Kia ora whanau,

We are at the beginning of week 9 and wondering where this term has gone? We are steadily building towards the night of our production on Thursday the 17th of September with full dress rehearsals underway, we can't wait to see our community on the night, thank you to all who have purchased tickets, please see Jess in the school office to secure yours. We are aware students, particularly our younger ones may be feeling extra tired in the afternoons, they are doing an amazing job and it will all be worth it! Mahi Pai's: You may have heard about our Positive Behaviour for Learning system we recently introduced early this term. Students who display positive behaviour in and out of the classroom can be awarded a mahi pai ticket that represents a chance in our weekly prize draw at assembly on Friday afternoon. Last week, Axel Portas was the lucky recipient who was drawn out of the box, well done! Wayne, our bus driver has been awarding students who show positive behaviours and attitudes who travel on the school bus, it has been fantastic to see everyone making a super effort to be awesome bus riders! There is also an award for 'Bus Rider of the week' for the North and South Bus which we will recognise at our weekly assemblies. From next term we will be streaming our assemblies live on our Facebook page, these will be run by our current year 8 students.

Onesie day was a big hit on Friday the 4th of September and we helped raise \$74.00 for The Wellington Free Ambulance, I am now a converted onesie fan! Staff and students got right in behind this, thanks Miss Lagah for organising the day for us!









Teacher Only Day: Staff have set aside Monday 9th of November for professional development and learning. We will be using this time to begin our curriculum review with a view to the implementation of a more localised curriculum in 2021, more information will follow as we will also seek input from our community as to what we believe being a Pirinoa student is all about. Please note this on your calendars, we will put reminders out on Skool Loop.

Thank you to everyone who has donated items already for our Mud Kitchen Project, we are still needing pvc pipes, old pots, pans, utensils and any old stainless steel sinks. Any items can be dropped off at school by the garden shed.

BOT Meeting; The next Board meeting will be on the 19th of October at 6.00 pm

### **Science Roadshow**

The entire school attended the annual Science Roadshow at Martinborough School last week. It was a very hands-on and engaging experience with some very interesting demonstrations. Thank you to the parents and helpers for assistance with transport and supervision.









## Photos from around the grounds, great to see our students in action!











## Pet Day

This is set for week 2 of term 4, 23rd of October. We have been advised that we will be able to proceed with entries for calves with some conditions around this. If you are going to enter a calf, please contact the office and we will forward the details of the requirements to you.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Production this Thursday, under the current Covid-19 Alert Level we will be able to proceed with one performance. We will observe social distancing of 1 metre and contact tracing will be available by way of the Covid-19 App and sign in procedure.

Nga mihi nui

Gene Moore Principal

#### **REMINDERS:**

- If you have any Pirinoa school sports tops that you are not using can you please return them to school, Thank you ☺
- If you have any old school uniforms at home you no longer need, we would love to have them for spares or new students.
- Juicies are back! Available on Fridays with sausage sizzle \$2 each.
- Please return you Ag Day notices.
- If you have been collecting yummy stickers please send them into school now so we can tally them all up ©

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Term 3

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September** – Pirinoa School production – 6pm – gold coin donation. **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September** – Year 7&8 Rail Trail.

Term 4

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October - Pirinoa School Photos. Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Pirinoa School Pet day.