



Newsletter 7 - Wednesday 26th May 2021



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

We have certainly had a mix of weather lately with some cold days and then some warmer ones. Here's hoping for a mild winter!

Congratulations to Kaea Moeke from the Junior Learning Team, Jenna Stanaway from the Middle Learning Team and Saja Alibrahem from the Senior Learning Team for receiving Principal Awards at Assembly on Friday. Over the last two weeks, classes had been focusing on our school value of caring. It was really nice to hear how Kaea, Jenna and Saja reflect this school value. Well done to you all for receiving these awards and keep up the fantastic work.



It is fabulous to be raising our sporting profile here at Pine Hill School. Last week our Senior Learning Team participated in the Metro Rippa Rugby Tournament and had a fantastic day. They came away with three losses but really enjoyed the day and represented our school very well. This Friday we have all of our year 4-6 students participating in a Skills and Drills sports morning at the Edgar Centre. This is where they move around different sports for taster sessions. We also have a netball team playing in the winter netball competition and three of our senior students are joining in with Opoho School to play netball. Thank you to Kirstyn Stanaway who is coaching our school netball team. Good luck to everybody playing netball this season.

The Pine Hill School Board of Trustees welcomes Tala Pesa onto the board. Tala has filled the general vacancy by selection, that we recently had. Hinewai Broughton has resigned her seat and on behalf of the board, I would like to thank Hinewai for all she has done while being a member.

Our Student Council has been established. Congratulations to Kahli Little, Zav Tan, Luke Little, Jensen Pesa, Fadia Matar and Bella Stefani for being voted onto the council by their peers. I look forward to working with the council around all things school!

A reminder we have a Teacher Only Day coming up on **Tuesday 8th June**. Teachers will be undertaking professional learning development around writing as part of the professional learning development contract we are in with CORE Education. Students will have Monday and Tuesday off this week as **Monday 7th June** is Queen's Birthday.

Thank you very much to St Vincent De Paul who have donated some brand new winter clothing items for our families. There are still some items left if anyone would like to come and check out what is available.

Ngā mihi nui
Melissa Ward

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School Notices

JUNIOR LEARNING TEAM (JLT) UPDATE

The Junior Learning Team has had two busy weeks at school! We have had Constable Emily join our classroom to teach us about Kia Kaha. We have learnt a lot about ourselves and have gained a lot of new strategies to help us become strong and brave individuals. For writing, we have started to explore creative writing and are learning how to describe characters that are in a text. We are beginning to create our own character and are reflecting on the different qualities we may want them to have. We have also introduced a new reading 'must do' task that allows students to do some of their own creative writing! Remember to check out Seesaw to see all of the amazing learning your child has been doing! Congratulations to James L who received the classroom award at Assembly last week.

MIDDLE LEARNING TEAM (MLT) UPDATE

The Middle Learning Team has had another busy few weeks, with lots of fantastic learning happening. Constable Emily visited our class to teach us about Kia Kaha. She taught us how to be strong and look after ourselves. We have also been learning about what a council is and what it means to be on a council. We are starting our very own Pine Hill School Council which is super exciting. The MLT students all wrote a speech about why they wanted to be on our school council and presented these to the class. The class then voted on who they thought should be our class representatives. It was an extremely hard decision because everyone blew Miss Hodges away but... congratulations to Luke and Jensen who have been elected our class council members. Well done to Sham who received our classroom award at Assembly last week.

SENIOR LEARNING TEAM (SLT) UPDATE

The Senior Learning Team has been working like a well oiled machine over the past two weeks. Students will appreciate this simile as we have been writing our own this week! Students are becoming increasingly independent and are organising their must do/can do activities over the course of a week rather than on a daily basis. This involves a lot more self-management and develops time-management and organisational skills. During Maths, SLT students are developing concepts of measurement while designing their ideal tent. They are becoming competitive with their multiplication and division facts and are learning to use these facts to solve more complex problems. Congratulations to Sol who received the classroom certificate at Assembly last week.

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL

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 two are: **Wednesday 16th June and Wednesday 30th June.** 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 Amy at school via email, text or phone.

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DENTAL APPOINTMENTS

Students go to the Dental School on Mondays. Appointment dates/times get sent out to families from the Dental School and students are picked up by the shuttle at 8.45am for their appointments. If your child has an appointment, please make sure they are at school on time for the shuttle. Please ensure any forms that are required for your child are filled out and returned to school so they can go with your child for their appointment. If your child has **not** had a dental appointment since being enrolled at Pine Hill School, please contact us so we can let them know.

SCHOOL SWIMMING - WEEK 2

Week two of school swimming will be held from Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June at Dunedin North Intermediate Pool with Jill Clarke Swim School. Students need to come with their togs, towels and goggles (if they have these) every day during this week. Lunch will be from 12-1pm and we will be leaving for swimming at 1.15pm. Swimming will be from 1.30-2.45pm. Usually we do two weeks of swimming early in term one but the second week was postponed this year due to moving back into level 2 of the Covid-19 Alert Level System. There is no cost for families for school swimming lessons.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

There is a Board of Trustees meeting on **Monday 21st June** at 7.15pm on Zoom. Public presence is welcome at our meeting and the Pine Hill Board of Trustees would like to welcome you along. Please contact Melissa or Kirstyn Stanaway (Board Presiding Member) if you are interested in attending.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES CASUAL VACANCY FOR ELECTED TRUSTEE

A casual vacancy has occurred on the Pine Hill School Board of Trustees for an elected parent representative.

The board has resolved to fill the vacancy by selection. If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held. Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the board to hold a by-election should write to:

Chairperson

Pine Hill School Board of Trustees

11 Hislop Street

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by 5pm Tuesday 22nd June 2021

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WAYS TO CONTACT/FIND US!

School phone number: 03 473 9148	School cell phone number: 027 528 7198
Website: www.pinehilldunedin.school.nz	Search Pine Hill School on Facebook and give us a like!
Download the Skool Loop app from the Google Play or Apple Store on your phone and search for Pine Hill School	Seesaw - please see your child's classroom teacher for login information

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 (JLT)	Middle Learning Team (MLT)	Senior Learning Team (SLT)
Max: L1 - 10min free time Olivia: L1 - 10min class game James L: L2 - prize box Marcel: L2 - prize box Zav: L2 - prize box Kahū: L3 - class ice block party Dante: L3 - 30min free time with a friend	Mazyad: L1 - 10min free time with a friend Ossian: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Jensen: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Chloe: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Braxton: L2 - 20min free time with a friend Ruby: L2 - prize box Sham: L2 - prize box Jenna: L4 - class baking activity	Aya: L1 - 10min class game Saja: L2 - prize box Fadia: L2 - prize box Harlow: L2 - prize box Ryley: L4 - movie and popcorn

REMINDERS

Friday 28th May Monday 31st May 31st May-4th June Wednesday 2nd June Friday 4th June Monday 7th June Tuesday 8th June Wednesday 9th June Wednesday 9th June Wednesday 16th June Wednesday 16th June Friday 18th June Monday 21st June Wednesday 23rd June Wednesday 30th June Wednesday 30th June Friday 2nd July Wednesday 7th July Wednesday 7th July Friday 9th July Monday 26th July Monday 22nd November	<i>Year 4-6 Skills and Drills Session: 9.00-12.45pm Edgar Centre</i> <i>Young Leaders Day: Bella, Fadia and Mrs Astley from SLT</i> <i>Week 2 of school swimming lessons - DNI Pool: 1.15-2.45pm</i> <i>Otago Institute of Sport Sessions - all classes: 1.30-3pm</i> NO Assembly Queen's Birthday - SCHOOL CLOSED Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED <i>Trip to Toitū Museum for Inquiry</i> <i>Otago Institute of Sport Sessions - all classes: 1.30-3pm</i> <i>Transition to School - all four year olds in the area</i> <i>Otago Institute of Sport Sessions - all classes: 1.30-3pm</i> <i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the hall</i> <i>Board of Trustees Meeting, 7.15pm on the Zoom platform</i> <i>Otago Institute of Sport Sessions - all classes: 1.30-3pm</i> <i>Transition to School - all four year olds in the area</i> <i>Otago Institute of Sport Sessions - all classes: 1.30-3pm</i> <i>Assembly, 2.30pm in the hall</i> <i>Otago Institute of Sport Sessions - all classes: 1.30-3pm</i> <i>Mid year student reports sent home</i> <i>School holidays begin</i> <i>Term three begins</i> Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
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