

HUNTLY COLLEGE PAANUI

Friday 1st November- Term 4, Week 3

Peak Performance at the Pinnacles

After training all term, we did it! We conquered one of the greatest walks in Aotearoa. The team persevered and we're rewarded by the magical views that the Pinnacles had to offer. We were blessed with great weather for day one and just a little bit of drizzle for day 2. As shown in the pictures below, we climbed borders, mud stairs, wooden stairs, maneuvered ourselves through trees and crossed bridges. What an epic two day adventure we had! Perfect way to finish off our Adventure Module. Thank you, whaanau, for your support in this.

A huge shoutout to Matua Dan and Matua Hiki for coming along and supporting us. Thank you to Pete from POET for your wisdom and generosity with the equipment.



Services Academy - Adventure Race

On the 9th of September, nine members of Huntly College's service academy were able to attend the adventure race/challenge course. This course took place in Cambridge Epworth camp. Alongside Huntly were James Cook, Kelston, Otahuhu, Waitakere, and St Pauls. This course has us use skills we learned throughout the year and put it to work. We needed to continuously get out of our comfort zones and work together as a team as that is the most important quality of being a service academy member.

We were timed for every task we did, whether the task took an hour or a few minutes. Our first activity had us work together to compete in a run-bike-run race against another academy, "you're as fast as the slowest member." Teamwork is a major aspect of this course and is enforced daily during our activities. We were moving as a collective and completing all tasks to the best of our ability.



Each academy had its responsibilities and worked together to finish them, our skills would get developed and our effectiveness in working as a team would grow. Throughout the week we had to self-direct our academies while making the timings, missing the timings results in CT. All service members had to develop a drill to perform on Thursday the 12th. Each academy had chances to make and eventually perform for every academy and staff. All academies performed their drill and each academy waited to hear who won. All academies that attended performed and were prepared to see the results. Being the best school, Huntly Won the drill competition.

These skills we learned can be used for other events that may come up or for those returnees coming back in 2025. We hope to see you in the 2025 service academy.

Akiaki te tii o te tangata - Nurture your indescribable light within

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Exams Exams Exams! Excellent Exams

Monday, November 5th, marks the starting date of our External exam period. Exams will run over three weeks ending Friday 29th November. Students sitting exams would have received a letter home indicating they've been entered into an exam. A timetable for exam preparation classes is also included and listed below.

Timetable for Exam Preparation classes:

Teacher	Day	Time	Classroom
Matua Pillay Math	Monday Thursday	1.30 pm-3.00 pm 11.30 am-1.00 pm	D1
Whaea Kamal Science	Monday Wednesday	11.30 am-1.00 pm 1.30 pm-3.00 pm	B1
Matua Mulligan Social Science	Monday to Thursday	9.00 am-1.00 pm	Library
Matua Josh English	Tuesday Thursday	11.30 am-1.00 pm 1.30 pm-3.00 pm	B1

Students upon arrival to School are to sign in and out at the office when attending these study classes.

Students should bring the following items with them to their exam/exams:

- Admission slip
- Clear plastic bag/pencil case with their stationery (black or blue pen).
- Clear drink bottle

Cellphones and smartwatches are not permitted in the exams.



Key Dates:

- Junior Programme starts Monday 4th November
- Senior student exams and study leave starts Monday 4th November
- Transition Day - Thursday 28th November 2024 9:30am - 11:30am
- Celebration of Success - Thursday 21st November 5:30pm - 7:30pm
- Last Day of School - Thursday 12th December
- First Day of 2025 - Thursday 30th January

Who will take the House Shield for 2024?

Hakanoa Waahi Kimihia Waikare

As we have one more House competition remaining, the points have been removed and the winning 2024 House Shield will be announced at our Celebration of Success



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Stir, Sip, and Success: Our Students Brew Up New Skills!

This term kicked off with two exciting courses to help our senior students gain practical skills and earn credits toward their National Certificate of Educational Achievement. These courses are setting them up for future careers and adding fun, hands-on learning to the school day!

On October 15th and 16th, students dived into the Barista Course, where they learned the art of espresso. With expert guidance, they mastered the foundational skills needed to make a perfect coffee—from learning the right espresso grind to that ever-important frothy milk pour. With their newly acquired barista skills, they're ready to impress, whether it's at a future café job or making you a café-quality espresso at home!

Then, on October 17th, 18 of our students took part in the Summit Business Course, a whirlwind introduction to Business Administration. From the essentials of digital storage and communication skills to the use of AI in business, our students are now equipped with skills that will be invaluable in the workplace. They even learned the ins and outs of mail processing, personal and interpersonal skills, and how to keep a digital workspace organized and effective. With their business know-how, they're ready to step into the world of admin—and maybe even help you organize your inbox!

Both courses proved a huge success, with all students passing and earning credits—7 credits in the Barista Course and 15 in the Summit Business Course. We're proud to report that our students are well on their way to applying these skills in exciting future roles. So, next time you see them, ask for a coffee or a quick chat about digital storage—they're ready for it!



Transition Day

On Thursday 28th November, Huntly College will be having a Transition Day for all Year 8 students and their whaanau. Starting at 9:30am - 11:30am in the School Hall. We encourage all Year 8 students to come an experience a morning at Huntly College and see what our kura has to offer.

Enrolment afternoons

From Monday the 11th November 2pm - 4pm, the Senior Leadership Team will be hosting enrolment afternoons for whaanau who are wanting to enrol there tamaiti/tamariki at the College. To make a booking, please make an appointment at the Reception. You may pick up an enrolment pack from the School office prior to your meeting. Please bring your child you are enrolling and their birth certificate to your enrolment appointment.

Return of Student Laptops

Senior students not sitting any exams will need to return their laptops to Whaea Janet on Friday 1st November with the charger and any other accessories. Students who have exams must return their laptops once they have completed their exams.

This requires IT to renew the laptops in preparation for the next year.

