



PUHINUI SCHOOL



# Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Caregivers & 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 Ieiei, Mālō nī, Talofa lava, and Kia orana, Greetings.

**SCHOOL VALUES:** Resilience has been our current school value. Often life can be challenging for us and our families. We know this as adults and as parents. In order to prepare our tamariki for life we must encourage them to 'hang in' and keep persevering when things get hard and uncomfortable. We often are quick to save them today, but not help them learn and overcome them for tomorrow.

**BOOK WEEK:** In class and across the school we have been doing a range of reading inspired experiences to celebrate and promote enjoyment of Literacy. Each day teachers have been reading in the Library at morning tea and lunch. We have had book review competitions in class and teachers in their own way have been involving the tamariki in shared literacy based tasks. You will also see the book inspired doors teachers and students have decorated, which are looking amazing! Tuakana teina buddy reading has been in place this week where an older student is reading with a younger student. Today we had our book character parade. The children have looked inspiring in their character clothing. Tomorrow we will wrap up our Book Week with a Reading Assembly. Thank you teachers, Mrs Valeli and the Reading Team for your efforts and organisation this week.

**FRUIT TREE SURVEY:** The Urban Landscape Community Group are interested in planting fruit trees and have requested some information from whānau in our area. Please see the sheet attached and could you please tick the boxes of the fruit trees you would like to see planted. Tick as many as you like. There is a space for any other types of fruit trees you may also be interested in. Please return this sheet to school as soon as you can.

**WEEK 10, LAST WEEK OF TERM:** A reminder that next week is our last week of term. Our last day is Thursday with Friday being Good Friday. Thank you for your continuing support of the staff as they work hard to educate and care for your tamariki. Have a restful break. A reminder Term 2 commences on Wednesday 26th of April.

**ATTENDANCE:** As from today, 29th March we have an attendance rate of 87% again this newsletter (we are hoping to have over 90% attendance). Our normal rates for attendance prior to Covid were around 92% for this time of the year. We have 407 students who currently have 90-100% attendance. We have 103 students who are around 80-90% attendance. There are 75 students who have 780% attendance. Of critical concerns are students below 70%, there are 61 students in this category. Our message for families is to please take attendance seriously and make sure your tamariki are at school everyday! We can improve attendance for tamariki if they have no more days off school (unless they are genuinely sick or unwell). We would love to challenge each family and ask you aim for 90% or greater attendance this year. Learning is turning up each day and improving slowly over a year one day at a time.

**SPORTS ZONES:** Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Cricket and Playball zones days last week. A special congratulations to the playball teams who both went through their tournaments undefeated. Next term we have our Winter Sports Zones with sports exchanges each week. Teams have begun training for these events in preparation. Well done coaches and teams, early days, but good to see that training has begun.

**STUDENT WRITING:** Lucky by Luke, Room 4

I have a dog whose name is Lucky. He likes to roll around in the house. He is a medium white and black dog that runs very fast. He barks at my neighbour's cat and the cat runs away very fast. He eats dog food from his blue bowl. Sometimes my mum gives him a treat and he gobbles it up quickly. Lucky sleeps in a brown and blue bed. It is medium-sized like him. Lucky makes me happy because he's my friend.

**CURRICULUM ACHIEVEMENT:** At the end of each year we analyse student achievement and measure the progress that students have made over the year. At the end of last year our students overall showed pleasing progress despite the interruptions that occurred throughout the year. We highlight a number of areas in Reading, Writing, and Maths. We analyse year cohorts (groups) gender and ethnicity. Please see below Our 2022 end of year achievement levels in Reading, Writing and Mathematics:

Reading Curriculum Level End of 2022: Total of 71% of Puhinui students were AT or ABOVE the expected Reading Level.

**Instructional level T42022**  
All pupils (Past,Present,PreEnrol)

		Show Y0 Row																														Well Below	Below	At	Above	Total					
11450	L0	L01	L02	L03	L04	L05	L06	L07	L08	L09	L10	L11	L12	L13	L14	L15	L16	L17	L18	L19	L20	L21	L22	L23	L24	L25	L26	L27	L28	L29	L30	L30+									
Y1	2% (2)	6% (6)	3% (3)	6% (6)	6% (6)	11% (12)	8% (9)	3% (3)	5% (5)	8% (9)	6% (7)	9% (10)	5% (5)	7% (8)	2% (2)	6% (7)	8% (9)	7% (8)	10% (11)	9% (10)	10% (11)	3% (3)	13% (14)	7% (8)										22% (24)	27% (29)	36% (39)	16% (17)	109			
Y2	3% (3)	1% (1)	2% (2)	2% (2)	6% (7)	1% (1)	2% (2)	2% (2)			2% (2)		2% (2)	1% (1)	1% (1)	2% (2)	6% (7)	8% (9)	7% (8)	10% (11)	9% (10)	10% (11)	3% (3)	13% (14)	7% (8)										20% (22)	7% (8)	14% (16)	59% (65)	111		
Y3	2% (2)	3% (3)	1% (1)	1% (1)	5% (6)	2% (2)	2% (2)		1% (1)	2% (2)	2% (2)		1% (1)	1% (1)	3% (4)	4% (5)		5% (6)	1% (1)	1% (1)	11% (12)	14% (16)	8% (9)	13% (14)	5% (6)	3% (3)	6% (7)	2% (2)	2% (2)	1% (1)						21% (23)	14% (15)	34% (38)	32% (35)	111	
Y4						2% (2)	1% (1)				2% (2)	1% (1)	1% (1)	2% (2)			1% (1)		1% (1)	2% (2)	10% (11)	8% (9)	4% (4)	10% (11)	14% (16)	11% (12)	10% (11)	8% (9)	6% (7)	3% (3)						9% (9)	4% (4)	33% (32)	53% (51)	96	
Y5		2% (2)	1% (1)			2% (2)					2% (2)						1% (1)	2% (2)	2% (2)	1% (1)		1% (1)	2% (2)	4% (4)	11% (11)	19% (20)	19% (20)	16% (16)	7% (7)	9% (9)						12% (12)	8% (8)	65% (67)	16% (16)	103	
Y6	1% (1)							1% (1)	1% (1)							2% (2)		1% (1)	1% (1)					2% (2)	2% (2)	3% (3)	4% (4)	12% (12)	18% (17)	17% (16)	32% (30)						7% (7)	14% (13)	47% (45)	32% (30)	95
Totals	1.3% (8)	1.9% (12)	1.1% (7)	1.6% (10)	3% (19)	3% (19)	2.2% (14)	1% (6)	1.3% (8)	2.2% (14)	2.4% (15)	1.8% (11)	1.6% (10)	1.4% (9)	0.6% (4)	1.3% (8)	3% (19)	1.8% (11)	2.9% (18)	3% (19)	1.9% (12)	5.4% (34)	5.4% (34)	4.6% (29)	6.1% (38)	5.3% (33)	6.1% (38)	7.8% (49)	6.9% (43)	5% (31)	6.9% (43)						15.5% (97)	12.3% (77)	37.9% (237)	34.2% (214)	625

Writing Curriculum Level End of 2022: Total of 71% of Puhinui students were AT or ABOVE the expected New Zealand Curriculum Level

**Writing Curriculum Level (3)End2022**  
All pupils (Past,Present,PreEnrol) 2023

		Show Y0 Row								Well Below	Below	At	Above	Total			
12731	Early Level 1	Level 1	Early Level 2	Level 2	Early Level 3	Level 3	Early Level 4	Level 4									
Y1	73% (80)	27% (29)											73% (80)	27% (29)	109		
Y2	22% (24)	73% (80)	5% (6)										22% (24)	73% (80)	5% (6)	110	
Y3	17% (19)	31% (34)	42% (47)	10% (11)									17% (19)	31% (34)	42% (47)	10% (11)	111
Y4	2% (2)	15% (14)	22% (21)	46% (44)	15% (14)	1% (1)							17% (16)	22% (21)	46% (44)	16% (15)	96
Y5	6% (6)	2% (2)	6% (6)	15% (16)	55% (57)	14% (15)	2% (2)						13% (14)	15% (16)	55% (57)	16% (17)	104
Y6	2% (2)	3% (3)	2% (2)	5% (5)	25% (24)	43% (41)	18% (17)	1% (1)					13% (12)	25% (24)	43% (41)	19% (18)	95
Totals	21.3% (133)	25.9% (162)	13.1% (82)	12.2% (76)	15.2% (95)	9.1% (57)	3% (19)	0.2% (1)					9.8% (61)	19% (119)	55.8% (349)	15.4% (96)	625

Mathematics Curriculum Level End of 2022: Total of 78% of Puhinui students At or Above the expected level: Mathematics includes Strand, geometry, algebra, statistics. Strategy, addition & subtraction, multiplication & division, proportions & ratios.

	Early Level 1	Level 1	Early Level 2	Level 2	Early Level 3	Level 3	Early Level 4	Level 4	Total Well Below	Total Below	Total At	Total Above	Total Pupils
Y1	68% (74)	31% (34)	1% (1)						0%	0%	68% (74)	32% (35)	17% (109)
Y2	15% (16)	49% (54)	35% (38)	2%					0%	15% (16)	49% (54)	36% (40)	18% (110)
Y3	12% (13)	18% (20)	50% (55)	17% (19)	4%				12% (13)	18% (20)	50% (55)	21% (22)	18% (111)
Y4	1% (1)	8% (8)	24% (23)	49% (47)	14% (13)	3%			9%	24% (23)	49% (47)	17% (16)	15% (95)
Y5	2% (2)	1% (1)	9% (9)	16% (17)	55% (57)	16% (17)	1%		12%	16% (17)	55% (57)	17% (18)	17% (104)
Y6		3% (3)	2% (2)	4% (4)	17% (16)	41% (38)	29% (28)	3%	9%	17% (16)	41% (39)	33% (31)	15% (95)
Total pupils	17% (106)	19% (120)	21% (128)	14% (89)	14% (90)	9% (59)	5% (29)	0% (3)	7% (43)	15% (92)	52% (326)	26% (163)	(624)

**LOST PROPERTY:** Parents we have a lot of lost property at the moment so if your child has lost any items of uniform, or swimming togs and towels, please encourage them to come and look through the lost property in the quad area. Please ensure all items of clothing are labelled. This helps us ensure that items do eventually make their way back to the tamariki. In Week 10 on Wednesday all lost property will be laid out for classes to view. You are most welcome to come and look for any lost items too.

**INFORMATION UPDATES:** Parents please note we have sent out to whānau our contact update form. Please could we ask that you have this back with any updated information as soon as possible and at least before the end of the term. The updated contact information is important when we need to call about your child, if they are sick and when something needs to be communicated with home of importance.

**WERO WHITEWATER PARK:** Is holding an Aquatic Extravaganza this Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April in Manukau. An extended invitation to all of the tamariki, and their whānau to come and participate. This is a completely free event for the entire family. Kids will be able to take part in on-water activities and there are plenty of things to do, eat and see out of the water too. If you have ever driven past on the motorway and wondered what goes on in the rapids over the hill now is your chance to find out! Sponsored by John Walker Field of Dreams.

**SKiDS:** Our before and after school care providers have resumed their services. If you would like to know more about the upcoming holiday programme please contact SKiDS, ring Becca at 0800 754 377. Text 022 473 0281 or email them at [puhinui@skids.co.nz](mailto:puhinui@skids.co.nz). Get started by enrolling on AIMY PLUS <http://skids.aimy.co.nz>. Please note SKiDS operate independently of Puhinui School.

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Please sign and return this slip to school tomorrow so your child's name can be entered in a draw for a free school lunch.

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Room \_\_\_\_\_