



# Newsletter

Wisdom begins with Wonder



Week 7 2023

Friday March 17th

## Principal's Message:

A huge thanks to all involved at last week's Pukehou School Swimming Sports at the AW Parsons Indoor Pools. It was a wonderful day with many highlights. Students showed the Pukehou School 'can-do' attitude, swimming their hearts out. Risks were taken with many pushing themselves far beyond what they thought they could do! From my perspective though, the most rewarding aspect of the day was the way our students encouraged and supported each other!!

Thank you to whānau and friends that were able to make the day. It was lovely to see you all there, and your presence certainly provided a lift for all!! Pukeiti took out the swimming shield and the parent team took out the relay narrowly (convincingly) over the teacher team. Finishing the day with a BBQ and a play was a perfect way to celebrate. With Blair and Jess on the tongs, the snangers were cooked to perfection, and the tamariki loved the opportunity to relax and play at Russell Park. Ever the optimist, I hope there are much more opportunities to come together as a school community during the year.



This week saw teachers and principals across the motu take industrial action. While the team here at Pukehou School felt the timing wasn't right and sought an exemption, the issues of under-resourcing schools and under-valuing the teaching profession exist. Personally, having had a different career before coming to teaching, I can categorically say that teachers deserve better. Each day and each moment can be rewarding yet overwhelming, fulfilling yet frustrating, exciting yet discouraging. Teachers do more than just teach because children need to be in a safe place and space to learn. Teachers are invested in each and every student in their care. It is a privilege that we don't take lightly, but the emotional toll can be draining and is often unsustainable. I am astounded by how much our amazing team here at school gives of themselves! So while we were at school on Thursday for our tamariki and whānau, we supported our colleagues who were striking and hope that the powers that be listened.

I know teachers have been working hard to share learning stories this term. Please download the HERO App to see these stories and share in the learning journey. This term, some of our senior students are also working on sharing learning stories themselves which is fantastic. Once the wrinkles have been ironed out this will be rolled out across the school. Next term, we hope to have an information evening for whānau on HERO and Structured Literacy, so stay tuned for this.

Rob Pratt (Principal)



(06) 856 8169



174 State Highway 2, R.D.1 Otane



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

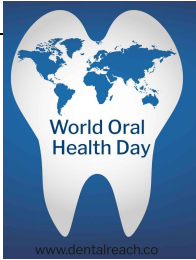
**Attn: 2022 Trophy Recipients**  
 We are sure that you will have all had lots of praise and photos taken with the trophies and cups you were awarded at the end of last year. It is now time to return them to the Trophy Cabinet at Pukehou School, nice and clean & shiny!  
*Thank you*

There are still quite a few **Sports Tops and Miniball Singlets** to be returned from last year. Please hand these in to the office next week so they can be redistributed.  
*Thank you*

 **New Zealand Dental Assoc.** For the common good since 1905. NZDA.org.nz




The links to our FB and webpage are  
<https://www.facebook.com/chbswim4lives>  
[www.chbswim4lives.com](http://www.chbswim4lives.com)



We have the pleasure of announcing that we will be running a 3 day Hockey Holiday Program locally here in CHB in the first week of the school holidays.

"**#LoveHockeyHB** is so excited to be offering a School Holiday Program for Years 3-8 in the upcoming holidays. The Program starts on Tuesday 11th and goes through till Thursday 13th. (3 Days in Total). The Holiday Program will be held at Waipukurau Primary School, from 8.30am-3pm. Your child/ren can attend all 3 sessions or just two. The cost: \$50 per day.

To register or for more information please contact Annabelle at [lovehockeyhb@gmail.com](mailto:lovehockeyhb@gmail.com) or 0276646353"

For more information and registrations visit this link: <https://forms.gle/XNjFe4gK1ETdCcM66>

Kindest Regards--

Annabelle (MIN) Campbell    Coach @ **#LoveHockeyHB**    PH- 0276646353    [Come and join in the fun on Facebook and Instagram](#)

## Lunch

### Pukehou School Lunches delivered to School

Pita Pit Lunches  
Order & pay for lunches online

It's simple; all you need to do is register at  
[www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz)  
and follow 4 easy steps to get started

- 1 Register an account
- 2 Add member/s including your child's name, school and classroom
- 3 Make a payment so you have funds in your account before you order
- 4 Select your lunch and place an order



 **lunchonline**  
[www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz)

Phone 0800 LOL LOL  
Phone 0800 565 565  
[info@lunchonline.co.nz](mailto:info@lunchonline.co.nz)

Healthy and affordable | Easy internet ordering

### Reminder:

Pita Pit  
Lunch Online  
Wednesday  
29th March

Order  
any time  
before  
29th!!

## IMPORTANT DATES:

### MARCH

**Thurs 23** CHB Interschool Swimming Sports  
**Fri 24** CHB Swim4Lives Swim-A-Thon  
**Mon 20** World Oral Health Day  
**Mon 27** Board Meeting - 6.00pm

### APRIL

**Sun 2** Daylight Saving Ends  
**Thurs 6** Last day of Term One  
**Fri 7** Good Friday  
**Sun 9** Easter Sunday  
**Mon 10** Easter Monday  
**Mon 24** Teacher ONLY Day

**Term 2 starts on Wednesday 26 April**

## Purple

Purple is like a scrumous blackberry macaroon that melts in your mouth.  
Purple is as comfortable as throwing your purple tie-dye hoodie.  
Purple looks like the cosmic galaxy that forms in space.  
Purple is like a wish upon a star.  
Purple is the slime that gets stuck in the carpet.  
Purple is that warm cozy feeling after finishing a book.  
Purple feels like the sweet scent lavenders give off.  
Purple is the butterflies the circle around your stomach.  
Purple smells like the chocolate that exists in the favourites box.  
Purple is that last step to victory.

*Emily*



(06) 856 8169



174 State Highway 2, R.D.1 Otane



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

# GREEN



Green is the smell of freshness in the grass,  
Green looks like the juiciness of kiwifruit as I take a scoop,  
Green tastes like the mint leaf of lollies,  
Green is the happy grasshoppers chirping throughout the night,  
Green is the denseness of the evergreen forest,  
Green is the scent of freshly squeezed paint onto the artist's palette,  
Green is the slices of juicy granny apples,  
Green is the land of this earth that we are leaving for generations to come.

BY REBECCA



**School Fundraising Shop NZ**  
donates 10% from every purchase to  
**Pukehou School**

For the entire month of March 2023 we are offering you 20% off everything in store.

Use this discount code for 20% off site wide...  
**SchoolShop20**

\*Valid until 31st March 2023

Shop online  
[www.schoolfundraisingshop.org.nz](http://www.schoolfundraisingshop.org.nz)



How exciting, **Pukehou School-Whanau and Friends** are now registered with the **School Fundraising Shop!**

Have a browse, there is an awesome range of products, all you have to do is select **Pukehou School** from the drop down box when checking out and 10% of your order comes to the school - Easy As!!

*Thank you in advance for your continued support.*

**FUNDRAISING MADE EASY**  
Shop with us & we donate 10% to Pukehou School

[schoolfundraisingshop.org.nz](http://schoolfundraisingshop.org.nz)



(06) 856 8169



174 State Highway 2, R.D.1 Otane

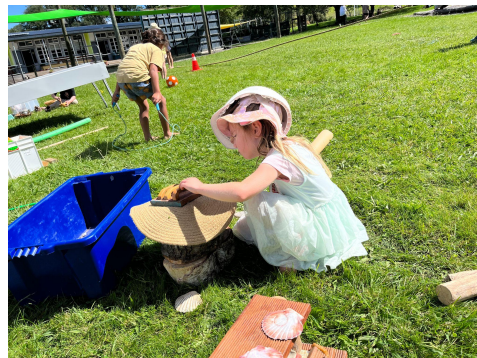


[office@pukehou.school.nz](mailto:office@pukehou.school.nz)

House Points	Pukeiti	Pukenui	Kauhehei	Kahuranaki
Weeks 6-7	3,100	5,350	3,100	2,300
Term totals	13,850	11,050	12,400	13,300



CHB  
Play Trailer  
**Fun**  
last week



**RAINBOW** Day last week - we raised \$145.00 for the Mayoral Fund, Cyclone Relief. Thank you to everyone who supported this worthwhile cause.

Check out the Swimming Sports photos on our Facebook page.



(06) 856 8169



174 State Highway 2, R.D.1 Otane



office@pukehau.school.nz