



## Newsletter 2 - Wednesday 21st February 2024



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

The weather certainly has been a bit of a mixed bag this summer! We have been making the most of the warm weather when it appears at school and it is great to see our tamariki being sunsmart when they are outside at break times. A reminder to please ensure your tamariki come to school with a water bottle each day and suitable clothing for the weather. Tamariki wear their sun hats at break times and when they are outside for physical education. We also have sunscreen available.

Thank you to all those that came to our Meet the Teacher/Orientation event last week. It was great to see so many people here and to reconnect after the holiday break. Miss McGoff and Mr Lane appreciated the large turnouts at their orientation meetings and enjoyed getting to meet many of you. They are both available to chat before and after school when needed. If you need to chat with them about something that could take a bit of time, please get in touch with them to make an appointment. Ways to contact them are further on in the newsletter.

Next **Monday, 26th February**, we look forward to meeting with you all at Goal Setting Interviews to set some goals in relation to your tamariki's school journey this year. These interviews are an important part of school and will be between your tamariki's teacher, your tamariki and yourself. If you have not booked a time, please get in touch with me at the office and I will arrange a time for you. A reminder school finishes at 12pm this day and all tamariki must go home. They then need to come back to school with you for their interview.

It is really exciting to have two futsal teams and a touch team playing in the local competitions this term. A big thanks to Miss McGoff for organising the teams and coaching the junior futsal team, and to Mr Lane for coaching the touch team and Brie Barclay for coaching the senior futsal team. We are really lucky to have teams playing across both these codes this term and it goes to show how much our sporting profile is growing.

*Ngā mihi nui,  
Melissa Ward  
Tumuaki/Principal*

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

# School Notices

### **PINE HILL SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS**

There is a board meeting on **Monday 18th March** at 6pm on Zoom. 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 OLDS

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 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 dates for term one are: **Wednesday 28th February, Wednesday 13th March** and **Wednesday 3rd April**. 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 child to attend, please RSVP to Miss Tara McGoff at school.

## ENROLMENTS

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. Enrolment packs can be picked up from the school office.

## BEFORE SCHOOL CARE

We have Before School Care available from Tuesday to Friday mornings from 7.30-8.30am. Please text the school phone or email the office to tell us if you require this service. Bookings can be taken up until the day before and the cost is \$6 per child, per hour. The earlier the notice, the better.

## WAYS TO CONTACT/FIND US!

<b>School phone number:</b> 03 473 9148	<b>School cell phone number:</b> 027 528 7198
<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.pinehilldunedin.school.nz">www.pinehilldunedin.school.nz</a>	Search <b>Pine Hill School</b> on <b>Facebook</b> and give us a like!
Download the <b>Skool Loop app</b> from the Google Play or Apple Store on your phone and search for <b>Pine Hill School</b>	

## EMAIL ADDRESSES

You can contact us on the following email addresses:

<a href="mailto:tara@pinehilldunedin.school.nz">tara@pinehilldunedin.school.nz</a> Miss Tara McGoff: Junior Learning Team Teacher	<a href="mailto:scott@pinehilldunedin.school.nz">scott@pinehilldunedin.school.nz</a> Mr Scott Lane: Senior Learning Team Teacher
<a href="mailto:principal@pinehilldunedin.school.nz">principal@pinehilldunedin.school.nz</a> Miss Melissa Ward: Principal	<a href="mailto:office@pinehilldunedin.school.nz">office@pinehilldunedin.school.nz</a> Mrs Nikola Ballard: School Secretary

## REMINDERS

Friday 23rd February	<i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the Hall</i>
Monday 26th February	<i>Goal Setting Interviews (1-7pm), school finishing at 12pm - all tamariki to go home</i>
Friday 8th March	<i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the Hall</i>
Friday 22nd March	<i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the Hall</i>
Monday 25th March	<i>Otago Anniversary Day - school <b>CLOSED</b></i>
Friday 29th March	<i>Good Friday - school <b>CLOSED</b></i>
Monday 1st April	<i>Easter Monday - school <b>CLOSED</b></i>
Tuesday 2nd April	<i>Easter Tuesday - school <b>CLOSED</b> (a school holiday)</i>
Friday 5th April	<i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the Hall</i>
Friday 12th April	<i>Term one school holidays begin</i>