



## Newsletter 7 - Wednesday 10th June 2020



*Kia Ora, Hello, Kia Orana, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Bula vanaka, Marhabaan, Salaam*

It is great to finally move to Level 1 of the Covid-19 Alert Level System. During our Alert Level 2 plan, we have been extremely impressed with the way all of our students have been managing themselves. We would really like to encourage you to continue dropping off and picking up your child from the designated entry/exit points so that they can continue to build on their self-management skills.

Well done to Kaea Moeke from the Junior Learning Team and Andrew Pesa from the Senior Learning Team for receiving Principal Awards at Assembly on Friday. The focus for these awards was around our school value of Aiming High. Kaea and Andrew have excelled in this value and we are really proud of them. Way to go and keep up the fabulous work.



This week we have started the Government's Free Lunches in Schools Programme. It is great to see students excited about this along with seeing them trying some food that may be new to them. We have been impressed with how appreciative our students have been to be part of this programme. This week the Otago Institute of Sports students have started their weekly physical education and fitness sessions with our students. We welcome Jayde, Izzy and Cam into our school to work with our students each Monday afternoon. Students love these lessons and it has been great to see them excited about these beginning again. Thank you very much to Bendigo who recently granted us \$3000 to purchase seven new iPads for our school. Keeping our technology up-to-date is important and these new iPads add to our current stock and are also replacing some older ones that are on their way out. We are extremely grateful to the Bendigo Foundation for their generosity. The Senior Learning Team are partnering with the University of Otago to help build a video game around healthy living. Claudia Leong and her assistant will begin working with the students this Friday around this initiative. Students are looking forward to this and will get ownership over the game, access to it when it is completed and a participation certificate. Last week I received a phone call from Paul McCardle from the NZ Bike On Charitable Trust. Our School has been granted \$5000 to purchase new bikes for our students to use at school, they are funding a bike rack to be built for the Junior Learning Team students and every student in our school will be given their own bike helmet to keep at school and use. This trust was looking for a school to work with in Dunedin and the Dunedin City Council raved about Pine Hill School and recommended us. I am thrilled to receive this grant for these amazing resources and am extremely thankful. 16 new bikes have been ordered and students are very excited about the impending arrival of the bikes, helmets and the new rack.

There have been a number of students arriving late to school recently. I am required to report continual lateness to Otago Youth Wellness who will follow up with families about ways to help get students to school on time. Please ensure your children are at school on time each day.

Ngā mihi nui - Melissa Ward

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# School Notices

## JUNIOR LEARNING TEAM UPDATE

Students have had two busy weeks at school. We have been implementing our Seesaw platform to share work and practice our writing and technology skills. We all really enjoy using this platform as it allows us to use different skills to respond to the activities set. Make sure to check out all the awesome learning that takes place using this platform! Last week, some students cashed in their PB4L tickets and the class was rewarded with a movie, popcorn, and an ice block party! We also had our first assembly as a school last week which was a great opportunity for the classes to celebrate all their achievements. Both classes shared some great artwork. The JLT shared their colourful Autumn pictures. The students did such a wonderful job with their presenting and we have uploaded some pictures onto Seesaw for you to see. **Miss Riley and Miss Hodges**

## SENIOR LEARNING TEAM UPDATE

The Senior Learning Team has had a very busy two weeks! We have been writing Autumn cinquain poems which we will be displaying in our classroom. During maths time we have been practising multiplication and division strategies. I have been very impressed by everyone's attitude towards giving new learning a go during this time. For P.E. we have had the Otago Institute of Sports students coming into school on Monday afternoons to do fitness with us and teach us large ball skills. This has been great for getting our fitness up and practising hand-eye coordination. Our topic focus has been around healthy eating. This week we explored what 'eating the rainbow' and what one serving of fruit and vegetables looks like. **Miss Parson**

## FRIENDS OF PINE HILL SCHOOL DUNEDIN

It was great to get the Easter Raffle drawn and the prizes out. We will be meeting in term three, date yet to be set. We are also looking for someone to take over the organising of the Friends of Pine Hill School group in the President role. If you are interested in this, please talk to Melissa at school. Thanks!

## SCHOOL REPORTING

Due to the disruption with Covid-19, there will be **no** written mid-year reports this year. Usually in term three we have Student Led Conferences, but this year we will be having Parent/Teacher Interviews instead. Children will **not** be present at these interviews. Please note, this change in verbal interview format is for this year only. At these interviews, teachers will be reporting to parents/guardians on their child's achievement and progress for the first half of the year. There will be a written report at the end of the school year for all students. These interviews will be held in week two of term three and booking information will be sent home in the first week of school in term three.

## ABSENCES

Please ensure you contact the office with any absences for your children. We have to know where students are when they are absent. If your child is sick for consecutive days, you must inform us of their absence each day they are away. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

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## ASSEMBLY AWARDS

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



	Junior Learning Team	Senior Learning Team
Duffy Award	Chloe Prasad	Creation Boyd-Tione
Classroom Certificates	Mazyad Al Hassan	Rowan Burgess

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

There is a Board of Trustees meeting on Tuesday 30th of June at 7.15pm via Zoom. Public presence is welcome at our meeting and the Pine Hill Board of Trustees would like to welcome you along. Please contact Melissa for the Zoom meeting code and password if you would like to attend our online meeting.

## CLASS TIME

Students are expected to be at school by 9am every day. Being at school by 8.45am or earlier (anytime after 8.30am) is ideal as this allows students to get ready for the day. Students coming in late is disruptive to the class programme and can be frustrating to teachers when they have already started the school day. Of course, we understand if there are special appointments in school time that cause students to be late to school for example dentist, optometrist, doctor. Please make appointments out of school time. Continual lateness is required to be reported to Otago Youth Wellness who will follow up with families to help them get students to school on time.

## NEWSLETTER

If you would like to go on the school newsletter email tree, please contact Nikola at the school office.



## 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 pre-enrolled already for this year which is fantastic! Enrolment information is very helpful with planning for the immediate and distant future.

## 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>	<b>Seesaw</b> - please see your child's classroom teacher for login information

## TEACHER ONLY DAY

On Friday 3rd July, there is a Teacher Only Day at Pine Hill School. **No** students are to attend and the school holidays start one day earlier for our students due to this day.

## 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
<b>Ossian Gordon:</b> level one - ten mins free time with a friend <b>Kahli Little:</b> level two - prize box <b>Nagham Al Ashour:</b> level two - prize box <b>Damian Dillion-Ross-Green:</b> level two - prize box <b>Luke Little:</b> level two - prize box <b>Ruby Dustow:</b> level two - prize box <b>Amelia Ingley:</b> level three - class ice block party <b>Revelle Rubin:</b> level three - morning tea with teachers/Miss Ward <b>Faith Miller:</b> level four - popcorn and movie with class	<b>Rowan Burgess:</b> level one - ten mins free time with a friend <b>Dylan Sudol:</b> level two - prize box  <i>Lots of the Senior Learning Team students are saving to cash in for higher level rewards! Watch out in the next newsletter as there is going to be a whole lot of cashing in of tickets in the next fortnight!</i>

## KIDSCAN

We are lucky to be a member of KidsCan New Zealand. When every child starts school they get a Warriors jacket. Some of the other things we have available include: shoes for students to keep if they need them, food for morning tea and head lice treatment. Please contact Charlie or Nikola if you require any of these optional items.



## EMAIL ADDRESSES

You can contact us on the following email addresses:

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<a href="mailto:principal@pinehilldunedin.school.nz">principal@pinehilldunedin.school.nz</a> Melissa Ward: Principal	

## REMINDERS

<b>Friday 19th June</b> <b>Tuesday 30th June</b> <b>Thursday 2nd July</b> <b>Friday 3rd July</b> <b>Friday 3rd July</b> <b>Monday 20th July</b> <b>Tuesday 28th July</b>	<i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the Hall: all welcome</i> <i>Board of Trustees meeting - 7.15pm on Zoom</i> <i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the Hall: all welcome (<b>note change of day</b>)</i> <i>Teacher Only Day - school <b>CLOSED</b> to students</i> <i>School Holidays begin</i> <i>Term 3 begins</i> <i>Parent/Teacher Interviews</i>
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