

Korimako Hub Newsletter

Term 1, 2018



Kia ora koutou, we hope you had a fantastic Christmas and New Year as we welcome you back to another school year at Pinehaven School. We are looking forward to a great start to 2018 in the Korimako Hub.

We are continuing to work collaboratively across three Y5-6 classes in Korimako, and have two new additions to the team. Marion Saunders' homeroom will be Room 6, and we welcome Rosie Ingle to Pinehaven School who will be beginning her teaching career in Room 8. Sam Blandford's homeroom will be Room 7. Leading this Hub as Korimako Team Leader is Sam Blandford.

Here is an overview of the term:

Inquiry (Social Sciences, Health and Physical Education)	Creating Learning Communities: <i>What can I do the best I can be? How can I help myself and others learn? How can we be great learners and leaders?</i> Life Education, Growth Mindsets, The Human Body: what do you need for healthy mind, body and soul?
Literacy	Entertain: Personal Experience, Narrative

Mathematics	Number Knowledge Algebra: Patterns and Rules
The Arts	Developing Practical Knowledge (Visual Art)
Te Reo	Mihimihi Hangi – tikanga around kai
P.E.	Fitness Cross Country
ICT	Digital Citizenship

Stationery

Please ensure that your child has the correct stationery to begin the year if possible. It would be appreciated if all stationery is named. Please remember all children need to purchase a stationery tub from the office for \$4.50.

Sunhats/weather

Your child is required to have a fully brimmed sunhat which covers the neck and ears. Students without sunhats will need to play in the shade on the big deck. Caps, beanies and narrow brimmed sunhats are not suitable. Feel free to send a small bottle of sunscreen to school. This can be kept in the classroom for students to apply when needed. Please avoid singlets and items of clothing that do not cover your child's shoulders.

Homework

The [Homework Guide For Parents](#) can be found on the school website. Your child should be reading for 15-30mins each night. A reading log is not essential however your child will be encouraged to record what they are reading. Please contact your child's teacher if you have questions about or need additional support to work with your child at home.

Lost Property

The Lost Property Box is located in the Kereru Hub corridor in a big black bin. To assist with the safe return of items it would be appreciated if you could clearly name your child's clothing. Unclaimed items are donated to charity at the end of each term. Your child should be reminded to check their homeroom cloak bay before checking the lost property.

Absences

A reminder to phone or email the school if your child is away from school. The email address you can use for this is absentees@pinehaven.school.nz. Alternatively, you can leave a

message on our absence answer phone. If you are planning on taking your child or children on holiday during the school term, you will need to inform the Principal as well as your child's classroom teacher in writing or by email before you leave. We do not encourage taking children out of school during term time, but we also understand that in some cases, this is unavoidable.

Wheels Wednesday

Students can bring scooters, skate-boards, roller blades or skates, etc. (no bikes please) to use on the courts at lunchtime. Please ensure they come with the necessary safety equipment. It is important to note that students need to walk their scooters within the school grounds before and after school.

Sausage Sizzle

Every Friday the Home and School have a sausage sizzle to raise funds for the school.

Cost: \$1.50 per sausage, \$1 per lemonade ice block

Payment can be made online using a Kindo account. Please see the office for more information. If paying by cash, money needs to be in a named envelope with the order on it and put into the classroom collection box before 8.55am on Friday mornings. Change is not given. Keep an eye in the newsletters for alternate lunch order days organised by the Home and School.

We look forward to working alongside you this year. If you have any queries, questions or concerns regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher and/or the Learning Hub Leader, Deputy Principal or Principal. Contact can be made in person or by email; marion@pinehaven.school.nz, sam@pinehaven.school.nz, rosie@pinehaven.school.nz.

Kind regards

Marion Saunders, Sam Blandford and Rosie Ingle