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Kia ora e te whanau

We are looking forward to our students returning for Term 4 ready to continue their learning journey. I am sure they have all enjoyed the sun over the holiday period as they recharge their batteries ready for a new term. During the holiday break it was great to see many of our senior students making the most of the extra classes offered by staff. I am sure that the students who made the most of these opportunities will have made good progress towards gaining their qualifications.

I would like to congratulate our senior students who have been working hard to gain their qualifications. We have 31 Year 12 students and 10 Year 13 students who have already gained their Level 2 and 3 qualifications, we are very proud of these students and look forward to seeing the progress that our students make during Term 4. Preliminary examinations are starting, Thursday 15th October and finishing, Wednesday 21st October. It is essential that our senior students prepare themselves thoroughly for these examinations. If students need a derived or emergency grade, then the results from the preliminary examinations will be the ones sent to NZQA.

Preparation for examinations should include ensuring that students have a good balance. This includes making time for work, family, school, sports and social commitments. Senior students might want to reassess how much time they are spending in paid employment between now and when they finish exams. All senior students should have already developed a study timetable for both the preliminary examinations and the final NCEA examinations. Students that are entered for portfolio based subjects (technology, art, photography) should be well aware of the deadlines for these subjects, if they do not know these deadlines they should check with their subject teachers as soon as possible.

Term 4 is an exciting term for our junior students as well. Our Year 10 students will be given the opportunity to attend TOPEC and have a wonderful opportunity to experience education outside the classroom. All our junior students will finish this term with activity week followed by Junior Prizegiving on the last day of the year. Please check with your Year 9 and 10 student to see if they have selected an activity, if they have not they should see Mrs Fern as soon as possible to ensure they do not miss out.

During this term we are looking forward to hosting you all at our prizegivings as we celebrate the success of our students, please keep an eye on our calendar to ensure you do not miss key dates.

Kia kaha, te awhina, Strength through caring

Rachel Williams
Principal

NCEA Preliminary Examinations

NCEA Preliminary Examinations for 2020 start on Thursday 15th October and will go through to Wednesday 21st October. Students will **NOT** be on examination leave. Students are expected to be in class for further teaching and revision when they are not sitting an examination.

Most 3-hour examinations will be held from 2-5pm. The shorter examinations will be held during lesson time. Students should check the examination timetable at the end of the newsletter to see when their examinations are scheduled. If they have a clash they should contact Miss Hurley asap so alternate arrangements can be made p.hurley@hawerahs.school.nz.

Please note that just like every other year these examinations are vital for students. **If students need derived or emergency grades these are the grades that will be sent to NZQA.**

Student personal phones as part of BYOD

During and after the COVID-19 lockdown we surveyed students regarding their access to a digital computer device. All students have indicated that they have access to a personal device or were given access to use a school device whether this is through our long term loan system which is loaned for an extended period usually the full year, or short term which is on a daily basis from the school library. These devices can provide the necessary storage and run the necessary software for student learning. Beginning at the start of Term 4 2020 we are removing access to the school WIFI for all smart phones as these are now deemed not necessary for students to engage in learning. It is therefore essential that school or personal computer devices are brought to school daily to ensure students can access and complete their work. When these phones are removed there is a slight possibility that some tablets and iPads may be identified as phones due to the operating system they use and removed also. If this is the case the student should advise the form teacher of the devices MAC address (details how to find this are available online) and we will ensure that the device is once again recognised by our system.

Headphones

The school is no longer providing headphones in any of our computer rooms for Health and Safety reasons, we ask that students supply their own.

National Online Safety

This Facebook page offers training and resources for parents about online safety.

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=national%20online%20safety>

Model UN Team

At the beginning of the holidays, our Model UN team of Cullun Wallis and Otis Cleaver represented HHS at the Taranaki Model UN at Stratford High School. Both are members of the school Social Justice Group and there are big plans for the group to take part in similar events around the country in 2021.



Prizegiving dates 2020 (save the date)

All prizegiving's this year will be held at the HUB.

Year 13 Prizegiving	11 th November – 7:30pm
Year 11 & 12 Prizegiving	12 th November – 11:00am
Year 9 and 10 Prizegiving	11 th December – 9:30am

Upcoming events

Hui 12 th October	Whanau Community Meeting – Te Korowai o Ngaruahine
Hui 14 th October	Hui for Iwi input – Te Korowai o Ngaruahine
20 th November	Teacher Only Day (Show Day)
27 th November	Teacher Only Day (NCEA Accord Day)
8 th – 10 th December	Junior Activities



The poster features a blue background with a large, stylized white heart shape. Inside the heart, the word "love" is written in white, and a yellow tennis ball is positioned behind the letter "e". Below "love", the word "tennis" is written in large, bold, white letters. To the right of the heart, the text "All welcome come play it's free!" is displayed, with "All welcome" and "come play" in white and "it's free!" in yellow. In the top right corner, the "tennis NZ" logo is shown, consisting of the word "tennis" in a small font above "NZ" in a large, bold font, with a stylized tennis ball graphic to the right. Below the logo, the text "Te Tēhēhi o Aotearoa" is written in a small font. The main event details are listed in bold black text: "Sat 10 & Sun 11 Oct 1-4pm", "Racquets supplied. BBQ. Prizes. Giveaways!", "At Hawera Lawn Tennis & Squash Racquet Club", and "70 Albion Street | Check out our Facebook page". At the bottom, a yellow banner contains the text "Proudly supported by" followed by the "REBEL SPORT" logo and the "HELL" logo. To the right of the logos, the website "www.lovetennis.kiwi" is displayed.

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Examination Timetable for 2020

The colour of the examination indicates the length of the exam. Please check the schedule carefully and discuss with your teachers or deans if you have any concerns.

3 hour exam	2 hour exam	1 – 1.5 hour exam	School 2-5pm
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All examinations are in Jubilee Gym unless otherwise stated.

	Wednesday 14 th October		Thursday 15 th October		Friday 16 th October		Monday 19 th October		Tuesday 20 th October		Wednesday 21 st October	
Morning session 9am START			13CHE		13SCE		12ENG		13MAC 13MEX		12SCE	
			12GEO		13CLS		13PHY	K2	13MIN		11ENA	
					11DRA		11ECO	K2	11HIS		11MUS	
					11MAO		11BIO		12HIS		11ACC	
Middle of the day sessions 11am START			11GEO	K2	12ENV	K2			12MUS			
			12MAO	K2					12/13ACC			
Afternoon session 2pm START	Level 1 DCAT – (actual NCEA exam)	D5 -7	11ENG		11SCP		11FTN		12MEX		11MEX	
			12BIO	K2	12PHY		12/13ECO		13GEO		13HIS	
			13ENG	K1	13BIO	K2	12/13AGB		ENG (S)		12CHE	
			L2 DCAT – (actual NCEA exam)	D5	L3 DCAT – (actual NCEA exam)	D5 & 7			GEO (S)			