

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

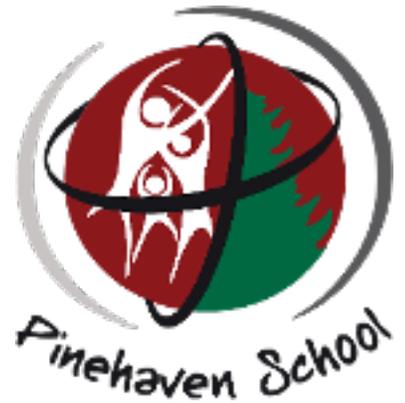
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## PRINCIPAL'S PEN - A NOTE FROM KAYLENE.....

Kia ora!

I hope you enjoyed the long weekend. I know many children (and staff) were a bit tired coming back to school after the lockdown period, so the break was well timed!

### Learning From Home Review

Thanks to everyone who has responded to our survey about our learning from home programmes. So far we have 38 responses (from 189 families) and it would be great to have a bit more feedback before we collate it, which I'd like to do late next week. If you haven't yet filled it in, please follow this link to access the form <https://forms.gle/hV5gQZUovEAQifLy6> (it will only take about 5-10 minutes). Our staff and students have also been feeding their ideas into our review. From our perspective, teachers learnt a lot about the children as learners that wasn't always evident in class and we have thought carefully about what we can bring into the classroom that worked well.

### Covid Level 2/Level 1 Practices

Thanks again for your support with changes in practices at school as we adapt to Covid Alert Level requirements. We will receive an update next week as to when we might move levels. I understand that in Level 1, most restrictions are lifted, however contact tracing remains. This remains to be the biggest issue for us, resulting in different drop off/pick up procedures. If the contact tracing requirements are unchanged, we may not be in a position to review that, however I am hopeful we can have a more flexible approach. While it would be great to take another step towards normality, the teachers have noted some real improvements in independence levels of children with the new routines. Children are much more independent with regards to looking after belongings and preparing to start the day. We have also noticed a huge reduction in the number of children upset about saying goodbye to parents in the morning. If the drop and run routine is working well for your child, it is something to be mindful of as we move to more flexible routines. While we think we are helping, sometimes it is better to leave our children to manage themselves!

Kaylene

## KEY DATES

**16 June: Board of Trustees Meeting**

6.30pm Staffroom

**3 July: Last day of Term 2**

Reports will also be emailed on this day via the Parent Portal

**21 June: Interschool Cross Country**

Proposed date as it was moved due to Covid 19 (confirmation at the end of May)

**20 July: First day of Term 3**

**28 & 30 July: 3 Way Learning Conversations**

Make sure you've joined our school facebook group where we are sharing lots of information! Email [facebook@pinehaven.school.nz](mailto:facebook@pinehaven.school.nz) with your child's year, your email address linked to the your facebook account.

## BUILDING UPDATE

I know many of you are keen to know the progress of this work. Our builders and their sub-contractors have been working hard, sometimes late in to the evening and on the weekend, to keep this work progressing. Some of the minor roof repairs have been completed, along with the Junior Block Roof. The Room 9 & 10 reroofing will take place in the next holidays. Late last year, the MOE approved additional property funds for schools across NZ, which enabled us to include additional work in the Junior Block, but this did extend the timeframe well into this term. As you will all expect, Covid 19 has extended this further with delays of time on site, as well as production and deliveries of materials, and this work will now continue into Term 3. I know this is not ideal, however it is out of our control. It is progressing well, looking amazing, and I know the wait will be worth it in the end!! I want to thank everyone for their patience.

### Pinehaven Netball Update

We're pleased to finally be able to update all Pinehaven families on the situation with the Upper Hutt netball season, delayed due to Covid-19 and the associated alert levels. We're thrilled to now report that the Association is looking at a 10 week Term 3 season, a delayed start to allow for pre-season training to start in June.

**Competition games would start Saturday 25 July** (the first Saturday after Term 3 starts back).

We plan to enter 4 teams into the competition as follows:

- Yr 3-4 Beginners team (for boys or girls who did not play last year)
- Yr 4
- Yr 5
- Yr 6

It is not too late to register interest in playing netball for the school in 2020. We're keen to sign up a few more players for each team, so we'd love to hear from you! Pick up a Registration Form from the Office if you're interested, and please return this as soon as you can. Coaches and Managers are keen to get their teams together from next week to get some training in together before the end of Term 2.

NB: If you previously registered for netball, and your plans have now changed for any reason (i.e. you do not plan to play netball now this season), please contact Tracey Scott asap - team lists are being finalised this week, so we do need to know urgently please. Thanks :)

For queries regarding Pinehaven Netball please contact:

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### **School Dental Van Visit Postponed - Now Visiting 2021**

In the last newsletter, we published the dates for the Dental Van visit for annual check ups to school which was expected later this term. Unfortunately, we have since had a message from the Dental Service to say this has been postponed until 2021 as they have to change their schedule to prioritise higher risk schools. If your child needs to visit the dental clinic this year, you can contact them on 0800 825 583.

### **Lunch Online**

You can order Sushi on a Wednesday and Pita Pit on a Friday for your child's lunch. All done online from the comfort of your home

Go to [lunchonline](https://www.lunchonline.co.nz/) and follow the prompts. Just make sure you do submit your order to complete it <https://www.lunchonline.co.nz/>

The school receives a small donation from Lunchonline for every lunch ordered.

## NEW STUDENTS

The following students who have started at Pinehaven School this term. This is something we used to have in our newsletters and we plan to put it in as a regular note from now on.

Welcome to Immi Y, Graham W, Iliza H, Arlo H and Kylo T who have all started in Rooms 1 & 2.