



## Newsletter 8 - Wednesday 24th June 2020



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

We have certainly been experiencing some cold chilly mornings, however it has been nice to see the sun afterwards. If the start of school is delayed or school is closed for any reason at all, you will be informed via text, email, Skool Loop and there will be a notification on the school Facebook Page. If you do not hear anything from us, school is open as usual.

Congratulations to Jett Wilson from the Junior Learning Team and Fadia Matar from the Senior Learning Team for receiving Principal Awards at Assembly on Friday. During the two weeks leading up to Assembly, we had been focusing on our school value of caring. Jett and Fadia are very caring students and it was lovely to hear this reiterated from their classroom teachers at Assembly. Keep up the wonderful work.



We have now been in the Government's Lunches in Schools Programme for just over two weeks. It has been impressive to see our students being really positive about the lunches, trying a variety of new foods. I have been providing Kaan's our lunch providers with feedback as they are keen to hear what is working well and what is not. We can all appreciate that this is a very new thing for our students and the catering company but so far we are very pleased with everyone's efforts with this programme. It has also been great to hear lots of positive feedback from parents about the Lunches in Schools. We are extremely lucky and grateful to be one of eight schools in Dunedin in this pilot programme until the end of 2021.

It is really exciting to see our school roll growing. By the end of the term we will have 46 students with a few more that we know of to come in as the year progresses. To get funding for a third classroom we need to have 51 students. There are lots of amazing things happening at Pine Hill School and we know that it really is a wonderful school; the hidden treasure on Pine Hill! If you know of any families in the area who have children due to start school, please encourage them to come and visit us so we can show them what we are all about. People do not need to make an appointment, they are welcome to pop in at any time.

This week we have had Rach McNamara from CORE Education in school working with students around digital technologies. Teaching staff have been undertaking professional development with Rach since March and have really valued the new learnings undertaken. Rach's visit focussed around helping teaching staff put into practice some of the things they have been learning about during their professional development. It was another great session with our students and we always value Rach's input when she visits our school.

As this is the last newsletter before the holidays, we hope you have a relaxing and safe break with your family. A reminder school finishes at 3pm on Thursday 2nd July due to a scheduled Teacher Only Day on Friday 3rd July. We look forward to seeing everyone back and ready to go for the second to last school term of 2020.

Ngā mihi nui - Melissa Ward

**RESPECT**  
**CARING**

**RESPONSIBILITY**  
**AIMING HIGH**

# School Notices

## JUNIOR LEARNING TEAM UPDATE

The Junior Learning Team has been thriving and working very hard over the last two weeks. We are very excited to have Marcel back in the JLT again. Marcel started at Pine Hill School in term four last year. Welcome back Marcel! We have been focusing on our school values to ensure that everyone is displaying these on a daily basis. This has meant we have had lots of well deserving students cashing in their PB4L tickets. We really enjoyed having a normal assembly last Friday and it was so nice to see our families in the audience. We loved performing our song and dance called 'One Day a Taniwha' because we had been practicing all week. Yesterday some of the Year 3 students got to work with Rach from CORE Education. We had so much fun and can't wait to teach these activities to the rest of the class. **Miss Riley and Miss Hodges**

## SENIOR LEARNING TEAM UPDATE

The Senior Learning Team has been very busy for the past two weeks. I am very proud of the work the tamariki have been producing and their 'can do' attitude towards new learning, especially during writing time where we are learning to write a persuasive piece of writing. The SLT students thoroughly enjoyed working through a variety of unplugged and plugged technology activities with Rach from CORE Education on Monday, which we will be implementing during future Ako Time sessions. It was wonderful to see all the SLT students cashing in for our PB4L rewards this week. Most students were very patient and saved up 75 tickets to cash in for the level four rewards. Ka pai SLT students! **Miss Parson**

## FRIENDS OF PINE HILL SCHOOL DUNEDIN

The first meeting for the Friends of the School group will be on Tuesday 4th August at 3.15pm at school. The fundraising BBQ has been rescheduled for Saturday 5th September at Mitre 10 Mega. We will need lots of help at this BBQ and this meeting will be dedicated to getting this fundraising event sorted. We look forward to seeing lots of people at the meeting on the 4th. 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 on **Wednesday 29th July**. Booking information will come home in the first week of term three.

## KEEPING OURSELVES SAFE

Early next term, students and teachers will be taking part in the Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme with Constable Emily Plew. There is an optional parent/guardian meeting to hear about this programme on **Wednesday 1st July at 3.15pm** at school.

Respect  
Caring

Responsibility  
Aiming High

## ASSEMBLY AWARDS

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



	Junior Learning Team	Senior Learning Team
Duffy Award	Faith Miller	Yazan Al Hassan
Classroom Certificates	Ruby Dustow	Dylan Sudol

## 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.

## 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 dates for term three are: **Wednesday 19th August, Wednesday 2nd September and Wednesday 16th September**. 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 or Renee at school via email, text or phone.

## 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.

## DUNEDIN NORTH INTERMEDIATE OPEN NIGHT

On Thursday 23 July at 5.30pm we'll be holding our annual Open Night. This is a chance to come and have a look around, meet our people and learn more about what we're all about. Printed information will come home with year six children in the last week of term. We look forward to meeting you and your tamariki. **Heidi Hayward - Principal**

## WATER BOTTLES

Please ensure children come to school with a water bottle each day.

## 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



## 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>Chloe Prasad:</b> level two - prize box <b>Mazyad Al Hassan:</b> level three - 30mins free time with a friend <b>Mohammad Zarzar:</b> level three - 30mins free time with a friend <b>Dante Lynch:</b> level three - class ice block party <b>Sterling Rubin:</b> level four - pizza party with two friends <b>Sham Alibrahem:</b> level four - pizza party with two friends <b>Asma Abdi:</b> level four - pizza party with two friends <b>Zav Tan:</b> level four - class PJ and hot chocolate party <b>Sophia Fangupo:</b> level four - class PJ and hot chocolate party <b>Jett Wilson:</b> level four - hot chip party with two friends <b>Shahed Alibrahem:</b> level four - class movie and popcorn	<b>Andrew Pesa:</b> level two - 20mins free time with a friend <b>Clichē Boyd-Tione:</b> level three - 30mins free time with a friend <b>Ryley Prasad:</b> level three - 30mins free time with a friend <b>Zackery Still:</b> level three - 30mins free time with a friend <b>Jasper Lo Tam:</b> level four - hot chip party with two friends <b>Yazan Al Hassan:</b> level four - hot chip party with two friends <b>Fadia Matar:</b> level four - hot chip party with two friends <b>Aaliyah Rouvi-Pompey:</b> level four - pizza party with two friends <b>Yazan Al Hassan:</b> level four - pizza party with two friends <b>Bella Stefani:</b> level four - class movie and popcorn <b>Creation Boyd-Tione:</b> level four - class movie and popcorn <b>Aya Alibrahem:</b> level four - class PJ and hot chocolate party

## 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>Tuesday 30th June</b> <b>Wednesday 1st July</b> <b>Thursday 2nd July</b> <b>Friday 3rd July</b> <b>Friday 3rd July</b> <b>Monday 20th July</b> <b>Thursday 23rd July</b> <b>Wednesday 29th July</b>	<i>Board of Trustees meeting - 7.15pm on Zoom</i> <i>Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent/Guardian Meeting, 3.15pm @ school</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>Dunedin North Intermediate (DNI) Open Night</i> <i>Parent/Teacher Interviews - change of original date. (<b>School closing at 12.30pm</b>).</i>
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