



• 11th May 2017 • TERM 2 • WEEK 2 •

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou, Greetings to you all

It is great to see so many of our children using the Aspiring Attitudes and Inspiring Actions and it is equally pleasing to see so many children receiving certificates for showing the school values at assembly.

This week I am highlighting one of our Aspiring Attitudes- **"I do my best in all areas of learning."**

This statement asks our children to strive for hiranga or excellence and to put in as much effort into each area of learning that they can. We are proud to offer opportunities in academic, sporting, cultural and service pathways and we want our tamariki to try as hard as they can in all of these endeavours, even if it is difficult. This is something that you can talk about at home as we want the same attitudes to be shown at home. This will help our children to be Pekerau stars who reach their full potential, now and in the future.

It has also been pleasing to see the interaction families have had through the online portal of Seesaw. The time family members have taken to respond to your child's work or ideas on the Seesaw App has really started to grow the link between home and school. The children are keen to share their learning with you, and this app provides an authentic audience for their work. Keep it up!

We have also updated our fundraising survey for 2017 and we would welcome as many community members feedback as possible. We are wanting to know your preference for expenditure of our raised funds. There are two options. 1) The school netball courts to be astroturfed or 2) swimming lessons for our children. Please visit the school website and follow the fundraising link, or visit the school Facebook page to enter your response.

Nga mihi nui,
Gavin Clark
Principal

Silver Kiwi Recipients

Well done to Emaani Mullins and Manawa Oxenham our Pekerau Silver Kiwi recipients since our last newsletter. A huge congratulations to all of our certificate winners. Kei te pai!



Staff News

Tracey Gray has resigned from her post at Pekerau School as she has secured a leadership position at-- Cargill Open Plan school in Tokoroa. Tracey will take up this post at the start of Term 3, 2017. We would like to congratulate Tracey on her appointment and we wish her all the best in her new position. We would also like to acknowledge all of Tracey's effort and achievements during her time at Pekerau and we will be organising a suitable farewell to celebrate these at the end of Term 2 which will be open to all community members.



Bus Notice

Please note that the deadline for purchasing bus tags has now passed, this will reopen later in the term for buses in term 3.



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Parent/Caregiver Presentation

Nathan Mikaere-Wallis

"Brain Development and Links to Learning, Behaviour and Relationships"



Nathan presents on brain development and neuroscience



This gives us a better understanding on how and why children, teenagers and young adults behave the way they do.

Nathan is a lively and engaging speaker who uses humour and plain language to make this complex topic come to life.

He presents this information and learning in ways that we can use in everyday life (at home, at school, in the workplace).

Thursday 15 June 2017

Te Awamutu College Hall 7.30pm – 9.00pm

A gold coin donation would be appreciated

We are very lucky to have him come to speak in Te Awamutu and it would be great to have some Pekerau parents attend his presentation on June 15.

EPro8 competition

Today we had 8 senior school children competed in the EPro8 science, technology, engineering and maths competition at Te Awamutu Intermediate. They did an excellent job with the Pekerau 2 team winning the competition and progressing to the Waikato Semi finals, whilst our Pekerau 1 team narrowly missed out on advancing to the semi finals coming in 4th place. Well done to all students who competed. You did an amazing job.



Learning in the Junior School

This week the Junior Team started their winter sports rotation. We have cross grouped and the students worked extremely well together. Check out some of the skills we are learning.



Room 13 hosted a fabulous assembly in Week 3. We have been learning about what makes a good citizen and we think firefighters are amazing helpers in our community.



Autumn leaves by Room 13



Manaaki / Respect I show I respect others through my actions and my words



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Tough Guy/Gal event Wednesday 7th June

Event Day Timetable

8.30am-9.30am: Registration at venue
10.00am: Start of 3km Big Rascals Event
10.05am: Start of 3km Little Nippers Event
10.10am: Start of 1.5km Ankle Biters Event

Entry Types

Ankle Biters: Years 3-4 - 1.5km one lap course

Little Nippers: Years 5-6 - 3km one lap course

Individual Entry - How to Enter

Go online and register for the event. Once you have registered let the office know so we can put you in our school team.

Cost is \$20 for entries 2 weeks before the event with late entries being \$25.



It's Showtime Magic and Illusion Spectacular

New Zealand's freshest magic show It's Showtime brings it's brand new revamped show with new illusions, more magic, more comedy, more antics and much more fun to Hamilton!

Come along to witness and unforgettable show with one of New Zealand's youngest full-time magicians Mike Lindsay assisted by his sidekicks Sammie the Assistant, Gizmo the Mind Reading Dove and Nugget the Chicken.

There are 2 shows this weekend in Hamilton and tickets can be purchased from www.eventfinda.co.nz



Football/Soccer exchange

On Friday 2nd June we are hosting Matangi school for a football/soccer exchange. We will have 5 teams competing against Matangi during the day. We will have a Year 1 / 2 team, a Year 3/ 4 Girls and a Year 3/ 4 Boys team, as well as a Year 5 / 6 Girls and a Year 5/ 6 Boys team.

The schedule for the games is as follows.

11am- Girls Year 3/4 game begins.

11.25am- Boys Year 3/4 game begins.

11.45am- Year 1/2 game begins.

12.00- Girls year 5/6 game begins.

12.20- Boys Year 5/6 game begins.

We would love to see as many supporters at this event as possible.

Potential enrolments

If you know anyone who is wanting to enrol their child this year at Pekerau, we would really appreciate if you came in and filled in an enrolment form as soon as possible. This helps with our organisation. Equally if you are out of zone, please fill in an expression of interest form as soon as possible and hand it in to the office.

If you would like to make a school donation this year to help the school to fund opportunities for our boys and girls these can be made via the office or electronically using the details below.

School Donation

\$50 for a single child or \$70 per family

Paper Fee

\$20 per student

**Bank Account details: ASB Te Awamutu
12 3134 0056652 00**



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Important Bus Notice

Due to some schools being closed on **Friday June 16th**, there will be no buses running to or from school. We apologise for the inconvenience that this may cause. Please make alternative arrangements for your children coming to and from school on this day.

Road Safety at Pekerau

We want Pekerau to be a safe place for our children to walk to and from school. Recently there have been a number of cars that are entering the school at speeds exceeding the 15kmph limit. Please make sure we stick to the speed limit to ensure our children's safety. It would also be appreciated if people did not park in disabled car spaces (unless disabled) or block access to residential properties.



Netball

Congratulations to all of our Netball teams who have played so well in their grading games, you have represented Pekerau wonderfully. Good luck to all of our teams this weekend.

J Rock tickets now available

J Rock tickets are now available from Ticketek. Our performance is on Tuesday 6 June where we will be performing alongside.

1. Southwell School
2. Pekerau School
3. Te Mata School
4. Putaruru Primary School
5. Te Kuiti Primary

Big Nix Squash



It has been great to see our year 5 / 6 students taking part in the Big Nix squash sessions at the squash club. It is great to see our students trying a new sport. This is something that we would like to expand upon with more students getting involved later in the year. Thanks to Mrs Bell and Mrs Mitchell for being such great coaches and role models for these students.



Direct from the Market

Fruit and Veg direct from the market and delivered to your doorstep. Te Awamutu we are pleased to announce that we will now be delivering weekly every Wednesday (during the day). Please place your order before 12pm on Tuesdays to ensure you get your order delivered on Wednesday. Crate Specials this week are awesome value pay only \$35 for \$50 worth of fruit and vegetables. Orders can be made direct from facebook www.facebook.com/directfromthemarket

Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

ASB lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. To be eligible for this donation your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between 1 January 2017 and 30 June 2017. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property provided to ASB. This home loan offer is only available on loans secured by an owner-occupied residential property. Only one donation will be given per customer. Donations will be made by ASB on behalf of the customer to the chosen school upon full draw down of the new home loan. This offer excludes loans for business purposes and bridging.

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