

HPC e-Bulletin

Friday 21 Nov 2025



Kia ora koutou and welcome to the seventh week of Term Four.

Hauraki Plains College

Excellence is our Tradition

17th November 2025

Tēnā koe Minister Stanford

The Board of Hauraki Plains College disagrees with the Government's decision to remove the requirement for school boards to give effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

Giving effect to Te Tiriti has strengthened our governance and our ability to serve the needs of all our students.

We are committed to a collaborative responsibility with iwi, hapū, and whānau to help ensure that Hauraki Plains College supports and sustains Te Ao Māori. We make available instruction of Te Reo Māori, and we all have the opportunity to learn tikanga Māori. We continue to champion equitable outcomes for Māori students.

We are grateful for the relationships we have with mana whenua and look forward to nurturing and building upon these.

Our Board's commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi will remain upheld in governance, strategic planning, and operations. We know that actions speak louder than words - therefore, we will continue to walk alongside our Māori community, striving to ensure that Hauraki Plains College is a place where all students feel they belong and can succeed.

Ngā mihi nui

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KINDO - 314 FAMILIES NOT SIGNED UP YET!

Thank you to the parents that have already signed up. Unfortunately, we still have 314 families that are still outstanding!!! **This is the ONLY way to pay for your students' school fees.** Visit mykindo.co.nz to create an account. Please discontinue all payments to the school bank account, including any existing Direct or Automatic Payments. We are working towards being cashless in 2026.

YEAR 10 SCHOOL-BASED CAMP - FINALISING SCHOOL CAMP COSTS

We are currently finalising the costs associated with the activity sessions chosen by students for the upcoming school-based camp. Please note that the maximum possible cost for the entire camp is \$40. It is important to highlight that the majority of students are incurring a zero cost as their chosen activities do not carry a charge. For students who have selected cost activities, the relevant amount will be put straight onto your school account. Should you have any questions regarding the costs or activities, please contact Alissa Place at alissap@haurakiplains.school.nz

END OF YEAR AND START OF YEAR DATES

Term 4 - 2025	Term 1 - 2026
Tuesday 2nd December 9.30am: Yr 9 Prizegiving (all Year 9's attend)	Tuesday 20th January - Thursday 22nd January 2-5pm: Senior Course Confirmation
Tuesday 2nd December 12:00pm: Yr 10 Prizegiving (all Year 10's attend)	Friday 23rd January 9am-12pm: Senior Course Confirmation
Wednesday 3rd December - Friday 5th of December: Yr 9 and 10 camps	Monday 26th January: Auckland Anniversary Day (public holiday)
Monday 8th December: Last day of regular classes. Students must complete all unfinished work and clear out their lockers on this day.	Tuesday 27th January and Wednesday 28th January: Staff Only Days
Tuesday 9th December: Yr 8 Discovery Day. No regular classes will be running. Online activities available through google classroom for students to learn from home. Our focus is on welcoming our Year 8 and new students.	Thursday 29th January 9am: Yr 9 pōwhiri, and Yr 13s head to camp, Yr 10-12 learning from home
Wednesday 10th December: School open for administrative tidy up. No regular classes will be running. Online activities available through google classroom for students to learn from home. This is the last day staff are expected to be on-site.	Friday 30th January: Yr 10-12 at school, Yr 13 at camp. Yr 9 learning from home
	Monday 2nd Feb: All year levels at school
	Thursday 12th February: Yr 11 NCEA evening
	Tuesday 17th February: Meet the river guide (all year levels)
	Brand new 'splash and dash'!
	Tuesday 24th of February: Girls at school for athletics/hapu activities, boys at the pool for swimming sports/hapu activities
	Wednesday 25th of February: Boys at school for athletics/hapu activities, girls at the pool for swimming sports/hapu activities



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JOIN OUR PARENT ATTENDANCE FOCUS GROUP!

Come and meet the team in a relaxed setting. We'll use this first session to get to know each other and collaboratively refine our attendance goals for 2026.

- Date & Time: Tuesday, November 27th at 5:00 PM (note date change)
- Location: Meet in the foyer of HPC
- RSVP: Please let us know you're coming by emailing Alissa Place - alissap@haurakiplains.school.nz by the 24th November

Future focus group meetings will offer flexible options, including both in-person and online sessions.

We can't do this without you! Your perspective is invaluable in helping every HPC student reach their full potential.

2026 SENIOR TIMETABLES

Senior students will be able to access their 2026 timetables on 19 January. If they have any gaps in their timetable or would like to change subjects, then they will need to come into school during one of our scheduled subject confirmation sessions from 20-23 January.

REMAINING PRIZEGIVINGS

- Tuesday 2nd December 9.30am: Yr 9 Prizegiving (all Year 9's attend)
- Tuesday 2nd December 12:00pm Yr 10 Prizegiving (all Year 10's attend)

Uniforms for Prizegivings - Tidy summer uniform is to be worn. Check jewellery, hair - boys to be clean shaven and girls have hair tied back.

SCHOOL APP

Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our School App:

- NOVUS Glass Thames
- Travel Insurance Brokers
- My Washing Hub Laundromat
- The Glory Company
- Gas & Plumbing Solutions
- Carpet Court Thames
- Ark Plasterers Ltd
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- EDL Builders
- Central Motors Hauraki Ltd
- Hayley MacKay - Richardsons Real Estate
- Atahu Aesthetics
- T & A McWatters Ltd

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Nga mihi
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Upcoming Term 4 Dates

Day/Wk	Week 8 - Week commencing 24th Nov		Week 9 - Week commencing 1st Dec	
Monday	24	- NCEA Exams - Block 1 - Prizegiving practice (extended River) - Block 2 and 3 - Action Education Y9 Workshop	1	- NCEA Exams - Block 1 Extended River - Block 3 Yr9 Prizegiving practice - Block 4 Yr10 Prizegiving practice
Tuesday	25	- NCEA Exams	2	- 9.30am Yr9 Prizegiving - 12pm Yr10 Prizegiving - Junior reports emailed home
Wednesday	26	- NCEA Exams	3	- Yr9 & 10 Camps
Thursday	27	- NCEA Exams	4	- Yr9 & 10 Camps
Friday	28	- NCEA Exams	5	- Yr9 & 10 Camps
Sunday	30	- Yr 13 Graduation Dinner		

Careers Corner

Shape Your Future: Meet Your Careers Advisor!

Need help planning your next steps? **Mrs. Pippa Lawlor**, pippal@aurakiplains.school.nz your **Careers Advisor**, is here to help you unlock your potential! What Mrs. Lawlor can help you with:

- **Career Pathway & Advice:** Discuss your future goals, from long-term career pathways to subject selection for next year.
- **Tertiary Planning:** Get the lowdown on university courses, job training, and employment opportunities.
- **Accelerated Learning:** Interested in taking a **university paper** in Year 12/13? Mrs. Lawlor can help you apply for university-funded placements and experiences!
- **Special Courses & Programs:**
 - Book a spot on the **Learner Driver Course** at HPC.
 - Sign up for a **STAR (one-day) Taster Course** at Wintec.
 - Apply for the **Waikato Trades Academy**.
- **Tertiary Visits:** She manages all university liaison, arranging visits, and open days to check out institutes!

Get Hands-On Skills with Gateway!

Want to earn NCEA credits while getting real-world experience? **Mrs. Lauren Scott**, your **Gateway Coordinator**, can connect you with exciting opportunities that match your interests! How Gateway will benefit you:

- **Real-World Experience:** Plan a Gateway experience that perfectly aligns with your career choices and vocational pathway.
- **Earn NCEA Credits:** Get booked into courses and work programmes that allow you to earn credits matching your NCEA level.
- **Future-Proof Your Skills:** Gain valuable skills, training, and knowledge that will be essential for your future success in the world of work.

Ready to Discover Through Doing?

Contact **Mrs. Scott** laurens@aurakiplains.school.nz to start planning your practical experience today!