



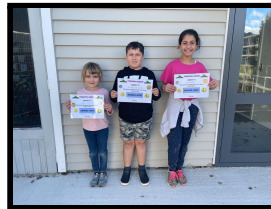
Newsletter 12 - Wednesday 18th August 2021



Kia ora, Hello, Kia orana, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Bula vanaka, Marhabaan, Salaam

We certainly have been enjoying the mild weather and longer days of late. I am appreciating arriving at school in the mornings, in the daylight! Students have been making the most of the mild weather, getting out every day and training for our upcoming school cross country in September.

Congratulations to Kahli Little from the Junior Learning Team, Braxton Arthur-Jones from the Middle Learning Team and Aya Alibrahem from the Senior Learning Team for receiving Principal Awards at Assembly on Friday. The focus for these awards had been around our very important school value of aiming high. It was really nice to hear teachers talk about how Kahli, Braxton and Aya reflect this value daily at school. Keep up the fabulous work!



Before and after school care will soon be on offer at Pine Hill School, to whānau from our school and Liberton Christian School. It is fantastic to be able to offer this service to whānau. Mana Before and After School Care will be the outside providers running this programme and it will be known as 'Pine Hill Mana'. I have heard very positive things about their programmes and we are excited to get this up and running, most likely in term four. Whānau are able to enrol their children now by going to www.manaafterschoolcare.com and clicking on the 'Click To Enrol' tab. Enrolling for specific days/times for term four will be added to the site soon, so please keep an eye on it. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Johanna Newman (manager/director) by emailing mana.afterschool.care@gmail.com or myself.

This term we have a 'healthy living' focus. This sees classes looking at a number of different ways related to keeping healthy. This includes healthy eating, wellbeing, cross country training, physical education with the Otago Institute of Sports Students and an Olympics study with having our own Mini Olympics. It has been really good to have this focus and students have been really engaged with it. Teachers have been integrating lots of these different topics across all areas of learning, which is great to see.

Thank you to everyone who came to Student Led Conferences last week. We have a few catch up interviews this week due to sickness, which means we will have had 100% attendance at these conferences. We pride ourselves on our great relationships we have with whānau, as this is key to ensuring students are doing the very best they can in their learning journey at Pine Hill School. It was really lovely to hear the positive feedback from teachers, around their student's ability to talk about their learning with their whānau.

If you have any queries around your child in regards to school, please do not hesitate to contact their classroom teacher in the first instance.

Ngā mihi nui - Melissa Ward

CARING RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY AIMING HIGH

School Notices

JUNIOR LEARNING TEAM (JLT) UPDATE

The Junior Learning Team has been working really hard over the past couple of weeks. We have been reflecting on our learning journey and have created achievable goals we would like to work towards for term 3. Tamariki loved sharing their reflections and goals with whānau at our Student Led Conferences last week. For inquiry, we have been delving into our topic of healthy living and have created our own classroom wharehau. Through this, we have explored the importance of taking care of our wellbeing, drawing upon the different sides of our whare and looking at the things we do to support this. It is great to see everyone continuing to try hard with their cross country training. Well done to Dante who received our classroom certificate at Assembly on Friday.

MIDDLE LEARNING TEAM (MLT) UPDATE

The Middle Learning Team has been busy over the last two weeks getting prepared for our Student Led Conferences that were held last week. It was time for us to have a hard think about how our learning has been going and what specific goals we want to work on for term three. We shared our reflections and goals with our whānau and Miss Hodges was so proud of our presentations. During maths time, we have been learning about transformation and decided to focus on symmetry. We created our own symmetrical self portraits to share at our student led conferences. Our whānau were blown away with how stunning and symmetrical we made them. On Thursday we had another visit from Sam and Taylor from Orokonui. Some of us got to hold one of Dunedin's largest spiders and we set up tracking tunnels around school to see what predators visit our school grounds. Congratulations to Sham who received our classroom certificate at Assembly last week for her outstanding effort with her cross country training.

SENIOR LEARNING TEAM (SLT) UPDATE

The Senior Learning Team has been reflecting on their learning over the last two weeks. Students wrote and presented fabulous presentations about their goals and learning qualities to their whānau at Student Led Conferences. There was a great sense of pride throughout the classroom as students recognised how much they have achieved since the beginning of the year. During maths, we have been exploring rotational symmetry and translation by looking at the design behind car logos. Our next step is to begin designing our own logos using both translation and rotational symmetry. Connecting to our previous Olympic learnings, we have been inquiring into what best fuels our bodies so that they perform at their peak. Well done to Bella who received our classroom certificate last week at Assembly.

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL

We have Transition to School visits for all four year olds each term at Pine Hill School. The purpose of these visits is to allow students to become familiar with the school environment, getting a taste of school life. The sessions are held over three different dates each term and the remaining dates for term three are: **Wednesday 1st September and Wednesday 22nd September.** Children are welcome to come for morning tea at 10.40am, with spending the middle block from 11am-12.30pm in the Junior Learning Team, experiencing school.

Children are invited to stay for lunch after the in class session with being collected at 1pm.

If you would like to enrol your child in this programme, please contact Amy Riley at school via email, text or phone.

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Caring

Responsibility
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SPORTS DATES

We will be holding a Mini Olympics on **Wednesday 25th August** starting at 12pm with an Opening Ceremony (postponement date **Friday 27th August**). The school cross country will be on **Tuesday 7th September** at 2pm (postponement date **Friday 10th September**).

HEAD LICE

Please check your children's hair regularly for head lice. If your child has head lice, treatment needs to be done thoroughly. There are a number of ways to do this but one of the best ways is to cover the hair in conditioner to stun the lice. You then need to comb through the hair strands carefully and pull out any eggs along with removing the live lice. The egg cases can be empty but are still really sticky and need to be pulled out by hand or fine metal comb. The live eggs are dark and live approximately 1mm from the scalp. Live lice crawl around the head. Please check your child/ren's hair. If we notice lice in a child's hair we will contact you so that you can organise treatment. **ALL** long hair **MUST** be tied up. If you would like a treatment kit, please contact us as we have these available for free.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS

There is a Board of Trustees meeting on **Monday 13th September** at 6pm at school. Public presence is welcome at our meetings and the Pine Hill School Board of Trustees would like to welcome you along.

Please contact Melissa or Kirstyn Stanaway (Board Presiding Member) if you are interested in attending.

FRIENDS OF PINE HILL SCHOOL DUNEDIN (FOTS) UPDATE

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 31st August**, 3.15pm at school. We welcome any whānau who are able to attend. Childcare is available. *Thank you, FOTS.*

EMAIL ADDRESSES

You can contact us on the following email addresses:

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WAYS TO CONTACT/FIND US!

School phone number: 03 473 9148	School cell phone number: 027 528 7198
Website: www.pinehilldunedin.school.nz	Search Pine Hill School on Facebook and give us a like!
Download the Skool Loop app from the Google Play or Apple Store on your phone and search for Pine Hill School	Seesaw - please see your child's classroom teacher for login information

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PB4L) REWARDS

Well done to the following students who have recently cashed in their reward tickets in our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) programme:



Junior Learning Team (JLT)	Middle Learning Team (MLT)	Senior Learning Team (SLT)
James L: L1 - 10min free time Kaea: L1 - 10min free time Autumn: L1 - 10min class game Priya: L1 - 10min class game	Mohammad: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Braxton: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Jett: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Sham: L1 - 10min class game Naghah: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Ruby: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Braxton: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Naghah: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Shahed: L2 - prize box Chloe: L2 - prize box Sham: L2 - prize box Faith: L3 - 30min free time with a friend	Aya: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Harlow: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Sol: L2 - 20min Ako time with a friend Aya: L4 - pizza party with two friends

REMINDERS

Wednesday 18th August Wednesday 25th August Friday 27th August Friday 27th August Tuesday 31st August Wednesday 1st September Thursday 2nd September Friday 3rd September Tuesday 7th September Wednesday 8th September Friday 10th September Friday 10th September 13th-17th September Wednesday 22nd September Friday 24th September Friday 1st October Monday 18th October Thursday 11th November 11th-12th November Monday 22nd November Thursday 16th December	<i>Year 5 and 6 football game at school vs Opoho, 12.45pm</i> <i>School Mini Olympics commencing at 12pm</i> <i>School Mini Olympics postponement date</i> <i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the hall</i> <i>Friends of Pine Hill School Dunedin meeting, 3.15pm at school</i> <i>Transition to School - all four year olds in the area</i> <i>Orokonui Ecosanctuary Trip - whole school</i> <i>Year 6 Cycle Skills Course: 9-1pm at Pine Hill School</i> <i>School Cross Country - 2pm at school</i> <i>Year 5 and 6 football game at school vs NEV School, 12.45pm</i> <i>School Cross Country postponement date</i> <i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the hall</i> <i>Polyfest Week (our performance day/time to be confirmed)</i> <i>Transition to School - all four year olds in the area</i> <i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the hall</i> <i>School holidays begin</i> <i>Term four begins</i> <i>School photos, 9am</i> <i>Senior Learning Team overnight camp at school, beginning PM</i> Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED <i>Last day of school for 2021, school closes at 12.30pm</i>
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