



# Te Pahu School Times

## Wednesday 4th May 2022

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Kia ora

It is fantastic to have the team of learners, teachers and support staff all back on deck. As you will be aware there have been some changes as we open school under the ORANGE CPF setting. We are looking forward to a few less restrictions, but rest assured we will continue to keep all the other health measures in place that we know help reduce the impact of COVID-19

We have been given the opportunity to make a decision in the interests of our school community and we have chosen to ask staff and students to continue wearing facemasks indoors. Face masks are still required to be worn by all year 4+ students (unless unable to) and staff. This is a requirement from Te Pahu School. Our priority has always been and remains, the health, safety and wellbeing of our learners, our team members, our whaanau and community. The wearing of masks is one of our key control methods to prevent and limit the spread of COVID-19

We are aware this is no longer a government requirement but have kept this measure in place for the health and wellbeing of our school community. We will constantly continue to reassess our covid response but currently feel that it still presents a health risk to our community, including staff and students and vulnerable people whether they have had the virus already or not. We are also trying to reduce the risk of discontinuity in schooling and it is important that the school can stay open for teaching and children can continue learning.

Parents are able to come onsite for drop off and pick ups. We ask that parents sign in at the office, and wear masks if going into classes. Please also remember the 'safe distance' protocol.

This term we sadly will be farewelling Mrs Toni Densem. Toni has accepted a position at Wharepapa South School. Her last day of teaching at Te Pahu School will be Friday 20th May. This is the end of week 3. We have appointed Mrs Sharon Best in a long term relieving position while we seek the most suitable candidate for this permanent position. I would like to thank Toni for her dedication and enthusiasm in her role as classroom teacher in Ruma Piwakawaka.

This term our calendar of events has a lot happening. We have EPro8 challenges in week 3, Junior trip to Te Awamutu in week 3 also, Winter tournament in week 6 and our Matariki Day in week 8. Please keep an eye out for these upcoming events.

Dates to remember this term

Junior School Trip 17th May  
EPro8 year 5 & 6 20th May  
Winter Tournament 10th June  
Matariki day 24th June

EPro8 year 7 & 8 18th May  
Teacher only day 3rd June  
Matariki Breakfast 23rd June  
Last day of term 8th July

We are looking forward to a non interrupted term of learning! Thank you for your continued support.

Ngaa mihi  
Meegan and the team

### FINANCE UPDATE

To view your accounts, please use the Hero App. Please note that you do not have to pay through Hero. You can continue to do online banking. Please remember if you are doing this, reference: child's name and what for.

## TE PAHU SCHOOL BOARD

Kia ora taatou

Thank you everyone for showing manaakitanga and respect by continuing to follow our school covid protocols at orange. The board and leadership team will continue to regularly review these measures throughout the rest of the year. As a board we feel it is still really important to reduce the spread of covid within school to ensure all our students, teachers and staff can continue to enjoy time at school in good health and with as little disruption to learning as possible.

### POLICY REVIEW

This term we are reviewing our Healthcare and Behaviour Management policies. You can view our policies at <https://tepahu.schooldocs.co.nz>. Our username is 'tepahu' and password is 'attitude'. You can also access our policies from the school website by following the 'School Docs policies' link under the Our School tab.

- Please visit the Parents and Whanau section for an introduction to the School Docs website.
- You can read policies and give feedback under the 'current reviews' tab.

### BOARD ELECTIONS

With the triennial school board elections happening in September this year we are sharing some information below about being on the board. We have 5 parents on our Te Pahu School Board, with the Principal and staff rep, so please consider whether you would be interested in supporting our school as a board member when nominations are called in July. These two short video links are made by the NZ School Trustees Association who actively support all school boards in their role. You can find many more resources on their website at [www.nzsta.org.nz](http://www.nzsta.org.nz) or talk to one of our current board members if you would like to know more.

[Why be a school board member?](#)

[School boards: the roles of governance and management.](#)

*Ngaa mihi and stay safe*

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## PTA 'SPICECRAFT' FUNDRAISER

*Are you a home cook, culinary chef, BBQ flame griller? No matter what's on your menu each night bring a new taste to the table with our 'Spicecraft' fundraiser. With a selection of Salts, Rubs and Spices to choose from, sold individually or as a pack treat your taste buds or gift to a friend.*

## SPOIL MUM ON MOTHER'S DAY

Order ezlunch for delivery between  
2nd - 6th May 2022 and go in the  
draw to win a flower bouquet!



\*T&C's apply. Flowers may vary from image shown.