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Newsletter



2020





## BOARD & SCHOOL

Mai I te kopae ki te Ūrupa,  
Tatou ako tonu ai.

*From the cradle to the grave we are  
forever learning.*

We welcome everyone to another academic year at Pukeatua School and look forward to seeing you all over the next few weeks.

It is a busy time of year starting with the Senior School going on camp to Rotorua next week. Following on from that in quick succession is the Junior (Y1-Y3) Swimming Sports and then a week later the Senior Swimming day. In March the school will also hold a Triathlon for all students. Please keep an eye out for notices so you can keep up to date with current happenings, we would hate for you to miss out.

### THE WHITE BULLET FOOD TRUCK IS COMING TO PUKEATUA!

When: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February (Valentines Day)

Where: Pukeatua Hall (Dine in or Take-away)

When: 5-8:30pm

Menu: Panfried Gurnard with fresh salad and

Hot Chips \$18

Beef or Chicken Burger \$9

Cheeseburger \$7

Cheesy Bacon Loaded Fries \$12

Chicken Nuggets & Hot Chips (Kids meal) \$9

Chocolate Brownie with Berries and

Ice-Cream \$8

Cheesecake \$8

Freshly Squeezed Juice is also available to purchase otherwise feel free to bring your own beverages. Feel free to check out "The White Bullet" facebook page!

Cash Only

The next **Board Of Trustees Meeting** will be held in the Pukeatua School staff room on **Monday 2nd March 2020** at **7.00 pm**. Everyone is most welcome to come along.

### COMING EVENTS

Feb 14	Food Truck at Pukeatua Hall
17-21	Y5-Y8 Senior Camp, Rotorua
28	Junior E-Z Swimming
Mar 2	BOT Meeting
6	Senior E-Z Swimming
Apr 3	E-Z Touch Y3-Y8
Jun 5	E-Z Cross Country
Aug 28	E-Z Junior Winter Sports
Sept 4	E-Z Senior Winter Sports
Nov 20	E-Z Athletics
Dec 15	Last Day

**Next Newsletter: Thursday 27th February 2020**

All items for the next newsletter are due by:

**12 noon, Tuesday 25th February 2020**

### TERM DATES FOR 2020

<b>Term 1:</b>	Mon 3 Feb to Thur 9 April
<b>Term 2:</b>	Tue 28 April to Fri 3 July
<b>Term 3:</b>	Mon 20 July to Fri 25 September
<b>Term 4:</b>	Mon 12 October to Tues 15 Dec

### Welcome To:

Abby McCluskie Y7  
Milliana Abu Gines Y7  
Levaan Kaiki Y3  
Flynn Weaver Y8  
Tane Turpin NE

The roll now stands at 78



### Te Awamutu Sports Junior Rugby 2020 Weigh In Dates

Register online at <https://www.sporty.co.nz/tasports/Junior-Rugby/Registration-Form> and attend one of our Weigh In Dates to register your child for the 2020 Rugby Season with TASJR

Weigh In Dates:

Sunday 1st March 10am-1pm  
Thursday 5th March 5.30pm-7pm  
Sunday 8th March 10am-12pm  
Tuesday 10th March 5.30pm-7pm

Looking forward to seeing our returning players and any new players wanting to join

## DISTRICT NOTICES

### Somewhere in Time NZ

New items for February

SHOP OPEN

Mon - Sat 10 - 3

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Gemstones, Glass

**A reminder that the  
NEW SPEED LIMIT  
IN  
PUKEATUA VILLAGE  
IS 60 km/h**

**Pukeatua War  
Memorial Church  
Sunday 16th Feb**

**Family Communion**

**11.15 am**

**Advanced Notice:**

**ANZAC Service 26 April 2020**

The Church is available for  
Weddings, Funerals and  
Baptisms

Enquiries to  
Kathie Claypole

Ph 872 4352



## Principal's Message



Welcome back to a new school year. The weather has been hot and dry and it is about time we had some rain. Some areas of the country are desperate and some areas have had too much rain! We can't do much about it but it still does not stop us from talking about it!! We trust you adults had a good summer break with your family and did manage to get away for a break of your own!?

The children seem pleased to be back at school and are enjoying their new classes. We lost about 20 students at the end of the year and a few more have arrived. It takes a few weeks for the children to work out what to do now that so and so is gone and another person has arrived! The pool has once again been the main attraction with most children swimming at lunchtime as well as their class time swim! Thanks to **Danielle Ziegler** for her great work as the pool custodian. The pool looks great and has plenty of use over the holidays. It takes a bit of work to maintain the pool in hot weather! We have noticed the improved water confidence of some of the younger children. Besides keeping cool the use of the pool over the holiday break does make a difference to children's water confidence! This term we host the **Eastern Zone swimming sports** in our pool. Other schools do envy the fact that we have a great facility!

This year we are lucky to be fully staffed and all staff from last year are back. We have four classrooms running as well as an extra teacher who will work with different groups at different times of the day and term. On top of that we have a new teacher in a new position. **Anney Collin** is working across four schools (Pukeatua, Puahue, Korokanui, Rukuhia) and will spend 2 days a fortnight with us as the newly created Learning Support Coordinator. (LSC.) Anney spent all of last week with us and was impressed with our children. She commented on how well behaved they were! After spending a week with each of the schools her timetable will be set and we will see her regularly.

**Rooms Two and Four** head to **camp** next week at the **Blue Lake in Rotorua**. 42 children and 14 adults are set to go! An exciting programme has been set for the week and as usual the great support from the parents means that the children are well looked after!

We look forward to the rest of the year! We need to make the most of opportunities to get the best out of what is happening around us.

### Quote of the Week

To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often.

*Winston Churchill*

### Pupils of the Week

Caitlin Cheer, Tommy Yates,  
Tommy McBeth, Caitlin Friend,  
Jaskaran Singh, Kyle Holmes

**John McLean**

*Principal*