

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the Principal

Kia ora koutou,

Thank you to everyone who participated in 'Moving March' this week. It was great to see the excited faces coming through the gate each day, keen for a sticker or spot prize. It was a fun event for all. Thanks to Mrs Beaumont-Yee for her organisation of this on our behalf.

### Strike Action

You will have heard in the media and seen from our previous email that following on from the Paid Union Meetings last week, Primary school teachers and principals have voted to take part in a one day strike on **Thursday 16th March**. School will be **closed** for instruction on this day and although our EOTC activities that day have been cancelled we are pleased to say that our Year 5 & 6 Camp is going ahead.

### Attendance

This week schools' received a paper discussing findings by ERO (The Education Review Office) related to attendance. Attendance as defined in this document is when learners are at school and in the class they are supposed to be in. Regular attendance at school is critical to our tamariki's overall well-being and achievement. Over the past year, some children needed time off school due to the impacts of Covid 19. While the virus has not gone away, we as a community have become adept at facing the challenges that come with it. In relation to attendance, a good rule of thumb is if you child is unwell, they stay at home and school is contacted. If your child is well, we want them at school, learning and thriving with their peers. Schools monitor the attendance of their students closely. If we are concerned about your child's attendance, we will be in contact. If you need support with your child's attendance and/or learning, please contact us.

### Caretaker

We are on the look out for a fabulous Caretaker to join our team. Applications close on **Wednesday 22nd March** and we are keen to have the successful applicant start on the first day of **Term 2 - the 26th of April**. Note that this position is 20 hours per week and the conditions and pay rates are set out in the School Caretakers' & Cleaners' Collective Agreement. It is going to be great to have a Caretaker back on our staff!

### Art & Craft Exhibition 2023

We are super excited to let you know this years Pinehaven Art and Craft Exhibition will be held on Friday 8th September and Saturday 9th September. Registrations will open in early May. To make this years exhibition a success, we need a bit of help.

What's needed?

- Someone who is able to design this years Art and Craft Exhibition posters.
- Sponsorship to replace our billboard signs
- Sponsorship in general!

If you can help with the signage/sponsorship or would like to join the fabulous organising team, or become a 'Friend of the Art and Crafts Exhibition', helping out in the background, please email Rachel on [pinehavenartandcraft@gmail.com](mailto:pinehavenartandcraft@gmail.com)

We would love to hear from you!

On behalf of the Pinehaven Art and Craft Exhibition Committee

Ngā mihi nui,

Phillipa Whiteman

# Key Dates

Monday 13th—Friday 17th March Years 1-4 EOTC Week

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April

End of Term 1—3pm finish

Tuesday 14th– Friday 17th March Year 5 & 6 Camp at El Rancho

Monday 24th April

Teacher Only Day—*School closed*

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March

School Assembly – Korimako

Tuesday 25th April

Anzac Day Holiday—*School closed*

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March

Colour Run & Cross Country

Wednesday 26th April

Term 2 begins

## New Students

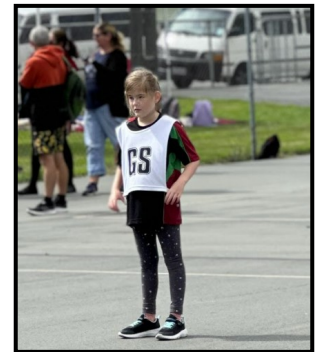


A special welcome to Cecilia, Coen and Lucas who started in Te Wai recently.

It is fantastic to have you here at Pinehaven School!

## Interschool Netball

Last week, 10 students who wanted to try the game of netball, represented our school at the Interschool Netball Tournament. Special thanks to Mrs Duncalf and Miss Johnston for leading this group and also to the parent helpers who helped with transport and training! I was so impressed with the incredible attitude these students had on the day. They were real superstars, prepared to step out of their comfort zone and give something new a go!



## Values Awards



### Our Term 1 Focus is on Whakaute - Respect

Congratulations to the following students for receiving a values certificate recently at our school assembly. Special mention to Hannah for receiving the first Principals Award for 2023.

Hannah D	Principals Award: Consistently polite and respectful without reminders
Maisie D	Respectful
Mana A	Respectful, kind, always ready for learning
Alex M-K	Respect - excellent role model and showing how to be a great learner
Ana S	Respectful manners & courage to try new concepts, especially in maths.
Blake G	Always showing kindness and respect to her peers and adults alike. Beautiful manners!
Harper R	Respect- Always using kind words to others and offering to help.
Ava L	Respect - always listens to others and is very polite.
Mia T	Always showing respect on the mat and listening to instructions.

## Looking ahead...

Teacher Only Day  
Monday 24th April

Term 2 begins  
Wednesday 26th April



PINEHAVEN SCHOOL  
ARTS & CRAFT FAIR  
SAVE THE DATE  
8TH & 9TH SEPTEMBER



# Photos

