

# Pinehaven School 2024

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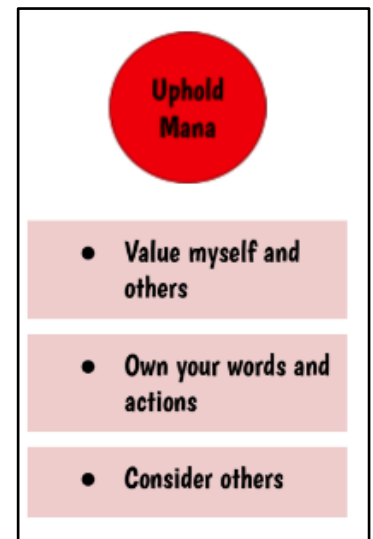
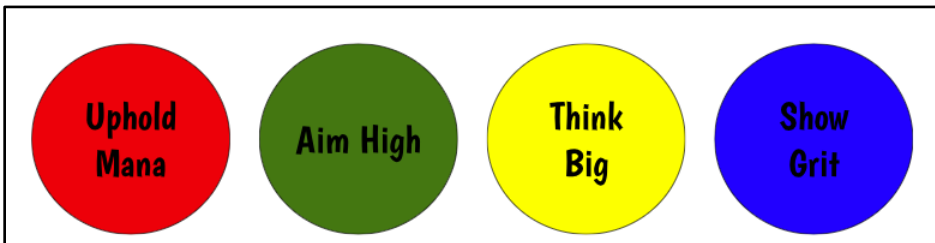
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Kia ora e te whānau

## Pinehaven School Values Launch 2024

Throughout 2023 we worked alongside our tamariki, staff and community to construct our new school values. In crafting these values, our goal was to ensure they are student-friendly, engaging, consistent school-wide, and each accompanied by a visual cue to serve as a constant reminder. As you can see we are still working on the visuals and could do with a bit of design help. If you are a graphic designer and able to volunteer some time to create visuals related to each value, I would love to hear from you!

This term our value is ***Uphold Mana***. Before school started this year, teachers worked together to unpack these values in readiness to teach our tamariki. They came up with three simple bullet points related to each value, see this terms example. Our values will be taught throughout the year, and it would be great if you could discuss these with your child/ren at home, so that we have a shared vocabulary between home and school.



## Phones Away For the Day

You will have heard in the media that schools have been mandated to implement a phone rule that has student phones 'away for the day' as soon as possible in Term 1 2024 and no later than the start of Term 2 2024. At Pinehaven School we do not recommend students bring personal devices to school. If students do bring a phone to school it is expected that these are not for use during the school day and must be turned off and out of sight. Please take this opportunity to remind your children that if they need to contact you during the school day they should speak to their teacher in the first instance or come to the school office.



## Movin' March, 4-8 March

To encourage active travel to school, we are encouraging everyone to walk, cycle, scoot or skateboard to school the week of 4 March - 8 March. Each morning during Movin' March week, participating students will have a special ticket that will be marked by their teacher in class or at the gate by a designated student helper. Spot prizes will be awarded to some students as they come through the gates. All active students can hand their cards in at the end of the week for a chance to win a prize. Students will be given a card each next week. Jim Bashaw is coordinating this event so if you have any questions, email [jim@pinehaven.school.nz](mailto:jim@pinehaven.school.nz).

### Save the date! Colour Run – Friday 15th March

Our Colour Run is fast approaching. For this event, every child will need a white t-shirt and these need to be bought to school by Friday 8th March. T-shirts need to be named, and be suitable to have colour thrown on them and permanent marker written on them. (K-Mart currently have childrens white t-shirts for \$3-\$5). If your child needs a t-shirt, please let us know by Friday 8th March. More information will be sent home soon regarding this event. Callum Nicol is coordinating this event so if you have any questions, email [callum@pinehaven.school.nz](mailto:callum@pinehaven.school.nz).



### U-Hub Day - Thursday 29 February

On the 29th February we have U-Hub day - a special day when we are inviting tamariki to support a fundraiser by bringing a gold coin donation. Each school in Upper Hutt will be supporting the Hub's launch in our community.

U-Hub's vision is to provide a central community Hub for wellbeing support for our young people. The first two initial areas of focus at U-Hub are supporting our families and young people with information, resources, and tools for 'Anxiety and Early Communication' in relation to educational success for tamariki. The intent is to have a range of providers based at the Hub. Specialist staff will be working with U-Hub on an availability roster.

If you are able to support this worthy cause by donating a gold coin please send it along to school on Thursday 29th February. Let's show our support for this much needed Upper Hutt resource.



### Tough Guy & Gal Challenge

This event is on **Wednesday 22nd of May 2024**. If your child would like to participate you need to register them and pay online. See instructions below for how to do this. This event has a limited number of spots available so please head online to enter as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

### How to Enter Online - Instructions

If you would like to enter your child for the 2024 Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge please enter your child online.

#### Step 1:

Go to: [www.eventpromotions.co.nz](http://www.eventpromotions.co.nz)

#### Step 2:

Select Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge - **Wellington - Wednesday 22nd May 2024**.

#### Step 3:

When asked for 'school name' please enter "**PINEHAVEN**" in capital letters.

#### Step 4:

When asked 'Bib Number Pick Up' select "**Teacher**".

## Summer Reading Challenge

At the end of last year, Jay from the Upper Hutt Libraries came to our assembly to promote the Summer Reading Challenge. What a fantastic initiative by the libraries, encouraging children to keep reading and learning as they relax over the holiday break!

Our Pinehaven tamariki read so well that we won the main prize, a \$300 book voucher for our school library! Our school had the highest number of entries per school roll in the Upper Hutt area. That is a wonderful achievement.

Special thanks to Upper Hutt Libraries for their efforts organising this event and to Mrs Blackadder, our librarian, who goes above and beyond to make sure we know what events are happening and gets everyone enthused. You are a star!



### Upcoming Key Dates

- Tuesday 27 February – Interschool Netball
- Friday 29 February – U-Day – Cluster fundraiser, gold coin donation
- Monday 4 March – Friday 8 March - Moving March Week, more details to follow
- Monday 4 March - Korimako Trip Expressions (Rm9 & 10)
- Tuesday 5 March - Korimako Trip Expressions (Rm 6 & 8)
- Wednesday 6 March - Kererū Hub (Rm's 1, 2, 3 & 4) Petone Settlers Museum trip
- Friday 15 March – Colour Run Fundraiser

### Easter Holidays

- Good Friday 29 March
- Easter Monday 1 April
- Easter Tuesday 2 April

### Term 1 Ends

- Friday 12 April – 3pm

### Term 2 Begins

- Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April – 8.55am
- Wednesday 22 May - Tough Guy & Gal

Ngā Mihi

Phillipa & the Pinehaven team