

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the Principal

Kia ora e te whānau

We are moving through the school term quickly! There is a lot going on and it is great to see the children so engaged in their learning.

### Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) - Year 5 & 6 Camp & Junior EOTC Week

Last week our students enjoyed a wonderful week of learning outside their regular classroom programmes. Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) is defined as all those events that occur outside the classroom, both on and off-site, including all curriculum, sporting, and cultural activities. Students in Years 1-4 enjoyed a variety of activities throughout the week. As an example, the wonderful team from the Wellington Botanic Gardens came along and ran some sessions. They talked about bees, students got the bee suits on and put the new bees into our hives, made kites and went on a bush walk to forage for foliage which they checked under microscopes. Special thanks to Melanie Wakeham, the junior teachers and parent helpers for making this week such a success. As well as this full on week of activity,



our year 5 & 6 students enjoyed four days at Camp El Rancho. For some students this meant pushing themselves out of their comfort zone by staying away from home for the first time. For others it meant trying a new activity such as kayaking or rock climbing. I was so proud of our students for pushing themselves as they made the most of this experience. This is one of the reasons why EOTC is such an important part of our school curriculum. Developing resilience while in different environments is definitely something I believe in encouraging. Thanks to the senior teachers and in particular, Alice Gibb our Senior Hub Leader for organising and leading camp. Thanks also to our wonderful camp parent helpers for their hard work at camp.

### Positive Feedback

Before our campers had arrived back, I received an email that made me proud to be Principal of our school. A former Pinehaven resident and Pinehaven School pupil, emailed me to say she had met our students as they swam at Waikanae Pool on their way back from camp. She said our students represented our school well as they were polite, well-mannered and respectful towards her and others at the pool complex. As Respect is one of our school values, it was encouraging to hear this value being demonstrated out in the community. We know our children are amazing however it is extra special when someone in the community takes the time to point it out also.

Have a well earned rest this weekend everyone!

*Phillipa Whiteman*

# Key Dates

Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	School Assembly – Korimako lead
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Colour (ful) Run & Cross Country
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	Pizza Fundraiser
	End of Term 1—3pm finish

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Teacher Only Day— <b>School closed</b>
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Anzac Day Holiday— <b>School closed</b>
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Term 2 begins—mihi whakatau for new families
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Footsteps Dance —working with all students

## New Students



A special welcome to Noah & Rohan who started in Te Wai recently.

It is fantastic to have you here at Pinehaven School!

## Art & Craft Exhibition

We are super excited to let you know this years Pinehaven Art and Craft Exhibition will be held on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September and Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> 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

We would love to hear from you!

On behalf of the Pinehaven Art and Craft Exhibition Committee

## School News

### Entertainment Books

Pinehaven School are selling Entertainment Books again this year. Please click on the 'join' button, in the email containing the link to this newsletter, to follow the link to purchase one of these in time for the school holidays! Our school receives 20% of the purchase price for every membership purchased.

### Lunch Online

We have lunch deliveries available on Tuesdays (dumplings), Wednesdays (sushi) and Fridays (Pita Pit). This is an ongoing fundraiser for the school and orders can be made via lunchonline—[www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz)

### Pizza Fundraiser—Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April

Keep a look out early next week for a notice to order some pizza for our end of term fundraiser. We thought this would be a fun way to end a great term!



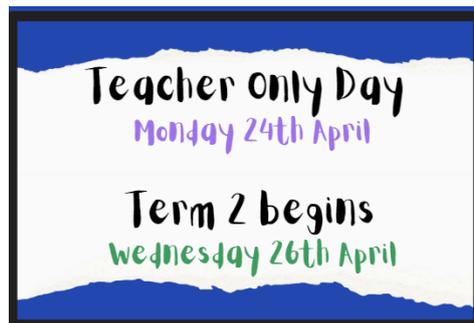
### Colour (ful) Run & Cross Country

Cross country and a fun run (unfortunately, we can't source colour run powder) as there is a nationwide shortage, will be held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March. There will be competitive races, starting from **1PM**, and a fun run, with a slip n slide, beginning about **2 PM**.

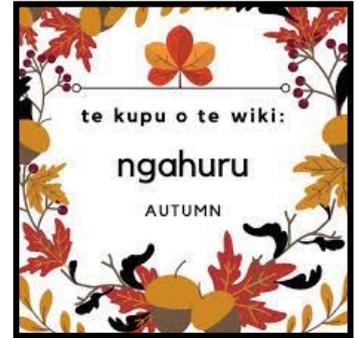
Students have the option to wear bright clothes, wacky hair or shoes if they wish.

Many thanks, Callum Nicol

## Looking ahead...



# Celebrating students work



Autumn is here, we need to enjoy it  
 Under your roof rain is pouring  
 To enjoy autumn we need to be grateful for nature's food  
 Under the clouds, trees are losing leaves which is fine  
 Millions of trees are uncovered  
 Now it's time for lunch!  
 (By Dominic - Rm 3)

Autumn is cold  
 Underneath my feet goes crackle  
 Torture to the tree  
 Unlimited leaves fall off trees  
 Muddy ground outside  
 Naked trees with spindly twigs  
 (By Lola- Rm 3)

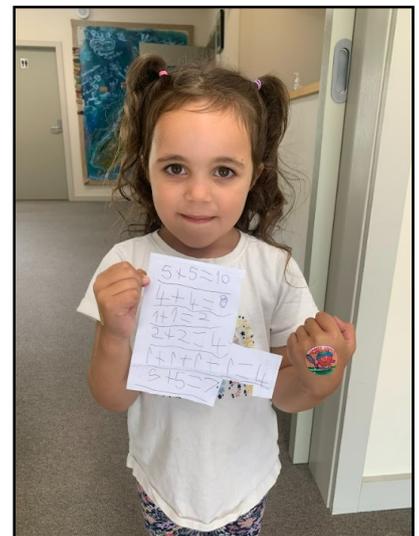
**Autumn**—The Māori name for autumn is ngahuru, an archaic word for ten. This was because in the traditional calendar autumn starts during the tenth month (February-March). Ngahuru is also the name for harvest, which occurs at this time of the year. The saying 'Ngahuru, kura kai, kura tangata' (harvest-time, wealth of food, the wealth of people) indicates that food is plentiful in autumn.

# Values Awards



## Our Term 1 Focus is on Whakaute - Respect

Congratulations to the following students for receiving a values certificate at our school assembly today for demonstrating our value of **Whakaute - Respect**.



Independent math's work by Belle from Te Wai.  
 Izzy came and shared her writing about the life cycle of eels.  
 Fantastic work Belle & Izzy!

Rm 1	Cecilia	Respect - always showing fantastic mat-manners, being polite and helping others.
Rm 2	Keāne	Keāne is kind, respectful and helpful, a great asset to Te Wai.
Rm 3	Hannah	For showing respect at all times and for her lovely manners.
Rm 4	Victor	Incredible respect to everyone at all times. One of the most polite young men ever!!!
Rm 7	Max K	Demonstrating respect and encouraging others, at school and at camp
Rm 8	Isla	Showing respect towards others personal space especially while on camp.
Rm 9	Chase	Always showing respect to others. Chase listens when others are speaking and is always polite.
Rm10	Poppy	Showing fantastic resilience, respect, courage at camp.
Principal's Award	Henry - Rm 8	Being courteous and polite, showing respect by using good manners.
Reading Recovery	Victor - Rm 4	For terrific effort in completing Reading Recovery

