

# PINE HILL SCHOOL

'Reaching for the Top!'





# Newsletter 14 - Wednesday 6th September 2023



Kia ora, Hello, Kia orana, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Bula vanaka, Marhabaan, Salaam, Namaste, Kumusta, Asalaam alaikum, Hola, Welkam

We have had a lovely run of weather as of late. It has been great to see all of our tamariki outside at break times, enjoying numerous activities on our spacious school grounds.

Last week we held our school cross country. This was a fantastic event and we had an amazing day of weather for it - not a breath of wind in Pine Hill and that is rather unusual! Our tamariki ran their hearts out and we were all very proud of their efforts! The training they have been doing at school really paid off. Tamariki are still busy training on the course at school until Friday 15th September as they are wanting to get as far around New Zealand on their training maps as possible! It is really awesome to see how positive tamariki have been with their cross country training and wanting to get as many stickers on their certificates from reaching different points on the New Zealand map, as they can.

A Health Consultation has been sent out to all whānau on email or hard copy (however you get school information). This is optional to fill in and is sent out every two years. It gives you the opportunity to provide any feedback around the health programmes we deliver at Pine Hill School. The survey closes on **Friday 15th September.** 

On **Thursday 21st September**, we will be having a Folk Dance Celebration and a Kapa Haka Performance, starting at 12pm in the hall. Everyone is invited to come along to this. Classes have been busy learning two folk dances each to share with our community. Tomuri Spicer, our Kapa Haka tutor, is sadly finishing up with us at the end of this term so our Kapa Haka group will be doing a final performance under his tutelage. We are very lucky to have had Tomuri working with our group over the last two and a half years and he will be missed. We look forward to this event, sharing new learnings with everyone. Whānau are welcome to bring their own lunch and stay and have this with their tamariki at the conclusion of the event, around 12.30pm.

Ngā mihi nui, Melissa Ward Tumuaki/Principal

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# School Notices

#### PINE HILL SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

There is a board meeting on **Monday 11th September** at 6pm at school. Public presence is welcome at our meetings and the Pine Hill School Board would like to welcome you along. Please contact Melissa, or Amie Hawkins (Presiding Member) if you are interested in attending any meetings.

#### TRANSITION TO SCHOOL - FOUR YEAR OLD TAMARIKI

We have Transition to School visits for all four year old tamariki each term at Pine Hill School. The purpose of these visits is to allow tamariki 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 final date for term three is: **Wednesday 20th September.** Tamariki 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. Tamariki are invited to stay for lunch after the class session with being collected at 1pm. If you would like your tamariki to attend, please RSVP to Mrs Alvarez Farias at school.

#### BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Before and After school care is available at Pine Hill School through Te Kaha Kids. Tamariki can use this service full time, part time and on a casual basis. This service is available to whānau from our school and Liberton Christian School. Please go to <a href="https://www.tekahakids.com">www.tekahakids.com</a> to register your tamariki.

#### **TEACHER ONLY DAY**

There is a Teacher Only Day on **Friday 17th November.** Staff will be undertaking professional development around the new curriculum.

### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PB4L) REWARDS

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

Junior Learning Team (JLT)	Senior Learning Team (SLT)	Senior Learning Team (SLT)
Aurora: L1 - 10min class game Indi: L1 - 10min class game Mahi: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Tutanekai: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Mahi: L2 - prize box Zain: L2 - prize box Mila: L2 - prize box Autumn: L2 - prize box	Mia: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Kahli: L1 - 10min free time with a friend x2 Nembeka: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Lucas: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Taksh: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Kaea: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Mohammad: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Faith: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Privilege: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Ruby: L1 - 10min free time with a friend	Sham: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Luke: L1 - 10min free time with a friend x2 Sham: L1 - 10min class game Nembeka: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Braxton: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Jenna: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Jett: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Farah: L2 - prize box Kaea: L3 - 30min free time with a friend Jensen: L3 - 30min free time with a friend Grace: L3 - class ice block party Shahed: L4 - class movie and popcorn Ivy: L4 - pizza party with 2 friends

# **REMINDERS**

Friday 8th September Assembly, 2.30pm in the Hall Monday 11th September Life Education Bus visit Wednesday 20th September Transition to School - all four year old tamariki Thursday 21st September Folk Dance Celebration/Kapa Haka Performance and optional whānau picnic - 12pm Friday 22nd September Term three holidays begin @ 3pm Monday 9th October Term four begins, tamariki welcome at school from 8.30am Friday 27th October Halloween Disco at school: 5.30-7pm Friday 17th November Teacher Only Day Tuesday 12th December Final Assembly @ 11am in the hall, school finishes for the year Tuesday 30th January 2024 First day of school for 2024, tamariki welcome at school from 8.30am