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Pukeatua Press

What's happening in the School and Community?
Read all about it inside!



Pukeatua School Staff and Rural Women Representative Martha Bradstreet enjoying the Rural Women 'Mighty Morning Tea Shout' for essential workers who worked through level 4. Our Rural Delivery lady, Ara Tauroa was also a recipient of the Morning Tea Shout in honour of her essential service...the mail always gets through!

Thank you for playing a part in keeping New Zealand safe

Newsletter



BOARD & SCHOOL

Kaore te kumara e korero mo tona ake reka

The kumara (sweet potato) does not say how
sweet he is

*This proverb accentuates the value of
humbleness*

Welcome to the first newsletter for Term 3.

Agricultural Day will be held in the first week of Term 4, **Wednesday 14th October 2020**. This day is an important feature on our annual calendar and is one that all children are expected to participate in. This can take the form of either rearing a calf, lamb, kid goat or preparing a Pet Project which are displayed in the Multi Purpose Room on Ag. Day and judged with ribbons being awarded to first, second and third place holders. For those rearing an animal the following saving dates apply:

Calves Early 1/6/2020—26/7/2020

Late 27/7/2020—20/9/2020

Lambs & Kids Early 1/7/2020—20/8/2020

Late 21/8/2020—20/9/2020

Please support this rural school initiative and encourage your children to participate.

Please note that there has been a change of date for the next **Teacher Only Day** from 21 to **24 August**, please note in your diaries.

School and Playcentre Photos will be taken on **Tuesday 11 August**, look out for order forms that will be sent home soon. All orders must be pre paid in the envelopes provided.

The next **Board Of Trustees Meeting**
will be held in the Pukeatua School staff room on
Monday 24th August 2020
at 7.00 pm
Everyone is most welcome to come along

Welcome To:

Katie (Y7), Marcus (Y6) Clark &

Carlos (Y1) Atkins

Olivia (Y7), Chloe (Y5) & Zara (Y3) Bowers

Sebastian (Y7), Layla-Rose (Y5) &

Melita (Y3) Sheehan

Bella (Y7), Alexis (Y4) & Sophia (Y2) Warren

Fletcher Polglase NE

The roll now stands at 104

COMING EVENTS

Jul	30	Rural Womens AGM
	31	X Country at Arohena School
Aug	11	School Photos
	24	Teacher Only Day (TOD)
	24	BOT Meeting
	28	E-Z Junior Winter Sports
Sept	3	Free Ear Clinic @ Kihikihi School
	4	E-Z Senior Winter Sports
	25	Term 3 Ends
Oct	12	Term 4 Starts
	14	Agricultural Day
	16	Group Day @ Wharepapa Sth Schl
	27	Teacher Only Day (TOD)
	29	Waikato Show
Nov	20	E-Z Athletics
Dec	15	Last Day

Next Newsletter: Thursday 13th August 2020

All items for the next newsletter are due by:

12 noon, Tuesday 11th August 2020

Absences:

Please contact the school office by 9.30 am explaining why your child/ren are away, use the Skool Loop App, Ph 872 4862 and leave a message if unattended, text 027 572 4862 or email office@pukeatuaschool.co.nz.

We like to know that your child/ren are safe and I'm sure that you need to know that when you have sent your children to school that they are actually there, not to mention your legal responsibility to notify absences.



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Wednesday, 3 September
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For enquiries contact:
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DISTRICT NOTICES

Pukeatua Rural Women

AGM: Tonight

**Thursday 30 July
7.00pm**

**Major item on the Agenda will be
the future of this branch**

**At the moment we have 6 paid
up members and only 4 of us are
actively involved. This is putting
a lot of pressure on a few. We
need your thoughts and input
into the future of this branch.
Come along and have your say
on the way forward**

**There is no need for you to be a
financial member**

**Ross & Martha Bradstreet's
497 Waimanu Road**

**Do you have something you
would like to share with us for
supper that is a new recipe you
tried during lockdown????**

**All Welcome
Ph 872 4879 with apologies**

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We're looking for 25,000 people from all over New Zealand to help run the 2020 General Election. More specifically we are looking for people from your community to work in your voting places! Are you interested? We want staff to reflect New Zealand's diversity, so our customers will see themselves, whānau and friends reflected in the election.

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For more information and to register your interest visit: <https://elections.nz/jobs>

Principal's Message



Welcome back to term Three. It has been a very different year and it does not feel like the Third Term. The last term started in February when we started the year and the teachers have been on board ever since! Through lockdown and then back to school at level 1 and 2. The break was good for everybody even though the weather was not ideal! A mid winter escape to an Island Paradise was also not possible. However we are very thankful to be living in Aotearoa at this time. Pretty normal for us whilst the rest of the world is a different place. Let's keep our fingers crossed!

For the first time in many years our **school roll** has exceeded 100 students!! We have 104 children on the roll at the moment! We do notice the extra students in the playground and we are running an extra class at the moment. We also need to purchase new furniture!! In fact we have had 26 new enrolments since June 1!!

A good number of students were excited to be starting their various sports competitions. On Friday night **Netball** started and we had about 30 children involved! All teams did well and we **thank Liz for organising teams and the coaches and managers who are helping.** Thanks also to the parents who helped in the canteen on Friday night! It was a busy place and I think people were excited to be able to spend a bit of cash again!! On Saturday we had a keen group of children who began their **junior rugby** season! The **soccer season involving a few children had already started.** It is great to see children involved in team games and the commitment from family and friends for it to occur.

Tomorrow the school will be attending the **Eastern Zone Cross Country at Arohena.** This was scheduled for last term but was not able to go ahead. As mentioned before some children will be thrilled to be going and others not so! An ice block at the finish line is one of the rewards for completing the course! This is an important day for Arohena in particular as catering for the day is a great fundraiser. Be prepared for four different seasons! Later on this term we head to Wharepapa South school for the **Winter Sports Days.** Keep an eye on that date as well.

Also, Keep an eye out for **Parent interview opportunities** in week 4. A slot will be allocated for all families to meet with the teachers. A valuable exercise for all concerned.

Thanks to the organisers of the Pie fundraiser. I know many families like to stock up at this time of the year with the different pies on sale. These pies have gone out this week.

School has a **Teacher Only Day** on the **Monday 24th August.** Changed from the previously advertised day of Friday 21 August. Friday 21 August is the last day of Tech Arts for our Year 7, 8 children in Putaruru. Enjoy the latest spell of weather everyone! Days are getting longer!!

John McLean

Principal