



Newsletter 17 – Wednesday 13th November 2019



Kia ora, Kia orana, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Bula vanaka, Namaste, Marhabaan, Ni Hao

The weather has certainly been interesting over the last month. I have my toes and fingers crossed that consistent, warmer weather decides to head our way very soon! Last week we farewelled Bayden Dixon from the Senior Learning Team. We wish Bayden and his family all the best. We have welcomed Marcel Rewha (5) and his family into our school and we hope that they enjoy their time with us.

Congratulations to Jenna Stanaway from the Junior Learning Team and Andrew Pesa from the Senior Learning Team for being presented with Principal Awards at Assembly last week. We had been focusing on the key competency of managing self for these awards. Jenna and Andrew are certainly very deserving recipients of these awards. Well done and keep up the fantastic effort.



Miss Charlotte (Charlie) Parson has been appointed to the teaching position in the Senior Learning Team being vacated by Miss Essie Share at the end of this year. Charlie is a beginning teacher and will be a fantastic fit for our school. She is very excited about teaching at our school and we look forward to welcoming her into our school community. Charlie will be up for a visit towards the end of November.

The Board of Trustees has welcomed Hinewai Broughton onto the board to fill a general vacancy by selection. Hinewai is a great addition to our board and we look forward to working with her.

The board has confirmed the budget for 2020. One of the priority areas for funding that the board identified is the need for a second teacher in the Junior Learning Team four mornings a week starting mid term one 2020. The Junior Learning Team starts with around 23 students and is predicted to continue to grow throughout the year. I am very thankful to the board for recognising this is a priority area to fund. A teacher for this position will be appointed early term one 2020.

On Saturday 30th November, we will be having a School Open Day from 11am–1pm to showcase our fantastic school. Last week the Senior Learning Team students and some of our Board of Trustees members were out and about doing a pamphlet drop in our community to advertise our fabulous school and our Open Day. A note will be coming home in the next week as we will need student helpers for the open day.

As we approach the end of the year, we get busy with a variety of things. Please ensure you read the notices further on in the newsletter and check the dates on the back so you know what is happening when.

Ngā mihi nui– Melissa Ward

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School Notices

JUNIOR LEARNING TEAM UPDATE

Over the last three weeks, the Junior Learning Team have loved working with and being taught by our second year student teacher Miss Smith. She had to teach the class all by herself for three days and did such a wonderful job. Miss Smith taught us a cool science experiment, helped us create some description writing about our favourite animals and we made some spooky lanterns for Halloween. Sadly, we said farewell to Miss Smith and our lovely social work student Jess last week and we wished them all the best. We welcome Marcel into the Junior Learning Team who has had a great start to his schooling life!

SENIOR LEARNING TEAM UPDATE

The Senior Learning Team have enjoyed learning about healthy eating for the past couple of weeks. Each of us drew a picture of what we think a healthy plate looks like. Most of us included lots of fruits and vegetables on our plates which was pleasing to see! We had a great time with Harold on Thursday who taught us about nutrients and a balanced diet. Our camp art is finally completed and is now presented on the wall in our classroom. Miss Share is very pleased with the effort everyone put in to their art. We are looking forward to our food topic next week and can't wait to make some delicious healthy food! Sadly we farewelled Bayden last week. All the best back at Carisbrook School and thanks for being a great classmate!

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL PROGRAMME - TERM FOUR

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 dates for term four are: **Wednesday 13th November and Wednesday 27th November.**

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 Renee at school.

FRIENDS OF PINE HILL SCHOOL DUNEDIN UPDATE: ANN MILLER

The Halloween Disco was a huge success. Thank you very much to everyone that helped out. We have our Fundraising BBQ this Saturday 16th November at Countdown Central. Thanks to all those who are helping. We are now collecting three items of non-perishable food from each school family for the Christmas Raffle. Please send these to school by Wednesday 27th November. One raffle card per family will be coming home in the next week. More cards can be collected from the school office. Raffle is limited to 500 tickets, tickets are \$1 each. Thanks Ann.

DIGI TECHNOLOGIES OPEN AFTERNOON: HOME/SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

On Thursday 21st November we will be having a Digital Technologies Open Afternoon from 2.15-3pm to showcase all the fantastic learning we have been doing this year with our teachers and Rach and Anne from CORE Education. This will be our Home/School Partnership session for term four. We look forward to seeing you there and showing you all of our wonderful new learning!

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ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Well done to the following students for receiving classroom awards at Assembly:



| | Junior Learning Team | Senior Learning Team |
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| Duffy Award | Khalid Talbot | Yazan Al Hassan |
| Classroom Certificates | Braxton Arthur-Jones | Jaedyn Prasad |

PIXIE TOWN TRIP

On Tuesday 10th December we are going on a whole school trip to Pixie Town at Toitū and the Chinese Gardens. There is a cost of \$2 per student for this. Please pay this by the morning of the trip.

YEAR 6 FLYING AND LEAVERS DINNER

Year 6 flying is set for the week of 9th December and the day we go is weather dependant. The cost for this is \$75 and we are very thankful to our Friends of the School group who are subsidising \$20 per student so the cost for families to pay is \$55 per child. We also have the year 6 dinner at Filadelfios on Monday 16th December. There is a cost of \$10 per student for this.

Please ensure both of these costs are paid for before the events. Families are welcome to pay them off.

SCHOOL PICNIC AND SWIM

On Friday 13th December we are going to Moana Pool for a swim from 11-12.30pm and we will then go to the Botanical Gardens for lunch. There will be an optional fish n' chip lunch which will cost \$5 per student. An order form for lunch will come home early December. School will be paying for the swim and bus for school students. Family members are welcome to join us but will need to transport themselves to the pool/gardens and pay for their swim and optional lunch.

ENROLMENTS

If you know of or have any children that will be attending Pine Hill School in the future, please let Melissa know at school. We have a number of students on our enrolment list already for 2020 which is fantastic! Enrolment information is very helpful with planning for the immediate and distant future.

ABSENCES

Please ring/text the school office and inform us if your child is going to be absent from school for any reason. Please ensure you give us a reason for their absence when you get in touch to advise us. It is policy for us to know where students are when they are not at school.

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 | Senior Learning Team |
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| Asma Abdi: level two - prize box Stella MacGillivray: level two - prize box Amelia Ingley : level two - prize box Luke Little: level two - prize box Jenna Stanaway: level four - movie and popcorn | Quinn Morris: level one - 10min free time Bella Stefani: level two - 15min free time with a friend Zackery Still: level two - prize box Pax Talbot: level two - prize box Jaedyn Prasad: level two - 15min free time with a friend Rowan Burgess: level four - pizza party Jasper Lo Tam: level four - pizza party |

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

There is a Board of Trustee meeting on Tuesday 3rd December at 6pm in the Junior Learning Team at school. Public presence is welcome at our meeting and the Pine Hill Board of Trustees would like to welcome you along.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE – KIRSTYN STANAWAY: CHAIRPERSON

Kia ora koutou. Our last Board of Trustees meeting was Monday 4th November. From Melissa's Principal's Report, we can see that the PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) programme is going really well for our students, with lots of positive feedback around this. Our school is holding an 'Open Day' to encourage families from our community to come and see what our great school has to offer. Thank you to students and helpers for delivering pamphlets in our area to get the word out about this last week. The purpose around this Open Day is to showcase our fabulous school that has been described as a 'hidden treasure' and from this, hopefully increase enrolments for 2020. If we reach the threshold of 51 students, it would see a third classroom opened, which would be great! The year seems to be going by fast with only one board meeting left. 2020 is looking exciting with some good initiatives such as lunches in schools and the \$150 donation scheme we have opted into. Thank you to Melissa and the staff who continue to do an awesome job at the school by leading, teaching and guiding our children. Be sure to spread the good word about our school and feel free to pop by the Open Day 11am-1pm, Saturday 30 November 2019. Hope to see you there! *Thanks Kirstyn.*

REMINDERS

Wednesday 13th November

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Tuesday 19th November

Thursday 21st November

Friday 22nd November

Wednesday 27th November

Tuesday 3rd December

Friday 6th December

9th-13th December

Tuesday 10th December

Wednesday 11th December

Friday 13th December

Monday 16th December

Tuesday 17th December

Wednesday 18th December

Tuesday 4th February 2020

Transition to School visit for all four year olds

Hooked on Cricket Day, Edgar Centre: Senior Team

Dunedin Symphony Orchestra visit at school

Digital Technologies Open afternoon: 2-3.15pm

Orange Day Parade - Road Patrol Students/Miss Ward

Transition to School visit for all four year olds

Board of Trustees Meeting, 6pm at school

Last Friday Assembly for 2019, 2.30pm in the School Hall

Year Six flying week (the day is weather dependent)

Pixie Town Visit to Toitū/Chinese Gardens - whole school

School Helpers Thank You Morning Tea, 10.30am

Trip to Moana Pool and picnic lunch @ Botanic Gardens

Year Six Leavers Dinner - Filadelfios

Christmas Variety Show and Final Assembly: 11am

School closes at 12.30pm for 2019

School commences for Pine Hill School students at 9am

