



Pukekohe North School Newsletter

"Setting our akonga on the path of lifelong learning"

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TUMUAKI TALKS

Kia Ora Whaanau,

Welcome back to Term 2 2023.

The exciting news is that we will be able to name the members of the Pukekohe North School Board from Wednesday 3 May, once the postal votes are counted.

The newly selected Board will meet on Thursday 4 May and advertise their regular meeting dates and times.

After some 19 months under the governance of a Commissioner, we will return to Board Governance at that time.

Our present Commissioner, James Thomas will remain as a guide to the new Board through Term 3.

We will post the Election Results on our website and on FaceBook in one week's time.

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SWIMMING LESSONS YEARS 3-6

We have organised for our Years 3-4-5-6 to have swimming lessons this term commencing on 9 May and this continues through to 13 June 2023. This is a weekly session held each Tuesday for Rooms 3-4-5-6-8-10 and 14.

Aakonga need to bring their togs and a towel for the eight weeks.

SCHOOL LEADERS 2023

We were delighted to announce our School Leaders at our final assembly of Term 1 2023.

As a first for our kura, 9 School Leaders and 5 Deputy School leaders received their badges.

Our staff met mid-term 1 and decided upon our leaders. After discussion, it was decided to reward a further five Year 8 students who had shown leadership skills and initiative since returning to school.

We, therefore, applaud the following aakonga and their whaanau.

Navarah Almond, was acknowledged as a school leader at this presentation.

Navarah would have been a definite selection as a school leader in 2023 and we were pleased to present her badge to her sister Kyani Almond who accepted the badge in her honour.

Congratulations are extended to:

Uili Taulafo, Kainuku Nikara, Leo De Thierry Toia, Johnson Kohai Lawson, Louise Kiri, Remedy Hiku, Chloe McCartney, Love Ioane.

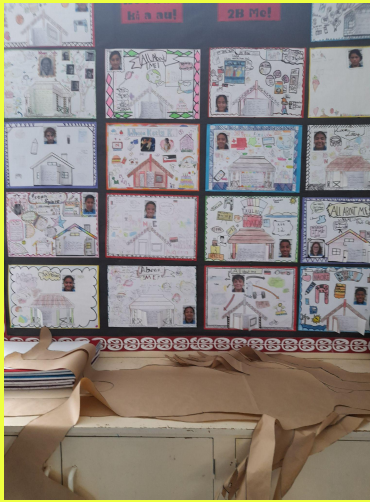
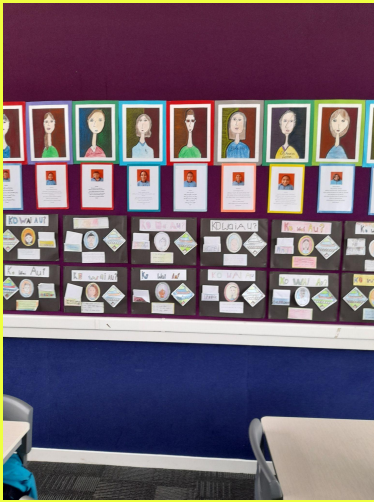
Deputy School Leaders:

Nesian Holmes, Mitchell Marsden-Matenga Wawatia, Paea Aholeleo, Stevie Tanoa Kaivavanga, Karakia Pairama Astle.



SCHOOL EXPO

We conclude each term with an open afternoon where classrooms rotate around the school and view the work that each class has been involved in within the past term. Here is a snapshot of some of the class displays for Term 1 2023.



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS TERM?

- Weeks 2-5 -Basketball Training for Years 3-6 -(Monday and Friday)-x 4 Weeks
- Week 4 -Football Competitions for yrs 3-4, Yrs 5-6, Yrs 7-8
- Week 5 - Wheels Day -Friday 26 May (Thanks Rocco)
- Week 6 -Rugby Training (Week 6-9) and Swimming Sessions (Week 6 -
- Week 7 - King's Birthday Holiday (Monday 5 June)
- Week 8 - Franklin Rugby Competition
- Week 9 - Report Forms sent home (Wednesday 21 June)
- Week 10 -Parent Interviews - Wednesday 28 June -3.00-7.30.p.m.) AND Thursday 29 June 1.00-4.00.p.m.)
- Term 2 ends Friday 30 June at 2.40.p.m.
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INCREDIBLE YEARS PROGRAMME

(REMINDER)

Pukekohe North School has been offered a six-week course on parenting to be held in Hope House at school.

Incredible Years is a Parenting Programme for all parents/caregivers with children aged 3-8 years. It comes highly recommended by the Ministry of Education.

The Programme will commence in the first week of Term 2 and runs twice a week on a Monday and a Wednesday from 9.30.a.m. - 12.00.p.m.

Application forms are available from Nicky Twiss.

WELCOME

We are so happy to introduce Kaylum Davis to our staff. Kaylum joins the Senior Team as a Teacher Aide in particular working with Rooms 4 and 5.



ATTENDANCE AT PUKEKOHE NORTH SCHOOL

In the past 18 months, we have raised our attendance rate from 60% to 82%! This is fantastic and vitally important as we aim at raising achievement levels across our school.

Each Term, we reward students who have attended at 90% or above each term.

At our final assembly, if I was to adhere to this figure, I would have handed out 140 certificates and prizes!!!

I, therefore, restricted presentations to our tamariki who had attended 99-100% of Term 1 2023. This culminated in over 40 certificates being presented.

Should your tamariki need to have 3 or more days away from school, teachers will expect a medical note to be provided on the aakonga attendance back at school.



BIRTHDAY WISHES

23/04 Sunday

Minaj Room 03 = 11.00 yrs

Malakai Room 04 = 10.00 yrs

26/04 Wednesday

David Samuel Room 12 = 6.00 yrs

30/04 Sunday

Akira Room 11 = 6.00 yrs

Lulu Room 05 = 9.00 yrs

02/05 Tuesday

Malakai Room 04 = 8.00 yrs

04/05 Thursday

Aliana Room 06 = 8.00 yrs

Legend Room 01 - 11,00 yrs

06/05 Saturday

Toakase Room 04 = 9.00 yrs

Nadiah Room 06 = 8.00 yrs

08/05 Monday

Denzell Room 03 = 11.00 yrs

11/05 Thursday

Jeremiah Room 04 = 11.00 yrs

Peno Room 14 = 8.00 yrs

31 Year 7-8 aakonga from Rooms 1,3 and 9 spent the second week of the school holidays at Awhitu Camp.

The tamariki were involved in Literacy and Mathematical activities, Problem-Solving Activities, Team Building as well as having some down times and fun activities including night time games.

The Camp focused on building independence and skills in our senior students.

The tamariki were supervised by Whaea Surinder, Whaea Charlotte, Matua Willie, Matua Derrian, Matua Kaylum with visits from Whaea Sally, Whaea Pikiteora and Whaea Rebecca and whaanau on Wednesday. Our students were lucky enough to be supported through the camp through the attendance of great educators and sports people such as writer David Riley, and weightlifter David Liti and his coach.



UPCOMING DATES FOR TERM 2 2023

Week 1.

Thursday 27 April - Election Day for the Board Voting Closes at 12pm

Week 2.

Monday 1 May - Basketball Training underway Yr 3-6

Wednesday 3 May - Rooms 1 and 9 Technology Sessions at PIS.

Thursday 4 May -Pukekohe North Board takes office

Friday 5 May - Achievement Assembly in the hall from 9.00.a.m.-Room 14 and Room 6 are our hosts

Week 3.

Thursday 11 May - Next newsletter sent home

Saturday 13 May -Puni School Multi-Cultural Festival tomorrow at the Indian Hall -From 1.00.p.m.