

Newsletter #3 -Wednesday 27 March 2019:

Kia Ora Tatou,

The year is already racing along with our sixth week at school concluding tomorrow.

Our staff have been busy teaching the students about Mini Beasts (worms, beetles, butterflies, moths, caterpillars, centipedes etc.)

Our staff have been working with Susan McDougall from CORE Education to perfect their teaching in mathematics. They have been setting students challenging mathematics problems such as:

If 2 beetles eat four leaves per day, how many leaves will 15 beetles require?

IMoko:

IMoko have been treating students at Pukekohe North School for several years now.

Their overall aim is to ensure all children have the best start in life.

Mana Kidz First have given our kura some data about the treatments they offered in 2018.

The following interventions were treated.

49 Ear problems

27 Oral Health issues

43 skin conditions were assessed and treated

113 skin reviews were undertaken after initial treatment

6 Head lice interventions were identified through assessment

New School Leaders:

The Senior Management Team has chosen the following Year 8 Students as our School Leaders for 2019.

We congratulate the whanau of:

- * Angel Doughty
- *Sione Finau
- *Iriapa Matekino
- *Ezykewl Whetu

- *Nellie Matene-Mete
- *Jimi-Cliff Miratana
- *Madeleine McLean

Best wishes for a great year of being role models and wonderful leaders for our kura.

Smoke Free School:

A general reminder to all whanau and Caregivers that ALL New Zealand Schools are SMOKE FREE. Should you wish to have a cigarette, please do so outside of the school boundary.

Board of Trustee Elections: (REMINDER)

Have you considered standing for our Board of Trustees?

YOU DO NOT NEED ANY SPECIFIC SKILLS BUT MERELY A LOVE OF STUDENTS AND A DESIRE TO SEEM THEM ACHIEVE THEIR POTENTIALS.

In April, New Zealand Schools will all be involved in the triennial (every 3 years) elections.

Boards of Trustees are responsible for the Governance (Policies) of the school and its educational directions and local curriculum goals.

PLEASE, if this interests you, come and join our present Board at their next meeting to see what happens and how the meetings operate.

Our next hui is to be held on Monday 25 March 2019 -4.00-6.00.p.m. in the staffroom. Come and join us for all or part of the hui.

Meet the Teacher:

A reminder that we are holding our Meet the Teacher evening on Thursday 14 March.

Teachers will be in their classes from 4.00-5.30.p.m.

At 5.30 – 7.00.p.m. we have a free BBQ and Liz Tupuhi has arranged for CLM to come and provide equipment and activities for whanau and our students to enjoy.

Pukekohe Python's Club will also be in attendance to provide some drills for the tamariki.

We look forward to seeing you at school.

Early School Closure NEXT Friday:

A final reminder that Pukekohe North School will close on Friday 22 March at 1.00.p.m. and that we will be sending the students home to allow our staff time to attend Paid Union Meetings at the intermediate school at 1.30.p.m.

These hui allow Franklin Teachers (and Teachers all across all New Zealand) to consider and vote on the Government's latest Pay Offer for our Collective Agreement that ceased in June 2018!!!

School App: (Reminder)

Have you downloaded our new School App to your cell phone?

Go to the Apple Apps Store / Play Store and find **Skool Loop NZ.**

Next, look for Pukekohe North School to download the App to your cell phone.

Whanau will be able to notify us of Absentees, look at our newsletter, major school calendar events and any notices we need to publish.

The App will be so important to quickly inform whanau of last minute happenings and reminders.

Bike and Scooter Safety

As of Day 1 Term 2, students <u>MUST</u> have a helmet when riding their bikes or scooters to and from school. No helmet No Scooter / Bike

Celebrating Student Success



Junior School

Every Friday a selected group of children from the junior school get to enjoy "Golden Time". This week they made mini beast from fruit. Here is Azalea Sutton-Elmes from Room 11 with her butterfly she created. Tumeke!

Middle School

Pacific Geoduck

The Pacific Geoduck is an interesting invertebrate. Its size is much larger that a New Zealand clam. It has a protruding trunk that hangs and curves over when it is fully extended. Part of the mussel is bulging over the sides of the clam shell. It is a sweet delicacy in Japan.

By Tuhoe Edwards Room 5



Upcoming Pukekohe North School Events:

Friday 22 March - Room 3 Assembly 9.00-9.30.a.m.

Monday 25 March – KiwiCan Celebration of 12 months at Pukekohe Noth School – 5.00-6.00.p.m.

Monday 25 March – Board of Trustees Meeting in the Staffroom – 4.00 – 6.00.p.m.

Thursday 28 March – Next Newsletter due out / Boostrix (Yr7) and Dose 1 of Gardesal (Yr8)

Jim Stafford-Bush Tumuaki

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