



# Pirinoa School

Inspired, Confident, Proud Tamariki

Newsletter ~ 29 March 2019 Week 8, Term 1

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## Week 8

Tēnā koutou katoa

Newsletter

I had a visit this week from Keith O'Callaghan. Keith is now in his seventies but is still showing the enthusiasm towards school I hope to see from all our students when they look back at their school years. We spoke about the changes in education over the decades and his method of transport to and from school, which was on a horse from the Hume's farm. Thanks for your visit Keith and I wish you all the best for inspiring the next generation of Engineers.

Goal Setting Sheets have been sent home this week with students. This provides all parents with an update for what their child is learning at school. Please read them and ask any questions that you have, to your child's teacher. Next time we will work together with parents and students for the 'how you can help at home' part of the report. We believe this will help build stronger relationships between home and school.

Returning pool keys. Thanks for helping us by purchasing pool keys last summer. It is now time to bring your keys back and collect your deposit, as we will be closing the pool at the end of next week.

Room 1 had a successful visit to the Cameron Family Farms food forest this week. Thanks Lisa, Tara, Trish and the Room 1 parents for helping out and making the day a great learning opportunity for all of the junior room. If you have any ideas or locations for possible class or school visits for our children, please come into school and discuss them with a teacher or myself. We are very lucky to have so many rich learning opportunities available at our doorstep in Pirinoa. Hopefully we can get out again in the near future for another learning opportunity.

Our thoughts are with Sharon and her family as they have had a grief-stricken 7 days. Thanks to all the supportive people in the community for helping out where possible. We hope things get better as soon as possible.

I hope you all have an eventful weekend.

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## ROOM 1 NEWS

Room 1 visited the Cameron's food forest this week. We learnt about growing organic fruit, sprouts, mushrooms and herbs. Students were given a tour of the Mushroom walk where they were allowed to pick fruit. Thank you to all who made this trip possible.

There are apples and pears growing on the trees.  
By Eva

## ROOM 2 NEWS

I found a see-through leaf on the playground. It was crunchy. We thought it might be a skeleton leaf.

By ZinZan



## ROOM 3 NEWS

As I looked out the class window I saw the twirling grey funnel slowly draw closer to the school. I turned to my left and watched the student's wide-eyed dead still with tears dripping down there pale faces. I felt every nerve in my body was tingling. Miss Pickering screams at the top of her lungs "go" Somewhere in so much shock they couldn't move. As I scrambled out in to the hallway with Amanda just ahead we run into Room 2 hoping for more safety but it wasn't enough...

I felt the spiralling raging tornado hit the building ripping and thrashing anything in it way. I watched the windows shatter into small sharp shards of glass. As the teacher

"Stay down" I a grip my fingers in to the ruff worn down carpet. I feel a change wind we were in the central area of the blasting tornado. Still for only a few life changing minutes we rush to a much more secure place. Scrambling into the Pirinoa hall.

The winds soaring past the hall barely attached to the ground after 36.00 never ending minutes. With heavy heart as we dragged our feet out of the class everything was ruined. Cars flipped to many degrees and houses thrashed with nothing but a bare frame, and the school I really can't describe how bad it really was. Everything was in absolute abominable wretches like nothing and no one has seen before.

Towns, cities, suburbs, the whole lot ruined as what we thought was a windy day turned out to be the second largest tornado ever recorded in history. As the weekend body's stumbled around, cuts and bruises all over tripping over dead bodies. It was the feeling of being hit by a bus, the feeling of being utterly exhausted, from head to toe. At that point no one knew what was happening next, and you could hear only silence but you could feel the tension tightening in the air. By Rose

## AWARD WINNERS

### WEEK 8 LEARNING AWARDS

**PRINCIPAL'S AWARD:** Indy Williams for showing empathy towards others.

**ROOM 1:** Melesia Ene for great spelling in her writing.

**ROOM 2:** Vincent Edge for keeping the environment tidy.

**ROOM 3:** Amanda Jephson for working hard and doing amazing on the national disaster test.

**PLAYGROUND AWARD:** Aria Whiteman for great honesty in the test.



### The Land Girl Lunches

Available every Thursday  
Orders in by 9am

**\$10.00**- Morning tea and lunch

**\$7.50**- Lunch only

Text or call on 0272709304.

Bank transfers fine or call in and pay.

### AWARD WINNERS



### ROOM 1 TRIP TO THE FOOD FOREST



Tuhirangi Rugby Club invite all JAB players to register for the 2019 season.

To register your child for the season, go onto this link:  
[www.sporty.co.nz/tuhirangirfc/Online-Registrations/Junior-Form](http://www.sporty.co.nz/tuhirangirfc/Online-Registrations/Junior-Form)

Once registered, you will be notified when the season starts and what grade your child will be in. Under 6's are Rippers, Under 8's start with Rippa and build into tackle.

Information throughout the season can be found on our Facebook page: Tuhirangi J.A.B

Any enquiries email Steph/Malcolm Jaspers: [stephjaspers@gmail.com](mailto:stephjaspers@gmail.com)

## SAVE THE DATES

Week	Date	Event	Where	Info
9	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	SW Softball Tournament	Carrington Park	Year 5-6 team & Year 7-8 team
10	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of term	-	See you back on the 29 <sup>th</sup> April
1	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of term 2	-	Welcome Back!

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND

