

"Confident learners who accept social responsibility and live sustainably"

Tena Koutou nga whanau me nga tamariki.

STOP PRESS!!

It is not very often that I deem something to be so vitally important that I ensure everyone knows about it so they can come!... The final PWF meeting for the year is on this Wednesday 1st November at 6pm, at the school. I urge you attend this event to ensure you are able to contribute to the fundraising efforts of Pukehou School, which directly affects your children. If you can not attend, I request that you email me with your apologies - principal@pukehou.school.nz . If you are unable to attend, can you please indicate the reason that you are not able to attend (time of meeting / day of week / prefer not to fundraise etc). This is your chance to add value to the education of our learners... your children. Nibbles and refreshments will be provided!! I really look forward to seeing you at this event with the aim of starting 2018 with the PWF in full force. Please come along to share your ideas of future fundraising at Pukehou School.

Year 8 Entrance Exams

A message from *Robyn Southward* at CHBC: "Just a reminder that the Year 8 Entrance exams are to be held on the 17th November in the College hall . Students are to arrive at 9am for a 9.15 start.

The exams will take until 11.30, providing we are able to start on time.

Pens are provided.

Enrollments, applications and interviews need to be completed as soon as possible, please contact Principal's PA to arrange these.

I will be the Year 9 Dean next in 2018 and look forward to visiting schools before the end of term."

BOT Elections

Please consider this as we look for three BOT members. Talk to current Board members to find out

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what is involved. Remember these people represent your view on the BOT, so find out what their priorities are.

Nomination forms will be posted out soon. There will be more information from the Board regarding this election next week.

School Accounts

Accounts were sent out earlier this week. Please pay outstanding money as soon as you can.

Positive Playground Play

Lots of very helpful hands with names in the box, but they will need to wait until the draw this week. Keep up the great work Pukehou School.

Pet Day TOMORROW!

Reminders:

Every Dog needs to be on a lead and able to be ٠ controlled by the child. Please ensure your dog is safe around other dogs and people. Owners are responsible for cleaning up after their animals. Afternoon Timetable (approx. times): 12.00 Lunch (please join us if you can) 12.15 Classes are to be closed ready for judging 12.30 Welcome Classroom Judging starts 1.00 Pet Judging (Kids to be with their pets) 1.45 Grand Parade on top field SILENT AUCTION closes at 1:45 Highest bidders announced at 2.00 2.00 Classrooms open for display/viewing Quote "An animal's eyes have the power to speak a great language." Martin Buber Acting Principal



Pukehou Aces (Hamish, Tabatha, Shya & Rupert) vs Pukehou Smashes (Orongo, Victoria, Sam & Jonty) @ Waipawa Tennis Club





CRICKET: APOLOGIES FOR THE <u>VERY</u> LATE NOTICE

Registration TODAY at Waipawa School ~ 3:30pm. Registration forms will be available. (Of course registrations will

be accepted after today too!)

For 5 - 12 year olds - All abilities. There will be a small fee (\$5 - \$20) depending on age and requirements.

Skills and Games will played on Thursday afternoons at Waipawa School from 2 Nov until the 7 Dec.

For more information go to FaceBook - centralhawkesbayjuniorcricket

WARU

This is an amazing film that should be compulsory viewing. It is very moving and thought provoking and looks at the issue of reporting abuse in NZ. It is on at the Civic Theatre this week. I have attached the link for the trailer. Some people who have seen it and they say it will change the way they work in relation to concerns about child safely.

https://www.flicks.co.nz/trailer/waru/18007/

These two shorts weeks have disappeared in a blink of an eye. In Kāhu we have been busy planning and beginning work on our 'Passion projects'. The students have really excited about these projects and will need support from home.

In maths our focus has been on measuring angles using a protractor or our knowledge of interior angles. The class have chosen a 'My New Zealand story' novel to read as a part of Lit. Circles. Students work in small groups reading the same novel and schedule meetings each week to discuss the text together. We are working on varying sentence structures when we write and using a different mind map to plan our piece of writing.

We begin softball coaching on Monday next week with Grant Hastings and will compete in a tournament later in the term. Next week we will also focus on discus and shot put techniques to prepare for the up and coming Athletics Day.

Pet Day organisation is frenzied and fever pitched as students desperately get organised and prepared for the competition of best in show! I understand it is a military style organisation to prepare for this, but it is such fun! Nga mihi nui, *Mrs Strong*

Two short weeks have whizzed by. In Literacy we have read "Punctuation Mark", a very witty story about punctuation. We have discovered it can mean life or death. "Let's eat Grandma." Or "Let's eat, Grandma." We will each be making up our own sentence to show that punctuation kills. Lots of fun! We have been very busy painting up a storm, experimenting for our art calendars. There has been lots of mess and lots of laughs, thank goodness for art shirts! My apologies if any of your children have come home with paint in their clothes, we've been really careful, but busy. I am impressed with the photos that the children have taken, so many different ideas, they look amazing. Next week we are lucky to be included in the softball coaching with Grant Hastings, the class are very excited about this. Also Athletics practices will begin. The children have come up with lots of interesting and exciting ideas for their Passion projects. There will be work or research they might need support with at home. If you have any gueries please let me know. We will be getting stuck into these next week with a full week at school. I'm really looking forward to seeing the biscuit creations tomorrow, I have had a few quiet whispers from children about their secret ingredient. Can't wait to taste the bikkies and have a few cuddles with some of their lovely pets. See you at Pet Day tomorrow.

Thanks, Mrs Anderson

Welcome back! It is great to see everyone after our two week break.

Although we have only had two short weeks, we are back into our normal routines, with high expectations being set for this term. Our class unit is a little bit different this term compared to others. We are looking at doing our own 'passion projects', based on things that we are interested in or want to find out more about. Your child will have their very own project which is unique to them. In class we are currently developing leading questions to help us focus our projects. Once these questions are finalised, students will be able to start researching, planning and creating. This is a student led project with a big focus on managing self. Due to the complexity and amount of work required for these projects, there will be no homework given this term. However, it is expected that students do some work towards their projects in their own time. Your support with these projects will be greatly appreciated.

Have an awesome weekend. Kind regards, Mr L

Kererū and Takahē photos can be sent via email to Vanessa or Jo before 10am tomorrow if you would like them to be printed at school.

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