



# Pukekohe North School Newsletter

"Setting our akonga on the path of lifelong learning"

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## TUMUAKI TALKS

Kia Ora Whaanau,

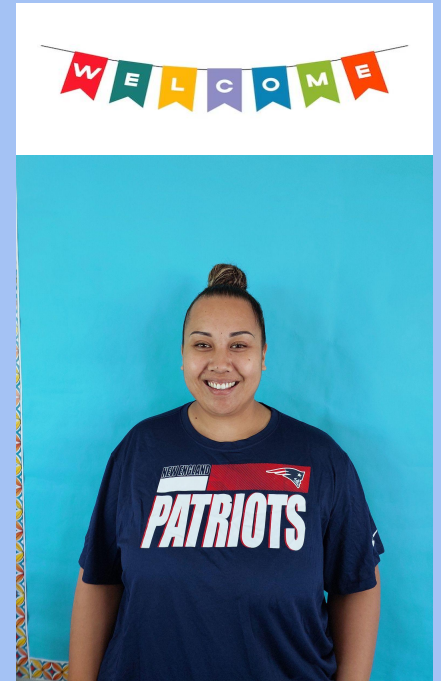
We have great pleasure in introducing our newest staff member Meletoa Pepa to Pukekohe North School.

Mele is teaching in Room 14 and educating our new entrant aakonga.

Mele is very hardworking and has put in many hours preparing her classrooms for our newest of students.

We wish Mele a happy and progressive term with her tamariki.

Many thanks to Pat Cossey, Nicky Twiss, and Natasha Myburg for their welcome and assistance to Mele's commencement of employment at our kura.



## **WELCOME TO NEW AAKONGA/STUDENT arrivals at PNS (31.1.24-12.02.24)**

<u>Kura Ruumaki</u>	Riley Rairi Thompson (Tau 5) Kaitaki Thompson (Tau 4) Arniah-Lee Kapao-Marsh (Tau 3) Etimoni Uele (Tau 6) Indie-Rose Uele (Tau 4) Luke Williams (Tau 1) Mace Abraham Daw (Tau 3)	
<u>Juniors - Year 0-2</u>	Haze Toto, Isobel Sammons, Joleen Rogers, Jordyn Pascoe-Kihi, Ryellah-Lee Taranaki-Pomare, Teana-Rose Maaka, Vilenia Kereti, Amaziah Latu, Benjamin Vanisi, Devaansh Singh Ranout, Gurkirat Singh, Skye-Blue Taaka	
<u>Middles Year 3-4</u>	Briseis Taylor, Cali-Rose Toala, Cole Hori Te Rangī, Deicolm Sitenitu, Evelyn-Peral De Thierry, Kamiano Kelekiko, Petera Hoeta, Sierra Toala, Timothy Lepetia, Zarah-Leigh De Thierry, Viliami Puafisi	
<u>Year 5-6</u>	Hail-Lee Cooper, Shivansh Prakash, Reagan Antonievic, Lois Jimenez, Jhesy Sitenitu, Fealofane Lepetia, Claudia Harema, Cesan Te-Anau	
<u>Year 7-8</u>	Storm Cooper, Paytin-Kohl Tango, Jireh Elia, Ella-Jade Hardwidge, Azaiah Aubrey, Ariana Puafisi, Faifili Lepetia, Dayanna Taaka	

## TERM 1 WEEK 3 PROGRAMMING

We are near the end of Week 3 already and all of our usual programmes and processes are up and running.

Breakfast Club operates Monday to Friday in the hall from 8.00 - 8.30.a.m.

Aakonga enters the school grounds through the gate by Hope House to access the hall.

We usually offer toast, spreads, milo, cheese on toast, Weetabix, and toppings.

Porridge is offered on a Thursday and to change things up we regularly add extra items on a one-off basis such as baked beans/ spaghetti, and extra cereals.

We could not provide Breakfast Club without the generous support of the following organisations and we cannot extend enough gratitude.

\*New World Pukekohe - Provide our jam, sugar, porridge, cheese, marmite, milo, margarine, and cleaning products.

Our sincere thanks are extended to Owner Tim Wilson and Manager Mike

\*Baker's Delight- provide 8 loaves of bread, the staple of the Breakfast Club each day.

Our kind wishes are extended to Michael Faulkner and his team

\*KiwiKids - through Fonterra and Sanitarium provide Weetbix, milk, and pott

We always welcome whaanau assistance at school and if you have a spare hour (8.00-9.00.a.m.) to provide to Breakfast Club, we would love to hear from you.

Please just call the school office.



## FRUIT IN SCHOOLS

Our Fruit in Schools kicked into gear on Monday and our aakonga receive fresh fruit daily at morning interval time.

Whaea Sally White organises the fruit for each class to collect from Room 1 daily.

Our free and healthy lunches will continue through 2024 until the Coalition Government decides on the future of this important scheme for many schools.



## KIWICAN

Whaea Breeze returns to take our KiwiCan Lessons on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

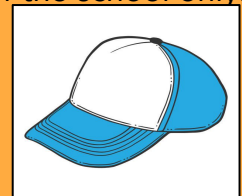
This year, Breeze is joined by Junior who joins the KiwiCan Team from Pukekohe High School.

Each class has a weekly session with our facilitators to be taught and employ values such as sharing, taking turns, and having respect for one another.

## HAT POLICY (REMINDER)

We are all enjoying the current hot weather; thus, this is a good time to remind whaanau that tamariki MUST wear a hat when outside. Any hat can be worn that is spare at home. Please ensure the hat is named and comes to school every day.

If a tamaiti does not have a hat they must play in the shaded areas of the school only.



## MOVED OR CHANGED CONTACT DETAILS ?

Have you recently moved or changed your contact details. It is important we have the correct contact information should the school need to contact you in an emergency, if your child is unwell or to share information with you about your tamariki.

If you need to update your contact details please visit the office and we can update these for you.

## PNS BOARD 2024

Suzanne Konelio was re-elected as the Board's Presiding Member at their meeting last night. The Board Meeting dates for 2024 were set and will be posted on our website next week.

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### Items discussed at the Meeting:

- \*The Board will ask the MOE to discharge Matua James Thomas's from his advisory role. James, as you will be aware is Acting Principal at Pukekohe High School for the next 2-3 terms until a new Principal can be appointed.
- \*The Board signed off on the Annual Plan and Principal's Delegation of Responsibility
- \*The 2024 Budget is being reviewed to increase the purchase of more devices at the Middle and Junior School level
- \*With a grant we have received to purchase Bicycles for our students, the Board are reviewing containers for storage of the bikes and sources of funding to build a permanent track around the playground.
- \*The Board are seeking estimates and information about:
  - Returning Room 7 back into a teaching space
  - Providing new resource space for our teaching and learning equipment
  - Refurbishing office space for our Deputy, Associate Principals, Social Worker in Schools and Learning Support Coordinator
  - The Board is seeking options for a Year 7-8 Camp in Term 4.
  - The Board confirmed their wish to build strong relationships with Nga Hau E Wha Marae

## MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

On Thursday 22 February, we are holding a Meet the Teacher evening from 5.00-6.00.p.m.

Our Timetable is as follows:

5.00.p.m. Kura Ruumaki Meet under the Whare Tapa Wha  
Auraki (Mainstream) Meet in the School Hall

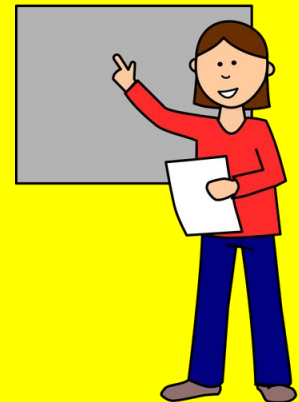
Kaiako will introduce themselves and state their goals for the year and how whaanau can assist their tamariki to attain those goals

Classrooms will be open for whaanau to wander through.

Each class will have some feedback sheets and post-it notes to assist us in continuing to build our great kura

Kaiako will be in their classrooms for one one-on-one meet and greets.

6.00.p.m. Free BBQ and entire kura join for mix and mingle under the Whare Tapa Wa.



## NEW PICNIC TABLES

The Board is working hard to make our classrooms, buildings, and grounds attractive and functional for our tamariki and community. We have recently added x 5 new picnic tables to our grounds for your u



## UPCOMING EVENTS- WEEK

### Week 3 - Feb12-16

- \*Monday 12 February -Breakfast Club commences/ KiwCan Classes commence this week
- \*Wednesday 14 February - Year 7-8 Aakonga commence technology classes at Pukekohe Intermediate School - 9.30.a.m.- 12.30.p.m.
- \*Wednesday 14 February -Board Meeting 6.00-8.00.p.m.
- \*Thursday 15 February - Next Newsletter due

### Week 4 - Feb 19-23

- \*Meet the Teacher 5.00-6.00.p.m.
- \*Friday 23 February -Achievement Assembly led by Rooms 1-2 - 8.50.a.m. - 9.20.a.m.
- Kura Rūmaki whānau night Thursday 22nd of February week 4 5pm-6pm

### Week 5- February 26 - 1 March

- \*Tuesday 27 February - Staff First Aid Certificate Reviews
- \*Wednesday 28 February - Year 7-8 Technology at PIS 9.30.a.m. - 12.30.p.m.
- \*Thursday 29 February - Next newsletter due
- \* Friday 1 March - Kapa Haka Practice 11.30.a.m.- 12.50.pm



## BIRTHDAY WISHES

The following students will celebrate their birthdays over the next two weeks.  
Enjoy your special days everyone. (February 1 - 15 2024)

### Thursday 1 February

Ayva Hemopo -Rm 12 -7.00 Years  
Malia Li - Rm 6 -7.00 Years

### Friday 2 February

Kamryn Hargreaves - Rm 11 -6.00 Years

### Saturday 17 February

Marley Raumaewa- Rm 4 -10.00 Years  
Hana Taha Room 1 - 11.00 Years

### Monday 19 February

Corbin De Thierry- Room 11 --6.00 Years  
Arexroleen Taulafo Room 17 -7.00 Years

### Thursday 22 February

Hemoata Paul Room 6 --7.00 Years

### Tuesday 27 February

Jayden'leBron Keat- Room 6 --8.00 Years  
Hineiri Whatu Room 10 - 10.00 Years

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