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Newsletter

Room 1 Sharing, Working Together and Exploring

BOARD & SCHOOL**Mai I te kopae ki te urupa****Tatou ako tonu ai***From the cradle to the grave
we are forever learning*

Welcome to another edition of the Press. Know doubt it is going to be a busy few weeks ahead especially for those who are in the middle of calving, we hope all goes well. But, spring is in sight, all those calves and Lambs are testament to what is just around the corner....hang in there!

Agricultural Day -
Wednesday 16 October

Group Day - Friday 18 October

Agricultural Day is fast approaching, only 2 months to go! This day is very important on Pukeatua School's calendar and is a **compulsory part of the curriculum. All students are encouraged to participate and enter into the spirit of the day by rearing a Lamb or Kid Goat. If it is not feasible for students to rear a pet then a "Pet Project" must be created and presented on the day for Judging and ribbons are awarded just like the Pets. INFORMATION WILL BE SENT OUT SOON.**

Saving dates for the animals are:

Calves - No calves for 2019

Lambs & Kids

Early: 1/07/19 to 19/08/19

Late: 20/08/11 to 20/09/19

COMING EVENTS

Aug	20	TA College Visit to Pukeatua
	22	R2 Mud Run in Rotorua
	22	E-Z Speech Finals
	23	Last day Tech Arts for Y7-8
	26	BOT Meeting (please note change of date)
	28	R1 Fire Service visiting
	29	TA College Open Day for Yr8 students
	30	Junior Winter Sports
Sep	5	TA College Parent Information Evening
	9	Senior Winter Sports
	10	TA College Enrolments 3.30-7.00pm
	11	R2 First Aid Course
	20	Y8 TA College entry test
	23	School Photos
	27	Last Day Term 3
Oct	16	Ag Day (Note change of date)
	18	Group Day at Puhue School
Nov	22	Athletics for whole school
Dec	13	Last Day for 2019

Welcome To:

Violet Barnett NE

The roll now stands at 91

**Next Newsletter: Thursday 29th August 2019**

All items for the next newsletter are due by:
12 noon, Tuesday 27th July 2019

The next **Board Of Trustees Meeting** will be held in the Pukeatua School staff room on **Monday 26th August 2019 at 7.00 pm**
Everyone is most welcome to come along

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DISTRICT NOTICES

Pukeatua Community Hall

The **A.G.M.** will be held

**Monday
26th August
at 7.30 pm**

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

All others are very welcome

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How to Grow our Children into Happy & Healthy Individuals

- Set limits & remember that you are the PARENT , not a friend
- Offer kids a well balanced lifestyle filled with what kids NEED, not just what they Want. Don't be afraid to say "No!" to your kids if what they want is not what they need.
- Provide nutritious food and limit snacks
- Spend one hour a day in green space: biking, hiking, fishing, watching birds/insects

Principal's Message



Well **winter** is not over as mentioned in the last news-letter. Cold days, followed by spectacular thunder and lightning and a fair share of rain! Some parts of the school grounds are feeling the effects of the **rain** and what is usually free draining soil has a few puddles. In other words a little bit of mud around!! The children are coping ok with being inside a little more than normal but do appreciate the opportunity to get outside when the rain disappears! "Cabin Fever" they call it. The younger children can often cope well with being inside for longer periods as they play with blocks, lego, toys etc and use their imagination to create other games. Along the way they are learning to get along with fellow class mates, to take turns and share equipment. It doesn't always go to plan but valuable lessons are learnt!! (well hopefully!) Good to see some of the older children on rainy days immersed in a book and oblivious to the goings on around them! Been that way for some time!

The senior children are preparing "**speeches**" to be completed this week. From the school event four children go on to the **Eastern Zone Finals held here next Thursday 22 August**. It surprises some people that most children do not mind getting up and talking in front of their peers. Not many adults like public speaking and openly admit it! The children who prepare well and practice a bit get by without many difficulties. Over the years we have had quite a few children who have won the Eastern Zone Speech finals!

Principals vote this week on whether to accept the new offer from the Government regarding new pay, conditions etc. Whilst some principals welcome the offer others do not! Principals are not being greedy but want the job of a small school principal to be attractive enough so that people will apply for vacancies in these positions.

All interested **rugby fans** will have eyes on Auckland this Saturday after the **All Blacks** got a bit of a lesson last weekend! Isn't sport great in that you cannot predict the outcome and many factors contribute to the spectacle! Interestingly a researcher came out this week and predicted many contact sports will be finished within the next 20 years because of injuries to the brain. Hard to imagine though!

Keep warm and we hope the farmers who are out there in the early morning and in all types of weather are coping alright!

Quote of the week

The tallest Oak in the forest was once just a little nut that held its ground.

John McLean Principal

