

PIHINGA TEAM NEWS

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REMINDER

We are a



A blue school sunhat is compulsory outdoors

TEAM NEWS

Kia ora Pihinga Tamariki, Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back! We hope you have all had a lovely holiday with your whānau. We are excited to be back at school and looking forward to a fun filled term of learning. We warmly welcome Mrs Yvette Dowdall to our team. We begin the year with five Year 1 and 2 classes.

Pihinga Tahī with Mrs Kaye Roberts.

- ★ Kaye has been teaching for 18 years. She enjoys spending time with her family, pets, biking and cooking.

Pihinga Whā with Mrs Yvette Dowdall.

- ★ Yvette has been teaching for 24 years. She enjoys spending time with her family on the farm and going caravanning at Tekapo.

Pihinga Rima with Mrs Emily Henry.

- ★ This is Emily's 18th year of teaching. She loves spending time with her family, dogs, baking, and being outdoors.

Pihinga Ono with Mrs Bridget du Plessis.

- ★ Bridget has 2 children at Ashgrove School. She enjoys spending time with family and friends, travelling/camping and gardening.

Pihinga Whētū with Miss Ellie Erickson.

- ★ This is Ellie's 2nd year of teaching. She enjoys hiking in the mountains and spending time cooking in her kitchen.

Learning Assistants

- ★ Mrs Sally Boddy lives in Rangiora with her husband and two tamariki. She enjoys biking, swimming, gardening and spending time with family.
- ★ Ms Kirstyn Regos lives in Loburn. She loves horses and in her spare time likes going for a ride with her daughters.

School at Red level

Whilst we are at the RED COVID Protection Framework setting, we have specific safety measures in place to look after our tamariki, kaiako and whānau. Please ensure you are familiar with the below infographic. Learning will continue and may look a little different, for example, tamariki spending more time engaging in learning in their homeroom space or outside.



School is open for onsite learning



Mandatory for all parents/
caregivers if needed to be onsite



Mandatory for all students in Y4-8 when inside
Highly recommended for students in Y5 when inside
Not required for students in Y1-3



1am start - 3pm finish



No parents/caregivers onsite is preferred



Pihinga students walked to the field gate
at 2:55pm



If parents/caregivers need to come onsite,
sign in with the
COVID tracer app at the gates



No parents/caregivers in classrooms



Regular cleaning of spaces
and surfaces



Water bottle essential



If unwell stay home and advise the
office

Mihi - Teachers will send home a mihi for you to fill in with your child. Please return this to school.

Stationery - Please send all stationery to school. It does not need to be named as teachers collect in and then share when needed throughout the year.

Library Days - Pihinga Tahi will visit the library on a Friday. Pihinga Whā and Rima will visit on a Thursday and Pihinga Ono and Whētu will visit on a Wednesday.

Poetry Books - Please ensure your child brings these to school every Friday.

Fruit Snack - The fruit snack is an extra snack we have in the mornings. Please put this snack into a small named container. A whole apple is a lot to eat at this time so cutting up fruit or vegetables is more manageable for your tamaiti. **Please send a named water bottle (no juice). Especially as the water fountains are not working.**

A change of clothes - Please ensure your tamaiti has a change of clothes in their bag. This is useful in case of an accident or going down a wet slide.

Reading folders - Please ensure your child brings these to school every day.

Seesaw - This is an informal way to share with you experiences and learning that happen throughout the day. Each child will be given their access code to bring home. Please let your tamariki teacher know if you need any support with this.

Ngā mihi nui

Ellie Erickson, Emily Henry, Bridget du Plessis, Yvette Dowdall and Kaye Roberts

WELCOME BACK!

Under RED level, we are available via email if you have a question or would like to talk with us.

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