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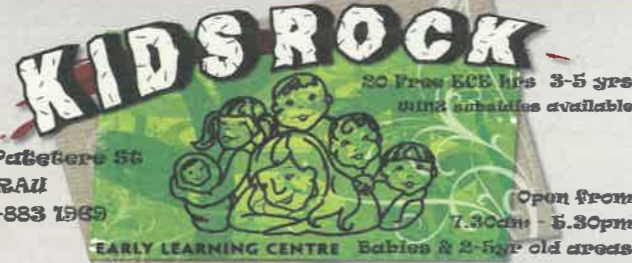
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# TIRAU PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Te Kura o Tirau

“Whatever is worth doing is worth doing well.”

24<sup>th</sup> September 2015 - week 10 Term 3 2015

### Important Dates:

25<sup>th</sup> September – Final Day of Term 3 – Remember daylight saving starts this weekend

12<sup>th</sup> October – First Day of Term 4

13<sup>th</sup> October – Tirau Primary School Ag Day

### Dear Parents and Caregivers

Tena koutou i te whanau

Tenei he panui kia koutou

Nau Mai, Haere Mai!

A black shawl has been found in the carpark area and handed into the office. Please see Freda if this is yours.

### LEARNING AT TIRAU SCHOOL

It was spectacular to see such a wonderful turn out to our Market Day last Friday. We had a huge number of parents, grandparents and other supporters of our school join us to grab some amazing creations and see our fabulous children performing. The wide array of products on sale was a real credit to the students and our wonderful staff who created the learning opportunities that allowed the children to explore up-cycling and repurposing a wide range of things that would otherwise have become rubbish. I know that the children had many hours of fun making their products and there are some really creative students and staff across our school.

It was also great to see performances from our newly formed Kapahaka group. Under the guidance of Whaea Lena, Whaea Sheree, and Miss Dewstow-Wright this group have been working together for only 7 weeks and to pull off such a polished performance is a true credit to the hardwork of all involved.

Miss Dewstow-Wright has had a very busy term as she also worked with the Gymnastics and Hip Hop groups who also shared their performances. These groups have given up their lunch times to learn and perfect their routines and it was awesome to get to see these performances here at school.

We really appreciate all the support from our school community because without it our Market Day wouldn't have been the great success it was. As a result of the Market Day we raised almost \$2000 to go towards upgrading our playground.



### TIRAU LEARNerS ACHIEVING SUCCESS

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September our Hip Hop group performed at the Gymfunk Festival in Hamilton. They were placed 6<sup>th</sup> out of 10 teams. Many thanks to the mums who accompanied the children and provided transport and to Miss Dewstow-Wright for the work she has put into preparing the team.



### Calendar Art

We hope you all had a chance to view the Calendar Art that was on display in the classrooms at our Market Day last Friday. The art is now in the office if you haven't had the chance to view it. If you are interested in ordering the prices are as follows:

Calendars \$12

Cards \$13

Diaries \$17

Mouse Pads \$15

Sketch Pads \$15

You can also use photos for these orders as well

What a great opportunity to purchase awesome Christmas gifts for your family and friends. We have decided to extend the order period and so orders and money needs to be returned to your child's teacher by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

### Ag Day

A reminder that Ag Day is on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October – please note the later starting time of 10.30am. You will all need to be here by 10am please.

Also a reminder that we are holding our annual Dog Confidence Course that day starting at 9.00am. Please let Mrs Leonard know if you are bringing a dog to school that day. All dogs will have to be taken home by 10.00am

### Kick Start Breakfast Programme

Tirau Primary School and the Kids Rock Out of School Programme are joining forces in term 4 to bring the kick start breakfast to our school. Breakfast will be available to all pupils from 7.50 am – 8.30 am in the library. Our bus pupils will continue to be part of this and will be supervised free of charge however if you would like them to have breakfast we would appreciate a small koha.

Those who require childcare prior to this time can make direct arrangements with Moe by texting or calling 0210787316.

To help us with the cost of running the programme we are asking for a koha which can be any of the following.

- A gold coin
- Fruit
- Toast brown bread
- Milo

Or snack food we can use in the programme.

If there are any parents willing to volunteer some time you will be very welcome.

### VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 11<sup>th</sup> September 2015

Ruma Tui	Elsa	For showing respect by helping others with their scarecrows	Jayden	For his awesome efforts in maths and completing all 10 levels on our Monkey Maths addition app!
Ruma Kiwi	Aimee	For continually showing respect to everyone around her	Hayley	For proving that perseverance in your learning pays off.
Ruma Kākāpō	Olivia	For showing respect to all adults and students in the school	Tessa	For being focused on her learning and always striving to be her best
Ruma Pukeko	Gypsey	For showing lifelong learning skills in her work and interactions with others	Brooklyn M	For working hard and doing her best all week
Ruma Keruru				
Ruru Award: Tabitha – For showing all our TIRAU LEARNer values and always having a positive attitude to any situation that arises.				

### 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.

### SPUD IN A BUCKET

We have enrolled in the Bunnings Spud in a Bucket Competition that is running over the next few weeks. Today all of the children have planted a potato and will bring it home tomorrow to be looked after for the duration of the competition. It is up to the children to look after their spud and to nurture it. It must stay in this bucket to be able to be judged. Once the final date has been decided by Bunnings we will decide on a date for our school final and when the categories will be judged we will then inform our families. We will then send our school results through to Bunnings for the finals. This Spud in the Bucket competition is being run in many of the local Putaruru schools. It will also provide our families with some great produce for their tables.

### 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 1<sup>st</sup> September and 30<sup>th</sup> November 2015 can nominate Tirau Primary School at [www.cashforcommunities.co.nz](http://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](http://www.northfuels.co.nz)

No reira ma te manaakitanga

Kia tou, ki runga, kia koutou katoa

Siobhan Patterson  
Principal