



• 31st May 2019 • TERM 2 • WEEK 5

Kia Ora Whanau and Parents,

Thank you for your support this week while our teachers were on strike. We appreciate you making alternate arrangements for your children which allowed us to send a clear message to the Education Minister.

The colder weather is starting to set in now that we are halfway through term 2 so it's timely to remind you to name your child's jumpers and jackets so they can be returned should they be misplaced.

Our teachers are currently carrying out mid year assessments in reading, writing and maths. This data will be shared at the next Board of Trustees meeting and your individual child's progress will be reported to you in writing on the 20th of June. Then on the 27th of June you will be able to book a time to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress and next steps.

Our Matariki Showcase tickets go on sale soon! We will have 2 shows in the last week of this term. Every class in the school will be showcasing their talents through our telling of the Matariki story.

I've included the concerns and complaints procedures in the newsletter again. We know that from time to time parents and whanau may be disgruntled about something we're doing, we'd appreciate the opportunity to discuss this with you and to put our side across before ill informed and misinformation about our school is shared in public forums on social media. Thanks to those lovely people who keep their comments positive - just as we teach our children to be!

Tania Heke

Principal

Teacher Only Day—School Closed Friday 14th June

Every second year Te Awamutu College host a Professional Development day for all the schools in Te Awamutu with topics relevant to the needs of our students.

On Friday the 14th of June, Pekerau School is closed so our teachers can attend the professional development day.

There is no supervision available at school on this day.

Upcoming Dates:

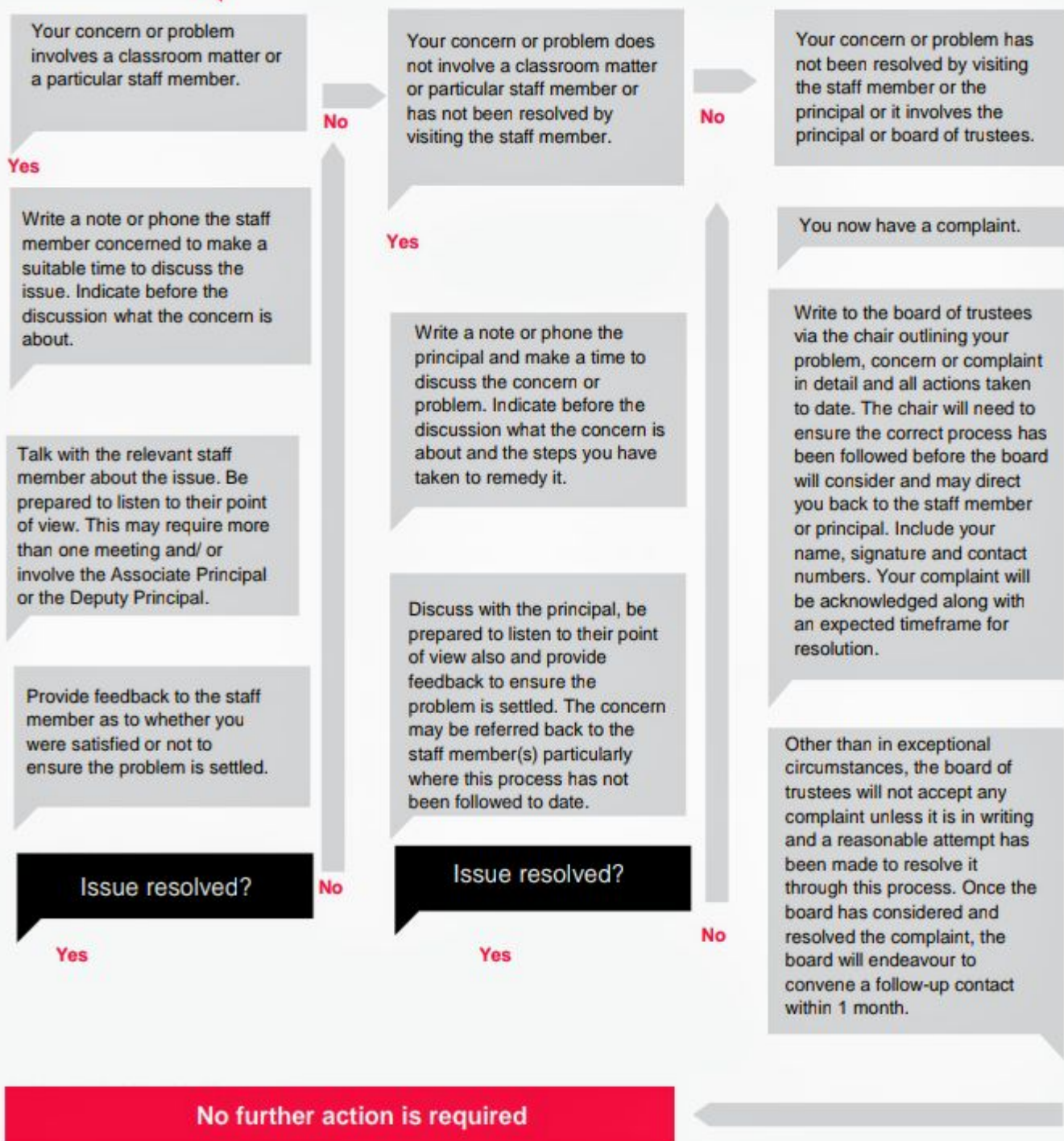
- **3rd June** - Queen's Birthday
- **4th - 7th June** - Book Week/Costume Assembly
- **14th June** - Combined Te Awamutu Schools Teacher only day - SCHOOL CLOSED
- **19th June** - School Photos
- **27th June** - Parent/Teacher interviews
- **1st July** - Matariki Showcase 9.30am
- **2nd July** - Matariki showcase evening performance 6.30pm





C4 Concerns and complaints process

Starting point





Declaration of the Pekerau School Board of Trustees Election Results

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

- Awhimai Huka
- Marie Emmett
- Kerry Emery
- Maia Stockman
- Emma Germann
- Riss Randell

Mel Sullivan
Returning Officer

Parent-Student-Teacher Interviews



Thursday 27th of June 2019

Appointment times available from 1.30pm - 6.50pm

Book online: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>

Code: wn8eg

- Please call our office and we can book the appointment for you if you are unable to access the website yourself
- School finishes at the earlier of time of 1.30pm on this day.
- Children can be collected by whanau from school 12.35pm.
- Students need to be signed out so we can't release them to walk home alone.
- Buses will run at the usual time of 2.55pm,
- Supervision is available for any children that remain at school for the afternoon.

If you are unable to meet with your child's teacher on this date, please contact them directly to arrange and alternate date.



Pekerau Primary School Showcase

Matinee July 1st at 9:30am

Evening performance July 2nd 6:30pm

MATARIKI

Adults \$5.00 Children 12 and under \$2.00

Tickets available from the office from Monday 10th June

BOOK WEEK

We are having a Book Week in Week 6 (4th-7th June). On Friday the 7th we will have a Character Dress Up assembly. This is always the highlight of Book Week and the children really enjoy the opportunity to create their favourite book character costume.

Websites like Pinterest have lots of affordable, effective costume ideas for creative mums and dads.

There will be prizes for the best dressed!



PB4L- Positive Behaviour for Learning

We are Pekerau **S.T.A.R.S** - **S**elf manage, **T**eam Player, **A**im high, **R**esilient, **S**pirit

New awards have been added to Friday morning assemblies. This is to celebrate the students who perform a service to the school and do so each day, week and term with excellence. This can be a thankless job at times but a necessary one. These students continuously show they are Pekerau Stars.

Road Patroller of the week. This is for a Senior Student who shows up when they are required to or fills in for other Road Patrollers without hesitation. They perform their duties to a high standard.

Librarian of the Week- This award goes to a dedicated student who uses their own lunchtimes to return books to shelves, issue books, manages games and completes School Librarian tasks with excellence.

Introducing the new Team Player Star. We would love to give this star a name. If you can think of one please come into the office a share your suggestions or follow this [link](#).



Week 4 Award Results

Bronze Awards
These Pekerau Stars collected
10 values tickets!



Class Attendance Award

1st Place: Room 1
2nd Place: Room 4
3rd Place: Room 3

Silver Kiwi
Zack Hopping



PEKERAU
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Whanau Hui- Family Meeting

On **Thursday 13th June at 5.30pm** in our school staffroom, we're hosting a whanau hui-family meeting to discuss the potential to develop a Te Reo Classroom (Maori language class).

What will we talk about at the hui-meeting?

- Who we are as a school (our school's strategic direction).
- A little about you and your whanau.
- What your aspirations for your children are.
- What your aspirations with regards to a Te Reo classroom are.
- Some factual information about what a Te Reo class could look like at Pekerau. The impacts it would have on the staff, our whanau and families, and our school as a whole from a Principal who has successfully introduced this model at another school.

Who should come to the Whanau hui-family meeting?

- Current whanau and families of Pekerau School.
- Whanau and families that plan on enrolling at Pekerau School in the future.
- Out of zone whanau and families that want to learn more about Pekerau School and what we are about.
- Non-Maori families that won't necessarily want your children in a Te Reo class but want a greater understanding of what this class could look like.
- Anyone who has an opinion about a Te Reo class at Pekerau School that would like to share your ideas with us.

Can I raise other concerns or complaints about the school or something I'm not happy about at the hui-meeting?

No.

From time to time, parents and whanau may have a concern or complaint they want to raise with us. We encourage you to do so by making an appointment to come and see us. This hui-meeting is just to discuss the potential to develop a Te Reo classroom.

For catering purposes, so we know how many chairs to put out and so we can introduce ourselves to you (because we know who your children are), can you please complete and return the slip below to school.

Nga mihi,

Tania Heke
Principal

Number of adults attending: _____

Your name(s) _____

Your child(rens) names _____

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