



Newsletter 3 - Wednesday 8th March 2023



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

It is hard to believe we are officially halfway through term one. Time seems to be flying!

Welcome to Aurora Fishlock-Sawers who has turned 5 and joined the Junior Learning Team. We hope Aurora and her whānau enjoy their time with us. Our school roll stands at 41 tamariki.

Last week our year 5 and 6 tamariki participated in a Cricket Tournament at the Edgar Centre and had a fantastic time! Thank you to the New Zealand Cricket Players Association for organising this event and Mr Cook and Jasmine Ackroyd who accompanied our tamariki.

At the moment, I am preparing the 2023 Charter which sets the direction of our school. This will be signed off at the upcoming Board of Trustees meeting on the 22nd of March. It features goals that we will be working towards achieving as part of the 2023 Annual Plan, which will be based on our 2022 data. Last year our data sat at the following for reading, writing and maths: 48% of tamariki were well below or working towards their expected curriculum level for reading with 52% of tamariki working at their expected curriculum level or exceeding it for reading. 75% of tamariki were well below or working towards their expected curriculum level for writing with 25% of tamariki working at their expected curriculum level or exceeding it for writing. 54% of tamariki were well below or working towards their expected curriculum level for maths. 45% of tamariki were working at their expected curriculum level for maths or exceeding it. There were a number of factors that impacted achievement in 2022, with Covid and sickness having the biggest effect. The goals from our 2022 Annual Plan were not achieved, again, with one of the major contributors to this being Covid and sickness. Our data and annual goal achievement dipped in 2022 compared to previous years. We are looking forward to 2023 being a new normal after a couple of disrupted years, seeing our annual goals and overall data moving forward in a positive direction.

The first bell of the day now rings at 8.55am. The idea of this bell is to get tamariki organised and ready to go in class with their learning when the bell rings again at 9am to start the day.

A reminder that this **Friday 10th March**, school will be finishing at 12.30pm. Staff will be attending professional learning development in the afternoon on our local curriculum work.

Ngā mihi nui - Melissa Ward

School Notices

PINE HILL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

There is a board meeting on **Wednesday 22nd March** 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 of our meetings.

CARING RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY AIMING HIGH

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

After school care is up and running 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 www.tekahakids.com to register your tamariki.


AWARDS

Congratulations to the following tamariki for receiving classroom awards at Assembly last week:

	Junior Learning Team	Senior Learning Team
Principal Award	Priya Rewha	Zav Tan
Classroom Certificate	Mila Driver	Farah Alibrahem

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)
Ariana: L1 - 10min class game Mila: L1 - 10min class game Autumn: L1 - 10min class game Max: L1 - L1 - 10min class game Joseph: L1 - 10min class game James M: L1 - 10min class game x 2 Tutanekai: L1 - 10min class game x 2	 Nagham: L1 - 10min class game Zav: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Farah: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Mia: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Kaea: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Nagham: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Ruby: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Jett: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Privilege: L2 - prize box Faith: L2 - prize box Sham: L2 - prize box

REMINDERS

Friday 10th March	School FINISHING at 12.30pm
Wednesday 15th March	Transition to School - all four year olds
Friday 17th March	Assembly - 2.30pm in the school hall
Monday 20th March	Otago Anniversary Day - school CLOSED
Tuesday 21st March	Cultural Celebration for theme study, shared kai - 12.30pm @ school
Wednesday 22nd March	Board of Trustees meeting - 6pm at school
27th March - 6th April	School swimming lessons @ DNI pool for all tamariki
Wednesday 29th March	Transition to School - all four year olds (10.40-12pm due to swimming)
Thursday 6th April	Term one school holidays begin
Monday 24th April	Teacher Only Day - school CLOSED to tamariki
Tuesday 25th April	ANZAC Day - school CLOSED
Wednesday 26th April	Term two begins
Tuesday 13th December	Final Assembly @ 11am in the hall, school finishes for the year