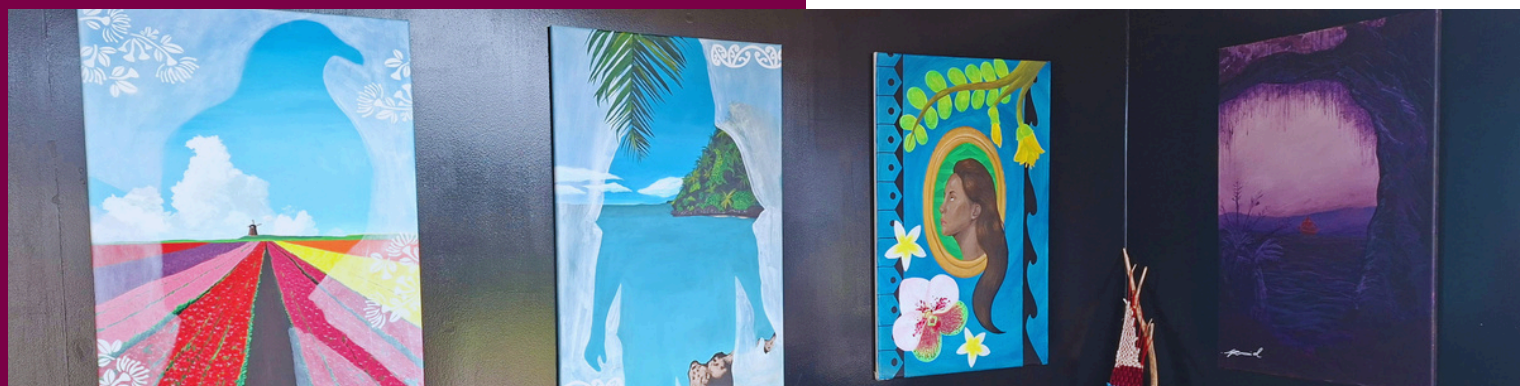


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Kia ora koutou and welcome to Week Two of Term Three!

Senior Subject Selection and Pathways Evening

On Tuesday the 25th of August HPC will be hosting a senior subject selection and future pathways evening. Each subject area will have interactive presentations to give you and your children a taste of what they can experience in those classes, as well as sessions explaining the ins-and-outs of NCEA. We will also have numerous outside providers present on-site to give insights into their industries and potential future pathways, providers such as: Wintec, BCITO, Major Oaks, the NZ Police, as well as Massey, Auckland and Waikato Universities, with many more present. A full schedule will be provided soon. Doors open at 4pm; all students and whanau are welcome.

Winter Co-curricular Photos – Tues 11th August

Uniform requirements for each sports team will be communicated by HPC Sports. Long hair needs to be tied back and boys need to be clean shaven. Please note the importance of punctuality, arriving at your photo 10min before. (Schedule [here](#))

Outstanding Fees

We would like to remind families that some accounts currently show outstanding fees from previous years. We ask that these balances be cleared as soon as possible.

Important Information Regarding Sports Fees

- **Payment Requirement:** If your child participates in school sports, all sports fees must be paid in full before the end of the current season.
- **Future Participation:** Please be aware that unpaid sports fees may impact your child's eligibility for future sporting events and teams.
- **Tournament Week:** Students who have not paid their tournament fees in full before the tournament begins will not be eligible to participate.

Our school relies on sports fees being paid in full to cover operational costs and ensure we can continue offering the best possible opportunities for all of our sporting teams.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties or wish to set up a flexible payment plan, please contact our office directly so we can support you.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter and for your continued support of our school community.

Autopay with Kindo

You can now set up recurring payments directly in Kindo, making it easier to stay on top of school costs.

Autopay is a simple set-and-forget way to keep regular payments ticking along, so there's one less thing to remember during the school term.

When you access your Kindo app, click on your wallet at the top of the screen and follow the autopay directions. Need a hand getting set up? Email helpdesk@kindo.co.nz Call 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636)

Out of Zone Enrolments

A reminder for families/whanau that live out of our school zone that have siblings currently at HPC, still need to apply through the ballot. Email: anav@haurakiplains.school.nz. The OOO ballot closes on Wednesday 19th August 2026 (12pm).

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Waikato Model United Nations Workshop

On Thursday, about 100 students participated in a Model United Nations workshop, an event held around the world to develop leadership, debating and public speaking skills in youth. Our students were exposed to how the decision-making process works at a Model UN and practised debating in groups.

This workshop was organised and led by Year 12 students from Rototuna High School, who are leading the Waikato Model UN event (WaiMun), held on the weekend of the 15-16 of August, at the University of Waikato. This year's event topic will be fuel, offering a great opportunity for HPC students to practice leadership skills, network with other youth leaders, and participate in a fun, unique event.

Students interested in attending the August event can register using this link: <https://tally.so/r/VLXMXJ>. To learn more, visit the WaiMun website: <https://waimun.org/>. While the cost is \$42 per student (which includes kai during the event), any students who would like to attend or inquire about financial assistance or technical support (such as organising transport, accommodation, or supervision) should please email Mr Kay at Yotamk@haurakiplains.school.nz.

Student Tutorials

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

World Vision Mufti >

A huge thank you to everyone who took part in last Friday's Mufti Day! Together, we raised over \$500 for World Vision. Special congratulations to our two costume winners, Adam Kelly and Finlay Jensen, winners of the dress-up competition. Great effort!

Dancing with the Staff - 4th August at 6pm \$5 entry going towards Year 13 Grad dinner.

Attendance Corner

You might have recently seen an image we shared on our Facebook page about school attendance, and we wanted to take a moment to clarify what these check-ins are all about.





OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY: UNDERSTANDING THE YELLOW ATTENDANCE STEP



WHAT IS IT?

A structured, supportive email automatically sent when a student is absent for more than 5 cumulative days in a school term.

EMAIL TEMPLATE

Tēna koe,

We are reaching out to talk about STUDENT's attendance this term, they've been absent for over 5 days, which means their attendance rate is currently below the Ministry of Education expectations.

We know that regular attendance plays a big part in helping students feel connected and succeed in their learning. STUDENT's River Guide would really value the opportunity to talk with you about how things are going and see how we can work together to support <First> to attend more regularly. They will be getting in touch within the next two school days.

Ngā mihi,

A MESSAGE OF SUPPORT



RECEIVING THIS EMAIL IS AN INITIATION OF SUPPORT. It is not about blame, but connection.



Sent regardless of reason: Medical, Trips, or other legitimate absences. Because any time away has a ripple effect on learning continuity.



Our goal: To partner with you to ensure your student is fully supported, confident, and never feels they are falling behind or disconnected or disconnected. We are here to support every student.

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First and foremost, an attendance email from us is never a punishment, a lecture, or a cause for worry. It's simply our way of reaching out to say, "We notice, we care, and we're here to help."

If your child is away due to illness, a family event, or a holiday: We know life happens! Our goal is just to make sure they have any resources they need so they don't feel overwhelmed or stressed about falling behind while they're away.

If your child is struggling to get to school: Please know there is no judgment here. Heading off attendance challenges is a team effort, and we are always ready to lend a hand, listen, and figure out solutions together with your family.

We know that a strong partnership between home and school is what helps our young people thrive. If you ever receive a check-in from us, please view it as an open door.

Thank you for everything you do to support our school community; we're in this together!

Careers Corner - Events this term happening at school

Date	Time	Who and what?	Where?
Thursday 13th August	Block 2	Year 13 Massey University- planning meeting for anyone thinking of going to Massey or who has made an application	Careers Centre
Thursday 13th August	Block 3	Year 13 Victoria University- planning meeting for anyone thinking of going to Victoria University of Wellington or who has made an application	Careers Centre
Tuesday 18th August	Block 4	Wintec liaison visit- for all students in Years 11-13 thinking of studying at Wintec in the future, and especially for Māori & Pasifika students interested in the trades pathways on offer.	Hall
Thursday 20th August	Blocks 1-2	Year 13 University of Waikato- planning meeting for anyone thinking of going to University of Waikato or who has made an application	Careers Centre
Tuesday 25th August	4-8pm	Senior Subject Selection & Pathways Evening for all students in years 10-12	HALL and throughout school
October date to be confirmed (TBC)	TBC	Applications open for Waikato Trades Academy for 2027 for eligible students in years 10-12	Careers Centre

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Do. Learn. Succeed!

Huge congratulations to our barista and hospitality students who have been offered places and scholarships at the Pacific International Hotel Management School (PIHMS) for 2027, following a successful careers week visit in the holidays. It's also been great to hear from a number of Gateway students this week who have been offered apprenticeships or employment following their placements. That's the power of practical experience - it gets you from the classroom into a career.

'Leaving School' Magazine

Hard copies of this magazine are available in the Careers Centre - please come and collect yours!

Included in this issue are profiles on 15 young people making successful careers for themselves including: Accounting Technician, Analytical Technician, Barber, Civil Engineer, Crop Grower, Electrician, Fencer, Field Service Technician, Financial Analyst, Laboratory Scientist, Marine Engineer, Mechanical Engineer, Plumber, Psychology Student and Veterinary Receptionist.

Also included in the magazine are tips on applying for a Student Loan in 2027, KiwiSaver tips for young people, preparing a great CV and Interview Tips, noticeboard with key information that will be helpful for students, a feature on the dangers of gambling and the dates for the Open Days at Polytechnics and Universities in August and September.

You can also read the magazine online using this link: <https://oliverlee.co.nz/leavingschool-issue36/>

Ready to get your Learner Licence?

This is the LAST course for 2026 - don't miss out!

Everything happens right here at HPC

- Training: Wed 23rd & Thu 24th September at school
- Testing: Fri 25th September - at school
- Cost: The training is 100% FREE! (You only pay the fee to sit your test).
- Age limit: You MUST be 16 or older on test day (Fri 25th Sept).
- Places: STRICTLY limited to 15 students!

Use the link in the Senior Careers Google Classroom to save your spot.

Gateway - Save the date we graduate

To celebrate the achievement of all students who have been involved in the Gateway programme in 2026, we will be holding our Gateway Graduation Breakfast event on Thursday 27th August during Blocks 1 and 2. A warm invitation is extended to all of our 2026 Gateway students and their families. During this event we will be presenting students with the certificates they have achieved over the past 6 months as well as providing refreshments for all attendees.

There's still time to speak with Mrs Scott to find out what you have to do to gain your credits and graduate successfully. Remember to submit your completed assessments for marking.

Mrs Scott's email: laurens@haurakiplains.school.nz

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2026 End of Year Dates

Last day for Seniors - Fri 6th Nov / Juniors - Thurs 10th Dec (online learning from home)

2027 Start Dates

Office reopens - Mon 25th Jan
Year 9 & 13 only - Thurs 28th Jan
Year 10-12 only - Fri 29th Jan
Everyone back - Tues 2nd Feb
Last day 2027 - Tues 14th Dec

Upcoming Dates

	Week 3: Commencing 3rd August		Week 4: Commencing 10th August	
Mon	3		10	TVSS Junior Badminton
Tues	4	Dancing with the Staff 6pm	11	- PhotoLife Winter Code Photos 12OTE Bush Survival & Leadership
Wed	5	11DIT P-Tech	12	
Thur	6		13	- Open Evening for Y8s - Rotorua SS Shoot
Fri	7	- TVSS Senior Badminton - Korean students depart	14	TVSS Golf Round 4