

Pukeatua Press

What's happening in the School
and Community?



**Room One
Garden Club**



Board & School

There is no such thing as a free lunch!

Things that are offered for free always have a hidden cost

Room One Garden Club

Some Room One students have been eagerly helping out in the school vegetable patch. This Autumn they have planted chive, coriander and peas seeds as well as lupins to replenish the soil over winter. They have been excited to find "missed potatoes" in the soil and have enjoyed pulling out huge sunflower trunks and examining the seed heads. The birds have beaten them to most of the seeds. Maybe the children can make up some delicious bird feed in Term 2 to keep our chatty native birds happy over the winter. They can also make a scarecrow to keep the same birds away from our precious herbs and vegetables.

We also have crown pumpkins to sell! Contact the school office if you would like to buy one or two. Great for soups during the coming winter!!

Ruma Tahi's Garden Club

April

Ella, Ava and Nina planted freesia bulbs in the blue and green pots. They will grow in the winter and when spring comes the bulbs will have colourful flowers. Holly, Ryan, Boston, Adam and Jaiden dug up the soil and planted pea seeds. Ryan read the packet to find out how deep to plant the seeds. It was 2cm deep. Seeds need water and sun to grow.

Thank You from Room 4

Many thanks to Hopkins Joinery in Putaruru who have provided Room 4 some plywood for an upcoming project, and for donating their time in cutting the wood to size. Your support of Pukeatua School is very much appreciated. Again, many thanks to the whole team at Hopkins Joinery.

TERM DATES FOR 2018

Term 1: Tues 30 Jan to Fri 13 April
Term 2: Mon 30 Apr to Fri 6 July
Term 3: Mon 23 July to Fri 28 September
Term 4: Mon 15 October to Fri 15 December (TBC)

Coming Events 2018

May	17	Yr 7&8 Immunisations
	18	Vision & Hearing Checks
	25	Tech Arts begin for Year 7-8
	29-29	Life Education & Harold
June	8	Cross Country at Arohena
Jul	4	Gym Sports
Aug	23	E-Z Speech Finals
	24	Tech Arts finish
	31	Senior Winter Sports at Wharepapa
Sept	7	Junior Winter Sports at Wharepapa
Oct	16	Agricultural Day
	19	Group Day
Nov	23	Athletics
Dec	13or14	End of Term 4 (TBC)

Next Newsletter: Thursday 24th May

All items for the next newsletter are due by:

12 noon, Tuesday 22nd May 2018

Pukeatua War Memorial Church Committee

A memorable ANZAC Service was held on the 22nd April at the Pukeatua Church with 70 in attendance including RSA members, RSA Women's Division, TA Cadet Corp, Patriots Defence Force Motorcycle Club and local Scouts.

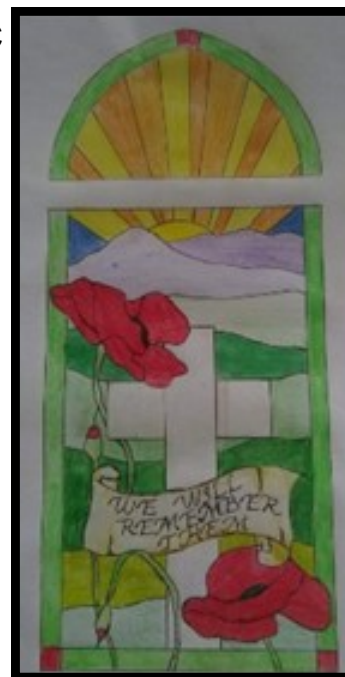
We are still fundraising for a stained glass Peace window which will be dedicated at a special Service on the 18th November 2018 to commemorate the Centenary of the end of WW1.

Any donations towards this project would be greatly appreciated.

Contact:

Margaret Main (President) Ph 872 4815

Martha Bradstreet (secretary) Ph 872 4879



Information Sheet on Vision and Hearing Checks in School

Vision Hearing Technicians from Community and Southern Rural Health will be visiting our school. The objective of the test is to identify previously undetected vision and hearing defects.

Which children are routinely checked?

- Catch up screening for children who have not completed vision and hearing checks as part of their B4 School Check
- Children absent from previous visit, require retests or follow up
- In special circumstances, parents, teachers or others may request a vision or hearing check
- New immigrants
- All Year 7 student's vision only

What tests are carried out?

Ears

- Audiometry (hearing test)
- Tympanometry – middle ear function test (only carried out when hearing test is not within a normal range)

Eyes

Long distance vision tests – not a complete visual examination, but a simple screening test

NB All of these checks are non-invasive, safe and should cause no discomfort.

The Vision Hearing Technician will:

- Notify parents of all test results
- Enter results on Ministry of Education database (Enrol)

The Vision Hearing Technician will obtain personal details from the school ie: names, date of birth.

If the technician needs to contact parents or caregivers following the visit, addresses and phone numbers will also be required.

Our Service may share this information with other health professionals involved in the children's care.

If any parents/caregivers **do not** want their child to be checked, or their child is currently under specialist care for a vision or hearing defect, they should let the school know.

Arohena Hunt

Friday 9th - Sunday 10th June



Enter now and be in to win some fantastic prizes.

**Registration closes 3pm on
Friday 8th June.**

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!

Registration Classes:
**Junior 5-7 years, Middle 8-11 years
and Senior 12-15 years.**

Categories

Heaviest - possum, rabbit, hare or magpie

Most - possums, rabbits or hares

Average combined weight - possum, rabbit,
hare and magpie

\$15 per person (includes entry into all categories)

Family Concession - 3 or more \$40

All children need a licensed fire-arms holder to accompany them on the hunt.

Weigh in starts at 10am Sunday 10th and closes at 12pm.

BBQ food and fizzy available for sale.

Contact Arohena School to enter.

Email: admin@arohena.school.nz

Phone: 07 872 4526

Mobile: 027 2764362



Pukeatua Rural Women

Our next meeting is:

Dinner at Te Awamutu College, Thursday 24th May starting promptly at 5.30pm

Husbands - Partners are invited, Cost \$25.00 per head, A 3 course meal, numbers limited

Please RSVP by 17th May and say if you have any dietary requirements

Always a good night and very popular

Meet at Pukeatua Hall at 4.45 pm to car pool if you wish, please let me know

Contact Margaret Main

Ph 872 4815



Friday 18th May

7pm sharp

Wharepapa South Hall

Sarah Jane is organising another amazing quiz night !

Together with Wharepapa South Rural Women

Gather your team & get on down

to the hall for a great night

(or just come and make up a team on the night)

Teams of 6 - \$10 per person

You are competing for the 'Gnome of Knowledge'!

Raffles available and supper is provided

Please contact Sarah-Jane on 872 2440 or 027 8722440

"Creativity is contagious, pass it on"
- Albert Einstein

CHILDRENS ART CLASSES



Creative Play - Thursday - 10-11am - 0-5yrs
\$8 per session

Clay - Monday - 3.30-4.30pm - 5-13yrs - \$110
Art - Wednesday - 3.30-4.30pm - 5-13yrs - \$130

Drawing & Painting - Thursday
3.30-4.30pm - 11-18yrs - \$140

Bookings Essential
contact - Lee 021 920 509
Studiotwoinformation@gmail.com
Studio Two - 3 Walton St - Te Awamutu



District Notices

Neighbourhood Support

If you have a burglary or other dodgy incident or you are aware of any unusual behaviour please contact:

Daryl Nix
Ph 07 902 0097
info@commsafe.co.nz

We need to co-ordinate all of the unusual happenings in the greater Waipa area to establish patterns and perhaps catch some of these unsavoury characters who think it is ok to help themselves to our personal property!

Contacting Police does not necessarily mean that Daryl at Commsafe is going to be made aware of your incident so please contact him direct as well as the Police

Pine Cones For Sale

(Pukeatua Cubs & Keas fundraiser)

82 Old Taupo Road, Puketurua
\$10 large grass seed sack full
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Principals Message



Where does the time go to? We are well underway and into week two of Term Two! The holiday break was very timely and we were lucky enough to experience very good weather for the whole two weeks. In fact the weather is so good the lawns are still growing too quickly!

The school is currently operating four classrooms and all is going well. We welcome to the school **Mr Chris Stevenson** who is working in Room Four. Chris has worked in many schools and comes to us with a wealth of experience! We wish him well and we hope he enjoys his time with us! Lots of interesting activities are happening in Room Four at the moment.

Ms Gilbert -Radford has been working in Room One for the first two weeks this term whilst Lynda Burt is on leave. (In Europe) All classes and teachers are enjoying the smaller numbers!

The **winter sports season** is underway with many children involved in **Friday night netball** and **Saturday rugby and soccer**. It is good to hear from the children on Monday morning about how well their teams fared over the weekend! They seem to be willing to share more freely if the team has a win! The younger netballers begin their programme this Friday and the extra children involved will make for a very busy Glenshea Park which is great to see! An elderly couple who use to live close to the Netball Courts in Putaruru use to love the Netball season because of all the action and noise that it brought! That's a great attitude as often we hear the opposite!

Next Monday we have the all year 7, 8 children traveling to Hamilton to take part in the **National Young Leaders Day**. Close to 2000 children from around the Waikato are descending on Claudelands Arena to listen to motivational speakers, join in in different activities which will make the day action-packed and informative. This is a great opportunity and we hope the children come away with a message that could inspire them to greater things.

Quote of the Week

The Pessimist Sees Difficulty In Every Opportunity. The Optimist Sees Opportunity In Every Difficulty. – Winston Churchill

Pupils of the Week

Blake Lauridsen, Meela Jacobsen, Neo Molina, Amy Harris, Aurelia Holmes, Bodie Jacobsen, Tia Johns.

Principals Award

Dontae Scott - *Showing and taking responsibility*

John McLean - *Principal*

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