# **Newsletter #7- Thursday 6 May 2021:**

Kia Ora Whanau,

Welcome to term 2 2021- such as busy term ahead as our school continues to develop and grow.

# **Free and Healthy Lunches:**

At this point we are into our 4<sup>th</sup> day of free and healthy lunches.

We are still learning about student health choices and ensuring our organisation functions well

We are all aware that it will take the term for our students to be introduced to become familiar with some new menu items.

The Kai Sisterz and LaValla are continually checking the menu and what goes into waste bins to gauge student likes and dislikes.

Please continue sending 'morning tea' items and drinks to school daily with your child (ren)

## **PHOTO**

## **Water Fountains:**

These were finally installed during the school holidays and are all functioning well.

We have placed x 3 drinking fountains outside of the library and also:

\*By the adventure playground

\*Outside of Rooms 7 and 9

(Outside of Rooms 3 and 5.

This brings the number of bubblers for children to drink from up to x 11 across the school. We do encourage the students to bring their named drink bottles from home and fill them up during the day from the class or from the bottle fillers on our new fountains.

#### **PHOTO**

## **Teacher Only Day:**

Pukekohe North School will be closed on Friday 21 May whilst the teachers are involved in Mathematical Professional Development. Students are to stay home on this day.

As part of our Employment Collective Agreement, the Teachers Union negotiated x 3

Teacher Only Days per year for Staff with the Government in 2020.

This is our second Teacher Only Day for 2021 and we have another planned for Term 3.

<u>Kapa Haka Competition:</u>
Our Senior Kapa Haka Team has been practising hard for months now in preparation for the Regional Kapa Haka Competitions to be held in Auckland next week.

Our performance time is 10.00 .a.m. on Thursday 13 May 2021 at Kia Aroha College -\_51 Othello Drive Clover Park.

It is suggested that those attending arrive much earlier to ensure they are seated ahead of our performance.

The doors are shut whilst each team is on stage.

The very first performance is at 8.00.a.m.

Entry is \$5.00 per adult.

Our students, teachers and whanau are so dedicated to doing our school proud.

We wish all involved our very best wishes and successful times.

## **FREE Swimming Sessions:**

We have organised for our Year 3-4-5-6 Students to have free water safety sessions in small year groups from NEXT Tuesday and EVERY TUESDAY throughout Term 2.

Our Year 3-6 students will need to bring along their togs and towel each Tuesday starting from 11 may.

The students in groups of no more than 20 will be transported to the Pukekohe Recreation Centre for sessions with their tutors in 30 minute time slots.

This is an important part of our Wai and Kai studies in 2021 where we are working to provide students with skills and knowledge for this most important element,, water.

## **Pukekohe North School Property Updates:**

As discussed above our Water Fountains are installed and our Shade Structure foundations have been 'hardening' over the school holidays.

We will see the main beam structures be set in place over the next weeks and we are hoping to see the structure completed by the end of June.

Caretaker and Groundsman Anthony De Thierry has been removing some parts of the Senior Park during the holidays and I am hoping to organise a working bee this term to install items of our long awaited Fitness and Obstacle Course around our school. I will inform our community of a working bee date once the organisation is set.

Rooms 3-4-5-6 will have their rooves replaced next.

We are seeking tenders to have this work done as we have a number of leaks in the roof that need fixing before we commence refurbishing our classrooms.

## **Breakfast Club:**

Our wonderful PTA have taken over Breakfast Club 8.00-8.30.a.m daily from this term. If you have some time to spare and can give an hour one day a week, I know the PTA would love to hear from you.

Please have a chat to Lucy, Sarah, Nikita or ring 238-8552.

The next PTA meeting will take place on Monday 10 May from 3.00-4.00.p.m. in the meeting room at the back of the library. All welcome.

## **Carving and Te Reo Maori Courses at Pukekohe North School:**

We have partnered with Onehunga High School and XXX to provide Te Reo Maori and Carving Courses in Hope House commencing ... ) Henare to add his specifics to this newsletter

# <u>Groovit – Free Dance Sessions at Pukekohe North School:</u> (REMINDER)



Counties Manukau Sports have organised free dance sessions in our school hall starting Tuesday 4 May from 3.30.p.m. for 10-14 Year Olds.

The sessions will be held weekly for x 8 weeks.

To register your tamariki, please call



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# **Upcoming Events:**

### Week 2

Monday 10 May = Rm 5 Mindfulness Programme

Monday 10 May – 3.00.p.m. **PTA Meeting in the library** 

Tuesday 11 May = Year 3-4-5-6 Swimming Lessons at the Pukekohe Recreation Centre
Tuesday 11 May = Groovit Dance Sessions 10-14 year olds – Free in the Pukekohe North

**School Hall** 

Wednesday 12 May = Technology Sessions for Rooms 1 and 9

Thursday 13 May = Kapa Haka Team at Regional Competition at Clover Park

Friday 14 May = Kapa Haka Team at Regional Competition at Clover Park

## Week 3

Monday 17 May = Rm 5 Mindfulness Programme

Tuesday 18 May = Year 3-4-5-6 Swimming Lessons at the Pukekohe Recreation Centre

Tuesday 18 May = **Groovit Dance Sessions 10-14 year olds – Free in the Pukekohe North School Hall** 

Thursday 20 May = Pukekohe North Steering Committee hui in school library 8.30-10.00.a.m.

Thursday 20 May = **Next newsletter due** 

Friday 21 May = Pukekohe North School CLOSED for Teacher Only Day' School recommences as usual on Monday 24 May at 8.50.a.m.

Happy Birthdays are extended to the following Pukekohe North School Students:

10/05 Monday
Jayde Room 04 = 10.00 yrs
11/05 Tuesday
Hayzel Room 10 = 10.00 yrs
Peno Room 12 = 6.00 yrs
13/05 Thursday
Alofa Room 03 = 11.00 yrs
14/05 Friday
Rahui Room 05 = 9.00 yrs
15/05 Saturday
Kainuku Room 10 = 11.00 yrs
Alizayah-Rose Room 06 = 8.00 yrs
16/05 Sunday
Sonya Room 03 = 11.00 yrs
Renell Room 04 = 10.00 yrs

17/05 Monday
Kiu Room 01 = 12.00 yrs
Christina Room 04 = 9.00 yrs
18/05 Tuesday
Viliami Room 05 = 8.00 yrs
Jazzi Room 01 = 13.00 yrs
20/05 Thursday
Ngarongoa Room 06 = 8.00 yrs
21/05 Friday
Frances Room 01 = 12.00 yrs
23/05 Sunday
Wairangi Room 08 = 8.00 yrs
Montaniaa Room 06 = 8.00 yrs

Matua Jim 6.5.2021