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Kia ora koutou and welcome to Week SIX of Term Two.

We have lots to celebrate this term:

- Seniors working hard towards their NCEA credits, reflected in recent reports
- Robust conversations about Junior GPAs
- Higher level of attendance
- Supportive parent connections and building further positive relationships to support our young people
- Winter sports codes are going strong with our 1st Teams travelling to Mahurangi College soon.
- New enrolments arriving and comments about how friendly our students are when walking new parents and students around school



Senior Parent Teacher Interviews

We encourage parents of senior students to book parent/ teacher interviews happening on the 9th June 3.30pm-5.00pm and 11th June 3.30pm-7.30pm. Visit www.schoolinterviews.co.nz (code: 258g2)

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Link for Babysitting -

https://forms.gle/ksei1utR8im9USEq5

Meeting teachers

A note to all parents - you don't need to wait until a report comes home, or a week with parent teacher interviews. Please feel free to contact our staff anytime, their details (and photos) are all on our website <u>https://</u> haurakiplains.school.nz/our-people/staff-contact-emails/

Students signing out

Students who need to sign out during school hours MUST have permission from a parent or caregiver first. This can be provided via a written note from home, a phone call, or an email to <u>studentservices@haurakiplains.school.nz</u> If a student does not have one of these forms of permission, they will not be allowed to sign out.

Food donations as a fundraiser

Families involved with the trip to Korea and Japan in 2026 are catering dinner at Ngatea Primary School's Matariki celebrations on 26 June. They are looking for donations of mince, sausages, and creamed style corn. Please email jonathano@haurakiplains.school.nz if you are able to donate.

Winter Sports Fees

Winter code sports fees have been added to students' school accounts. Please arrange payment at your earliest convenience. If you would like to set up a payment plan, kindly contact the school office for assistance.

Tooth Group Dental Van Visit

The Tooth Group Dental unit will be at HPC for two weeks (June 3-13) to provide FREE dental care to students in Year 9 and new enrolments this year. To access this free dental care you will need to enrol with the Tooth Group via the *link* in the <u>attached letter</u>. Please note: <u>only</u> students that have been enrolled via the link will be seen. If you have your child enrolled at another provider please do not double up



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Pathways Graduation Breakfast

This will be a special event held on Thursday June 26th for all students who have completed Gateway and Vocational Pathways certification by the end of Term 2. Parents of students and employers who have hosted students are also warmly invited. We would appreciate an rsvp if you are attending so we can provide catering.

Supporting Carrie Taipari-Thorne

We are incredibly proud of Carrie Taipari-Thorne for being selected as a New Zealand Black Dragon to represent Aotearoa at the 17th International Dragon Boat Festival World Dragon Boat Racing Championships being held in Brandenburg an der Havel, Germany from 14–20 July 2025!

Carrie has had a long association with Hauraki Plains College, as a mum, a teacher, and then as an Across School leader for our Kāhui Ako, supporting teachers across schools in Hauraki. Carrie was an incredible Deputy Principal at Kerepehi Primary and is now the Principal at Kaiaua School. Carrie is a strong wahine and a wonderful role model for our students and teachers. Kaiaua School has set up the following givealittle page to support Carrie in getting to the World Dragon Boat Racing Championships. We wish you all the very best, Carrie! <u>https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/tautokohia-to-tatou-</u> <u>tumuaki-support-our-principal</u>

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Host Families Wanted - Korean Exchange Visit

Hauraki Plains College is excited to welcome a group of Korean students and staff for the first 3 weeks of Term 3, 2025, and we are currently looking for host families to be part of this rewarding cultural exchange. This is a paid opportunity, and all hosts will be required to complete police vetting. If you're interested or would like to know more, please contact:

Mike Dwight – International Director 027 325 8881 <u>international@haurakiplains.school.nz</u>

Nga mihi Sharon Moller (PRINCIPAL)

HPC Upcoming Dates				
Day/Wk	Week 7 - Week commencing 9th June		Week 8 - Week commencing 16th June	
Monday	9	Mobile Dental Clinic Tahatū Careers Expo 3.30pm-5pm Senior parent-teacher interviews 120TE Waitawheta Overnight (line 6)	16	
Tuesday	10	Mobile Dental Clinic 120TE Waitawheta Overnight (line 6)	17	Mahurangi Exchange (away) Learner Driver Licence Course 2
Wednesday	11	Mobile Dental Clinic 3.30pm-7.30pm Senior parent-teacher interviews	18	Mahurangi Exchange (away) Learner Driver Licence Course 2
Thursday	12	Mobile Dental Clinic Manawatu Moto-X Mystery Creek trip Boulton Cup Netball WSS Swimming Champs	19	HPC Science Fair Yr9/10 Learner Driver Licence Course 2
Friday	13	Mobile Dental Clinic SADD Event Tough Guy/Gal Challenge	20	Public holiday for Matariki

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Smile! It's dental week!

Career education for seniors is more than university visits. This week we have been hosting the mobile dental van from the Tooth Group in school. It has provided students interested in a pathway involving healthcare with the opportunity to workshadow for a day. This helps students to gain a better overall understanding of the health issues facing rural communities as well as some insights into working in this career area.

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For students who intend to study medicine or dentistry or professions allied to healthcare, there are **special admission schemes for students from rural schools** - such as Hauraki Plains College! <u>Regional Rural Admission Scheme - The</u> <u>University of Auckland</u>

Any students thinking about future pathways in healthcare are welcome to call in to the Careers Centre to find out recommended subject selections for Year 12 and 13 so that they can be confident that they will be able to meet the university entry criteria for their chosen study area.

Junior students have not been left out. There has been an online quiz running all this week - do you know where the first toothbrush was invented, or what the hardest substance in the human body is? There have also been some fun activities happening in the Careers Centre during interval and lunchtime to test students' surgical abilities and mirror work - essential dental skills!

Since the dental van is with us for a little bit longer, there will be different activities to try next week.

Please contact Mrs Lawlor <u>pippal@haurakiplains.school.nz</u> for any queries for career events.

Congratulations to the **Student Volunteer Army** for a record number of service awards gained this term. There are many bronze and silver awards too. Proud of you all for the services that you offer to our school and wider community!

Mrs Pippa Lawlor (CAREERS ADVISOR)

