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Term 2 - Week 2

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10 May**
BOT Election Nomination Forms posted
- 16 May**
Last day for Lucky Book Club
- 17 May**
School Assembly 2.25pm Hall
- 19 May (Sunday)**
Inter-School Cross Country
- 21 May**
Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm
Staffroom
- 22 May**
National Young Leaders Day (Y6 Student
Leaders)
- 23 May**
Junior Tough Guy/Gal (Pinehaven
Pacers)
- 24 May**
BOT Nominations deadline 12 noon
- 7 June**
BOT Election Date - closes 12 noon

Kia ora koutou

Welcome to Term 2! Thanks for your support on Monday with collecting children early for those of you who were able to. I am not sure of the outcome of the meetings as yet, but hopefully we will come to an agreement with the government soon around the collective bargaining. All children are participating in Footsteps Dance Lessons here at school this term with an external dance tutor. We are getting our groove on ahead of the Production next term!

Peanut Allergy

We have a student starting school next week who has a severe peanut allergy. While we don't take the approach of banning foods from school (as this doesn't allow for children to learn to manage their allergies for life), we do ask that parents remind their children of basic precautions to prevent accidental exposure and keep everyone safe.

Please remind your children of the following:

- we don't share food at school
- wash hands after eating and before going into the playground (particularly if your child has items of food that others might be allergic to)
- wash hands when coming back into the classroom after meals

Classroom teachers who have allergy affected children will let you know if there are items to avoid if the class has a shared lunch. They will also be vigilant about wiping tables after meals on wet days.

Wet Day Play - Changes in our Procedures

With winter fast approaching, a team of staff, BOT and local Play Sport staff have been looking at the options we provide our students during wet break times. At present, students are expected to remain in the classroom and this often makes learning spaces busy and noisy. In order to cater for those students who wish to get out and burn off some energy, we have planned changes to our wet lunchtime procedures. From the beginning of NEXT WEEK (13 May), we will be allowing children who want to and have the right gear, to play outside if it is raining. Obviously if it is extremely cold and windy as well as rain, there may still be some days where they still have to stay inside, however, these will be kept to a minimum. If students wish to play outside in wet weather, they must come to school with:

- a FULL change of clothes and plastic bag to place wet clothes - trousers, tops and undergarments
- a waterproof raincoat to protect themselves from the elements
- a change of shoes or gumboots and socks

Teachers will explain to students the safe areas to play during wet breaks (some areas will be out of bounds due to slippery surfaces), and a hand bell will ring 10-15 minutes before the end of lunch bell to alert children to get changed into their dry clothes ready for afternoon lessons. It is a student's responsibility to have their wet weather change checked by their teacher on wet mornings, who will then give them a wet play pass. If children go outside when they do not have the appropriate gear, we will not be phoning to get them changed unless it is a health concern.

Different Family Values

The beginning of a school term is a good time for us all to remember that we are part of a community made up of 245 students from 188 families. This means that at times, your child is mixing with others who have different family values than your own (e.g. bedtimes, behaviour expectations, etc). While we see this as a positive learning experience for our children, helping children to understand different ways of living and values can sometimes be a challenge for parents. Usually children understand when you simply explain that our family does it differently from another family and that's ok. Having said that, in terms of behaviour expectations, swearing and hurting others are not ok and if your child is saying that is happening at school, by all means ask them to let their teacher know. I also respectfully ask that all parents encourage the use of kind words and hands in all environments as that is our expectation here at school.

Signing in at the Office

When you visit school, please ensure you sign in at the office. Even if you are here for a short time, it is important we know who is on site, particularly in the event of an emergency. I have asked all staff to check with visitors if they have signed in (even with visitors they know), so please don't be offended if you are asked if you have signed in at the office, and then asked to do so if you haven't.

Kaylene

School Cross Country 2019



SCHOOL NEWS

BOOK AMNESTY

Can you please check under the bed, in the wardrobe, on the bookshelf or in the car for any Pinehaven School Library books and return them to the Library, we have a number of books in hiding

Board of Trustees Election 2019

Nominations are invited for THREE parent representatives for the Pinehaven School Board of Trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters on Friday and can also be obtained from the school office.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school office and can be viewed during school hours. Nominations close at **noon on Friday 24th May 2019** and should be accompanied by a candidate statement.

Being on the BOT is a rewarding experience and if you are thinking about standing and want any additional information about this role please get in touch with Pamela Malcolm, the Returning Officer. She will put you in touch with a current Board Member who would be more than happy to discuss this opportunity with you.

TABLE TENNIS COACHING- TERM 2, 2019

(For children from Y4-6)

Places are available in this programme which takes place at the school on Thursdays

Starting Thursday, 16 May 2019 from 12.40pm-1.20pm and continuing for 6 consecutive weeks.

The coach will be Mr Gary Nelson, an experienced teacher and table tennis coach.

All equipment is provided including bats. Cost is \$50-00 for the block of 6 lessons and should be paid at the first lesson.

If you wish to enrol please phone Gary Nelson (Ph- 5897178) as soon as possible. Enrolments will be taken on a first in, first served basis.



WOW

Sushi & Pita Pit now deliver weekly to Pinehaven

Sushi delivers every Wed. Pita Pit delivers every Fri- starts 1st May & 3rd May

It's simple; all you need to do is register at www.lunchonline.co.nz and follow 4 easy steps to get started

- 1 Register an account
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COMMUNITY NEWS

LOST SCOOTER

A child went home sick on the last day of the term and left their pink scooter at school parked outside Room 9. If anyone from the school community has taken care of it over the holidays could it please be returned to the office

Splish Splash Swim School Interschool Swimming Sports Preparation Training: Mondays: 3.30pm-4.30pm with Coach Emma.

13 May, 20, 27 May and 10 June.

Emma is currently coaching for Splish Splash Swim School and Upper Hutt Swimming Club and is a former Competitive Swimmer.

OR

Saturdays 11am-12pm with Coach Orange

11 May, 18 May, 25 May and 01 June.

Orange is the owner/operator of Splish Splash Swim School and is employed by Upper Hutt Swimming Club as their Head Coach.

With your booking, you will also be given two free sessions with Upper Hutt Swimming Club on 29 May and 05 June. Cost: \$60, limited to 6 students per class.

Suitable for Porpoise and above

To book contact Marcia:

trisplishsplash@swimprofessionals.co.nz

Ph 5279172

UPPER HUTT MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL

We are excited to invite you to our 14th Annual General Meeting.

UHMCC is a non-profit organisation, established in 2006, to promote, support and celebrate cultural diversity in our local community.

For more information please visit our website: <http://www.uhm.org.nz/>

UHMCC AGM is a unique chance to meet with other members of our community and empower Upper Hutt citizens to be one, and achieve social unity through acceptance of diversity and inclusion.

Details are as follows:

Date: Thursday 16th May 2019

Time: 7pm - 9pm

Venue: At our office, 2 Russell Street, Upper Hutt

Please RSVP by Monday the 13th email: administrator@uhm.org.nz

Should you have any queries, please feel free to call us on **021-610-429**.