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TIRAU PRIMARY SCHOOL

Te Kura o Tirau

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

Thursday 22nd June - Week 8 Term 2 2017

Important Dates:

- 27th June – PTA Meeting @ 7:00pm in the Learning Centre
- 5th July – NZSL Day School @Tirau Primary
- 6th July – Ruma Kereru and Pukeko trip to Firth Tower
- 7th July – Final day of Term 2 – Farewell assembly for Miss Mason at 2:15 pm
- 24th July – First day of Term 3

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

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

LEARNING AT TIRAU SCHOOL – REPORTS AND PORTFOLIOS

Next Friday you will receive your child’s portfolio, which contains all the reporting information for the first half of the year, unless they had an anniversary in Term 1. The portfolio should contain 2 samples for each of the core curriculum areas – reading, writing, and maths as well as a range of other samples from across the curriculum. The samples are accompanied by assessment of their current skills, comments from the teachers about current achievements and next steps for learning and they will also show progress over the year, you will be able to compare samples from Term 1 and Term 2. These will then form the beginnings of conversations for Mid Year interviews. We ask these precious records of learning are kept safe at home and are returned to your child’s teacher before the end of term. We do appreciate your feedback so if you have any comments or concerns please do contact me.

PARENT INTERVIEWS FOR RUMA KERERU, PUKEKO, KĀKĀPŌ & TUI

The teachers of Ruma Tui, Kākāpō, Pukeko and Kereru will be conducting parent interviews in week 2 of next term. The dates set aside are Wednesday 2nd from 3:30 – 7:30 pm and Thursday 3rd August from 3:30 – 6:30pm. The bookings are now open at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and the Event code is vxdg7. 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. If these times do not suit please speak to your child’s teacher directly to arrange another time.

PARENT INTERVIEWS FOR RUMA KIWI

Due to the changes in staffing in Ruma Kiwi next term Miss Mason and Mrs Edmeades are holding their parent interviews on the following dates, Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th July. If you haven’t yet booked a time please see Miss Mason or Mrs Edmeades to organise a time.

PTA NEWS

The PTA would like to thank all the families who supported our Oxford Pie fundraiser, we made a great profit of \$437! Pies will need to be picked up after school next Wednesday 28th June in Room 3. Last month the PTA had a Smash lunch event catering for 180 people and made an outstanding profit of \$2,045.47! Thank you to all our wonderful members who worked hard to make it such a success!

DONATION OF SPORTS JACKETS FROM THE MATHIS FAMILY

After a long association with Tirau Primary School the Mathis family saw the last of their children finish their primary education at the end of 2016 when Jack moved on to intermediate. To commemorate the opportunities that their children enjoyed during their time at the school the family made a generous donation to allow us to purchase traveling sports jackets to be used for representative school teams when heading to different fixtures. We really appreciate their generosity and look forward to having our Tirau LEARNerS wear them with pride. Some of our Year 6 leaders modelling the new sports jackets.



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 – 9th June 2017

Ruma Tui	Ezekiel	For settling in and quickly becoming a valued member of Ruma Tui	Guile	For writing an amazing story about Possum Magic.
Ruma Kiwi	Ellie	You are a great role model in Ruma Kiwi. You work hard in all areas and take pride in your learning.	Kaia	For always demonstrating respect in class. You are a great role model and thank you for making our new classmates feel welcome.
Ruma Kākāpō	Jake	For your effort in writing. You are working so hard to describe nouns using adjectives	Logan G	For being such a wonderful helper to others in our class. I can count on you! You have an attitude towards learning that is infectious
Ruma Pukeko	Zek	Well done Zek for managing yourself and your disappointments sensibly	Logan P	For improving his ability to stay focussed with learning tasks this week. Terrific work Logan!
Ruma Keruru	Lucas	For being really focused on his Tirau Inquiry this week. I'm looking forward to seeing your presentation.	Cooper B	For working extremely well on achieving all our LEARNerS values over the past few weeks. You are amazing Cooper.

Ruru Award: Pipi, Hazar, Zara, Tabitha – for being courageous Tirau LEARNers taking on the EPRO8 challenge

VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 16th June 2017

Ruma Tui	Tenayah	For consistently producing quality work by always doing her very best.	Jack	For being an independent writer and for moving up a reading level! Well done Jack.
Ruma Kiwi	Amber	For the fantastic term you have had so far, you have been so busy learning new strategies and applying them in all areas of your learning.	Logan H	For always demonstrating Nurture in class and in the playground. You are kind towards others and very helpful.
Ruma Kākāpō	Arnaka	For working so hard this week in maths to learn how to use your doubles to solve addition problems. Awesome!	Rylan	For your ability to display empathy and support towards others' feelings. A fabulous quality Rylan!
Ruma Pukeko	Harlow	Well done Harlow with improving your basic facts in mathematics	Fahmi	For engaging in learning conversations in mathematics and trying his best all the time.
Ruma Keruru	Hazar	For working steadily in all learning areas this week. Well done for achieving your work to a high standard	Zara	For working extremely well on achieving all our LEARNerS values over the past few weeks. You are amazing Zara!

Ruru Award: Matty – For being a Tirau LEARNer who is taking responsibility for his learning.

No reira ma te manaakitanga

Kia tou, ki runga, kia koutou katoa

Siobhan Patterson

Principal

- NETBALL @ the Putaruru Netball Courts
- Friday 23rd June - we wish all of our players the best of luck.
- Tirau Magic (Yr 3 & 4) V St Mary's Scarlitt – 4:35 on Court 2
- Tirau Magic (Yr 3 & 4) V Kuranui Ferns - 5:00 on Court 1
- Tirau Diamonds (Yr 5 & 6) V PPS Hot Shots – 4:10 on Court 4
- Tirau Diamonds (Yr 5 & 6) V St Mary's Sky– 4:35 on Court 5

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 24th June
- Tirau Terminators (Middle) V St Mary's Lions – 10:00 am on Field 3
- ASB First Kicks
- Warm up at 9:50 First game at 10:00 am
- Pod 3 bibs – Tirau Tigers v Lichfield Bumblebees1 – Year 1 & 2