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TIRAU PRIMARY SCHOOL

Te Kura o Tirau

“What ever is worth doing is worth doing well.”

10th September 2015 - week 8 Term 3 2015

Important Dates:

- 9th & 10th September – Year 5 & 6 Ski Camp
- 16th September – NZSL Kit Day
- 16th September – Ruma Pukeko and Kereru – Tree Planting
- 17th September – Ruma Tui and Kiwi to Dance and Jive @ Putaruru Stadium
- 17th September – Waikato School Symphonic Band Performance
- 18th September – Tirau Primary School Market Day and Learning Celebration
- 24th September – PTA Parents Morning Tea

Cookies for Sale

On Mondays for the rest of the term \$1 Rookie Cookie will be for sale. They will be available at Room 3 before school.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Tena koutou i te whanau
Tenei he panui kia koutou
Nau Mai, Haere Mai!

LEARNING AT TIRAU SCHOOL

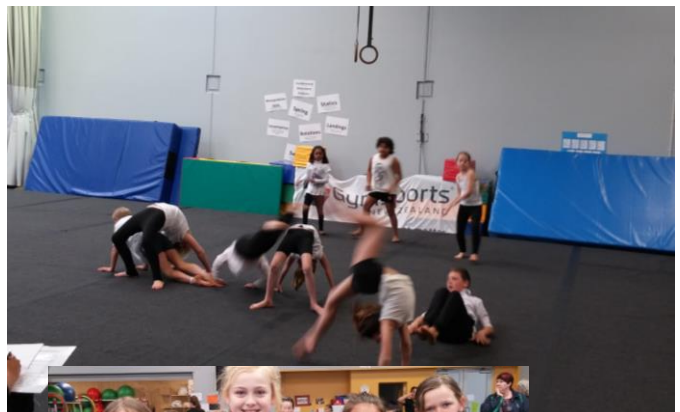
The classes are continuing to work on their Sustainability Inquiry projects and are making a wide variety of products that will be offered for sale at our Market Day on Friday 18th September from 12:00 until 2:00pm. This is a fantastic opportunity for you and your extended family to join us and find out about the amazing learning that is happening here at Tirau Primary. The classes will be open for you to view some of the work the children have been doing and to see their amazing calendar art and place your orders for these great Christmas gifts. Outside the classes will be running stalls where they will be selling their creations, there will be a cake stall and food available for purchase. Throughout the day we will be having performances from our Kapahaka group, Hip Hop group and Gymnastics Team who competed so well at the South Waikato Gymsport festival recently (read more about this below).

TIRAU LEARNerS ACHIEVING SUCCESS

On Thursday the 27th of August, a group of students attended the South Waikato Gymsports Festival in Tokoroa. This was the first time Tirau School has attended the competition and we took away a lot to help us for next years festival. It was a fantastic day where students from all around the area competed individually in gymnastics which consisted of a floor, beam and vault routine. There were also group performances in aerobics and hip-hop. Every student performed to the best of their ability and showed all of our Tirau LEARNer values throughout the festival. Miss Dewstow-Wright and Mrs Watkins were incredibly impressed with the way each student conducted themselves.

Ceizshana and Naketa performed spectacularly in their gymnastics routines and were placed fourth equal in the Springers Novice Women's Artistic Yr 5-6 section. Our hip-hop team, the Tirau Tumblers, managed to wow the judges and were placed second in their category! The hip-hop group will be off to the regional competition held in Hamilton on the 16th September.

Thank you to those parents who took time our of their day to support us and drive us to and from the festival, we really appreciate your support.



OUR PTA NEED YOUR HELP

Is there anyone willing to help out with catering for our judges on Ag Day early next term on Tuesday 13th October? If you are able to make a savoury, sandwich or sweet dish for this please see Freda in the School Office and put your name down. Your help would be very much appreciated.

PADDY'S MARKET DAY helpers needed. The PTA are running the BBQ at Paddy's Market on Saturday 26th September (8am until 12.30pm). If you are able to help the PTA out with the BBQ please come in and see Bridget or call Kylie Flashman.

TIRAU PRIMARY SCHOOL MARKET DAY - Friday 18th September, 12-2pm, BBQ, drinks, cake stall, sustainability crafts, student performances, games. Bring along your family and friends. We are raising money for our school playground. This Market Day is a celebration of our term's work around Sustainability.

MORNING TEA FOR PARENTS

Our PTA are hosting a morning tea for parents on Thursday 24th September at 10:30 in the Learning Centre. This is an opportunity for all of our parents to get together and also for the new families in our school to connect with other parents. If you are interested in coming along please let Freda in our School Office know.

MAINTENANCE WORK IN CARPARK

You will have noticed that there is still open trenching at the entrance to our car park. We have been notified that the job will hopefully be finished by the end of this week. We appreciate your continued support in avoiding the cordoned off area and we ask that all of our school community continue to take care around this area while the work is being carried out.

YEAR 5 & 6 SKI CAMP

We have heard from the Skiers and Snowboarders and it sounds as though they are having an amazing time. We look forward to their return this afternoon and we will have some more photos and reports in our next newsletter.



VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 14th August 2015

Ruma Tui	Amber	For reading confidently with Miss White	Olivia E	For her excellent efforts in her Goldilocks story writing.
Ruma Kiwi	Logan	For demonstrating lifelong learning skills with our fairy tale learners time. I love your enthusiasm	Kiama	For consistently having wonderful ideas and independently completing your writing to a high standard
Ruma Kākāpō	Meah	For putting in an amazing effort in all areas of learning	Tessa	For being an all-round awesome Tirau LEARNer.
Ruma Pukeko	Jason	For showing lifelong learning by keeping on track with his learning during literacy	Gypsey	For being a role model in Ruma Pukeko and being someone that others can look up to
Ruma Keruru	Ashley	For showing lifelong learning in developing relationships and leadership within the Junior School.	Toby	For taking increased ownership of his learning, particularly in mathematics

Ruru Award:

Wiremu – For always looking for ways to help around the school and for being such a great TIRAU LEARNer role model.

VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 21st August 2015

Ruma Tui	Acacia	For having a awesome attitude towards learning, especially reading.	Jayden	For gaining confidence to try new things and get involved.
Ruma Kiwi	Harumi	For being a respectful, kind and caring student to all of those around her.	Kepas	Being independently motivated to write his Gingerbread Man story.
Ruma Kākāpō	Pipi	For being a very respectful and kind new member of Ruma Kākāpō	Te Aorangi	For being a fantastic participant at the Junior Cluster Technology Day
Ruma Pukeko	Bhavini	For being a respectful and caring member of Ruma Pukeko	Liam	For excelling in his “keys” writing and following the success criteria
Ruma Keruru	Oli	For making a fantastic start to Tirau School as a respectful and kind student	Nikita	For showing determination and perseverance in all areas of school life.

Ruru Award:

Rylan – For being an all-round awesome TIRAU LEARNer and having a consistent can-do attitude.

VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 28th August 2015

Ruma Tui	Katelyn	For showing a caring nature towards our new class members and helping them with class routines.	Jake	For his awesome effort and success in his maths and reading.
Ruma Kiwi	Cohen	For using his knowledge and patience to teach his peers in mathematics	Elijah	For having a positive attitude and being a fantastic role model
Ruma Kākāpō	Bryah	For Nurturing and looking after younger students	Memphis	For being a polite and responsible helper.
Ruma Pukeko	Erica	For showing Nurture towards her teachers.	Charlotte	Her effort and focus in her PRIDE learning.
Ruma Keruru	Jeremy	For showing the value of Nurture towards his peers.	Aaron	For working hard to complete LEARNING with PRIDE tasks

VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 4th September 2015

Ruma Tui	Liam	For striving for Excellence when sounding out new words	Kaia	For her awesome efforts in reading and maths
Ruma Kiwi	Elisabeth	For showing Excellence and perseverance in mathematics challenges.	Rome	Being incredibly reliable and helpful towards his peers and teachers
Ruma Kākāpō	Jerome	For showing Excellence in everything he does	Jasz	For being a positive and happy member of the class
Ruma Pukeko	Tabitha	For showing Excellence in all her learning	Jessica M	For actively participating and showing drive in her learning
Ruma Keruru	McKenzie	For showing Excellence in her interactions with staff	Joshua	For showing excellence in his manners and interactions with others
Ruru Award: Zephton – For making such amazing progress and always being such a positive TIRAU LEARNer.				

CONSUMABLES

Please get your Term 1, 2 & 3 consumables up to date – we use this money to cover the costs of trips such as the Zoo visit and Cluster Days, for visiting performers such as Zeebong and we have a number of exciting learning opportunities ahead in Term 3 & 4. Please see Freda in the Office if you have any questions about what you owe.

PGG Wrightsons Cash for Communities

This spring PGG Wrightsons and Balance Agri-Nutrients will continue to run the Cash for Communities programme, giving farmers an opportunity to earn cash for Tirau Primary School. Any farmer who purchases Balance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser on their PGG Wrightsons account between 1st September and 30th November 2015 can nominate Tirau Primary School at www.cashforcommunities.co.nz and if you have supported us in the past you are already registered. This support will be going towards improvements for our playground so please nominate our school.

Fuels For Schools Sponsorship

We are also lucky to be a part of the North Fuels “Fuel for Schools” programme and we have received \$39.10 in sponsorship from the Gerring family and the Falleni Partnership. We are working towards a target of \$1000 and then we will have the chance to pick either a technology or a sporting package for the school. If you receive bulk fuel deliveries for North Fuels you can nominate Tirau Primary School and for every 2 litres of fuel purchased we receive 1 cent. For further information contact North Fuels on 0800 4 THE KIDS (0800 484 3543) or visit www.northfuels.co.nz

AGRICULTURAL AND DOG DAY

A reminder that our Agricultural Day will be held on Tuesday 13th October (2nd day back next term) at 10.30am . Note: the later start this year.

Entries must be in by next week so we can start printing the programme. The annual Dog Confidence Course will also be held that day at 9am. Start training those dogs now. If you could please let us know before end of term if you are bringing a dog to school for this. All dogs must be taken home by 10.00am before Ag Day starts. Mrs Leonard has booklets for the dog course and also Calf/Lamb/Kid booklets so please collect one from her in the office.

No reira ma te manaakitanga
Kia tou, ki runga, kia koutou katoa

Siobhan Patterson
Principal