net which they have in circuses under a person walking across a high wire metres above the ground or under people leaping from trapeze swings high above the ground. The circus performers may not need to use the safety net - they have not fallen - but the net is there if they need it.

Any questions or comments, please email me - Mr Woolcock (Learning Support Coordinator) [brianw@haurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:brianw@haurakiplains.school.nz)

## SPORTS

### Waikato SS Swimming Champs

Congratulations to the Swim team who competed at this event at Waterworld in Hamilton last week. Fantastic results:

**Junior Girls:** Jasmine Welsh

3rd - 50m Free

**Junior Boys:** Finn Verner

1st - 50m Back

**Intermediate Girls:** Taylor Batchelor

1st - 100m Back

Paige Tevita-Williams

3rd - 100m Breast / 3rd - 100m Back

**Intermediate AWD:** Rylee Sayer

1st - 25m Free / 1st - 25m Breast / 1st - 25m Fly



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## Junior Girls:

4x25 Medley Relay      2nd Place      Candace Barriball / Taylor Batchelor / Teana Rangihika / Jasmine Welsh

## Junior Boys:

4x25 Freestyle Relay      3rd Place      Hunter Apiti  
4x25 Medley Relay      3rd Place      Blake Leach / Finn Verner / Kingston Welsh

## Waikato Bay of Plenty SS Cross Country Champs

Well done to Biahn Pallister, Ashley Steffek and Maia Wilgermein who competed at the Waikato Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Cross Country Champs at the Kihikihi Domain yesterday. Congratulations to Biahn who placed 3rd in the Year 9 Girls event (pictured right)



## CAREERS CORNER

Students! Please check your school emails for updates about the Health & Safety courses or the Learners' Driver Licence. If you are booked onto a course, you should have received a personal email reminder. It's a very busy schedule for Career and Gateway courses over the next few weeks but Mrs Lawlor and Mrs Scott will always make time to answer your questions, either by email or in person.

Please check the schedule below for upcoming visits and talks. We have some very interesting speakers coming into school to share their career pathway stories with students, as well as liaison visits from tertiary institutes and Universities.

Event	Date	Where	Notes
WINTEC liaison visit	Thursday 13th June 12:00	Careers Centre	For any Year 11 or 12 students who are interested in trades pathways or qualifications, or who want to find out more about Trades academies or STAR programmes offered by WINTEC. Please email Mrs Lawlor <a href="mailto:pippal@aurakiplains.school.nz">pippal@aurakiplains.school.nz</a> so that we have an idea of numbers.
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 <a href="mailto:pippal@aurakiplains.school.nz">pippal@aurakiplains.school.nz</a> 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; <a href="mailto:laurensl@aurakiplains.school.nz">laurensl@aurakiplains.school.nz</a> so that we have an idea of numbers.
Aidan Tully - National Ballet of Canada	Thursday 27th June 9.00 am	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 <a href="https://www.instagram.com/aidan_tully_dance/">https://www.instagram.com/aidan_tully_dance/</a>



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## Navy Careers

One of our frigates, HMNZS Te Kaha, is coming to Mt Maunganui on the 14/15 June and they are offering tours of the ship. This will be a great opportunity for anyone looking at joining the Navy, details below:

Friday 14 June, 1pm to 2pm please click here to register:

<https://cloud.info.defencecareers.mil.nz/Events?EventID=701VR000007R1dWYAS>

Saturday 15 June, 10am to 11am please click here to register:

<https://cloud.info.defencecareers.mil.nz/Events?EventID=701VR000007R3qcYAC>

Students need to fill out the above links to what visit they want to attend. Must be 16 years old or older and bring a photo ID with them on the day.

Students, please make your own arrangements if you want to attend. This is not a visit organised through school.

HPC Upcoming Dates				
Day/Wk	Week 7- Week commencing 10 June		Week 8 - Week commencing 17 June	
Monday	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Health &amp; Safety Course</li> <li>Poetry in Action</li> <li>Tooth Group here</li> </ul>	17	
Tuesday	11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trees for Survival (Mahuta Rd)</li> <li>Health &amp; Safety Course</li> <li>Tooth Group here</li> </ul>	18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outdoor Ed Hillary Program 12pm</li> </ul>
Wednesday	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>110TE Rock Climbing (WD, MK)</li> <li>12/13 Ag Field Days</li> <li>Reports issued during River</li> <li>Tooth Group here</li> </ul>	19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Learner Licence Course</li> <li>TVSS 'Boulton Cup' Netball</li> </ul>
Thursday	13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Matariki Hauraki Kāhui Ako Ki-o-Rahi Tournament</li> <li>The Big Sing</li> <li>Wintec Liaison visit</li> <li>Tooth Group here</li> </ul>	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Learner Licence Course</li> <li>EOTC Girls in Infrastructure</li> </ul>
Friday	14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tooth Group here</li> </ul>	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Learner Licence Course</li> </ul>
Sat/Sun			22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rockquest Regional Finals</li> </ul>

Nga mihi,  
Sharon Moller (PRINCIPAL)

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