 **Pirinoa School ~*Vibrant and Successful learning***

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 Newsletter ~ 4th March 2016 Week 5 Term 1

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Kia Ora Koutou

I must firstly start by correcting my mistake from last week's newsletter, the Data Evening that I said was going to be on the 29th of March is actually going to be Wednesday the 30th of March at 7pm. Please come along it's for everyone and anyone, it’s a great opportunity for you to have a voice on your child/ren's learning outcomes.

On Tuesday the 15th of March the South Wairarapa Whanau Advisory Group are holding a meeting at the Kohunui Marae. As this is our local Marae our school has been asked if we would like to be part of the welcoming on group and perform. We will give the children their Kapa Haka gear to take home after school on that Tuesday and if they could be at the Marae at 5 o’clock and then be picked up at 7 o’clock. During this time they will have performed, had tea and listened to the keynote speakers. You, as parents, are also invited to the Marae and will be welcomed on to the Marae, as part of the Powhiri. If you have already been welcomed onto the Marae in the past then you can sit with us.

There is a Fundraising meeting on Monday the 14th of March at 7pm. This is to talk about the upcoming fundraising event at Turanganui Station and the Rotary Dinner. The year 8 students will also be part of the team at both events, a permission slip for those students will follow soon.

I thought I would share with you what that money and other fundraising money has been spent on so far or is tagged to.  We have a new turf for the school and community to use, we did receive money from grants and other local groups. The cost of the turf in total was $34,000. We purchased 6 new chromebooks for room 1 at $2400; new reading books at $1500; the playground council group is looking into ideas for the new items, the budget there is $7000; the corridor upgrade is $11,000; new carpark is $4000; we are looking into the option of installing two new heat pumps, as the heating & cooling systems we have are not effective; new wireless routers, as currently our internet can only hold approx 10 people on at a time before it crashes and when you have 30+ people on at one time, it simply doesn't work.  Our school budget is a zero budget, which means the budget is not in the black or red. To make this happen some of our fundraising goes towards things like wages, cleaning supplies, PB4L prizes, learning resources, auditors fees, relievers,  teachers professional development, library books, teaching equipment like sports trips etc etc. So if we didn't do any of this fundraising we wouldn't have anything extra and at the end of the day it's the children that miss out. So I thank you for your hard work to keep the school afloat and in a financial position that creates an opportunity for your child/ren to be lifelong learners in this 21st century learning environment.

If you have any concerns/ wonderings please come and see me, I would appreciate a face to face conversation.

Your Principal, Troy Anderson

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|  | **MARCH** |  |
| **Su** | **Mo** | **Tu** | **We** | **Th** | **Fr** | **Sa** |
| 28 | 29 | Y7/8 Tech 1Raroa catering | Raroa 2 | Parent/ 3Teacher mtgs | I/school swim 4Sports  | Carparking 5 |
| 6 | 7 | Raroa 8 | Raroa 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | F/raising mtg 147pm |  Kohunui 15Marae 5-7pm  | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | Turanganui Stn catering 23 | 24 | Good Friday 25 | 26 |
| 27 | Easter Monday 28 | BOT mtg 29SCHOOL CLOSED  | Back to 30School ☺ **Data Evg. 7pm**  | 31 |  |  |
|  | **APRIL** |  |
| **Su** | **Mo** | **Tu** | **We** | **Th** | **Fr** | **Sa** |
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| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Vision & 7 Hearing  | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | Rotary 13 dinner | 14 | End of T1 15 | 16 |

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| **Did you know?*** **ASSEMBLY:** Every Friday at 12.10pm followed by sausage sizzle.
* **SAUSAGE SIZZLE:** Thank you to **SARA** who cooked for us today.

**CAROLYN JEPHSON** is on duty next Friday, 11th March. We still have two days to fill, 1st April and 1st July…**if you haven’t already offered to do a turn, please contact Lynette.** Thank you.* **FUNDRAISING MEETING:** Monday 14th March at 7pm, look forward to seeing you there. Please note change of date.
* **NETBALL REGISTRATIONS:** Please return to office by Monday. Thank you.
* **11 aside Hockey:** If your child is year 4 and up and would like to play Monday nights

11 aside hockey please let Lynette know.* **YUMMY STICKERS:** Please collect stickers from Yummy Apples and return to office. Sticker charts attached to this newsletter. Our school receives sports equipment for the stickers, so collect heaps!! Thank you.

**ROOM 1 WEEKLY NEWS.**We have been playing maths games. Yesterday we had meetings about the bike track, playground and garden. I am in the enviro group. We talked about making a vege garden with tyres and making scarecrows. I would like to plant strawberries, apples, pears and carrots in the garden!*By Amelia Sutherland (5)***FAIR CARPARKING ROSTER**Kim Whiteman will advise people tonight of times required for carparking roster.**ROOM 2 NEWS**This week in room 2 we have been doing a lot of work and a lot of swimming as well.  It has been a good week.  We have been working on our maths, our writing and our reading this week.  For writing we had to write a 1000 word story from one of the ideas Mrs Locke put on the whiteboard.On Tuesday the year 7 and 8 students went to technology in Featherston, it was awesome.  We got to make really cool boards and finished them in one day!  On Wednesday we played uni-hock with Mr Anderson at lunchtime, it was awesome. We also had Shakia and Te Atawhai’s drama club on Wednesday at lunch time.  We also played with some of the new sports equipment.  On Thursday it was just a normal day for room 2.  We had Kala and Isla’s Multi club at lunch time.  It was awesome but it was the last day we were allowed to have candy for prizes.  That was Thursday but we didn't go swimming because everyone was messing around on the computers on a doc Mrs Locke sent us.On Friday there weren't many people at school because people that made it to inter-school swimming went to Featherston to compete again.  It was a good week in room 2 and can't wait to have another. *By Marshall Love.***RAROA CATERING** |

**STUDENT AWARDS**

**PRINCIPAL AWARD:** **WILLOW MACDONALD**
Willow you are making great progress in your learning, especially your writing and reading, it’s amazing.  Well done for a great job.

**ROOM 1:** **ALEESHA HUME** for amazing work adding tens and hundreds.

**ROOM 2:** **POLLY TELFORD** for her brilliant positive attitude towards everything and her kindness towards others.

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|  | **Crumble** | **Prep** | **Cooking** | **Serve/Dishes** |
| 8 March | Sutherland | Boyle | Didsbury | Weatherstone |
|  | Weatherstone | Wells |  | Love |
| 9 March | Dennes | Telford | Jephson | Hume |
|  | Hopkins | Macdonald |  | Baird |

**If you are unable to make your rostered time please arrange a swap with someone else.**

Sonya or Donna will be there at all times.

Crumbles (Roasting dish size) to be at school by lunchtime or at the Lake Ferry camp ground, hot, to serve at 6pm. If you require any ingredients, please let Kim know 3077881.

Those on prep need to meet at 1pm at Donna’s, 101 Lake Ferry Road, Lake Ferry. All veges will be there. Those on serving and dishes need to be at Donna’s, 101 Lake Ferry Road at 5.15pm.

Thank you everyone in advance for the great team effort. Kim.