

# HPC e-Bulletin



Friday, 22 May, 2026



**Kia ora koutou and welcome to Week Five of Term Two!**

## **Year 10–12 Common Assessment Activities (CAA)**

We had a very successful round of CAA exams this week. We had around 200 students a day over three days engaging very well with the Reading, Writing and Numeracy exams. Year 10 students especially did amazingly well in pre-registering their NZQA accounts and that made for seamless engagement.

We can expect the Reading results to be released on Tuesday 23 June, and Writing and Numeracy on Monday 20 July.

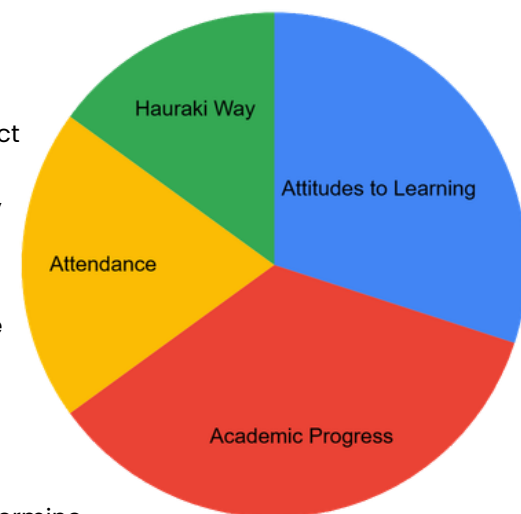
## **Year 9 Junior Certificate/Year 10 Junior Diploma**

We are pleased to share the confirmed criteria for our Year 9 Junior Certificate and Year 10 Junior Diploma. Following consultation with our staff, students, and parents late last year, we identified several opportunities to refine our reporting to better reflect student growth. The primary purpose of these awards is to celebrate and recognise student achievement across four key pillars: Academic progress, Attitude to Learning, Attendance and the Hauraki Way.

While we value the diverse extracurricular activities our students pursue, we recognise that participation in these can sometimes be influenced by factors outside of a student's direct control. To ensure our end-of-year awards are as fair and motivating as possible, we have shifted our focus toward areas where students can take personal agency.

Yr 9 and 10 students will receive a Term 1 & 2 score in their mid year report and Term 3 & 4 score in their end of year report based on this graph. These scores will determine whether they earn their Junior Certificate or Junior Diploma with Achieved, Merit, or Excellence at our end-of-year prizegiving.

Academic 35%, Attitude to Learning 30%, Attendance 20% (10% term 1, 10% Term 2), Hauraki Way 15%.



## **Student Tutorials**

Tutorials are going well with over 15 students utilising the service. The Academic Council will be running supportive tutorials next week – every day 3.15pm in the Hub.

## **Health Update**

We have been made aware of a few cases of scabies in our community. We thought it important to alert you to it. Scabies is a common and highly treatable skin condition. Because it spreads through close contact, we want to share this information so everyone can monitor for symptoms and seek treatment if needed.

<https://www.healthnz.govt.nz/health-topics/conditions-treatments/skin/scabies>

## **Do Days**

From Friday 22 May to Friday 29 May all students will have a modified timetable where each of their classes will have back-to-back periods staggered over this week. The "Do Days" initiative is designed to help students bridge the gap between the classroom and the workforce. It's an opportunity to explore potential career pathways through:

- Guest Speakers
- Field Trips
- New Learning Experiences

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## New 30km variable speed limit outside school

NZTA are installing variable speed limit (VSL) signs outside our school - this is planned to be completed in early June.

A variable speed limit (VSL) will operate during school travel periods at the start and end of the school day. It may also operate for 10 minutes at other times when there are school-related vehicle or pedestrian activities. The VSL operates when the speed limit is displayed on an electronic or static sign, and is legally enforceable. At all other times, the speed limit is the underlying permanent posted speed limit.

More information [here](#).

## Our Plains Our Future

Hauraki District Council and Waikato Regional Council are offering a unique opportunity for HPC students to learn more and share their values and opinions regarding their work on adapting the flood protection schemes for the Hauraki Plains to the increasing effects of climate change.

This event will include two parts:

1. A workshop during blocks 1 and 2.
2. A tour of the flood protection infrastructure in our local area.

Students can choose to join only the workshop or join for the whole school day. Spaces for the tour are limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please see [this link to register](#).

## New Recycling Pilot

Our Student Enviro Council is launching a new recycling pilot at the start of Week 6. The recycling pilot includes three recycling stations: on the school grounds under the hangar, in the staff room, and in room 43.

Each station will include: soft plastic recycling, mixed plastic recycling, paper recycling, food waste recycling and a bin for landfill.

Please support this initiative by following the instructions on the bins. Together, we can significantly increase the volume of waste we send for recycling and reduce what we send to landfill. If you are not sure if an item can be recycled or if is too contaminated to be recycled, please throw it in the rubbish/landfill bin.

If you have any feedback or encounter any issues, please use this form - <https://forms.gle/ZnL4Pw1a61Ww5y6BA>



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## FOR SALE – Modern 1-Bedroom Self-Contained Cabin (30sqm)

Price: \$63,250 incl. GST

Location: Hauraki Plains College, Ngatea

Condition: Brand New

Proudly built as a Year 13 Building Project at Hauraki Plains College, this beautifully crafted 4m x 7.5m relocatable cabin offers an ideal minor dwelling, sleepout, or holiday bach. Built to a high standard with excellent specifications, it is fully completed and ready to be moved to its permanent home.

### ★ Key Features

- Layout: 1 separate bedroom, open-plan kitchen and living area, and a fully functional bathroom.
- Warm & Quiet: Fully insulated with modern double-glazed windows throughout.
- Size: 30sqm (4m x 7.5m footprint) – a spacious yet highly transportable layout.

### 📄 Full Compliance & Warranties

Buy with absolute peace of mind. All professional compliance and documentation are fully sorted:

- Council Consent: Code of Compliance (Certificate of Acceptance for completion).
- Electrical: Full Electrical COC completed by Laser Electrical.
- Plumbing & Gas: PS3 certification completed by Ngatea Plumbing and Gas.
- Warranties: Manufacturer and supplier warranties included for both the joinery and roofing.
- Bonus: A foundation plan can be provided to the buyer upon request.

### 🚚 Transport & Viewings

- Viewing: You are more than welcome to inspect the quality of the build in person! Located on-site at Hauraki Plains College in Ngatea.
- Removal/Transport: Buyer to arrange removal. We highly recommend local experts KT Cartage Ltd (based nearby in Kerepehi) for a seamless relocation quote. They can be reached directly at 022 372 4156.

📞 **Get in Touch** – To ask questions, arrange a viewing, or make an offer, please contact Kyle Backhouse-Smith at 021 285 4360. **Trade Me listing:** <https://www.trademe.co.nz/a/marketplace/building-renovation/portable-cabins/listing/5908474505>



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## Careers Corner

Success looks different for everyone—for some it's about financial security, for others it's travel or community. That's why we stress the importance of aligning your study journey with your ultimate career aspirations.

There is no substitute for first-hand experience when it comes to shaping a future. We believe students must step out of the classroom and trial new environments before making life-altering decisions. Former student Kate Bond turned her PIHM Careers Week <https://pihms.ac.nz/events/careers-week/> opportunity into reality; she is now balancing her studies with a role in an events team.

We're expanding the horizon for HPC students this year with a wider range of immersive experiences. Our ongoing liaison with top universities - such as the opportunity to visit University of Waikato's Open Day this week - creates the connections students need to succeed.



Kate Bond

Opportunities are everywhere, but they only begin when you choose to step through the door. Stop wondering and start doing. Visit the Careers Centre, talk with our team, and turn your aspirations into a plan. Your future starts here!

Please email Mrs Lawlor [pippal@haurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:pippal@haurakiplains.school.nz) to book an appointment to talk about your career journey, your subject choices for 2027 and where your next steps will take you.

## University Meetings

We have concluded the round of on-site liaison meetings for Term 2. However, there are still events happening around the region. Keep an eye on the Senior Careers Google classroom for details of all events shared with us.

<b>University of Otago</b>	Date: Thursday 28 May Time: 6.30 – 7.30 pm Venue: Bronze Lounge, FMG Stadium, Hamilton
<b>Owhiti School of Agriculture</b>	Date: Saturday 6 June Open Day 9 am onwards 4744Turakina Valley Road Hunterville
<b>Massey University</b>	Date: Wednesday 5 August Time: 9.00 – 2.00pm Venue: Palmerston North Campus
<b>Massey University</b>	Date: Saturday 15 August Time: 9.00 – 2.00pm Venue: Auckland Campus
<b>Massey University</b>	Date: Friday 23 August Time: 9.00 – 3.00pm Venue: Wellington Campus

### Students – please read your emails for updates on your Gateway progress

We have digger training, scaffolding and first aid courses happening over the next few weeks.

It's time to fast-track your future! We're getting everyone together to complete Gateway assessments and help you lock in those 20 credits ahead of schedule. Let's get these banked so you can focus on the hands-on part of your journey!

Mrs Scott's email:  
[laurens@haurakiplains.school.nz](mailto:laurens@haurakiplains.school.nz)

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		Week 6: Commencing 25th May	Week 7: Commencing 1st June	
<b>Mon</b>	<b>25</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do Day</li> <li>Services Academy Bushcraft</li> </ul>	<b>1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>King's Birthday (Public Holiday)</li> </ul>
<b>Tues</b>	<b>26</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do Day</li> <li>Services Academy Bushcraft</li> <li>11COM Tip Top Factory</li> <li>13BUS YES Dragon's Den</li> </ul>	<b>2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tooth Group onsite</li> <li>Scaffolding Course 1</li> <li>11OTE MTB Skills Line 2 (Trip 3)</li> </ul>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>27</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do Day</li> <li>Services Academy Bushcraft</li> <li>Digital Tech and Innovation Workshops</li> <li>Digger Training</li> </ul>	<b>3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tooth Group onsite</li> <li>Scaffolding Course 1</li> <li>Gateway Digger Course</li> <li>TVSS X-Country (HPC)</li> </ul>
<b>Thur</b>	<b>28</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do Day</li> <li>Services Academy Bushcraft</li> <li>Digital Tech and Innovation Workshops</li> <li>Digger Training</li> <li>Rugby Mental Skills Workshops</li> <li>Year 11 Digital P-Tech Trip</li> <li>WSS Squash Champs</li> <li>WSS Swimming Champs</li> <li>7pm Korea/Japan 2028 Trip Info Evening</li> </ul>	<b>4</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tooth Group onsite</li> <li>Scaffolding Course 2</li> <li>Gateway Digger Course</li> <li>ShowQuest 2026</li> </ul>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>29</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do Day</li> <li>Services Academy Bushcraft</li> <li>11ESS Do Day Sustainable Mud Wall</li> </ul>	<b>5</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tooth Group onsite</li> <li>Scaffolding Course 2</li> <li>Gateway Digger Course</li> <li>11OTE MTB Skills Line 4 (Trip 3)</li> <li>Mufti Day for Grad Dinner: Dress as a character</li> </ul>