



• 20 September 2018 • TERM 3 • WEEK 9 •

Principal's Message

Spring fever has hit Pekerau School and we've been having a good old clean up! Our caretaker Charyse has been busy here with some volunteers giving the grounds a good spruce up, and the teachers have been busy dusting off our curriculum documents and our technology resources in preparation for our teaching context "Number 8 rewired and Kiwi Ingenuity." Over the holidays our teachers will be putting the finishing touches on the term 4 plan which will include lots of making, designing, digital creativity, and problem solving. We'll also be finalising the organisation for our Rangatira-Grandparents day which will be at the end of the first week after the holidays- Friday 19th October. So please let your whanau know this special day is coming up!



**Last Day of Term 3 is Friday
28th September.**

**We look forward to
welcoming you all back on
Monday 15 October.**

**Rangatira-Grandparents Day will
be on Friday 19th October 2018.**

Check in with your nannies and
poppas, ask them to save this day
so they can come along and spend
some time with you at your school.

Just a reminder Term 4 it is
compulsory to wear a sunhat.
These can be purchased from the
school office \$15 each.



Senior School Speech Winners 2018



Junior School Poetry Showcase

Thank you to all those who attended our Junior School Poetry Showcase, the children had so much fun, and the artwork was amazing.



JUNIOR CROSS COUNTRY:

The Junior School will be running our cross country at school on Friday 21st September from 11.30-12.30.

As it is a sports event we are encouraging the Junior students to wear house colours to school. If they are unsure of their check with their class teacher.

Parents are welcome to run alongside the children if you are keen. At the end of each race each child will receive a participation ribbon and an iceblock to celebrate their efforts.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Junior School Teachers

School Cross Country

A great day was enjoyed by all out at Flay's Berry Farm last Friday. Thank you to the parents who gave up their time to help. Congratulations to the following children, you are PEKERAU STARS!!!

8 year old girls

- 1st Keisha Wallace
- 2nd = Isbella Ridley
Ronelle Phillips
- 3rd Leah Quinn

8 year old boys

- 1st Quest Marshall
- 2nd Ben Collins
- 3rd Zack Hopping

9 year old girls

- 1st Maia Oxenham
- 2nd Aysha Ridley
- 3rd Chanel Pope

9 year old boys

- 1st Fergus Hill
- 2nd Christopher Burr
- 3rd Tory Smith

10 year old girls

- 1st Nevaeh Wallace
- 2nd Emaani Mullins
- 3rd Nikita Aramoana

10 year old boys

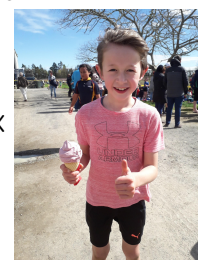
- 1st Judd Quigley
- 2nd Mahonri Sunnex
- 3rd Christian Pope

11 year old girls

- 1st Emma Denize
- 2nd Tobey Van der Heyden
- 3rd Capri Tahakura

11 year old boys

- 1st Dsian Clerke
- 2nd Dajzahn Cassin
- 3rd Cruze Austin



Kaitiaki Readers

We are fortunate to have several residents from Freedom Court Retirement Village as well as a couple of our parents/grandparents who will be volunteering their time each week to listen to children reading which will help develop their fluency and confidence.

One of our kaitiaki readers, Helen, is the daughter of Pekerau's foundation Principal Mr Anderson!

If you would like to be involved as well please contact taniab@pekerau.school.nz



Whanau Hui Feedback

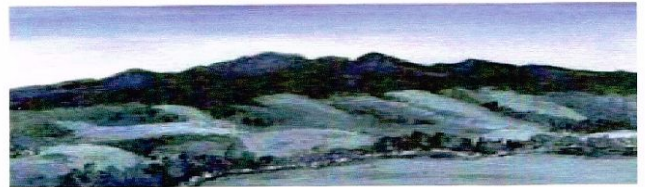
On Tuesday we had a whanau hui here at school to talk about your aspirations for teaching Te Reo Maori across our English medium classrooms. Special thank you to Nanny Steph who made the fry bread for our hui.

We had a good number of whanau come in to share their ideas with us that included:

- Teaching the tikanga (protocols) around why and how people have powhiri
- Having the English translation and words available for waiata and karakia (for whanau/families)
- Making it normal to hear Te Reo Maori words and phrases being used in the classroom
- Marae visits
- Children learning about their own whakapapa, the local pepeha and history of our area
- Strengthening Home-School partnerships

Celebrating the 40th Anniversary 2018 Annual

Pirongia Craft Day *Only NZ Handmade / Home Grown*



Live Entertainment,
Art, Crafts, Plants, Food,
Pottery, Jewellery, Clothes
and many new stalls

Ample Parking
9 am—3 pm

SUNDAY September 30th 2018

Wet or fine
NO DOGS!



Today it was the final of the Capture the Flag House Competition.

The two teams competing for first place, were Pohutukawa and Rimu. 31 students from Rimu turned up to compete, while Pohutukawa had 26 students.

The game was a very tight affair for the first 10 mins. Both teams had chances to score but some last ditch defending kept the game score less. Rimu finally managed to score a point with a run down the right side. This spurred Pohutukawa on, they scored two quick points. The second point resulted after a great piece of play, where the attacker passed the ball, it was blocked by a defender, but the attacker regathered the ball and flicked on to another teammate to score.

Rimu had several chances late in the game to equalize but unfortunately dropped the ball over the line twice. It really was a great game, played in good spirits and with sportsmanship on display.

So, congratulations to Pohutukawa for winning the Capture the Flag House

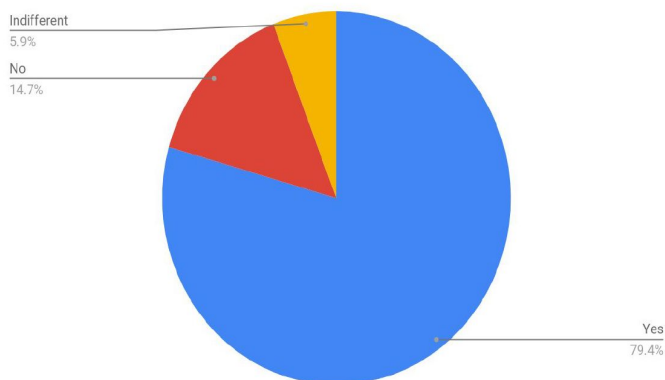


Reo Rua Community Survey

A full copy of the report that includes a sample of comments and a summary report is available for you to read. Email principal@pekerau.school.nz for a copy.

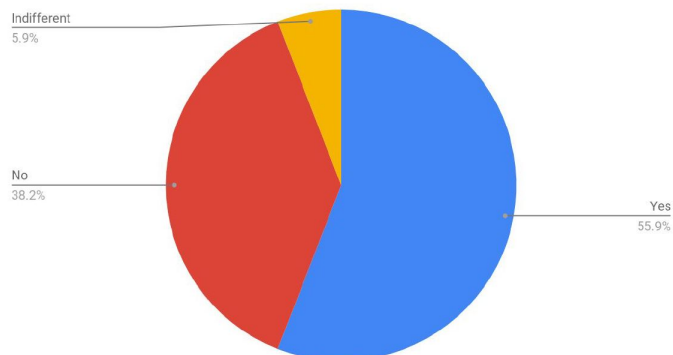
1. Do you think Pekaeru School should have a Reo Rua (bilingual classroom)?

Responses



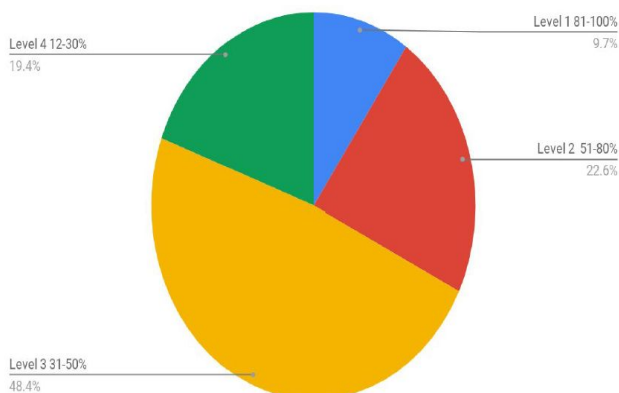
2. If Pekaeru School did have a Reo Rua (bilingual classroom) would you want your child/children to be in that class?

Responses



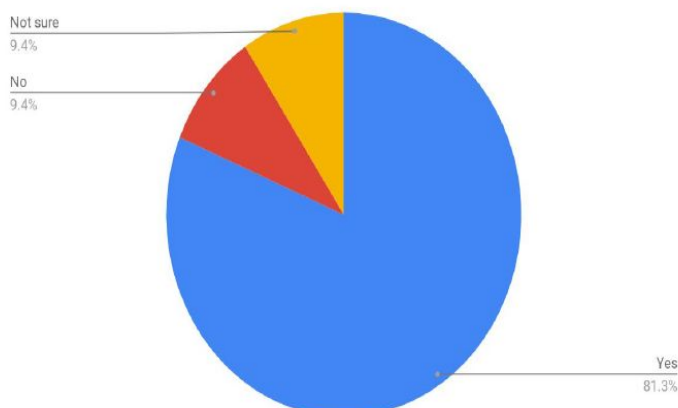
3. If Pekaeru School had a Reo Rua (bilingual classroom) what level of reo would you expect in our first year of development?

Responses



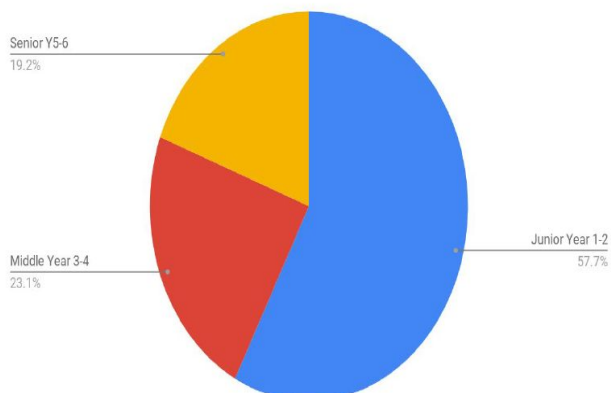
4. Would you expect the level of instructional reo to increase over time? For example, to a higher % of Te Reo spoken in the second and subsequent years?

Responses



5. If we were to open a rua reo (bilingual) classroom in 2019, we wouldn't be able to offer this to all year levels. Where do you think we should start?

Response



Thank you to everyone that shared your responses with us. It gave the Board and Senior Leadership Team some insightful data to use for planning 2019 and beyond.

CONGRATULATIONS To the Pohipi Whanau!

Your name was randomly pulled from the draw winning a \$50 voucher and Duffy book for Awatea!





• 23 August 2018 • TERM 3 • WEEK 5 •

Principal's Message

Kia Ora Whanau,

I have some good news to share with you, we recently applied to the **Grassroots Trust** for a grant to support the development of e-learning here at Pekerau School. We were the fortunate recipients of a whopping **\$25,000** which will be used to buy chromebooks for the children to use!



A special thank you to our neighbours that called the Police at the weekend when they noticed suspicious behaviour at our school. A significant amount of damage was done which is disheartening for our students and teachers alike, our security cameras picked up persons of interest and the footage has been passed onto the Police. We like our community coming in to use the grounds out of school hours and hope that while you and your family are here that you are able to keep an eye out and help take care of our school.

Assembly

This Friday 24 August assembly will be hosted by Room 4

Hosts and Entertainers for remainder of Term 3 2018.

- 31 August - Value Leaders
- 7 September - Room 11
- 14 September - Room 2
- 21 September - Room 14

Important Dates

August

Tuesday 28th - Kapahaka Hui 6pm

Wednesday 29th - School X-Country

September

Monday 10th -Duffy Role Model assembly 1:30pm

Monday 24th - BOT hui 5:30pm staffroom

Friday 28th - Last Day of Term 3

Pekerau School Office

This week we welcomed Leane Collins to our School Office as our secretary. She'll be working alongside Charlotte to ensure everything ticks along smoothly.

If your child is away from school please give Leane or Charlotte a call on 871 6025 or you can text 021-0872-3570 or email office@pekerau.school.nz

Pekerau Cross Country

Wednesday 29th of August

At Flay's Berry Farm, Te Rahu Road

First race starts at 10.30am with 11yr old boys.

Sausage Sizzle and drinks available for sale.

Come along and support (tautoko) our children (tamariki).



Aspiring Attitudes, Inspiring Actions

Belonging – Turangawaewae, Excellence – Hiranga, Unity – Kotahitanga, Pride – Mana, Integrity – Ngakau, Respect – Manaaki, Spirit – Wairua



Te Awamutu BMX **GIVE IT A GO**

Never too young or old
to be rad!

Come and give BMX a go, all ages and skill levels welcome
Bring your own bike, Balance Bike, BMX or Mountain Bike
Bike and helmet hire available for \$3
Fun, relaxed family environment
Food and drinks available

Come and try BMX
FREE
All ages
Club Open Days
Sunday's
9, 16 & 23 September
12pm to 1:30pm



Park Road, Te Awamutu
More info: www.facebook.com/teawamutu.bmx

Book Hunt

From time to time we have a tidy up of our bedrooms and we may find books.
Some of these books may have Pekaerau written inside of them.
If that is the case we would love to have them returned to our school.
Please drop any books to your classroom teacher or to the office.

Thank you for supporting our Muffi Day, all contributions to the school make a huge difference to your child's learning.



Health and Safety Reminder

When riding to and from school on your Bike or Scooter, please ensure the following rules are applied:

**Always wear a helmet,
and please remember to walk your wheels into the school grounds.**

This is for your own safety and the safety of others.

Want to receive our newsletter by email?

Make sure we have your correct email address and we'll send the newsletter to your inbox each fortnight.



Pekaerau's Got Talent

Thank you to all those who have already entered the School Talent Quest, we are still looking for some more Pekaerau Talent to enter.
Go along to Room 1 and see the team for an entry form.

It is not to late.

Entries close Week 8 Friday 14th September
Auditions will be held during week 9

Artwork Fundraiser

During the next week your child will bring home a piece of art to share with you.

Your child's artwork can be turned into a

- Calendar \$12.50
- Mouse pad \$15.00
- Diary \$18.00
- Pkt of cards (8) \$15.00
- Sketch Pad \$15.00

Please come into the office to see the display



The Road Safety Bear Ruben came and taught our junior children all about Road Safety, we had so much fun joining in with Ruben.



Reading Rockstars Wanted!

Do you or someone you know have an hour or so to spare each week?

We're looking for Reading Superheroes that can come into school to listen to children read. We'll upskill you and teach you how to use pause, prompt, praise to develop confidence in less able readers.

Contact our Associate Principal if you can help by emailing taniab@pekerau.school.nz

School Photos

Today your child will bring home their photo shoot keycode, which will enable you to purchase individual or class photos online.

If you do not have access to a computer please bring your payment and order into the school office for processing.

No payment No order

Junior school Certificate winner's week 4



Back Row: Nate, Reece, Scott, Luca
Front Row: Dakota, Georgia, Arnia

Writing by Jenaya Spencer Room 5

I closed my eyes because the sour fruit made tears run down my face. The smell of the wedge tickled my nose. I closed my eyes as I shoved it into my mouth. I could feel the lumpy, bumpy skin as I held the fruit. I spat the delicious yellow fruit out because it was tingling my throat. Me and my group were laughing, giggling and smiling. The squishy flesh was sticky. The citrus smell was sweet. The sourness punched my taste buds. The sweet sour lemon was so yummy

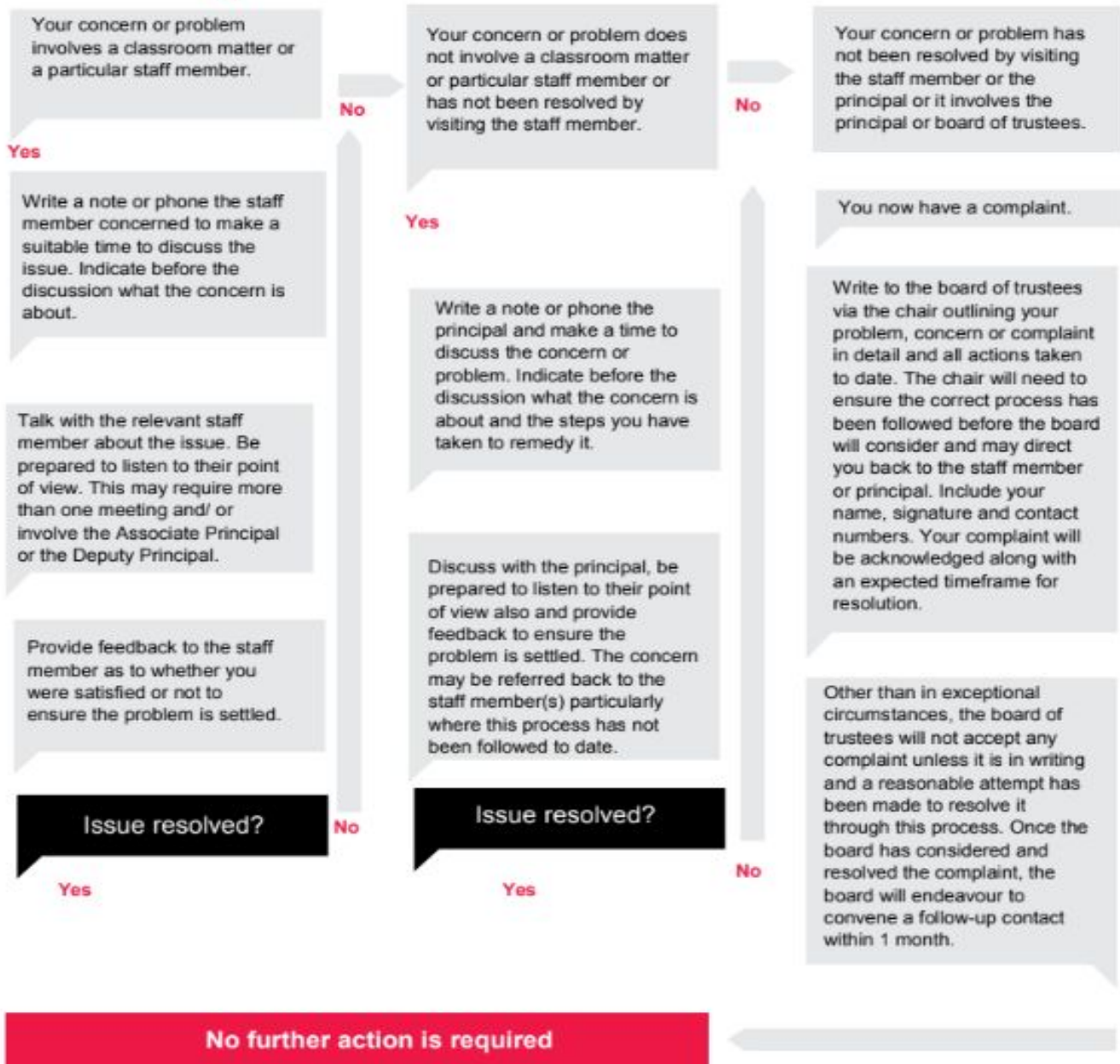
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C4 Concerns and complaints process

Starting point



From time to time you may have concerns about something we are doing here at Pekerau School please follow the Pekerau School Board of Trustees concerns and complaints process above.

If we're doing something wrong please tell us.

If we're doing something amazing, please tell Facebook!

