

November 24
2017

Term
Week 4
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PUKEHOU SCHOOL

"Confident learners who accept social responsibility and live sustainably"

Tena Koutou nga whanau me nga tamariki.

I can't believe we are just a week away from December and that there are only 3 weeks left of the 2017 school year. At this time of year we all have the added extras of catch-ups with family and friends, finishing projects that had a Christmas deadline and trying to maintain "normal" daily life. Please try to ensure your children are in routine as much as possible with as much sleep as possible and a good breakfast every day too.

I am looking forward to visiting the Aquarium with Ruru class on Monday. This is such a fantastic Hawke's Bay resource which we are lucky to be able to access. Other classes all have various events so check the class news to ensure you haven't missed a notice!

I have had a busy couple of weeks out and about from the office... in the classrooms completing teacher observations and out of school for various events and meetings. Our team at the **Interschool Athletics** was awesome on Tuesday! Every one of them gave 100% in the events they competed in. We even had a couple of athletes step into events when the original athlete couldn't compete. Well done Charlotte and Liam, your grit and willingness to just give it a go is awesome!

Outstanding results from:

Rhys - Intermediate Boys 200m 1st, 100m 3rd

Aidan Open Boys Shotput 2nd

Maika Open Boys Long Jump 3rd

Tahlia Open Girls Long Jump 3rd=

Sofia Open Girls Shot Put 3rd

Tara, Senior Girls 200m 3rd

Kaito, Junior Boys 100m 3rd

Snr Girls relay 100m 3rd Tahlia, Tara, Sofia, Rylee

Overall School Points 4th=

This is a great result for Pukehou School, up against the rest of CHB!

Dates

As mentioned a couple of newsletters ago, PRIZE-GIVING is Wednesday 13th December at 6pm. Please bring a plate for a shared supper afterwards. The last day of school is Friday 15th December, finishing at 12.30pm.

To all our 2017 school supporters and volunteers who have given any assistance to Pukehou School during the year, we are very grateful. We warmly welcome you to our 2017 **Thank You Morning Tea** on Monday 11th December at 11am. Please give Jacqui a call to RSVP by Friday 8th December for catering purposes.

School Working Bee

Unfortunately we had to postpone the working bee. Thank you to the families who have said they will come in and complete jobs in their own time. If you have a job (please check the list) in mind that you and your family could help with, just give us a ring and we will put your name beside it. There are some jobs that are a little bigger than others so if two or three families want to undertake these please let us know also. Once again, if we all pitch in with this we can use our funding on more educational outcomes for our children.

Bus Runs

Please read the important notice on the next page.

End of Year Events and Outings

There are lots of events happening in different classes which you have had notices sent home about. Please be aware of reading notices to check for dates, times and requirements for trips. We will do our best to send out reminders on the app, the facebook page and emails.

Healthy School Lunches

More ideas for healthy lunchboxes this week include adding more vegetables. Vegetables are high in fibre, vitamins and minerals - all important nutrients for growing children. Add some to the lunchbox each day.

Positive Playground Play

Last weeks winners for the PPP draw know how to use kind words with everyone in the playground:

Kererū - Liam D, Takahē - Toby,

Piwakawaka - Shavaughn, Kāhu - Hunter.

Quote

"Today I shall behave, as if this is the day I will be remembered." - Dr Seuss.

I think this quote reminds us that sometimes people remember just one act we do, both positive or negative, that someone (and sometimes everyone) remembers. Talk to your children about the wise words of Dr. Seuss.

Enjoy your weekend, they are definitely getting warmer!

Trish Fryer

Acting Principal

DIARY DATES

Mon 27 Nov Ruru class to Aquarium
Wed 29 Nov Sports Academy trip
Thurs 30 Nov Bus Monitors day at Splash Planet - more transport required please
Mon 4 Dec BoT Meeting 5:30pm
Tues 5 Dec Kahu Optimist Yachting
Thurs 7 Dec Yr 7/8 Softball Tournament
Wed 13 Dec Prize Giving 6:00pm
Fri 15 Dec End of Term 4

House Points

TERM 4	Week	Athletics	Term
KAHURANAKI (Blue)	2,618.5	2,337	12,629.5
PUKENUI (Green)	3,795	2,630	13,811
PUKEITI (Red)	3,180	3,438	17,241
KAUHEHEI (Yellow)	5,118	2,312	16,962

TENNIS: Monday 27th November

Pukehou A (Harriet, James, Gray & Charlotte) vs Waipuk Winners *Wpk 3 & 4*

Pukehou Aces (Hamish, Tabatha, Shya & Rupert) vs Onga Onga Spinners *in Waipawa*

Pukehou Smashes (Orongo, Victoria, Sam & Jonty) vs Waipawa *in Waipawa*

VERY IMPORTANT Notice For Families Who Use The Buses

Both Otane and Waipawa bus runs will have different drivers for the last two or three weeks of school. Please be at the appropriate pick up places a few minutes before normal so the driver knows you are on the bus for the day. Further to this, the Waipawa bus is full to capacity. This means that at the moment we may not be able to accept requests to change buses or put children on a bus to town on a particular day. We need to receive any requests by 12 noon on the day the transport is needed (preferably before). We would also be grateful of receiving any notification of children who are being collected, so therefore are not on the bus. Finally regarding buses, we request that all payments for buses are paid by Monday 4th December or arrangements made with me prior to this (phone the school between 8 and 5). This service is user pays and there is a waiting list to use it.

Trish Fryer

MINIBALL ... Today

4:30 Pukeko's vs Otane Seniors

5:00 Kiwi's vs Waipawa Guards

TOUCH
Monday 27
November



Pukehou vs Terrace
4:50pm **Final 4**
Playing for 1st & 2nd!
Good luck!



Kia ora whanau,

Just a huge shout out to all the coaches and Refs and organisers at school that support Touch each year. It's a hard task some weeks to organise the kids but you all have done an amazing job and without your support we wouldn't have Touch in CHB. A big thank you goes to Whaea Rach from Otane school for providing the BBQ each week, it has been a great asset to our module.

There are going to be some amazing tight battles on the fields on Monday — I can't wait to see the games. We will be having a BBQ for all the teams and I will hand to the coaches the player certificates for them to hand out to players. We are lucky enough to have Ivan the caravan at Touch this week also. There is no set prize giving but we will hand out the Trophies to the teams and Players of the Year after the games have been played and will take some photos and post them to the Facebook page.

Any questions or if have missed something please let me know.

Many Thanks

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Busy, busy, busy...

A huge thank you to those who are able to take transport and provide help at Optimist yachting on Tuesday, 5th December. We are still in need of more transport to our softball tournament in Hastings on Thursday 7th.

It certainly is that exciting, full on time of year when we all try to jam so much into our days and weeks.

Softball coaching with Matua Ricki has been super and the teams are looking very slick.

We had a very informative and practical boat safety session on Monday.

"Say cheese" Tuesday saw Kāhu looking very stylish and cute. On Thursday we had Lia from the Red Cross for first aid training. She was very impressed with how much the students remembered from their training two years ago.

A large number of the class have accessed Wheelers ePlatform and are enjoying borrowing e-books and audio books. If you haven't logged in and browsed the online library please do so. We will be asking for feedback as to whether this is a worthwhile addition to our school library. If we were to subscribe to this next year it would cost us about \$750.

A HUGE thank you to those parents who are being amazing, supporting their children and their Passion Projects, teaching them to use tools, letting them cook tea, and purchasing resources so that can complete construction aspects of their project. Time is flying...keep smiling!

Nga mihi nui, *Rachael Strong*

It's nearly the end of the year. Time has flown by, not long 'til Christmas! We have had a busy two weeks of activities outside the classroom - softball, boating and saving lives. The Boat Safety was excellent and well worth the time spent, learning about really important issues that can come up when out boating. It was entertaining watching us all life jacketing up and getting into huddles. The children are really enjoying Softball skills with Matua Ricki and we are endeavouring to get out to have a couple of extra games in the afternoons. People Savers was a good day, I was impressed with the children's recall of their learning at the end of the day. It was an experience for both them and me to actually see how a defibrillator works. Interesting the number of children who had noticed these in different work place environments. Most of the children have finished researching for their Passion Projects and are ready to embark on the creating, making and showcasing part of their projects.

Have a great weekend, enjoy the sunshine.

Nga mihi nui, *Mrs Anderson*

We are super excited for our class trip to the aquarium and park this coming Monday. Just a reminder that the children will need to bring their own lunch, water bottles and hats. Please make sure that your child is wearing suitable shoes, as there will be a bit of walking around the aquarium and running around at the park. In the notice that went home it was mentioned about bringing scooters, if your child has a scooter and would like to bring it for when we go to the pump track, they need to bring a helmet too.

We will be leaving school at **8:40am** so please ensure your child is here on time. We will be back at school at **2:30 pm**.

Have a great weekend, *Mr Lorkin*

Wow! Another 2 weeks have just flown by and each day seems to be getting busier. We must be getting close to Christmas, the crazy session! I have already noticed tired children who are dissolving into tears over little matters that are usually easily solved. In class we are still steaming through our normal program and keeping our routines regular. I am currently completing assessments for anniversary reporting and there will be some reports coming home for children that have birthdays or half year dates in the December - January holidays. For writing this week and next we have watched a short funny clip about a cat who gets up to mischief. If you have a moment google 'Simon's Cat in Hot Water'. We have already brainstormed nouns, verbs and adjectives around this clip and will use these for our writing pieces. I look forward to sharing these. Keep an eye on See-saw. We had an informative session learning about boat safety. The children especially loved the lollies and tattoo that went home in the pack they were given! Finally to help with the busy end of Term 4, please ensure your child has a bottle of fresh water, sunhat, plenty of food in their lunchbox and early bed times!!

Have a wonderful weekend. *Mrs Osborne*

Well, the weather certainly is confusing! Cold, hot, it can't decide! It makes clothes decisions tricky!

We donned our beautiful and handsome outfits on Tuesday for photos, I commend the photographer, it can't be easy dealing with so many kids! I can't wait to see how we look! We had loads of laughs on Wednesday when Peter Pan and Tinkerbell came in to promote the M&D Production. I am definitely taking my family to see it! It looks and sounds hilarious! We have started visits again this term, with Poppy and Pablo joining us so far.

We had a great day getting to know each other and the Kererū kids really enjoy showing off their space!

As we are nearing the end of the term and the year, there are some very tired Kererū kids. We have had a couple of tummy bugs too, so please be aware and keep kids home if they are unwell. We are entering into Christmas season and have started writing our lists and letters to Santa (if you would like a copy let me know!). Please remember to bring drink bottles to school daily so we can stay hydrated throughout the day.

Have a lovely and restful weekend. *Mrs Smith*

REMINDERS:

Calendar Art - Orders close this Sunday, online.



Order via LOOP or have your orders in to the office by Friday 1st December, please.



Orders are due back into the office by **Friday 1st December**.

If you need to see the products in person we have samples and testers on display at the school office..

Remember, we do have a prize up for grabs to the whanau that sells the most!!

Thank you once again for your support.



FOUND PROPERTY ...
WHO DOES ALL OF THIS BELONG TO?
MAKE SURE YOU COME AND CLAIM WHAT IS
YOURS BEFORE THE END OF THE TERM.



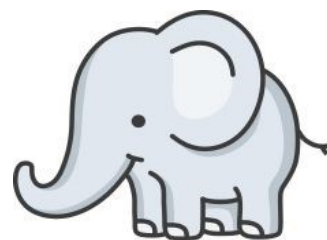
Sleep is important for children's growth, development and for restoring energy. It helps promote good

behaviour, learning, wellbeing and a healthy weight.

The recommended total amount of sleep for 5-13 year olds is 9-11 hours of quality, uninterrupted sleep each night.

For more details, go to Sleep Tips for Children at: health.govt.nz

White Elephant



Pukehou Whanau and Friends are looking to hold a stall at the extremely popular Waitangi Weekend Market in Otane 2018. We would love donations of good used items to sell - with all proceeds kicking off the 2018 fundraising for our Tamariki.

This is a great opportunity to declutter, get motivated about "Spring cleaning" and help out our school.

We have a drop off point in Waipawa and Waipukurau all ready to go. And we'd would love an Otane shed "volunteer"!!

Any questions, or to arrange a time to drop off, please contact AK on 021 0297 4889

Waipawa M & D's Christmas show "Peter Panto"

opens at the CHB Municipal Theatre on Friday 24 Nov and runs through to Saturday 2 Dec. There are two matinees on the 25th and 26th of November. This promises to be a fun, interactive family show everyone will enjoy. The music will have you singing along and dancing in your seats, or maybe even in the aisles.



Tickets can be purchased from the CHB Municipal Theatre 10am – 2pm daily or on 857 8117.



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