



Pukekohe North School

"Setting our aakonga on the path of lifelong learning"



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Tumuaki Talk

Kia Ora Whaanau,

We are completing Week 3 of Term 2 already and I feel the year is flying away especially when we consider in 2 weeks' time, we are half way through 2022!

Term 1 2022 Assessments:

Kaimahi/staff presented the Term 1 Curriculum data to the Commissioner Dr Shane Edwards and it was as poor as expected after the amount of time COVID has robbed from classrooms and the all too important aakonga/student time kanohi te te kanohi with kaiako/teachers.

Overall, our school wide data indicated that aakonga/students were achieving At or Above their Year Level Expectation:

Pukekohe North School Term one 2022 data summary	
Kura Auraki	
READING expectation for 2022: 46% reading AT or ABOVE expectation.	39% of aakonga/students are currently AT or ABOVE expectation.
WRITING expectation for 2022: 49% AT or ABOVE expectation.	27% of aakonga/students are currently AT or ABOVE expectation.
MATHS expectation for 2022: 48% AT or ABOVE expectation.	21% of aakonga/students are currently AT or ABOVE expectation.
Kura Rumaki	
PAANUI expectation for 2022: 46% AT or ABOVE expectation.	32% of aakonga/students are currently AT or ABOVE expectation.
TUHITUHI expectation for 2022: 49% AT or ABOVE expectation.	28.5% of aakonga/students are currently AT or ABOVE expectation.
PAANGARAU expectation for 2022: 48% AT or ABOVE expectation.	23% of aakonga/students are currently AT or ABOVE expectation.

Upcoming Events: Term 1 2022

Week 4

Wednesday 25 May: Kura Rumaki Kaimahi/staff working with Tania Tawhi PLD

Thursday 26 May: Hemoata Flavell working on School Health and Physical Education Plan with Tracey-Lee Dalton from Healthy Active Learners

Friday 26 May: Stephanie Service and Hemoata Flavell attending PE Professional Development

Week 5

Monday 30 May: Room 3 and 4 Tree Planting with The Auckland Council

Tuesday 31 May: Year 3-4 Franklin Football Competition
Wednesday 1 June : Year 5-6 Franklin Football Competition
Wednesday 1 June : Year 7-8 Technology at PIS

Thursday 2 June : Year 7-8 Franklin Football Competition
Thursday 2 June : Maori Medium Educational Pathway Community hui – 6.00.p.m. in the school hall

Thursday 2 June: Next Newsletter due

Thursday 2 June : Tracey-Lee Dalton and Hemoata Flavell continue work on our Health and PE Education Plan.

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Pukekohe North School data improvement plan

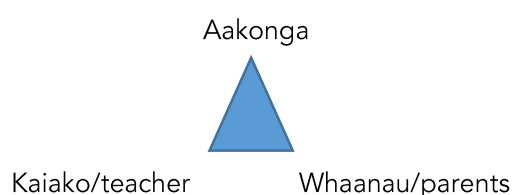
- Attendance improvement. Aakonga/students need to be at school to learn.
- Develop educationally powerful connections with whaanau.
- In-class observations of kaiako/teachers will have clear next steps.
- Individual learning goals set with aakonga/students and shared with whaanau.
- Targeted kaimahi/staff professional development.
- Ensure kaiako/teachers teach high quality paanui/reading, tuhituhi/writing and paangarau/maths lessons daily.
- Consistent and regular tracking of aakonga/student progress.
- Ongoing and effective professional learning conversations amongst kaimahi/staff.
- Kaiako/teachers have a clear understanding of administering assessments to inform teaching practice.
- Regular moderation taking place across reading/paanui, writing/tuhituhi and maths/paangarau.
- Specific interventions to accelerate learning for aakonga/students at risk of underachieving.

Unfortunately, school results across Tamaki Makarau/ Auckland schools paint a similar picture.

It is our Strategic aim to ensure we have at least a 5% shift in achievement by November 2022.

Whaanau/ Parent Involvement:

We need your involvement! As I have stated in past correspondence, it's a three-way approach, like a triangle!



The aakonga/student at the apex of the triangle supported at the base by the home and the school.

Our kaimahi/staff are expected to have at least two learning conversations with you about your tamariki's learning per term.

Basically once every 5 weeks to discuss gains made and where to next.

We need your support.

Keep in touch with the kaiako/teacher.

Pop in and to have a chat, send a text, note or email.

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School Values

Be Responsible
Rangatiratanga

Be Respectful
Whakaaute Mai

Be Confident
Mauri Tu

Be Safe
Haumarutia



Give the kaiako/teacher a call. Find out what kaimahi/staff are teaching and how you might be able to help at home. The important thing though is ATTENDANCE.

Our tamariki must be at school every day and working with kaimahi/staff to progress.

I have expressed in newsletters in the past that a 90% attendance rate is critical for our aakonga/students to grow academically and show continued improvement.

In other words, our tamariki should not be away from school more than 4-5 days per term!

Professional Development:

Our kaimahi/staff are involved in regular professional development to increase their knowledge in curriculum and to build new skills, strategies and techniques to improve the quality of teaching and learning at Pukekohe North School.

This week we have mathematics facilitators in school observing and providing feedback to kaiako/teacher programmes.

Last week, we had kaimahi/staff joining other mathematics teachers across Pukekohe for further professional development.

Senior Leaders are working with School Achievement Facilitators to raise reading levels within school.

Kaimahi/staff are reviewing our assessment resources to decide which best meet our needs to discover gaps in learning and provide guidance to the next pathway in learning for aakonga/students.

Kaimahi/staff are working hard to bring about the changes in achievement we all are aiming at.

Ngati Tamaoho PATH:

In our last newsletter, I informed the community that our kaimahi/staff had received a presentation form the Ngati Tamaoho Association unpacking their 2022-2024 Educational Pathway for our kaimahi/staff.

A copy of their PATH is available for viewing at our kura/school should you wish to read through the plan.

- Hitori /History
- Te Reo Maori me ona Tikanga
- Toi Maori
- Tamaoho Haerenga
- Pakiwaitara

Happy Birthday

23/05 Monday

Montaniaa Room 05 = 9yrs

Wairangi Room 08 = 9 yrs

25/05 Wednesday

Zarius Room 12 = 6yrs

Manu Room 08 = 9yrs

Love Room 01 = 12yrs

26/05 Thursday

Grant Room 04 = 10yrs



27/05 Friday

Chloe Room 01 12yrs

28/05 Saturday

Kaleb Room 10 = 11yrs

29/05 Sunday

Moana Room 12 = 6yrs

03/06 Friday

Leeroy Room 14 = 6yrs

04/06 Saturday

Kruvaiye Room 08 = 8 yrs



Takaro Hauora

Surinder Edwards has made a great start with Takaro Hauora and all tamariki have set class times to work with her during the week.

Although 'FUN' is the focus, Surinder is also building skills in football with our tamariki at present in readiness for a Franklin Football Competition in two weeks time.

To aid this development, you might have seen that Surinder used her wonderful contacts to provide two new Football goals for our kura/school.

Thank yous are extended to Dean Ihaia (DMI Plumbing) Pukekohe Football Club for supplying the goals and Curly's Salvage from Buckland for delivering them to site. We so appreciate the help we are receiving from the wider Pukekohe Community to provide great resources for our tamariki.

Surinder and I attended a training day with the other four schools involved in Takaro Hauora last week.

Those schools are Southern Cross Campus, Papatoetoe North School, Wymondley Road and Kingsford School.

The facilitators shared the following website as useful for finding great games for the whaanau to be involved in. <https://sparklers.org.nz/>

Mana Health:

Nurse, Kathryn Chapman (nee Moka0 is in school every Monday to assist any aakonga/student that has any wounds or is feeling unwell. She has 6 years' experience with Youth Health.

Kathryn is making her way through the whole kura/school to swab throats in search of in particular rheumatic fever and Strep A.

If you do NOT wish your tamariki to be seen by Kathryn, please complete the Opt Out form included with this newsletter.

Pink Shirt and Hydration Day:

We have a wonderful Friday ahead of us. Tomorrow, we are asking the aakonga/students to wear PINK in support of Standing Together to stop Bullying. The tamariki will be involved in activities during the day. You can visit the website: <https://www.pinkshirtday.org.nz/>

Also we thank Bunnings for providing free drink bottles to our aakonga/students last week.

We will hold a Hydration Day tomorrow in conjunction with Pink Shirt Day. There are colouring competitions and activities but the main aim is to be involved and drink water to re-hydrate! Tamariki need to have their named Drink Bottles at kura/school during the day



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