

# Tui Hub Newsletter

Term One, 2018



## Welcome to Term One 2018!

We hope you all had a restful and fun holiday. Our hub will be made up of all Year 3/4 classes again this year.

Paula Christian will be in Room 10, Kate Beaumont-Yee will be in Room 9 and Jim Bashaw is in Room 5.

We are very fortunate to have Mrs Claire Blackadder working as a teacher's aide in all three classrooms.

Jim Bashaw will lead the Tui Hub. Please come and make yourself known to us, as we firmly believe that parents and teachers are all a team, working together to achieve the best possible outcomes for your child(ren).

If you have any queries or concerns over the course of the term, please feel free to contact your child's teacher directly.

Contact can be made in person, by phone 528 4365, by letter or by email.

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### Term One Curriculum

<b>Inquiry Topic(s)</b>	Learning Community What can I do to be the best I can be? Values and Class Treaty Class Gardens – Planting
<b>Literacy</b>	Handwriting, Spelling, Language (own class programmes) Reading & Writing - instructions, personal experience (ongoing) <i>Note: Links will be made to Inquiry topics.</i>
<b>Mathematics</b>	Number Knowledge Addition & Subtraction Statistics Algebra
<b>The Arts</b>	Music
<b>Te Reo</b>	Greetings/farewells maintain build in protocols relating to hangi and eating, Food names He ahai tenei? – “What is this?” Instructions
<b>PE</b>	Life Education - The body and Personal Health, Healthy eating Team games and Co-operation Fitness: Bike Track & Jump Jam

## Fitness

As part of our PE programme we have activities planned most days. Please ensure your child has comfortable clothing and suitable footwear. If for some reason your child is unable to take part in physical activities due to illness or injury, please advise their teacher by note, email or conversation. Otherwise all students will be encouraged to participate fully in physical activities to develop skills, fitness and a positive attitude toward their physical well-being.

## Dates For Your Diaries

February	March	April
1 Powhiri in Hall	2 Hub Assembly Room 10	2 Easter Monday
6 Waitangi Day Observed	9 School Assembly - Tui Hub	3 Easter Tuesday
9 Hub Assembly Room 5	16 Hub Assembly Room 9	6 School Assembly
13 Parent Information Evening	23 Hub Assembly Room 10	13 Hub Assembly Room 5
16 School Assembly	30 Good Friday	13 Last Day of Term
23 Hub Assembly Room 9		Term Two Begins April 30

**Hub Assemblies** will begin at 1:35pm in the Host classroom.  
**School Assemblies** are held in the hall and begin at 2:10pm.

## Lost Property

The Lost Property Box is located in the **Kereru Corridor**. To assist with the safe return of items it would be appreciated if you could clearly name your child's clothing. Unclaimed items are donated to charity at the end of each term.

## Pinehaven Community Library

Students will continue to make regular visits to the Pinehaven Community Library – usually two or three visits per term. If you would like your child to be able to have a book issued they will need to have a library card. Your child's teacher will let you know the dates we will be visiting the library.

## Homework

Homework is outlined below and this should be read alongside the Homework Guide for Parents which can be found on the school website. <http://www.pinehaven.school.nz/programmes/homework/>

### Reading – MUST DO

- Year 3 & 4 students should be reading for 10 minutes per night.
- It is expected that children will keep a reading logs and teachers will check these each week, signing them to indicate this has been done.

### Spelling - OPTIONAL

- Year 3 – 4 students should be learning their spelling words for 5 - 10 minutes (once or twice a week).

### Number Knowledge - OPTIONAL

- Year 3 & 4 students should be practicing their number knowledge for 5 – 10 minutes (twice per week).

### Oral Language – MUST DO

- Your child will be given a set day of the term that he or she will present an oral language task. His / her teacher will send home topics ahead of time so they can plan and present their task.

Your child's teacher will send you spelling and maths levels for your child within the next 3 weeks.

### Wheel's Wednesday

Students can bring, scooters, skate-boards, roller blades or skates, etc. (no bikes please) to use on the courts at lunchtime. Please ensure they come with the necessary safety equipment. It is important to note that students need to walk their scooters within the school grounds before, during and after school. The only place these are to be used is on the courts.

### Friday Sausage Sizzle

Most Fridays the Home and School have a sausage sizzle to raise funds for the school.

Cost: \$1.50 per sausage

\$1 per lemonade ice block

Parents can use the school online shop, **Kindo**, to pay in advance for food. Money needs to be in a named envelope with the order on it and put into the classroom collection box before 8.55am on Friday mornings. Change is not given.

### Communication

Seesaw is a sharing app that we use to share what is happening in our classrooms. Each child will be able to photograph or video work, with annotations in order to share their work with you at home. Please download this app on your phone or computer. We will send further information in the first few weeks. We also use this app to send messages to parents. We will also communicate with you via e-mail. Please also expect a fortnightly School Newsletter.

### Kindo - Introducing our online school shop

Our new Kindo online school shop is designed to make it easy for you to manage school payments and complete permission forms.

Our online school shop is linked with our student management system, and by signing up you are giving your permission for this to occur.

Registration is easy! Click on the 'New users' button and enter in the email address the school has on file for you.

You can make full or part payments on school fees and donations, order Friday lunches, and purchase stationery. We'll be adding more items to our school shop as the year progresses, so you can register for sports tournaments, sign up for your art rotation class, and complete permission slips.

You can make payments or purchases when it suits you... anytime, anywhere.

You no longer have to rely on sending cash and forms with your children, looking up bank account numbers, amounts and details, or visiting the office. Just log in and click. Even small amounts can be paid quickly and securely through Kindo.

You can use Kindo as a school savings account so you have school funds when you need them. Or choose to pay at the time using by making an instant transfer from Internet banking (no fees) or by using a credit or debit card (fees apply).

Questions?

If you need help, just pop in to the school office or give us a call.

### Sun Smart

This term all of our children must wear a fully brimmed sunhat, which covers their neck and ears. Students without sunhats will need to play in the shade. Caps and beanies are not suitable sunhats. Feel free to send a small bottle of sunscreen to school. This can be kept in the classroom for students to apply when needed. We encourage children to wear sunglasses and a top that covers their shoulders (e.g. t-shirts, not singlets). Keeping a change of clothes in your child's bag is also a good idea.

### **Pinehaven Pacers - our running and exploring club**

Thursday morning 8 am, on the hall deck. Signed permission forms are necessary for this activity. They can be collected from the office. Kelly Miller organises this activity, but loves to have parent help.

### **Absences**

Remember to phone or email the school if your child is away. The email address you can use for this is [absentees@pinehaven.school.nz](mailto:absentees@pinehaven.school.nz). If you are planning on taking your child or children on holiday during the school term, you will need to inform the Principal in writing or by email before you leave. We do not encourage taking children out of school during term time, but we also understand that in some cases, this is unavoidable.

### **Endnote**

If you have any concerns regarding your child's performance both academically and / or socially please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher (in the first instance) and / or the Syndicate Leader, or Deputy Principal / Principal. It is always better to address concerns early so that they can be resolved positively and quickly.

**Kind regards**

**Paula Christian, Kate Beaumont-Yee and Jim Bashaw**