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NEWSLETTER 15/2019

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5 September 2019



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It has been exciting to see so many PCS students represent the school in a range of Cross Country events in the last 2 weeks. Well done to you all! In particular, congratulations to Timothy Erasmus, Finn Schmitt-O'Reilly, Cody Sheppard and Matthew Ardley who qualified to represent Franklin at the Auckland Championships held on Tuesday at the A & P Showgrounds. This is a superb achievement.

We are all aware of the traffic issues inside and outside of the school and I have been liaising with Auckland Transport regarding this. As a result we have signed up to be a "Travel Wise" school and we will be working with Auckland Transport to educate students and the wider community in the crucial area of road safety.

Term Dates 2020

Term1: 28 Jan to 9 April
Term 2: 28 April to 26 Jun
Term 3: 20 July to 25 Sept
Term 4: 12 Oct to 10 Dec

Term Dates 2019

Term1: 22 Jan to 12 April
Term 2: 29 April to 28 Jun
Term 3: 22 July to 27 Sept
Term 4: 14 Oct to 05 Dec

Thank you so much for your amazing support last week when we had the videographers in school. When the final videos have been finalised, I will share them with you. I was delighted to end the day with the comment from one of the videographers "this is such a special school with a real sense of community." I am sure this will shine through in the video.

Yours in Christ

Clare Humber
Principal

1. IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3, 2019

2 September Year 12 Bio Practical Mock Exam	3	4	5 Newsletter 15 Year 12 Physics Practical Mock Exam	6
9 Year 11-13 Mock Exams	10 Year 11-13 Mock Exams	11 Year 9 History Field trip Year 11-13 Mock Exams	12 Year 11-13 Mock Exams	13 Year 11-13 Mock Exams
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23 CIE Art Exams – Year 11-13	24 CIE Art Exams – Year 11-13	25 CIE Art Exams – Year 11-13 Choir and Dance Club visit to CHT Waiuku 12:30pm-3:00pm Soccer tournament with Manukau & Tyndale Christian Schools. Years 5-13, 3:30pm at PCS	26 Hot Chips lunchtime Year 7 Drama performance CIE Art Exam clean up – Year 11-13 Final Assembly	27 LAST DAY School closes @ 1:10pm

2. TERM'S NOTICE

Please be reminded that it is school policy for you to give a term's written notice, should you decide to remove your child from Pukekohe Christian School. This enables us to effectively plan for the new school year. The deadline for notices to be emailed to principal@pcs.school.co.nz is Friday 27 September, 2019 (the last day of Term 3).

3. STUDENT NEEDING A LIFT

We have a family living in the Hill School area of Pukekohe who need a lift for one child to school in the mornings. If you are able to help, please call Adri on 021 028 43669.

4. ABORTION LEGISLATION BILL

Parliament has just voted the 'Abortion Legislation Bill' through its first reading. It is now being considered by a special Select Committee formed just for this bill. Even if you made a submission to the Law Commission last year, voices are needed again.

If you want to know more about this important issue, please collect a Family First pamphlet from the office or go to lovethemboth.nz.

Abortion is both a legal and a health issue. It's about the health of the mother and the health of the unborn child. The legal safety of the mother and the legal status of the unborn child. Love them both.

The final date for submissions is Thursday, 19 September 2019.

5. CROSS COUNTRY



Front Row: Aimee van der Vegte, Juliet Stephens, Tessa van der Vegte, Paige Harris, Jag Frost and Harrison Pollard

Middle Row: Zachary Camacho, Aleck Cummings and Matthew Erasmus, Keeley Maunsell

Back Row: Jude Holtzhauzen, Cody Sheppard, Timothy Erasmus, Finn Schmitt-O'Reilly, Matthew Ardley, Heidi Pollard, Porsche Frost, Jiya Jattan and Teagan Maunsell

Absent: Xanthe Walker

These wonderful students represented PCS at the North Group Cross Country held two weeks ago on Thursday, 22 August. They braved the rain and wind, running through mud and did really well despite the horrible weather. Well done to all of you, we have plenty of talent here!

The runners who placed in the first twelve at the finish line, qualified to go to the Zone Cross Country. Zone Cross Country was held last week on Wednesday, 28 August.





Cody, Timothy, Finn and Matthew all qualified to represent PCS and Franklin at the Auckland Cross Country Championships which was held on Tuesday, 3 September at the A & P Showgrounds.

Thank you to the parents who braved the bad weather and supported their children and also helped provide transport to and from the showgrounds. We couldn't have done this without your support.



6. LUNCH ON LINE – EVERY FRIDAY

Thank you for the wonderful response and the increased orders for Pita Pit. Keep them coming so that we do not lose this supplier.

For those of you who are thinking about joining up or are new to our school, you can register online at www.lunchonline.co.nz and follow 4 easy steps to get started. Once you have done this, you can order online, the cut-off is 9:00am on the day of the order and the lunch will be delivered just before lunchtime at PCS. Students will need to come to the office to collect their lunch.

7. SEASONS FOR GROWTH

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At Pukekohe Christian School we recognise that when significant changes occur in our lives, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively.

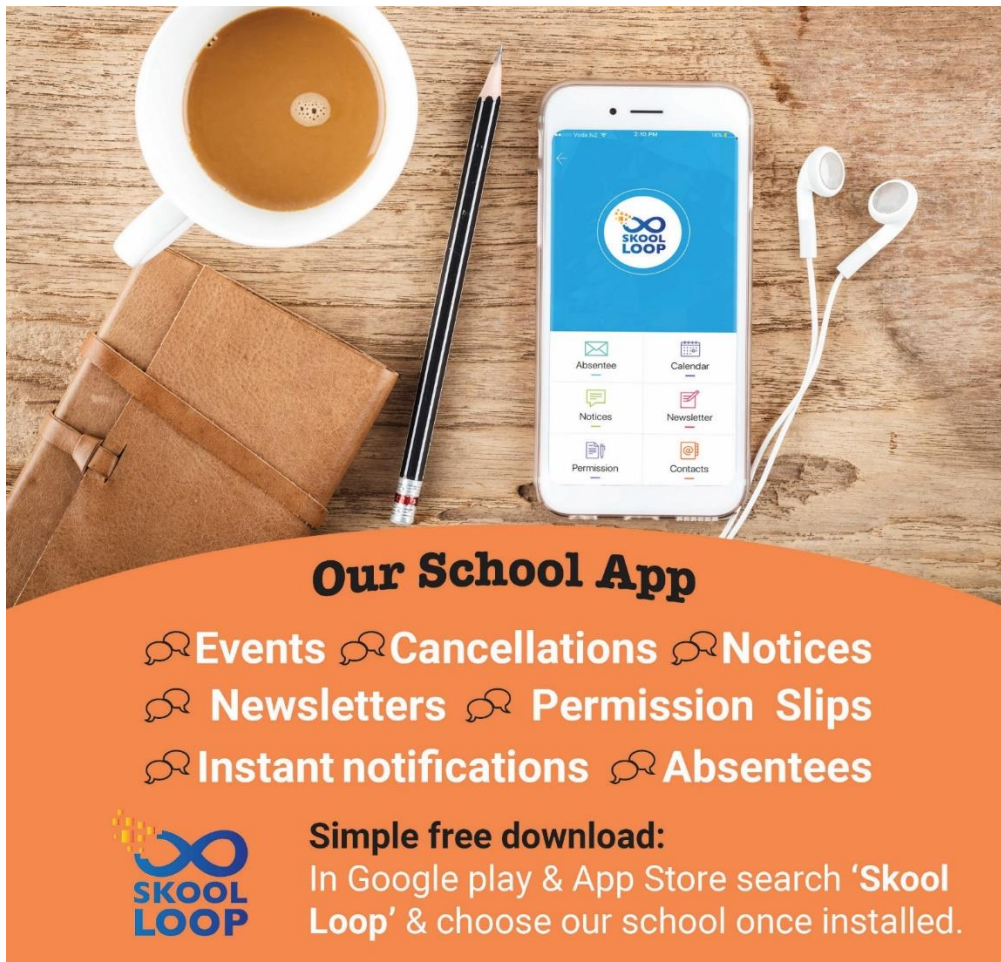
We are therefore offering a very successful education program called **Seasons for Growth** which will commence in Term 1, 2020. This program is facilitated in small groups and is based on research which highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with

change, challenges and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, problem solving, decision making, effective communication and support networks. This is achieved through games, fun activities, art and story books. Pukekohe Christian School is pleased to be able to offer this important programme and we are confident that it will be a valuable learning experience for those who request to be involved.

If you require further information, please contact Clare Humber at principal@pcschool.co.nz or Marisa -Seasons for Growth Coordinator on seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz or 021 142 5812.

We are planning a parents' information session on Monday, 14 October at 3:15pm to explain how the program works and give you an opportunity to look at the resources that are used. Change and loss can come in many different shapes and forms and learning to cope effectively is a crucial part of life. Please also refer to the attached Fact sheet which explains a little bit more on what Seasons is all about.

8. SKOOL LOOP APP



Our School App

- Events
- Cancellations
- Notices
- Newsletters
- Permission Slips
- Instant notifications
- Absentees

SKOOL LOOP

Simple free download:
In Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

Measles outbreak in Auckland schools



The only way to protect your family is to make sure they are vaccinated or immune.

If your children or you have missed any vaccinations, please see your doctor now to catch up. It's **FREE** at your GP.

If your children are vaccinated, they won't need to stay at home if there is measles at your school.

Keep your child at home if they are sick and watch out for:

Cough



Runny nose



Sore red eyes

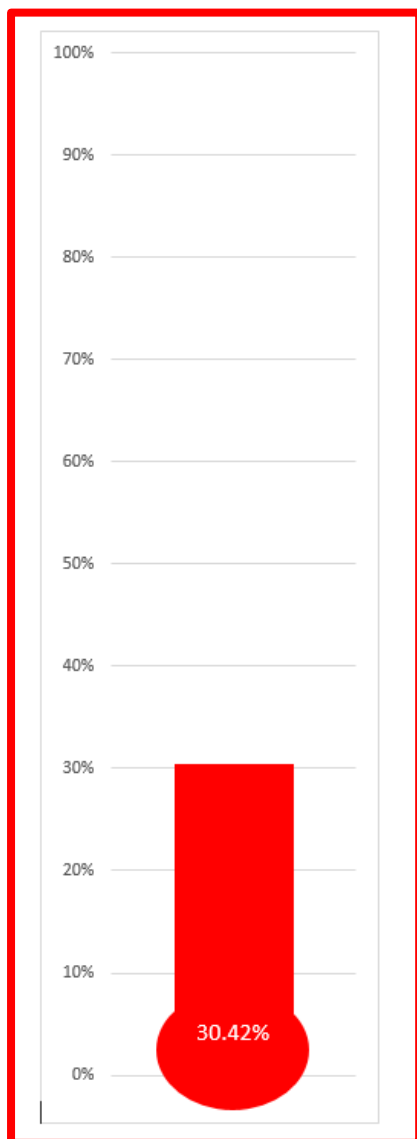


Rash



If you or your children show symptoms please stay at home and call your doctor or Healthline (0800 611 116) for advice.

10.PCS HALL FUNDRAISING



The remaining proceeds from the Gala have now been transferred to the Hall Fund and its good to see we have at last reached the 30% mark on our thermometer. Thank you to all the families who have donated or pledged to this fund, we really appreciate your support. If you have made a pledge, please arrange for the money to be paid as soon as possible or if you are still keen to make a pledge, the forms are available at the school office. If you wish to donate, donations can be paid directly into the Building account #030406-0616956-001. All donations are eligible for the Donations Tax Credit!

The Board is continuing to look at ways to raise funds from the wider community. If you have any ideas on how to meet our target, we would love to hear from you.

11.VOTE FOR IAN CUMMINGS – FRANKLIN LOCAL BOARD ELECTIONS

**VOTE IAN CUMMINGS
TO THE FRANKLIN LOCAL BOARD.**



I want Franklin residents to enjoy the high-quality essential core services they deserve.

I want to reduce wasteful spending, rates, regulatory burden and ensure Council activities are transparent.

I am a strong advocate for free enterprise.

Our local businesses and the voluntary sector are where the endless capacity for innovation and creative thought comes from so it is essential that they are consulted and supported as they will remain vitally important for the ongoing health and wellbeing of our growing community.

I believe I bring the right leadership qualities, life skillset and business acumen to effectively represent our growing community and work collaboratively with fellow Board members to make Franklin a great place to live.

Powered by Ian Cummings, 149-167 Newcomen Rd, Auckland

12.ADS AND NOTICES

- **Edventure Teens- School Holiday Camp**

This is our exciting new camp for teenagers 13-16yrs. Come and join our intensive outdoors based activities. This will include bush sleep out, survival skills, rock climbing, challenging tramps and lots more. Planned and run by teachers to give the best and safest experience!

Monday, 30 September – Friday, 4 October 2019. \$545

Drop off and pick up points in Auckland, Hamilton and BOP.

More info and book in www.edventure.co.nz ph 021 0224 1576

- Sustainability Night Market at Pukekohe High School – Thursday, 12 September 5-8pm**
 The Business Studies students, participating in the Young Enterprise Scheme, and the year 12 business studies classes have all formed companies that are trying to make a difference to our country's well being. There will be scrunchies made from upcycled material (including Trelise Cooper fabrics), Soap from Eco Orbs who manufacture soap that does not harm the environment, sustainability packs for the home, as well as awesome spa kits, makeup remover kits, gift boxes, and many more business ideas.
 It is fantastic to see the social movement of the younger generation wanting to improve the environment of our beautiful country. The students have come up with awesome ideas of how to look after ourselves and our planet with their innovative thinking.
 A night market is not complete without music, lights, action and food trucks to ensure everyone has a great time! Pukekohe High School have it all! Come along on the 12th of September – have a meal, buy some products and catch up with your sustainable friends!
 See you on 12th September 5 – 8 pm on John Street, Pukekohe High School.
- Young at Art children's Art & Craft Holiday workshops** are now open for booking for children aged 5-16yrs. We also offer term time after school Art classes for children aged 6yrs+. For more information or to book please check out: www.youngatart.co.nz or email: anna@youngatart.co.nz. Places are limited, bookings essential.
- Interested in playing cricket? **Pukekohe Metro Cricket Club** has registrations now open. Come down to the clubrooms and check us out. From Year 1 up, Boys and girls
 Registrations are at the Bledisloe Park Sport Centre on John St, Pukekohe.
 Wednesday 4th Sept. 5.30pm to 7.30pm
 Sunday 8th Sept 11am to 1pm.
 Monday 9th Sept. 5pm to 7pm
www.pukekohemetrocricquetclub.crichq.site
 Pukekohe Metro Cricket Club Email: juniors@pmcc.co.nz
- Learner Licence Holiday Programme with Literacy Aotearoa**
 Monday, 30 September to Friday, 4 October, 9:00am-1:30pm. Bring Your Own Lunch.
 IF YOU ATTEND WE WILL PAY:
 - LEARNER LICENCE TEST FEE \$93.90
 - PRACTICAL DRIVING LESSON \$60.00
 Get in quick as there are **limited places available**. To find out more and enrol, please call or text 021 038 6329, email: info.c2@literacy.org.nz or send us a message via our Facebook page
- Grace Chinese Church** is organising a Children Family Christian Camp between 30 September and 3 October, a 4 day camp at CYC camp site near Hamilton. We would like to extend this to our PCS community. The main theme of this camp is about praying and there will be heaps of outdoor activities filled with fun. Families are welcomed to join us in learning about prayer and getting to know our community. All lessons and games will be in English. Places are limited so make use of the earlybird to secure your participation. More information will be communicated through email closer to the time.

Grace Chinese Mission Church
Survival Wet & Wild Camp
 30 Sep – 3 Oct 2019
 Christian Youth Camps www.cyc.org.nz
 148 Waingaro Rd, Ngaruawahia 3720



Age	Camp fee	Early Bird
0-5	Free	Free
6-12	\$90	\$75
>13	\$180	\$150

Come join us!
 Register & Pay Before 09 Sep to enjoy Early Bird Camp Fee. Registration closes 16 Sep 2019.
www.cognitoforms.com/GCMC2/_2019Camp
 or scan QR code to register.



Drowning Prevention Auckland

SPLASH

Break-Away Holiday Programme

11-17yrs

October 2019

FREE school holiday programme - Have fun, make new friends, strengthen your swimming skills and learn how to keep yourself and your mates safer around water. Previous water experience not essential.

Franklin Pool & Leisure

29 Franklin Rd, Pukekohe

Monday 30th September, Tue 1st, Wed 2nd, Thur 3rd October

(Must attend all four days)

9.00am - 2.30pm daily.

Includes FREE lunch

To Register email: Splash@dpanz.org.nz



Spaces are limited and will be filled on a first-in basis. Registration essential.
Drowning Prevention Auckland is the trading name of WaterSafe Auckland.

**FREE
PROGRAMME**

- water safety
- aquatic games
- beach safety
- snorkeling

For more information:
Ph 09 368 5611 or
Email: Splash@dpanz.org.nz

Enrolment forms available from
www.dpanz.org.nz



ORANGA TAMARIKI
Ministry for Children



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13. VERSE FOR THE WEEK: Psalm 36:7

How precious is your unfailing love, O God! All
humanity finds shelter in the shadow of your wings.

Yours in Christ

Clare Humber, Principal

GOD'S PLANS WILL
always be greater
AND MORE
beautiful
THAN ALL
your
DISAPPOINTMENTS.