



22 March 2018 • TERM 1 • WEEK 8•

## Principal's Piece

### Talent versus Effort

Talent can be defined as "a natural ability to be good at something". Many sports people have natural talent. Some people can sing (not me!). Some children seem to be able to spell, write, read, or learn their basic facts without much effort.

There are many, many talented people who do not succeed in the area of their special ability.

What counts is effort. Children need to be taught to try hard, and to persevere until they succeed.

Albert Einstein said, "It's not that I'm so smart, it's just that I stay with problems longer."

Children, who learn to work hard, keep trying, and to accept mistakes and failure as a learning step are on their way to being lifelong learners and achievers.

At Pekerau, one of the attributes we value is Excellence/ Hiranga - children who do not give up and strive to do their best become successful adults in many spheres of life.

Parents can foster perseverance and excellence by encouragement (meaningful feedback); encouragement should be given regardless of a child's result, and should focus on the effort and the progress. For example, in netball when a child is passing the ball better than last week, give them encouragement and helpful feedback - "you're passing the ball better; it's because you're looking where you want the ball to go". In reading, when a child goes back to the start of a sentence and re-reads, reinforce this appropriate behaviour.

Encouragement has a bigger effect than praise on a child's motivation and willingness to persevere. By developing a mindset to have goals and to persevere, students will have the tools they need to be successful in life.

Pat Poland  
Principal (acting)

### Important Dates 2018

Tue 27 Mar: Inter School Swimming  
: Duffy book Special Assembly  
Wed 28 Mar: Kapa Haka meeting, 6pm  
**Fri 30 March: School closed for Easter**  
**Mon 2 April: School closed for Easter**  
**Tue 3 April: School closed for Easter**  
Wed 4 April: Onesie/PJs Mufti Day  
Thur 5 -12 April: Life Education at School  
Mon 9 - 12 April: Seniors at Camp  
Fri 13 April: Last day of Term 1  
Mon 30 April: First day Term 2  
: Powhiri new Principal Tania Heke

### Class Assembly Dates

Fri 23 March - Rm 4 Stars  
**Fri 30 March - Good Friday No school**  
Fri 6 April - Inter-house singing competition  
**Fri 13 April - End of Term Assembly**

### **LOST PROPERTY**

**There is a lot of unnamed uniforms, and many pairs of shoes in the lost property. Please check in the back of the school hall for missing items. Items unnamed will be donated to families in need.**

## BREAKFAST IDEAS

# FRITTATA MUFFINS

- 5 large eggs
- ½ cup cheese – grated
- ½ cup ham - chopped
- ½ onion - finely chopped
- pinch of salt and pepper

Mix eggs in a bowl with salt and pepper. Add ham, onion and cheese to the bowl and mix through gently.

Divide mixture in to muffin tray and bake at 200°C for 15-18 minutes.

Serves approx. 12



Developed by Sport Waikato 2017



# Aspiring Attitudes, Inspiring Actions

Belonging – Turangawaewae, Excellence – Hiranga, Unity – Kotahitanga, Pride – Mana, Integrity – Ngakau, Respect – Manaaki, Spirit – Wairua

## Action Learning for our Junior School

Rooms 11 and 12 are loving getting together for Action Learning on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings.



## Calling all Loose Parts

The Juniors are embarking on an amazing journey into **Action Learning** and would love any cutoffs of pvc pipe, untreated timber, firewood, buttons that you may have laying around at home or workplace!!

Please see the Junior Teachers if you can help.

Anna Wren, Ginny Mitchell, Louise Macro or Bayley McOnie



**AUTISM**<sub>NZ</sub>  
Every step together

Raising understanding  
and awareness of Autism  
Spectrum Disorders



Autism Awareness  
Week  
3 -6 April 2018

Let' show our support  
Wednesday 4th April 2018  
Wear your onesie (or PJs) and bring a  
gold coin donation for Autism NZ.



## Dig It!



SIGN UP NOW FOR OUR  
**Kids Archaeology Programme!**

Back by popular demand!

17, 18, 19 April - Level 1  
Level 1 is suitable for ages 5-12

OR

26, 27 April - Level 2

Level 2 participants must have completed Level 1  
Suitable for ages 8-13

New for 2018!

12.30pm-3.30pm each day

\$15 per child

Adult supervision required

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



**Room 17 – Impala's**

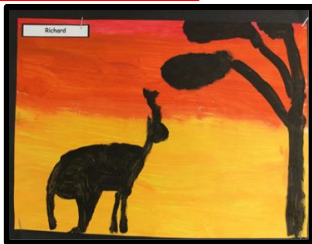
**Silhouette Art**



Sapphire



Jonelle



Richard



Caitlin

**Room 6 –Kangaroo's**

**Year 3 students practise sentence writing**



The creepy trees were flowing in the wind. **Alex**  
 The twisted sticks are lying on the ground. **Nate**  
 The prickly thorns slithered around the girl's hand. **Kobi**

Mysteriously, the tree trunks creepily twisted through the dark forest. **Tyla**

The prickly spikes curled up. **Naomi**

The lamp was glowing in the dark forest. **Jaylin**

Glowing flowers are shining in the dark. **Raksha**

The super smooth wood was hard. **Cooper**

The spooky trees were scaring the mum and her girl. **Jaedyn**

**Quest**

In the forest the people are scared of the darkness.

**Quest**

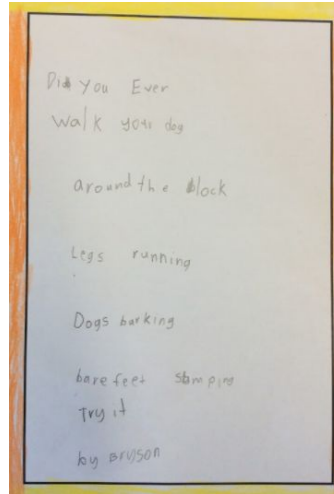
Two girls crept through the dark forest down to the ghostly steps. **Talan**

The creepy tree trucks twisted in the spooky forest.

**Tyrone**

**POEMS – Did you Ever**

**Written by Room 17 Impala's**



Did you Ever

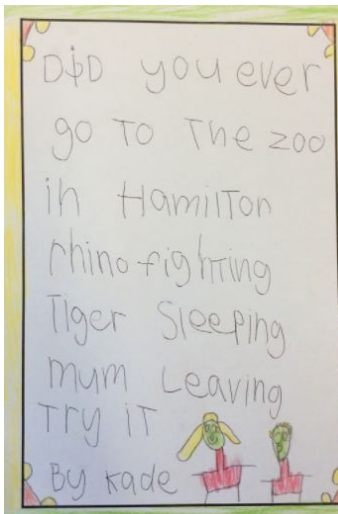
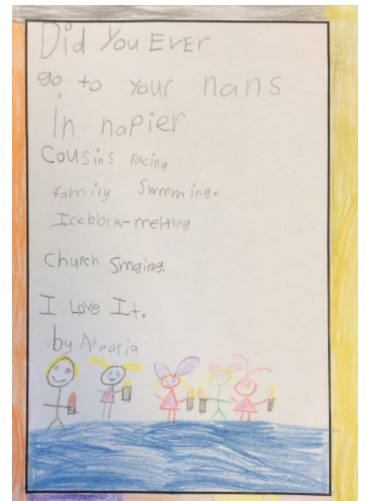
Walk your Dog  
 Around the block  
 Dogs barking  
 Bare Feet Stomping  
 Try it

By Bryson

Did you Ever

Go to your Nan's  
 In Napier  
 Cousin's Racing  
 Family Swimming  
 Iceblock Melting  
 Church Singing  
 I love it

By Ataaria



Did you Ever

Go to the Zoo  
 In Hamilton  
 Rhino Fighting  
 Tiger Sleeping  
 Mum Leaving  
 Try It

By Kade



## Senior School visit from Makuhari students

Makuhari Japanese students visited our senior school to share some of their culture through games and crafts.



## Room 4

We have been learning about chemical reactions to make rockets fly.



## **SENIOR CAMP (Year 5/6)**

We are nearly there! With camp just over two weeks away, we have nearly completed all our paperwork. We are still unsure of numbers as we have not had all camp deposits paid. These need to be paid ASAP so numbers can be confirmed. Full payment of \$155 is due by Next Friday. Please see our office or Pat if there is a problem with having this paid by the due date.

All camp parents have now been selected and a separate notice was sent home today. Thank you for your support with this important EOTC event. Camps are an important part of our school culture and we are unable to provide these experiences within our school grounds.

**Swimming has begun for Seniors  
please remember to bring your togs  
on Wednesday**



**Tui & Tama's  
GREAT  
EASTER  
EGG HUNT!**

Hey kids!  
Join Tui & Tama at the Museum for  
a fun filled afternoon of activities!

Thursday  
29th March  
3.30pm-5pm

Activity Trail Arts & Crafts Spot Prizes

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