

Newsletter



Wisdom begins with Wonder

Term 1, Week 6









Well done to our Inter School swimmers, what an awesome team!

Principal's Message

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou.

What a busy few weeks we have had here at school. Our amazing senior tamariki competed in our school swimming sports before moving onto the Interschool event yesterday. At both events our students demonstrated persistence, teamwork, camaraderie and competitive spirits along with sportsmanship that we should all be proud of. Whilst our Junior and Middle school swimmers were not able to compete due to Covid 19, they too have demonstrated these qualities. Ka mau te wehi Pukehou tamariki! You are awesome!

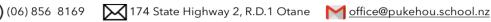
A huge thank you to our wonderful Bus Group and everyone who has supported them at the beginning of the year as they aim to ensure the annual operating costs of running our bus are covered. The generosity of our community is alive and well. Our corn fundraiser has been successful, bringing in around \$1,300.00. So too was the first firewood drive raising around \$2,800.00. A great start to the ongoing costs of \$31,000.00 per annum. A huge thank you to Pixie and Pete Seligman for their generous donation of wood for the first firewood drive and Lou and Simon White for the donation of corn. Thanks too, to the wonderful volunteers who have cut, split and delivered wood and our senior students who did the mahi in the cornfield.

"He kainga katoa hei whakatipu tamaiti, it takes a village to raise a child"

Have a wonderful weekend Pukehou!

Nga mihi

Chris Birch





You are all invited:

Every school relies heavily on its community to raise much needed funds to provide an education for our tamariki. For Pukehou this also includes the operation of our essential bus service. With this in mind the Pukehou Whanau and Friends (PWF), Pukehou Bus Group (PBG), Board of Trustees and staff will be holding a Blue Skies Hui on Tuesday 16th March, 3:15pm in Kahu class. We invite you all to come along to discuss how we can operate our fundraising groups to be as effective as they can be. We would love your, our wider communities, input into this discussion where we set priorities and share ideas moving forward with the 2021 calendar of events. If you would like to be involved please email Jacqui at office@pukehou.school.nz to let us know you will attend. Your children are welcome to play, a light afternoon tea will be provided. Please just let us know how many we are required to cater for in your email. Thank you!

Cell phones at school:

We do not encourage students to have cell phones at school. This being said, we do understand that some families require their senior children to have these for after school events. If this is the case please ensure your child hands their cell phone to their class teacher (turned off) before school. This is for the safety of your child's phone and to ensure they do not become an issue in the classroom or playground. Thank you.



to the team of 16 who competed in the CHB Interschool Swimming Sports yesterday.

You all did really well and represented the school proudly. Special mention to Sophie who qualified for the Girls 9 & Under 25m Breaststroke Final and Liam who qualified for the Boys 9 & Under 25m Freestyle Final. Spectacular! Official results are yet to be released.

CHB Schools Teacher Only Day Reminder:

A reminder that Thursday 1st April will be a teacher only day here at Pukehou and across CHB, as our school staff all join with our colleagues across CHB to undertake professional development as part of our Kahui Ako, communities of schools. Please ensure you have childcare arrangements made. We thank you for your support!

Kiwi League Tag update:

A Pukehou team has been registered and the organisers will let us know when this new code is up and running in CHB. Watch this space!

Hockey:

The CHB 11 a-side Hockey Trials have been postponed until Monday 15th March 4.30pm - 5.30pm. For detailed information regarding a **Holiday Hockey Programme** see the *attached flyer*. Limited spaces.

Book Club: - Issue 2 2021 Catalogues will be sent home next week. If you get your orders in by 24 March you may receive the books before Easter! Online Loop orders will remain open until the end of the term.

<u>Lunch orders for Thursday</u> & Water themed Dress-Up Day - See the order form that is being sent home with the children today. Thank you in advance for supporting this CHB Fundraiser. (pdf attached)



House Points:	Pukeiti	Pukenui	Kauhehei	Kahuranaki
Week 5 & 6 totals	6,630	6,722	7,000	5,320
Term Totals	14,480	14,722	15,300	13,040

Dates to note:
March 16 - Blue Skies Hui
March 17 - St Patrick's Day
March 18 - Dress up & Lunch
March 21 - CHB Swim-a-thon
April 1 - Teacher Only Day
April 2-6 Easter Break
April 4 - Daylight Saving Ends
April 16 - End of Term 1
May 3 - Term 2 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?



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. office@pukehou.school.nz Class seesaw accounts.

Notices regarding individual classes.





