

Pinehill School News

Inspire active learners and leaders who make a difference

Week 1, Term 1

10 February, 2021

Message from our Principal

Kia ora tatou, Mālō e lele, Ann yeong haseyo, Ni hao, Dzień dobry

Welcome back to the 2021 school year! We had a powhiri on Tuesday morning to welcome our 36 new students and their families as well as our new staff members. It was great to see so many of you there for this special welcome.

It is important to us that your move to our school is as easy as possible. If there is anything you need to know, please do pop in and ask. No question is ever too small.

It has been wonderful to see everyone again. We missed the children during the holiday break and have loved seeing their smiling faces and hearing about their holiday adventures.

The teachers have worked hard to get classrooms and programmes ready. Don't forget to call in and introduce yourself to your child's teacher, as you will be working together as a team to ensure your child makes the best progress possible. A big thank you also to our Property Manager, Shaun Weston, who has maintained the grounds over the holiday break, making them a wonderful environment. You may have noticed a team of painters at school during the break working on the annual cycle of painting maintenance of some parts of the school.

Unlike some countries overseas, we feel fortunate we can start the new school year together and onsite. As a school we have given reminders to all of the students (both at the powhiri and in class) on the following:

- Reinforced the importance and modelled good hand washing and drying
- Reinforced good cough and sneeze etiquette
- Reminded students to remain at home if they are unwell

For our school we will:

- Continue to display QR code posters for the NZ COVID Tracer App
- Keep our visitor register, attendance register and timetables up to date
- Ask all parents/caregivers to sign in if entering our school grounds (via NZ COVID Tracer App AND SchoolApp Covid-19 Check-in or Tablet in the office or the sign in sheet at reception. If you don't have the app, please sign in on paper copy outside the office.
- Encourage people with relevant symptoms to seek medical advice through Healthline or their GP and get tested for COVID if recommended to do so

Our school is as safe a place for children as anywhere.

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Waitangi Day observed on Monday and spent some time reflecting on why this day is so important for us as New Zealanders. I also wish you all a very happy Chinese New Year, as we commence the Year of the Ox.

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini Success is not the work of one, but the work of many.

Ngā mihi nui,

Carla Veldman, Principal

New Students

Pinehill School would like to welcome the following new students:

Wateen Alhammadi, Ahmed Alhammadi, Tyler Boyce, Luis Capati, Lennox Hamblin, Haytham Hassan, Luke Howard, Aubree Huo, Cayden Janse van Rensburg, Asees Kaur, Julia Khlebopros, Taeyun Kim, Avishay and Anika Kingsley, Isaac Lim, Quentin Lyu, Reggie Ma, Jashmitha Maddala, Victoria Meshkova, Irene and Ian Park, Xaniwa Pritchard, Alvin Qin, Hugh Reddish, Samuel Shi, Maia Skudder, Keyan Surhio, Samantha Tamayo, Jessica and Daniel Tian, Roy Wang, Rena Yang, Archer and Kasey Ying, Ella Zhang, Marcus Zhang, Michael Zhu

Dates to Remember

Tuesday 16 February

• Yr 5/6 EOTC parent meeting @ 5.45pm

Tuesday 23 February

Board of Trustees Meeting @ 6.00pm

Please note that the school community calendar is available on the SchoolApp and on the front page of our school website.

Administration

Sun Hats

A reminder that it is compulsory for all students to wear a hat at break times in Terms 1 & 4. Any sun hat is ok, or you can purchase a school hat from Janbells in Mairangi Bay.

SchoolApp

Please remember to update your alert groups for this year. Select your child's relevant year level, classroom and sports groups if they are registered to play that sport for this year.



Board of Trustees

Board of Trustees Policies

All school policies are available through School Docs - click here Logon - pinehill password - pinehillway

Travelwise

WSB name	Days	Time/Location	Contact details

Pinehill Penguins	Morning: Mon-Fri	AM: Leaves from 1 Kilear Cl at 8:10 am. Another pick up point at 8.30am from 2 Ballymore Dr	Calla Chang calla@live.com
	Afternoon: Mon - Thurs	PM: Meeting outside Room 5. Leaves school at 3.10pm (arrives at 2 Ballymore Dr)	
Bridge	Everyday		Lamia Bouaifel bouaifel_lamia@hotmail.com
Spencer Rd	Morning ONLY Mon - Thursday	Leaves from 12 Spencer Rd at 8:30am	Kelly Liang lucas110123@hotmail.com

Sports News

Basketball 2021

If you are interested in joining one of our basketball teams in 2021, please fill in the <u>expression of interest</u> <u>form</u> by **Thursday 11 February**. Games will be played at Breakers venue, and we are hoping to enter a league at Browns Bay Leisure Centre. More details will be sent out as they come to us.

Flippaball 2021

Any year 3-6 children who are interested in playing flippa ball next year please fill in this **google form** by **Thursday 11 February** to express interest. Games are played on Sundays at AUT Millennium pool. Children MUST be able to confidently swim 75m. If you would like more information on flippa ball please click on the following link:

Introduction to Flippaball

2021 Sports Questionnaire

We have been very fortunate to offer a wide range of sports for our students over the years, we would like to get feedback from our community to see if there are any other sports that we can look into offering over 2021. Please <u>click the link</u> to fill in the questionnaire.

Friends of Pinehill School (FOPS) News - PTA

Friends of Pinehill School would like to welcome all students and parents back to Pinehill School for 2021.

No Fun Food Friday and Snack Food Friday this week. The next Snack Food Friday is on Friday 19th February.

Second-hand Uniform

You can purchase a second hand school uniform at our Kindo Online Shop, please visit https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/index.html. Uniform orders will be delivered to your child's classroom or collected from the office.

If you have school uniforms that you can donate, please ask your child to bring them to school and pass them to the office. Thank you for your generosity! Please email us if you

need further assistance.

Jolly Jar for Kapa Haka

FOPS is fundraising for our new Kapa Haka costumes. We have made good use of the current costumes, they are due to be replaced this year. We are asking for a Jolly Jar donation from each student. It can be filled with anything and will be sold at the Family Picnic. Please bring your Jolly Jar to your classroom, we cannot wait to see your amazing creations! All money raised will be put towards the new Kapa Haka costumes.



Second Hand Book Sale

We are collecting books again for sale at the Family Picnic. Please donate books to the cardboard box at the school office. Thank you very much for your support and generosity.

Yummy Stickers



We are collecting "Yummy" stickers from apples, nectarines, peaches and pears, and barcodes from bags of "Yummy" fruit. This is a year long promotion, thank you for collecting the stickers over the holiday. The stickers are exchanged for sports equipment for the school. All stickers and barcodes need to be stuck on the official forms which can be downloaded from www.yummyfruit.co.nz or from the FOPS fundraising page on the school website. Forms are also

available from the "Yummy" drop box opposite the health room in the administration block. Please return forms to the drop box when you have filled them up. Thank you for your ongoing effort!

About Us - Friends of Pinehill School

FOPS is a fundraising and support network of parents and teachers assisting Pinehill school to connect our community. It is a great way to get involved and meet other fun enthusiastic parents. Each member brings something unique and special to our group. Kia ora rawa atu thank you! FOPS AGM will be held at 8.30am on Monday 15th February at the staff room allocated in the administration block. All welcome! If you have any questions or would like to join this amazing force, please email pinehillfops@gmail.com. We look forward to meeting you!

Pinehill School PTA - Friends of Pinehill School

Community News

Mid Bays Music School 2021

We still have some spaces for the following instruments: Drums, Bass, Guitar, Ukulele, Saxophone, Clarinet, Keyboard (Level 3), Trumpet, Recorder, Oboe, Flute, Violin, Viola, and Cello. Here is a page to find more about each instrument. Our highly qualified tutors make learning music relevant and enjoyable.

Any enquiries, please email mbmusic@mbi.school.nz

Music tuition for \$150 - \$250 for the whole year. (This includes the book hire but NOT the instrument hire)

When: Weekdays after school or Saturday mornings

Where: Murrays Bay Intermediate School

Start date: Classes start Monday 15th February

Age: Group lessons open to 6-12 year olds but there are age requirements for some instruments. Please check

our website for more information.

Enrolments will be through Kindo so make sure you have an account. Any troubleshooting solutions will be online at www.mbmusic.org





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Pinehill School Hall

Saturday 10.00am - 12.00pm

www.pform.nz

0800 736 766 (PFORM NZ)



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