

Pirinoa School

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Newsletter ~ 12th February 2021 Week 2, Term 1 Principal ~ Gene Moore, Tel: 06 3077829 Email: office@pirinoa.school.nz

Week 3

Kia ora whanau, welcome back to 2021!

I hope everyone enjoyed their break and made the most of the weather, and now that your wee treasures are back at school, you can catch up on those little jobs that you put on hold!

It was great to see our students bouncing through the gate ready to catch up with their friends and staff on the first day back, thank you to Jo Love, Suzanne Murphy and Leeane Flutey for your assistance in organising the powhiri to welcome our new families. Everyone has settled into their new classes, and I wish to extend a warm welcome to our new students Izabella, Leila, Kauri, Jadson and Leah and their families. We are so pleased to have you join us, you are doing great and will certainly add something special to our school!

Information went home regarding permission for students to attend trips within a 25km radius of the school, this saves us having to send out notices for excursions or sport trips close to the school. There was also the ICT policy which includes permission for students to appear in our various social media forums related to the school. This is also really important as it outlines our policy for using ICT safely and responsibly. Thank you to those that have returned their forms to the office, if you did not receive any or need any more of the forms, please see Jess in the office.

We will be sending out all notices for trips and upcoming events via the Skool Loop App in 2021. Most of our families have already downloaded this and found it really useful for returning permission slips and reporting absences and just a good way to stay informed of our school activities, it will also have our newsletter every two weeks. It's a free app and can be downloaded via Google Play or Apple App Store.

Our Public Facebook page is to showcase our school and from time to time, put announcements up, please share with your friends and families, click the link and like us! Pirinoa School Facebook Miss Lagah created a Pirinoa Instagram account, these will show those little moments in time that we capture, look us up under pirinoaschool. We also have our school website which is being updated this term www.pirinoa.school.nz.

Rooms 1 and 2 use the Seesaw App to put up things we are working on in class, some of you may not be familiar with this, if your child is in one of these rooms they will bring home the information needed for you to join and see snapshots of their day, it's fun and students themselves will post examples of their work regularly along with their teachers.

Pool: Work was meant to be completed to install a new pool liner and upgrade the filtration system. Unfortunately, the liner has not arrived in the country and the work has been rescheduled for March. In the meantime we have been working hard to get it to a swimmable state, we are hopeful that it will be ready for week 3.

Information has gone home regarding the Round the Bays event, this is a really fun event which takes place in Wellington on Sunday the 21st.

Next BoT Meeting Monday 15 February 6.00pm

I look forward to catching up with you all throughout the course of the term.

Ngā mihi nui Gene Moore Principal

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REMINDERS:

Sausage sizzle every Friday with juicies available for purchase too \$2 each.

The Skool Loop App

Don't forget to download the skool loop app we have a few sports events coming up which will be put on Skool Loop, we wouldn't want anyone to miss out!



ROOM 3 NEWS

Room 3 has been challenged in a range of team building activities. We're developing our leadership skills, as well as communication and resilience.

Our first challenge was to take the most creative photo.



THANK YOU

Thanks Owen Whiteman for coming down and welding the trampoline
Thanks Guy Didsbury for filling our pool!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Week 3 Beach trip Wednesday 17th / Sunday 21st Round the Bays Run.
- Week 4 Wings over Wairarapa Friday 26th February.
- Week 6 Parent teacher interviews (9th/10th March).
- Week 9 Teacher Only Day: Thursday 1st April
- Week 9 2nd April Good Friday.
- Week 10 Easter Monday/Tuesday 5th /6th April.
- Week 11 Last week of Term 1.

ROOM 1 NEWS

Room 1 have had lots of fun getting to know each other and our two new teachers. We've been learning about words and sounds and enjoying being creative.





ROOM 2 NEWS

Room 2 have had heaps of fun this week designing and making 3D letters to label our bag hooks. We're looking forward to doing more design and technology work throughout the year. We have also just started working with learning groups. Each person in the group is designated an important responsibility - leader, communicator or scribe.



TERM DATES 2021

Term	Start Date	End Date
1	Wednesday 3 February	Friday 16 April
2	Monday 3 May	Friday 9 July
3	Monday 26 July	Friday 1 August
4	Monday 18 October	Wednesday 15 December

Bell Times:

8.55am - Hand bell to head into classrooms **9.00-10.00** - First Block

10.00-10.15 - Fruit Break (students have a piece of fruit/snack in class).

10.15 -11.00 Second Block.

11.00 -11.20 second Break (outside play) **11.20 -12.30** Third Block

12.30 -1.25 Lunch time (students head to play first,

hand bell at **1.10**, we eat together on the deck) **1.30 - 3.00** Afternoon programme