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ACTUAL TERM DATES 2024

TERM 1: 01/02/24 - 12/04/24 TERM 2: 29/04/24 - 05/07/24 TERM 3: 22/07/24 - 27/09/24 TERM 4: 14/10/24 - 17/12/24

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Kirsten Cracknell has asked that you check your emails as she has sent emails home asking parents to go online for various sports to register your child's details. Please check you emails and any queries please email Kirsten direct on: kirstenp@pongakawa.school.nz

Te Puke Netball - Year 1-6 2024

This season commences Term 2, Week 3, Thursday 16th May.

NETBALL Years 1-6

Games are played on a Thursday afternoon at the Te Puke Netball Courts/Centre.

Fees for yr 1-2 are \$40 per child.

Fees for yr 3-6 are \$80 per child. Years 1-2: playing format: 4 vs 4, game day: 30 minute skills,

15 minute games at 4:00 pm 3-4: playing format: 5 vs 5, game day: 15 minute skills,

4x 8 minute game at 4:00 pm

Years 5-6: playing format: 6 vs 6, game day: 4x 8 minute games at 5:15 pm

YEAR 7-8 Netball 2023 - Tauranga Netball Centre

Grading Date: Saturday 18th May 2024 Season Begins: Saturday 25th May 2024

Season Ends: Saturday 31st August 2024 (Expect time changes) semi-finals and finals

Time: Year 7 - 8:00am Year 8 - 9: 00am

(This will depend on what grade we go into eg: if we have more year 8 players we will be in the year 8 grade)

Where: Tauranga Netball Centre - Mount Maunganui

Fees: Approx \$80.00 - depending on team numbers, this will change

Uniform: Girls will be provided with a Pongakawa School netball dress. They will need to have their hair tied up, nails cut short, no jewellery to be worn, correct footwear, and black or white thermals/ shorts/underwear underneath.

Training: To be confirmed

Basketball Term 2 2024

Year 1 & 2 - Little League Term 2 (Mondays) 13th May – 1st July (6 weeks) Approx fees: \$70 Game dates and times have yet to be advised. Year 3 & 4: Game date Tuesday 7th May 24 - 4.00pm Court 8 at Mercury Baypark playing vs Mt Breakers Year 3/4. Approx fees: \$130.00

Year 5 & 6: Game date Friday 10th May 24 - 4.45pm Court 8 at Trustpower Arena Baypark. St Mary's Timberwolves vs Pongakawa White Yr5&6 B grade team. Also at this arena is Pongakawa School A grade team vs Tahatai Bulls at 4.00pm on Court 4. Approx fees: \$130.00

Uniform: School singlets will be provided. Black shorts. Correct footwear. Year 7/8 League Dates: Monday 13th May – 26th August 2024 (12 weeks) No games 3rd or 24th June. Game dates & times yet to be advised. Fees: Approximately \$100.00 - \$120.00

Uniform: School singlets will be provided. Black shorts. Correct footwear

Venue: Mercury Baypark

The online draws can be found: https://taurangacitybasketball.co.nz/2024primary-intermediate-secondary-adult-competition-draws.

Mouth Guards are compulsory for all age groups except Year 1-2 Little League players. The school does sell them from \$6.00 to \$8.00 subject to size.

Class Physical education this term is cross country so please ensure that your child has shorts and a t shirt in their bag each day.

Middles Camp - IMPORTANT Middles student will be attending school camp next week between 6th and 8th May 2024. If you have not already paid camp fees then please pay them NOW.

Hearing & Vision

The Hearing & Vision team from BOPDHP will be at school on 31st May 24 to carry out routine distance vision screening as part of their national screening programme. Year 7 and some Year 8 students will bring forms home this week. Please read the forms and return them to school prior to 31st May 2024.

Upcoming Events Calendar

06/05/24 to 08/05/24 Middles Camp at Totara Springs 13/05/24 Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent Meeting 9.15am BOT Meeting 5pm Please contact Craig on 13/05/24

craigh@pongakawa.school.nz for more information 29/05/24 Young Leaders Day Hamilton

30/05/24 **School Cross Country** 31/05/24 Hearing & Vision

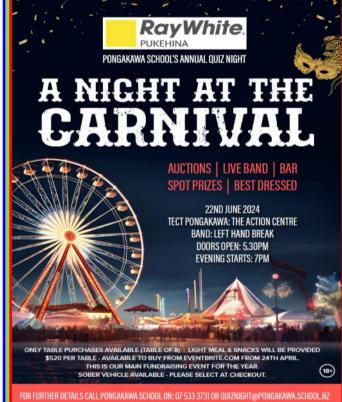
Kings Birthday Public Holiday 03/06/24

Cross Country Cluster Years 5-8 @ Pongakawa 04/06/24

06/06/24 Fresh Moves

Quiz Night-A Night at the Carnival 22/06/24

28/06/24 Matariki Public Holiday



Community Notices

Homeopathy for beginners. Tuesday nights 6.30-7.45 pm starting 23 April at the Papamoa Community Centre. A gold coin donation. If interested text Amanda on 027 868 1321 Text Amanda on Ph 027 8681321 Amanda Macrae Homeopath, Herbalist, Chemist. Director

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family. A 3 or 4 bedroom house or farm cottage is required to rent for one of our school families. It would ideally be either close to Pongakawa School or on/near a school bus run. Phone Bob Tafan Ph 0274201569

Carol Power Voice Studio Show - The Magic of Musicals Saturday 11th May 2024 2pm matinee and 7pm show at Fairhaven School Hall 120 Boucher Avenue, Te Puke. Tickets are now on sale using the links below for Carol Power Voice Studio show - The Magic of Musicals.

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Week 1 Term 2 29th April 2024

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to term two. I hope as a family you were able to get some time together relaxing away from the stresses of work and life in general.

A special welcome to our new families and to those who will be arriving over the next few weeks. Thank you so much for choosing Pongakawa and rest assured you have made the best possible choice for your child's education. I have no doubt it will become just like a second home for you and your children. I am confident lasting memories and life long friendships will happen during your time with us.

Mobile Phones:

A reminder that the new law around mobile phones at school is now in force as a result of the government implementing this. Pongakawa has had as a policy for some years the requirement that students who bring a phone to school must leave it in the office during the day so this is nothing new to us. My suggestion is that unless your child really needs their phone to be at school that it stays at home. If you need to contact your child or they need to contact you we can easily enable this through the office. It should be noted that phones also include watches and other devices which can access the internet or the phone system. It does not include those students in year 5 to 8 who may have a personal chromebook purchased through the school. These are for classroom use and we are able to closely monitor what children are accessing.

Ignite Inquiry:

This term our Inquiry has a historical element to it. The history of Pongakawa, all the way back to the very first meeting in 1891. Believe it or not we have the original minutes of that meeting held in the Postmasters House. It will be an exciting unit of study and one the students will learn a good deal from. As you can imagine it centres on far more than just the school but it is the vehicle for the study. I was able to get around the classrooms to see the Ignition day activities. This day as the name suggests is designed to excite the students to ask questions and these help the teachers chart the direction of the future weeks. The title of the inquiry is Purakau o te Whenua - Stories of our land.

Building work:

The government is undertaking a review of a number of projects and this includes our next phase of weathertightness repair. It is called a value for money exercise. I am hopeful our work will continue as planned but we will find this out over the course of the term. In the meantime the education ministry has agreed we can begin undertaking some modernisation work according to our approved plan. This means we can finally upgrade some or all of our toilets and do some work upgrading classes. This process will begin in the junior area. Our project manager has begun the planning process with us. I will keep you updated as things begin to unfold.

Have a fantastic week Yours in teaching Craig Haggo Principal

> Breakfast Club Breakfast Club Is for Anyone Who Needs it regardless of the reason for the need. Each Monday to Friday 8.00am to 8.30am in the Action Centre Foyer

Congratulations to the following students who were **End of Term 1 2024 Cup Winners**

Room 12 Whitmore Cup:Kate McKenzie

Merit: Anakin Surgeoner Merit: Charlee Henderson

Believe Certificate: Koda McLeod

Room 16 Lucy Cawte Cup: Milan Cracknell

Merit: Felix Archer Merit: Keanu Miles

Believe Certificate: Molly Cruickshank

Room 17 Sophie Walter Cup: Ezra Steel

Merit: Aila McConnell

Merit: Henry Fahey Believe Certificate: Rosie Graham

Room 18 Rollerson Cup: Cleo Langford

Merit: Grayson Layne Merit: Benntlee Hopkinson

Believe Certificate: Eden Judd

Room 1 Boyle Cup: Rose Foster Merit: Gus Ferguson

Merit: Brody Jones

Believe Certificate: Ruby Judd Room 3 Johnson Cup: Troy Hodges

Merit: Cohen King

Merit: Japmun Rai

Believe Certificate: Charlie Wade Room 4 Craig Rogers Cup: Wairua Hodges

Merit: Joshua James Merit: Mathilda McSimm

Believe Certificate: Tristan Stoneley

Room 5 Whitmore Cup: Maia Anaru

Merit: Mac McKenzie

Merit: Tanner Deed

Believe Certificate: Indie Burt Room 6 Morrow Cup: Case McNeil

Merit: Luke Pringle

Merit: Arapera Anderson Believe Certificate: Anya Simpson

Room 7 Beverly Hurst Cup: Willow Langford

Merit: Max Macdonald Merit: Jasper Hodgson

Believe Certificate: Hanna Walker

Room 8 Bristow Trophy: Maya Cooper

Merit: Lochlin Siemelink

Merit: Nizzy Scott Believe Certificate: Harper Orton

Room 9 Mackey Trophy: Hazel Flay

Merit: Harry Gillingham

Merit: Tanish Patel

Believe Certificate: Tiana Hart

Room 10 Whitmore Cup: Belle Goodwin Merit: Carmen Jones-Burt

Merit: Kyla Jones Believe Certificate: Emma Craig

Jennifer Stewart Junior Arts Cup: Bowie McLeod

Cobb Cup Senior Arts Trophy: Hazel Flay

Fraser Shield: Zen Abbott

Clarke Family Swimming Middles Boys: Brodie Ripo Clarke Family Swimming Middles Girls: Rose Foster

Jim Savage Swimming Senior Boys: Logan McGettigan Jim Savage Swimming Senior Girls: Lucy Abraham

Triathlon Boy: Toren Ferguson

Triathlon Girl: Lucy Abraham

AWOL Award: Dylan Marsh AWOL Award: Louis Wilton

The school day begins at 8.45am NOT 9.00am

It is important that all students are in class at this time. School finishes at **2.55pm** with a clean up bell at **2.45pm**. We have a very full schedule for all students each day so please ensure that they are on time for school.



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