



Pukekohe North School Newsletter

"Setting our akonga on the path of lifelong learning"

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TUMUAKI TALKS

Kia Ora Whaanau,

Our Pukekohe North School Board Election is underway with x 8 nominations received for the x 5 vacancies we have available.

Whaanau can vote ONE of two ways, that is using their cell phone or as usual, a paper vote BUT of course, not both.

Voting closes in early Term 2 on Thursday 27 April at 4.00.p.m.

Postal votes earmarked before this date has until Tuesday 2 May to arrive.

The votes will then be counted on Wednesday 3 May and the new Board has its first meeting on Thursday 4 May.

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WHAANAU GOAL-SETTING INTERVIEWS

Thank you to all of those whaanau who could attend last night's Goal Setting Evening,

This is key to assisting each aakonga to progress and learn.

Kaiako enjoyed working closely with whaanau to attain the goals shared at each hui.

If you were unable to attend last night, an interview can be arranged for next week or early next term with your tamariki kaiako. Please just call the school office to arrange a time. 0800 785 366

SCHOOL ROLL INCREASE

We have enrolled an extra 65+aaonga into Pukekohe North School in Term 1 2023.

As a result, we have had to open two more classrooms.

Room 17 will become a Year 2-3 Class in Term 2 taught by Whaea Shannon.

We are seeking a New Entrant Teacher at present to start as soon as possible in Room 11.

Whaea Shiree has started a junior Te Reo Maori class in Room 16 to reduce the number of students in Whaea Sophie's class.

KiwiCan is now working out of Hope House which is situated by the hall.

Whaea Breeze and Michelle teach in Hope House on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays.

Our school roll is approaching 320 aakonga.

Pukekohe North School is expected to double in size by 2030!

Week 10 -Term 1

Next week is our final week for Term 1.

We have a few activities that you may be interested in attending.

1. Wednesday 5 April = From 1.40-2.40.p.m., kaiako are opening their classrooms for one another and whaanau to visit and see some of the mahi the tamariki have been involved in during our messy term 1.

Whaanau is welcome to visit the classrooms and see what we have been up to.

2. School closes at 2.40.p.m. on Thursday 6 April.

We are holding some inter-house sports activities including the classic tug-of-war competition. 1.45-2.40.p.m.

We are requesting that the tamariki wear their house colours to school next Thursday.

Come and see the fun and join in the whaanau versus the kids events.

YEAR 7-8 AWHITU CAMP

Our Year 7-8 aakonga are able to attend a free camp at Awhitu during Week 2 of the April holidays- Monday 17 - Friday 21 April 2023.

The tamariki will be involved in the Youth Impact Programme that provides outdoor education, a focus on literacy and mathematical skills, Adventure Based Learning activities and camp pursuits.

Surinder Edwards and Russell Preston and I invite Rooms 1,3 and 9 whaanau to a camp information evening on Tuesday 3 April in the school hall from 5.30-6.30.p.m.

INCREDIBLE YEARS PROGRAMME

Pukekohe North School has been offered a six-week course on parenting to be held in Hope House at school.

Incredible Years is a Parenting Programme for all parents/caregivers with children aged 3-8 years. It comes highly recommended by the Ministry of Education.

The Programme will commence in the first week of Term 2 and runs twice a week on a Monday and a Wednesday from 9.30.a.m. - 12.00.p.m.

Application forms are available from Nicky Twiss.

PHOTOS

Class and Individual Photographs

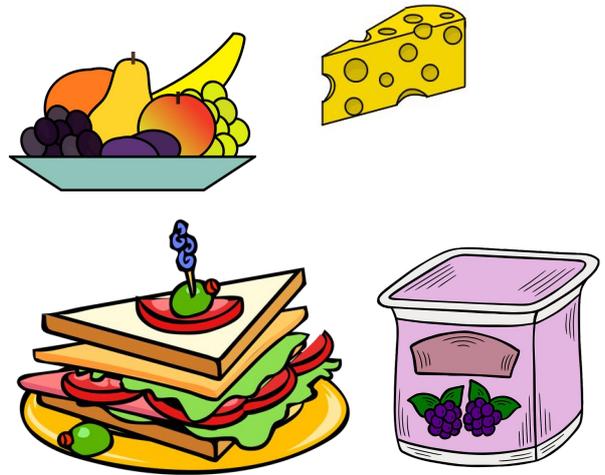
On Monday 27 March and Tuesday 28 March we had our Class and Individual Photographs taken for the tamariki

Processing usually takes two weeks and then Tania, our photographer, checks the quality.

So from the beginning of Term 2, the photographs will be available online for whaanau to use a special code to access the photos for their whaanau.

HEALTHY LUNCHBOX IDEAS

Here are some healthy lunch box options if your child chooses to bring lunch to school.



TERM 2 2023

We have an interrupted start to Term 2 again.

School is scheduled to start on Monday 24 April.

On Tuesday 25 April, we celebrate ANZAC Day.

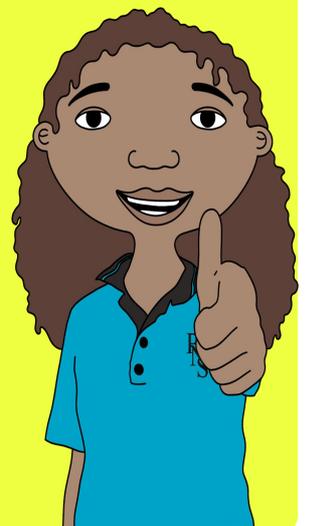
So, Pukekohe, Waiuku and Tuakau schools have decided to hold a Teacher Only Day at the Pukekohe Raceway from 8.30.a.m. - 3.00.p.m.

The combined schools will be involved in a series of workshops on the NZ Curriculum Refresh.

All schools will observe ANZAC Day On Tuesday.

ALL Primary Schools will then open for Term 2 on WEDNESDAY 26 April.

The tamariki can therefore enjoy an extra long School Holiday.



THANKYOU

We have seen a huge improvement in our students/aakonga coming to school everyday in the correct school uniform. We wish to thank all our whaanau for ensuring your tamariki have the correct school uniform. Keep up the great work.

If you need to purchase school uniform please visit The Uniform Shoppe, Glasgow Road, Pukekohe.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a large amount of lost property that has accumulated over this term. If your child is missing any items of school uniform please check the lost property which is held in the Room 11 & 12 cloak bay.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Whaanau has read before that we expect aakonga to attend at least 90% of each school term unless illness or family circumstances make this impossible.

Simply put, tamariki should have no more than 5 days away from school per term.

I was pleased to look at our attendance figures yesterday and see that nearly half of our aakonga are attending between 90-100%.

This is fantastic but it also indicates that half of the school are away from school for 6 or more days each term.

Our overall school attendance rate sits at 82%.

This is an increase of 2% from Term 4 2022 when we sat at 80% attendance.



BIRTHDAY WISHES

30/03 Thursday

Mitchell Room 01 = 12.00 yrs

Drekbyn Room 14 = 8.00 yrs

03/04 Monday

Uili Room 01 = 13.00 yrs

Maria Room 05 = 9.00 yrs

05/04 Wednesday

Lucas Room 09 = 12.00 yrs

Jayden Room 05 = 10.00 yrs

06/04 Thursday

Kellen Room 03 = 11.00 yrs

Kherington Room 06 = 8.00 yrs

Terina Room 10 = 10.00 yrs

07/04 Friday

Sarinity Room 11 = 6.00 yrs

10/04 Monday

Nano Room 04 = 10.00 yrs

11/04 Tuesday

Ranginui Room 04 = 8.00 yrs

14/04 Friday

Jaswanth Room 03 = 11.00 yrs

Shanel Room 10 = 10.00 yrs

18/04 Tuesday

Jasmine Room 10 = 10.00 yrs

Silver-Leigh Room 04 = 10.00 yrs

23/04 Sunday

Minaj Room 03 = 11.00 yrs

Malakai Room 04 = 10.00 yrs

26/04 Wednesday

David Samuel Room 12 = 6.00 yrs

WARRIORS WELLBEING PROGRAMME



UPCOMING DATES

Week 10:

Tuesday 4 April - Mobile Library visits Pukekohe North School

Wednesday 5 April = Technology Sessions at PIS for Year 7-8

Wednesday 5 April EXPO 1.45-2.40.p.m.

Thursday 6 April - Term 1 Ends at 2.40.p.m.

Friday 17 March - Good Friday

Term 2 2023

Week 1.

Monday 24 April - School Closed - Pukekohe, Tuakau, and Waiuku Schools Combined Teacher Only Day

Tuesday 25 April - School closed - ANZAC Day

Wednesday 26 April - School opens for Term 2 2023

Thursday 27 April - Election Day for the Board