



NEWSLETTER 1

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Nurturing and developing our leaders of tomorrow – He Manukura Mō Āpōpō

From the Principal

DATE	UPCOMING EVENTS
10 Feb	Beach Trip (Te Ra, Te Marama Rooms 9 & 10)
10 Feb	Road patrol training for Yr 5 & 6 students.
15 Feb	Camp Parent Information Evening
17 Feb	School assembly. 2.10pm in the hall. <i>All welcome</i>
21 Feb	BOT Meeting – 6.30pm in staffroom
22 Feb	Home & School Meeting – 7pm in staffroom
29	Top School event (ppt 8 March)
2 March	Arts Rotation begins
7 – 10 March	Year 5 & 6 camp
16 March	CRE begins (Y3-6)
16 March	Weetbix Tryathlon
17 March	School assembly. 2.10pm in the hall. <i>All welcome</i>
30 March	Stadium Sports Day (ppt 4 April)
13 April	Teacher Only Day

Kia ora koutou – greetings to you all! Welcome to the 2017 school year. I would like to extend a special welcome to all our new children and families – it was great to meet so many of you at the powhiri last week.

Home & School – Calling for a new Chairperson & Secretary

Our current Home & School Chairperson and Secretary are both standing down at the March AGM. Lisa Cutfield and Wendy Robinson have both worked really hard on the committee and I sincerely thank them for their work. They have certainly both done their bit for the school! Either one of these roles would be great for you to consider if you are:

- good at building relationships
- keen to help the school with a really important job
- are well organized

You do not need to have had a long association with the school – there are plenty of people who can help you to get your head around any role you are keen to take up. They aren't difficult jobs, but they do take a commitment of time, particularly the Chairperson role. The key is building a good team around to help support, so if you are interested in joining the committee, this is also a great way to help. If you have any questions about the positions, or the committee in general, please contact

me directly at school (email principal@pinehaven.school.nz) or one of the committee members in the playground if you know them, or via email pinehavenhomeandschool@gmail.com – we always happy to answer your questions! The next Home & School meeting is 22 February, and the two positions will become available at the AGM meeting in March (date to be advised).

Pinehaven Vision & Values

The vision for our school is *Nurturing and developing our leaders of tomorrow – He manukura mō apōpō*. As a teaching staff, we spent time before the children started back looking at what leaders of tomorrow need to know and understand as they move through the school. This is following on from our strategic consultation last year

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and will be a major piece of work for us to undertake this year. We will be keeping you in the loop and asking for your feedback, thoughts and ideas as the year progresses.

Across the school, we are continuing to work hard to help our children understand more about learning and how they like to learn. We continue to focus on developing **growth mindsets** (knowing your brain can grow and you can learn more, as well as being positive about this), **learning styles** (knowing how we like to learn – through doing, talking/writing, or viewing/watching) and understanding that mistakes are part of learning.

Parent Evening – send us your feedback

I enjoyed catching up with many of you at the parent information evening last night. I want to thank everyone who attended, as well as the teachers for giving up their evening to share information with you. I have created a short survey for those of you who attended to provide us with some feedback about whether we are sharing useful information and if there is anything we missed. Please follow the link to complete the survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SZWQYL7>

I do apologise for the repeated 'school' messages for those of you attending more than one meeting. With 3 Learning Hubs, it is difficult to organize the evening to avoid repeated messaging and still get you all home at a decent hour! I am aware that there was a clash with Fergusson Intermediate's parent evening and we will be sure to avoid that in the future!

Finally, I would like to say a huge thanks to all the parents who helped us this week with our beach trip (or are helping tomorrow). I attended Wednesday's trip and it was a fabulous day (even if I did have to put on a wetsuit!). We really appreciate your support with these trips.

Kaylene Macnee

WELCOME

New Students to Pinehaven School



A special welcome to the following new students to our school:

Riley Bennet, Alice Boak, Daniel & Sarah Bryant, Amelia Christian, Saahith Donepudi, Erana Duff, Lachlan Finlay, Regan Hewins, Finlay Holmes, Rahni & Samiah Johnston, Samuel Kitching, Rose Passmore, Kaden Sweetman and Ethan Tawhiwhirangi, ,

SCHOOL NEWS



SCOOTERS LEFT AT SCHOOL

If your child/ren bring their scooters or bikes to school please remind them to take them home at the end of each school day. We can't guarantee that a staff member will store them away before they themselves leave.

ASTHMA PUFFERS

If we held an asthma spacer at the school office for your child last year please collect it for cleaning. This would also be a good time to check whether your child's inhaler needs replacing.

NO SAUSAGE SIZZLE TOMORROW

Due to four classes being out of school on Friday our weekly sausage sizzle won't start up again until Friday 17 March.

RUNNING CLUB

Running Club ...what a great way to start a Wednesday morning! This is a parent led adventure and aims to get kids hooked on moving every Wednesday term time. It's for all abilities (running, walking, ambling or jogging) to build confidence and have fun!

We would love new members and old members to attend. There is no age limit and it's free. **We would especially like new parent support...fast, slow, moderate pace it does not matter.** The children love heading up into the bush and once a term we try to organise an amazing extra special event.

When : We kick off at 8:00am on the Wednesday 15th February - we aim to be back at school by 8:45/50am

Where: meet at the school hall no matter what the weather

Bring : a change of clothes, shoes, water, wet weather coat if raining

If you have questions please contact Kelly at kellycare@gmail.com

If you would like to join you will need to fill an enrolment form out and bring it with you. These forms will be emailed out or you can pick a paper copy up from the office. If you have previously been in Running Club you don't need to fill out a new enrolment form.



E ngā reo, e ngā mana, e ngā hau e wha, nau mai hoki mai ki tenei tau hou. Welcome back to a new year and to our new whānau to this community of Pinehaven School .



The Ngā Tama Toa programme will be starting Friday of Week 3 for Year 4, 5 and 6 boys. This is a programme which has been introduced at Pinehaven School for the past 3 years and is led by Matua Whaitiri.

Kapa Haka will start in Week 2 for Year 3-6. The children will get an opportunity to trial and after 2 sessions will need to decide if they are interested as this is a year long commitment.

This term our Te Reo Māori Unit is around mihimihi and part of this, children will need to find out information about where their whānau are from. Please collate information as follows, and as relevant:

Tōku Pepeha/Mihimihi

Kote Waka

My Canoe

Ko.....te Maunga	My Mountain
Ko.....te Awa	My River
Ko.....te Iwi	My Tribe
Ko.....te hapū	My Sub tribe
Kote Marae	My Marae or Church
Kotoku Papa	My father
Kotoku Mama	My mother
Ko.....toku Tuahine	My sister
Ko.....toku Tuakana	My older sibling of same gender
Kotoku Teina	My younger sibling of same gender
Kotoku tungāne	My brother
Kotoku ingoa	My name is

Any problems, please see home room teachers

COMMUNITY NEWS

** **Upper Hutt Junior Hockey Fun Day:** Maidstone Hockey Turf, Park Road, Sunday, 26 February 2017, 10.00am-12.00pm (Rain or shine). Come along and experience the fun of hockey! All children aged 4-13 and all experience levels welcome. Take part in a range of fun activities including: obstacle course, take on a senior goalie, and hit the target. Coaches will be available to assist beginners and equipment will be provided for those who do not have it. Any queries or for further information, email upperhuthockey@gmail.com, or visit the Upper Hutt Hockey Club Facebook page.*

** **ARTS A GO GO! PERFORMING ARTS SCHOOL FOR KIDS:** is still accepting new enrolments for term 1. Our full programme for babies right through to advanced classes for teens runs in Upper Hutt @ The Spot, Fergusson Dr, and we also run classes in Tawa. We offer dance, drama and singing combo classes, drama only classes, Irish Dancing, kids' yoga, Little Mozarts music, high quality stage shows, workshops and more. Please see www.artsagogo.co.nz for more details. Please email rachel@artsagogo.co.nz or call 021 1441641. We'd love to see you along for a free trial class!*

****SPLISH SPLASH SWIM SCHOOL:** enquire now www.swimprofessionals.co.nz or 527 9172. Free Assessments. Two make up classes per term for illness. A comprehensive learn to swim programme, experienced qualified trainers who teach all aspects of swimming.*

****THE MAJOR MINORS CHILDREN'S CHOIR** is celebrating its 5th year of singing and is welcoming new members to join them. Rehearsals are on Sundays 3-4pm at 'The Spot' Cnr Fergusson Drive and Milton Street, Upper Hutt. More info hvkidschoir@gmail.com or Joanne on 027-566-7672'*

****FOR PARENTS WHO WANT TO SING!** The Hutt Valley Singers is an all-comers community choir that rehearses on Monday nights 7.10-9.10pm at the Pettit Centre, by Our Lady of Grace Church, Cnr Palmer Crescent and Fergusson Drive Upper Hutt. All welcome. More info at www.huttvalleysingers.org.nz or Joanne on 027-566-7672*

****BEFORE SCHOOL CARE.** I am available to look after your child/children before school. I can also do a couple of days after school too if needed. Contact Lisa 0272487274 to discuss.*