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18 October 2023



**PIRONGIA SCHOOL  
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# 150TH JUBILEE SCHOOL CELEBRATION



*Come and join our school as we  
celebrate our 150th Birthday*

Date: Friday 20th October  
Time: 10.30AM - 12.45PM

**STUDENTS AND  
STAFF DRESS UP  
"FASHION 150  
YEARS AGO"**

10:30AM - Welcome from Principal and student leaders.  
10.45AM - School jubilee procession  
11AM to 11:45am - Sharing of our learning in classrooms.  
11.45am - 12.15pm - Family picnic  
12.15pm to 12.45pm - Old Fashioned games on the field  
12.45pm - Celebration concludes. (Bell rings)  
Students are welcome to leave with families while the school  
is transformed ready for the Jubilee Friday night celebrations.

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EDITION #32  
18 OCTOBER 2023

From our Principal

Our new mural  
on the shipping  
container.



*Kia ora family and friends of Pirongia School,*

You may have already noticed the vibrant mural adding colour to our storage container on the side field. Our school loves this beautiful addition, and we had the pleasure of hearing from the artist, Jack Kirwan, about the inspiration behind this artwork. In the upcoming weeks, we'll be sharing a video that provides our school community with an in-depth explanation of the mural's features and its significance to our school.

Yesterday, I had the pleasure of visiting our neighbouring school, Pātaringi, to watch our students in action at the inter school Ag Group Day. The students from Pirongia School performed so well, winning lots of 'Champion' ribbons. I want to extend my congratulations to all the students and parents, who supported their children to reach this stage. Your dedication and effort with your animals really showed yesterday. I will share the official results with you in our upcoming newsletter as soon as our school receives them. In the meantime, please enjoy reading about the results of our school's Ag Day, which took place last week.



Recently, I paid a visit to our nearby Four Square store and had a conversation with new management about our school values and the token system we have here at school. It's awesome to see Pirongia Four Square supporting our school by noticing Pirongia School students when they are helping others, using good manners, and showing respect whilst out in the community. Yesterday, I received an unexpected knock on my door, and to my delight, Harper from Room 9 entered with a beaming smile, proudly holding a token from Four Square. Way to go, Harper!



This week, I sent home a newsletter regarding our upcoming unit of learning, "Keeping Ourselves Safe". This programme is an essential part of our curriculum, and we aim to provide it every second year, adapting the content to suit the age of our students. The unit is taught by your child's classroom teacher and a Community Constable from Cambridge. We invite you to join us on Tuesday, October 24th, when the local Community Constable will be visiting our school to meet with parents who would like to learn more about this programme or have any questions. If, for any reason, you did not receive this newsletter, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher.



We're excited to welcome whānau who can attend our birthday celebration this coming Friday starting at school outside the hall at 10.30am. Students have the option to dress up in old-fashioned attire from bygone years to add a touch of nostalgia to the event. Students, if possible, can leave with family at the conclusion of this celebration - 12.45pm.

*Enjoy the week everyone, Kelly*

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# Coming Events

20th Oct—Jubilee dress up day  
 20th-22nd Oct—150th Pirongia School Jubilee  
 23rd Oct—LABOUR DAY  
 25-26th Oct—School Production- A walk down memory lane—  
 Kahikatea & Kawaka Team  
 27th Oct—Waikato Show Day—Visit <https://waikatoaandp.co.nz> for more information.  
 31st Oct—BoT Meeting 7-10pm  
 03rd Nov—Senior Athletics- Te Awamutu Athletics Stadium  
 06th Nov—Senior Athletics postponement day  
 06th Nov—HPV Immunisation Dose 2  
 10th Nov—Lower Waipa Athletics—TA Athletics Stadium  
 13th Nov—Lower Waipa Athletics postponement  
 13-16th Nov—BOOK WEEK—Hats of to Reading  
 14th Nov—Booknic and Dress up day for Book week 10am -whole school parade in hall  
 15th Nov—Snuggle up with a book evening  
 17th Nov—Junior Athletics  
 17th Nov—Yr5/6 Golf Tournament  
 20th Nov—Junior Athletics postponement  
 24th Nov—ASSEMBLY—Singing 2-3pm  
 28th Nov—Road Patrol Rewards 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—School Finishes at noon for moving classes -  
**THE BUSES WILL RUN FOR THE MORNING ONLY.** You will need to arrange to pick up at noon.

NO FRIDAY LUNCH THIS WEEK

## Thank you!!

A big shout out to Waipa District Council who have once again allocated \$1000 to us for the running costs of our community/school swimming pool this summer.  
 THANK YOU!

## Important..

- **TERM 4 ASSEMBLIES**—You will see in the coming events that we have 2 assemblies scheduled and these are combined with our school singing programme. Merit Award recipients parent/ caregivers, will be notified via email Friday morning of the day. Feel free to come along for the singalong.
- **NON ELIGIBLE BUS PAYMENTS**— are due this Friday. Please ensure this is paid on time, as required. Thank you.
- **FRIDAY'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**—If you are able to take you child/ren home once the celebrations are over at 12.45pm this would be greatly appreciated. As you can imagine we have a huge job ahead to finalise and prepare for the start of our wonderful Jubilee Weekend.

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Teacher only days in 2023, dates TBC

## 2024 SCHOOL DATES

Term 1 - 31st Jan - 12th April  
 Term 2 - 29th April - 5th July  
 Term 3 - 22nd July - 27th September  
 Term 4 - 14th October - 16th December

First day of School  
 Wednesday 31st Jan, 2024



# Kids in NEED WAIKATO OPEN DAY

Have you ever wanted to take a closer look at what we do? Bring the whole family!

- SPECIAL GUESTS
- SAUSAGE SIZZLE
- MUSIC
- COFFEE
- BOUNCY CASTLES
- TOURS
- FACE PAINTING
- PICK A XMAS WISH

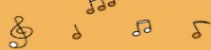
SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER  
 10AM-2PM

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 Kids in Need Waikato

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# INTERNATIONAL E-WASTE DAY 14TH OCTOBER 2023

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**Pirongia Trail Run:**

The PTR is a project of the charitable trust, Kiwi

Challenge Foundation. The KCF

aims to promote active and healthy living to Kiwis, in particular tamariki and rangatahi. Held on Pirongia maunga, there are 4 courses to choose from that cater to a range of ages and abilities, 3k, 8k, 13.5k and 36.5k. The PTR is back again this year on the 18th of November. For more info please visit their website (pirongiatrailrun.com). Email Ella if your child is keen to take part, entry is free through entering school teams (emuckle@pirongia.school.nz).

**Pirongia School Senior Athletics:**

Our 8 to 13 year olds will be showing off their athletic skills on Friday the 3rd of November at the Te Awamutu Athletics Stadium in town. The students will be travelling by bus, leaving school at 9am sharp (early bell at 8:45am). A notice will go home with students this week, please indicate if your child will be going by car or bus to the venue and back. Please note that footwear must be worn on the bus.

If your child would like to be considered to attend the Lower Waipa Athletics day (the inter-school event) they must compete in the age group that they will be on the 10th of November.

HELPERS NEEDED PLEASE - We need some teenager helpers and parent helpers to support each age group. Helpers move around with their child to either do recording, measuring, lining students up and helping with gear. Please let Ella know what age group you can help out (emuckle@pirongia.school.nz).

There is a teachers vs parents vs senior students relay race at the end of the day. The teacher team is looking pretty sharp I must say! No pressure parents!! Get your team together.

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# SENIOR ATHLETICS

Friday 3rd November

Te Awamutu  
ATHLETICS CLUB  
Armstrong Ave

**FOR 8 TO 13 YEAR OLDS**

8:45am	Early bell, roll, get ready						
9:00am	Depart school (by bus)						
9:15am	Students, teachers, parents arrive - Parents Marshalls meeting with Ella						
Events	Discus	Sprints	Long Jump	Shot Put	High Jump	Middle Distance	
9:30am	12 years	13 years	8 years	9 years	10 years	11 years	
10:10am	11 years	12 years	13 years	8 years	9 years	10 years	
10:50am	10 years	11 years	12 years	13 years	8 years	9 years	
11:30am	9 years	10 years	11 years	12 years	13 years	8 years	
12:10pm	8 years	9 years	10 years	11 years	12 years	13 years	
12:50pm	13 years	8 years	9 years	10 years	11 years	12 years	
1:35pm	Junior House Relay - four fastest boys/girls 8, 9, 10 yr olds						
1:45pm	Senior House Relay - four fastest boys/girls 11, 12, 13 yr olds						
1:55pm	Parents/Teachers vs Students Relay						
2:00pm	Prize Giving						
2:30pm	Depart Stadium - Back to School						

Students travel by bus or with their own parent or caregiver.

Students wear house colours, full brimmed hat & shoes for the bus.

Postponement: Mon 6th

Age group helpers needed please!

**A NOTICE WILL COME HOME IN WEEK 1**

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# JUNIOR ATHLETICS

Friday 17th November

Pirongia School  
SPORTS FIELDS

**FOR 5 TO 7 YEAR OLDS**

Time	Task
9:15am	Students line up behind age group signs and parent helpers.
9:30am	First rotation starts.
Every 15 minutes	Children line up and walk to their next event.
10:15am	Quick water and fruit snack break.
10:40am	Rotations continue.
11:30am	Morning tea break.
12:00pm	Prize giving in the school hall.

Students wear house colours, full brimmed hat, shoes optional

Postponement: Mon 20th

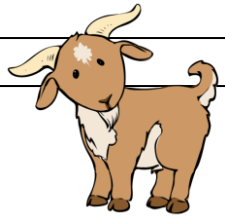
Age group helpers needed please!

**A NOTICE WILL COME HOME IN WEEK 2**

# Ag day results 2023

We all had a fantastic day. Well done to all competitors!

## KIDS:



### Most obvious pet

1. Arlo
2. Josh H
3. Iris
4. Paige H

Reserve Champ- Arlo  
Champ- Josh

### Leading

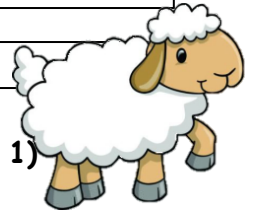
1. Iris
2. Paige
3. Arlo
4. Josh

Reserve Champ- Paige  
Champ- Iris

### Rearing

1. Paige
2. Josh
3. Arlo
4. Iris

## LAMBS:



### Novice-Most obvious pet (Group 1)

1. Callum
2. Amy
3. Harriet
4. Piper

### Novice-Most obvious pet (Group 2)

1. Daisy
2. Harrison
3. Jacob
4. Eliza

### Junior-Most obvious pet

1. Joseph
2. Darcy
3. Abel
4. Theo

### Intermediate-Most obvious pet

1. Heidi
2. Campbell
3. Arabella
4. Toby R

### Senior-Most obvious pet

1. Emilia
2. Bentley
3. Maria
4. Nate

Reserve Champ- Campbell  
Champ- Heidi



**LAMBS:****Novice-Leading (Group 1)**

1. Poppy
2. Hue
3. Amy
4. Callum

**Novice-Leading (Group 2)**

1. Eliza
2. Harrison
3. Daisy
4. Harriet

**Junior-Leading**

1. Noah
2. Dani
3. Amelia
4. Maz

**Intermediate-Leading**

1. Arabella
2. Toby R
3. Campbell
4. Ryan

**Senior-Leading**

1. Bentley H
2. Cole
3. Lowell
4. Joshua

Reserve Champ- Arabella  
Champ- Noah

**LAMBS:****Novice-Rearing (Group 1)**

1. Hue
2. Poppy
3. Holly
4. Callum

**Novice-Rearing (Group 2)**

1. Daisy
2. Harriet
3. Harrison
4. Eliza

**Junior-Rearing (Group 1)**

1. Esther
2. Lachie
3. Abel
4. Addy

**Junior-Rearing (Group 2)**

1. Joseph
2. Noah
3. Maz
4. Amelia

**Intermediate-Rearing (Group 1)**

1. Arabella
2. Carley
3. Zoe
4. Toby

**Intermediate-Rearing (Group 2)**

1. Heidi
2. Campbell
3. Adisson
4. Ryan

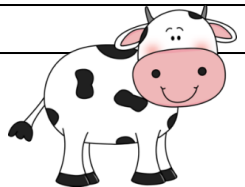
**Senior-Rearing (Group 1)**

1. Nate
2. Caitlin
3. Joshua
4. Cole

**Senior-Rearing (Group 2)**

1. Bentley H
2. Lowell
3. Emilia

## CALVES:



### Novice-Leading

1. Emily
2. Mason
3. Caleb
4. McKenzie

### Junior-Leading

1. Kyle
2. Jacob
3. Joseph
4. Harris

### Intermediate-Leading

1. Leroy
2. Atelaite
3. Lachlan
4. Rayner

### Senior-Leading

1. William
2. Cooper
3. Harry
4. Ollie

Reserve Champ-Leroy  
Champ- William

### Novice-Rearing

1. McKenzie
2. Caleb
3. Emily
4. Mason

### Junior-Rearing

1. Jacob
2. Harris
3. Ellie
4. Joseph

### Intermediate-Rearing

1. Brodie
2. Rayner
3. Austin
4. Iona

### Senior-Rearing

1. Harry
2. Ollie
3. Cooper
4. Grace

Reserve Champ- Harry  
Champ- Brodie

### Dairy Type

#### Beef

1. Caleb
2. Zoey
3. Iona
4. Harris

#### Friesian

1. Austin
2. Amelia
3. Atelaite
4. Cooper

#### Jersey

1. Brodie
2. Harry
3. McKenzie
4. Kyle

#### Cross breed

1. Lachlan
2. Ellie
3. Ollie
4. Eli



**Trophy Awards:**

**Kids Champions:**

Josh  
Iris



**Lambs Novice**

**Champion:**

Daisy



**Lambs Junior**

**Champion:**

Noah

**Lambs Senior**

**Champion:**

Bentley



**Calves**

**Novice**

**Champion:**

Caleb



**Calves Junior**

**Champion:**

Jacob

**Calves**

**Intermediate**

**Champion &**

**Rearing**

**Champion:**

Brodie



**Lambs**

**Intermediate**

**Champions:**

Arabella &  
Heidi



**Calves Senior**

**Champion:**

Harry





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