# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## **Message from the Principal**

#### Kia ora e te whānau

After a few wet weeks, it is lovely to finally be enjoying some sun and to see the change of seasons underway. Spring is definitely here and with it some feathered visitors have shown up. While visiting classes this week, I noticed a large kererū outside in our fruit trees. Room 5 had also noticed this visitor along with an increase in bird activity around our school. They decided to learn more about native birds, in particular, the kererū. After some investigation and observations, room 5 tamariki completed artwork to share their learning with others. Soon all students in rooms 3, 4 and 5 started thinking about our native birds and how we can protect them from pests. These students are now working with Pest Free Upper Hutt in order to find ways to protect our bird life. Next time you pop into Silverstream New World, take a look at the notice board to see this art on display for the community to enjoy. Authentic learning in action!

#### Thank you!

During the week staff enjoyed some professional development with facilitator Kathryn Berkett as well as sharing breakfast together. Having additional meetings after school at this time of year can be challenging which makes learning in the morning when everyone is fresh and ready to go, preferable. Thank you to the parents & caregivers who came along to supervise students before school and also to the families who delayed their child's arrival to school. We have two additional sessions coming up with Kathryn this year. We will decide on the timing of those scon and inform you if another morning session is planned. Thank you for your ongoing support.

### Arts & Crafts Exhibition-23rd & 24th September: Notice from the committee

This years' Arts & Craft Exhibition is coming along great with over 95 exhibitors registered.

In order to make the most of our fundraising efforts, we need to tap into our parent networks for sponsorship opportunities. If you are part of a business of have any contacts that can help with the following, we would love to hear from you!

- ♦ Art & Craft focused raffle prizes.
- Food and drink for our Friday opening night and our Saturday café.
- Vouchers or monetary donations towards our running costs.
- Hands on deck to help with the exhibition set up—September 17th & 18th, over the exhibition itself; opening night Friday 23rd
  September, all day Saturday, packing down on Sunday. There will be a paper copy of the roster in the office which you can fill in.
  Even if it's just for an hour or two, every bit helps!
- Home baking for Saturday café—biscuits, slices, and most especially cakes and scones which go down a treat!
- Check out our facebook page, *Pinehaven Arts and Craft Exhibition* to see some of our fabulous exhibitors and their creations.
- If you can help with sponsorship opportunities or are keen to be involved with the weekend, email pinehavenartandcraft@gmail.com
- We can't wait to see the exhibition in action & share it with families new to Pinehaven who may not have been before.

Have a great weekend everyone!

### Phíllípa







## **Key Dates**

2 September	Senior Hub Assembly 2.25pm—Parents
7 September	Board of Trustees Election Day
9 September	Onesie Day
13 September	Nano Girl Visit

### **School News**

#### **Board of Trustees Elections**

Voting papers have been posted for the upcoming Board of Trustees Election. You should have received these by now. We encourage you to vote in this election. Voting closes at 4pm on Wednesday 7th September. Voting papers must be received by this time to be valid or post marked prior to this date and received no later than Monday 12th September. Votes will be counted on Tuesday 13th September and the school community will notified of the results soon after.

### School Enrolments—starting school, out of zone enrolments and moving to intermediate

Thanks to those people who have responded to our call for letting us know about students starting school over the next few years. We have procedures underway for considering any out of zone enrolments for 2023. If you live out of zone and have a younger child starting next year OR you have recently moved out of zone, please ensure their enrolments are in by 21 October at the latest so that their enrolments can be taken into consideration.

Year 6 families, please remember to enrol your child in a school for next year.

#### **Special Thanks**

As the netball season draws to a close, it is time to say thank you to the people who help make it happen. On behalf of our netball players and their parents, I would like to thank the coaches and managers. In particular, thanks to Tracey Scott for her organisation of Pinehaven Netball. Tracey has done a great job co-ordinating everyone over the last 3 years. Thanks for all your efforts Tracey.

### Nano Girl is coming to Pinehaven!

We are excited to announce that we have Nano Girl coming on the 13th of September. Students will be participating in some pre-visit learning prior to this date in their classes.

16 September	Junior Hub Assembly 2.25pm—Parents
20 September	Board of Trustees Meeting—6.30pm Staffroom
23-24 September	Arts & Craft Exhibition
30 September	End of term 3—3pm finish

# We need your help!

### Tyre Taniwha Digger Shout-Out

We would like to turn this area & these tyres into the sketch below.





With the help of our families and specifically the loan of a mini digger, and driver one weekend, we hope to transform this space into the sketch shown. Please contact Kate via email if you are able to assist. *kate@pinehaven.school.nz* 

A special welcome to...

Remy, Oliver, Emmett and Keane

who started in Te Wai recently.

Welcome to Pinehaven School!

### **Junior Students Sharing...**



#### Room 3 Spring Writing



Spring...

The white, creamy flowers blowing in the ground. It makes me feel happy.

By Theo

Spring! Outside I saw... A big plump Kererū as fat as a ball Lemons turning yellow Lavender full of bees Grass as green as spinach What a sign of spring!

By Remi

## **Senior Students in Action!**

Our school has enjoyed learning some softball skills (catching, throwing, batting and running) over the last two weeks with Damian from Softball Hutt Valley, it was great to get out in the sunshine today as well.—Room 8 students



Softball was really fun. We got to hit the softballs with a bat, some went really, really high! My favourite part was batting. We got to play a tag game with balls. The gloves were really funny and hard to put on. There are four fundamentals, running, batting, catching and throwing. For running we played tag, for batting we got to hit the ball off a stick, for catching we threw a ball to our buddy and they would catch it, for throwing we practiced throwing a ball to the coach and then catching it with the glove. Room 6—Lara.





### Mountains to Sea Programme

On Wednesday 31st August, a group of senior students and 15 tamariki from Fergusson Intermediate, went to Tunnel Gully. The pristine environment of the streams at Tunnel Gully provided a great opportunity to check water quality and the stream life there. As you can see, the students were right in the thick of things. Love this photo of Hannah tipping out water from her new gumboots! Special thanks to Mrs Beaumont-Yee for leading this initiative on behalf of our school and to the parent helpers who assisted on the day. Thanks also to Michelle Ducat from Enviro Schools for helping make these opportunities available.





