



# PUHINUI SCHOOL



# Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY:** On Tuesday we held our annual school cross country. All students ran well and it was pleasing to see the effort and determination. The goal for our fastest runners was to win a place in the school cross country team. For some, the goal was to run the entire course without stopping. As would be expected, some students found the cross country easier than others, however, all students faced the same challenge. That is, overcoming the physical and mental effort required in order to finish the race feeling as if you have done your best. Well done to all students, a great effort on the day and perseverance in training leading up to the event.

CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
5 year old Girls 5 year old Boys	Crisanalei Seiuli-Fabircius Davy Pulotu	Selena Raddock Jackson Bayley	Janah Ngapera-Vries James Silipa
5 1/2 year old Girls 5 1/2 year old Boys	Jessica Wharton-Benedict T.J. Tautua	Talei Kamu Brycen Salaivao	Kaytelynne Lio William Som
6 year old Girls 6 year old Boys	Alazay Clark Davi Shamo	Katie Atapo Touanga Fihaki	Zoe Suaesi Eli Taleaua
6 1/2 year old Girls 6 1/2 year old Boys	Halo Afoa Christian Cooper	Amaya Brooke 'Eneasi Pauta	Harleen Kaur Clyde Nguyen
7 year old Girls 7 year old Boys	Ane Fihaki Xylaise Edwards-Tulisi	Mayleene Le Levi Scott	Khyz Strickland Anmol Singh
8 year old Girls 8 year old Boys	Ashley McGregor Jackson Ford	Rena Clark Thomas Lameko	Rhianna Prakash Legend McAuley
9 year old Girls 9 year old Boys	Areebah Ali Hemana Asher-Kalauni	Grace Parkes Keanu Biddle	Azayliah Grace Israel Tanielu
10 year old Girls 10 year old Boys	Rachel Scott Jayden Dawes	Kyla McGregor Ibraheem Saqib	Shahlaa Intaz Arshpreet Dhindsa
11 year old Girls 11 year old Boys	Grace Mataia Levi Muagututia-Saipele	Amanjot Kaur Makea Upu	Saleyhah Saiyad Jazard Nauer

**CROSS COUNTRY HOUSE POINTS:** Congratulations to Gold House for being our Cross Country winners.

House Points	1st Gold=167,000	2nd Green=112,000	3rd Blue=95,000	4th Red=86,000
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**ALiM PROGRAMME:** Earlier this year we had a number of students participating in a maths programme designed to accelerate their learning in maths (ALiM). The aim of the programme was to build accuracy and confidence in key numeracy stage learning. The teachers who were involved are very pleased with the results of the students. As part of the programme they met this week with students and their families at an ALiM graduation workshop. It was a chance to share the success of students with their families and to show them some of the maths concepts they have been learning. Congratulations to the students who graduated, more importantly congratulations on the learning gains you have achieved in maths.

**TERM 3 SCIENCE:** This term is filled with science learning and hands on science experiences. Apart from the practical elements of science, teachers are also able to integrate science learning in our literacy. Below is a selection of student work based on their science topic studies.

**How to Make Milky Swirls** (selected students from Room 11)

First we put milk in the plate. Then, we put food colouring on the milk. Next we put the cotton bud in the detergent. Last the milk was running away from the food colouring it made swirls. **By Avantika, Room 11**

First we put the milk in the plate. Then we put the food colouring in the milk. We put detergent in the milk. Last I see the milky swirls. **By Ryan, Room 11**

First we put the milk in the plate. Then we dropped food colouring in the milk. Next we got a cotton bud there was detergent on it. We pushed it in the milk. Last, the food colouring and the milk was trying to run away from the detergent. We saw some swirls. **By Thuy Tien, Room 11**

*(In these instructional passages we see a teaching technique that includes the linking of the verbs: first, then, next and last. The teacher skillfully provides this frame and the students then have the confidence to show their writing ability.)*

**Sugar Attack** (selected students from Room 2)

**Aim:** Our aim is to find out which of our favourite drinks has the most sugar and which has the least.

**Hypothesis:** Coke has the most sugar. Water has the least amount of sugar.

**Conclusion:** In conclusion, the drink with the most amount of sugar was Fresh Up and I could tell because there was the most amount of glucose and fructose which is sugar in the pan. That is the gooey stuff that was left over when we boiled the water off. The drink with the least amount of sugar was water. I could tell because there was no gooy left overs. My hypothesis was incorrect, because I wrote Coca Cola had the most. **By Anvi, Room 2**

**What does this mean?** Children are only meant to have between 6-9 teaspoons of sugar a day. With a glass of soft drink some of them have way more than this. If I want to stay healthy I need to make sure I check how much sugar I'm having each day. If I want a special treat the best drink for me to have after water would be Coca Cola. **By Bhavishna, Room 2**

**HEAD LICE:** From time to time we do get cases of head lice in classes. When a child presents with head lice, a letter is sent home to every caregiver/parent of students in the class to notify them. The letter informs parents how to check for and treat for head lice. If problems with infestation persist, a referral will be made to the Public Health Nurse.

**PAPATOETOE INTERMEDIATE ENROLMENTS:** All parents with children in Year 6 will have received a notice from Papatoetoe Intermediate informing them of the enrolment process for 2017. The two important dates are:

**In zone enrolments** Returned to Papatoetoe Intermediate by 25th August at the latest  
**Out of zone enrolments** Returned to Papatoetoe Intermediate by 18th October at the latest

Enrolment forms can be returned to Puhinui School office with a copy of the child's birth certificate attached. If your child is not New Zealand born, please attach a copy of their passport showing the necessary current, relevant documents.

**KIWI GAMES FUN SPORTS PROGRAMME:** For children aged 5 – 11 years. Every Saturday during August: Starts 12<sup>th</sup> August, 19<sup>th</sup> August and 26<sup>th</sup> August, 9<sup>th</sup> September and the 16<sup>th</sup> of September. 9.30 a.m. - 11 a.m. at Papatoetoe East School, 138 Tui Road. Gold coin donation. Contact Mr Glenn at PACT Office 279-8340 or 0274 381646 for more information.

**LUCKY LUNCH WINNER:** Well done to Saliha Begum 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 on Monday so your child's name can be entered in a draw for a free school lunch.

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