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# TIRAU PRIMARY SCHOOL

Te Kura o Tirau

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

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May - Week 2 Term 2 2018

## Important Dates:

11<sup>th</sup> May - Hamburger Day  
15<sup>th</sup> May – BOT meeting 7:00 pm in the Learning Centre  
18<sup>th</sup> May – School Photos  
8<sup>th</sup> June - School Cross Country  
15<sup>th</sup> June – Teacher Only Day

**Value for Week 2: Actively Involved**  
**Class on Assembly: Ruma Kākāpō**  
**Value for Week 3: Nurture**  
**Class on Assembly: Ruma Tui**

## 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 family to Tirau Primary. Lilith in Ruma Tui and Rhyot in Ruma Pukeko

**Happy Mother's Day to all our Mum's and Grandmothers for Sunday! We hope you all get spoilt by your families.**

## LEARNING AT TIRAU

### HAMBURGER DAY - Friday 11th May

To celebrate the end of our paddock to plate science learning, we are holding a hamburger making day. Each class will be responsible for preparing their part of the hamburger. The fillings each class are preparing, link to their learning of how that filling is produced/made.

Lettuce - Ruma Tui	Tomato - Ruma Kiwi	Cheese - Ruma Kakapo
Meat patty and sauce - Ruma Kereru		Buns - Ruma Pukeko

There is no cost to parents for the ingredients. Unfortunately we will not have enough ingredients for adults or preschoolers to make a hamburger. If you would like to come along and support us you are most welcome. The children will be making their hamburgers cafe style, outside the library.

Some class teachers may dojo their parents/caregivers, for adult help with preparation in the morning. So if you are available please let your class teacher know.

This is an approximate timeline of our morning. You are welcome to join us anytime from 10:45 am.

8:50 am	children in class preparing their fillings
10:45 am	fillings to be placed on tables outside the library
11 am	making hamburgers and eating them - then playtime
12 pm	back to class

We would also like to acknowledge the support of Deborah Kingma, an educator from Young Farmers, who has visited classes and has taken some really engaging lessons with the students on local New Zealand food stories. She will be joining us on our hamburger day alongside Brett from ANZCO who are supplying the hamburger patties.

## ART WEEK

As an ignition for our sustainability unit we are going to be having a school-wide art week from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Each class will be working on an art project for their class and in the afternoons the children will be taking part in rotations in their whanau groups to learn different art techniques from the teachers. Our Friday assembly that week will be lead by our school ambassadors and we will be creating an opportunity for the whanau groups and classes to share their creations.

## SUSTAINABILITY

Our next inquiry topic for the year is around sustainability and we are currently planning for some exciting learning and events around our theme of Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rethink during that time.

## OUR STAFF AS LEARNERS

As a staff we make a commitment to learn alongside our learners. We take as many opportunities as possible to learn alongside each other. This Thursday after school all of our dedicated teaching staff are heading to a writing course in Hamilton for the evening. Last term they all took part in professional learning sessions with their colleagues from across the Matamata Community of Learning and we are excitedly preparing for our combined Teacher Only Day on Friday June 15<sup>th</sup> this term. Our day is to have a keynote from Nathan Mikare Wallis – the renowned New Zealand Neuroscience educator. He is also presenting a free session for parents on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 6:30 in the Matamata College Auditorium. See the flyer included with this newsletter.

## NEW SPORT UNIFORMS

A huge thank you to our PTA for their generous donation of the new PE uniforms. We have sent notes out to all players about the bond and care of these uniforms. We have issued the uniforms today to those students who have paid their bonds. The teams will be looking smart as they play this coming weekend. If you have any photos please email them to Miss White or myself.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

These are due to be taken at school on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May. Each family will have received a pre- order envelope about this today. The envelope and money needs to be returned to school by 9:00am Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May. If you require a sibling photo envelope these can be collected from the school office.

Due to a clash of dates we will not be able to participate in the Cotter Cup this year.

## 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.

## CROSS COUNTRY

On Tuesday Miss White, myself and one of our parents went on a visit to the Tirau Domain to scout out a course for our school cross country. There will be a fun course available for all the races with some challenging terrain and a range of distances to cover. Closer to the event we may be looking for some parent support to set up the course. We will be in touch and look forward to having a fun event or all of our LEARNerS to take part in. The classes have had sessions with Brendan from Team Energize today and are working daily to improve their stamina and endurance in preparation for this. Last week all the students received the School Fun Run booklets as part of our PTA fundraiser linked to the cross country. This is a voluntary fundraiser and all we ask is that families who don't want to take part in the fundraiser just return their fun run booklet to the school office.

## 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 is a copy available in the school office.

## VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018

<b>Ruma Tui</b>	<b>Harriet</b>	For being full of energy and enthusiasm everyday. You are a true Tirau Learner.	<b>Dominic B</b>	For handling Red Level 2 so well in Reading he is going up to Red 3!
<b>Ruma Kiwi</b>	<b>Niary</b>	For showing a very positive attitude towards her own work ethic and trying hard to stay on task.	<b>Kobe P</b>	For being fully engaged in his learning about Symmetry and knowing all of the mathematical language
<b>Ruma Kākāpō</b>	<b>Mya-Leigh</b>	For always thinking about the learning of others. You are so kind and empathetic.	<b>Cody</b>	For showing courage and commitment to your learning by asking for help when you need it.
<b>Ruma Pukeko</b>	<b>Anastasia</b>	For making a huge effort to reread and recraft her autumn poetry writing. What a star!	<b>Olivia</b>	For showing excellence in completing her written work to a high standard and on time!
<b>Ruma Keruru</b>	<b>Tessa</b>	For showing wonderful enthusiasm with her learning – a great start to term 2 Tessa.	<b>Bryah</b>	For using our Lifelong learners value all week! You have shown dedication to your work every day this week!
<b>Ruru Award: Students of Ruma Kiwi – For being awesome Tirau LEARNerS and making Whaea Denise feel welcome this week.</b>				

No reira ma te manaakitanga

Kia tou, ki runga, kia koutou katoa

**Siobhan Patterson**

**Principal**

## Football. Good luck to all who are playing @ Glenshea Park

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May

LT Hurricanes (Seniors) v St Mary's Mustangs – 10:00 am on Field 3

Tirau Terminators (Middle) v Lichfield Stormers– 10:30 am on Field 2

## ASB First Kicks

Warm up at 9:50 First game at 10:00 am

Pod 4 bibs – Tirau Tigers 1 v Te Waotu Kiwi – Year 1 & 2

Pod 5 bibs – Tirau Tigers 2 v Lichfield Bumble Bees 2 – Year 1 & 2

## NETBALL @ the Putaruru Netball Courts

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May - we wish all of our players the best of luck.

## 3.30pm START TIME FOR FUTURE FERNS – COURT 1&2 YEARS 3&4 PROGRAMME AND COURT 6 YEAR 1&2 PROGRAMME

Tirau Magic (Yr 3 & 4) v Kaokaoroa Teina – 5:25 on Court 1

Tirau Magic (Yr 3 & 4) v Te Waotu Tawa - 5:50 on Court 2

Lichfield /Tirau Ferns (Yr 3 & 4) v St Mary's Pink – 4:10 on Court 2

Lichfield /Tirau Ferns- (Yr 3 & 4) v St Mary's Scarlett– 4:35 on Court 1

Tirau Diamonds (Yr 5 & 6) v PPS Assassins– 4:10 on Court 4

Tirau Diamonds (Yr 5 & 6) v St Mary's Sky– 5:00 on Court 3