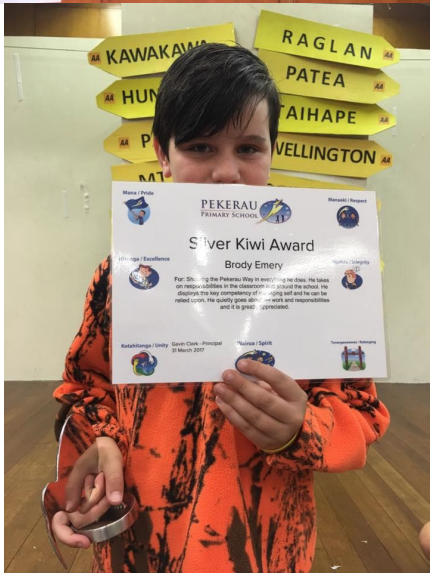




• 6th April 2017 • TERM 1 • WEEK 10 •

**Nga mihi nui ki a koutou,
 Greetings to you all
 Congratulations
 to all of our certificate winners at
 Assembly.**



And a HUGE well done to our **Silver Kiwi** recipients, La'Qeesha Walker and Brody Emery . You are Pekerau Superstars!!!

Term 1 Final Assembly

Next Thursday we will be hosting an end of term special assembly, at our usual assembly time of 9am. This is an opportunity for teachers to give out certificates to boys and girls who have shown great effort, or who have consistently shown the Pekerau learner attitudes and actions. We will also have a couple special items to perform to the crowd as part of this assembly. Please come and join us for this great celebration.



Pekerau Anzac Remembrance Ceremony

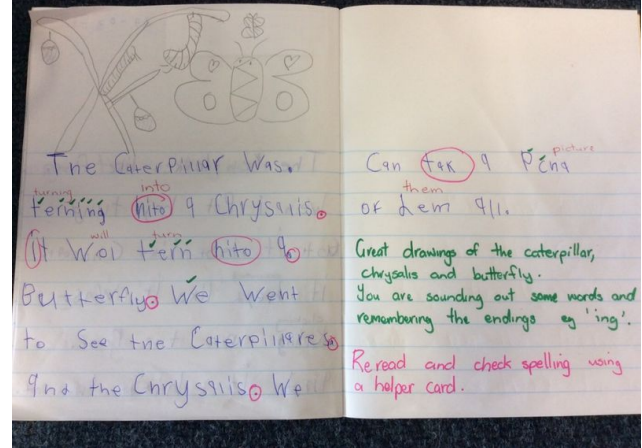
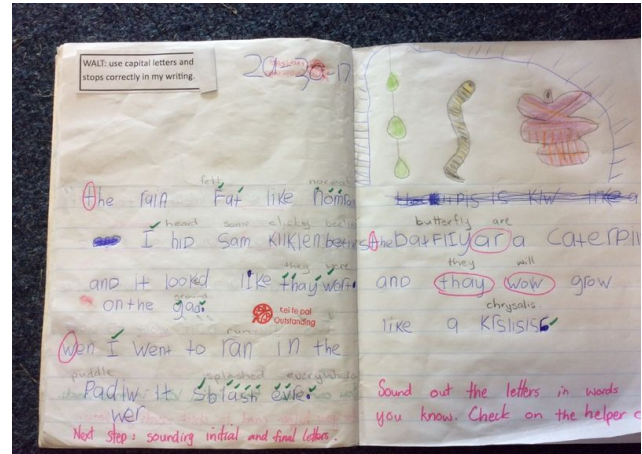
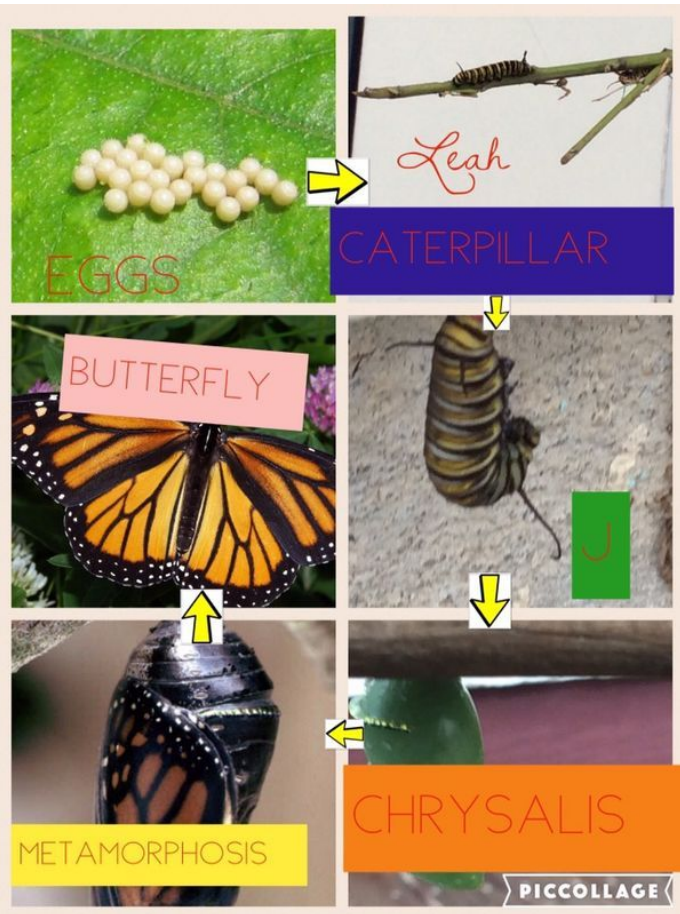
On Tuesday 2nd May, at 9.05am we will be holding an Anzac remembrance ceremony at school. This is an opportunity for our boys and girls to pay their respects to the soldiers who have served our country so well. All community members are welcome to join us for this ceremony. Lest we forget.



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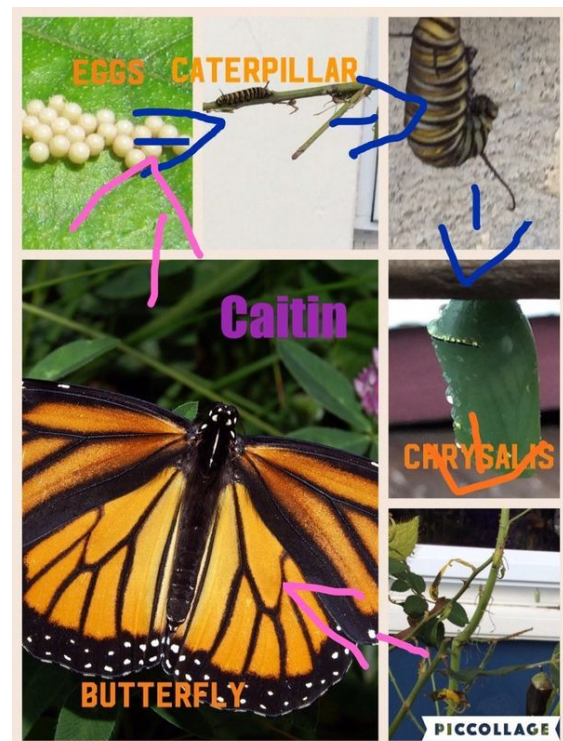
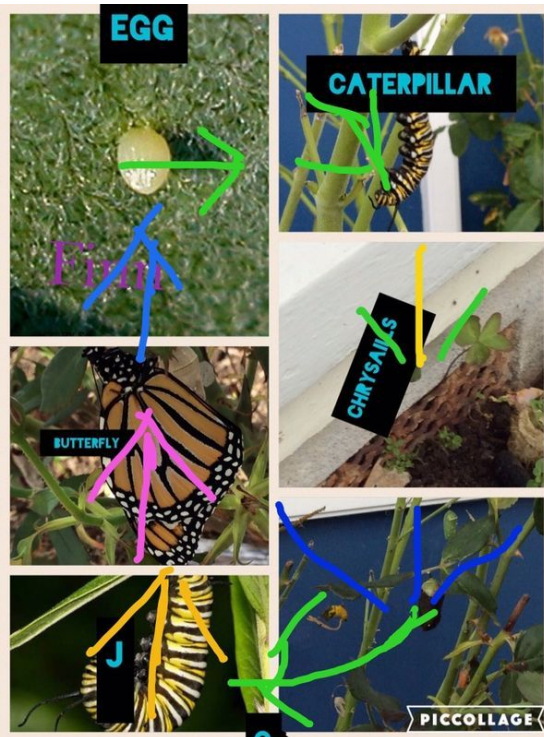
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Learning in the Junior School



Planet 11

Planet 11 have been doing some great learning about the life cycle of a monarch butterfly. This has been fantastic learning and the children have loved sharing all they have learnt.



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Tough Guy/Gal event Wednesday 7th June

Event Day Timetable

8.30am-9.30am: Registration at venue
10.00am: Start of 3km Big Rascals Event
10.05am: Start of 3km Little Nippers Event
10.10am: Start of 1.5km Ankle Biters Event

Entry Types

Ankle Biters: Years 3-4 - 1.5km one lap course

Little Nippers: Years 5-6 - 3km one lap course

Individual Entry - How to Enter

Go online and register for the event. Once you have registered let the office know so we can put you in our school team.

Cost is \$20 for entries 2 weeks before the event with late entries being \$25.



House Leaders- 2017

Kauri Captains-

Ametisi Fehoko
Kohen Collett

Pohutukawa Captains-

Georgina Rewha
Nevaeh Roberts



Rimu Captains-

Danny Lucas
Emily Whale

Totara Captains-

Craig Walker
Kam Castleton



Scooter Day

This Friday the Senior Syndicate are invited to bring their scooters/wheels to school. They will have the courts to themselves on this day to scoot around and have fun. All we ask is a small donation on these days.

Please remind children to bring their helmets with their wheels.

Potential enrolments

If you know anyone who is wanting to enrol their child this year at Pekerau, we would really appreciate if you came in and filled in an enrolment form as soon as possible. This helps with our organisation. Equally if you are out of zone, please fill in an expression of interest form as soon as possible and hand it in to the office.



Contact details

It is essential that our contact details for parents and caregivers is up to date and accurate. This includes your physical address and emergency contact details. Please contact the office to update your contact details either by phone- 07 871 6025 or by e mailing- office@pekerau.school.nz

If you would like to make a school donation this year to help the school to fund opportunities for our boys and girls these can be made via the office or electronically using the details below.

School Donation

\$50 for a single child or \$70 per family

Paper Fee

\$20 per student

**Bank Account details: ASB Te Awamutu
12 3134 0056652 00**

Manaaki / Respect I show I respect others through my actions and my words





Don't miss out!!

Book now for Term 2 Swimming lessons!!
6 months babies – adult swimming lessons.

Contact:

Leilani Van Rooyen on
0223251334

(Limited spaces available)

EASTER & ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

St John's Church Hall

George Street next to Profit Gym

Wednesday 19TH & 20TH April 2017

10 AM – 3 PM

(Registration Starts at 9.45 AM)

\$5 per child

Ages 5 – 12 years

Booking preferred for catering purposes or drop in
on the day

Morning Tea & Lunch Provided

A fun day of activities ...Easter egg hunt, baking
Anzac biscuits, making poppies & wreaths,
technology challenges and more

Excellent Supervision Provided



Te Awamutu Football Club

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

Alternatively they can visit the Te Awamutu Stadium at
Armstrong Ave on the 11th March between 9am and 12 to
register in person. Any queries please email

teawamutu.a.f.c@gmail.com

School Leaders 2017

Congratulations to all of our School leaders for 2017.



Our School Values leaders for 2017 (Rhegan Kahu,
Souljah Morgan, Aaron Randall, Ellie Morrison, Zara
Brisco, Manea Purua, Brad Saunders, Eden
Southcombe, Zane Cole-Baker, William Lord)



Our Tuakana Teina Mentors for 2017 (Jade Chase,
Tobey Van der heyden, Teegan Lewis, Leroy
Robson, Danica Reweti, Riley Mills, Jeavarney
Walker)





ICAS

ICAS is an independent, skills-based assessment program which recognises and rewards student achievement. ICAS is unique, being the most comprehensive generally available suite of academic assessments for primary and secondary school students.

Over one million student entries are accepted from over 6,300 schools in Australia and New Zealand annually. In addition, students from over 20 countries including Hong Kong, India, Malaysia, Singapore, South Africa and the USA participate in ICAS each year.

This year Pekerau School will be entering students into Writing, Spelling, English and Mathematics.

The costs of these testes are as follows:

- Writing- \$20.50
- Spelling \$11.50
- English \$9.50
- Mathematics \$9.50

Entries for ICAS can be placed at the office.

Turbo Touch Tournament

Last Saturday we had four teams competing at the Turbo Touch tournament at Albert Park. This was a fantastic event and it was great to see so many of our boys and girls representing the school with such mana/pride.



Life Education

We are lucky enough to have Life Education visiting our school over the next 2 weeks. This is a great learning opportunity for our boys and girls and it expands on the learning that has taken place in classrooms this term. Our focus has been on “Identity” and understanding ourselves and what makes us special and unique. Our children have loved visiting Harold in the bus. Thanks Nicky and Harold.



Kapa Haka

Our Kapa Haka programme started on Wednesday and it was special. Our boys and girls sang their hearts out and displayed the Pekerau spirit. The Kapa Haka group is for our Year 3-6 students. The first two sessions this term has allowed all interested children to get involved in Kapa Haka before committing to the team for the rest of the year from the beginning of term 2. The final group will rehearse each Wednesday afternoon for the remainder of the year.

Kapahaka



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Communication with Parents and Whanau

We have a number of different ways that parents and whanau can keep up to date with what is happening at our school. This year we have launched our **new school app which can be downloaded via the android and apple store** and this has been specifically designed for our school and our community. It allows us to send alerts straight to your mobile devices and it allows you to communicate absences to the school office from the app, as well as also providing a platform for you to contact your child's teacher directly from the app. This is a great resource for our school.



Facebook

We also have our school Facebook page which allows us to showcase some of the wonderful learning happening at our school. To keep up to date with all new posts please like and share our Facebook page.

Seesaw

This year we are using the Seesaw app to try and keep our parents and community involved in the teaching and learning taking place at Pekerau School. Parents have been given a unique code linked to their child that has given parents and whanau a window into their classroom and their unique learning. This code can be shared with whanau members around the world to keep them upto date with what is happening at Pekerau School. If you have not received your code, please contact the classroom teacher.

Pekerau Inter School Swimming Team

On Tuesday our Inter School swimming team represented the school at the Te Awamutu Events centre. Our team were superb ambassadors for the school and did a great job in all their races. It was fantastic to see our boys and girls excelling in the sporting arena and showing Pekerau Pride. We are proud of your efforts and achievements. Well done to this group of Pekerau students.



Pekerau Inter School Swim Team 2017- Judd Quiqley, Craig Walker, Dehziyin Stanley, Greer Magon, Neveah Wallace, Olivia Hopping, Jemma Taylor, Danica Reweti, Carter Neilson



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Middle and Senior School Football

The Middle and Senior School have been very fortunate to have Te Awamutu football club come into school with some coaches from Te Awamutu College to teach the children basic football skills. This was a great opportunity for the children and it was greatly appreciated by all who attended. It is great to see our local football team coming into schools to find the next generation of footballing talent. Thank you to Te Awamutu Football Club and Te Awamutu College for this opportunity.



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OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS TO EXPERIENCE ANOTHER CULTURE, MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND IMPROVE THEIR LANGUAGE STUDIES AT HOME

In July 2017, we will be receiving exchange students from Finland, Germany, Italy, Sweden and the USA. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend a local school for 3, 5 or 10 months. As we plan for their arrival, we are keen to hear from suitable families who might be interested to host a student. Host families come in all shapes and sizes, backgrounds and ages.

Hosting an exchange student can be a truly rewarding experience. It allows a family to experience a foreign culture first hand, be exposed to a new language and pass on a bit of our own culture. They might even make a friend for life!

All students have at least basic levels of English, would attend a school in your local area and live the life of a local. Below is a sample of students who will be arriving. If you are interested in being a host family please visit our facebook page where there is a link for you to follow or go to this website <http://studentexchange.org.nz/programs-overview/>

Siena is a 16 year old student from Germany who loves to swim, play the piano and recorder (flute), bake cakes, and spend time with family and friends. When she finds spare time she also likes cycling and inline skating. Her favourite subjects at school are music, maths, physics, chemistry and biology. Siena describes herself as a reliable, punctual person who is interested in a lot of different things; her parents would add that she is socially committed, outgoing, helpful, reliable, independent, intelligent, responsible, warm hearted, friendly, uncomplicated and honest teenager. Whilst in New Zealand Siena would like to meet new people, learn about the kiwi culture and traditions and improve her English.

17 year old American student, William, would like to learn more about New Zealand, meet the local people and have an adventure. He enjoys the outdoors, playing Lacrosse, skiing, rock climbing, photography and guitar. William has an older brother and younger sister and describes himself as easy going and pretty calm. His family have travelled all of Will's life across Europe, in Africa, Mexico, and British West Indies. They add that Will is very mature and handles himself well in new surroundings. He is a responsible student, a strong athlete and he makes friends very easily.

Teresa is a 17 year old from Italy who loves to swim and tells us singing is her passion. She hopes to continue singing lessons and improve her English whilst she is in New Zealand. Teresa studies Ancient Latin and Greek at school which is difficult so she likes to balance this with sport and hanging with her friends. She describes herself as friendly and curious and enjoys talking to people. Teresa looks forward to learning about a new culture while bringing along her Italian traditions to her new family which she hopes will create some new special memories.

Karl-Axel is a 17 year old student from Sweden who enjoys motorcycles, computers and Arduinos (Arduinos are used to create small robots). Karl-Axel and his father drive Trials three times a week back home in Sweden. He has an older sister and really likes animals. Whilst in New Zealand he is looking forward to being involved in local activities, learning about the world and having fun. Karl-Axel would like to see another culture and also share his Swedish culture with his Kiwi family. He describes himself as enjoys creating things.

