PIRINOA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER – MAY 2019

THANK YOU AGAIN to Gordon for delivering the District newsletter. All donations can be left at the store as usual.



PIRINOA SCHOOL:

Kia ora koutou, Room 2 are going to learn how to knit this winter. We are looking for knitting needles and wool. If you have any old knitting needles or wool at home that you no longer need, please send it to school with a Pirinoa student or drop it off to the school office. Thank you! Also, if you are interested in helping our students learn how to knit, please let me know the days and times you are available, as well as a contact number or email. You can email me at natalie.lagah@pirinoa.school.nz or ring the school office.

Thanks, Nat Lagah (Room 2 Teacher)

BURNSIDE CHURCH:

Another successful year down at the Burnside Church. We recently held our AGM, thank you to all who came.

Our Committee would also like to thank the Duty Families who help out each month on a rostered basis. Its volunteers like you who make it possible for the Church to look its best and entice in visitors.

Julie and Lisa recently attended the Wellington Wedding Show which was a great success. We look forward to welcoming more couples from the capital in the coming months.

As always, if you've thought about joining our Committee or Duty Family Roster please get in touch, many hands make light work.

Burnside Church 2019 Annual Report:

It is with pleasure I report a very successful year for the Burnside Church.

The Church balance sheet is healthy due in part to another busy wedding season and a steady stream of donations at the church and thanks to Carman at the Store for the donation box on the counter. We wish to thank Julie for taking over the treasures role.

The committee offers a huge vote of thanks to Secretary Lisa. As I have said before this Committee and Church would not function without the time and effect Lisa puts into the Church. Lisa spends hours on our behalf corresponding with Wedding parties regarding their many requests (not two are the same).

We held are annual spring clean again in October to get ready for the summer wedding season a very successful working bee. Our committee is working with First Church on the planning for the Memorial Path we wish to place along in front of the picket fence. Also Alistair has replaced the last window on the north side which now all open.

The church and grounds are looking so tidy and are a credit to the many willing helpers who mow and clean on a monthly roster. A special thanks to Tony who sprays the car park throughout the year. I would like to thank the committee for your support throughout the year and look forward to working alongside you again next year.

Many thanks to the First Church for your support and we look forward to working alongside you again. I must mention the break-in that occurred in October and suggest the vulnerability of our beautiful church.

Looking to the future for the Burnside Church, the local community needs to take some (ownership) of the building and grounds. We need to take into account the importance of the Church to the district. While it is not used so much for church services now it is symbol of our early Scottish settlers a reminder of our past; a welcome beacon to our district. A lovingly cared for building which must stay for the many generations to come.

Chairman, Bryan Weatherstone

BOOK FAIR:

Martinborough First Church are holding a book fair at the Town Hall in Martinborough Friday 14 June, Saturday 15 June and Sunday 16 June.

WE NEED BOOKS. Please sort out those books you do not want and ring Susan Finlayson 3077853 to collect them.

The fair will open at 10 a.m. Saturday and Sunday.

NEXT NEWSLETTER:

Please note: If you wish to place something in the June 2019 newsletter please:

- email office@pirinoa.school.nz with 'District Newsletter' in subject line, or
- Leave message on school phone: 3077829. Please ensure it reaches the office by the end of April.





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Waihenga Centre

Martinborough Town Hall

14th June 2019 Friday Night Entry Fee: \$20.00

(Supper and Preferential sales of books)

Guest Speaker: Joy Cowley

Saturday 15th June 10am till 4pm

Sunday 16th June 10am to 2pm

Entry Fee: Free Saturday & Sunday

Novels Non-Fiction Children's Jigsaw Puzzles Paper back Educational Travel D.V.Ds

Etc.... <u>Donation of Books can be left at:</u> Library, Pirinoa Store, Pain & Kershaw Ltd Or Books can be picked up prior to the Sale <u>Contact:</u> Pam Collense 306 9503

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Palliser Ridge Field Day

The Palliser Ridge Team would like to thank the community for the great turnout of locals at our recent Field Day, we really appreciated having our neighbours there supporting us. The Pirinoa School Kapa Haka performance to kick the day off was a real highlight for many of those who attended, a big thank to you to the students, staff and of course Jo. And many of you will have known that the delicious morning tea was provided by the Pirinoa Playgroup parents, our thanks to you.

There are many others who warrant a thanks as well, too many to list!

Kurt and Lisa will be in Hamilton next week for the National Showcase where one of the eleven regional finalists will be named the National Ambassadors for 2019.



Wairarapa College Hostel Closure

Earlier in May the Wairarapa College Board of Trustees announced their intention to close Poto College House at the end of the school year. The prospect of losing this asset has caused an uproar in the hostel family and the wider Wairarapa community. This will have a huge impact for our students who are intending to transition to Wairarapa College in future years. A home away from home for so many, with a legacy of supporting students to grow and achieve, Poto College House has a proud history that won't be forgotten.

Save Poto House has been created to fight this decision and keep the hostel thriving for another 100 years to come. A dedicated steering committee has been appointed from the community to find the best way to preserve this asset for future generations to enjoy.

If you would like to show your support and learn more about what is being done it is essential that you attend the planned meeting which is on Tuesday the 4th of June at 6.30pm at the Poto College House Dining Room.

As I have said this will have ongoing impact on Wairarapa school students in the future so please make this meeting a priority so you can hear the current plan and situation at hand.

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