



• Week 4, 6th November • 2020 •



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Kia ora e te whanau,

The term is flying by so quickly - it is hard to believe we are in November!

After a great start, the weather let us down yesterday for our athletics sports unfortunately. It was lovely to see so many whanau here supporting until the umbrellas had to come out. Kate Muller did a fabulous job with her organisation of this event and selections will be made for the inter-school event once the team have a clear indication of who excels in this area.

Last week's Mufti Day raising money for Kids at Risk raised \$234! Reon Morrison came up with this idea himself, put the idea to us, and organised the whole thing. We are so proud of your thoughtfulness Reon and ability to make something happen! What a STAR!

We have swimming lessons, kindly funded by Swim Waipa and our Board starting the week after next which will be a great opportunity to have six individualised lessons based on their needs. Please let your child's class teacher know if you can help out.

Kia pai tō mutunga wiki - have a good weekend.  
Tania.

## Save the Date

**Term 4:**  
**Teacher only day**  
**13th November**

Swimming starts  
16th November  
Rooms 1,2,3

23rd November  
Rooms 1,2,3

24th November  
Rooms 4,16,9

29th November  
Rooms 4,16,9

3rd December  
Rooms 10,11,13,14

6th December  
Rooms 10,11,13,14

Interschool Athletics  
26th November

TAI Orientation Day  
Year 6's 1st December

Year 6 Graduation  
Thursday 10th December

Pekerau Prizegiving  
Friday 11th December

**Term 4 ends**  
Tuesday 15th December @  
12pm



# Grandparents Day 2020

Thank you to all the grandparents and special people that joined us in Week 2. We loved being able to share our learning with you.



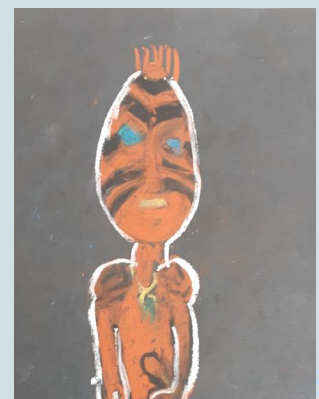
# Room 16/Room 3 Marae Trip



Room 3 and Room 16 had a fabulous time at Otāwhao Marae last week. We had great parent and staff support which was greatly appreciated.

The children all had opportunities to make poi, weave harakeke, learn waiata, create a lego wharenuui and really look indepth at the incredible carvings. We were also lucky to have Whaea Israel explain marae protocols which was enlightening for many.

We were all well fed thanks to our parents who kindly donated food and their time. We also managed to get some sleep, although we definitely returned to school rather tired, where we had a shared lunch and continued with our carving art.



# Mufti Day Fundraiser

What an amazing mufti day we had on Friday 30th October.

Congratulations to Reon from Room 1 who organised this event and raised \$234.80!

## NIGHT OF THE LOST!

My arms were tied up and knotted. Betrayal, I thought bitterly. I had just spent the bleak night on the soft grass. Usually I was at home cosy and warm in the closet, but tonight, I was stiff all over. All the pests in the grass crawled onto me and started to bite my woolly flesh.

Hours ticked by and the sun started to peek through the trees playfully. Warmth I thought happily. Drip, drip, drip. The rain slowly poured and the sun sought shelter behind the clouds. Shivering, I heard the bell ring. Children rushed out of the classrooms before heading quickly back inside. Phew! Safe at last.

I spoke too soon. A giant Doberman rushed out and clenched me tightly in its jaws. The dog dragged me under the fence and wrestled me. "Jack," said a stern voice "drop the jacket" all of a sudden I was in my owner's arms once more. Jersey and human reunited at last...or so I thought... "Eww, dog slobber" and just like that I was tossed out once again.



BY AMÉLIE

Check out  
this  
fabulous  
piece of  
writing  
from  
Amelie  
from Room  
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## TERM 4 SWIMMING

The Board of Trustees are helping fund Swimming Lessons for all our tamariki next term. Each class will be travelling by bus down to the Te Awamutu Event Centre where trained instructors will facilitate the lessons. Your child's teacher will be in touch closer to the time as some classes will need help with supervision of children.

### Value Trophy Week 4 Winners

3rd Place - Room 16

2nd Place - Room 4

1st Place - Room 14

As the summer sun is approaching and the days are getting warmer please remember to send tamariki to school with a hat and a water bottle.



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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 inline 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>

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### 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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