

Pukekohe North School Newsletter

Thursday 31st August 2023:

Kia Ora Whaanau,

Our school roll is increasing by a student per day at present and some of our classrooms contain well over 30 aakonga.

As a consequence, we are seeking another Year 1 Teacher at present and we are moving all of our Year 7 aakonga to Room 1 and moving newly arrived students in Years 5-6 to Room 3 to reduce these numbers.

I am sending home a letter to inform whaanau whose tamariki are effected by this today.

We seek ways in which we can keep whaanau informed of school developments and business.

In our last newsletter, I suggested whaanau down our Student Management System App as we will begin to push messages out in the next fortnight using that means as well as our newsletter and of course our website www.pukekohenorth.school.nz

We also use Facebook to send out messages to the wider Pukekohe North Community.

Please download the HERO App as this will become important to whaanau in term 4 when we will begin to offer access to the aakonga's learning and day-by-day activities at school.

(Using Play Store or The App Store, search under Educational for HERO and then download the App onto your phone.)

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Policies for Review:

On a regular basis, we place our School Policies on our website for whaanau / community comments.

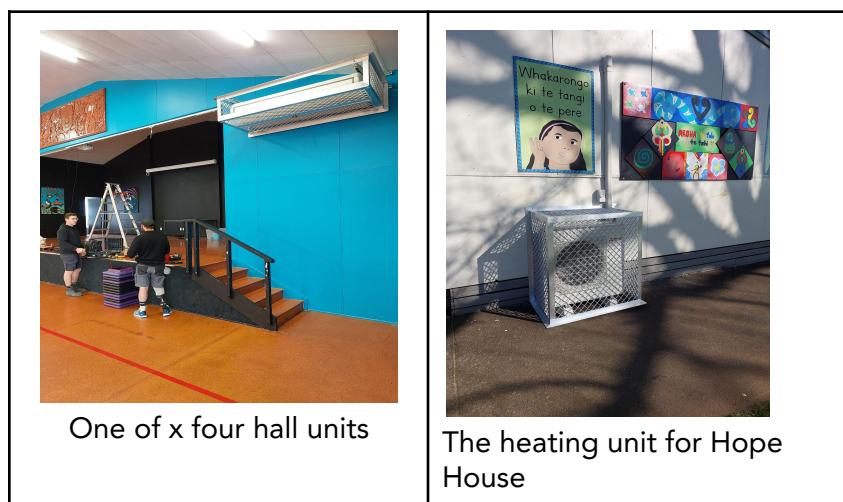
At present, our Credit Card Policy is available for your review.

Please visit the website and look under Our School - Policies Currently Under Review.

Once you have read through the policy, use the feedback form to add your thoughts and ideas to be emailed to our office.

Heating / Cooling Units Installation:

Our Heat Pump Specialists have completed their installation and now the Hall, Ko Taku Reo Office, Hope House, and Room 14-17 Prefabs have all had improvements made to their heating systems.



Year 9 Enrolments at Pukekohe High School: (2024)

Our Learning Support Coordinator Kirsty Lovell has organised for a Pukekohe High School staff member to be at our school each Thursday between 9.00-11.00.a.m. to enrol our Year 8 students for Year 9 in 2024.

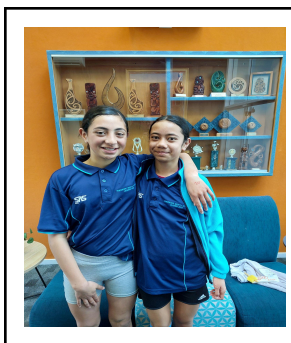
Whaanau can drop in and complete the enrolment process online with the Staff Member in preparation for 2024.

Whaanau need to take proof of address (a power bill would work well) the child's birth certificate OR passport to confirm their age and if necessary, VISA information for any migrants.

Franklin Zone Cross Country:

Congratulations to Louise Kiri who finished 20th in the Year 8 Girls Cross Country and Paea Aholelei who finished 27th in the same race out of 52 competitors.

An amazing achievement from these two athletic and fit competitors.



Life Education Caravan:

Our Life Education Caravan is working with each classroom and covering Health-based topics with our students.

Our students enjoy meeting Harold and learning about their bodies.

Our seniors are learning about puberty and the changes they will meet in the next 7 years as they move up the ladder from a child to adult

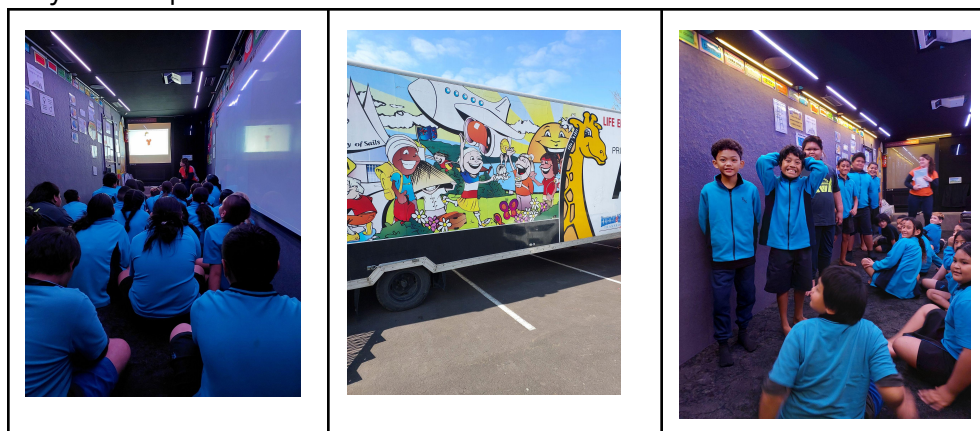


Photo 1. The children are watching a video about the 7 steps to becoming an adult. Climbing the ladder. Photo 2. Do you remember the Life Education Caravan from your Primary Education? Photo 3. Room 5 with the Life Education Teacher, Lauren.

Upcoming Events: Term 3 2023

8	<u>Tongan Language Week</u> 4-8 Sept <u>Catch Up Technology Day</u> for Rooms 1 and 9 - 12.00-2.15.p.m. with Whaea Sally Wednesday 6 September <u>Board Meeting</u> Wednesday 6 September (6.00-8.00.p.m.) <u>Kapa Haka</u> Thursday 7 September <u>Achievement Assembly</u> -2.00-2.40.p.m. Rooms 15-16 and 8 Friday 8 September
9	<u>Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori</u> 11-15 September <u>Basketball</u> Monday 11 September Yr 7-8 (GIRLS) -Whaea Piki <u>Basketball</u> Tuesday 12 September Yr 7-8 (BOYS) =- Whaea Sally

<p><u>Year 7-8 Technology at PIS with Whaea Sally</u> 12/30-2.00/p.m Wednesday 13 September</p> <p><u>50ft Inflatable Obstacle Course at School</u> Thursday 14 September</p> <p><u>Newsletter Due</u> Thursday 14 September</p> <p><u>Yr 7-8 Gardasil Dose 2</u> Thursday 14 September</p> <p><u>Whole School Art Competition</u> Thursday 14 September (from 11.00.a.m.)</p> <p><u>Kapa Haka Whaanau Hui in School Hall</u> 5.00-5.30.p.m. Thursday 14 September</p> <p><u>Pukekohe North School hosting Te Reo Maori Speech competition today</u></p> <p><u>Puna Reo Speech Competition</u> 10.00-2.00.p.m. Friday 15 September</p> <p><u>Kapa haka Wananga @ Nga Tai e Rua</u> Friday 15 - Sunday 17 September</p>
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Birthdays:

The following students will celebrate their birthdays over the next two weeks. Enjoy your special days everyone.

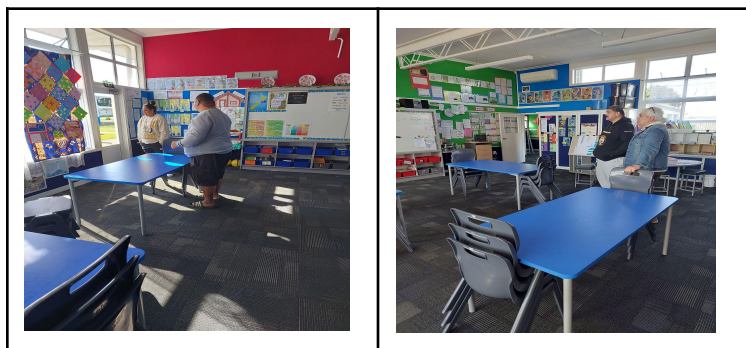
<p><u>29/08 Tuesday</u></p> <p>Fuesia Room 04 = 10.00 yrs</p> <p>Ma'ali Room 11 = 6.00 yrs</p> <p>Ezra Room 12 = 6.00 yrs</p> <p><u>03/09 Sunday</u></p> <p>Azariyah Room 15 = 7.00 yrs</p> <p><u>01/09 Friday</u></p> <p>Jaylarne Room 14 = 9.00 yrs</p> <p>Carlos Room 8 = 8.00yrs</p> <p>Reihana Room 8 = 8.00 yrs</p>	<p><u>02/09 Saturday</u></p> <p>Keanah-Mare Room 01 = 12.00 yrs</p> <p>Madison Room 03 = 12.00 yrs</p> <p><u>04/09 Monday</u></p> <p>Kahluminate Room 12 = 7.00 yrs</p> <p><u>06/09 Wednesday</u></p> <p>Anahera Room 10 = 11.00 yrs</p> <p><u>04/09 Monday</u></p> <p>Kahluminite Room 12 = 7.00 yrs</p>	<p><u>06/09 Wednesday</u></p> <p>Anahera Room 10 = 11.00 yrs</p> <p><u>14/09 Thursday</u></p> <p>Jacinta Room 08 = 9.00 yrs</p> <p><u>07/09 Thursday</u></p> <p>Kyani Room 08 = 10.00 yrs</p> <p>Linda Room 12 = 7.00 yrs</p> <p><u>08/09 Friday</u></p> <p>Izrael Room 03 = 11.00 yrs</p> <p><u>09/09 Friday</u></p> <p>Te Raukura Room 15 = 7.00 yrs</p>
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Board Strategic Planning:

On Saturday, the Board spent several hours walking the school and setting new targets and goals for our development. Some of their initial ideas include:

*Review of Lockdown Procedures / Returning the Resource Room into a Classroom / Providing more teacher aides to assist with teaching and learning / Replacement of Room 14-17 classrooms

The Board will finalise their thinking and planning and seek community input before the end of term 3.



Matua Jim 31.8.23