



# Newsletter

Wisdom begins with Wonder



Term 3, Week 1

July 24th 2020

## **Principal's Message**

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou.

It is wonderful to have everyone back after the school holidays. Smiling happy faces are always a joy and it is wonderful to see. As I write the sun is shining and wind is blowing, hopefully the field will dry out shortly to enable the students more space for running around and burning off all that pent up energy after the wet holidays.

Parents, Caregivers you may find the following hard to read, but I urge you to! It is in your child's best interest to be brave.

Our sensitive topics in our Health, Navigating the Journey (human development) curriculum have begun here at school. For many (parents/caregivers) this can be a confronting topic, believe me, some of the conversations are not easy for staff either. We need to face the facts. Our children are growing up in a very different environment to that, which we grew up in. All schools across CHB are following this same programme (although at different times) and all are encountering the same findings in their student groups. Our children know more, see more and hear more than we would hope they would, and from an earlier age than we would have thought. You only have to look at our parliament in the last few weeks, listen to the radio or watch the six o'clock news to see, hear and recognise our children are exposed to a lot of subjects that we would never have discussed, or have been exposed to, as children ourselves. Yet, daily our children are bombarded with information, images and messages on tv, radio, internet and in conversations with their friends. This is why we, and other schools, have adopted this programme, to assist our children in making sense of the world around them. We need to give them the right information and to teach them how to keep themselves safe.

We need your help with this.

The conversations in the classrooms are only the start, we need you to follow these up at home. Every family has different beliefs, values and expectations. Your children have questions, we need you to assist in helping answer them. Every few days your child's teacher will share what is and has been covered in each class via the Seesaw classroom account. Please read what has been covered and take time to sit with your child, listen and talk, to help them process what they have learnt. We may want to believe that they are too young to understand some of these topics, however, they know and are seeking information. Let it come from you, not their friends or the internet. Be brave, be there for your child and talk to them about your family values, beliefs and expectations. On behalf of the Pukehou team and your child, we thank you!

As always, if you have anything you would like to discuss, please feel free to contact any of the team. We are here to help!

Noho ora mai

*Chris Birch*

Principal  
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## **Mother Daughter Evening**

At the conclusion of our Navigating the Journey (pubertal change) unit, Rachael Strong and Nurse Lou will be holding a mother daughter evening where girls and their mothers or other significant female, can come along to discuss the changes of puberty, menstruation and how to manage these changes both physically and emotionally. If your daughter is nearing this time please feel free to come along. **Thursday 13th August at 5:30pm in Kahu class.**



## **Pukehou Whanau and Friends (PWF) AGM**

The PWF AGM is set to take place next Tuesday, 28th July, at 5:30pm in the school staffroom. All welcome, no prior experience required, support very much appreciated. Our next event will be the Pukehou, Poukawa and Otane school Cross Country, taking place at Pukehou School this year. Please come along to assist in running our food stall.

## **SAVE THE DATE: Pukehou, Poukawa and Otane Cross Country**

Yes it is that time of year again, our students will be competing with the home field advantage. Please save the dates to come along and support their efforts. Tuesday 25th Aug 10am - 1pm (postponement Thursday 27th Aug).



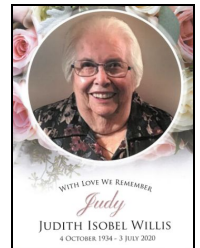
## **ECO Warrior Peach Jam**

School grown peaches expertly stewed to make our very own Year 6 Eco Warrior Peach Jam. A limited supply is available now from the office. \$5.00 per jar. Get yours now!

## **Bereavement**

Some of you will remember Jacqui's predecessor, Mrs Judy Willis, who was the office lady at Pukehou School for more than 20 years, until the end of 1999.

We were sad to hear of her passing, her funeral was held in the holidays.



**CENTRAL HAWKE'S BAY  
COLLEGE**

Achieve with Honour

The **Central Hawke's Bay College OPEN EVENING** will be held on **Tuesday 11th August from 6.30pm.**



**TE AUTE COLLEGE**

**Te Aute College** is holding an **Information Evening** on **Monday 27 July 2020 at 6.00pm** at The Terrace School, Waipukurau.

**You are invited to the opening of the new exhibition "Local Lockdown"**

**Friday 31 July at 5.30pm at CHB Museum, 23 High Street, Waipawa**

Thanks to the assistance of the Hastings City Art Gallery, the CHB Museum presents a revealing exhibition of responses to the Covid-19 Lockdown. Works by 16 Hawke's Bay artists, curated by Clayton Gibson for the Hastings City Art Gallery, will be on display.



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**Miniball:** Registrations are open for all year levels, sign up in the office. Games start on Friday Sept 11th. A parent supervisor / manager / coach is required for each team in order to complete the registration.

**Book Club:** Issue 5 was given out this week. Order on LOOP or send orders and money to school by August 5th.



House Points:	Pukeiti	Pukenui	Kauhehei	Kahuranaki
Week 1 Totals	2,250	<b>3,270</b>	3,260	2,370
Term Totals	2,250	<b>3,270</b>	3,260	2,370

### Pukehou Calendar:

**September 28:** PWF AGM 5:30pm in the staffroom.

**August 4 & 5:** Parent Teacher Interviews. Book on Skool Loop.

**August 25:** Cross Country at Pukehou School.

**August 27:** Cross Country postponement.

### How YOU Book Your Parent, Teacher Interview:

This term we are trialling the Interview option on the **Skool Loop App**.  
(Available from both the **Play** and **Itunes** stores.)

Many of you use this app already for keeping in touch and up to date with school events.

- 10 minute interviews will be held on Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th August.
- Booking times are between 3:10pm and 4:20pm, then 4:40pm and 6:00pm.
- ★ Open Pukehou School on the **Skool Loop App**
- ★ Go to **Interviews**
- ★ Tap **Select Interview** - You will see each teacher is listed twice, once for the 4th & once for the 5th.
- ★ Tap the **name** and a **date** will pop up below. Tap the other name if this is not the right date for you.
- ★ Select the **time**
- ★ Tap **Book Interview**
- ★ Enter the **student name**
- ★ Enter the **parent name**
- ★ Add your **email address**
- ★ Add your **signature**
- ★ Tap **Book Interview**
- Done!

### 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!!!  
[office@pukehou.school.nz](mailto:office@pukehou.school.nz)



**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.

### 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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