



# Newsletter

Wisdom begins with Wonder



Term 4, Week 7

November 27th 2020



## Principal's Message

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Nga mihi nui ki a koutou.

What a crazy week we have had with weather. I have all my fingers and toes crossed we get a fine window for Kahu's camp next week at Guthrie Smith, Tutira.

Kotare were fortunate to have reasonable weather for their overnight, although the students all ended up sleeping in the classrooms rather than tents; they had a great evening and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Friday saw the team head to Napier to undertake Surf training with the Westshore Lifeguards. A huge thank you to all our parents who assisted and to Mr Lorkin for all his organisation and Ms Hemi for her support.

Well done to our athletes who represented Pukehou at last week's CHB Interschool Athletics competition. Our students did themselves and our school proud, placing 7th overall in the teams category.

As always, if you have any questions or anything you would like to discuss regarding your child's education, please do not hesitate to contact their classroom teacher or myself. Our doors are always open.

Noho ora mai Pukehou

*Chris Birch*

Principal

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Kereru & Kea kids were treated to seeing Poukawa Schools production of Ali Baba and the Bandits last week. Unfortunately it was rained off before the final scene.

### School accounts:



We would appreciate all **school accounts** being settled by Friday 11th December. This allows us to accurately plan our budgets for the 2021 school year. We thank you for your support! Invoices have been sent home via school-bag this week. Please contact Jacqui if you have any questions.

### Where is our playground?

I am sure by now some of you are wondering what is happening with the replacement playground. Three schools are working together to tender playground equipment with money from the Ministry of Education. All three schools have just completed the design process. Now the plans are heading to an engineer to ensure the installation is safe and will withstand decades of use by boisterous children. The final process will be tendering to local builders to have the work completed. We had hoped that this would be underway by now with the build taking place over the holidays, unfortunately the country is going through a building boom and this is slowing down the process. The Playground is still happening, it will just be a little longer than we first anticipated.



The **Pukehou Bus Group** requests that unless you are paying your fees with regular automatic payments, please pay in full asap. Westpac account 03-0779-0010615-00



### PWF Christmas Cheer Raffle

Raffle ticket sales appear to be going very well. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Please return all sheets, sold or not, with money, next week (final due date: Friday 4th December)

This will be drawn at Prize-Giving on 14th December. We have been fortunate to have two packs of Barkers Sauces Meal Sampler packs donated by the awesome team at Barkers. These will be raffled off as bonus prizes at the prize draw. Any online payments can be made into the PWF Westpac account 03-0779-0115863-000

### Books & Uniforms Please return all **Library books** and other **reading books** belonging to the school next week so

the staff can do a complete stock-take before the end of the year. It's also time to return all **sports tops**, outstanding **netball uniforms** and **miniball singlets** (after your final games).



**Swimming:** The pool is being used - please send clearly named swimming gear each day.



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The final 2020 Scholastic **Book Club** flyers have been given out. Please have cash orders to school by Friday 4th December, or order on Loop for your convenience.



The **lost property mountain** is growing and with swimming season starting we fear that this will only get bigger.

Named clothing is easy to return.

Parents, please pop down to the hall to claim anything that your child may have left behind.



**central fm** and **Civic Theatre** proudly sponsors  
**Christmas Dreams 2020**  
 Write and decorate a letter with your Christmas Dreams  
 Drop in our letter box in the Civic Theatre Foyer or after hours in the outside letterbox  
**One lucky child's dream will come true**  
 Please add your Name, Age and phone number  
 Winner will be announced on Central Fm Friday 18th December  
**ENTRIES CLOSE WEDNESDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2020**

**CENTRAL HAWKE'S BAY DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**2020 Central Hawke's Bay Community Christmas Celebration!**  
 Friday 18 December, 4.30 - 8pm  
 Ruataniwha and Northumberland Streets, Waipukurau  
 Support local with late night shopping, food trucks, special performances, Santa's grotto and more...

**Kahu Kids** - can you please pack a Book and any Board and Card Games you'd like to play, just in case it's not always sunny and warm at camp. See you at 8.30am on Monday, with your belongings. Have a restful weekend.

House Points:	<b>Pukeiti</b>	<b>Pukenui</b>	<b>Kauhehei</b>	<b>Kahuranaki</b>
Week 6 & 7 totals	3,198	2,039	<b>3,324</b>	1,900
Term to date totals	<b>20,125</b>	18,097	18,065	14,703

**Pukehou Calendar:**

**30 Nov - 3 Dec** Kahu Camp  
**Mon 7 Dec** BOT meeting 6pm  
**Wed 9 Dec** Junior Trip  
**Thurs 10 Dec** Yr 8 Leavers outing  
**Mon 14 Dec** Prize Giving  
**Wed 16 Dec 2020**  
 ... End of Term 4 ...  
 12:30pm  
**2021**  
**Wednesday 3 February**  
 ... Term 1 begins ...

**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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