

# Pukeatua Press



What's happening in the School and Community?

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**Olympics Day  
Pukeatua Style**





## **Board & School**

***He hono tangata e kore e  
motu; ka pa he  
taura waka e motu***

*Unlike a canoe rope, a human bond cannot  
be severed*

Welcome to the first official day of spring for 2016, may the weather continue as it has begun, warm but with a regular sprinkle of rain, only at night, of course, like the Tui Advert says.....Yeah Right!!

### **Agricultural Day**

Ag. Day is fast approaching with a little over 6 weeks until dee day. If you haven't been able to locate a pet please contact Kylan Jacobsen who will be able to source one for you. Ph 872 4522

Thanks to the very generous donation from **Agrisea New Zealand**, all the children raising a pet should arrive home today with a bottle of Animal Health Tonic to feed their pet. Please read the instructions and feed accordingly.

### **Saving Dates:**

**Calves:** Early 1st June - 26th July Late 27th July - 20th September

**Lambs:** Early 1st July - 19th August Late 20th August - 20th September

**Kids:** Early 1st July - 19th August Late 20th August - 20th September

## **Judges Training / Parent Information Day**

**10 am Tuesday 13 th September  
Polo Club Rooms, Kihikihi Domain**

**This is a day for judges of calves, lambs  
and kids to have a refresher  
before Agricultural Days begin.**

**Also, anyone interested in becoming a  
judge is very welcome to attend.**

**Parents wanting to find out more before Ag.  
Day are also very welcome to come along.  
Ph Amrit 872 4806 for more information**

## **Tupperware Party 13 September 2016 7pm**

Come along and enjoy a fun and social evening with friends and neighbours

Call me to book a space or if you are busy but would love to see the NEW catalogue, I can get one to you

I look forward to meeting you all

Cathie 1719 Arapuni Road Ph 027 2355 863

## **Coming events**

2016

Sep	1	Rm 3 trip to Space Centre, Kihikihi
	1	Te Awamutu College Open Day, 9.00am
	1	Lower Waipa Speech Competition
	1	Pukeatua Hall AGM
	2	Tech Arts begin for Y7-8
	8	NZEI Paid Union Meeting- to discuss "global budget"
	8	TA College Parent Info Evening
	9	Take Away Night
	10-11	Snow Trip for Seniors
	15	Vision & Hearing Technician in School
	16	Winter Sports at Wharepapa South
	19	<b>BOT Meeting</b>
	23	End of Term 3
	23	Take Away Night
	25	Daylight Savings begins
Oct	10	Term 4 Begins
	11	Ag Day
	14	Group Day
	24	Labour Day
Nov	14-18	Book Fair
	17	Grandparents Day
	18	Athletics
Dec	15	Last Day of school for 2016 (TBC)

### **Next Newsletter: Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

All items for the next newsletter are due by:

**12 noon, Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2016**

## **Mathematics At Home:**

Use lots of mathematics words as your child is playing to develop their understanding of early mathematics ("over", "under", "first, second, third", "round", "through", "before", "after"). Use the language that works best for you and your child.

Be positive about mathematics is really important for your child's learning-even if you didn't enjoy it or do well at it yourself at school.

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### **Pukeatua Community Hall**

**A.G.M.  
Thursday  
1<sup>st</sup> September  
at 7.00 pm**

**A representative from each  
user group is requested  
to attend**

**All others are very welcome to  
come along**

### **Wharepapa South Pony Club**

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- Make fantastic new forever friends
- Experience a wide range of activities including Camps, Treks, Games, Ribbon days, etc

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Kylie Smith 07 872 4347  
Helen Mandeno 07 872 3570

## School Happenings



It was a pity to call off our Olympic Day last Friday but yesterday the weather was better and the staff and children had a great day. The year 8 children organised the day and showed great leadership and organisational qualities!

**Thanks to the people who supported the movie night last week!** It was great to see so many new faces there. **Thanks to Liz for organising and to Heather Bunting** who rounded up people and organised the sponsorship for the raffles. Thanks to the two nights that have been held the snow trip will be heavily subsidised. Liz has a good crew organised and now they hope for a fine weekend! Mother nature is hard to organise!

The **senior children begin Tech Arts programme at Putaruru College tomorrow.** They are looking forward to the lessons on offer and they often bring back to school interesting and tasty creations!

The **year 8 students have had a visit from Te Awamutu College** re enrollments for next year. This is the last year these children will be together as the students are planning to go to a number of High Schools. All have been with us since 5 year olds! Very unique!

**Congratulations to the four Pukeatua children who competed at the Eastern Zone speech finals a week or two back.** Talia Tauroa, Kiara Cook-Marsh, Izzy McBeth and Tony Reader did our school proud. Izzy McBeth won the senior competition and won the trophy! These four children are competing in the Lower Waipa contest tonight! Izzy and Tony are then competing in the regional Waikato Full Primary competition later on this term. Good luck to all!

*From next week Teachers who are union members, NZEI for Primary Teachers and PPTA for Secondary Teachers, are able to attend **joint paid union meetings** around the country. Our teachers are attending the meeting scheduled for **TeKuiti; Thursday 8 September; 1:30pm.** This is the first time for many years that meetings have been held in school time such is the feeling and importance of what is at stake. The Government is proposing a "global budget" for education that removes the split between funding for staff and funding for operations. Schools may be forced to trade off the costs of teaching staff against other cost, which could mean:*

- Fewer teachers and bigger classes
- No consistent student teacher ratios for year levels
- even more downwards pressure on support staff pay
- increased inequality; bigger and richer schools can raise funds to hire teachers, while smaller schools like ours could struggle.

*Pukeatua School will be open in the afternoon and the bus will run as normal. Two teachers will be at school for the afternoon. Parents can collect their children at lunchtime if they wish.*

The year is marching on with the last quarter of 2016 to go! So much to do!

### Quote of the Week

*"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."*

Maya Angelou

### Pupils of the Week

Mason Morell, Nyla Lauridsen, Tyrone Cook-Marsh, Lucy Barbour,  
Tony Reader, Neo Molina

**John McLean**

**Principal**

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## Newsletter





## Board & School

He aroha whakatō  
He aroha puta mai

*If kindness is sown, then kindness you shall receive*

### Arohena Trail Ride

Aprox 30km Loop plus separate 5km loop for learners and kids mini track

Mixed Terrain, open farmland, forestry, hill country

**Helmet and suitable footwear compulsory**

Assemble at Arohena Hall, Pukewhau Road off

Waipapa Road

Sign on from 8.00am - Track opens at 9.00am  
closes @ 3pm

**Sunday 5th March**

BBQ sausages, drinks available for purchase

\$30 adults, \$15 - 15yrs & under

Any queries please contact either;

Cory Jefferies 027 5186949

or Geoff Symes 021500042



## Coming Events 2017

Feb	24	Senior Swimming Sports
	27	Senior Swimming Postponement Date
	28	<b>BOT Meeting, note change of date</b>
Mar	3	Junior Swimming Sports
	6-10	Education Review Office in School
	8	Yr7-8 Leadership Day
	14	Bike Wise-Whole School
	16	Triathlon-Whole School
	20-24	Senior Camp, Kauaeranga Valley
Mar	31	First night of Netball at Putaruru
Apr	2	Daylight Savings Finish
	4-5	<b>Parent Teacher Interviews</b>
	13	Term 1 Ends
	14	Good Friday
May	1	<b>Term 2 Starts</b>

**Next Newsletter: Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March**

All items for the next newsletter are due by:  
**12 noon, Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017**



*Welcome To:*

Adam Watson NE

The roll now stands at 58

### Te Awamutu Association Football Club

*is now taking registrations for junior players for the 2017 season.*

Players can register via the club website [www.teawamutuafc.co.nz](http://www.teawamutuafc.co.nz)

Alternatively they can visit the Te Awamutu Stadium at Armstrong Ave on the 11<sup>th</sup> March between 9am and 12 to register in person.

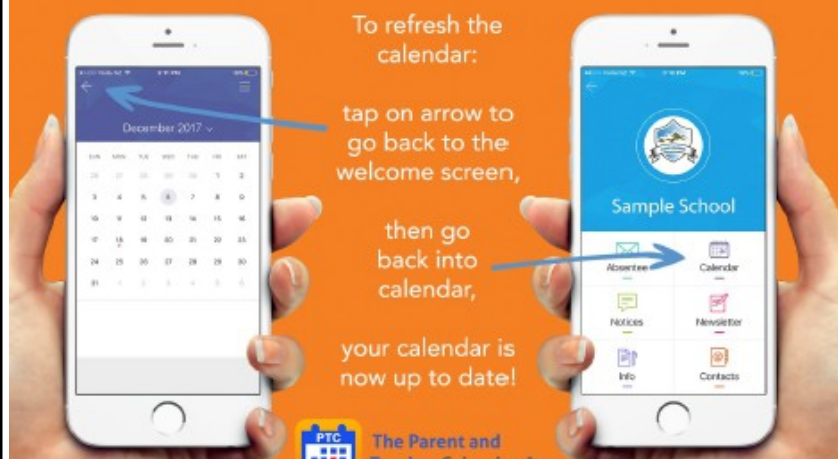
Any queries please email [teawamutu.a.f.c@gmail.com](mailto:teawamutu.a.f.c@gmail.com)

### Parent Teacher App

Pukeatua School has introduced a Parent & Teacher App. School parents and community members are now able to download this app free to their device and be able to instantly view school events, receive notifications, advise absences, access the latest school newsletter and school contact details. The app is funded by sponsorship of businesses.

We believe this App will be an asset to the school, assisting us to communicate effectively with our community.

**MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THE MOST UP TO DATE SCHOOL EVENTS AND INFORMATION**



### TA MARIST JUNIOR RUGBY

Sign Up: **MARCH: 2ND 5-6.30 PM**  
**9TH 5-6.30 PM**  
**14TH 5-6.30 PM**

FEEs: \$30 PER CHILD \$60 TWO OR MORE SIBLINGS  
FEEs INCLUDE SHORTS/SOCKS

ENQUIRIES PLEASE CALL:  
PIP 0276866451

6TH TO 13TH GRADES

## District Notices

### For all those over 60 Seniors Road Safety EXPO

Saturday 11th March 2017  
Te Awamutu Intermediate School  
10.00am - 3.00pm

**Free admission!**

Presentations, workshops  
and education stands.  
Refreshments available to buy.



Come and ask all those questions you  
ever wanted to ask about driving!

*Timetable overleaf*

#### Timetable

10.00am Welcome and opening  
by Mayor Jim Mylchreest

#### Presentations

10.10 - 10.50am NZ Police  
Key issues on our roads

11.20 - 12.00am NZ Transport Agency  
Licencing

12.30 - 1.10 Local GP  
Driving and the aging process

1.30 - 1.50 Driverless Cars  
'The future sooner than you think'

#### Workshops

10.10 - 2.00 **Mobility scooter workshop**  
Thinking of buying a scooter?  
Come and have a practice,  
anytime during this time slot.

#### Intersections / Roundabouts

Please register at the registration desk

10.50 - 11.15am  
12.00 - 12.25pm  
1.55 - 2.30pm

**Information stands:** Waipa District Council, Driving  
Instructor, Driving Testing Officer, Tyres, Physio,  
Optometrist, Pharmacist, Insurance, Tours for Seniors,  
Health Shuttle, Vintage Cars, Electric Cars and more.  
(Subject to change)



## Principals Message



The rain has fallen and now we look forward to a late summer? The pool temperature is still ok and the children are always keen to swim!

We look forward to hosting the **Eastern Zone Swimming Sports** tomorrow. The children enjoy the day and there are events for all levels of confidence. We expect our children to do well as they are the hosts and have a little advantage with knowing the local conditions. (the way the wind blows and whether the pitch will take spin etc!) Children who belong to a Swim Club also have a big advantage. Natural talent when swimming only goes so far unlike cross-country and other running activities. People need to be taught to swim and learn the skills unlike all other animals who naturally swim to save themselves with no training at all!

I went out to **Paterangi School** on Monday afternoon / evening. Our senior children (years 7/ 8) joined senior children from Arohena, Wharepapa South, Ngutunui and Paterangi for a leadership camp. The 50 plus children involved stayed two days, slept in tents, performed different tasks and had a great time! The teachers and parents involved all commented on how well the children worked together and quickly bonded and made friends! An activity is planned for each term and it is a wonderful way for our children from smaller schools to get to know others and make connections! Full credit to all concerned!

We look forward to our **own camp in Mid-March** and we have a great team of parents willing and ready to join us for the week! Liz and I visited camp last Friday and were once again impressed with the fine facilities. The river was up a little from normal because of all the recent rain. However, my shiny car wasn't shiny when I arrived home!

From the **6th of March, we have the ERO (Education Review Office) visiting**. Whilst not on the top 5 list of things to do, we look forward to the visit where we can share good practice and set new goals for the future!

Also, at the end of this month we **send the new school "Charter" to the Ministry**. Included in the Charter are targets for child achievement. When finalised the Charter is available to all those who want to read it through hard copy or on-line on the school web-site.

**A big thankyou** to the many parents who came into school a couple of Fridays ago to **spread the new playground wood chip**! Many hands make light work and the playgrounds look good!

**Quote of the Week** - *The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.*

H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

**Pupils of the Week** - Te Okiwa Witeri, Enya Barrowcliffe, Anahera Alexander, Sebastian Jeanes, Kodee Franklin, Brooke Carter.

*John McLean*

*Principal*



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