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Pukeatua Press

What's happening in the School and Community?
Read all about it inside!

Newsletter



Artwork in preparation for visiting the Gannet Colony at Cape Kidnappers. Congratulations Mrs G-R you have guided the students to a stunning result



To Place Notices: Pukeatua School Ph: 872 4862 E-mail: office@pukeatuaschool.co.nz

BOARD & SCHOOL

Mauria te pono

Believe in yourself

Week six here already! Make the most of those summers evenings, for they are rapidly disappearing. Sunday 7 April sees the clocks turned back 1 hour and our twilight evenings will be just a distant memory!

Student testing is a big focus at the moment in order to assess **student progress**. Once all the data has been collated we will be able to report to parents and caregivers at the **Parent/Teacher meetings on 3rd and 4th April**. Keep an eye out for your invitation to make an appointment time that suits you. Otherwise you will be allocated a time slot to meet with your children's teachers. We would encourage all families to take the opportunity to have a little one on one time with your children's teachers.

We have **board elections** coming up in the middle of the year. Perhaps now is a good time for you to consider if you would like to become a Trustee. If you are interested to know more or would like to know what a trustee does contact the school office.

Thank You

Kylan and I along with the BOT want to say a massive thank you to everyone that brought all the amazing baking for the swimming sports and thank you to the awesome people that helped out on the stands, we really appreciate your support. All you lovely people helped to raise \$2,100.00 for your kids and school.

The next **Board Of Trustees Meeting** will be held in the Pukeatua School staff room on **Monday 1st April 2019 at 7.00 pm**
Everyone is most welcome to come along

COMING EVENTS

2019

Mar	7	School Triathlon
	11-15	Senior Camp at Napier
Apr	1	BOT Meeting
	3-4	Parent Interviews
	5	E-Z Touch Tournament
	12	Last Day Term 1
	28	ANZAC Service, Pukeatua Church, 11.15am
	29	Term 2 starts
Jun	7	Cross Country
	14	Teacher Only Day
Jul	5	Last Day Term 2
	22	Term 3 Starts
Aug	30	Junior Winter Sports
Sep	9	Senior Winter Sports
	27	Last Day Term 3
Oct	15	Ag Day - <i>to be confirmed</i>
	18	Group Day - <i>to be confirmed</i>
Nov	22	Athletics for whole school
Dec	13	Last Day for 2019

Next Newsletter: Thursday 21st March 2019

All items for the next newsletter are due by:
12 noon, Tuesday 19th March 2019

TERM DATES FOR 2019

Term 1:	Tues 29 Jan to Fri 12 April
Term 2:	Mon 29 April to Fri 5 July
Term 3:	Mon 22 July to Fri 27 September
Term 4:	Mon 14 October to 13 Dec (TBC)



Welcome To:

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Pukeatua War
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ANZAC Service

Sunday 28th April
11.15 am

All Welcome

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for Weddings,
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Enquiries to
Kathie Claypole

Ph 872 4352



Principal's Message



We are halfway through the term already! It only seems like a few days ago that we came back from the Christmas Holidays. After the cooler weather last week, I thought that summer maybe gone but it is back to normal again! There was a touch of autumn in the air!

It was great to see the turnout of support at **our Eastern Zone Swimming Sports** over the last two Fridays. Thanks to the parents who baked and helped put on the food stalls. A big **thanks** to **Silver Fern Farms** who donated the sausages. We banked a handy sum of money from those two days and it is much appreciated! It was great to hear some positive feedback from new families to or school about the involvement and sense of support for these two days! Indeed in these busy times it is pleasing to have this support!

The benefits of having a great school pool and children who take up the opportunity to swim regularly was plain to see at the recent swimming sports days. The children swam well and you can see the improvement from one year to the next! On Tuesday a good number of children competed in the Putaruru Interschool Swimming at Glenshea Park Pools. The children acquitted themselves well and represented our school proudly! The competition is always a bit stiffer at the next level up but we did manage to win a few races and many children made the finals! Pleasingly though it is great to see the large number of children who can swim well! Many schools are without pools and new schools being built do not have them!

Today we held our **school mini Triathlon**. Great to see all the children on their bikes and the older children helping the younger ones! This year also there were hardly any children complaining "It's too hard." All just got on with it!

I think there are 38 excited children getting ready to go on **school camp next week**. Some children are a little apprehensive as are a few adults! All feelings are natural! We have an experienced group of adults accompanying the group with some parents on their 7th or 8th trip away with us! I won't mention what camp number it is for me! It is a busy week in the **Hawkes Bay** next week with the 'Horse of the Year' being held in Hastings. We have always had a few families from our district involved in this big event! We do wish for fine weather the week we are away and do wish at the same time that it does rain in the Waikato!

Thanks to the families who have returned the orange slips to school in regard to forward planning and direction. All comments are valuable. Please return these over the next few days.

Quote of the week

No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.

Aesop

Pupils of the week

Swimming Sports the last two Fridays so no names! More next time

John McLean

Principal

Fit Kids

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Starts: **Thursdays 2nd May 2019** Time: 3.45pm – 4.30pm

Age limit: 8 – 12yr olds

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THE CLUB WAIPA TEAM 871 2080 ext 4 or clubwaipa@gowaipa.com