



# Pōmare SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term TWO - WEEK 11      3 JULY 2026

*Talofoa, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo e lelei, ស្អុយស្អុយ Suostei, Bula Vinaka!*

Kia ora whānau,

It's the last day of term two, and what a busy term it has been. These last few weeks have included learning conferences, a Matariki breakfast and two goes at doing HuttFest. We've finally made it to the end of term and I know both tamariki and staff are looking forward to a well-earned break.



We have had two new students join us today, ready for next term. Welcome to Skye and Praise Tausa and their whānau. It's great to have you as part of our school community.

## **Farewell:**



It is with sad hearts that we bid farewell to our amazing office manager, Cherie. You may have noticed that she has been absent for a couple of weeks, for health reasons. Cherie has made the difficult decision that is time for her to try something new, and so she will not be returning to Pomare School. Her official last day is 1<sup>st</sup> August, so we hope to farewell her properly in assembly on 31<sup>st</sup> July.

A special thanks to Tash Stevens who has been holding the fort in the office, while Cherie has been away.

## **New Classes:**

Yesterday you should have received a special newsletter about classroom changes for next year. We are so excited to have Debbieanne Benton join our team as the teacher of the new year 3/4 class, Whakatikei, in Room 9. Today the tamariki spent some time in their new classes, so they are ready to go at the beginning of Term 3.

## **HuttFest:**

Congratulations to our amazing HuttFest team who finally got to perform last night, at Walter Nash Centre, after a power cut stopped the show last Friday. Thank you whānau, for being so adaptable and willing to have a second go at getting our tamariki kitted up and ready to go. Our team performed first, and it was such a great start to an amazing night.



Once again a big thank you goes out to Whaea Herena, Miss Penrose, Nat, Aotahi and Andrew for the hard work they did getting our tamariki ready to perform such an awesome set. Thanks too, to all our parents and caregivers who assisted with getting kids ready on the day.

## **Term 3**

Have a wonderful time with your tamariki over the next two weeks and we will see them, ready for learning on Monday 20 July at 8.55am.

**He toa taumata rau.**

*Courage has many resting places.*

Ngā mihi nui,

*Sherilyn Hall*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Fridays @ 9:15am

Whole school assembly – whānau are always welcome!

### Monday 20 July @ 8.55am

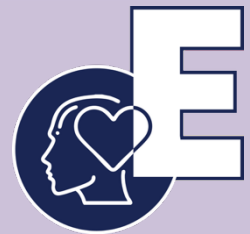
Term 3 begins

### Thursday 10 – Friday 11 September

Teacher only days – no school for our tamariki

### Week starting 14<sup>th</sup> September (date TBC)

School production week



## HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

# KIDS WINTER HOLIDAY ART PROGRAMME



WEEK 1: Mon 6th to Thur 9th July






TIMES: 9am to 3pm

BOOK ANY DAY OVER AT [WWW.TLC.AC.NZ](http://WWW.TLC.AC.NZ)

WEEK 2: Mon 13th to Fri 17th July

COST: \$65.00 per day

AGE: 5 to 13 year olds

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE	 <p><b>STARRY NIGHT OF MATARIKI</b></p> <p>Reimagine Aotearoa beneath glowing stars! Inspired by Van Gogh's <i>Starry Night</i>, create your own swirling nightscape using pastels and rich textures to celebrate Matariki.</p>	 <p><b>SOLAR SYSTEM HANGER</b></p> <p>Blast off and build your own hanging solar system complete with planets, rockets, and cosmic surprises! Paint, construct, and design a moving artwork to take home.</p>	 <p><b>STENCIL ART &amp; T-SHIRT PRINTING</b></p> <p>Design your own stencils, layer bold colours, and print onto paper and fabric! Then bring a plain T-shirt to transform your creation into a wearable artwork!</p>	 <p><b>WILD CREATIONS: TIN FOIL SCULPTURES</b></p> <p>Twist, shape, and build amazing 3D sculptures using tin foil, wire, and plasticine! From fantasy creatures to robots, bring your biggest ideas to life.</p>	<p><b>NO CLASS</b></p> <p>It's Matariki, so we won't have any classes running today unfortunately.</p> <p>Feel free to check out the other classes however!</p>
WEEK TWO	 <p><b>MIXED MEDIA UNIVERSE</b></p> <p>Create your own dreamlike world inspired by artist Wenzel Hablik! Explore splatter painting, stenciling, and layering to build floating cities and cosmic landscapes.</p>	 <p><b>MATARIKI STAR GIFT BOXES</b></p> <p>Celebrate Matariki by crafting handmade gifts for the people you love! Decorate star-themed boxes and fill them with bracelets, cards, and sparkling Matariki stars.</p>	 <p><b>AIR DRY CLAY ANIMAL PLAQUES</b></p> <p>Sculpt and decorate your own animal plaque using air dry clay! From jungle creatures to fantasy pets, learn basic clay-building and texture-making skills.</p>	 <p><b>TREE HOUSE</b></p> <p>Build your ultimate dream treehouse complete with intricate rooms and more! Explore construction and problem-solving to create a model that tells its own story.</p>	 <p><b>SOCK MUPPETS</b></p> <p>Turn an ordinary sock into a hilarious puppet bursting with personality! Using fabric, buttons, wool, and craft treasures, design a one-of-a-kind character to take home.</p>



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## PRIDE LANDS FUN HOLIDAY ADVENTURES

### WINTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT HUTT VALLEY PRIDE 9 DYER STREET SCHOOL, EPUNI, LOWER HUTT

6th – 17th JULY 2026 from 7.00am-6pm daily from 7.00am-6pm daily.

Age range is 4 – 17 years with overnight sleepover activities provided with Interactive Activities and NO TV or Video Games.

Kai Cubs Cooking, and Life Skills Programme creating healthy Breakfast, Lunch and Afternoon Teas.

One-on-one care and shuttle services available.

Daily \$85.04/cub per session or \$144.75 for two siblings per session;

Weekly: \$340.16 per cub/week or \$578.27 for two siblings/week.

MSD Approved & WINZ subsidies are available for eligible families.

**Qualified 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Trained Activities Coordinators and Youth Mentors**

**One-on-One Care:** Available for cub(s) if extra support is needed at \$15/hr

**ACTION (Home support 1-on-1) Mentors is also available if needed at \$37/hr per mentor.**

Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: [www.PRIDELANDS.co.nz](http://www.PRIDELANDS.co.nz) or Visit our Facebook page: [www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare](http://www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare)

## Here To Support All Tamariki & Rangatahi (Neurotypical and Neurodivergent)

At Pride Lands, we welcome neurotypical and neurodivergent children and youths with on-on-one support available to those that need it in our communities.