



# Pūkeko Rua News!



Kia Ora e te whānau, we had such a great term 1 and our tamariki have engaged in many new learning opportunities while making new friends and connections. We are super excited about our programme for term 2 and have recognised the many interests of our tamariki as we have created provocations to extend these and support the learning.



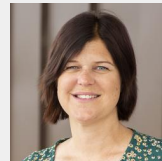
## TERM 2 - 2024



Date	What's On
Monday 29 April	First Day of Term 2 - Pōwhiri welcome for new families
6 - 10 May	New Zealand Sign Language Week
15 & 16 May	Hui-ā-whānau (Student/Parent/Teacher meetings)
13 - 17 May	Pink Week (Anti-Bullying Week)
Friday 17 May	Pink Shirt Day / Wā Ngākau
Fri 31 May	Staff-Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED <i>Community of Learning (all local schools closed)</i>
Mon 3 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri 7 June	TAM Has Talent
Fri 28 June	Matariki Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri 5th July	Last Day of Term 2



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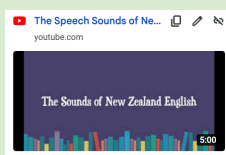
## Literacy At Home...

Here are a few places you can visit to support your child with their literacy learning at home:



[what-is-the-science-of-reading](https://www.what-is-the-science-of-reading.org/)

[The Speech Sounds of NZ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)



## Book Bags:



Please remind your child to bring their book bag to school each day and put it straight into their literacy teachers basket.

During our literacy workshops we use the books as another way to develop their confidence in reading through repetition of familiar sounds, words, and sentences. Along with Readers, you may also see a weekly idea glued into their Home Learning book.

## A gentle reminder...

It is so important for your children to start their day on time. Our school is open from 8:20 and the birds sing at 8:40 to signal the start of our day. To help set them up for an unhurried beginning to their morning please ensure they are here, ready to take part in whānau time at 8:40 with their friends. This is a lovely way for them to connect and gain a sense of belonging within Pūkeko Rua. If your child is late to school, they will need to sign in at the office.



## Lost property & Clothing

Encourage your children to check our lost property box as it quickly becomes overflowing! To set them up to succeed with looking after their things it would be super helpful if you could please name their clothing and remind them to put their belongings straight into their bag if they are removed. We will work alongside you to support them in this also. As outside can become wet and muddy during the cooler months, please continue to send along with your child a change of dry clothing.

## Lunch Boxes...

We have 3 eating times each day; Healthy Snack, Morning Tea, Lunch. During Healthy Snack we encourage tamariki (children) to choose fruit, vegetable or cheese. Water is the best drink for drink bottles and strongly encouraged. On Fridays we have a school lunch order system available for use, the option choices change each week. You are able to order a lunch for your child through the 'kindo' app.

## Hui-ā-whānau

This term we have hui-ā-whānau on Wednesday the 15th May and Thursday 16th May. This is a great opportunity for you to catch up with the teachers and discuss your children's learning. Keep a lookout on our school newsletter/facebook for further booking details.

We look forward to seeing you then!

