



Newsletter - Week 6 Term 1

Friday 15 March 2019

Principal's Message

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou.

It has been a busy few weeks here at Pukehou with our school swimming sports and today's Interschool swimming sports taking place. It has been wonderful to see all the students participate to the best of their abilities, taking on the challenge of racing, demonstrating and all round giving it their best. True Pukehou persistence.

Yesterday Big Bill took our Juniors to Pourerere Beach for a big day out. Great fun was had by all, exploring, splashing and helping to keep the beach clean and tidy. A huge thank you to our parent and grandparent helpers along with Elke. Without your assistance this trip would not have been able to take place.

It was great to see so many parents and caregivers who took the opportunity to come and discuss their child's learning with the classroom teachers last week. Thank you for being part of this valuable conversation.

Please remember if you have any questions about your child's education we are only too happy to discuss these with you. Either come in after school, give us a call or email. rachael.strong@pukehou.school.nz, judith.anderson@pukehou.school.nz, dylan.lorking@pukehou.school.nz, vanessa.osborne@pukehou.school.nz or jo.smith@pukehou.school.nz.

Have you been keeping up with the **Tomorrow's schools review**? This could be a major change for education. In my eyes mostly a positive one. If you have not submitted any feedback to the task force I strongly encourage you to do so. Your children, and their children will be affected by the changes being proposed. The key areas of change are: 1) Governance, 2) Schooling Provision, 3) Competition and Choice, 4) Disability and Learning Support, 5) Teaching (supply and education), 6) School Leadership, 7) Resourcing, 8) Central Education Agencies.

I encourage you to join this important conversation at; conversation.education.govt.nz

I wish you all a wonderful rest of your week.

Nga mihi

Chris Birch
Principal



CHB 2019 Sports Academy.
Congratulations to Danielle and Fionn for being accepted this year.

Missing Arm

I bet the title got your attention! Please be aware, as of tomorrow until the end of next week (15th - 22nd March) Jacqui will be on leave from the office. Due to her absence we will be trying to cover with limited staffing. We ask that you hold any non urgent enquiries until her return on Monday 25th March Thank you.

2019 Swimming season

The school pool is still in action with the water temperature hovering around the 24 degree mark. We will continue to swim for as long as we can into Autumn. When the water temperature drops to 20 degrees or less we will close the pool for the season and let you know. Thank you for sending your child to school with their togs on a daily basis. Swimming is one of those life skills that is so important to learn in this, our island nation.

Mark it in your Diaries!!

The next **Pukehou Whanau and Friends (PWF) meeting** - Tuesday March 26th, 6pm Pukehou School.

You are all welcome to join us.

If you would like to learn more about this awesome school fundraising group or be added to the email loop to be kept up to date, you can email whanauandfriends@pukehou.school.nz



PWF EASTER HUNT

We have been informed that the Easter Bunny will be making a very special stop at Pukehou this year on Saturday 13th April (the first day of the holidays). Apparently there is an oversupply of easter eggs this year so a special morning is being held for our Pukehou children where a scavenger hunt will be taking place to help the Easter Bunny lighten his/her load. Mark it in your diary for a 9:30am start!

We have also been informed that there will be a special sponge throwing contest where children (and adults) can line up Mr Lorkin and Mr Birch in their sights and exact a little revenge for all that homework, Pukehou Fit workouts etc that they have handed out so far this year. Start practicing your target throwing now!

Pukehou Board of Trustees AGM

On Monday **1st April at 6:00pm** the Pukehou Board of Trustees will be holding their Annual General Meeting. All welcome.

Pukehou Bus Group meeting

The Pukehou Bus Group will be meeting on **Tuesday 19th March at 6:00pm** in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome to come along and help out this amazing group who are providing transport for our children.

Book Club, Issue 2 Order on LOOP now or send your order to school by Wednesday 27 March.

Request We'd love some colourful pillowcases in the sick bay. If you have any you no longer use and would like to donate, please drop them in to the office. Thank you.

The HB Regional Sports Park is hosting a 'Have a Go' day for kids and their families on Sunday 24th March at 10am. It is an opportunity for kids to come down to the park and try a sport they may never have tried before, or upskill in a current sport they are participating in. It's a FREE day out with loads of giveaways with special guests 'The Ruggerbees' attending for the day.

The codes on offer from 10am - 2pm are:

- Rugby
- Tackle Clinic (rugby)
- Football
- Fit4Football
- Netball
- Basketball
- Hockey
- Orienteering
- Special Olympics

Sarah Kay *Event Manager Super Sixes Hawke's Bay* Mob: 027 468 0642 www.supersixes.co.nz

NZEI Union Meetings

In week seven the staff will all be involved in Union meetings. During this week we are juggling cover for classes on different days while the staff attend the various meetings around the district. Please bear with us during this time.

Centralines Ltd SWIM FOR LIVES SWIM-A-THON

Sunday 31st March, 2019. AW Parsons Indoor Pool Complex. Open to all ages and abilities. This is a community fundraising event to SPLASH, PADDLE or SWIM FOR LIVES! More information available at the AW Parsons Indoor Pool, Waipukurau.

Term Events:

PWF Meeting	26 March	End of Term 1	12 April
Kahu Class at Camp Wakarara	3 - 5 April	PWF EASTER HUNT	13 April
		Term 2 starts	29 April

<u>House Points:</u>	Pukeiti	Pukenui	Kauhehei	Kahuranaki
<u>Totals for last 2 wks:</u>	6,720	6,020	5,390	4,570
<u>Swimming Sports:</u>	997	1,064	997	511
<u>Term Totals:</u>	19,222	15,134	17,077	14,411

Riverside Perennials

We propagate and grow all our own plants including Herbs, Shrubs, Old Fashioned Perennials and Natives.

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