



Newsletter 18 - Wednesday 19th November 2025



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

This is the second last newsletter for the 2025 school year. The end of term is approaching swiftly, with there only being 3.5 weeks of school left. This Friday we have our last Friday Assembly of the year.

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent Scholastic Book Fair. We raised just over \$1000 which meant we were able to select \$300 worth of books from the fair for our school library. A selection of non-fiction books were chosen and will be available in the library from the start of 2026.

Classroom teachers are busy finishing off end of year school reports and assessments. School reports will be sent home on **Friday December 5th** either on email or hard copy, however you get school information. Class and stationery lists for 2026 will accompany school reports.

Thank you to everyone who has sent their Christmas Hamper raffle cards back and donations for our hampers. This is very much appreciated. We could still do with some more items for the hampers, if you haven't donated already you have until **Monday 24th November** to do so. Thank you for your support with this fundraiser.

This week we farewell Jess Lynch who has been on a four week teaching placement in Junior Learning Team 1. We are very thankful to Jess for her contribution to our school during her time here and wish her all the best for her future.

Kā mihi, Melissa Ward Tumuaki/Principal

'Reaching for the Top!'
Aiming High, Respect, Responsibility

School Notices

PINE HILL SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

There is a board meeting at 6pm **Wednesday December 3rd (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.

YEAR SIX BIG DAY OUT

On **Friday December 5th**, our year 6 tamariki head off on their *'Big Day Out'* with Miss Culbert and Miss Ward (Tumuaki/Principal), to celebrate their time at Pine Hill School coming to an end. They visit Leap, swim at Moana Pool, Ten Pin Bowl at Bowline and finish their day with a yummy lunch at the Gardens. We know they will have the best time! Can all parents/caregivers please ensure this event is paid for (\$35 cash) by **Friday November 28th.**

END OF YEAR SCHOOL REPORTS, STATIONERY LISTS AND CLASS LISTS

School reports and stationery and class lists for 2026 will be sent home on hardcopy or emailed (however you get school information) on **Friday December 5th.** Please ensure you take the opportunity to talk about school reports with your tamariki. It is important to celebrate their learning journey and successes, in 2025. It is up to whānau to get stationery purchased for back to school for their tamariki. You can purchase stationery from any stationery provider. Please ensure you purchase **everything** on the lists for your tamariki as we are unable to provide extra stationery for tamariki. All stationery must be **named**.

FINAL ASSEMBLY/START OF 2026 INFORMATION

The Final Assembly where we celebrate our year 6 leavers and our end of year awards are given out, is on **Friday December 12th** at 11am in the school hall. School also finishes for the year at the conclusion of the Assembly and all tamariki must go home. In 2026, school starts on **Thursday January 29th**. Tamariki are welcome at school from 8.30am for a 9am start in class.

ENROLMENTS

We welcome new enrolments at Pine Hill School. We are not zoned, which means we are able to take enrolments from all areas. If you know of or have any tamariki that will be attending Pine Hill School in the future, please let Melissa know at school. Enrolment information is very helpful with planning for the immediate and distant future, especially as the 2025 school year is coming to a swift end! Enrolment packs can be picked up from the school office.

WAYS TO CONTACT/FIND US!

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REMINDERS

Friday November 21st Wednesday December 3rd Friday December 5th Friday December 12th Thursday January 29th 2026 Last Friday Assembly of the year, 2.20pm in the hall Board meeting, 6pm at school

Year 6 Big Day Out to celebrate their time at Pine Hill School coming to an end Last day of school for 2025, Final Assembly from 11-12pm - school finishes at 12pm First day of school for 2026, tamariki welcome at school from 8.30am