



# Pukekohe North School

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## [Newsletter # 2 –Wednesday 28 February 2019:](#)

### [New School App:](#)

We now have a school App that whanau can now download as follows”

Go to Apple Apps Store / Play Store and find **Skool Loop NZ**.

Next, look for Pukekohe North School to download the App to your cell phone.

Whanau will be able to notify us of Absentees, look at our newsletter, major school calendar events and any notices we need to publish.

The App will be so important to quickly inform whanau of last minute happenings; as an example:

\*The School trip is running late due to a hold up on the motorway. The bus will not be back at school until 3.00.p.m.

\*The school athletics sports will be postponed until Friday because of the rain

\*The School Concert will start at 5.30.p.m!

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### [Board of Trustee Elections:](#)

Have you considered standing for our Board of Trustees?

In April, New Zealand Schools will all be involved in the triennial (every 3 years) elections.

Boards of Trustees are responsible for the Governance (Policies) of the school and its educational directions and local curriculum goals.

PLEASE, if this interests you, come and join our present Board at their next meeting to see what happens and how the meetings operate.

Our next hui is to be held on Wednesday 27 March 2019 -4.00-6.00.p.m. in the staffroom.

### Meet the Teacher:

On Thursday 14 March Pukekohe North School is holding our Meet the Teacher from 4.00-7.00.p.m.

From 4.00-5.30.p.m. teachers will be in their classrooms to meet whanau and discuss their students start to the school year.

From 5.30-7.00.p.m. we have a free Sausage Sizzle for whanau in the playground in front of the Administration Block.

We also have CLM providing sports activities for the students and whanau to enjoy together.

Come along and meet your child's teacher and see how they are progressing in the first weeks of Term 1 2019.

### School Roll:

Our school roll continues to rise and presently sits at 236 students much higher than where we concluded 2018.

We have another 12 known students to arrive before the end of the term and so we are expecting our School Roll to surpass 250 students in 2019.

Please whanau, if you know of new entrants (5 Year Olds) students wishing to enrol at Pukekohe North School, please encourage the parents to visit our school office and notify Sarah and Nganeko at least a month before the child's 5<sup>th</sup> birthday.

By doing this, we can organise pre-school visits, uniforms, stationery and First Impressions School Start Gift Boxes ahead of time.

### School Uniform:

The Pukekohe North School Board of Trustees expects all akonga will be wearing our school uniform daily.

### Breakfast Club:

Breakfast Club is underway each day in our newly refurbished school hall daily from 7.30 – 8.30.a.m.

Toast, Milo, Porridge and Weetbix are offered free to all Pukekohe North School.

Come and join your child(ren) for breakfast and check out the new painted walls, panelled foyer and new carpet at the entry to the hall.

Our thanks are extended to Shelley and Grant Buchanan and the support of the GoForth Trust in making this hall upgrade possible.

### Student Information and Permission Slip: (Second Notice)

Included with this newsletter is our Annual Information and Permission Slip.

This allows us to update our records of whanau contact details. This is vital if your child has an accident at school and we need to contact you urgently.

Also we are seeking what permissions whanau give us to display your child's photograph or school work.

If you would prefer that we do not display the achievements of your child outside the school, e.g on our website or in the local newspapers etc please tick ( ✓ ) the appropriate permissions.

### Kura Rumaki

Our Kura Rumaki are currently on their Kura Reo Wananga at Te Kotahitanga Marae in Te Kohanga.



The Kura Rumaki teachers have completed their Aromatawai (Assessments) in Panui (Reading) and Tuhituhi (Writing) they will share results in due course.

### *\*\*\*Kura Rumaki Whanau Te Reo Maori Classes\*\*\**

These will commence on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019 from 6-7pm in our Music Suite classroom.

### Junior School

The Junior School have quickly settled back into school routines. We can walk quietly in lines around the school and we are 5 star listeners when we are on the mat. We are following school expectations by being safe, responsible, respectful and confident.



## Middle School

The Middle school are fundraising for their end of term trip to Butterfly Creek they will be having a Cake Stall on the Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March and also selling ice creams & ice blocks.



## Message from our Public Health Nurse – Sara White



Kia ora Koutou. You may have noticed more skin infections at the moment. It seems to be part of the summer break. It's warmer (and bacteria love warmth), and we have often been to places we don't usually visit during the year. The best way to treat skin infections is to avoid them. Washing with soap and water is great for helping your body avoid infection. Itchy bites can be helped by an antihistamine, which stops the itch, so kids don't scratch them and end up with secondary infections. We promote the "Clean, Cut, Cover" system. Clean your hands and the wound, cover the wound with a plaster, and cut fingernails (to reduce the germs under your nails). Skin infections can be treated by me, or the iMoko team at school. Let's get these kids learning! You can text/call me Tuesdays and Thursdays through the school, or on my cell phone: 021 229 7886.

## Upcoming Pukekohe North School Events:

**Friday 1 March** – Kura Rumaki Staff and children return from Te Kotahitanga Marae

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** – Kura Rumaki Whanau Te Reo Maori Classes 6-7pm- Music Suite

**Friday 8 March** – Room 1 School Assembly / Announcing of the 2019 Year 8 School Leaders

**Wednesday 13 March** – Rooms 11-12-14 School Trip to Butterfly Creek

**Thursday 14 March** – Meet the Teacher (4.00-7.00.p.m.)

**Jim Stafford-Bush  
Tumuaki**