Pukekohe North School



"Setting our akonga on the path of lifelong learning"

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Newsletter #6 Wednesday 13th April 2022

Tumuaki Talk

Kia Ora Whaanau,

Thank You

You have all been so supportive to your tamariki/children and our kura/school in 2022.

We have so appreciated your quick responses in informing us about any COVID cases or possible close contacts and in attending school events.

We look forward to your continued communication efforts and support of aakonga/students in Term 2. From all of our kaimahi/staff, thank you.

Outstanding Tamariki

Our appreciation and pride extends to our tamariki/children this term too. They have been OUTSTANDING in their behaviour, attitudes and on task behaviour. What a joy they have been to teach and progress!

In talking to my colleagues from other kura/schools recently, they commented upon the 'covid effect' on their aakonga/students.

Aakonga who are unfocused and disrespectful!

Our tamariki have just been delicious! I'm so proud!

Final Day

To congratulate and thank our tamariki, kaimahi/staff have organised a FUN final day for them.

The aakonga are allowed to wear mufti on the final day and they will all receive a congratulatory ice block at lunch time (12.30-1.00.p.m.)

From 11.00.a.m. -12.30.p.m. tamariki will be involved in tabloid sports, rotating around a variety of activities. The tamariki will be utilising all areas of the school, the artificial surface, field, shade structure and hall

Upcoming Events: Term 1 2022

Term 1:

School Closes tomorrow for Term 1

Friday 15 April = Good Friday

Term 2 commences on Monday 2 May from 8.50.a.m



Term 2 Week 1

Tuesday 3 May – Staff Meeting unpacking Ngati Tamaoho's Educational Pathway 3.00-4.15.p.m.

Wednesday 4 May – Year 7-8 Technology Sessions at Pukekohe Intermediate School

Thursday 5 May – Next Newsletter due

Week 2 Transport Week



Activities will resume again after lunch from 1.00-2.30.p.m. where we will hold a final assembly to discuss the day and again congratulate the aakonga/students and wish them a safe and happy holiday break.

Donna Boden from Harcourts has run an Easter Colouring Competition for the tamariki over the past week and she will be at school from 2.15.p.m. to present prizes for the competition and aakonga who were outstanding during our tabloid sports.

Takaro Hauroa

Pukekohe North School has been fortunate to receive funding to employ a Play Champion. This is an MOE initiative to promote health and wellbeing in selected schools across South Auckland. With the funding provided, we have employed Surinder Edwards to work across the kura/school in developing fun and play for all aakonga/students.

Surinder has organised the tamariki's Fun Day on Thursday utilising the experiences and skills she has developed working at Pukekohe High School, for the Hire Wire Trust and recently at Paerata School in 2021. Surinder will be with us for the remainder of 2022. Not only will she work with each classroom but be very visible in the playground inviting all tamariki to be engaged in play.

This is a very new initiative and we are working with the Ministry of Education over the next month to develop a programme to add to our fantastic aakonga/students at school experience.

I will share more information in subsequent newsletters as to the developing programme.

Mana Health

How lucky are we?

We have been able to link with Catherine from Mana Health. She will attend school each Monday from 10.00.a.m. – 2.00.p.m. to support the health and wellbeing of our tamariki, whaanau and community.



Tēnā tatou katoa Ko wai āu No Arauukuku ki Taranaki No Ngati Tahinga ki Tainui No Ngaitu me Ngati Kaharau ki Ngapuhi I tipu āu ki Pukekohe

Ko Kathryn Chapman tōku īngoa. Kia Ora Koutou my name is Kathryn.

I am an ex Pukekohe North,
Pukekohe Intermediate and
Pukekohe High School
student.Completed my Bachelors

of Nursing in 2012 at Waiariki in Rotorua.

I came back to Pukekohe to be closer to my Kaumatua so my tamariki could be around them.

I am currently a clinical nurse advisor for National Hauora Coalition as part of the Manakidz Rheumatic fever prevention programme in schools. I also like to offer help in other sectors of nurse around the North Island.

Under the manakidz programme we currently take care of 88 schools in Counties Manukau District.

My whole nursing career I have predominately worked in the Rangatahi space in the community.

My Passion is Rangatahi health and the health of our future generation.

I look forward to meeting ngā tamariki me rātou whānau.

COVID-19-TERM 2 2022

As I said in my last newsletter, we appear to be through the worst of COVID/ Omicron now. The number of infected tamariki/children and kaimahi/staff has dropped to only 1-2 per week

We will continue to apply all RED setting protocols as directed by the Ministry of Education until the Government makes changes to the Traffic Light System.

This could be tonight!

AT THIS POINT: (TERM 2)

We will continue to work a split timetable in two bubbles

- Bubble 1 Kura Rumaki –Rms 8-9-10-15 AND Junior Classes Rms 12-14)
- Bubble 2 = Rooms 1-3-4-5-6
- This means separated intervals and lunch times as has happened in Term 1
- Gates open at 8.30.a.m. 8.50.a.m. then close until 2.30-2.50.p.m.
- AAKONGA/STUDENTS CAN ENTER AND LEAVE FROM ANY GATE IN TERM 2



Happy Birthday



18/04 Monday

Jasmine Room 08 = 9yrs Silver-Leigh Room 04 = 9yrs

23/04 Saturday

Malakai Room 04 = 9yrs Minaj Room 04 = 10yrs

02/05 Monday

Malakai Room 06 =7yrs 04/05 Wednesday

Aliana Room 14 = 7yrs 06/05 Friday

Toakase Room 05 = 8yrs



- Water fountains remain turned off whilst bottle fillers are active
- Face masks will continue to be worn inside
- Hand sanitising continues on entering the school and classrooms and after sneezing, coughing or going to the wharepaku/toilet.
- THESE PROCEDURES REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL THE KURA/SCHOOL IS DIRECTED TO CHANGE TO AN ORANGE LEVEL AND PROCEDURES CHANGE

We asked for 'student voice on our Term 2 actions and they decided to work within two bubbles.

We aim to review again halfway through Term 2.

Staff Celebration

Te Whare Tapa Wha:

Ka tiimata ki te Taha Wairua me te Taha Whaanau. This morning staff were hosted by Whaea Sophie raaua ko Whaea Parekawhia on behalf of Te Whaanau Piipiiwharauroa for a breakfast kai that was absolutely delicious. The most important thing of all was the beautiful wairua that was shared amongst the staff whaanau. Ngaa mihi kia koorua for your wonderful whakaaro to celebrate the way we have all come together to move forward. Onward and upward. Mauri Ora!





Have a safe and happy holidays

Matua Jim

Tumuaki

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