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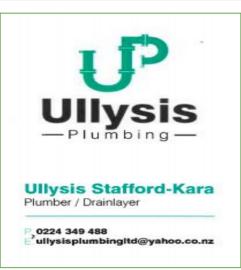
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Kia Ora,

Welcome to the new students and their whanau that joined Pekerau School. Your teachers have told me you are settling in well and have had a great first week with us.

We had a whopping 84% of our whanau attend our goal setting hui recently. We were really stoked so many were able to come in and talk to us about supporting your child's learning. If you still want to make a time to meet with your child's teacher you can do this by contacting your child's teacher directly and making a time to meet with them.

COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

We are currently getting daily updates from the Ministry of Education and I want to reassure you that Pekerau School pandemic plan is ready to be implemented if needed. In the meantime we will continue to focus on good hygiene practices. Hand washing and good cough etiquette are very important tools in preventing the spread of illness including colds, flu and COVID-19. The Ministry of Education have recommended this video clip to help you support your children to understand the virus - YouTube clip - Nanogirl

The Board of Trustees recently had their first meeting of 2020 and have once again elected Erina Lane as Chairperson. Board meetings are open to the public so please come along if you would like to hear what they are all about. The next meeting is Monday 30th of March in the staffroom at 5.30pm.

Tania Heke Principal





Every Friday Assembly @ 9.10am (Except this week -2.15 due to Photos)

Every Wednesday-Miniball

Every Thursday afternoon-Touch Rugby

13th March Photolife Class and Individual photos

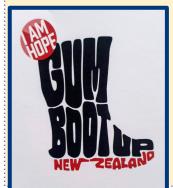
16,17,18 March Raglan Beach Trips

27th March Touch Rugby starts

Monday 30th March BOT Meeting in the staffroom @5.30pm

Hot Cross Bun orders due in 27th March

Gumboot Mufti Day 3rd April







At Pekerau School we have 2 start dates a term for children turning 5. This week we welcomed our second intake for the term. To strengthen their transition from ECE to school, we invite all nearly 5 year olds to attend our kick start program on a Wednesday afternoon so they can familiarise themselves with the 5 year olds classrooms and teachers.



Our teachers have also been out in the community. They have already been to see tamariki from Kihikihi Kindergarten, Apakura Te Kakano Early Learning Centre and Hazelmere Kindergarten and are looking forward to visiting the other centres before the end of term.

PHOTO LIFE CLASS and INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Your son or daughter will bring home an online slip with their unique Access Key detailed on it. This Access Key will display all the photographs of your child.

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Do you know where your children are?

We recently had some vandalism and graffiti at our school. When we reviewed our CCTV we were disturbed by some of the things we saw!

- Unsupervised Pekerau children here at school as late as 8.30pm
- Pekerau children playing on top of classroom roofs
- Adolescents/Adults consuming alcohol on our grounds in the middle of night

When our school is vandalised we are forced to redirect funding for classroom resources to pay for repairs and maintenance.

We want our community to enjoy the playground and to have a safe place to ride your bikes and scooters and therefore we encourage **<u>supervised</u>** play by a parent or a responsible sibling.

We need the entire community to help us look after our kura and our tamariki.

- Know where your children are and what they are doing after school and during weekends
- Contact the Police if you see suspicious behaviour at our school or in our community

REMINDER Raglan Beach Trips



The school has been given the opportunity to attend a Beach Education programme at Raglan Surf Life Saving Club. The day is run by the Raglan Surf Life Guards and consists of surf safety messages, bodyboarding, beach games, swimming and understanding the role of a lifeguard.

In light of recent events, we want to reassure you that we have taken every possible precaution to eliminate potential risk or harm.

Please note: All adults need to be prepared to get in the water.

As Pekerau is now a ZERO School Fees school there is no charge for students.

A notice asking for parent help, and a student permission slip has been sent home this week. If you have not received one, please contact your child's teacher.

Day/ Date	Rooms/ Groups	
Monday 16th March	New Entrants (Room 13, 14) Year 1 & 2 (Room 11, 10 & 9)	
Tuesday 17th March	Year 3 (Room 9 & 4) Year 4 (Room 4, 3 & 16)	
Wednesday 18th March	Year 5 & 6 (Room 1, 2, 3, 16)	



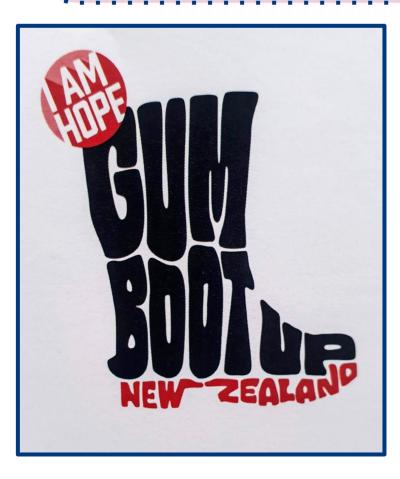
The Fundraising Committee Needs You!

We are after some more awesome whanau who love to help our school!

If you think you can join our team and help, please come along to an afternoon tea meeting in the staffroom, TUESDAY 31ST MARCH at 3.00pm.

We would love to see you there!

Any questions come and see Bayley McOnie in Room 14.



We are wearing our gumboots and mufti to school on **Friday 3rd April** to support young people with depression.

Bring a GOLD COIN that we will donate to Mike King's Gumboot Up initiative that provides free counselling for anyone under 25.

Check out the Gumboot Up website here

https://www.iamhope.org.nz/gu mbootfriday

Positive Behaviour 4 Learning





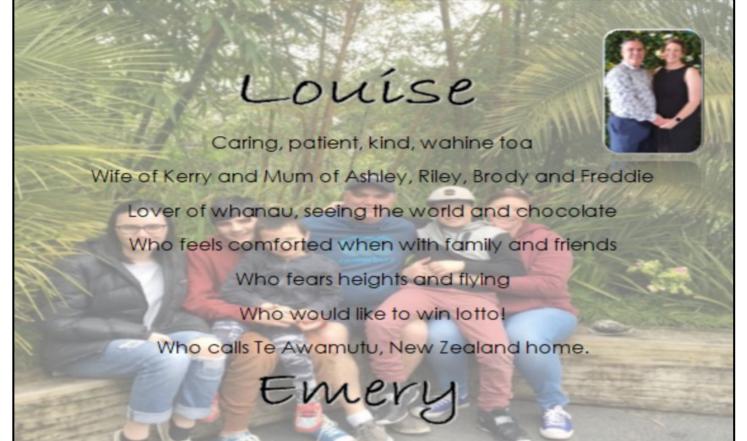




We have been celebrating Positive Behaviour at Pekerau School by rewarding students that have chosen to cash in their values tickets.

Students earn values tickets by demonstrating behaviours described in our behaviour expectation matrix. They can choose to spend values tickets on rewards, with some children choosing to save for the higher value items.

Staff Spotlight





Megan

Wife of Ed and Mum of Olivia and Zack

Funny, Kind, Helpful, Sporty

Lover of Squash, sports and the fur babies Bella, Boston and Jeffy

Who feels at peace when I'm with my family at Waihi Beach

Who gives 100% to my family and Pekeran School Fundraising Team!

Megan foots

Hopping

Staff Spotlight



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for my family & I We have 3 cats

I am married to Ray & have 3 children

I have a wonderful Mum! Very kind, caring and supportive. She always goes above & beyond

One of my favourite hobbies is encaustic art (pictures made of melted coloured beeswax)

Sharon Saunders has been part of the Pekerau Whanau for many years as a parent, board of trustees member and has also worked in the school office. Now you can find her in our School Library, looking after our resources and hanging out with the Kaitiaki readers on a Wednesday morning.









Ko Kakepuku toku Maunga Ko Puniu toku Awa No Te Awamutu ahau Ko Woodhouse toku Whanau Ko Monty toku Matua Ko Joyce toku Whaea Ko Dave Shaw toku Tane Ko Dylan toku Tama Ko Chloe toku Tamahine Ko Max toku Tama Ko Jude Shaw toku Ingoa



THE ONLY WAY TO DO GREAT WORK IS TO LOVE WHAT YOU DO

JUDE SHAW

These are a few of my favourite things: FAMILY Lake Taupo Picnics Licorice Helping children succeed









Pekerau School Policies

Our school has been working with SchoolDocs to create a website for our policies and procedures. We are excited to announce that the site is now live and available to our school community.

Our policies and procedures have been tailored to our school, describing our procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents inl ine with legislation and/or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular review. We will advise you when policies are up for review by the Board of Trustees and how you can take part in the review.

We invite you to visit the site at https://pekerau.schooldocs.co.nz

Username: pekerau **Password:** thepekerauway

2020 School Start Dates for Children Turning 5.

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Monday 3 February	Tuesday 28th April	Monday 20th July	Monday 12th October
and	and	and	and
Monday 9th March	Tuesday 2nd June	Monday 24th August	Monday 16th November

Leading up to their start school date, children will be invited to attend the kick start program on Wednesday afternoons from 1.30pm to 2.30pm to familiarise themselves with the classroom teacher and school routines. When you come into the office to complete the enrolment forms, we will let you know when your child can start coming along.



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