

COVID

As you will be aware, Covid is now well and truly in the Putaruru community. We have a number of students and their whanau being tested and isolating at home. Thank you to everyone who has been keeping us informed of their status. We are very grateful to you all for the way you are following our Covid procedures. We really appreciate all the mask wearing, drop offs and pick ups at the gate, staying home when sick etc etc. We know it's hard but THANK YOU! For now school is open as normal. Staff are working extra hard to ensure everyone is safe and happy at school.

Please remember:

If your child is sick please keep them home.
If your child is waiting on a test result please keep them home,
If your child tests positive for covid please let the school know.

We will keep you informed if there are any changes. It is vital that you keep an eye on your email, Skool Loop and our FaceBook page for any updates.

CAMP OKATAINA POSTPONED

With the growing Omicron situation, we have made the difficult decision to postpone our planned Year 5 & 6 camp until Term 4. **Camp will now run from Tuesday 29th November until Friday 2nd December.** We will send out further information closer to the date and be in touch with our parent volunteers to check they are still available. Any parents who had returned forms saying they would like to come to camp, but who have been unable to get their police vet forms in, you now have time to get it sorted. Please phone the school office if you need more information about this or need us to resend home the forms with your child. Thank you to the parents who have already completed this process, we hope that you will still be able to join us at this later date. While we understand that this is hugely disappointing for the students, we need to ensure we are putting everyone's safety first.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY:

Monday 28th February & Tuesday 1st March: **THREE WAY LEARNING CONFERENCES**

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We hope to be holding Three Way Learning Conferences on Monday 28th February and Tuesday 1st March. These will be held afterschool, so no children will be going home early on these days. Appointment slips were sent home with your child on Monday and should have been returned by today - we will send home the appointment times tomorrow with your child.

PUPILS OF THE WEEK



Unichem

E2: Emelia

For making a great start at PPS.

E3: Storm

For a confident start to the school year. Ka pai!

E4: William

For a great start at PPS and always producing great work.

E5: Jasmine H

For always working hard to produce her best work. Ka pai!

V1: Coupah

For being helpful toward both the teacher and other class members this week.

V2: Maharli

For listening carefully to instructions and completing her border to a high standard.

C1: Dijonay

For always being on task. Dijonay always completes her work to a high standard and doesn't let any distractions slow her down. Tino Pai

C2: Nevaeh

For having a great attitude towards school and her learning. Ka Rawe, Awesome!

C3: Vanessa

For staying on task and completing tasks independently to a high standard - Mahi pai! Great work!



Congratulations to Vanessa who won the Unichem Voucher!

CRICKET HAS BEEN CANCELLED FOR THIS TERM BECAUSE OF THE COVID SITUATION IN OUR COMMUNITY.

**Why are fish so smart?
Cause they live in schools!**



REMEMBER IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO BE ABSENT FROM SCHOOL - PLEASE ADVISE THE SCHOOL OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE:
PHONE: 883 7166 or 027 279 1026 or
EMAIL: reception@putaruru.school.nz or
SKOOL LOOP: Download this App and find our school, then fill out the absentee form.



LATE TO SCHOOL

School starts at 9:00am and it is most important that all students are here ready to start their learning at this time.

The 9 - 9:30am part of the school day is VERY important. During this time instructions for the day's learning are given, routines are set up and the class spends time together building positive relationships. If your child is 10 minutes late each day they miss almost a block of learning over a week and this is a real disadvantage for them. They are also "behind the eight-ball" on what is happening that day and will find it hard to slot in and catch up. Being at school by quarter to 9 is even better as it gives the students the chance to greet their teacher and friends and get ready for their day of learning. Lateness to school is carefully monitored as it is a factor that affects school achievement.



SCHOOL STATIONERY
\$ 30 per child DUE

KMK - Korero Māori Kids

In our school, students from C2 are walking around the school talking in Te Reo Māori. Their focus is to get students to reply to them using the Phrase of the Week.

These are our KM kids for this week:

- E3 = Rere
- E4 = Kendall
- E5 = Amelia
- V1 = Maekenna-Lee
- V2 = Hybiscus
- C1 = Fabian
- C2 = Mila
- C3 = Annabellé



**KIA KAHA
TE REO MĀORI**

Last FRIDAY 18th FEBRUARY MUFTI DAY



Fridays mufti day to raise money for this worthy cause raised \$257.00.
The theme was GREEN and everyone had heaps of fun.



SOUTH WAIKATO GIRL GUIDES



Are you up for fun, friends and adventures, then Girl Guiding could be for you. We have units for girls aged between 5 - 17. We are also on the lookout for leaders to support these girls. We have spaces available in our units in both Putaruru and Tokoroa - if you are interested email Michelle on michellegirlguide@gmail.com



PUTARURU SCOUTS 2022 ENROL TODAY



Come along, learn new skills, make new friends and have lots of fun. The new Scout Programme is running with a huge variety of activities at the Putaruru Scout Hall, Park Avenue, Putaruru.

- Keas (5 - 8 yr old's) Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:00pm.
- Cubs (8 - 11 yr old's) Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:00pm.
- Scouts (11 - 14 yr old's) Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:30pm.

Phone Baloo for more information 027 287 6745