

December 1st
2017

Term
Week 4

PUKEHOU SCHOOL

"Confident learners who accept social responsibility and live sustainably"

Tena Koutou nga whanau me nga tamariki.

I have hardly been in the office since writing last week's newsletter so once again it has been a busy one!! The staff and students enjoyed meeting Mr Chris Birch, the new principal, on Tuesday afternoon who is looking forward to starting in 2018.

Outstanding Actions

I acknowledge the awesome "MasterChef" students: Rylee, Acacia, Grace and Deluca, who designed the menu, cooked and presented a very tasty afternoon tea as part of their passion project work in Kāhu class. What I was even more thrilled about was, when I went to gather a couple of things from the hall kitchen at 7pm after I finished meetings at school, I walked into a spotlessly clean kitchen, which the four girls had cleaned and sorted. You are simply the best girls!

More Outstanding Actions

I commend our learners on their actions when out of the school grounds. I have been to athletics, the aquarium with Ruru class, the touch final, the sports academy trip (in my role as one of the managers) and the Year 8 dinner. Along with this, we have had our Year 8's who are attending CHB College next year, go to a science learning session, our Year 8's attend their leaving dinner and our bus monitors visit Splash Planet as their thank you from the police. Generally I notice, along with others who have been at events, how fantastic Pukehou learners are. We are always receiving great feedback about the positive self management of our learners.

PWF

Thanks to all who contributed to the morning tea fundraiser for PWF yesterday. There was a delicious assortment of sweets and savories provided which were well appreciated by the recipients. Remember, today is the last day to get your orders for Millstream Gardens in. If you have forgotten please send it on Monday morning.

Dates

THANK YOU MORNING TEA - Monday 11th December at 11am. Please give Jacqui a call to RSVP by Friday 8th December for catering purposes. Please come along if you have helped us out in any way during the year.
PRIZEGIVING - Wednesday 13th December at 6pm. Please bring a plate for a shared supper afterwards.

Help

Can you help us fill the pool? We have two tanks of water to transfer into the pool which we can do with a submersible pump. However, we need a 20m long length of approximately 40mm pipe to attach to the pump. If you have something suitable please be in touch and we can fill our pool ready for the last two weeks of school.

Bus Runs and School Accounts

I am starting to sound a little repetitive, but it is vital that we receive payments for school accounts as soon as possible. Buses are user pays... prior to use! Jacqui and I are tidying this up before Chris Birch arrives in 2018 as I do not want him to have this to sort as his first experience at Pukehou School. As I requested last week **please ensure all payments for buses are made by Monday 4th December** or arrangements can be 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.

Positive Playground Play

We have been looking for learners who are managing themselves with good choices and these lucky people were drawn for the PPP:

Kererū- Luke M, Takahē - Livvy T, Ruru - CJay, Pīwakawaka - Shavaughn, Kāhu - Rylee

Quote

"It is better to know how to learn than to know."-

Dr Seuss.

We'll stick with Dr Seuss for the rest of the year! If you know how to learn, you can pretty much learn anything you need to know. So rather than have your head filled with a bunch of things you don't absolutely need to know, it's better to have the skill of being able to get the information you need rather than to overload the brain. In today's world of search engine's it's easier than ever to get what you need to know, rather than trying to memorize every little tidbit and factoid.

Enjoy the official start of summer this weekend... it looks like it might be very warm next week so remind your children to be sunsafe and bring water bottles!

Trish Fryer

Acting Principal

Board of Trustees

It is with pleasure great that we extend a warm welcome to Mrs AK Hansen and Mr Paul McOnie who have been successful with their appointments as two new Board members to the Pukehou School Board of Trustees.

Both AK and Paul have children at the school and we thank them for showing an active interest in Pukehou School. We believe we have a good range of skill sets across the Board to assist, support and guide the staff and families of Pukehou School.

Duncan Smith

Board Chairperson

Board Of Trustees

Declaration of Parent Election Results

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Hansen, Angela Kaye
McOnie, Paul

Jacqui Gilbertson (Returning Officer)

A casual vacancy has occurred on the board of trustees for an elected parent representative.

The board has resolved under section 105 of the Education Act 1989 to fill the vacancy by selection.

If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the board to hold a by-election should write to:

Duncan Smith

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DIARY DATES

Mon 4 Dec BoT Meeting 5:30pm

Tues 5 Dec Kāhu Optimist Yachting

Thurs 7 Dec Yr 7/8 Softball Tourn.

Mon 11 Dec Thank You Morning Tea

Wed 13 Dec Prize Giving 6:00pm

Fri 15 Dec End of Term 4 12:30pm

House Points

TERM 4	Week	Term
KAHURANAKI (Blue)	3,131	15,760.5
PUKENUI (Green)	3,725	17,536
PUKEITI (Red)	4,049	21,290
KAUHEHEI (Yellow)	4,310	21,272

Please remember, if you are in a **sports team** and know you will be unavailable for any game, it is not only polite, but imperative that you try to find a replacement player and let the team manager and the school know as soon as possible.

We have had to default tennis teams an embarrassing number of times this season when we could have played a full team, if only we had known.

TENNIS: Monday 4th December

Pukehou A vs Waipuk Whippers *Wpk 5 & 6*

Pukehou Aces vs Sherwood Slices *in Waipawa*

Pukehou Smashes **BYE**



Miniball Fees - \$18 per player - these have now been added to invoices for all registered players. Please let Jacqui know if there have been any changes during the season and send your payment before the end of the term.

MINIBALL ... Today
5:00pm

Pukehou Pukeko's
vs
Argyll East Seniors

Just to confirm, there are NO PREMIER games scheduled to be played this Friday in the AW Parsons Stadium, their round robin games are complete.

SENIOR GRADE games are the **ONLY** ones being played in the Stadium today - with many teams having double headers. This is so that we can fit all 9 round robin games within the 8 week timeframe.

ALL results will be tallied and the draw for Finals day will be out early next week in time for school newsletters. JUNIOR GRADE games in the Memorial Hall this week play as normal.

Thanks
Nicki Heremaia
Development Officer –
Community (CHB)

Congratulations to ... the winners of the CHB U14 Touch Tournament. Well done!



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REMINDERS:

Any **mobile phones** handed in to the office before the end of the term will be sent off to The Mobile Phone Recycling Scheme and Sustainable Coastlines. Thank you for your support.

Found clothing - remember to check the collection before we recycle these items!

Pukehou Sports Shirts - these all need to be returned before the end of the year.

Library Books & Readers – these also need to be returned to school by Friday 8th.

Fish & Chip Friday – 8th December. Please have orders to the office no later than Wednesday 6th. *See attached order form.* Juicies will be available to purchase on the day.

Invoices - check with Jacqui if you are unsure of your outstanding balance. It's never too late to set up an automatic payment

Headlice - unfortunately nits are never away for long, if at all. All children with long enough hair to tie up should do so to help reduce the risk of infection.

2018 Bus changes - Please let Jacqui know of any changes to your bus requirements for next year as soon as possible.

With Summer fast approaching the Waipukurau and Waipawa Libraries are looking forward to enrolling children in the "Wild about Reading" summer reading programme. Enrolments are now open for this fantastic free programme with lots of activities on offer, opportunities to see some amazing entertainers and earn some wonderful rewards along the way. Enrol today!

With Christmas around the corner we encourage you to come along to the Waipukurau Library on **Tuesday 5 December from 6.30pm** for our "Have a Reading Christmas" evening. Enjoy some light refreshments and get some great gift ideas for Christmas. It's a great opportunity to meet local authors and join publisher representatives and library staff to hear the latest picks for summer reading.



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Our awesome teacher aide, Meg, was recognised at the Hawke's Bay Netball AGM on Wednesday the 29th November with a service award. Congratulations on your outstanding contribution to netball, particularly in Central Hawke's Bay, Meg!



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