



Newsletter

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Term 2, Week 10

June 19, 2020

Principal's Message

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou.

Week Ten is upon us, one which would usually see the end of term. However 2020 has thrown some curveballs at us. This term will extend for an additional two weeks so the scheduled holidays remain the same. We are certainly noticing, in a few of our younger students especially, that the tiredness factor is creeping in. With this comes challenges, but also opportunities. It has been wonderful to watch our more senior pupils step up to assist our younger members of the school when faced with problems that seem overwhelming. Our **School Value of Whanaungatanga / Relationships** certainly is coming into play along with **Tangata Whenuatanga / Citizenship** and **Manaakitanga / Respect**. Ka mau te wehi mahi, Pukehou tamariki! (Awesome work, Pukehou kids!)

As you will be aware, our focus this term has been ensuring our other School Value of **Oranga / Hauora / Health** and wellbeing is the top priority, particularly after the challenging few months that we have all been through during the COVID-19 crisis. Whilst we are now in Level 1 restrictions, it is imperative that we do not drop our guard as recent events have demonstrated. We have copious amounts of sanitiser here at school, along with tissues, paper towels and cleaning supplies. But these can only protect us so far. Please assist us in keeping our community safe and healthy by keeping all children home who are unwell. We as a staff are also ensuring that we do not come in if we are unwell. The MOE and MOH have once again requested that schools remind communities that you should ring the Healthline on 0800 358 5453 and organise a COVID-19 screening test if you or your child are displaying cold or flu-like symptoms. Whilst this may seem extreme, the smallest mistake, or ignoring the warning signs, could be devastating for our families, our communities and our nation. Please assist us in keeping everyone safe!

Nga mihi

Chris Birch

Principal
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**Wear something BLUE to show your support for
AUTISM Awareness next Thursday,
25 June 2020.
Juicies will be available at lunch time for \$2 each.**

Exciting Playground update:

Anyone who has visited the school recently would have noticed that the old fort playground is looking very tired. We are excited to announce that the MOE School Investment Package money allocated to Pukehou will be used to replace this fort with a new structure. The students have indicated that they wish for another fort to replace the current one, and have contributed designs and a wish list to the Engineer who is designing the replacement. It is hoped that by the end of the term we will have the first draft to review and collect feedback/forward on. Watch this space!



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Matariki - Can you assist us to celebrate your culture?

We are planning a celebration of Matariki (Maori New Year) on Thursday 2nd July. Previously this has occurred at the Pukehou Marae, however to allow more space, and due to the temperature, we will be conducting this at school with a Marae visit planned for Term 3.

On this day we would love to also celebrate the other wonderful cultures we have at school. We are hoping that some of our remarkable parents or grandparents will assist us in experiencing these. We are looking for a few helpers to come along and work with small groups (12 -14 students for approximately 30 minutes per group) on an activity of your choice.

As Matariki celebrates the Maori New Year we are hoping you may have a traditional activity that celebrates New Year in your culture. Alternatively, anything that you would be prepared to impart with, our students would greatly appreciate. You will not be alone, rather you will be buddied with a classroom teacher who will be undertaking their own Matariki activity in the room with you, for support. If you would be available to assist please let Chris know. Thank you!

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Pukehou Bus Group

Our bus group members have once again been very busy chopping firewood. The final chords of this round are being delivered this week. The money raised from all their hard work goes a long way towards paying off the debt owing on the bus and ensuring our children can safely come to school each day. Thank you, PBG and all the wonderful volunteers who have assisted in the last working bee!

You may also remember in our last newsletter we were reviewing the bus stops in Waipawa after the traffic accident a few weeks back. We will be working with Constable Che Lind and the road division from the New Zealand Police on this review. Feedback and suggestions will be discussed at the next Bus Group Directors meeting. I will notify you of any changes in due course. We have also petitioned the Council and NZSTA to review the crossings and road layout in Waipawa as part of this process. Thank you to those families who have also contributed to these discussions and actions.

Save The Date! **Cross Country** August 25th 2020 (postponement date August 27th)

This annual event will be held at Pukehou School this year, with Poukawa and Otane Schools invited to join us.

The PWF will be selling home baking and juices on the day.

All donations of baking, either fresh on the day or frozen now and thawed out, will be greatly appreciated.

We'll send a reminder nearer the time.

Watch this space for more PWF news and events.



Here's how you can get involved

1. Visit the [NZ Garden Bird Survey website](#) to get started.
2. Select a garden, or a local park or school grounds.
3. Choose any ONE day between June 27 and July 5, 2020.
4. Look and listen for birds on that day for ONE hour.
5. For each species, record the HIGHEST number seen or heard at one time.
6. Submit the results online at the NZ Garden Bird Survey website (a link to the survey form will go live on the home page, June 27th)



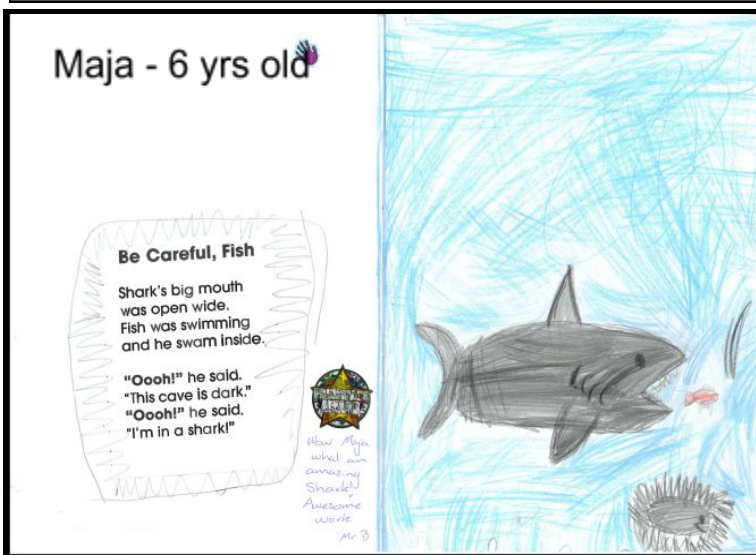
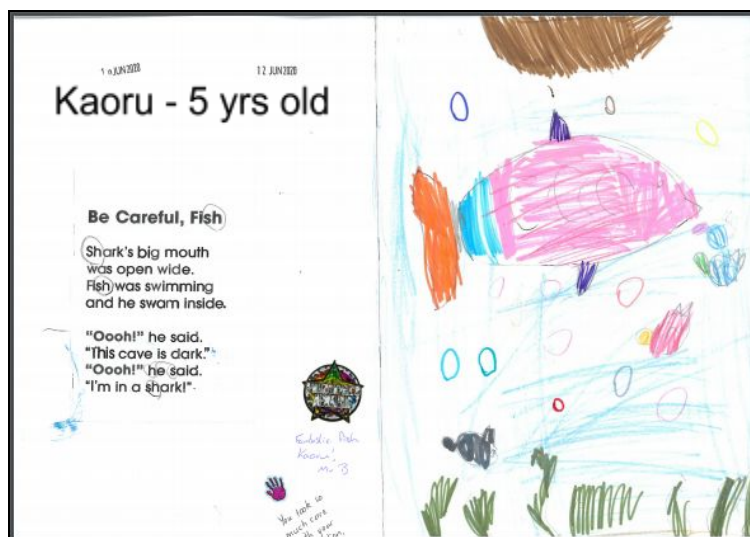
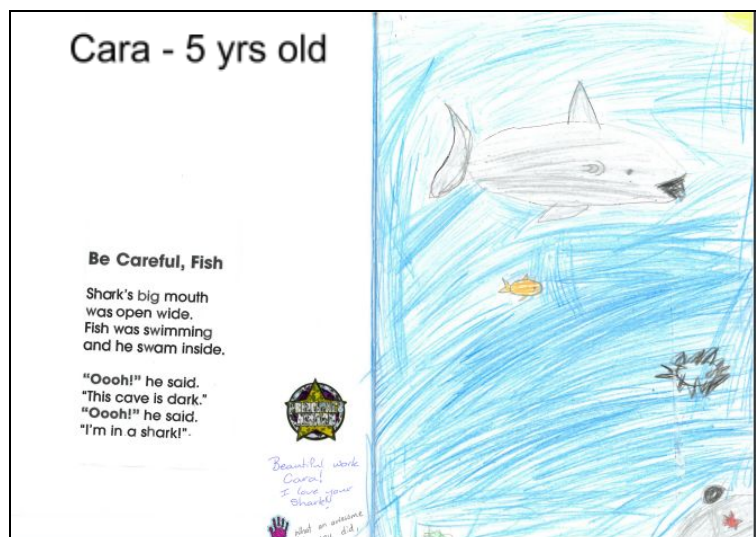
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Wow! Take a k at this amazing art work by some of our Kereru Kids!



Foto iwi are running their school holiday creative workshops from 13-17 July.

Each workshop is a different adventure with behind the scenes photography at locations

such as The Aquarium and The old Napier Prison.

Limited to 10 students, \$85 each workshop, includes travel, entry fees and **Foto iwi** fun and learning. To book head to www.fotoiwi.nz

House Points:	Pukeiti	Pukenui	Kauhehei	Kahuranaki
Week 9 & 10 Totals	8,096	5,654	7,529	3,390
Term Totals	16,864	14,134	17,259	12,455

Keep up with what is going on at school

We try to ensure everyone receives important messages regarding activities going on here at school. To do this we use a number of different platforms. These can be found below. Wherever possible I try to ensure messages are recorded on all platforms so nothing is missed.

Our main message relaying platforms: Are you in the LOOP?



Email

Please ensure we have yours!!!
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Fortnightly Newsletters

Emailed to our contact lists. If you would prefer a paper copy please let Jacqui know.
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Seesaw

Class seesaw accounts. Notices regarding individual classes.

Pukehou Calendar:

June 25 : Autism Awareness - Wear something **BLUE**

July 3: Term 2 ends

July 20: Term 3 begins

August 25: Cross Country at Pukehou School

Riverside Perennials

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

Contact Linda and Adam
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