

# Pinehaven School 2024

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Kia ora e te whānau

## Curriculum Update

You may be aware of recent media reports about changes to the New Zealand Curriculum. As the changes come in, we will share information with parents & caregivers via newsletters and information sessions to keep you updated on what your children will be learning at school. More information is available on:

<https://newzealandcurriculum.tahurangi.education.govt.nz/new-zealand-curriculumonline/new-zealand-curriculum/new-zealand-curriculum-refresh/5637144667.c>

## Structured Literacy

Structured Literacy was introduced at Pinehaven School in 2023 and has had a positive impact on results. To build on this knowledge, our junior teachers are at present, completing the Better Start Literacy Approach training (BSLA), a university accredited course in structured literacy. A parent information session on BSLA is planned for the coming weeks to explain this programme. All are welcome. More details to follow.

## Transport

Each term we review policies on school docs as part of a three-year cycle. Recently an area of our practice was discussed at a Board Hui in relation to transporting students by private vehicle. As a result of this review we now require staff to check parent helpers and/or staff to ensure they have the following information:

- current car registration
- current warrant of fitness
- current full driver's license

Prior to a trip, a teacher will ask drivers to provide evidence of a current car registration, warrant of fitness and full driver's license. As a school we are responsible for the safe passage of all our students and staff to and from events. We thank you for your help in keeping our tamariki safe when they leave our school grounds.



## New Students

Welcome Rosie & Henry who recently started at our school. It is lovely to have you here.

Enjoy your weekend,  
Phillipa & the Pinehaven team

## Upcoming Key Dates:

- School Assembly 2.30pm - Friday 9 August
- Interschool Basketball - Tuesday 13 August
- Life Education Visit – Monday 19- Friday 23 August
- School Board Hui - Tuesday 20 August
- Daffodil Day - Friday 30 August
- School Assembly 2.30pm - Friday 30 August
- Interschool Rippa Rugby - Tuesday 3 September
- School Assembly 2.30pm - Thursday 12 September
- Te Wiki o Te Rēo Māori Week - Monday 16 September
- Interschool Cricket - Tuesday 17 September
- School Board Hui - Tuesday 17 September
- Pinehaven Arts & Crafts Exhibition - Friday 20 & Sat 21 Sept
- Term 3 Ends, 3pm - Friday 27 September