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PCS NEWSLETTER

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Romans 12:18

If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

Dear School Family

I trust this final term of the year has opened well for you all. These first weeks have certainly already been packed with activity and enjoyment. We hope you are able to join some of the wider school activities planned for this term and enjoy the connection and fellowship that comes with such events.

We have some new events hitting the calendar this term; starting with a Movie Night Series for our Year 0-6s. It has been great to see students venturing out on this social occasion and we look forward to completing this series with Year 3-4 on Friday 20 October and Year 0-2 on Friday 3 November. Towards the end of the term, we are hosting a Christmas Window Walk-through. This is a collaborative and creative event which gives us a great opportunity to turn our attention to the real reason for the Christmas season as it rapidly approaches. We invite our families to bring a picnic dinner, join us on the field and enjoy what the students have prepared as night falls. What a treat we have in store!

Our Friends of PCS are organising another great Colour Run for 10 November. Sponsorship forms have been issued to students and we encourage students to reach out beyond our immediate school families and gather support from the wider community. Our 2023 Colour Run is raising funds to support the school's IT Plan, in particular upgrading resources for our Primary Digital Literacy curriculum. We can't wait for this colourful and joyful day and hope you can join us too!

We can also look forward to the events that have long been a part of the PCS tradition; Helpers' Morning Tea, Graduation and Prizegiving draw the year to a fitting close, and we look forward to being able to hold these celebrations with you.

As we advance into this full and vibrant term, we are mindful of the need to pray for our strife-filled world. We pray for peace. We pray for wisdom for decision-makers. We pray for God's comfort for the broken-hearted.

Blessings to you all.

Carolyn M Cornu

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Term Dates <mark>2024</mark>

Term 1: 23 Jan to 12 Apr Term 2: 29 Apr to 27 Jun Term 3: 22 Jul to 27 Sept Term 4: 14 Oct to 5 Dec

Term Calendar 2023

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TERM 4 2023										
WEEK 1	9 October Welcome back! First day of Term 4	10 Pukekohe East Tennis Y5&6	11	12	13 Fear Factor Y7&8	14				
WEEK 2	16	17	18	19 Touch Rugby Y7&8	20 Touch Rugby Y5&6 Movie Night Y3&4	21				
WEEK 3	23 Public Holiday Labour day	24	25	26	27 PCS Athletics Day Y0-8	28				
WEEK 4	30 Exams Y 7 - 10	31 Exams Y 7 - 10	1 November Exams Y 7 - 10	2 Exams Y 7 - 10	3 Exams Y 7 - 10 Movie Night Y0-2	4				
WEEK 5	6	7	8	9 Helpers' Morning Tea North Group Athletics ACS Touch Rugby	10 COLOUR RUN	11				
WEEK 6	13	14	15 Y5&6 Camp Y7&8 Camp	16 Y5&6 Camp Y7&8 Camp Zone Athletics	17 Y5&6 Camp Y7&8 Camp	18				
WEEK 7	20 Year 9 Camp	21 Year 9 Camp Mini Wheels	Year 9 Camp Year 10 Camp Weet-Bix Kids Tryathlon	23 Year 10 Camp Year 3&4 Sleep Over Wax Museum	Year 10 Camp Year 3&4 Sleep Over Girls Cricket Y7&8 and Y5&6	25				
WEEK 8	27	28	29	30 Aims Athletics Windows on Christmas	1 December DOE Bronze tramp Y7&8 Social	2 DOE Bronze tramp				
WEEK 9	4	5	6	7 LAST DAY OF TERM 4 Reports home School finishes @ 13:10pm						



IMPORTANT NOTICES

SAD GOODBYES WITH HAPPY WISHES

At the end of Term 3, we said goodbye to some very special members of the PCS family. Though we are very sad to see them go and wave them off, we are very happy with them about the next chapter of their lives. Our best and happiest wishes accompany them for their future endeavours, and we trust that God will remain their guiding pilot light throughout their lives wherever it may take them.

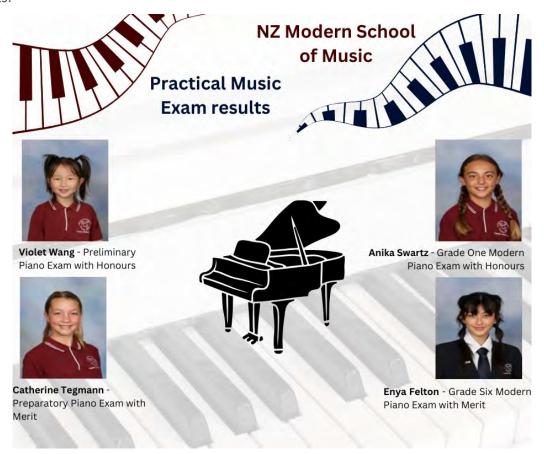


SPELLING BEE



MUSIC EXAM RESULTS

Congratulations to the following students for their excellent NZ Modern School of Music Practical Music Exam Results.



MATHEX RESULTS

Some of our Year 6, 7 and 8 students participated in the Mathex competition. They have all had a lot of fun and achieved the results below.



CONGRATULATIONS

We gladly take this opportunity to congratulate some of our former PCS students who have graduated from Te Herenga Waka – Victoria University of Wellington between June 2022 and May 2023. We acknowledge and celebrate these students' wonderful success.

Ren Monn Lee LLB - Bachelor of Laws

Ren Monn Lee BA - Bachelor of Arts Psychology

Logan Fulton BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce Accounting; Finance



STUDENT SUCCESSES CONTINUE



From the pen of Jeremy Musonye

It's been said that if mankind were meant to fly, we would have been born with wings. Maybe so. But some of us were born to do nothing else.

I have wanderlust, always moving. Flying and planes let me move in three dimensions. Every time I set my eyes on an airplane; every time I set foot on an airplane; every time the pilot pre flights in a commercial plane, I get a feeling, a feeling of immense awe and exhilaration. It's indescribable. This feeling will never leave me; not now, not tomorrow, not the day after, not 100 years from now. It's a feeling that no man that doesn't fly will ever experience.

For me flying and aviation is freedom, its excitement, its breathtaking. I strongly believe that if you find something that gives you a reason to wake up in the morning, a reason to work hard, a reason to sacrifice and compromise, a reason to dedicate your time, blood, sweat and tears, like what aviation

means to me, then you owe it to yourself to chase it, to run after it with everything you've got, to not look back. No matter how tiring and exhausting the run is, you don't stop till you get it. You do it like your life depends on it because it does!

I have been building and programming drones and model planes my entire life and I've only just turned 18. I genuinely believe that if the Wright brothers hadn't made the first ever functioning aircraft in 1903, I would've. My passion for aerodynamics, aircraft, and aviation in general will never end till the day I die. This is my pursuit of happiness.

I have gone to a few airshows throughout my life, and all these just made my passion for aviation grow stronger. During the 2022 annual Admore airport warbirds airshow, The NZDF had a stand showcasing some of their impressive aircraft and military vehicles. I was very intrigued and knew that I had to apply instantly. That opportunity just seemed too good to pass. Unfortunately, at that moment my family hadn't gotten our residency visas yet, and after a lot of research I found out I wasn't eligible to apply. I was absolutely gutted. But unfortunately, that's just how the world works. Nevertheless, I kept my head high. Fast forward a few months later we got the residency, on that same day I applied for the role of pilot and Aircraft systems technician through their website.

The whole process wasn't easy at all, I had to scan and send every single official document under my name. I had to get multiple vaccinations. I had to get a medical examination to prove that I was medically fit for service. I had to do multiple aptitude tests which essentially test your mental ability, in a variety of topics ranging from simple asthmatics to critical thinking and problem solving under a very strict and short time frame. I have had to complete and pass all and ongoing physical tests. It has been tough! And this is only just the beginning.

Upon successful completion of all these tests, I got an interview invitation for the two trades I had applied for. I attended the interview. I stayed true to myself and my morals while answering the interview questions. In addition to this, I had to hand in a personal biography. The results from my interview were submitted to a selection board and three weeks later I heard back from them.

I was in!!! Unfortunately, I didn't get in to my first chosen trade as a pilot due to very limited positions available. But I had gotten into my second choice which was the Aircraft's Systems Technician (aircraft engineer). I was immediately sent an offer of employment and an invitation to an Induction Day. I still have one more fitness test before the intake which is on 15 January 2024 in RNZAF base, Woodborne in Christchurch. I trust God that I will pass my final fitness test. Just like the school motto I also live by the motto of "striving for excellence through Christ." Huge thanks to the school, for all the support and belief in me. PCS has instilled in me a good work ethic and discipline with faith and Christ at the centre of it all. I will forever cherish what I have gotten from my teachers and apply it in the next chapters of my life.

Ron Jeremy Musonye.

THANK YOU!

We would like to take this opportunity to say a special word of thanks to everyone who helps, supports, encourages, advises and so many more things that are done behind the scenes. We would like to thank the Loef Family for their generosity and craftsmanship in the newly completed and refreshed Teachers' Workroom. Thank you also to Pieter Pum and Reuben Saathof for getting the Long Jump Pit in shape for our upcoming athletics. Daltons Landscape Supplies – Drury and Mitre 10 Pukekohe generously donated sand for the Long Jump pit for the athletics. Big thank you to Jaycob Walker for his work on spoutings around the school.



GENERAL NOTICES

STAY IN THE LOOP WITH SKOOL LOOP



We would like to remind you that you can **conveniently log your child's absences** on the Skool Loop app. If you don't already have the app installed on your phone, please follow the instructions below to download and install it to your phone. You will then instantly have



access to our Notices and Newsletters, up to date calendar, link to Lunch Online to order lunch for your child/ren to be delivered to school hassle free and on time. You will also have access to the very handy Absentee notice tab that, once you have logged the required information, comes directly to our office informing everyone that needs to know of your child's absence.

MARKET RESEARCH

Do you know of a community group or club who would be likely to make use of our school hall facility when it is complete? We'd love to hear from you at the main office or by e-mail on admin@pcschool.co.nz Alternatively, you might like to make use of the link below to a PDF research form which you can download, complete and send back to the office. You can do that by clicking on the following link: MARKET RESEARCH SCHOOL











UPCOMING EVENTS



INTERNAL EXAMS Y7-10

Our Year 7-10 students are preparing for their upcoming internal exams coming up for the week of 30 October to 3 November. We encourage the students to really dig deep and put in their all to be well prepared for these exams. We wish them well and pray for their successful completion of these exams.



MOVIE NIGHT SERIES CONTINUES

Our Year 5 & 6 group had a great time with their movie night. Still to come is the Year 3 & 4 group movie night Friday 20 October and the Year 0-2 group has their movie night Friday 3 November. Tickets for these movie nights are available from

the office. Complimentary popcorn is served. Drinks and lollies are available for purchase before the movie starts. During interval there will be ice cream cones and ice cream sandwiches on sale as well. Come get your tickets and enjoy a fun filled movie night with us.



COLOUR RUN 10 NOVEMBER



On **Friday 10 November 2023**, we will be holding our annual Colour Run. The Colour Run will start at 1.30pm and will be followed by entertainment, activities, food stalls and a coffee garden. The Colour Run is expected to last approximately 1 ½ hours, after which the food stalls will continue to be available until 5pm.

A course will be set up at school and each student will be expected to do a minimum of five and a maximum of 20 laps during the Colour Run. Every student will receive a sponsorship form and we ask that they aim to get at least 5-10 sponsors to sponsor \$2 per lap to raise \$100 or more each.

Family and friends who wish to participate in the Colour Run can do so at \$25 each or \$30 for a family group. Tickets are available from the office.

For this to be a success, we will need your help. If you are interested in any of the following tasks, please contact Elmien at FriendsofPCS@pcschool.co.nz

- Parent help on the day
- Donations to be used as spot prizes on the day
- Marguees to be used on the day

Sponsorship forms were distributed to students and are to be returned on/or before 10 November 2023.

Proceeds from the Colour Run will go towards our school IT plan which seeks to keep our school up to date with the equipment and network needed to build our students' digital literacy skills for life and work in the future.

HELPERS' MORNING TEA

We will be hosting our annual Helpers' Morning Tea on 9 November. This special event is a little something we do to say thank you for all you as helpers, volunteers and supporters do for Pukekohe Christian School. We would love it if you could join us on this day to spend a few moments of precious fellowship. For more information on this event, or to RSVP, please get in touch with the office.



FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

ENTREPRENEUR'S DAY

The seniors had a successful day and gained some good business experience on the day. Thank you to everyone for their support in making this day a booming success.



PET DAY 2023

Pet day was heaps of fun. The weather tried very hard to coax us back inside, but we stood firm, and a good day of fantastic fun was had all round. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their contributions and participation in whatever way it was made. Every little bit contributed towards a very successful occasion.



PET DAY 2023

















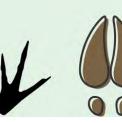




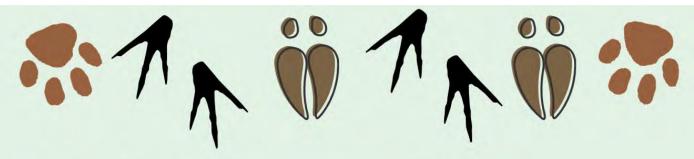












































RESULTS

SMALL DOGS

Champion: Maxwell Dayal and Poochi Second: Addison Chitty and Duke

Third: Natalie & Nicholas Cogan and Bella Highly Commended: Ava Coetzee and Hazel

LARGE DOGS

Champion: Hannah Tucker and Bella Second: Emily Salaita and Chester

Third: Ella Seales and Lilly

Highly Commended: Mia McLean and Tilly

Overall Champion Dog: Hannah Tucker and Bella

CHICKENS

Champion: Noah Cornu and Silly Billy Second: Anne-Sophie Cornu and Rora Third: Euan Lees and Ninjal

SMALL DOMESTIC PETS Presentation

Champion: Jonathan Ma and Ji (Budgie) Second: Sehaj Sharma and Deepu (Parrot) Third: Saanjh Sharma and Lily and Rosea

(Cocrids)

Hithly Commended: Jonathan Ma and Ji (Budgie)

LAMBS Leading

Champion: Thomas Phillips and Pickle Second: Quina Cameron and Lisa Lotta

Third: Nimrit Sahota and Jack

Highly Commended: Micayla Phillips and

Daisy

SMALL DOMESTIC PETS Personality

Champion: Jonathan Ma and Ji (Budgie) Second: Saanjh Sharma and Lily and Rosea (Cocrids)

Third: Austin Hill and Snow II (Giant

Flemish Rabbit)

LAMBS Rearing

Champion: Quina Cameron and Lisa Lotta Second: Anton Cameron and Toffee

Third: Micayla Phillips and Daisy

Highly Commended: Thomas Phillips and

Pickle

LAMBS Calling

Champion: Quina Cameron and Lisa Lotta Second: Anton Cameron and Toffee Third: Thomas Phillips and Pickle

Highly Commended: Micayla Phillips and

Daisy

Overall Champion Lamb: Quina Cameron and Lisa Lotta

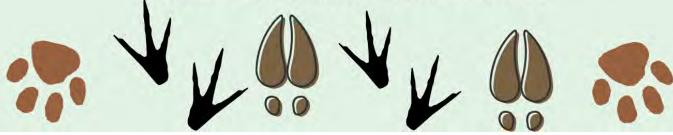
CALVES Grooming

Champion: Austin Boshoff and Brownie Second: Cayson Boshoff and Lily

CALVES Teamwork

Champion: Cayson Boshoff and Lily Second: Austin Boshoff and Brownie

Overall Champion Calf: Austin Boshoff and Brownie Overall Champion Art: Quina Cameron



TENNIS MORNING WITH PUKEKOHE EAST TENNIS CLUB

Pukekohe East Tennis Club came to PCS to treat the Year 5's to a few sets of friendly tennis games. The students were exposed to the sport and had an all-round fun filled hour with the club coaches.



FROM OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

TRIP TO THE SALVATION ARMY



TOUGH GUY TOUGH GAL COMPETITION



FEAR FACTOR



SPORT STARS BEYOND PCS



Quinn Carpenter went on to represent Pukekohe Christian School at the Auckland Schools Champion of Champion Artistic gymnastics Championships recently.

Quinn placed 1st for Year 6 boys.

Cody Sheppard attended the MX sand beast championship. He placed 2nd for Junior 250s, winning all five races in MX3 placing 1st, and winning holeshot competition.



AIMS GAMES

We have had some students taking part in the AIMS Games. We congratulate them for taking part in this great event and celebrate their successes with them. Well done to **Catherine Tegmann** who took part in Tennis, **Lexi Verner** who took part in Swimming and **Liam Norman** who took part in Mountain Biking.







In the holidays **Eva-Rose Liupuhi** participated in three tap competitions in Auckland, Paeroa and Waihi. She won one overall tap champion title and placed second overall champion in the other two which had dancers up to the age of 10yrs old competing in her class.

Eva-Rose has multiple tap solos and was able to win with two new dances which

was also a goal of hers. She finished the comp season on a high. Next year she will debut a new straight tap solo and will look at competing further afield in Wellington and Christchurch and we aim to get to Australia in 2025 to compete there also.



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BABYSITTING SERVICE

Hello, my name is Yutha. I am Year 11 student at PCS and also a Friendship Supporter. I am looking for babysitting jobs for students and siblings of PCS in Pukekohe to raise money for my Duke of Edinburgh trip later this year. Please contact me on 027 2037323 or email yutha.ganeva@gmail.com for availability and rates.



CAR POOLING/LIFT SERVICE ON OFFER



Harjit Dhaliwal is offering a Car pooling / lift service to and from the following areas: Papakura, Takanini, Drury and Rama Rama. Should you be in need of his services, he can be contacted on the following number: 021 353 333.

GRIEF, LOSS, CHANGE PROGRAMME

Seasons For Growth is a grief and loss Programme for children dealing with changes in their lives through separation, divorce, death or other significant family changes. Our next Afterschool Programme will be starting in Term 4 on Thursdays from 4pm-5pm, over 8 weeks. It is held at the St Andrews Church facility in Pukekohe. A Parent Programme also runs at the same time, and an Adult Programme will be running over the term for those interested. For enquiries or enrolments please phone/text Marisa Skilton 021 142 5812, office (09) 238 7228, or contact me at seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz. For more info please go to www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons.

FREEDOM COUNCELLING MINISTRIES





In support of Mental Health awareness week, Freedom Counselling Ministries is offering 50% off your first session.

Just pop the code 'MHA23' in the notes when you make your booking. This offer is valid until the end of October, for one session per person. Book via: freedomcounsellingministries.co.nz

DON'T FORGET...

Don't forget to like us on Facebook to stay abreast of posts and updates from our school.



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There are a couple of vacancies for Piano/Keyboard lessons here at school on Tuesday mornings for more information please contact Carol; musiccarol2022@gmail.com or 0274541718.







LUNCH ORDERING

PCS offers lunch ordering options through Lunch Online. Our lunch ordering days are as follows:



Pukekohe Christian School Lunches ENJOY Sushi every Wednesday

Jesters every Thursday

Cut off time for ordering Jesters is now 8am Thursdays

Pita Pit every Friday

It's simple; all you need to do is register at

www.lunchonline.co.nz

and follow 4 easy steps to get started

- 1. Register an account
- 2. Add member/s including your name and delivery location
- 3. Make a payment to have funds in your account before you order
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TERM 4, 2023 – PUKEKOHE AFTER SCHOOL & HOME SCHOOL GROUP

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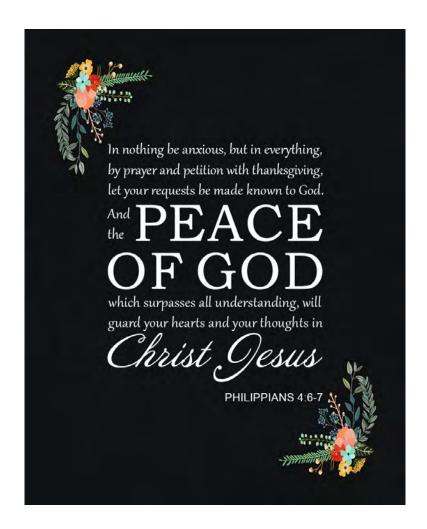
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DATE	TIME	COURSE	WHERE	\$170.00
WEDNESDAY'S • Wed 25/10/2023 - Wed 29/11/2023 * 6 weeks	4.00pm 5.30pm	COURSE D	WETA WORKSHOP Franklin Arts Centre, Massey Avenue, Pukekohe	
THURSDAY'S Thurs 26/10/23 - 30/11/23 (excluding 2/11/23) *6 weeks	1.00pm - 2.30pm	COURSE D	WETA WORKSHOP Franklin Arts Centre, Massey Avenue, Pukekohe	\$170.00

After school - Home School - Science Parties - Holiday Workshops

VERSE OF THE MONTH



Philippians 4:4-7 - Prayers and Petitions