

Pirinoa School

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Week 2

Tēnā koutou katoa

Firstly, I would like to extend my thanks for the amazing powhiri which marked the start of my tenure as Principal at Pirinoa School, the students performed proudly, thank you to the staff and all those who contributed to making this a humbling and memorable experience, I will never forget it!

I have enjoyed meeting everyone and really appreciate those who have taken the time to introduce themselves, I look forward to more opportunities to get together as the term rolls on. Pirinoa has a reputation of a very close, supportive community, something I can now say I have experienced first-hand!

With a somewhat strange first two terms behind us, term three will be a busy one as we look to finish the year strongly. The production practises are in full swing, it is going to be a highlight of 2020. I'm sure.

Bell Times

We are trialling some different bell times this term as you may have read on the school Facebook page. Please note the following:

8.55 am Hand bell to start coming in from outside, prepare learning equipment for the day 9.00 am First block and start of school day.

10.00 am Brain food break, students have a snack, teachers read a short story or do a sensory activity for 15 minutes, commencement of 2nd block

- 11.15 am 2nd Break, students have a 20 minute break and play outside
- 11.35-12.30 third block
- 12.30 pm lunch bell, students go directly to play.
- 1.10pm hand bell, students put P.E. gear away, quick rubbish pick up, wash hands and sit together on the deck to eat lunch
- 1.30pm Bell to end lunch and start the afternoon programmes
- 3.00pm End of school day

Please ensure your child has adequate and suitable snacks and water bottle to sustain them throughout the day, any feedback is welcome.

Finally, please see the attached information regarding School Loop, this will be how we communicate upcoming events and key dates, absences will be able to be completed online and parents can set up alerts for specific activities their child is involved with. We will retain our Facebook page to highlight the great things that have been happening in this amazing school and community!

Ko koe ki tēnā, ko ahau ki tēnei kiwai o te kete You take that handle of the kete and I'll take this one

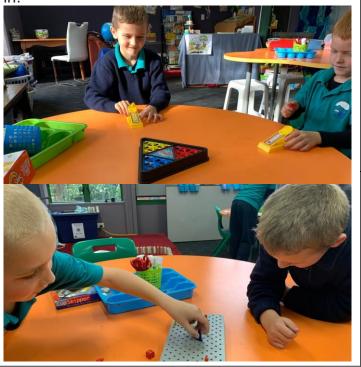
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ROOM 1 NEWS

Room 1 have been learning to play a range of new board games. We are also building puzzles in small groups. This helps us to practice a lot of social skills like teamwork, taking turns and sharing.

If you have any board games or puzzles that you no longer need/want at home, please send them in!



ROOM 2 NEWS

Since the start of the term, Room 2 have made fairy bread and play dough. We're using this time to learn about fractions, and to learn about writing instructions. It's been heaps of fun! Any guesses on what we are going to make next..?



UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 5th August – Space Place – be at school by **7.30am** – **No buses** – arrive back by **4.30pm**.

Thursday 6th August – Football Tournament – Year 5&6 Team – School hours – buses as usual

Sunday 9th August – School Working Bee 10.00am.

Wednesday 26th August – **Year 7&8** Mini ball starts.

Thursday 27th August – **Whole School** beach clean-up.

ROOM 3 NEWS

It was winter in the year of 1858, a poor man wearing a green tattered leather coat trudged up the cold icy steps of the royal Palace. He was moaning as he hobbled up the stairs as he reached the top; the huge blue door swung open with a creek as the man shuffled into the warm elegant Palace. At the end of the mighty room there was a gorgeous throne and sitting in the chair was the queen, a lovely woman wearing a beautiful purple dress with golden shoulder tuffes. She was wearing an appealing gold jewel infested crown.

By Aria Whiteman

AWARD WINNERS:

ROOM 1: Athena Hegglin, for mastering her first sight word list.

ROOM 2: ZinZan Andersen, for always being helpful.

ROOM 3: Alec McDowall, for showing independence when working on tasks.

PRINCIPAL AWARD: Nakcha Robinson, for being an incredible role model during production.



