## Newsletter # 11 -Thursday 1 August 2019:

Kia Ora Tatou, Welcome to our Term 3 2019.

We have started back in a very positive way and with a growing roll.

A huge Kia Ora is extended to our new whanau joining us this term.

We welcome you to our kura and aim to provide all of our tamariki with a great education.

We have 256 students enrolled at Pukekohe North School and are aware that we still have a known 10 New Entrants to join us by the end of the year in the Kura Rumaki alone.

The growing numbers of students increases our funding and staffing levels.

### **New Staff Members:**

We welcome x 3 Staff Members to Pukekohe North School this term and wish them all happy and successful careers with us.



#### **School Website:**

Have you visited our website recently? www.pukekohenorth.school.nz

You can view photographs of last term's activities, events and learning.

There are some wonderful pictures of our Room Environments.

Also, you can visit the site and see our upcoming events this term.

You can find our Term dates and other important school information on the website.

### **Health Promoting School:**

We have noticed students bringing Fizzy Drinks, Up and Go and fruit Juices to school.

We remind whanau that we are a WATER ONLY School (Plus Fonterra's Milk Tetra Packs)

Students are not allowed to have lollies or chewing gum at school.

Our free Breakfast Club operates daily from 7.30 - 8.30.a.m. in the hall and we provide free lunches for students as well.

Lunch orders can be made at our local dairy and these are delivered to classrooms by Senior Students by 12.50.p.m.

### **School Property Renovations:**

During the July holidays, we have had some building work completed.

All of our guttering and spouting has been replaced around the school.

At present the builders are renovating Room 8-9-10. This includes putting in new carpet, a false ceiling and painting the walls.

We hope these classrooms will be ready for our Kura Rumaki to occupy in the second half of the term. Our new BOT Introductions:

Our new Board members wanted to make themselves known to whanau and to emphasize their vision of making our kura amazing and to continue with the developments to date and to add their new thinking and perspectives.

All Board members are happy to be approached and to listen to the communities, desires, concerns and ideas moving forward for Pukekohe North School.



## **Term 3 Topics:**

We are looking forward to our topics this term that focus on Trash to Flash.

In a world being effected by Global Warming and growing piles of waste, we want our students to know about this and become Enviro Warriors!

Co-opted member Term 3 – Raemon Matene

In the final week of the term, we are putting on a Showcase of our learning –Thursday 25 September in our hall

We are inviting whanau to see their tamariki in action as each team demonstrates their learning in a show.

## Our students this term will experience the following this term:

- >Hip Hop Dance training –(Thursdays)
- >In School Soccer Training (Thursdays)
- >Netball and Cross Country -Pukekohe Competitions -Year 3-8
- >ALL children learn the recorder Yr 1-8
- >Senior Students to learn the Guitar (8 students ONLY)
- >Learning to play the ukulele (Year 1-8) x 30 students
- >Build a school choir (60 students)
- >Continuation of our Kapa Haka Teams (Juniors / Seniors)
- >The Tortoise and the Hare Production (Tuesday 20 August)
- >KiwCan Events Jam Show (Vodafone Events Centre –Thurs 19 September)

### Homework for our students Term 3:

Each night (Monday – Thursday) our students have homework.

This includes:

#### Reading

- Juniors (Year 0-2) Their reader that is sent home
- -Middles (Year 3-4) Readers / Library Books -10 minutes (Each Night)

Seniors (Year 5-6) Library Books -15-20 minutes

Intermediate School (Year 7-8) 20-30 minutes

### Spelling

Students learning their Essential Lists or Personal Spelling Lists

# **Mathematics**

Practicing Basic Facts (e.g 7 + 8 = 15 and the reverse 15 - 7 = 8 etc)

Practicing Times Tables  $(4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ and } 20 \div 5 = 4)$ 

### Trash to Flash:

Whanau might like to look into recycling at home or watch Youtube Clips on Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Reinvent.

Staff are teaching Geometry this term across our school.

This includes knowing shapes and how they have similarities and differences.

Older students will learn about using compasses and protractors.

Staff will share with our community what they are teaching and how you can help at home.

### **Celebrating Student Success**

# <u>Junior Syndicate</u>

At the end of term 2 the junior school enjoyed a shared lunch celebrating Matariki.





The Junior School loves
Golden Time on Friday
afternoons every week. This
picture shows Whaea
Annette's fruit kebab activity.
At our different activities we
are learning about sharing
and taking turns.

# Middle School Syndicate

Geometry

Our school wide math focus at PNS this term is Geometry and our tamariki are really enjoying this are so far.

Some focuses in this area are:

- Recognising and naming 2D and 3D shapes, such as cubes, cylinders and pyramids.
- Using a map to find our way.
- Making models and drawing 3D shapes.
- Deconstructing 3D boxes of cereal, tissue, crackers, teabags, toothpaste, etc, and putting them back together again.

How you can help at home:

- Encourage your tamariki to find shapes around the home
- Find their way from home to school using a map.
- Set a challenge. Can they use cardboard to make containers?
- Google some shapes to find out more about them, eg, parallelogram, rhombus, dodecahedron, trapezium, etc.

### Senior Syndicate

Room 3 have been looking at how we can hook our readers in when writing a creative piece of writing. Here are two examples of our work.

Whoah! Stop, Stop, I shouted, to the others as the ice started cracking as if a big, fat white polar bear was sitting on it. *Paige Matekino* 

It was a cold and snowy day. The ice was slippery and super hard to walk over. Kauri Pomare

### **Happy Birthdays are extended to:**

01/08 Thursday

Zhenyanar Room 01 - 13.0 Oyrs

03/08 Saturday

Miriama Room11 -6.00 yrs

04/08 Sunday

Louise Room05 9.00yrs

Catarina Room 08 -6.00 yrs

Rataro T Room 04 -10.00 yrs

05/08 Monday

Indianna-Rose Room10 11.00 yrs

07/08 Wednesday

Lucas Room12 - 6.00 yrs

08/08 Thursday

Navanah Room 14 – 7.00yrs



#### 09/08 Friday

Kazmyn Room 01 12.00 yrs

Azalea Room14 – 7.00 yrs

10/08 Saturday

Cartel Room 04 – 9.00 yrs

Hozaye Room 06 -8.00 yrs

### **Upcoming Pukekohe North School Events:**

Friday 2 August – Junior Class Assembly 9.00-9.30.a.m.

Friday 2 August – Chiropractic Edge visits school from 1.00-4.00.p.m.

Monday 5 August - Dental Van on site

Thursday 8 August - In School Soccer Coaching Yr 3-8

Tuesday 13 August – Lockdown Drill

**Thursday 15 August** -Ned's Mindset Mission – 9.00-9.45.a.m.

Thursday 15 August – In School Soccer Coaching

**Friday 16 August** – Room 10 Assembly 9.00-9.30.a.m.

Jim Stafford-Bush -Tumuaki

11/08 Sunday
Albert Room 09 – 8.00 yrs
13/08 Tuesday
Jayjay Room 06 – 8.00 yrs
Manaia Room 05 – 9.00 yrs
Corleone Room 05 – 9.00yrs
Remaness Room 10 -10.00 yrs
16/08 Friday