

Newsletter



Wisdom begins with Wonder

Week 10 Term 3 2024

Monday 30 September

Principal Ponderings - Gratitude

"Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it." — William Arthur Ward

Reflecting on the last weeks of Term 3, there is a lot to be grateful for, not the least being the phenomenal effort put in by parents and whānau at our working bee. It was astounding just how much was achieved in such a short period of time! Playground decking and climbing wall holds were replaced; trees and bushes were pruned, trimmed and chipped; fences, paths, and classroom roofs were water blasted; windows were cleaned; the pool shade cloth was replaced; several years worth of stashed rubbish was taken to the transfer station...just to name a few of the tasks done! So I am grateful for the efforts of Liz and Franek - and Ruby - (Stump Solutions HB), Guy, Corey and Kendra, Fumie, Julie, James and Morag, Rachel, Maurice and Renate, Mace and Erin, Ben and Emma, Michael, Darren, Pixie and Peter, Hayley, and Byron for all his help coordinating the day. And, I am grateful for all our students who turned to help on the day too.



The last week of term was an extremely busy term with Rotary Speeches, Mathletics, Ki o Rahi tournaments, the HB Cross Country Championship, and our Pukehou School Pet Day all on! Given our location, we are always reliant on parent support for transport to events. I am hugely grateful to all our parents and whānau who helped out, not only last week but through the weeks, term, and year so far. Access to the many opportunities available only happens through your support, and I know our students are grateful too!

Pet Day

I love finishing Term 3 with Pet Day. It's an iconic day, and it was fantastic to see family and whānau supporting it in their droves. Whilst the pets are the focus, the sense of community and reconnection is - and was - the highlight for me again this year. It's such a relaxed day, however, I am grateful for all the mahi - work that goes on behind the scenes to make it a success. Our Pet Day Committee of Mrs. O, Lou, Pixie, and Liz run like a well-oiled machine, cranking into gear as Pet Day looms on the horizon to make sure the day is a success for all involved. Thank you.

We know it's a huge effort to prepare Pets and bring them along with parents and whānau taking time off work to do so. Thank you.

Having been to a number of school events, I can categorically say that our home bakers are next level!! Thank you for all the delectable delights that were baked to be sold on the day. And thanks to the PWF for manning the stall and the BBQ, especially Lee, AK, and Lilly. No sausages were burnt on the day for which I'm grateful!

We are also thankful for the support our Pet Day receives from Vet Services, PGG Wrightsons, and LMS Insure and Invest. Our students were grateful for their prizes on the day!!

And finally, who would want to be a Judge?? Thank you to our judges and it was especially rewarding to see many of our past students back helping out with Lance and the team from CHB College. We love the fact that you are shining at CHB College but are still keen to come back and visit us at Pukehou School.

Our Team

I'm grateful for our teaching team here at school. Teaching can be all-consuming, and our teachers and staff always put in the hard yards, going above and beyond. As you may be aware we've been fortunate to have Michelle assisting in Kererū class as a Teacher Aide, and sadly she finished at the end of Term 3. I am grateful for her energy, enthusiasm, and positivity and hopefully we'll find a way to get her back soon!

Staff Member Profile

Jacqui Gilbertson

In 1998 I came to Pukehou School as a volunteer, part time Teacher Aide. In 2000 I was employed on a permanent basis, both as a TA and Administrator. After 26 years, 680+ enrolments, 10 Principals and quite a few teachers you'd think I'd know more. Many things have changed during my time here; I can assure you that I'm still learning, every day! The variety of tasks I'm exposed to certainly keeps this job interesting, as well as busy!



I grew up just over the hill in Argyll, went to CHBC, spent a year in Dunedin and 4 years in Wellington before travelling overseas for 7 years. In 1991 I returned to Waipukurau to raise my son.

Some of the things I enjoy doing in my own time are reading, walking, yoga, gardening, cooking, sewing, weaving and catching up with friends & family.

Weekends are precious and holidays are a bonus!

House Points:	PUKEITI	PUKENUI	KAUHEHEI	KAHURANAKI
Week 9 - 10	8,670	6,750	9,725	6,050
End of Term totals:	53,210	51,890	53,395	46,656

IMPORTANT DATES:

(Check updates on the HERO Calendar

SEPTEMBER

Fri 27 End of Term 3

Sun 29 Daylight Saving starts -

Remember to put your clocks forward 1 hour

<u>OCTOBER</u>

Mon 14 Start of Term 4

Wed 23 School Photos - order online

Fri 25 HB Anniversary - School Closed

Mon 28 Labour Day - School Closed



TERM 4 TEACHER ONLY DAY

Please remember that in Term 4, on **Monday 11th of November**, we have a curriculum Teacher Only Day so school will be CLOSED for learning. Thank you in advance for your support and understanding.



PUKEHOU SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS Wednesday 23 October

Here is the link for you to order your photos

https://www.shaynejeffares.co.nz/pukehou-school/



Riley competed in the Hastings Gymnastics competition last weekend. She got 1st on the Beam, 3rd in Vault and 2nd overall! Congratulations Riley on this awesome achievement!

Sophie and Lucy S
attended the CHB Rotary
Speech competition on
Monday night, delivering
their speeches with class.
Sophie spoke about
Sporting Trials and Lucy's
topic was about Artificial
Intelligence.
Well done girls!





Our Hawke's Bay Cross county participants. The competition was held at the HB A&P Showgrounds on Tuesday, 24th September.

Congratulations to all 11 participants,



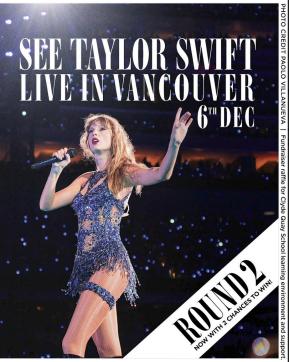


The mini ball games went really well last week.

The Panthers score was 22 - 2, "an awesome win for us ""

And the Kea Rangers score was 10 - 0.

TRIP OF AN ERA 2





WIN 1 OF 2 TRIPS FOR 2 2 VIP CLUB SEATS

5 NIGHTS ACCOMMODATION, FLIGHTS & SPENDING MONEY

PLUS 3RD PRIZE

BLAIRE CLOTHING SET, EVRE ORGANIC SKIN CARE PACK, EPIC FRIENDSHIP BRACELET SET AND 4 MOVIE PASSES.



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Spring is upon us, and our latest issue is jampacked with content to help Kiwi parents issue2409.totstoteens.co.nz/

What's in this issue for parents?

- » Are you school ready?
- » How to parent the 4 types of children
- » Reversing reading reluctance
- » Smart and simple online safety tips
- » What's on near you
- » Snow Farm adventures in Wanaka
- » Whip up these yummy, kid-approved recipes from Buddy Oliver
- » Solutions for nits, knots and other nasties!
- » Get creative with painted plant pots
- » PLUS awesome giveaways

BEING AT SCHOOL ON TIME

The importance of it ...

Getting to school on time helps kids build good habits like being responsible and organised. It sets a routine that teaches them how to manage their time well, which will benefit them not just at school but in everything they do as they grow up.

What's on top?



OMAKERE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FUNDRAISER

OMAKERE COASTAL HILL

COUNTRY WALK & TRAIL RUN

SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER 2024

CHOOSE YOUR TRACK LENGTH AND SPEED

13KM OR 17KM WALK/RUN

AND GET YOUR STEPS IN WHILE SOAKING UP THE STUNNING SCENERY OF OMAKERE.

LUNCH AND GOOD VIBES PROVIDED.

REGISTRATION FROM 07:30 AM | WALK/RUN STARTS AT 09:00 AM 3339 POURERERE RD, POURERERE, OMAKERE.



FOR MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION, SCAN THE QR CODE ABOVE.
STAY UPDATED BY FOLLOWING OMAKERE COASTAL HILL COUNTRY WALK ON FACEBOOK

