



# Newsletter

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Kia ora Parents and Whānau,

Nau mai, Haere mai! Hello, As-salām 'alaykum, Namaste, Nǐ hǎo, Chào bạn, Musta, Noa'ia, Hola, Mauri, Ni sa bula vinaka, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Tālofa, Mālō e lelei, Mālō nī, Talofa lava, and Kia orana, Greetings.

**END OF 2022 SCHOOL YEAR:** Tomorrow is the last day of the school year. Parents please be aware that we will be finishing early at 12.15 p.m. Thank you for the continuing support you offer us as we do our best to deliver the best education possible for your child and all the tamariki at Puhinui School. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday season. We hope you get to spend some good quality time with your whānau.

**SCHOOL VALUES:** We have 5 school values at Puhinui School. Respect, Resilience, Integrity, Opportunity and Community. We have tried to encourage the living of our values throughout 2022 on a day to day basis. We hope the values we teach help support your own family values. Thank you in supporting us at Puhinui and in the values we use as a way to build the character of the Puhinui tamariki.

**PRIZE-GIVING 2022:** Thank you to all the parents and whānau who attended the prize-givings last week. We hope you enjoyed the time. The students are always excited to share and celebrate with you.

**FAREWELL TO ALL LEAVING TAMARIKI!** A special haere ra to tamariki who are leaving the school at the end of the year, especially our Year 6 students who will be heading to their new intermediate schools. Good luck, we wish you well and we are excited for you. A new adventure awaits! Thank you to all whānau who we will also be saying goodbye to as their last family members leave us in 2022. It is a sad time for us to see you go, but as with all things new adventures are awaiting.

**MEET THE TEACHER:** On Monday 12th December your child had the opportunity to meet their new teacher for 2023. They should have brought home a slip to let you know what class they will be in next year and who their classroom teachers will be in 2023. School will begin at the normal time of 8.50 a.m. on Wednesday 1st February. Please be on time and ready for school on the first day. New students to Puhinui School will need to meet in the Auditorium at 9.15 a.m. on the 1st of February. Senior staff will show you and your child to their new room.

**FAREWELL:** Sadly we farewell Miss Natasha Findlay Room 14, Mrs Paula van Niekirk Room 11 and Miss Tashi Grant Room 4 at the end of the year. We wish them all well in 2023 and thank them for the service towards the school and with the education they provided to the tamariki.

**WELCOME:** In 2023 we will welcome 2 new teachers for the beginning of the school year. Miss Kate Hayes who will join our Senior School team, and Mr Daniel Scott

who will be joining our Middle School team. Welcome to Puhinui School and we look forward to working with you in 2023.

**REPORTS:** You should have received your tamariki's report on Monday. We hope it gives you a good idea of the progress they have made in 2022. If you have not received your child's report, please contact the school office. Any reports not collected on the 14th of December will be posted to the address on file.

**AUCKLAND LIBRARY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME:** Auckland Libraries are excited to bring you "TE ARA POUTAMA, LEVEL UP – SUMMER READING CHALLENGES". We want to encourage children to keep reading these summer holidays. This programme started on Monday 12 December 2022, children can register online through the Auckland Libraries website: [www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz](http://www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz) or you can visit your local library and register (ask the librarian for help). Open to ages 5 to 12 years old.

- Complete activities and log daily reading to earn digital badges and entries into prize draws
- Activity badges can be redeemed in the branch for physical badges (participants can only receive one physical badge) for each challenge group.
- Links to book suggestions and lists, resources and instructions are included to complete activities.

**DATES FOR 2023:** A reminder to please keep in mind dates for the beginning of 2023.

26th January	New enrolments
27th January	New enrolments
Monday 30th January	Auckland Anniversary (public holiday)
Tuesday 31st January	Teacher only day
Wednesday 1st February	First day of school for students 2023
Monday 6th February	Waitangi Day (public holiday)
Thursday 6th April	Last day of Term 1 2023

**SKIDS:** Our before and after school care providers have a Summer Holiday programme. If you are interested in knowing more please contact SKiDS manager Becca at 0800 754 377. Text 022 473 0281 or email at [puhinui@skids.co.nz](mailto:puhinui@skids.co.nz). Get started by enrolling on AIMY PLUS <http://skids.aimy.co.nz> .

**SUMMER FOOTBALL:** Papatoetoe United Football Club Inc have started their summer programme for Junior/Youth on the hockey turf at Kolmar Sports Centre, Great South Road/Sutton Crescent, Papatoetoe.

**4- to 8-year-olds - 9 a.m. to 10.15 a.m.** - be there by 8.45 a.m.

**9- to 14-year-olds - 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.** - be there by 10.15 a.m.

This is a free programme - no fees, registration or uniform. We welcome new players wanting to try Football for the first time. Anyone wishing to help run the programmes, please contact Anil on 0274 201 720 or on arrival. **No boots please** - as playing on hockey turf, can wear shin pads. Runs from Saturday 5th November to 17th December 2022. Please bring a water bottle, hat and sunscreen. For further information please contact Anil 0274201720, or Email [papatoetoe\\_united@hotmail.com](mailto:papatoetoe_united@hotmail.com) Website: [www.papatoetoeunited.co.nz](http://www.papatoetoeunited.co.nz)

