



Te Pahu School Times

Wednesday 11th November 2020

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Tēnā koutou katoa,

On Monday we managed to get out Senior School Athletics completed before the predicted rain. Fastest athletics in history!! We did not have the students competing in the high jump event as this would of been too dangerous with the wet ground. Teachers will select students from the class practice sessions they have had running up to the school event. Lower Waipa Athletics is being held this Friday, 13th November.

As you have been informed in prior newsletters we will be opening a sixth classroom in 2021. We have completed the process of employing a teacher for this position. We had many qualified and very experienced applicants for this position which was pleasing to see. In week 3 we held interviews for the successfully shortlisted applicants. We are very pleased to announce that we have appointed Rachel Carson as our new teacher for 2021. Rachel has been working for the past two years as a facilitator for the Institute of Professional Learning at the University of Waikato. Previous to that she has worked at a variety of schools throughout the Waikato including Te Pahu. It is wonderful to welcome Rachel back to Te Pahu.

We have confirmed where our teachers will be teaching in 2021.

Ruma Toutouwai: New Entrant – Mrs Rachel Carson

Ruma Piwakawaka: Year 2 – Mrs Anna Booth

Ruma Tui: Year 3 – Miss Emma Jackways

Ruma Kereru: Year 4 & 5 – Mrs Sharon Best

Ruma Ruru: Year 5 & 6 – Mr Thomas McVie

Ruma Kokako: Year 7 & 8 – Mr Edward Walker

Learning Support Coordinator: Mrs Julie Gray

As you can see, planning for 2021 is well underway. We are excited to be able to open six classrooms, have small class sizes and have dedicated, experienced staff to support our learners.

As I have said previously, this term is a very busy term and all of our classes have activities outside of the classroom to participate in, in the next few weeks. Thank you to you for supporting these. We are unable to provide these extra curricular activities without your continued support.

Our two school bands performed at Bandslam on Friday night. Well done to both bands for your performances and special mention to Emerson who received a certificate for 3rd place drummer. Last night, Tuesday, our bands performed at the Rockshop Bandquest Competition. Both bands were outstanding. Congratulations to all of the band members and their teachers, Shakira Derbyshire and Bevan Galbraith. Emily took out the Musicianship Award and Emerson won Best Drummer. Awesome effort from our Te Pahu Learners. It was an exciting evening listening to talented youngsters from throughout the Waikato. Well done team!

Thanks again for your continued support

Ngā mihi nui
Meegan Dunn

THANK YOU FROM THE PTA

Jo, Kim and Becs for helping with Athletics Day lunches on Monday

COOKBOOK: keep watching this space.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 13th Nov: Lower Waipa Athletics
- 17th Nov: Kereru Kaniwhaniwha Day Trip
- 17th Nov: Junior Athletics Day
- 18th Nov: Kokako Ruapane Trip
- 19th Nov: Ruru Caving Trip
- 20th Nov: Ruru Day Trip

CALENDARS:

Please can you send in your calendar orders by Thursday. Payment of cash or internet banking with orders please.



Finn's Haircut

My new haircut on Thursday 12th November



I am getting my hair cut at school

I have my own fundraising page to raise money for the Child Cancer Foundation. So far kind people have donated \$900 for this awesome charity who support and help children and their families who are fighting cancer.

If you want to support this wonderful charity, maybe you could make a

gold coin donation

at school on Thursday.

All proceeds go to the Child Cancer Foundation.

Thank you, Finn

