

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the Principal

Kia ora e te whānau

### Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori

This week across Aotearoa we are celebrating **Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori**. This week is about promoting Te Reo Māori and its use in our everyday lives. At Pinehaven School we incorporate the use of te reo māori in our daily programmes. Additional to this, throughout this week, we also plan to support kaiako with their te reo maori teaching by setting challenges for them to complete with their class. Challenges will take 5-10 minutes to and will be sent to teachers each day. To add a little competition into the mix, the first class to complete the challenge will receive a small reward. Love a bit of healthy competition!



For your information and interest, I found the website, **Reo Māori**, <https://www.reomaori.co.nz/resources>, a helpful resource to check out. It has lots of fun activities and challenges suitable for either a beginner like myself or for others who are further into their te reo māori journey.

### Board of Trustees Elections

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to the existing members who are leaving our board after many years of service. Farewell to Kelly Miller and Karla Billington who have both spent two terms on our school board. Thank you to Kelly who has been our wonderful Presiding Member. Our thanks for your commitment to our tamariki and for the encouragement and support you have provided. Special thanks to Karla for her contributions to the board and for supporting our schools strategic direction. Your positive can-do attitude and commitment has been most appreciated.

Russell Browning completed his first term on the board and has been re-elected. Along with Russell re-joining our board, we would like to welcome two new BOT members, Emma Holderness and Sarah Smith. It's great to have you joining us! We really appreciate people putting themselves forward to be considered as a Board Representative and know it can be out of some peoples comfort zone. The first meeting for the new board will be held on the 20th of September.

### Staff Changes

Today I am letting you know that Rebecca Watene will be leaving Pinehaven at the end of term 3, Rebecca is moving to Australia to start a new adventure. This is bittersweet for us here at Pinehaven School. Rebecca has worked at Pinehaven School for the past 4 years as a teacher aide and more recently she has been leading Kapa Haka alongside Melanie Wakeham. Rebecca also works for the YMCA running the before and after school care. Rebecca leaves a large hole here at Pinehaven School however we are so very excited for her as she embarks on this new chapter of life. I know many of you will be as sad as us to see her leave! Haere me ta matou manaakitanga a Rebecca.

### Kathryn Berkett Professional Development

Our staff recently enjoyed the first of three professional development sessions delivered by Kathryn Berkett. Kathryn spoke to staff about red brain versus green brain and how this affects the way people react to different situations. This session was extremely successful. Our second session with Kathryn is on **Tuesday 27th September, 7.15-8.45am**. If you are able to keep your children at home until 8.45am that day that would be appreciated or if you can help supervise children from 8.30am please email Pamela at the office. We appreciate your ongoing support as we provide quality professional development for all our staff.

Kia pai te mutunga wiki,

*Phillipa*

# Key Dates

16 September	Junior Hub Assembly 2.25pm— <i>Parents</i>	30 September	End of term 3—3pm finish
20 September	Board of Trustees Meeting—6.30pm	17 October	Start of term 4
23-24 September	Arts & Craft Exhibition	21 October	Teacher Only Day— <b><i>School closed</i></b>
26 September	Public Holiday— <b><i>School closed</i></b>	24 October	Labour Day Holiday - <b><i>School closed</i></b>

## School News

### 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.



### Arts & Crafts Countdown

We are counting down until our Arts & Crafts Exhibition. Looking forward to seeing many of you there.

Raffle tickets are available from the office from next week. If you can't make the actual event, the raffle is another way to support our fundraising efforts.

### Friday night 23rd September 7pm - 9pm tickets available at the door—\$5

A great evening of shopping and entertainment with live music, nibbles and a complimentary glass of wine

### Saturday 24th September 9am to 5pm - Gold coin entry

Cafe and shopping! Cafe includes a lovely range of baking, toasted sandwiches and hot drinks. We will also have a small work table set up where the kids can learn origami!

### Baking

For all you keen bakers out there, we would love to receive your wonderful creations of cakes, slices and biscuits to donate for selling at our café. Baking can be dropped off after school at the school hall on Friday the 23rd. If you are keen to get a head start on your baking, you can pop it in your freezer and avoid the last minute rush!!

### Public Holiday Announced Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day

A public holiday will be held on Monday, September 26 to mark the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.



# Pinehaven School Netball Prizegiving

On the 4th of September, Pinehaven School had their netball prize giving at the Cossie Club. With the help of the parents, coaches and managers we put together a great prize giving. They called up the teams 1 by 1 and handed out the prizes for most improved and most promising player.

Yr 3 team - Pixies

Yr 4/5 team - Phoenix

Yr 5/6 team - Pandas

Yr 6 - Pickles

The netball coordinator Tracey Scott has been the coordinator for 3 years and has loved watching every single team play their best game (most people know her as Kristin's mum).

A great thanks to our student coaches Rosie, Sophie, and Bree who helped coach our top 2 teams, the Pandas and the Pickles.

Another huge thanks to Joss who coached the Phoenix and was always there to help the Pandas and Pickles warm up. And a thanks to Joneen who coached the Pixies and is taking up the netball coordinator role next year.

By Kristin and Lily

