



Pukeatua Primary School

31st January 2022

Nga mihi nui o te tau hou

Kia ora to all our tamariki and whanau.

Hope you all had a great Christmas and New Years and enjoyed your holiday. I'm sure you are all eager to get back into school life.

The staff are all eager to see you and catchup with what you have been doing over the holidays.

We have some great learning experiences planned that are fun and challenging but give you the opportunity to grow in confidence, gain more knowledge and skills and be an engaged and active learner and leader.

Pukeatua School-Parents and Whanau information.

Pukeatua School has gone through many changes since 2020.

- New Principal : Topsy Remuera – 2021
- New Deputy Principal: – Kerry Lewis- 2021.
- New Kaiako: Room 9 Te Whanau Jamie Hill – 2020
- New Kaiako: Room 2 Te Kakano Martin Brabander – 2020
- New Office Manager Gemma Harris 2021
- Library Manager Sherryn Mohi 2021
- This year we are welcoming another new Teacher Carol Maxwell – Te Kakano- 2022

Roles and responsibilities for Lead Teachers 2022

Kerry Lewis – Deputy Principal and Lead and Mentor for

- Management, Leadership and Mentor of whole school
- Literacy
- SENCo = Special Educational Needs Coordinator
- Curriculum
- Lead Teacher for Te Kakano team

Joe Moeke – Assistant Principal and Lead and Mentor for

- Management, Leadership and Mentor of whole school
- Lead Teacher for Te Whanau

Jenny Ram - Kaiako and Lead and mentor for

- Maths – 2022

Missy Waiwai - Kaiako and Lead and mentor for

- PE/ Health - 2022

Mark Williams - Kaiako and Lead and mentor for

- Technology / ICT – 2022

Rooms and Kaiako

Room 2: Years 6.7.8 Mr Martin Brabander -Te Kakano

Room 4: Year 4,5 Mr Mark Williams - Te Kakano

Room 6: Year 2,3 Carol Maxwell -Te Kakano

Room 7 Years 0-3 Missy Waiwai - Te Kakano

Room 8 Years 0- 3 Jenny Ram - Te Kakano

Room 9 Years 0, 1, 2 Jamie Hill - Te Whanau

Room 10 Years 3, 4, 5 Briar Gray - Te Whanau

Room 12 Years 6, 7,8 Papa Joe Moeke - Te Whanau

Teacher Aides and Kaiawhina

Brenda O-Brien

Leanne Hema

Ruwai Moetu

Issac Waiwai

Tawera Timoti

Ani Haturini will rejoin us in Term 3, 2022

New Structure and Reasoning

All the staff and BOT at Pukeatua are very passionate about our school and believe we have the skills, passion, creativity and commitment to continue to enhance our school values and vision and also develop and build on the learning experiences we offer here at Pukeatua kura.

This year we have decided to release Kerry Lewis from class duties and use her many strengths in the overall management and organization of school life, give her the time she needs to fulfil all the many roles she leads within our kura and be a mentor for our new teachers.

Also this year we are due to change our school vision and strategic goals.

These goals and our new school vision must be reflected in our new Localised curriculum that we are beginning to develop and within our school environment so what better time to hear what our tamariki,

whanau and community think about what learning experiences and skills we should be developing and exposing our learners to at Pukeatua.

We really want to encourage whanau and community to take up every opportunity to add your thoughts, ideas, skills and resources to develop our new Localised curriculum to ensure the learning experiences we offer for our tamariki and whanau at Pukeatua School are rich, challenging, unique, life enhancing and relevant for all our tamariki.

We feel this will give us the opportunity to find out more about our whanau and our community and look at how we can further support our whanau and community.

The staff are very excited to hear the ideas of the children, whanau and community and share our ideas with you so we can begin to develop an action plan to achieve our Strategic goals. We will be sending out emails, letters, and surveys to collect your voice on a variety of issues so please let us know what you think.

It takes more than one person to raise a child it takes a village.

Ehara taku toa I te toa takitini = My strength is not as an individual but as a collective.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome all the new tamariki and whanau who are starting at Pukeatua School. Nau mai haere mai ki te kura o Pukeatua.

Our start date for school is the 8 Feb. Class start and finish time: 8.50am – 3pm

We encourage you to not drop your children off before 8.30 as the gate to our school will not be opened till 8.30am.

Children will be brought up to the school gate by their teacher at 3pm.

Please can all parents come and pick up their child at 3pm please.

We have created a Covid 19 plan for our school so please read this notice carefully and ensure you support us and the tamariki by adhering to these guidelines and procedures.

If you have any enquires or concerns, please ring school – 04 9398356

Nga mihi mahana from all the staff at Pukeatua School.