PIRINOA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER - DECEMBER 2015

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU...to Gordon for delivering our newsletter free of charge every month...Awesome!! **NEXT MONTH'S NEWSLETTER:** Please note: If you wish to place something in the February 2017 newsletter, please ensure it reaches Lynette before 31st January. You can:

- email office@pirinoa.school.nz with 'District Newsletter' in subject line, or,
- Leave message on school phone: 3077829 or fax: 3077510.

PIRINOA SCHOOL OPEN DAY: Thursday 10th December—We welcome anyone new to the area, or prospective enrolments, to come along and visit our great little school and see all the wonderful things we have to offer your children. PIRINOA SCHOOL CARETAKER POSITION: It is with much regret that we have accepted the resignation of Rod Macdonald as our caretaker and need to find a replacement. The position would be 6 hours a week and involves mowing lawns, gardening, weed spraying, cleaning gutters and normal jobs expected of a caretaker for a school. Applications may be made to Troy Anderson and will close on Friday 13th December. Contact Troy on: 06 3077829 or email: principal@pirinoa.school.nz

PIRINOA SCHOOL PRIZEGIVING: Wednesday 16th December at the Pirinoa Hall at 6.00pm.

TUHIRANGI RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB: Invites you to our AGM on Friday 4th December at 6.30pm. All welcome.

LAKE FERRY RURAL FIRE NEWS: A friendly reminder to check your smoke alarms. Obviously it's going to be a long, dry season so.... "Think before you light". Support your local fire volunteers and be fire smart.

BURNSIDE CHURCH: The Burnside Church Committee invite you to join us for some Christmas Cheer on Sunday 13th December at 4pm. There will be a service led by Rev. Dr Jim Veitch of First Church, followed by Christmas cake and refreshments out on the grass. We'll also have a Colouring In Competition for the kids on the day. Look forward to seeing you all there! The Burnside Church Committee would like to thank the Pirinoa Community for supporting us again this year. Special thank you to our Duty Families who have helped with the upkeep of the Church on a monthly basis and to all of those who have donated in some way. Wishing you all a safe and happy Christmas.

Christmas Day Holy Communion—Please join us at the Burnside Church on Christmas Day at 10.15am for a short interdenominational service filled with song. Many thanks to Rev. Jim Veitch of First Church Martinborough for taking Communion for us this year, we look forward to a great turn out.

CONGRATULATIONS!!! Congratulations to the Pirinoa School Old Boys—William Warren (Rathkeale), Daniel Aburn, Thor Elly, Sarne McGillicuddy and Walter Taber (all students at Kuranui College). All five boys successfully graduate from college this year and are starting tertiary studies in 2016. William Warren received an Excellence award for Art and the Most valuable contribution to Year 13 Art Award. Daniel Aburn received an Excellence award for Music and an Excellence award for Technology. Thor Elly received an Excellence award for Drama. Sarne McGillicuddy received an Excellence award for Technology. Walter Taber received an Excellence award for Music, an Excellence award for Aviation, and was awarded Proxime Accessit. Well done to all these Pirinoa School Old Boys. The District wishes them the best of success as they head away to start their tertiary studies next year.

PIRINOA PLAYGROUP XMAS PARTY: Tuesday 8th December 2015. Everyone is welcome. Bring a plate, buy a gift around \$10 and make sure you drop it off at the Pirinoa Store before this Friday, 4th December. Starts at 9am. See you all there.

LAKE ONOKE ALIVE WHANAU FUN DAY

Sunday 13th December 11am-6pm
Waka launch & rides Stone Skimming Competition Sand Dig Touch Rugby Volley Ball
Love your Lake "Beach Clean up"

Recycled Raft Race (Raft Registration \$5—book in advance as numbers are limited)
Treasure Hunt Sausage Sizzle Locally grown kai Table Tennis Stand up Paddle Boarding Ki-O-Rahi
12pm Waka Launch 1.30 Treasure Hunt 3.00 Beach CleanUp 4.00 Raft Race
Proceeds go toward community growth & environmental well-being
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