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School Community Newsletter



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TIRAU PRIMARY SCHOOL

Te Kura o Tirau

"What ever is worth doing, is worth doing well."

Thursday 25th May - Week 4 Term 2 2017

Important Dates:

25th May – PTA Disco

26th May – Year 4 to 6 Camp Fundraiser money due back

29th May – Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent Meeting – 2:30pm in Learning Centre

5th June – Queen's Birthday holiday

7th June – NZSL Day School

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Tena koutou i te whanau

Tenei he panui kia koutou

Nau Mai, Haere Mai!

Welcome to Tirau Primary

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome the following students and their families to Tirau Primary. Tennelle, Ezekiel, Tenayah, Nairy, Sophie and Kadin in Ruma Tui, Deacon in Ruma Kakapo and Daesha in Ruma Kereru

LEARNING AT TIRAU SCHOOL

Our Tirau LEARNerS are very fortunate to have the opportunity to get involved in a wide range of sporting events across our region and within our school programme. So far this term at school Brendan from Team Energize at Sport Waikato has run netball and large ball taster sessions for each class, he will also be taking an orienteering session next week in preparation for the Interschool Orienteering Competition coming up later in the term. Our school Netball, Football and Basketball teams have been taking part in the weekly competitions and it is great to see and hear about their successes and improvements. These opportunities are only available because of the work done by school staff and parent volunteers and we really appreciate their input. There are times where for various reasons there may be issues that supporters identify with the organisation or running of the different teams. If this does occur the first person you should approach is the coach or person in charge of the team. There is inevitably a reason behind all decisions or situations. We are extremely lucky to have a number of parents who have put their hands up to coach or manage our sports teams and without this help our Tirau LEARNerS would not have had the opportunities available to them. Our teachers and support staff also give their time organising teams and competitions. I would like to extend a big thank you to Mrs Leonard and Miss White for their time and effort in organising and supporting the teams for Cotter Cup on Friday at Hinuera and Matamata, our teams played with great sportsmanship and showed all our Tirau LEARNer values in their performances. Well done to all involved – players, supporters, coaches and managers, a great day was had by all.

PTA NEWS

At 7:00pm on Tuesday 16th May the PTA held their Annual General Meeting for 2017. It was fabulous to have a wonderful turn out of 14 parents – a very enthusiastic and motivated group. As part of the meeting Kylie Ward stepped down from her position as Chairperson and Andrea Crawford stepped down as Treasurer. This left the 3 positions of Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer vacant. Nominations were called for and the following members of our school community were elected.

Chairperson	Ella Bailey
Secretary	Christina McGuire
Treasurer	Kayla Miles

We would like to congratulate them on their election and look forward to seeing the positive contribution they and the other members of the team make to our fabulous school. We would like to acknowledge all of the hard work of Kylie Ward over the past 3 years as Chairperson – she has worked tirelessly to make our school a better place and it we are lucky to have her continued support on the committee for the near future.

The PTA are continuing to work extremely hard and already this term a small group prepared lunch for over 200 attendees at the SMASH event held at Top Notch calves.

Tonight they have organised a fun disco for the students tonight at the Tirau Community Hall from 6:00 – 8:00pm. \$2 entry and there will be food available for purchase. The theme is spots and stripes. Children will need to be signed in and out of the hall by a parent or designated adult and any preschool students or older siblings need to be accompanied by an adult.

Accompanying today's newsletter is order forms for Oxford Pies that the PTA are doing as their next fundraiser – orders and money needs to be returned to school by Monday 19th June.

FIREWISE

This week all the students have had the chance to learn about being firewise from Stu and Grant from the New Zealand Fire Service. They learnt about what to do if there is a fire and to talk to their families about having an evacuation plan. All the children have been given a workbook to bring home and it would be the perfect time to have a family discussion about how this might look in your home.

HEADLICE

We have been notified of cases of headlice in our school.

There is no cause for alarm, their presence is no reflection on their general health and the condition is easily cleared up. In most cases one simple treatment is all that is necessary.

If reinfestation does occur a further application will be required after approximately 7-10 days.

Due to the highly contagious nature of head lice we recommend everyone in close contact with your child is checked and also treated if the condition is evident.

Wash all articles that may harbor nits, such as clothes, towels, hats and bed linen in hot water and detergent.

Itchiness and signs of silvery/white specs close to the scalp are signs of infestation.

There are several remedies available – see your chemist or ask at the school office for more information. There are several natural products available as well. We also have an electronic nit comb that can be borrowed – enquire at the office.

We strongly ask you for help in clearing this problem up. If your child comes to school with headlice they will be sent home until they have been treated.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

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, the Cabbage Tree, 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 is a copy available in the school office. The first 10 orders will also receive bonus vouchers.

VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 12th May 2017

Ruma Tui	Roman	For having a great attitude and always giving everything maximum effort.	Aeon	For taking ownership of his learning and being focused learner.
Ruma Kiwi	Liam	For your hard work in Reading. You are trying so hard and making good progress.	Harumi	For being a great role model in Ruma Kiwi and displaying our school value of Nurture in everything you do. Tumeke!
Ruma Kākāpō	Olivia	For taking ownership of your learning and participating in learning conversations with an extensive curriculum.	Nellie	For being a kind and caring friend in Ruma Kakapo, I love how much reading you are doing at home and at school
Ruma Pukeko	Meah	For following our class values of mati mahi kia ora in all areas of her learning. Fantastic Meah!	Cooper	For always being kind and caring class member who always participates in learning with enthusiasm
Ruma Keruru	Jasz	For helping others in class when you have finished your learning. You are a star!	Boston	For working independently on his learning this week.

Ruru Award: Liam F – For being a Tirau LEARNer who is taking charge of his learning.

VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 19th May 2017

Ruma Tui	Ruma Tui	For being an amazing class while Mrs Signal was sick	Maddy B	For striving to do her best every day, you have a fabulous attitude to learning.
Ruma Kiwi	Rielyn O	For choosing a challenging writing goal and being positive about working towards it.	Elsa	For being an enthusiastic member of our class who gives everything a go. You are always happy to help others
Ruma Kākāpō	Elisabeth	For your awesome attitude towards reading and writing. You are a motivated learner!	Leroy	For getting involved in all areas of school and working hard to become an independent learner.
Ruma Pukeko	Dylan H	For growing in his ability to work independently and taking responsibility for his learning	Sarah	For taking ownership of her learning and being focussed, especially in Maths
Ruma Keruru	Liam F	For working hard on his reading in class this week. You have shown great improvement.	Maiinga	For being actively involved in all classroom learning this week.

Ruru Award: Cooper – For being a fantastic Tirau LEARNer role model who is always looking for ways to make our school better.

No reira ma te manaakitanga

Kia tou, ki runga, kia koutou katoa

Siobhan Patterson

Principal

- NETBALL @ the Putaruru Netball Courts
- Friday 26th May - we wish all of our players the best of luck.
- Tirau Magic (Yr 3 & 4) V PPS Magic – 5:00 on Court 1
- Tirau Magic (Yr 3 & 4) V Pukeatua Kakapo - 5:25 on Court 1
- Tirau Diamonds (Yr 5 & 6) V TW Mystics – 3:45 on Court 3
- Tirau Diamonds (Yr 5 & 6) V TW Firebirds – 4:35 on Court 6

PIPPINS / BROWNIES

Meet Mondays 3:30 – 5:00pm at the Buckland St Guide Hall in Putaruru. For more information phone Jan 883 7229

- Football. Good luck to all who are playing @ Glenshea Park
- Saturday 27th May – Tirau is on duty this Saturday.
- Tirau Terminators (Middle) V St Mary's Tigers – 10:00 am on Field 3
- ASB First Kicks
- Warm up at 9:50 First game at 10:00 am
- Pod 2 bibs – Tirau Tigers v Te Waotu Kea – Year 1 & 2