

Tuesday 23rd February, 2021

Term 1, Week 4

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Living Rural, Learning Locally, Thinking Global

To be the best we can be: Kind, Brave, Respectful and Honest



I think we really dodged a bullet with the latest break out of Covid in the community. We are all so happy here at Ngutunui with the result, this means we can get back into our mahi (work) without any disruptions.

Leaders:

Lisa and I were so really impressed with the quality of the applications that we received for our Leader positions. It is so exciting to see our tamariki wanting to step up and help out within the school.

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected as Manu Taki / leaders for 2021

Leaders:	Enviro Squad:	Bus Monitors:
Mia Barron	Leader : Mia Barron	Trent
Carys Barron	Co - Leaders : Dayiss and Carys	Dillyn
Dillyn Oldfield	Squad - Malachi Deuschle	
Cooper Flay	- Matthew Turner	
Harlen McConnon	- Cooper Bennett	
Briana Deuschle	- Rhea Raukawa	
Locky Whyte	- Charlie Bennett	
Trent Barlow-Giddens		

Flying Start:

We had such a great turn out last week for all of our four year olds. They had a swim, met their new teacher and got to play with some new friends. Exciting times ahead for all of our new tamariki coming to school this year.

Structured Literacy:

Our data from last year have told us that our tamariki are struggling with their writing and spelling in our school. The teachers and I have researched what the best approach is for our children, we have come up with this programme which is run through Learning Matters in Te Awamutu. The programme we are running is called Ideal. We have begun by assessing all of our tamariki and we are meeting this week to group and discuss starting points. Depending on your child's needs they may stay with their teacher during this teaching time, or they could go with me or the other teacher. Have a read what Structured Literacy is all about, I have also attached the reading to the newsletter if you would like to learn more about our literacy programme.

What is structured literacy?

Structured literacy (SL) approaches emphasize highly explicit and systematic teaching of all important components of literacy. These components include both foundational skills (e.g., decoding, spelling) and higher-level literacy skills (e.g., reading comprehension, written expression). SL also emphasizes oral language abilities essential to literacy development, including phonemic awareness, sensitivity to speech sounds in oral language, and the ability to manipulate those sounds.

Explicit teaching means that teachers clearly explain and model key skills; they do not expect

children to infer these skills only from exposure. Systematic means that there is a well-organized sequence of instruction, with important prerequisite skills taught before more advanced skills. For instance, children master decoding and spelling simpler consonant-vowel-consonant words (e.g., tap) with short vowel sounds before learning more complex short-vowel words (e.g., stamp or tapped) with consonant blends or affixes.

[BOT Meeting/Hui:](#)

We will have a few positions on the Board coming up soon. We would love for anyone to come and sit in on a meeting over the next few weeks, you don't need to stay for the whole meeting. We start at 6.30pm, you can come and observe for an hour. Please don't be shy we need you to help run our school that you child attends. Our next meeting in March 9th at 6.30pm.

[Swimming Display:](#)

On Friday 12th March the tamariki will be partaking in our annual swimming display. You are all welcome to come and watch our amazing talent. We will start at 1.45pm.

[Family Picnic Evening:](#)

This year we are looking at 'Turangawaiwi – our place'. So carrying on from tradition when families would gather at the school and have a picnic – we thought we would do this for our meeting the teacher evening. We will have a few games that they played in the past – 3 legged race, tug of war etc. We aim to start at 5pm, please bring along a picnic rug, dinner and your team spirit for a fun evening. We will start the races about 6pm so that we are all completed by 6.30pm. We look forward to seeing you all. The BBQ will be available if you would like to cook sausages or meat.

[Hats:](#)

Wide-brimmed hats are compulsory during Terms 1 and 4 at our school. All children must wear a hat when outside. You are welcome to bring a hat from home, we do sell them for \$10 at the office. **NO CAPS.** Sunscreen is also supplied here at school in the classrooms. If your child takes their hat home in the weekend can you please make sure they bring them back on the Monday. We have gone through all of our spare hats and they are not even coming back. If your child does not have a hat from Tuesday they will be asked to sit in the shaded area.

[Wheels Wednesday:](#)

Just a reminder that we are continuing with bikes and scooters on Wednesdays, however the rule is if you don't have a helmet then you cannot be on your wheels.

[Assembly:](#)

Our first Assembly for the term will be Monday 1st March at 2.20 pm in Piwakawaka – we look forward to seeing you there.

Ngā mihi

Cleonie Whyte

Principal

This Friday we are having a bring your own floatation device pool party. This will be held in the last block and the children are able to bring along things they would like to play with in the pool. We also have a lot of items here if they don't have any. Please don't send anything along that requires pumping up.



[Important Dates Term 1](#)

Wed 24 th Feb	Flying Start 1.30pm
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Mon 1 st March	Assembly 2.20pm Tui
Wed 3 rd March	School Lunches – Roast Lamb Sandwiches
	Flying Start 1.30pm
Wed 10 th March	Flying Start 1.30pm
Fri 12 th March	Whole School Swimming Display 1.45pm
Mon 15 th March	Assembly 2.20pm Tui
Wed 17 th March	Flying Start 1.30pm
Fri 19 th March	Lower Waipa Swimming
Wed 24 th March	School Lunches – Pies (Mince or Mince & Cheese) Flying Start 1.30pm
Thurs 25 th March	Family Picnic 5pm
Mon 29 th March	Assembly 2.20pm Tui
Fri 2 nd April	Good Friday
Mon 5 th April	Easter Monday
Tues 6 th April	Easter Tuesday
Wed 7 th April	School Returns Flying Start 1.30pm
Thurs 8 th April	Blokes/Dads Day (Enviro Day)
Mon 12 th April	Assembly 2.20pm Tui
Wed 14 th April	School Lunches – Pizza Flying Start 1.30pm
Fri 16 th April	Last Day of Term 1
Mon 3 rd May	First Day of Term 2

Term Dates 2021

Term 1 – Wednesday 3rd Feb – Friday 16th April

Term 2 – Monday 3rd May – Friday 9th July

Term 3 – Monday 26th July – Friday 1st October

Term 4 – Monday 18th October – Wednesday 15th December



Pirongia Junior Rugby Club

Registration & Weigh In's
Pirongia Rugby Clubrooms

Monday 1st March 6 – 8pm, Wednesday 3rd March 6 – 8pm
Monday 8th March 6 – 8pm

6th to 13th Grades available

A **Copy** of Birth Certificate/ Age ID required for all players

Subs \$50 PP, must be paid on the night

EFT pos. available

Jason Harrison 027 839 2559

Paul Dale 0274 746 791

pirongiajuniorrugby@gmail.com



Pirongia Netball Club
JUNIOR TRIALS 2021

Check Pirongia Netball Club's Facebook page for online registration

Registration & Payment of Fees
Thursday 11th March
5:30pm to 7pm
\$65 (yr 3 to 8)

Trial Dates
Monday 15th
Wednesday 17th
March
Pirongia Netball Courts

Trial Times
Year 3 & 4
Monday Only
5:30PM
Year 5 & 6
6:00PM
Year 7 & 8
6:30PM

Ella Muckle
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[Pirongia Netball Club Junior Trials 2021](#)

Head onto Pirongia Netball Club's Facebook page for online registration or come to our registration and payment of fees night on Thursday 11th March between 5:30pm and 7pm at the Pirongia Netball Club (next to the courts and rugby grounds). We welcome all players from year 3 to year 8

[Girl Guides/Brownies/Pippins](#)

Are you up for fun, **friends** and **adventure**, then Girl Guiding could be for you?

We have units for girls aged between 5-17.

We have spaces available in some of our units but if you are interested then email Michelle

on michellegirlguide@gmail.com to find out more.



SIGN YOUR KIDS UP FOR RIPPER OR TACKLE RUGBY NOW

WEIGH IN DATES 2021

1ST MARCH • 5PM-6.30PM

6TH MARCH • 10AM – 12NOON

@ TE AWAMUTU MARIST CLUBROOMS
YOU MUST BE ENROLLED BEFORE YOU COME TO WEIGH IN!!

Ages 3 - 13 years old
SUBS \$50
(INCLUDES SOCKS)

Current Juniors can register online:
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/143656>

Contact Junior Delegate: Sophia Powell 021 215 1875 (text only) tamaristjunior@gmail.com



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Do you need a hand with milking? Morning or evening? I may be able to help you. I have been learning to milk, I am confident to work alongside someone, I can walk in and out, as I am still unsure how to do the clean-up. If you need someone reliable and hardworking then please call me on 027 308 6159 Jaimee.