



Pirinoa School

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Newsletter ~ 21 September 2018 Week 9, Term 3

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Tēnā koutou katoa

Few families have been untouched by coughs, colds and the flu over the past few weeks. Please keep sick children at home until they are fully recovered. In a school setting, bugs can spread easily and it's better to keep them home for an extra day than send them back too soon and risk further infection to children and staff. On the other hand, I have learnt that our students can adapt very quickly when there is a new teacher in the room.

Things are starting to heat up, which is great! This warmer weather requires sun hats and sunscreen. Please start getting your children organised for term 4 to prevent repetitive conversations from our end around staying safe in the sun. We are also beginning to prep the school pool for an earlier start to swimming this year.

Last week our year 5/6 and year 7/8 hockey teams played in the annual South Wairarapa competition. We struggled for numbers with our year 5/6 team, however so many students were keen to join our team on the day allowing us to still play in every game. This was a conversation starter the following day as to why we won the Top Sporting School in the Wairarapa Trophy this year. We wrote about this in class and discussed our excellent participation, performance, and attitude towards sport as our top three reasons for winning the trophy. Thanks Sonya and Carolyn for your support on the day.

The year 5/6 Miniball finished with a bang last night. I was very proud of everyone's effort, skill and attitude for the entire game. The shooting was definitely my highlight! Having two new basketball hoops has made trainings a lot easier this year and Kim's coaching also makes a huge difference. Thanks to all of the families for supporting with transport. Again, our students are very lucky to live in such a supportive community.

With only one week of school to go there are many tired faces around the place. Please help us keep things positive at school by setting up your child for success at home. Plenty of sleep, a good breakfast, lunch, and the correct uniform makes it a lot easier for us at school.

Thanks for helping us create many positive experiences and learning outcomes for all tamariki this term. I wish everyone a warm and happy holiday at the end of next week.

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ROOM 3 NEWS

Dressage

It was Wednesday 19th of September, and I (Amanda) did a dressage test on my pony Shady. I was representing Pirinoa School. It was time for the first test. At the start I was warming up Shady and she was really excited. I thought she was going to be naughty, but she was perfect. After the first test, we checked the results and I was coming 4th equal. Time for the second test. Shady was good, but she did better on her first test. Prize giving time. When we were waiting, my mum checked the results for the second test. I came 11th. When we were waiting for them to start they said some jokes e.g: "What did the man say when he walk into the bar?... Ouch" & "I was in the bank one day and an old lady said, can you please check my balance, so I pushed her over". Overall I came 4th. I was so happy with Shady.

By Amanda Jephson

Dumplings

Today we split our class into two groups and each group in turn went to the hall, where we had dumplings with our mandarin teacher, Xiu Yu. My group went first. To start, we learnt how to use chopsticks, then Xiu Yu showed us a big steaming plate of fresh dumplings that smelt delicious. It would take too long to make them ourselves, so we just ate them - with one rule. We weren't allowed to use our hands, it was chopsticks only. We got two each, then afterwards we answered questions. If we got them right we got another dumpling.

Overall, I found the whole experience 'Yummy!'

By Lucy.

Uniforms SHOULD be worn at school

Lots of kids complain about wearing uniform, but actually they're super useful.

Firstly, if you *didn't* wear uniform, you'd be going through a lot more clothes than if you *did*. That means more money spent on washing clothes, less things for you to wear, and more time being needed.

Secondly, when you go to a meeting or formal event, you can't just be wearing silly old clothes. The uniform is official-looking, and so it will create a good impression.

Thirdly, if you wear mufti you don't look like a school. As a school you have to look united. Also if you don't have uniform no-one will be able to tell you're a school.

In conclusion, I think that it's good to wear uniform.

By Lucy.

WEEK 9 LEARNING AWARDS

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD: Aria for showing excellent all round ability during miniball and team work during school.

ROOM 1: Jacob for working hard in the gardening club.

ROOM 2: Carter for finishing his writing about planes.

ROOM 3: Aleesha Hume for making progress in reading and writing.

PLAYGROUND AWARD: Kymani for staying on task in the playground.

ROOM 1 & 2 NEWS

We went to find dinosaurs.

We had to go stomp stomp stomp we had to go splashing through the water.

We found the dinosaurs in the back of the flax bush and then we ran away.

By Shayla, Hunter and Caleb



Award Winners



Key Dates: Term 3 2018

AUGUST - SEPTEMBER

| Week | Date | Event | Where | Info |
|------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------------------------------|
| 10 | Friday 28 th Sep | End of Term 3 | | Have a great holiday! |
| 1 | Monday 15 th Oct | Start of Term 4 | | Only 11 weeks till Christmas! |
| 1 | Friday 19 th Oct | Lamb & Pet Day | | See you all there! |

