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TIRAU PRIMARY SCHOOL

Te Kura o Tirau

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

Thursday 9th March - Week 6 Term 1 2017

Important Dates:

15th March – Goal Setting Meetings from 3:30 – 6:00pm

16th March - Goal Setting Meetings from 3:30 – 8:00 pm

17th March – School Tryathlon

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Tena koutou i te whanau

Tenei he panui kia koutou

Nau Mai, Haere Mai!

PTA NEWS

Our PTA are organising an Easter Raffle as a fundraiser. Please send your donated items along to the office as soon as possible.

LEARNING AT TIRAU SCHOOL

If you have visited the School Office recently you may have noticed our School Charter, which is on display in the foyer. Our Charter outlines our plans for the School for 2017 and beyond. One of the key areas of the Charter is Student Achievement Targets for 2016 and our National Standards data from 2016. As a school we work to meet the individual learning needs of all our students. The Charter also includes our Annual Plan, which outlines our priorities for 2017 for our school across a range of areas. This comes from our Strategic Plan that was developed to cover the 3 years from 2017 to 2019. Please come in and check out what we are doing. We have also included a diagram showing our 2016 National Standards data with this newsletter.

GOAL SETTING MEETINGS – Wednesday 15th March from 3:30 – 6:00 pm and Thursday 16th March from 3:30 – 8:00 pm

These are an important opportunity for you to meet with your child’s teacher and to discuss the goals and areas of focus for the year. The bookings are now open at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and the Event code is **w2rkj**. If you have any questions about these or would like to have the office make your booking please ring either Freda or myself on 883 1653. You can also email us – office@tirau.school.nz or principal@tirau.school.nz.

LEADERSHIP AT TIRAU PRIMARY

Last Friday, at assembly we presented our Year 6 leaders with their badges for the 2017 year. Below are our Year 6 leaders for 2017. We are looking forward to seeing them grow as leaders this year.

Ambassadors	Sports Leaders	Enviro Leaders	Peer Mediators	Librarians	Tech Buddies
Hazar	Jack B	LJ	Tabitha	Dani	Ella
Jacqueline	Holden	Lucas	Jessica	Olivia D	Bradley
Zara	Maiinga	Xhoemi			

Tirau School Tryathlon

It is that time of year again – time to start thinking about the Tirau School Tryathlon! This was a huge success last year and we look forward to seeing all the keen participants entering again.

The Tryathlon will be held on **Friday the 17th of March** at school. We will start racing at 10.30 am with the junior race and proceed through the levels from there. The course will consist of a swim, bike and run with students having the option of borrowing a bike for the bike leg if they don’t have a bike.

We will be holding junior (Years 0-2), middle (Years 3-4) and senior (Years 5-6) races.

The Tryathlon is a fun day for everyone and we look forward to seeing all the school community there. The PTA will be running a BBQ on the day selling sausages for the deserving athletes and their supporters.

This Friday we are encouraging the students to bring along their bikes (weather permitting) so we can have a practice.

Due to the Tryathlon there will be no Assembly next Friday – 17th March.

If you have any queries regarding the Tryathlon please don’t hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you for your support.

Kimberley White



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PTA FUNDRAISER - ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The PTA are again selling the entertainment books as a fundraiser – the books are \$65 each and include hundreds of dollars worth of savings at places such as The Loose Goose, Enchanted Café, and Poppys here in Tirau. There are also a large number of places in Matamata, Rotorua, Cambridge and further afield. For every book sold the PTA will make 20%, which can be put towards the worthwhile resources that the PTA provide our school. Orders can be made online <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/915q097> or through the school office and if you would like to review the book there will be a copy available in the school office from the beginning of April. The first 10 orders will also receive bonus vouchers.

VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 24th February 2017

Ruma Tui	Kobe P	For being very brave and taking himself out of his comfort zone in the pool.	Mason	For a positive attitude to his work and putting in maximum effort when completing work.
Ruma Kiwi	Amber	For independently using a range of reading strategies. You are making awesome progress.	Kaia	For striving to do your best in everything you do. You are a fantastic role model of our school motto
Ruma Kākāpō	Liam M	For your detailed ideas in our shared writing and being a kind and responsible friend to others. Ka Pai!	Elisabeth	For your insightful contributions to our class discussions, particularly our shared writing.
Ruma Pukeko	Corey	For making progress with his swimming and being such a helpful class member.	Ally	For being actively involved with all learning tasks and asking great questions.
Ruma Keruru	Holden	Being an active class member in all our learning.	Dani	For having a positive attitude to learning

Ruru Award: Gabriella – For being a switched on Tirau LEARNer who is making fabulous progress

VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 3rd March 2017

Ruma Tui	Lyndon	For his amazing attitude to learning and school – he works conscientiously every single day.	Guile	for knowing all his letter sounds and letter identification, he is ready for spelling.
Ruma Kiwi	Cody H	For being such a positive role model to your peers. You have a great work ethic and strive to do your best in every task.	Logan H	For taking on the challenge of swimming this term and trying your best in every event you entered. We are very proud of you!
Ruma Kākāpō	Olivia E	For encouraging others and “filling their buckets.” It’s great to see you seeing the good in others Olivia!	Rylan	For consistently displaying our school values and encouraging others to be great role models.
Ruma Pukeko	Olivia B	For having an awesome attitude towards all areas of her learning.	Rome	For being an enthusiastic learner with his mathematic decimal work and making good connections.
Ruma Keruru	Bryah	For working hard in class with completing tasks	Jacqueline	For showing enthusiasm for learning.

Ruru Award: Hazar– Being a supportive Tirau LEARNer during our swimming sports this week.

No reira ma te manaakitanga

Kia tou, ki runga, kia koutou katoa

Siobhan Patterson

Principal

JUNIOR TENNIS COACHING starts again at Tirau Tennis Club (Station Road, Tirau) on Tuesday, 14 February.

Classes are of 45 minutes each and start at 3.30 and 4.30pm – these classes are for primary and intermediate age children. Six lessons with professional coach Clem Apted; an oldie, but a goodie. Racquets and balls are provided and can also be purchased. Numbers are limited. \$40 per child for the six week course. Tennis coaching for high school students and adults (good for those keen on a tennis comeback after watching the Aussie Open) is at 5.30, also starting on 14 February. Same cost, venue etc. Please ring Janet Palmer 8831452 or 027 2729834 for more information.

Putaruru Junior Rugby Club Weigh In / Muster

Saturday 18th March 2017

10am at the Rugby Club

For all boys and girls wanting to play rugby this season.

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Hinuera Junior Rugby Registration

All registrations are now to be done online – you should have already received an email with a unique link for your child to enable you to re-register.

If you haven't or can't find it, let me know and I can send another one.

If you're new to the area...new registrations can be found at www.sporty.co.nz/hinuerarsc

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Any enquiries, contact Tony or Coby Brown – vanons@xtra.co.nz, 0210380971 or 021367727