

# HPC e-Bulletin

Friday 28 March 2025



Kia ora koutou and welcome to Week TEN of Term One.

## Waiuku Schedule

On Tuesday 1st April HPC is hosting Waiuku College for our annual Sports Exchange. This exchange is used as final trials for most of our First Teams. All parents/caregivers are welcome to come along and support our teams, please see below for the full schedule.

### Itinerary

Below is a confirmed schedule of events.

09.30am Waiuku Arrive at Hauraki Plains College  
09.40am Pōwhiri in the School Hall  
10.00am Students go off and prepare for games

### Games

10.45am Netball, Squad 2 – HPNC Court  
Girls Rugby – Ngatea Domain  
Girls Basketball – HPC Gym  
Golf Teams - Hauraki Golf Club

11.30am Mixed Hockey – Ngatea Domain Hockey Pavilion

12.00pm Netball, Squad 1 – HPNC Court  
Boys Basketball – HPC Gym  
Boys Rugby – Ngatea Domain

2.00pm After Match Function and Speeches - Hall  
2.45pm Waiuku College depart

Shooting Teams go straight to the Thames Clay Target Club.

## Transition to Winter Uniform

From Monday 31st March (Week 10) until Friday, 9th May (Term 2 Week 2), we will have a transition period from summer to winter uniform. This will give families 6 weeks to get winter uniforms sorted out. During this time students may wear either summer or winter uniform, but not a combination of both, e.g. no scarf with sandals. By Monday, 12th May all students are expected to be in the correct winter uniform.

**Acceptable Winter School Shoes:** Going into winter uniform it is appropriate for whānau/parents to know what our expectations are. The only acceptable winter school shoes, as indicated in our uniform requirements in the HPC prospectus, are black leather lace up school shoes with a heel of no more than 5 cm (as shown in the image). There are often a number of students wearing incorrect school shoes – they may be advertised in the shoe store as



school shoes, but they are not acceptable under our policy. Please make sure your children are in the correct footwear.

## Wellbeing Support Available During the School Holidays

Although the school will be closed for the two-week break, our Wellbeing Team is still here to support our students. From Tuesday, 2nd April, you can book an appointment with our Wellbeing Team Leader, Karen Hinton, if you would like to stay connected or need some extra support during the holidays.

Karen is offering 30-minute appointments, and you can choose to meet in person at HPC, over the phone, or via Google Meet—whatever works best for you.

Available times:

- Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM
- Tuesday, Thursday: 12:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Click the [link](#) and use the code: **kptbj** to book your appointment now!

If you have any questions or need further assistance, feel free to contact Karen directly at [karenh@haurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:karenh@haurakiplains.school.nz) Your wellbeing matters, and we're here to help.

## Kaupapa Māori Whānau hui 3rd April 6pm

Te Whare Toka Tū Moana is calling on all new and current ākonga and whānau Māori to attend a information evening regarding our Māori Department, school-wide kaupapa Māori, and Māori student pastoral care for 2025.

But most important of all, we would love to meet you all and have a shared kai, so let us all bring a plate!

If you would like to attend, please express your interest via this Google Form: <https://forms.gle/y5ZZXyF2sTJ5qfKy8>

## One Autumn's Night 9th April

Everyone is welcome to attend a showcase of music with live performances from senior and junior students and some of HPC's large ensembles including Jazz Band. Gold coin donation for entry. Music starts at 6pm.

## 2024 Yearbook

Presenting the 2024 HPC Yearbook. We are again testing a digital format. We are working on 2025 already and will have this available at the end of this year.

<https://heyzine.com/flip-book/6a0f14d16b.html>

If you want a hard copy you can download this PDF: [HPC 2024 Yearbook.pdf](#) Then order online through: Snapfish: <https://www.snapfish.co.nz/store/home> or The Warehouse Stationery: <https://www.warehousestationery.co.nz/print-photo>



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## Volunteers for Restricted Ready Program

We are on the lookout for volunteers to help our students gain driving skills to pass their restricted licence. Please email Amanda Sayer [amandas@aurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:amandas@aurakiplains.school.nz)

*Nga mihi*  
Sharon Moller (PRINCIPAL)

## Careers Corner

Appointments can be requested via email. Please contact [pippal@aurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:pippal@aurakiplains.school.nz). At the moment, priority is for Year 12 and Year 13 students to ensure that they have essential pathways information. We look forward to welcoming Year 10 River Groups with their River Guides for orientation visits in Term 2.

All students can help themselves by logging into career central and updating their profile information.

## University Liaison visits

Sign up via the links in your year group's Google Classroom. New opportunities are posted every week, so please keep checking on a regular basis.

TERM 1				
Day	Date	Who	Time	Where
Monday	7th April	AUT (online)	12:00 Block 3	Hall (new venue)
TERM 2				
Day	Date	Who	Time	Where
Thursday	1st May	Victoria University of Wellington	12:00 Block 3	Careers Centre
Thursday	22nd May	University of Otago	TBC	Careers Centre
Friday	23rd May	Visit to University of Waikato Open Day - Year 12 & 13 students	9:00am - 2:30 pm	Hamilton
Monday	9th June	Careers Expo Visit - Year 11, 12 & 13 students	9:00am - 2:30 pm	Hamilton

There are a limited number of new places available for Gateway in Term 2. Please come and speak to Mrs Scott if you want to join any of the Gateway programmes. Other opportunities are opening up in Term 2 (please see information below). Students who are booked into health and safety courses must attend these to gain certification and ensure they are work-ready to go out on placement. If a student is unable to attend their scheduled dates due to other commitments, they need to speak with Mrs Scott at the earliest possible time. Otherwise, it may not be possible to reschedule training or offer another opportunity.

**Students must be at the Centennial Centre promptly before 9.00 am on each day of their course or they may not be admitted to the course.**

Students who are interested in one or more of the following options are asked to email Mrs Lawlor [pippal@aurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:pippal@aurakiplains.school.nz). Please state what your interests are.

1. Gateway aviation programme - for students who will be 16+ at the start of 2026.
2. Girls in Construction and Infrastructure - specifically for female students who will be 16+ on the 1st June 2025 and interested to find out more about these pathways.
3. New Zealand Defence Force careers.

*Pippa Lawlor - Careers Advisor*



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## HPC Upcoming Dates

Day/Wk	Week 10 - Week commencing 31st March		Week 11 - Week commencing 6th April	
Monday	31	Transition from summer to winter uniform starts - Either summer <u>or</u> winter, not a combination of both Agrisea Trip	7	
Tuesday	1	Waiuku Exchange - home	8	
Wednesday	2	1st Aid Course 120TE Kayaking (WD Line 6)	9	Mufti Day 130TE Bush Survival (Line 2) TV Rippa Rugby Finals One Autumns Night 6pm
Thursday	3	1st Aid Course 130TE Bush Survival (Line 3) TVSS Bowls 11ESS Waihi Gold Mine trip Kaupapa Māori Whanau Hui 6pm	10	130TE Bush Survival (Line 2)
Friday	4	130TE Bush Survival (Line 3) Polyfest TVSS Softball Daylight saving ends on Sunday 6 April	11	Last day of Term one