

Tena koutou e te whanau o Te Uku

Student Led Conferences (SLC)

Thank you to all the families that booked and have attended Student Led Conferences this week. Children have enjoyed the opportunity to share with you their learning as well as talking about how they are finding working in the new learning environments. If you were unable to attend this week, please feel free to make an appointment for another time with either your child's teacher directly or by contacting Rachel in the office. As part of the conferences this year, some families completed a short survey around our school reports and Education Outside the Classroom experiences. If you did not complete this survey, please find a copy in this newsletter and return to school tomorrow.

Term Two Bus Service

Thank you everyone for your patience as we have worked through this 'change to bus service' process. We would like to confirm the following:



- 65 children are booked on the Raglan bus, as either full time or part-time users
- Bus Timetable has been sent home to these families this week; the bus will stop at the usual stops in Okete Rd
- Tickets can be bought from the School Office (minimum purchase is a 10 trip travel card, cost \$16.00)
- Tickets will be clicked by Mani (bus driver) as children get off at school in the morning; a teacher will click the tickets as they board in the afternoon
- There will be minimal access to casual usage. All casual usage must be pre-approved by the office, and your child will need to have a travel card to ride.
- Each child within a family should have their own bus pass, seniors and juniors board the bus separately
- Children will not be refused access onto the bus and left stranded on the side of the road if they have 'lost' their ticket, however please do take reasonable measures to avoid this if at all possible.
- Rachel in the Office will need to be notified of any 'lost' tickets as soon as practical, and a replacement ticket will be issued.
- Please establish a routine with your child around purchasing or picking up additional or future bus passes, as they are required.
- Colour of your bus pass is NOT significant...it is just whatever tickets are sent from Go Bus for our use
- Waitetuna Bus also now operates on a ticket system. Please ensure your child has a bus pass if you are wanting them to utilise this service.

If you experience any issues with this bus service, please contact Rachel in the Office. We think we have checked everything thoroughly, however, with a change to a system there can be some initial teething problems. When we are told about them, we will act quickly to resolve them!

Term Two

This term we have several school events to look forward to.

Friday (tomorrow) we have our powhiri at 9.00am, to welcome new families to our school. All families are welcome to attend. Thanks to Discovery Four for providing the morning tea food as part of our hospitality to our new families.

On Tuesday next week we have our school photos. Order forms were sent home on Tuesday and need to be back at school by Monday 8th May.

The Junior Discovery will be working with Paul Murray, X Man from Xtreme Zero Waste for two days next week. The Years 1 and 2 will be learning about Litterless Lunchboxes, and the Year 3 and 4 children will have a focus on Reducing the Waste Pile. Discovery Four will also have a day with Paul on Thursday to continue to develop ways our school can become a Zero Waste School.

Discovery 3 are heading to camp at Ngaruawahia Christian Camp on Wednesday next week and returning on Friday. We hope they have a fun and adventurous time together and lots of sunny weather. Please remember that any outstanding fees for this need to be paid to the office as soon as possible.

Our school cross country will be held on Wednesday 24 May and more details about this event will be provided soon. The inter-school cross country is being held on Friday 2nd June.

On Leave

On a more personal note, I will be on bereavement leave from Friday through to Wednesday next week as my Mother has recently passed away. If you need to contact the school during this time, please either contact Rachel in the office, or Lee Clarkson and Bev Turilli who will be leading and managing the school while I am away.

Nga mihi ki a koutou,
Bernard Butler

Lucky Book Club

Lucky Book Club forms have gone home today. Orders are due by Thursday 18th May. You can order online or return the form to the office. Please check that the form is completed with your child's name and the number of the item that you are ordering.

Piano Lessons for Beginners

Piano lessons with Jacqueline Barry. Lessons are for beginners. Grade references ATCL London. If interested contact Jacqueline Barry 825 7427

Term Two Events

Friday 5th May – Powhiri 9:00AM

Tuesday 9th May – School Photos

Wednesday 10th May to Friday 12th May – Discovery 3 camp to Ngaruawahia Christian Youth Camp

Wednesday 24th May – Te Uku School Cross Country

Friday 2nd June – Cluster Cross Country at Waitetuna

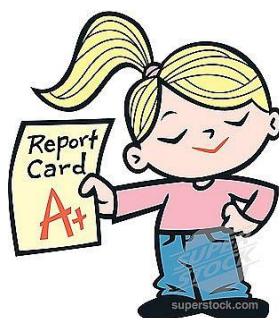
TO PAHU SCHOOL PRESENTS
PIRONGIA FOREST PARK FUN RUN
Sunday 21 May 2017 - 9 am start
Open to anyone over 5
Come and run as a family!
Spot prizes, finishers' medals, food & more
For more information or to register online
www.pirongiafunrun.co.nz
2 km and 6 km courses starting & finishing at Pirongia Forest Park Lodge
All proceeds go to the Te Pahu School PTA

HOME TUTORING for YOUR CHILD

- Raglan-based
- Reading, Writing and Maths
- Qualified primary school teacher
- \$40 per session

Contact Jill 021 2678892

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Wastewater Rates are Rising in July

The Waikato District Council is making changes to reduce the risk of wastewater spills into our environment.

This means the single district-wide wastewater rate of \$752.68 we planned to introduce in 2017/18 will rise, starting in July.

If you have a septic tank, and do NOT pay a wastewater rate, this change does not affect you.

If you pay a wastewater rate you will receive a consultation document in the post by 13 April. It outlines three options for you to consider. Come to a drop-in session in your area to find out more. Details are on our website.

Make sure you have your say.

Submissions close at 9am on Monday 15 May 2017.

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