



POKENO SCHOOL PANUI

*Ma Te huruhuru, Ka rere Te manu
Adorn the bird with feathers so it can fly*



**Wednesday 9 December
Term 4 Week 9**

School News

2021 Staffing

We are very happy to be fully staffed for 2021. With an ever increasing roll there is a need to continually expand the school and the number of classes we have.

There are a few staff changes, which means some of our amazing team will be leaving us. We are always sorry to see staff leave us after all of the amazing work they have done for our children. However, we wish them well in their future endeavours:

- **Mrs Campbell** - after 25 years at Pokeno School Mrs Campbell is retiring. She has been such an amazing asset to the school for more than two decades. She has supported hundreds of children, including family members from different generations. The school won't be the same without Mrs Campbell. We know she will enjoy her retirement and spending more time with her increasing number of grandchildren.
- **Whaea Li** (Room 1) is going to a school in the Waikato.
- **Mrs McGrath** (Room 16) won't be with us fulltime in 2021, but will be here in a part time capacity.
- **Mrs McCarthy** (Room 8) - Congratulations to Mrs McCarthy who is pregnant! She will still be with us in Term 1 but will then be going on maternity leave for the remainder of 2021.
- **Whaea Honey** (Room 10) - As most of you will be aware Whaea Honey has been on leave during the second half of the year as she focuses on her health and the rehabilitation of her back. It is unlikely that Whaea Honey will be returning next year.

New Staff

I am pleased to announce that the following teachers will be joining the team in 2021....

- **Karen Foord** - Karen was recently teaching in Room 13 as part of her teacher training. We are thrilled that she will be a fulltime staff member next year.
- **Kirstie Day** - Kirstie is a third year teacher joining us from Conifer Grove School.
- **Julia Delany** - Julia is an experienced teacher and is coming to us from The Gardens School.

LAST DAY OF TERM

Wednesday 16 December – 1:00pm finish

Please remember that the last day of school is next Wednesday 16 December. **School will be finishing at 1:00pm.** The school bus and KAS will do school pick ups at 1:00pm. **Families using KAS should contact them directly to confirm arrangements.** If your child/ren will not be attending the last day please let their teacher know or contact the office.

Upcoming Events

14 December - Year 8 end of year trip to Parakai

15 December - Reports home

15 December - Prizegivings

- Ruru - 2:00pm
- Tui & Kea - 6:00pm

16 December - last day of Term Four **1:00pm finish**

Thank you and happy holidays

As this is our last newsletter for the year we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your support during 2020. It has been a challenging year with many interruptions as a result of COVID-19. We want to thank everyone for your patience, understanding and support. We are looking forward to what will hopefully be a great 2021!



School Apps^{NZ}
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2021 Organisation

Principal Mr Blair Johnston
Deputy Principal Miss Stephanie Lee
Associate Principal Mrs Karen Houghton

Ruru Whanau (New Entrant - Year 2)

Whanau Leader Mrs Laura Turton

Room 3 - Courtney Senn - Year 1 & 2

Room 4 - Jacqui Methven - Year 1

Room 5 - Karen Foord - Year 1

Room 6 - Liz O'Brien - Year 1 & 2

Room 7 - Tracey McVeigh - Year 2

Room 11 - Laura Turton - Year 1 - This class will start at the end of Term 1 or beginning of Term 2

*** Room's 1 & 2 will be empty at the start of the year and will be used for roll growth.*

Tui Whanau

Whanau Leader Mrs Danielle Ingram-Trevis

Room 15 - Tayla MacPherson - Year 3 & 4

Room 16 - Danielle Ingram-Trevis - Year 3 & 4

Room 17 - Georgia Bruce - Year 3 & 4

Room 18 - Ilse Swanepoel - Year 3 & 4

Kea Whanau

Whanau Leader Miss Watson

Room 8 - Julia Delany - Year 5 & 6

Room 9 - Karen Kanon - Year 5 & 6

Room 10 - Tony Wisnewski - Year 5 & 6

Room 12 - Sarah Fraser - Year 7 & 8

Room 13 - Kirstie Day - Year 6 & 7

Room 14* - Vicki McCarthy (T1) / Michèle Watson (T2 - 4) - Year 7 & 8

* Mrs McCarthy and Miss W will work together until Mrs McCarthy goes on maternity leave

2021 Dates

Term One

9 February - Term One Begins for children

2 April - Good Friday

5 April - Easter Monday

6 April - Easter Tuesday (a school holiday)

16 April - Term One Ends

Term Two

3 May - Term Two Begins

7 June - Queen's Birthday

9 July - Term Two Ends

Term Three

26 July - Term Three Begins

1 October - Term Three Ends

Term Four

18 October - Term Four Begins

25 October - Labour Day

15 December - Term Four Ends

PTA RAFFLE

A huge thank you to everyone who sold and bought tickets for our end of year raffle.

We are hugely grateful to our amazing sponsors. Through their support we ended up with a total of 17 prize draws.

Thanks to:

Remax Stars, Hynds, GJ Gardner Homes, Pokeno Bacon, Chic Hairdressers, Countdown, Sharp, Zion Motorhomes, Mitre 10, Pokeno CBD

The raffle has been drawn and all prize winners have been contacted by phone.

School Office Holiday Hours

The office will be open on the following days for enrolments and if families need to use the school laptops to order stationery online:

- Monday 1st February – Auckland Anniversary (Office closed)
- Tuesday 2nd February – 8:30am – 3:00pm
- Wednesday 3rd February – 8:30am – 3:00pm
- Thursday 4th February – 8:30am – 3:00pm
- Friday 5th February – 8:30am – 3:00pm
- Monday 8th February – Waitangi Day Public Holiday (Office Closed)
- Tuesday 9th February - First day of school, normal office hours resume - 8:00am – 3:30pm

2021 Stationery

Stationery packs will again be sold online. Next year we are using a new company - 'Qizzle'. We have changed companies as we have been able to secure more competitive pricing.

Teachers carefully select the stationery to meet the needs of the children at each year level; therefore our preference is that stationery is purchased as a pack. However, this year you are able to delete items your child already has. A flyer will be sent home next week giving you more information about how to order. Please be aware that the earlier it is ordered the more likely it is to be delivered in time for the first day of school. Visit 'www.schoolpacks.co.nz'

Stationery Packs

These are the prices if you were to buy the entire pack. Please remember these are sold according to the child's **year level** and NOT the classroom they will be in.

Year 1	\$24.89
Year 2	\$26.56
Year 3 & 4	\$29.97
Year 5 – 8	\$44.32

Payments for stationery are made directly to Qizzle.

Guitar and Ukulele Tuition

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Donna Allely New Zealand Modern School of Music

Lost Property

Please ask your children to check lost property this week. Any lost property left at the end of the year will be donated to a charity.



BOMBAY TENNIS!

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME! (Dec 21st & 22nd)

- \$65 for both days or \$35 per day

Sessions:

- 9:15am-12:00pm (ages 5-9)
- 12:45pm-3:30pm (ages 10+)

TERM 1 GROUP LESSONS ON MONDAYS!

- Junior Lessons (ages 5-16 years) \$110 for term
- Ladies Lessons/Workout Classes \$120 for term

Contact Daniel to book spots!
020 4174 0731 | danielmillwardcoaching@gmail.com



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saturdays 2pm - 3pm

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