



PUHINUI SCHOOL



Newsletter

2 November 2023

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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 lelei, Mālō nī, Talofa lava, Kia orana, and Greetings.

CALENDAR EVENTS: Please see some of the special events that will take place towards the end of the term on the calendar on our website at Puhinui.school.nz

TEACHER ONLY DAY: SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSTRUCTION: The Ministry of Education has provided schools with a professional development day in which to work on the New Zealand Curriculum Refresh. The local school cluster has designated Friday 24th November (week 7) for this Teacher Only Day. This means our school will be closed for instruction on this day. Please keep this day in mind and make necessary arrangements for your child. Please contact SKiDs if you would like to book them for care on the Teacher Only Day. Thank you for your support in helping our educators have the time to continue with this work.

SCHOOL VALUE RESILIENCE: Respect, Resilience, Integrity, Opportunity and Community are our school values. Resilience is our current school value. Often life can be challenging for us. In order to prepare our tamariki for life we must encourage them to 'hang in there' and keep persevering when things get hard and uncomfortable. On the other side of the challenge is success. We often are quick to save them today, but not help them learn and overcome them for tomorrow.

A REMINDER FOOD ALLERGIES: A reminder to please contact the school regarding any food allergies that we may not be aware of. Term 4 is often a term where special events include food, and knowing about particular allergies is important for teachers.

ATTENDANCE: Our attendance by percentage for the whole year to date is at 87% attendance. Our goal continues to be 90% in 2023 or better, our 2023 saying is:

“Learning is turning up each day and improving, one day at a time.”

This weeks attendance rates:

- 379 students (50%) are showing between 90% to 100% attendance. Excellent work!
- 232 students (30%) who are sitting between 80-90% of attendance. Goal: get to 90%
- 86 students (11%) who are sitting between 70-80% of attendance. “Turn up on the hard days”
- 60 students (7%) lower than 70% attendance, who are of huge concern with attendance.

We continue to encourage all families to build consistent positive routines and habits that ensure their tamariki are at school every day.

PUHINUI SCHOOL ENROLMENTS 2024: We are encouraging all parents who are enrolling a new child into Puhinui School for 2024 to enrol as early as possible. This includes any tamariki who are enrolling half way or later in 2024. The earlier we know about enrolments the more prepared we can be in how we allocate and allow for staffing in each year level. This is especially

important for Year 1 and New Entrant enrolments. Please contact the office if you have any questions or would like more information.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL ENROLMENTS 2024: A reminder from our intermediate schools, parents please note you should have already enrolled Year 6 tamariki into an intermediate school for 2024.

SCHOOL ATHLETICS: Congratulations to all students for the way they participated to the best of their ability during our school athletics day. A special congratulations to those who excelled on the day and who received placings. This newsletter we include results for the sprint events.

5 year old girls 50 metres 1st Harmony 2nd Anaya 3rd Kyra	5 year old boys 50 metres 1st Patelesio 2nd Vyaan 3rd Hugo	5½ year old girls 50 metres 1st Malia 2nd Isla 3rd Tanvi	5½ year old boys 50 metres 1st Kartik 2nd Jodan 3rd Zakariya
6 year old girls 50 metres 1st Esther 2nd Pearl 3rd Emira	6 year old boys 50 metres 1st Giyon 2nd Keshav 3rd Keni	6½ year old girls 50 metres 1st Alora 2nd Aeisha 3rd Ava	6½ year old boys 50 metres 1st Harshaan 2nd Anantvir 3rd Peni
Girls open 600 metres 1st Crisanalei 2nd Alice 3rd Taslimah	Boys open 600 metres 1st Tevita 2nd Kasen 3rd Zufishan	7 year old girls 50 metres 1st Delicia 2nd Angel 3rd Selina	7 year old boys 50 metres 1st Aaryan 2nd Canaan 3rd Peter
8 year old girls 50 metres 1st Sialei 2nd Liv 3rd Audrey	8 year old boys 50 metres 1st Shalom 2nd Cole 3rd Rhys	9 year old girls 50 metres 1st Sundae 2nd Trinity 3rd Aaliyah	9 year old boys 50 metres 1st Lisiate 2nd Mikaia 3rd William
8 year old girls 75 metres 1st Sialei 2nd Muskan 3rd Humaira	8 year old boys 75 metres 1st Shalom 2nd Cole 3rd Anthony	9 year old girls 75 metres 1st Sundae 2nd Sophia 3rd Anngelissa	9 year old boys 75 metres 1st Lisiate 2nd Mikaia 3rd Shrey
10 year old girls 75 metres 1st Gabby 2nd Arisha 3rd Ivy	10 year old boys 75 metres 1st Tevita 2nd Jeremiah 3rd Uriah	11 year old girls 75 metres 1st Crisanalei 2nd Alice 3rd Nevaeh	11 year old boys 75 metres 1st Kaeden 2nd Luca 3rd Lincoln
10 year old girls 100 metres 1st Gabby 2nd Ivy 3rd Ayzeleena	10 year old boys 100 metres 1st Tevita 2nd Jeremiah 3rd Uriah	11 year old girls 100 metres 1st Crisanalei 2nd Alice 3rd Faith	11 year old boys 100 metres 1st Luca 2nd Kaeden 3rd Lincoln

SKiDS: SKiDS is available for before and after school care if required. They are also available for holiday programmes. If you would like to know more about this term's programme please contact SKiDS, ring Becca at 0800 754 377. Text 021 050 7893 or email them at puhinui@skids.co.nz. The OSCAR (Out of School Care and Recreation) Subsidy is for children aged five to 13 years. It helps towards the costs of before school and after school care. You may be able to get this subsidy if you're working, (depending on the salary threshold of the household), studying, or a shift worker who works nights. For more information contact: Becca de la Vega 0800-754 377

LUCKY LUNCH: Well done to Jazveen Kaur from Room 13 who was the lucky lunch winner from the last newsletter. On Mondays or Fridays, the lucky lunch winner is able to order their free lunch from the auditorium.

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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 _____

DATES FOR END OF YEAR EVENTS: A reminder to please keep in mind some special end of year events.

Week 7	Friday	24th November	Teacher only day (school closed for instruction)
Week 9	Thursday	7th December	Junior, Middle and Senior School prize-givings.
	Friday	8th December	Senior School Monitors lunch Mufti Day
Week 10	Monday	11th December	Meet the teacher for 2024 Senior School water wars Middle School monitors lunch
	Tuesday	12th December	Year 6, disco, dinner, graduation Middle School water fun day
	Wednesday	13th December	Reports go home
	Thursday	14th December	Y6 Pool Party Junior School bouncy castle
	Friday	15th December	Last day of school 3 p.m. finish

2024 TERM DATES

Enrolment days - Office open Thursday 25th January, Friday 26th January
Teachers Only Day Thursday 25th January (First Aid)

Term 1: Tuesday 30 January to Friday 12 April 100 half-days 11 weeks

	<i>Waitangi Day</i>	<i>Tuesday 6th February</i>	
<i>Easter:</i>	<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>Friday 29th March</i>	
	<i>Easter Monday</i>	<i>Monday 1st April</i>	
	<i>Easter Tuesday</i>	<i>Tuesday 2nd April</i>	
	<i>Anzac Day</i>	<i>Tuesday 25th April</i>	<i>falls in school holidays</i>

Term 2: Monday 29 April to Friday 5 July 96 half-days 10 weeks

<i>Kings Birthday</i>	<i>Monday 3rd June</i>
<i>Matariki</i>	<i>Friday 28th June</i>

Term 3: Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September 100 half-days 10 weeks

Term 4: Monday 14 October to Friday 13 December 88 half-days 9 weeks

<i>Labour Day</i>	<i>Monday 28th October</i>
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