

## What's happening?

Please note and put aside the following dates:-

11th September—Board of Trustees meeting 7pm

13th September—School Arts Festival 1.30pm & 6.00pm

15th September—Rural & Roses School cross country at Kihikihi

17th September—School working bee

20th September—Te Awamutu College testing

20th September—Hearing & Vision checks

27th September—Pita Pit lunch

### BOT Meeting –

The next Board of Trustees meeting is on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm.

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Chris Calver J.P.  
P.G.Dip.Ed; B.Tchg;  
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Principal

## Learning and Assessment -

With more than half the term behind us it is pleasing to report the children continue to progress their learning well. Currently teachers are engaged in other testing to verify this information. It is evident that while many of our children are reading regularly many are not reading at levels which are going to challenge them with their comprehension and vocabulary. It is essential that children gain reading mileage but at a level which is appropriate to their ability, to read material which is too easy all the time will not enhance their ability to decode and gain understanding. While comprehension is at times lacking, our children's reading abilities are generally good and show the value of the reading programmes in classes, but also the focus on our nightly reading being undertaken by most children and supported by the parents and caregivers.



### Ag Day –

This is being held on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October**, which is the first week of next term. Children have selected lambs, kid goats and calves so I remind them that this is a significant commitment which needs to be stuck to through to the events scheduled. Group Day will follow on the Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> of the following week at Ngutunui School. If you have not yet registered your participation please do that with Mrs. Smyth at the office.

There will be other art and craft activities on the day those children who do not have a pet and details are on the school website.

Pre-schoolers are welcome to bring along a pet lamb or goat.

This is a great opportunity for extended family and the community to come along and support the children.

### PTA –

The PTA require help on **AG DAY** to help with the barbecue. This group is just a few and requires your support so they in turn can support your children and their learning. If you are able to help, please let us know by contacting the school office.

### Working Bee –

This will be held on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 9am. If you are able to spare a couple of hours to help tidy gardens, clean out side of buildings, clean gutters and generally tidy up please come along. Water blasters and gardening tools would be helpful. A barbecue lunch and refreshments will be supplied at the end.



### School Performing Arts Festival

The school Arts Festival will be staged on

**Wednesday 13th September** in the Paterangi Hall.

Matinee 1.30pm  
Evening 6.00pm

All children are involved presenting a range of performing Arts from each of the classes with dance, drama, music and wearable arts on show.



### Jump Jam Competition -

Our Jump Jam team is competing at the Nationals in Auckland on 28th October. Next Friday the team are holding a bake sale at school to help fundraise for this.

## Class Awards

**Room 4:** Kaleb - for amazing progress in reading this term. All your practise is paying off.  
Mason - for amazing progress in reading this term. All your practise is paying off.

**Room 4A:** Liam M - for working so hard to do beautiful handwriting. Well done Liam.

**Room 3:** Paige - for your effort in improving your reading skills. Keep up the great work.  
Connor - for your beautiful blossom tree. You persevered, even when you found it difficult, to produce a great picture.

**Room 2:** Nathaniel - Great Te Reo work, knowledge and participation.  
Divi - Super skills identifying spelling errors in written work.

**Room 1:** Drew - for excellent work on his visual art. He was focused and dedicated towards doing a great job. Keep up the good work Drew.  
Ella P-H - for excellent work on her visual art. She was focused and dedicated towards doing a great job. Keep up the good work Ella.

**Room 5:** Emily - for making great progress with her wearable art.  
Louise - for being focused on her learning and making good progress with her reading.

## House Competitions -

### Spelling Bee Results:

Year 1 & 2  
1st Lukah  
2nd Noah J  
3rd Niamh

Year 3 & 4  
1st Lexi  
2nd Ethan  
3rd Divij and Dylan

Year 5 & 6  
1st Ella P,  
2nd Dominic  
3rd Briar

Year 7 & 8  
1st Kaeden  
2nd Billy  
3rd Della

### Netball -

The netball competition has begun with games being played in the morning tea break. We have only managed two games this week because of the weather.

### Spud in a bucket -

Students who returned their permission slip have today been given their bucket and seed potato for the "Grow a Spud in a Bucket" competition. The potato can be planted in the bucket and cared for at home until judging day at the end of term 4.

### Basketball -

There are no basketball games for the next 3 weeks.

### Out and About -

Room 4 visited the Te Wananga o Aotearoa and Te Awamutu Museum on Tuesday as part of their preparation for the Arts Festival. Thank you to all those who provided transport and supervision.

A group of our children will be competing in the inter-school cross country being held at Kihikihi next Friday. Thank you to Amanda Gubb for help with training, and to the parents who are providing transport on the day.

### Netball -

Draw for Saturday 9th September

Paterangi Pixels 9.00am

Paterangi Pirates 12.20pm

### Vision Hearing Checks -

Vision Hearing Technicians from Rural and Community Services will be visiting our school on Wednesday 20th September. An information sheet is attached to the newsletter.

HEALTHY HOME BAKING

Look for recipes that include vegetables such as carrot muffins, spinach and cheese scones or zucchini loaf.

Carrot muffins

Zucchini loaf

Developed by Sport Waikato 2017



# Whāia te Iti Kahurangi

## Rangatahi Conference

**6 & 7 October 2017**

**Pirongia School presents -  
An interactive mentoring  
conference empowering and inspiring  
Rangatahi to achieve success**

For students Year 5 and above and their whānau, teachers, and educators  
community organisations, youth workers



**Formal Dinner**



**Sports Tournament**



**Workshops**



**Guest Speakers**



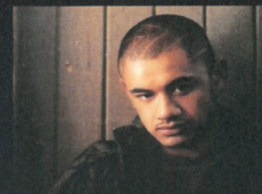
**Careers  
Information**



**Interactive Arts  
Exhibition**

"Promoting Māori achieving success as Māori"

**Concert - featuring Rob Ruha, Ben Lummis and more**



Visit: <https://www.facebook.com/rangatahiconference> or  
[www.pirongia.school.nz](http://www.pirongia.school.nz) for further information and to register

### Free Ear Clinic Service Term 3 2017

Glue ear assessment and management, wax/foreign body removal,  
grommet checks, treatment of discharging ears.

Thursday 14 September  
9.00am—2.30pm

St Patricks School, Te Awamutu at the Rewi St entrance  
Enquiries please phone  
07 838 3565

### Beginners Guide to

## Mountain Biking



**Grab some  
mates and come ride the  
beautiful trails of Te Miro!**

We will cover:

- bike maintenance and fitting a helmet correctly
- learning new skills to take on the obstacle course
- games and team challenges
- riding the trails with club riders and coaches

(parents are welcome to join in, please bring your bike!)

**10am-2pm**

**Wed 4 October**

Car parking available, Te Miro MTB Park is located on Waterworks Road

(PP DATE: Fri 13 October 10am-2pm)

**\$10 per child  
(non-refundable)  
Ages 7-13**

#### Please bring...

- Bike (in working order and suitable for muddy tracks)
- Helmet
- Covered shoes
- Drink bottle and healthy snack
- Jacket, change of clothes
- Bring cash for BBQ lunch, all proceeds from the day will go towards Te Miro MTB Club

Register through the Sport Waikato website by Wed 27 September.  
For more info contact Linley McMillan  
grantandlinley@xtra.co.nz, 0272363778



### BABYSITTER AVAILABLE

Please contact Georgia Cutforth  
0276360509  
\$10 per hour

I am fundraising for a south east Asia trip for world challenge

## Accurate Growth

### Pasture Measuring

Individual paddock and whole farm average pasture covers, available feed per hectare and growth rates.

Pricing: \$1-2/ha +GST. Based off size of farm, no. of paddocks and contour.

Phone Regan on 07 8722 772 or 029 778 1989 for more details.

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2blacks  
Self-Expression  
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Ukulele, Guitar, Piano/Keyboard,  
Violin & Singing  
\$10 per Group Lesson

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### Blu Suds Laundry Powder Paterangi PTA Fundraiser



Available at  
Paterangi School

\$4kg container for \$25.00  
Economical, low-foaming,  
eco-friendly laundry powder

### Ag Day Judges -

#### Judges Discussion/Training Days

If you are interested in becoming an Ag Day judge there are training days being held at Kihikihi Domain on Tuesday 12th September at 11am, or at Claudelands show grounds, Hamilton, on Saturday 16th September at 12.30pm. If you have any questions please contact Alan Henderson 0274 762 579.



### Information Sheet on Vision and Hearing Checks in School

Vision Hearing Technicians from Community and Southern Rural Health will be visiting our school. The objective of the test is to identify previously undetected vision and hearing defects.

#### Which children are routinely checked?

- Catch up screening for children who have not completed vision and hearing checks as part of their B4 School Check
- Children absent from previous visit, require retests or follow up
- In special circumstances, parents, teachers or others may request a vision or hearing check
- New immigrants
- All Year 7 student's vision only

#### What tests are carried out?

##### Ears

- Audiometry (hearing test)
- Tympanometry – middle ear function test (only carried out when hearing test is not within a normal range)

##### Eyes

Long distance vision tests – not a complete visual examination, but a simple screening test

*NB All of these checks are non-invasive, safe and should cause no discomfort.*

#### The Vision Hearing Technician will:

- Notify parents of all test results
- Enter results on Ministry of Education database (Enrol)

The Vision Hearing Technician will obtain personal details from the school ie; names, date of birth.

If the technician needs to contact parents or caregivers following the visit, addresses and phone numbers will also be required.

Our Service may share this information with other health professionals involved in the children's care.

If any parents/caregivers **do not** want their child to be checked, or their child is currently under specialist care for a vision or hearing defect, they should let the school know.