



PUHINUI SCHOOL Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

SCHOOL ATHLETICS: Our school athletics day was held on Thursday the 27th of October, an event which includes all students at all levels of the school. We were very lucky with the weather and had a great day of running, jumping and throwing, in pleasant conditions. Congratulations to all of our students for their participation and enthusiasm, irrespective of whether they came first or last. Our students have a great attitude, and always give their very best, which is all that can be expected from anyone. Many thanks to those parents, who attended the sports, the staff for their involvement, and the direction of Mr Lua Mose, our sports co-ordinator, for the organisation and smooth running of the day. The results of the individual flat races were as follows:

5 yr Girls:	Katie Atapo R 23	Elisabeth Tamo'ua R 26	Jenny Tran R 23
5 yr Boys:	Khush Singh R 25	William Som R 23	Harshan Singh R 25
5.5 Girls:	Annabelle Hopoi R 21	Sophie Kent R 14	Kinah Enoka Robertson R 22
5.5 Boys:	Kartik Mudaliar R 21	'Eneasi Pauta R 22	Christian Cooper R 21
6 yr Girls:	Summer-Breeze Biddle R 24	Yadah Tanielu R 13	Rania Dhillon R 14
6 yr Boys:	Kevarn Muagututia-Saipele R 9	Yszraelie Kui-Rokotuiwai R 14=	Elijah Siaoisi-Rye = R 21
	Louis Salt R 14		
6.6 Girls:	Ashbir Kaur R 12	Holly Beguely R 13	Noreen Singh R 10
6.6 Boys:	Xylaise Edwards-Tulisi R 12	Pratik Chandra R 11	Phoenix Wilson R 9
7yr Girls:	Alaina Lauitiiti R 19	Elizabeth Taule'alo R 11	Mayleene Le R 13
	Rawi De Lacy-Waters R 19	Heba Muazem R 20	Reagan Aiolutepotea R 13
	Attalia Tuisila R 10	Rena Clark R 20	
7yr Boys:	Ben Rakoia R 9	Thomas Lameko R 19	Jackson Ford R 18
	Cyprus Sofele R 16	Niklesh Kumar R 17	Legend McAuley R 16
	Connor Rolfe R 10	Zenas Lotolua R 12	
8yr Girls:	Lata Siasau R 20	Jasivanthia Logo R 20	Sharon Boaza-Tangi R 16
	Daleana Hann R 18	Mele Boaza-Tangi R 20	Grace Parkes R18
	Rynah Rafiq R 17	Parabneet Dhillon R 20	Loreeta Sadd R 19
	Prabhleen Sekhon R 19		
8yr Boys:	Nokise Manuleleua R 8	Andre Kuypers R 16	Israel Tanielu R 19
	Zeshaan Ahmad R 18	Hemana Asher-Kalauni R 8	Thomas De Lacey R 8
	Leonix Tran Kelivai R 16	Arav Kumar R 20	Micah Hill R 17
	Zane Gibson R 20		
9yr Girls:	Taranjit Mann R 3	Tatiana Kouvaka R 7	Rachel Scott R 16
	Priyanka Ioane R 6	Donica Horngcolin R 4	Shahlaa Intaz R 2
	Zahrah Hassan R 3	Lovi Pauta R 2	Bhavishna Kumar R 4
	Kassandra Yaakoob R 7		
9yr Boys:	C-Jay Tawa R 4	Kazual Tasi-Sofele R 8	Ibraheem Saqib R 5
	Hasim Ahmed R 8	Oli Carter R 17	Noah McKenna-Lilo R 18
	A.J. Tanielu R 4	Talan Pearse R 17	Arshpreet Dhindsa R 6
	Trae Kelly R 16		
10yr Girls:	Ivana Lauitiiti R 6	Waeenza Nisha R 5	Bharti Kumar R 5
	Aksha Singh R 7	Ashaalia Kumar R 7	Bailie Edmonds R 2
	Janelle Le R 6	Azzahra Shah R 5	Tracy Huang R 7
	Grace Mataia R 7		
10yr Boys:	Levi Muagututia-Saipele R 5	Kiu Fakatava R 5	Jayden Dawes R 7
	James Cabello R 6	Makea Upu R 2	Aaron Kumar R 3
	Jas Rathod R 3	Haymish Lal R 7	Rachit Kumar R 5
11yr Girls:	Salome Lauitiiti R 5	Lynna Nguyen R 7	Lildenia Taalili R 4
	Angel Sitapa R 5	Aaliyana Sadiq Televave R 6	Dekorah Matakaiongo R 4
	Caitlyn Singh R 6	Dilpreet Kaur Heer R 4	Gurjas Oshan R 2
11yr Boys:	Alex Hale R 4	Devlin Tasi Sofele R 5	Stefan Fonua Ula Tufa'anatu R 5
	Abhijay Sharma R 7	Boaza Boaza-Tangi R 6	Aiyush Dutt R 3
	Roko Delana R 2	Nathan Taule'alo R 7	Shekhar Narain R 4
	Kartik Murti R 3		

PASIFIKA DAY: On Friday the 21st of October, we held our Pasifika Day where all of our middle and senior school classes were involved in Pasifika activities, discussions, art work and dance, to acknowledge and celebrate the culture of our students from the Pacific Islands. Many thanks to our teachers for their preparation and enthusiasm, and also to the students, for their participation and willingness to share their experiences. At the end of the Pasifika day, all of our classrooms shared their focus with a middle and senior school assembly. Two of our school values are that of respect and community, both of which were very evident during the Pasifika sharing programmes throughout the middle and senior classrooms.

DIWALI DAY CELEBRATIONS: We are very mindful of the huge contribution that our Indian students make to the overall culture of Puhinui School. To celebrate and recognise that contribution, we held a Diwali Day on Monday the 31st of October, to experience and celebrate the Indian culture. It was a very colourful energising day where students shared their learning while taking part in activities such as rangoli and henna art, barfi and diya making, dance and kabaddi.

JUNIOR SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL DAY: Our juniors celebrated International Day on Tuesday the 1st of November to recognise all students from here in New Zealand and also those from around the world. Puhinui School has numerous cultures, which makes it the rich, diverse school, that it is. One of the significant beliefs defining the overall school culture, is that of respect, respect for oneself, respect for other people, respect for family and for community. The value of respect ensures that all people at Puhinui School are valued and treated appropriately at all times.

TIRONUI TRUST CONCERT: On Tuesday evening, the 25th of October, our Year 5 and 6 bands combined with other Papatoetoe schools, which belong to The Tironui Trust organisation, performed at the Vodafone Events Centre. The Trust provides tutors and music teachers to work in the schools, teaching both string and wind instruments. The concert was massive with more than 150 musicians playing in respective bands. Congratulations to both the Puhinui school bands for their outstanding performances. The number of students involved in the Trust's programme has increased significantly since the first band was formed 10 years ago, at Papatoetoe West School and then Puhinui School the following year.

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP 2017: After 25 years as Principal and 7 years as the Deputy Principal at this school, I am retiring at the end of this year. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at the school and have seen many, many changes from the 8 classrooms and a total staff of eight teachers, one part time office person, teacher aide and a Principal. On Saturday, our BOT along with an employment consultant appointed a new Principal for Puhinui School commencing at the beginning of 2017. The new Principal appointment will be Mr Mark Elder, a former Assistant Principal at Puhinui School. Mark has had a very long association with Puhinui School over many years and has been involved in developments in management, curriculum, professional development, resources and also property. He is an excellent choice and I have no doubt that he will continue to work with the outstanding staff and senior management team to maintain the very high standards and expectations which underpin the excellent education that our students, attending Puhinui, enjoy. Many thanks to the BOT on an excellent appointment.

TERM DATES FOR 2017: Below are the term dates for 2017. Some parents have been enquiring about dates in order to organise family trips and events.

Term 1:	Tuesday 31 January to Thursday 13 April	11 weeks
Term 2:	Monday 1 May to Friday 7 July	10 weeks
Term 3:	Monday 24 July to Friday 29 September	10 weeks
Term 4:	Monday 16 October to Friday 15 December	9 weeks

The last day of school for 2016 is the 15th of December at 3 p.m.

LUCKY LUNCH WINNER: Well done to Harshita Bhatt from Room 20 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 the draw for a free school lunch.

Parent's signature _____ Child's name _____ Room _____