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22 November 2023



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Book Week 2023



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22 NOVEMBER 2023

From our Principal

JUNIOR ATHLETICS

2023

Kia ora family and friends of Pirongia School,

This week during the afternoon sessions here at school, teams have their transition sessions. Moving into a new environment is a time of change and adaptation for children, their families and teachers. One of the things we do to make this experience more positive is holding these transition afternoons. Teachers in the team spend the afternoon with their new team. Our students have the chance to meet their new team, meet some of the teachers in the team and have a look at the space that they will be in. Another way we prepare for positive transitions is by ensuring all children know who their teacher is in 2024 by the end of this year (rather than spend the whole holiday wondering or worrying). I can vividly remember being taken to the hall on our first day back and waiting for your name to be called. I actually quite liked the excitement of that, until one year, when my name was left off the list and I had to wait right to the end!

Thanks to Mrs Tyer and her team of Kahikatea artists for creating two very bright and attractive Christmas trees! These trees will be displayed along the main street of town. A big thanks to Ken Huberts, the Te Awamutu Business Chamber, the team at Meanzshed and Resene for helping this community initiative to go ahead! Make sure to check ours out.

We had a group of students compete in the Pirongia Trail Run last weekend. Our mountain provided a range of tracks for different abilities. I would like to congratulate our students who took on this challenge. To give you an idea of just how challenging this was, our senior boys; Digby and Nixon ran 'The Grunter'. They smashed out a very challenging 13.5km track in 4 hours and 11 mins. Well done to you all! Runners were: Digby K, Nixon T, Eliza D, Harrison H, Niki B, Danica B and Iona M.

We ran two fantastic events this week; junior athletics and the music festival. Thank you to the parents who came along to show your support of our up and coming athletes and musicians! Thank you Miss Muckle and Mr Gemmell for your organisation of these events. Our children really shone in both events.

Have a great week everyone, Kelly





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LEARNING SUPPORT VACANCIES

Teacher Aide positions 2024

We are currently seeking two teacher aides to work alongside our teacher in implementing individualised student care plans. Both roles involve providing individual health support and support with learning.

Position 1 is a job share

Two days a week; days to be negotiated.

4 1/2 hours each day.

(Please note hours could change slightly before interviews).

Position 2

Monday to Friday

3 hours a day.

(Please note hours could change slightly before interviews).

Both positions require individuals who are positive, methodical, reliable, and caring. Full employee police vetting is mandatory.

Experienced and beginning teacher aides are encouraged to apply.

Please apply by writing a letter of application to Kelly outlining your suitability and preference of position.

Applications close Friday 1st December.

kbicknell@pirongia.school.nz

If you have any questions about any of the roles, please feel free to ring Kelly for a chat.



Coming Events

24th Nov—ASSEMBLY—Singing 2-3pm
24th Nov—Out of Zone Applications for T1 close at 3pm
28th Nov—Road Patrol Rewards Day
29th Nov—Waikato Full Primary Schools Athletics Day
30th Nov—Tawa Team Yr 4 Graduation
01st Dec— ASSEMBLY—Singing 2-3pm
03rd Dec—Child Cancer Picnic—(our school grounds will be closed during this time)
04-07th Dec—Yr7/8 Graduation Survivor Camp
05th Dec—Tawa Big Days In
06th Dec—Kahikatea Big Day Out
07th Dec—Kahikatea Bead Ceremony
08th Dec—Service Assembly 1.30pm
11th Dec—BoT Meeting 10.30am-1.30pm
12th Dec—Kahikatea Mountain Biking and Hiking
12th Dec—Rātā Team Big Day in
12th Dec—Graduation Dance Yr7/8's
13th Dec—Rehearsal Assembly—TA Event Centre
14th Dec—Final Assembly/Prizegiving TA Event Centre 10.30am
15th Dec—We will be moving classes. School will close at noon

Important

- **OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS**—All outstanding non donation charges need to be paid ASAP
- **END OF YEAR TROPHY RECALL**- If you were fortunate enough to have got a trophy at prizegiving last year, now is the time for it to be returned to the office.
- **CAR PARK BAY ETIQUETTE**—Just a reminder that the bay is for immediate drop off and pick up. Do not park and leave your vehicle, your child/ren must come to you. This enables seamless traffic flow. Please respect the reserved disabled park for parents/ caregivers and visitors with permits and show courtesy when parking next to the school neighbours driveways (1 metre clearance either side) is the legal distance.

**FRIDAY LUNCH THIS WEEK ...
AMERICAN HOTDOG + JUICIE \$5.00**
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Ie (Joe Smith—Hotdog)

Remember to put your order with full name & room number with payment or note if online payment. No note, no lunch. Order to be into Bob the Box by 9am Friday. Early orders fine too.

POOL
Keys for the summer season

**KEYS ON SALE FROM Monday 4th Dec
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the 9th December.**

\$100.00 for a pool key.

**Please come into the school office, agree to
the rules, pay and collect the key.**



Happy Swimming!

Pirongia School Out of Zone

**Term 1 Enrolment Period 1,
2024:**

- We anticipate 3 available spaces in our New Entrant for out of zone enrolments.
We anticipate 1 available space in our year 5/6 cohort for out of zone enrolments.
We anticipate 1 available space in our year 7/8 cohort for out of zone enrolments.
- Please submit your expression of interest by 3pm, Friday 24 November 2023.
 - Please note: This may be subject to change.



Please email the school office for an application form office@pirongia.school.nz or pop in to collect one

JUNIOR ATHLETICS RESULTS 2023

5 Year Old Girls				5 Year Old Boys		
1 st	2 nd	Awesome Attitude		1 st	2 nd	Awesome Attitude
Eliza	McKenzie	Charlie	Sprints	Brock	Harrison	Wyatt
Holly	Laykin	Mabel	Long Jump	Lance	Kyrus	John
McKenzie	Amy	Eliza	High Jump	Brock	Wyatt	Noah R
Charlie	Chelsea	Mia	Vortex Throw	Kyrus	Lance	Lachie
Eliza	McKenzie	Storm	Quoits	Louie	Leo	Brock
Amy	Mabel	McKenzie	Shot Put Push	Kyrus	Noah R	Lance
6 Year Old Girls				6 Year Old Boys		
1 st	2 nd	Awesome Attitude		1 st	2 nd	Awesome Attitude
Makayla	Baylee	Paislee	Sprints	Caleb	Sani	Callum & Harrison
Ava	Baylee	Isla	Long Jump	Caleb	Andy	Callum
Makayla	Frankie	Paislee	High Jump	Caleb	Harrison	Andy
Kyla	Baylee	Casey	Vortex Throw	Andy	Hue	Wyatt
Ava	Paislee	Casey	Quoits	Hue	Caleb	Hunter
Baylee	Makayla	Harper	Shot Put Push	Harrison	Sani	Thomas
7 Year Old Girls				7 Year Old Boys		
1 st	2 nd	Awesome Attitude		1 st	2 nd	Awesome Attitude
Catherine	Isla	Erika	Sprints	Darcy	Abel	Noah
Catherine	Erika	Ivy	Long Jump	Darcy	Calvin	Isaac
Catherine	Erika	Arna	High Jump	Darcy	Conor	Koulton
Catherine	Isla	Emi	Vortex Throw	Darcy	Abel	Max
Marcella	Catherine	Phoebe	Quoits	Abel	Braxton	Max
Arna	Catherine	Phoebe	Shot Put Push	Darcy	Braxton	Theo



This year, Kahikatea Team participated in an amazing project for Te Awamutu which involved a large number of people across the district. The students were asked to paint and decorate two Christmas trees in bright festive colours to a theme. We added hanging decorations, too. The completed trees will be displayed in the CBD from 24th November to the first week in January 2024. Kahikatea had so much fun working together and they are proud of their efforts.



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