

Newsletter - Week 8 Term 4 Friday 6 December 2019

Principal's Message

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou.

Term Four is very quickly drawing to a close. Our students have been exceptionally busy over the last few weeks participating in out of school events such as the Police Physical Competency Test (PCT), Bus Monitors fun day at Splash Planet and softball tournaments, along with a lot of inschool activities including coaching by Hawke's Bay Cricket Association Pro's, orienteering and classroom Christmas celebrations. It is wonderful to see our students approaching all of these activities and challenges with an open mind and a 'can do' attitude.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Support Staff by signing the open letter to the Minister of Education, Chris Hipkins. The negotiations have been partly successful with all support staff being offered at least the living wage from March 2020. Our support staff and school's continue to work with the Government to try to shift the funding for these valuable team members from School Operations budgets to a Ministry paid funding system. This will ensure every school has fair access



A huge thank you to our wonderful Pukehou Whanau and Friends for the recent purchase of the shade sail above our sandpit. There are still two more to come. What an awesome addition to our learning

environment!

Thank you PWF!

to administrators, cleaners, grounds keepers and teacher aides based on the size of their school. School's cannot operate without these wonderful people who work so hard behind the scenes for our students and our community. As a staff, school and community, we stand behind our support staff in their negotiations with the Government for a fair and equitable pay scale and working conditions - for all support staff across New Zealand.

As always, if you would like to discuss your child's education, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or pop in and

see me. Our doors are always open.

Nga mihi

Chris Birch Principal



HELP! We desperately need to find holiday accommodation for our four lovely chickens. If you can help please contact the office. office@pukehou.school.nz

End of Year Prizegiving: Tuesday 17th December

Don't forget that the end of year prizegiving and celebration will take place here at school on Tuesday 17th December. We will begin the evening with whanau able to enjoy the grounds for a picnic between 5:00 - 5:50pm. The Prizegiving will then begin at 6:00pm. This will be a cushion event in 2019 so please bring something to sit on. There will be chairs available at the back of the

seating area for elderly or those who are unable to sit on the ground. Don't forget your sun hat! More information will come out regarding this event at the end of next week.

CHB College Heads of School 2020

Congratulations to all of the 2020 Prefects, but in particular Head Girl *Johanna Nieuwenhuis* (ex Pukehou School - centre front) and one of the three deputy boy prefects, *Andrew Marshall* (ex Pukehou School - centre back). We are very proud of you!

Condolences to those who missed out - we hope you all have a fantastic year in 2020.



Last day of Term:

A reminder that Thursday 19th December is our last day of term. School will finish at 12:30pm. The Otane Bus run will leave at this time, followed by the Waipawa and Waipukurau run at approximately 1:00pm. Please ensure you organise for your child to be collected accordingly. Thank you! (All staff will be leaving the school grounds soon after 1:00pm)

Library Books:

Our library is now closed so we can begin the end of year audit process. Please return any books that you have at home to your child's teacher. Please also search for any school reading books that you have at home. These too can be returned, no questions asked.

Important Dates & Reminders:

Tuesday17 Dec

Monday 23 Dec

Please return ALL Pukehou Sports Tops and Miniball Singlets next week. Please pay your school accounts and Bus Fees.

Sunday 8 Dec Pukehou Bus Auction closes at 8:00pm Monday 9 Dec Board of Trustees Meeting @ 6pm Tuesday 10 Dec Kahu Optimist Yachting Thursday 12 Dec Takahe & Kereru day out

Friday 13 Dec End of year Reports sent home

House Points:	Pukeiti	Pukenui	Kauhehei	Kahuranaki
Totals for this week	2,350	1,700	2,100	1,900
Total for the past 2 weeks:	6,920	5,930	6,850	6,860

Riverside Perennials We propagate and grow all our own plants including Herbs, Shrubs, Old Fashioned Perennials and Natives. Contact Linda and Adam 144 Mt Herbert Rd Waipukurau 027 7150248 / 06 8585028 Or find us on Facebook

Thursday 19 Dec End of Term Four 12.30pm

End of Year Celebration 6:00

Carols at Pukehou Church 7:30pm

Greetings from Otane Arts & Crafts Corner

The Art Room at Otane Arts & Crafts Corner is excited to announce that our next "Art in the Park" event will be for Young Artists. Our "Kids Art in the Park" exhibition will be held Sunday 22 December in Nellie Jull Park, Waipawa, 10am – 2pm. There will be some art activities happening as well! Hope to see you there.



Hey Everyone,

We are super excited to host 6 Summer Markets here at Mitre10 Park. The first one will be in ten days, on the 14th December starting at 4:30pm (the first one is a Saturday but the rest are Friday nights). We have designed the markets to be as relaxed and as much fun as possible. There will be live acoustic music, food & dessert, craft stalls, wine stall and lawn games. You'll have a chance to win a free meal at each night of the markets so look out

on our facebook page to be in to win. Come and join us along with some awesome stalls/food trucks throughout summer.

See you there! - Sarah Kay Event Manager Ph: 027 4680 642

Attached:

Fish'n'Chip order form **Arty Creatives** Kids Art in the Park Markets in the Park



Remember to check out our auction - it closes at 8pm on Sunday.

