

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the Principal

Kia ora e te whānau,

Wow! Here we are at the end of the first term! It has certainly been a busy few weeks. It was fantastic to see so many of you at our recent Fun Run & Cross-Country. It was a gorgeous day weather wise and I was extremely proud of all our amazing runners. Congratulations to all participants and to our place getters.

### Save the date—Parent Evenings Term 2

Next term there will be two opportunities for parents & caregivers to come along and find out more about the programmes at Pinehaven School. We would love to see as many families represented as possible at these important evenings and value your input very much.

#### *Te Ara Whakamana Mana Enhancement Tool*—Tuesday 2nd May 6-9pm

Early next term we have an evening to share the mana enhancement tool, Te Ara Whakamana (TAWM) with you. This programme started at Pinehaven in 2021 and unfortunately due to covid interruptions in 2022, we were unable to have the parent evening. We are pleased to confirm the facilitators are booked in next term. Te Ara Whakamana promotes wellbeing and positive behaviour change and will be introduced to whānau, parents, and caregivers at this session. Alternatively, there is a day session available if you would prefer on **Friday 12th May** at Trentham School. The presentation will be the same and you are more than welcome to attend this session instead. A form will be sent home early next term to give us an idea of numbers for these events.

#### *Pinehaven Local Curriculum Evening*—Tuesday 30th May at 6pm

This year we have been working to refine our Pinehaven School local curriculum. It is important our localised curriculum clearly speaks to what is important for tamariki at Pinehaven while giving teachers, students & whānau the clarity and cohesion they need for quality teaching & learning. We want our local curriculum to be designed so that it is reflective of our community and their aspirations, as well as easily understood by all. That is where you, our school community come in! We look forward to having your ideas & perspectives at this evening. More details to follow next term.

### Launchpad (Previously known as CRE—Christian Religious Education) Parent Survey

For many years Pinehaven School has offered a CRE programme. Now known as Launchpad, the programme is Christian/values based. Launchpad is available to all children in Year 3-6 and is an “opt in”/“opt out” programme run for 30 minutes, during the school day.

This programme was covid interrupted in 2021 and not delivered in 2022. Our school policy states that we will seek the views of our community every 3 years regarding the delivery of this programme. We strongly encourage all families in the school to complete the Launchpad Survey to tell us whether the programme continues to be provided at school. This survey relies on your participation and this survey will be open until Friday 28th April. The link will be provided via the newsletter email.

Have a wonderful Easter and holiday break.

Phillipa Whiteman



**LAUNCHPAD**  
Christian Values Education

# Key Dates

Monday 24th April	Teacher Only Day—School closed	Tuesday 2nd May	Interschool Football
Tuesday 25th April	Anzac Day Holiday—School closed		Te Ara Whakamana Parent Evening 6-9pm
Wednesday 26th April	Term 2 begins—mihi whakatau for new families	Friday 5th May	School Assembly—Led by Kererū Hub 2.30pm
Friday 28th April	Pinehaven Pacers begins—8am by the hall	Friday 12th May	Te Ara Whakamana at Trentham School 10-2pm

## New Students



A special welcome to Poppy who started in Te Wai recently.

It is fantastic to have you here at Pinehaven School!

## Pinehaven Pacers

Pinehaven Pacers are starting again in term 2. We will meet at 8am by the school hall every second Friday, starting from 28th April. We will run several km around Pinehaven/Silverstream and be back in time for school. All are welcome to join. Parents are welcome to join too. If your child is interested in joining this club they will need to get a sign up form from the office to register their interest. Thanks to Simon & Hadleigh for leading this group this year.

## Cross-Country Results

It was fantastic to have over 120 students running in our competitive races this year. Congratulations to everyone who took part. Special mention to the following place getters. Well done to you all!

Year 1 Girls: 1st Cecilia E, 2nd Kaylee D, 3rd Remy D

Year 1 Boys: 1st Emmett W, 2nd Oliver H, 3rd Mana A

Year 2 Girls: 1st Ana S, 2nd Taylah-Jade T, 3rd Mira G-M

Year 2 Boys: 1st Micaiah F, 2nd Tein S, 3rd Gene E

Year 3 Girls: 1st Mikayla K, 2nd Esme K, 3rd Harper C

Year 3 Boys: 1st Benji W, 2nd Billy B, 3rd Victor D

Year 4 Girls: 1st Alyssa S, 2nd Molly R, 3rd Simone E

Year 4 Boys: 1st Kylo T, 2nd Zane G-M, 3rd Alfie A

Year 5 Girls: 1st, Sydney T, 2nd Frankie M, 3rd Indie R

Year 5 Boys: 1st Max K, 2nd Edward D, 3rd Stanley H

Year 6 Girls: 1st Emma S, 2nd Tahliya D, 3rd Peyton L

Year 6 Boys: 1st Zach P, 2nd Tommy L, 3rd Simon MJ

The Interschool Cross-Country is scheduled for **Sunday May 21st**. It will be exciting to see some of these runners in action again then.



Special thanks to Phil from Trentham United Harriers. Phil gave his time and led our students on the competitive cross-country run for us this week. He was highly complimentary of our kids, "You've got a great bunch of kids with running talent to burn. If you could pass on the attached information to anybody, (including adults) who show any interest in pursuing their running goals that would be awesome." What cool feedback! So if you are keen to take up running, see the flyer attached to the newsletter email. Thanks to Callum Nicol for organising this fun event.

## Year 3/4 Touch Team

This year our girls touch team have had a great competition and lots of fun. The people in our team were Hudson, Alyssa, Alex, Sophie, Iliza, Maddix and Harriet. The prizegiving was fun and we had lollies and a hot dog along with certificates awarded.

By Alyssa

## Term 2 starts...

