



PUHINUI SCHOOL

Newsletter



5 February 2016

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I'd like to extend a very warm welcome to our students, their parents and families on their return to school after the very warm summer holidays. To our new students and their families, I hope your first few days at Puhinui have been positive and you feel settled at your new school. I'm sure your time with us will be both enjoyable and rewarding.

TERM ONE OVERVIEW: Attached is an overview of events for Term One. Not all events will be applicable to your child or children but you will be able to note those that are. When there are events which involve your child, you will be informed by a notice or letter.

ORGANISATION AND STAFFING FOR 2016:

Principal Mr K. Hornby
Assistant Principals Mrs S. Valeli
Miss M. Clune

Senior Teachers	Mrs L. Borrie Mrs S. Valeli Mrs H. Botha Miss A. Cave	Support programmes Senior Syndicate Middle Syndicate Junior Syndicate
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Senior School	Mrs J. Pearse	Rm. 1	Y.5/6
	Mr L. Mose	Rm. 2	Y.5/6
	Mr K. Jefferies	Rm. 3	Y.4/5
	Mrs M. Mackay	Rm. 4	Y.5/6
	Mr E. Feau	Rm. 5	Y.5/6
	Miss N. Oates	Rm. 6	Y.5/6
	Mr B. Read	Rm. 7	Y.5/6

Middle School	Mr M. Khan	Rm. 8	Y.3/4
	Mrs Krishna	Rm. 15	Y.3/4
	Mrs M. Waimotu	Rm. 16	Y.3/4
	Mrs H. Botha	Rm. 17	Y.3/4
	Miss M. Tung	Rm. 18	Y.3/4
	Mr A. Virk	Rm. 19	Y.3/4
Mr S. Ackland	Rm. 20	Y.3/4	

Junior School	Miss S. Walker	Rm. 9	Y. 1/2
	Mrs K. Harland	Rm. 10	Y. 1/2
	Miss S. Ashley	Rm. 11	Y. 1/2
	Mrs M. Bayley	Rm. 12	Y. 1/2
	Mr J. Purkiss	Rm. 13	Y. 1/2
	Miss J. Carter	Rm. 14	Y. 1/2
	Miss R. Gagen	Rm. 21	Y. 1/2
	Miss A. Cave	Rm. 23	N.E
	Miss J. Bloem	Rm. 24	Y. 1/2
	Miss K. Chapman	Rm. 25	N.E

Performing Arts Mrs R. Fleming

Social Worker Mr C. Millsteed

I.C.T. Mr S. Pedersen, Mr D. Tia

Part Time Teachers Mrs J. Ravji, Mr A. Khan

Office Staff Miss L. Campbell, Mrs A. Leonard

Library Staff Miss T. Andrew, Mrs J. Hopkins

Support Programmes Mrs S. Melling, Mrs J. Frost, Mrs S. Munthree

Literacy and 'in class' support Mrs H. Haylock, Mrs W. Clatworthy, Mrs D. Lunny, Mrs M. Bull, Mr G. Stanisich, Miss L.Doherty, Mrs V. Nehme, Mrs L. Cave, Miss A. Khan, Mrs J. Gow, Miss D. Botha, Mrs N. Lameko, Miss K. Habib, Mrs K. McGregor, Ms S. Taulu, Miss M. Liu Chan, Mrs S. Nisha, , Miss D. Borrie, Mrs C. Palalagi.

Caretaker/groundsman

Mr M. Manawaiti

Cleaners

Mr and Mrs Falaniko, Seaway cleaners

SCHOOL HOURS: The school day for students commences at 8.50 a.m. and ends at 3.00 p.m. We ask that parents ensure that their children are at school in plenty of time to organise themselves for the start of school and have time to talk to and play with their friends before the class bell rings. The breaks during the day are:

Morning break 10.50 to 11.10 a.m.

Lunch break 12.40 to 1.40 p.m.

PUNCTUALITY: As parents it is your responsibility to make sure your children are at school on time. Lateness is learned behaviour, as is being punctual. Children don't like being late for school because they miss out on things. A great service parents can do for their children is to teach them the importance of being on time. Punctuality is an issue of organisation and time management.

SCHOOL DONATION: The school donation for students attending Puhinui School for 2016 has remained the same as last year. The cost per child is \$40 for the year with a maximum cost to any family, irrespective of the number of children, being \$80 per year. The donation can be paid on a term by term basis of \$10 per term per child.

DENTAL HUB: Dental services are accessed from 2C Grayson Avenue. The parking directly outside the clinic is provided for dental staff and parents of children being treated. The dental hub's phone number is 278 1975.

GRAYSON AVENUE ACCESSWAY: This has been designed as a drop off zone in the mornings and a pick up zone at the end of school. The parking is limited and cannot accommodate parking for everyone. When parents show patience and consideration for others and just how the facility works, traffic flows and children are dropped off and picked up successfully. Staff members are on duty to help facilitate this happening. They may have to talk to parents and guide them.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES: The parent teacher conferences are scheduled for Wednesday the 24th of February. This will allow parents to discuss how their child has settled into their new class and how they are working and socialising while at school. Some areas for discussion could include your child's:

- achievement level in the core curriculum areas of reading, writing and maths.
- involvement and interest in the other curriculum areas.
- social interactions, behaviour and attitude to others, school and learning in general.
- work habits, ability to start work quickly, persevere and complete work in an appropriate time.
- independence and ability to take responsibility for themselves and their actions.

Each conference will be of 10 minutes duration so it is important that you are on time. On the 24th of February, the learning programmes will finish at 12.40 p.m. Students will eat their lunch at school, have a short play and then go home at 1.30 p.m. so the conferences can start at 1.40 p.m. We certainly apologise for any inconvenience that this will cause parents. We look forward to seeing as many parents as is possible. Detailed information will be sent home next week so specific conference times can be arranged.

SWIMMING: Swimming is compulsory as part of the New Zealand Curriculum. If your child has a medical condition preventing him or her from swimming, a signed note from you is required.

SCHOOL LUNCHESES: School lunches will continue to be sold on **Mondays and Fridays only**. All children wishing to order school lunches need to do so at the auditorium between 8.20 and 8.50 a.m. on Mondays and Fridays. Lunches will be delivered to classrooms by our school lunch monitors. Orders can be placed from Friday the 12th of February. The food items and cost are as follows:

small mince pie	\$1.50	regular mince and cheese pie	\$2.00	potato top pie	\$2.00
sausage roll	\$1.50	chicken and gravy pie	\$2.00	bacon and egg pie	\$2.00
juice drinks	\$2.00				

CLASS PHOTOS: Class photos will be taken on Monday the 22nd of February in the auditorium.

WAITANGI DAY: Due to Waitangi Day falling this year, on Saturday the 6th of February, Monday will be a public holiday, and school will be closed on Monday the 8th of February.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE: Bizzy Bodz provide before and after school care on the school site from Monday to Friday. If you would like any information regarding the care and cost please contact Jo Adamson on 530 9020 or collect a brochure from the school office.

KIWI GAMES FUN SPORTS PROGRAMME: For children aged 5 – 11 years. **Saturdays** 9.30 a.m. - 11 a.m. **Starts 20th February**, then 27th February, 12th, 19th March, 2nd and 9th April at Papatoetoe East School, 138 Tui Road. Gold coin donation. Contact: Mr Glenn 0274 381646 or 279-8340 (PACT Office).



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Please sign and return this slip to school tomorrow so your child's name can be entered in a draw for a free school lunch.

Parent's Signature _____ Child's Name _____ Room _____