

# Pinehurst School Online!

## What work will students be doing?

Pinehurst School Online is so all students can benefit from a full online programme, though the exact details of how this works varies according to a student's age. We have created four documents on the Pinehurst School website COVID-19 page. Please read these carefully and contact Mrs Coxon (Primary) and Mr Verryt (College) if you have any further questions.

The documents are:

Pinehurst School Online – Primary!

Pinehurst School Online – Years 7-9!

Pinehurst School Online – Years 10 & 11!

Pinehurst School Online – Years 12 & 13!

## What electronic resources are available?

In Primary, our students will be using Seesaw and Teams as their main e-learning platforms. They will also be using Reading Eggs, Maths Whizz and other online programmes that they already use.

In College, all of the students' work will be on Schoolbox and One Note as it usually is, though we will make sure that **all** work is there when Pinehurst School Online is operating. Students will be using Microsoft Teams as well, and this is how they will video and audio conference with their teachers.

We have created a link at the very top of the Pinehurst School website to our Pinehurst Dashboard. This is the best way to reach all of the different sites that we use in school. Some sites are password-protected and some are not.

We have two new online resources: our e-book platform (PineColl), which enables students to choose from a wide range of books; and eTV, which has a wide range of educational and

not-so-educational TV programmes and films to access. Both are free to use for students of Pinehurst School.

There are two libraries – ‘Primary e-books and audio’ and ‘Secondary e-books and audio’  
Year 1-13 students are in ‘Primary’, Years 7-13 are in ‘College’  
You will find each of the libraries on the Pinehurst dashboard  
Log in, type in your password and you’re away!

### **What physical resources can I access?**

In an ‘Alert Level 4’, we are not able to open the school buildings. We will be open to parents who wish to collect things they have forgotten during Level 3 between 8am and 4pm but parents and students must sign into reception on arrival please.

Most students will, though, already have taken home textbooks, exercise books and other books to use as at home.

### **How will the School continue to provide pastoral care?**

We expect this time to be a challenging one for many of our students, and it is important for you to know that we are still here to support our whole community.

Our Classroom, Homeroom and POD teachers are available to you by email in exactly the same way as they have always been. We encourage students and parents to contact them to ask for any kind of support. Our Deans and Syndicate Leaders are also available in the same way, and can be reached by email. All teachers will also send messages through Seesaw and Schoolbox as usual.

When the school is on holiday, Alex Reed remains available, and can be contacted in the usual way. Other senior members of staff will respond when they are able.

Our School Counsellor, Debbie Stanaway, is available too. She can be contacted by email at [Debbie.stanaway@pinehurst.school.nz](mailto:Debbie.stanaway@pinehurst.school.nz). She will be able to talk to students in the usual way, either through videoconference on Teams or by phone.

Please get in touch with us for any support you may need. We are all deeply committed to our students, and we want to support them through what can be a difficult time.

### **What support is available for IT problems?**

Our IT support team is available at all times Pinehurst School Online is open. They can be reached at [pchelp@pinehurst.school.nz](mailto:pchelp@pinehurst.school.nz). They will be able to help with most issues over the phone or by email, but they will also be able to access most devices remotely.

We won't be able to physically repair or replace computers, of course, but we should be able to fix most problems.

### **How do I communicate with people at the School?**

Frequently, I hope!

Alex Reed, Jon Horne (Business Manager) and Nicole Chen (Admissions Registrar) are available by phone. Everybody else is available by email, and that's the best way to reach all of us. We will call you back or arrange an online meeting if that's the best way to do things. But the key principle is that we will work it out together. All emails are `firstname.surname@pinehurst.school.nz`

Some key people, with some guidance on what they can help with:

Alex Reed, Executive Principal:	General issues, complaints, all staffing, anything else
Sian Coxon, Principal of Primary:	Primary curriculum and staffing
Kieran Verryt, Principal of College:	College curriculum and staffing
Jon Horne, Business Manager:	Property and Finance
Nicole Chen, Admissions Registrar:	Admissions – all prospective parents and students
Sylvia Lum, Community Engagement:	Parents, community, projects, events
Nicki Williams:	Website and communications
Grant Saul:	ICT

Teachers and Deans are, of course, generally the first people to call with learning or pastoral questions.