



Account: 03 1710 0019018 00 Please use surname as reference

www.picton.school.nz

#### **Dear Parents and Caregivers**

We have received our confirmed Education Review Office report and are very pleased that they have recognised the strengths and achievements of our students and staff. We would like to share some of their comments

Since the 2014 ERO review, the school has made good progress against ERO's recommendations. This includes improved internal evaluation practices, reporting to parents in relation to the National Standards and a greater valuing of Māori language and culture.

The school is achieving equitable outcomes for many children whose learning and achievement need acceleration. Teachers collaborate to support children who require additional programmes to help them learn. A strength in the school is the strong focus on children's physical and emotional wellbeing. Then school prioritises resourcing to ensure all children have a range of meaningful opportunities to succeed in areas that match

their interests and abilities. There are some good systems for identifying areas needing development to improve the achievement of equity and excellence.

The school demonstrates progress toward achieving equity in educational outcomes, supported by effective, sustainable processes and practices.

There are good systems within the school to show the progress of individual children. Teachers use reliable assessment information to plan for children's learning. Students with additional needs are very well supported in their learning. They are valued members of the school community

The school's vision and values are based on the Māori concepts of Manaakitanga (respect), Motuhake (independence, Takohanga (responsibility) and Rangatiratanga (leadership) and are in the process of being embedded. The school values are contributing to better engagement. (To be continued)

Alister McCosh	Pauline Gregory
Principal	Chairperson

#### SAFETY MAN ROAD SAFETY TRUCK

This program is an interactive visual experience to highlight situations road users might find themselves in that can result in accidents. They visited our school on Tuesday. AIR TURBULENCE - This can affect your vehicle when you

are passing, or if they are passing you.

TURNING TRUCKS - When a truck starts to turn, it may have to enter your lane to do so.

PULL OFF THE ROAD - When you pull over, make sure you pull completely off the road. Trucks are very wide and take up the entire lane.



Congratulations to this week's Merit Mark Winner:

**Anita Birss** 

Dates for your diary
----------------------

Friday 24th November Tuesday 28th November Thursday 30th November Friday 1st December Friday 8th December Tuesday 12th December Friday 15th December

Lucky Book orders in Kaipupu Point Room 1 Athletics Day 10.30 All library books due back Leavers Assembly 11.00 Prizegiving Concert 6.30 Last day of term

### **PSAS**

We have two great prizes which we are putting out for tender: A Sounds Air return flight to Wellington for two people between Blenheim and Wellington valid until 30/6/18 and a Bluebridge Cook Strait Ferry voucher, for \$150 worth of travel, valid until 30/8/18. Please put your details and bid/s (making it clear which sum goes with which voucher if trying for both) in an envelope marked 'P.S.A.S. Vouchers', and return to school by tomorrow. We are very grateful to all our community supporters. With the Halloween Disco plus the recent raffle, P.S.A.S. has raised \$1,800.

**Our Duffy** 

**Award Winners** 

monitor.



For being such a reliable bell

Contributing thoughtfully to

A great effort to learn her

skip counting and improve her

addition and subtraction skills

For a huge effort to improve

her reading and writing skills.

For a good attitude towards

his learning. Keep it up.

Trying hard to do her

personal best at all times.

class discussions.

Paper 4 Trees We have filled 542 boxes.



### **LIBRARY NEWS!!**

All library books are to be returned by next Friday, 1 December 2017. NB Accounts will be issued for any outstanding books.

## ANYONE CAN READ

You are invited to an introductory evening with Noel McArthur, Founder of 'Anyone Can Read - Dyslexia Debunked'

Dyslexics are learning to read. 'Anyone Can Read' has proven success. It works. It's fast. It's life changing. Thursday November 30th 7.00 pm ASB Theatre Whitehaven Wine Room RSVP INFO@ANYONECANREAD.CO.NZ

#### SPORTS

Congratulations all teams for last week's efforts. Here are tomorrow's draws, all games are at 4pm: Picton Diggers V Springlands Tulips on Crt. 2 Picton Dabtastics V Riverlands Spikers on Crt. 8 Picton Go Bananas V Blenheim Spikers on Crt. 5

# ART SUPPLIES

If you have any spare wool and/or egg-cartons and old greeting cards we could really make use of them in our Art lessons please.

## Athletics Day

On Thursday November  $\overline{30^{\text{th}}}$ , we have an Athletics Day from 10:30 until 1:00pm. All whanau and friends are welcome to come and cheer the kids on. Bring \$2 for a sausage sizzle. We would love helpers, please contact Di Huntley on 021 0289 2849 if you are available.

Room 2 ASSEMBLY at 11.00 a.m on Friday

#### **Kindy Fundraiser**

On Saturday, November 25th there is a Beachcomber Cruise to Double Cove to feed the pet fish and onto Kaipupu Point for a two hour visit. 11.00 am - 3.00 pm. Adults: \$25, Children:\$15,

Room 9

Room 1

Room 6

Room 7

Chad Cargill

Room 2 Noah Beech

Khloe

Hau

Room 8 Andrew Kubis

Serenity

Rangi

Karitiana-Te

Jayla Murrell

EVENTS 🗸 INSTANT SCHOOL MESSAGES 🗸 ABSENTEE Download Our School Calendar App PTC

HOW: In Play Store or App Store search "Parent Teacher Calendar" and choose our school once installed.

