

PUKEATUA PRESS



Manu Tukutuku Design for Matariki



Room 4 has been working really hard on their Manu Tukutuku.

They had to work through the design process of planning out their idea and following their brief. They then had to collect their resources, gather things to add to it and create it all themselves. This was all while working as a team!

Once their Manu Tukutuku was complete, they went through a self-review and a judging process.

Then came the attempts at flying them with mixed results... But all great learning and teamwork. Well done Room 4 and Whaea Dee!



Updates and Reminders

Hello to everyone, and a huge welcome to all the new families to our school, and the wider community. We hope you enjoy your time here at Pukeatua, we all think it is a pretty special place to be! If you have any questions, queries, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school. We have an open-door policy, and you are always welcome to come in for a chat at any time.

A reminder that the Eastern Zone Cross Country is coming up at Arohena on the 1st of July. Further information will be coming out about that closer to the date, so keep an eye out for notices in your child's bag. Our students have been training hard during morning fitness as well as some extra laps for many during the day! keep up the hard work everyone.

What Makes a Pukeatua Kid?

Over the last 2 weeks, Nina Singh has been teaching in Room 2. Many of you may not know, but Nina used to be a student at Pukeatua when she was little! She was even taught by Mrs. Meacheam. During this time with Miss Singh, Room 2 has been investigating what makes a Pukeatua Student special. Here are a couple of pieces from two Pukeatua students who have only joined us this year! It's great to see an ex-Pukeatua student teaching the next generation about what it means to be a Pukeatua Kid.



What makes a Pukeatua Kid?

A Pukeatua kid is all about going for free swims and doing bombs into the pool on a scorching hot day. What is fantastic about being a Pukeatua kid is watching the biggest rhododendron tree in the southern hemisphere bloom every autumn.

A Pukeatua kid has a love of playing sports every weekend together and laughing along.

It's going for walks up Maungatautari and exploring all the cool insects and birds.

What is unique about being a Pukeatua kid is racing out every lunchtime and playing a game of touch barefoot.

It's getting off the bus every morning with no uniform and in the clothing of your choice.

Pukeatua has a wonderful kind staff that gives the school loads of opportunities.

It's rocking up to Ag day with a pet and having an extremely awesome day with your animal.

Excitingly coming to school during the Easter Holidays and running around finding easter eggs.

It is going to the church down the road and acknowledging all the soldiers that died at war.

BEING A PUKEATUA KID IS ALL ABOUT BEING TRUE!!

By Millie Davies

What makes a Pukeatua kid?

A Pukeatua kid runs on rocks at full speed.

A Pukeatua kid does the biggest manu into the pool and sometimes into the grass.

A Pukeatua kid tries their hardest in class at all subjects.

A Pukeatua kid competes in Ag Day.

A Pukeatua kid loves talking to the community.

A Pukeatua kid loves going on walks up to the native bush.

A Pukeatua kid loves learning about the history of the school.

A Pukeatua kid loves competing in all school sports, even cross country!!

A Pukeatua kid is always honest and determined.

By Sam McCluskie

Message from the Principal

Firstly, I would like to apologise for missing out half a paragraph in the last newsletter! I'm going to blame it on my daughter, Greer, distracting me! However, I think I need to remind myself to edit, recraft and proofread my writing. I am aiming not to make the same mistake twice!

I hope you have all had a lovely relaxing Queen's Birthday weekend. 70 years of being in charge is a long time for Queen Elizabeth! Too bad the weather over the weekend wasn't as flash as her celebration ceremony, but it was nice to have an extra day with family.

We have really appreciated those people who have continued to bring in their contributions to our school Hangi. There are not many tickets left, so get in quick before they are all gone! Whaea Viki has done a fantastic job of organising all of the donations. I'd also like to say a huge thank you to Grant Jordan for making our own hangi baskets to use! They look amazing!

With regret, we inform you of Sandra Meacheam's retirement from Pukeatua. She has decided that it is time for her to focus more on herself, her family, and especially her grandchildren. Her last day will be finalised, once we have appointed a new teacher. We will miss seeing her smile around the school on a regular basis. She has been a huge asset to the school and we, past and present students and colleges wish her all the best for the future.

IMPORTANT DATES

Dental Truck

Monday 16th of May for approx. 4 weeks

Board Meeting

Monday 13th of June @ 7 pm

GRIP Student Leadership Course @ Rotorua (Yr 6/7/8)

Tuesday 14th of June

School Hangi

Thursday 23rd of June

Matariki Public Holiday

Friday 24th of June

Parent Interviews

Monday 27th and Wednesday 29th of June

Eastern Zone Cross Country

At Arohena

Friday 1st of July

Life Education

4th - 5th of July

School Photos

Thursday 7th of July

Term 2 Finish Date

Friday 8th of July

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Chris and Claire Walton

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