

HPC e-Bulletin

Friday 14 February 2025



Kia ora koutou and welcome to Week THREE of Term One!

Swimming Sports on Monday 17th Feb

Swimming Sports gets underway at 9.15am down at the Ngatea Domain pool. All students taking part are to bring their swimming gear, sunblock and plenty of food and drink for the day. Normal classes happening for those students not participating.

Valentines Day

A fun day of celebrations organised by our student leaders today - we will share some more photos on our FB page next week.



Year 11 NCEA Evening

A huge thank you to the 50+ parents and students who attended our Yr11 Information Evening this week. Hopefully you are feeling more confident about NCEA, and know where to find more information. The link to the [powerpoint is here](#), and this [video](#) is a great summary of NCEA.



A huge thank you to Subway Ngatea who dropped off subs and cookies for our teacher and student helpers. Our four speakers did a fantastic kōrero about their NCEA learning. Thank you Maggie O'Neill, Jaskeerat Randhawa, Alyssa Dovell-Durrant and Kayla Geaney. We also had Leni Johnson and Ella Tyrrell-Baxter, our Hospitality Council Prefects organizing food and refreshments - thanks very much to all of our wonderful students.



Year 9 Meet the River Guide Evening – Tuesday, 18th February, 6:00–7:30 PM

River Guides are your students' champions—they will be their advocates, mentors, supporters, and biggest cheerleaders over the next five years. Each morning, River Guides meet with their River groups to take the roll, check uniforms, read the notices, and check in with students. On Mondays, this time is extended to include assembly and learning activities.

River Guides are your first point of contact if you need help or have questions. It is important to connect with your student's River Guide and get to know them—we warmly encourage all Year 9 students and their families to attend this evening. The Year 13 Peer Support leaders are also intending to be present so you can meet our leaders who are supporting our Year 9 students.

All parents should hear from their student's River Guide via email next week.

Attendance Corner

We will continue to build on this space. Thanks for the positive feedback about the attendance emails so far. See our diagram on the next page.



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ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

More Than A School
Hauraki Plains College

365 Days in a Year

180 School Days

to give your children the very best opportunity to excel in learning and set them up for the rest of their life

185 Family/Whānau Days

to spend on family times, shopping, visiting whānau and friends, birthdays celebrations, haircuts, etc.

GOOD

Good chance of success

WORRYING

Less chance of success

CONCERNING

Hard to make progress

SERIOUS CONCERN

Very hard to make progress

Less than 5 days absence in a school term

Up to 10 days absence in a school term

Up to 15 days absence in a school term

15 days or more of absence in a school term

Equates to 0 - 0.6 school years over 5 years

Equates to 0.6 - 1.1 school years over 5 years

Equates to 1.1 - 1.7 school years over 5 years

Equates to **MORE** than 1.7 years over 5 years

There's a clear connection between attending school regularly and doing well in the classroom. Higher levels of educational achievement can mean better health, higher incomes, better job stability, and more participation in communities. Everyday matters!

HPC Upcoming Dates

Day/Wk	Week 4 - Week commencing 17th Feb		Week 5 - Week commencing 24th Feb	
Monday	17	HPC Swimming Sports (optional) Health and Safety Module B course	24	
Tuesday	18	Yr 9 Meet the River Guide 6-730pm Health and Safety Module B course	25	Athletics for all students - no classes running
Wednesday	19	HeadzUp Student Leader Conference	26	WAISS Show Jumping NZIBO Exam
Thursday	20	CCT Lavender Farm Trip	27	
Friday	21	HPC 3000m (8.40am)	28	Massey Uni visit (9-10am) 13PRI United Flower Auction Moto-X North King Country

