

The Last Week of Term 4

Monday 12 December 2022

Principal's Message:

The last school week of the year is here, and what a year it's been. I am immensely proud of our amazing students and dedicated kaiako (teachers). This year, and the last two before, have been unprecedented, and I have been astounded by the resilience shown (by whānau too!).

Our End of Year Celebration and Prize Giving on Wednesday is an opportunity to come together and reflect on the year that has been, and for our Year 8's, we reflect on their time here at Pukehou School, which for some started as wide-eyed 5 year olds! I'm sure there will be a tear or two shed!



We also farewell two staff members. Mrs. Riwaka, Lauren, is following her passion and is leaving full time teaching to set up a nurture therapy programme. With her caring heart, I'm sure it will be a successful and rewarding endeavour. We all wish her the very best! Similarly, Mrs. Lee, Sarah, our Reading Recovery Teacher, is also leaving the profession to pursue further studies. In a short time, she has achieved some wonderful things, and we wish her all the best, too.

Reports will go LIVE tomorrow (Tuesday). I have loved reading through each and every report. Hearing about the progress and growth every student has made (not just academically) always reminds me of just how privileged we are to share in your child's learning journey. We will also print reports this year, however, we recommend downloading the HERO App and viewing them online for the complete experience!! We are only too happy to guide you through this process if you have issues with the 5 steps listed on the next page.

Despite the end of year business, there have been a number of activities students have participated in. Our Christmas Disco was a blast with many fine dance moves on display. Kāhu had an awesome experience yachting at Ahuriri. This can be quite daunting and to see them all approach the day with a 'can-do' attitude was hugely satisfying. Our Year 8's also had their farewell event at Splash Planet, and I was amazed how much Pizza they ate afterwards! This week Kererū and Kea are off to the Westpac Pools and playground in Waipukurau, and I'm sure they'll have an amazing time.

We are grateful for all our parent and whānau volunteers who have selflessly helped out over the year. Without you, we couldn't do and offer all that we do. Each and every one of you are valued . *He eke waka noa* - we;re all in this together.

Meri Kirihimete Rob Pratt (Principal)





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Pukehou Church Carols by Candlelight



Come and join us for a night of Christmas Carols and readings at Pukehou Church. Santa will also be making a guest appearance!

Thursday 22nd December, 7:30pm. Candles and Supper provided.

This event is free to attend and all are welcome. Donations to the CHB Food Bank.

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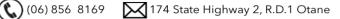
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