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Te Kura o Tīrau

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Thursday 1st August 2019

Important Dates:

- 2nd August Enviro Working Bee
- 6th August BOT Meeting 7:00pm in the Learning Centre
- 7th August Wheels Day
- 7th August PTA Meeting 7:00pm in the Learning Centre
- 16th August PTA Family Movie Night @ Putaruru Plaza

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

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

Week 1 & 2 – Excellence We are focusing on using our school values and our learning in the playground and showing this at home.

Week 2 Assembly – Ruma Kākāpō

Week 3 & 4 - Respect The focus will be on showing respect in the playground by using our manners, taking turns, including others and sharing equipment. We are also focusing on putting this into action at home.

Week 4 Assembly – Ruma Tui

LEARNING AT TĪRAU – TĪRAU LEARNERS ACHIEVING SUCCESS.

On Wednesday 24th July the Tirau Einsteins – Ryan, Mitchell, Cohen and Jayden competed in the EPro8 challenge Grand Final at Matamata Intermediate. They were competing against 11 other teams from across Waikato and Bay of Plenty. The boys worked on a number of challenges based around arcade games. They were placed 7th equal, which is a fantastic achievement. They were the only school team from Matamata or the South Waikato to reach the finals. All the supporters were really impressed with the boy's creativity, problem solving skills and teamwork in this pressure environment. Many thanks to all the parents and whānau who helped with transport, supervision and were a fabulous cheer squad for the team.

TERM 3 PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thank you to those of you who have made the time to meet with our wonderful teachers this week to discuss your child's learning so far this year and to discuss the next steps for them. These are an important time of connection, we do appreciate the time you spend meeting with us. It is important to remember that your child's learning journey is a partnership where everyone contributes to achieve a positive outcome, sometimes the gains may not be large but every step forward should be acknowledged. We also know that every child's learning path is unique to them and there are many factors that can impact on this journey, but when we are able to focus on the progress each child is making it is hopefully a positive experience for all.

WHEELS DAY

As part of our Exploration unit looking at Toys, Tools and Transportation it has been decided that we will have a wheels day on Wednesday 7th August. Children are allowed to bring along their skateboards, scooters and roller skates – please no bikes. Please ensure your child has their helmet and any required safety gear. We will be asking students to not share wheels as this can cause fights. There will be areas set up on the courts at both break times and it will be supervised by our staff.

ENVIRO REUSABLE BAG FUNDRAISER

Our Enviro group are selling some reusable produce bags as a fundraiser for their upcoming projects. If you would like to purchase these they are available from the office for \$7 for a set of 3.

GYMSPORTS FESTIVAL

This is being held on Thursday 22nd August in Tokoroa, we have started working with the interested children and a note will be sent home with the selected students next week to confirm their participation. If you are able to help with training our gymnasts please see Siobhan.

AG DAY NOTICES

Earlier this week Mrs Leonard sent out notices for people to indicate whether they were going to enter lambs for AG Day in Term 4. Please return these to the office by next Tuesday. See Mrs Leonard if you didn't receive one.

PTA OXFORD PIE FUNDRAISER

A big thank you to Mo Bell and her helpers for organising the fantastic Oxford Pie fundraiser last term. This is a great way to stock your freezer before winter really bites, \$556 was raised. Already this year the PTA have supported our school by purchasing Maths resources for every classroom, Big Books to support Maths in the New Entrant class, they are paying for new game outlines on our concrete areas and have committed to subsidising part of the cost for the Senior camp in Term 4. We really appreciate the hardwork and support of this amazing group.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER

On Friday 16th August the PTA are holding a family movie night at the Putaruru Plaza from 6:00pm (the movie starts at 6:30pm). They are showing the movie 'The Missing Link'. Tickets are \$5 per person and will be available from the school office from next Monday. This is a really awesome opportunity to have a fun family night out. The PTA will also be selling popcorn, lollies, drinks and baking.

VALUES AWARDS and STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – 5th July 2019

Ruma Tui	Elizabeth	For being a respectful and hard working Rum Tui class member. We will miss your sense of humour!	Rhys	For making Ruma Tui a great place to be
	Tyson	You have a positive attitude to learning. Thank you for being Ruma Tui's lego and farm specialist.	Peeta	For being Ruma Tui's thinker and Maths expert.
Ruma Kiwi	Harper	For showing mīharo (attitude) to her learning this term. Kia Kaha!	Riley G	For mahi tika! An impressive kite made to the design of a traditional māori manu aute. Pai tō mahi!
	Dominic	For being a positive learner while he made his manu aute. Ka pai Dominic!	Quinn	For creating an amazing manu tukutuku from natural resources. Kia mau te wehi!
Ruma Kākāpō	Aeon	For taking pride in his work	Niary	For helping others solve their disagreements
	Sophie	For completing her work on time – awesome!	Ashton	For noticing the difference between upper and lower case letters.
Ruma Kea	Taylor	For being an enthusiastic and helpful member of the Enviro group.	Ariana	For writing and illustrating her poetry beautifully.
	Jessie-Mae	For working hard on understanding and articulating your maths learning.	Kobe P	For enthusiastically embracing learning how to write diamante and haiku poems.
Ruma Pukeko	Elsa	For always displaying our learner values in class all the time all term!	Fleur	For always being a role model who gives her learning 100% all the time.
	Daniel	For showing enthusiasm at making lots of different flying toys for technology in class.	Eli	For researching independently to produce a fantastic slide show on wolves.
Ruma Keruru	Dylan	For trying hard to keep his learner values active in class and remembering the importance of them.	Ryan	For working hard at his presentation in books and trying to achieve all his learning.
	Chloe	For using her LEARNer values all this week and making sure others are cared for if they have no buddy.	Meah	For being an amazing role model to her buddy in Ruma Tui and always offering to help others.
Ruru Award: Aimee – For being an amazing Tirau LEARNer helping younger children in the playground find friends to play with and by being a super role modeling Ruma Tui.				

Ngā mihi nui

Siobhan Patterson