



• 9 August 2018 • TERM 3 • WEEK 3•

Principal's Message

On Wednesday 15th of August the school will be closed for the day, there are no provisions to care for the children as nearly all of our teachers will be on strike.

The strike is not just about teacher pay! Teachers are making a stand to improve their working conditions and the conditions for your children. Teachers are asking the government to address the teaching shortage, less and less people are training to be teachers every year, there has been a 40% reduction in people even applying to go to teachers college in recent years. Teachers are passionate about advocating for things that make a difference to student achievement such as smaller class sizes and more support for children who need it when they need it.

Once again we apologise for the inconvenience of closing the school but do hope that we can count on your support during the strike.

Nga Mihi,

Whaea Tania (Heke) Tumuaki-Principal

Events to mark on your calendar

Assembly

Assembly starts at 9am every Friday morning, and are hosted by a different classroom each time.

Family and Friends are welcome to come along.

Hosts and Entertainers for August

Friday 10th August Room 9

Friday 17th August Room 10

Friday 24th August Room 4

Important Dates

August

Wednesday 15th- School CLOSED

Thursday 16th- School Disco

Monday 20th - BOT Hui Staffroom

Wednesday 22nd- Mufti Day and Info evening at TA Intermediate

Wednesday 29th - School X-Country

September

Friday 28th - Last Day of Term 3

School Disco

When: Thursday 16th August

Time: 5:30pm to 7pm

Cost: \$2 Entry Fee

Theme: Showtime

Get your glitter and glamour on, in the lead up to Pekerau Got Talent.

All proceeds to go towards outdoor education.

TEACHER STRIKE

**School will be closed next
Wednesday 15th August 2018.**

We apologise for the inconvenience this may have caused you. If you require daytime care for your child please call The Happy and Safe Club for details

Ph:027 727 8970

"Limited spaces available"



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Pekerau House competition's



Lunchtime
Capture the
Flag
Competition.



Last week our hall was full of fun and laughter "THANKS" Room 17.



TALENT QUEST

Thank you to all those who have already entered the School Talent Quest, we are still looking for some more Pekerau Talent to enter. Go along to Room 1 and see the team for an entry form, ***It is not to late.***
Entries close Week 8 Friday 14th September
Auditions will be held during week 9

Cuppa and Korero

Stay for a cuppa and korero (talk) after assembly each Friday.

We have barista made coffee available for \$3.00 or run of the mill tea and coffee at no charge.

You also get the pleasure of our company absolutely FREE!



PTA – Artworks Fundraiser

It is that time of year again where your child will draw a piece of artwork in class and in return parent/caregivers will get an opportunity to purchase their child's artwork displayed on either a

- Calendar
- Mouse Pad
- Cards (Pkt 8)
- Diary
- Sketch Pad



We have a display setup in the main office if you would like to see any of the above items.

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



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Senior School Sharing

In the last three weeks we have been writing our own real life stories. We first had to write a plan down then write it in our writing books, we double checked it and then we wrote it up on the computers page by page to present it as a book. We had to print it off and draw our pictures. We made our cover page and this is what they look like now. We were learning to write our ideas in the correct sequence and to add detail to make our stories interesting.



Raynil and Logan

Junior School

Room 11 have been learning all about clocks so far this term. We have learnt to identify half past and o'clock times.

We also had fun designing our own clocks.



Whanau Hui

When: Thursday 16th August 2018

Where: School Staffroom

Topic: Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L)

Discussion: School Values

Mufi Day

When: Wednesday 22 August

Cost: Gold Coin Donation

Theme: Yellow

Proceeds to go towards Outdoor Education

School X Country

Will be held at Flay's Berry Farm on Wednesday 29th August 2018.

We are looking for volunteers to run the sausage sizzle on the day, please contact the office if you are interested.

Mini-Ball Yr 5/6

Miniball for Year 5 and 6 students for TERM 3 starts tomorrow night.

Friday 10th August 2018 @ Te Awamutu Events Centre.

Please meet at 3:45pm, game on at 4:15pm



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At school, the teachers are focussing on reading. We are having regular meetings to discuss what we do as teachers and how we can improve our practice to support accelerated outcomes for the tamariki!

There are things you can do at home too, to support readers in your whanau to be the best readers they can be!

READING WITH YOUR TAMARIKI-THE PEKERAU WAY.

Choose a good time and place



The place should be as peaceful as possible.

Choose a time when your child is not tired, hungry, or really keen to do something else, so that you can enjoy reading together.

Choose interesting things to read



Choose something they like and are interested in. It could be...

- Poems
- Nursery rhymes
- Comic books
- Song lyrics
- Cook books
- Ask whanau to post you letters, postcards and emails that you can read together

Positive praise and encouragement



- Talk about the story together.
- Make links between ideas and themes in the story with your whanau and things that happen in your home.
- Encourage your child to look at the pictures to help them work out unknown words.
- Tell your child when they are reading well.
- Give them praise for correcting an error.
- Stay relaxed and enjoy the time together.
- Stop the session calmly if you feel yourself becoming wound up and pick it up another time.

Ask questions to prompt your reader to think about the story that you have read together

- What happened in the beginning, middle and end?
- Who was your favourite character and why?
- What do you think will happen next?
- Where did the (event in the story) happen?
- Why do you think (character) did that?



Te Awamutu Intermediate Information Evening

Wednesday 22nd August 2018
7pm in the School Hall

All year 6 students and parents
welcome to attend

Shout out to Empire Cafe on Sloane Street, Te Awamutu!

Thank you for the yummy lunch donations for our students.

Go and check them out, grab a yummy coffee and delicious treat.

You can also make a \$6 donation to purchase a lunch for a child that would otherwise go hungry.

