

Piopio College

Te Kura Tuarua o Piopio

Newsletter



Panui 5– 6 March 2020

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday 10 March

* KC Athletics Te Awamutu

Wednesday 11 & Thursday 12 March

* Y12 Outdoor Recreation Tramp

Tuesday 17 March

* McQuilkin Cup

Thursday 19 March

* Athletics Day

Friday 20 March

* KC Swimming Sports
Taumarunui

Monday 23 March

* Y10 Vision Tests

Kia ora whānau

As you have most likely seen in the media this week, there are now four confirmed cases of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) in New Zealand and you may be thinking, how can I protect myself and family, and what is the school doing to prevent it. The Ministries of Education and Health have issued the following advice which we are following:

PROTECTING YOURSELF AND OTHERS AGAINST RESPIRATORY ILLNESS

HANDWASHING IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING YOU CAN DO TO PROTECT YOURSELF

- Cover your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing
- Use a tissue and dispose of this once used
- Always wash hands after coughing and sneezing or disposing of tissues
- Keep your hands away from your mouth, nose and eyes.
- Avoid contact with individuals at risk (eg, people with underlying or chronic illnesses such as immune suppression or lung disease) until the influenza-like symptoms have resolved.
- Avoid contact with people who have influenza-like symptoms.
- Ask students to use a tissue and cover their nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing and to wash and dry their hands afterwards

For further advice and information please visit

<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus>

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I would like to thank all the students, parents and teachers for attending our 3 way conferences held on Monday and Tuesday this week. The students goals have been recorded on our Student Management System and will be reviewed later in the year. If you were unable to attend the conferences but would like to meet with teachers please call the main office on 07 877 8173 to arrange a suitable day and time.

I want to invite all parents to attend all our future sport and athletics events either as a spectator or as a helper. Our next event is Athletics Day on Thursday 19 March and it would be great to see you cheering the students on.

Just a reminder about the free wellbeing helpline text/phone number which is 1737 and is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week where you can talk to (or text with) a trained counsellor.

FINANCE OFFICE HOURS

8.45am - 1.45pm

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday to Friday (Term only)

10.00am to 2.00pm

library@piopio.school.nz



<https://facebook.com/groups/590941524589572>

Sports Corner

Kia ora whānau,

What a busy sporting term it has been already and we still have lots to come!



Swimming Sports

Wow what an amazing day we had at our school Swimming Sports. The students were awesome and participation was great. A massive thank you to all of our helpers that came and supported us on the day. We couldn't have done it without you and we loved hanging out with you all.

Here are our results:

Sub Junior Girls

1st Caitlyn Cody
2nd Molly MacLachlan
3rd Eva Walton

Junior Girls

1st Jaimee Manhire
2nd Viviana Fagan
3rd Reanna Haine

Intermediate Girls

1st Georgia Pari
2nd Jessie James
3rd Teia Blakeman

Senior Girls

1st Tylah Hayes- Purnell

Sub Junior Boys

1st Harley Denize
2nd Lynden Brough
3rd Korvell Young

Junior Boys

1st Corban Denize
2nd Jericho Hughes
3rd Reece Omelvena

Intermediate Boys

1st Beau Pari

Senior Boys

1st Christopher Fagan-Mexted

Swimming Sports House Points Results

1st Kauri 448
3rd Kowhai 329

2nd Kahikatea 387
4th Rata 213

King Country Swimming is coming up on the 20 March in Taumarunui, so I will start to put our team together next week which will be based on the Swimming Sports results.

Waitomo Inter-Schools Swimming

Congratulations to our Year 7 and 8 students who were selected to represent our kura at the Waitomo Inter-Schools Swimming Sports today. Results to come as students were yet to finish the event when the newsletter went to print. Thank you to Stephanie Brough who kindly gave up her day to help me with the team.

King Country Athletics

We have King Country Athletics coming up on Tuesday in Te Awamutu. Well done to those that have been selected to represent our kura and all the best! Please make sure you remember to pay your entry and transport costs to the school office which is \$10. We will be meeting at the student centre at 8.30am where students will be issued with a school singlet. Students don't forget your own black active shorts. Any issues please contact me.

Piopio College Athletics

Our school Athletics is coming up on the 19 March. Students have completed their entries during whānau time this week. If you missed this please see me so I can get your entries sorted. We would love some help on this day to ensure we can run the event smoothly. Please contact Mr Ben Draper or myself if you can help. We will most likely put you on time keeping with other staff to help if you are nervous.

Waitomo Sevens Tournament

We are looking at putting together a couple of Year 7 and 8 mixed teams to compete in the Waitomo Sevens Tournament on 1 April. We will need some coaches and helpers for this to run. If you think this may be you, please contact me.

Basketball

A Basketball module is on afterschool in the Gym on Wednesdays for Year 9-13s with Dan MacLachlan.

Netball

Trials were on Wednesday which saw the start of the season. Thank you to Gina Draper and Vanessa Chatfield who organised and ran the trials, Vicky Cole who helped me with the selection of the senior teams and Rikki Brown, Renee Kumeroa, Paige Bell-Coffin who umpired. Gina and Vanessa will be coaching College A and Rikki Brown and Renee Kumeroa will be coaching the College Development team.

We need two coaches for our Year 7 and 8 Teams, so if you are interested please contact either myself or Gina. We will publically name the teams in our next Sports Corner.

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Hockey

Trudy Denize has stepped up and offered to coordinate our hockey this year and coach one of the junior teams. Thank you Trudy. She is going to coordinate a muster for this later in the term. We will keep you posted on when this will be. It is looking like we will have two junior teams and we are after one more coach if anyone is interested!

The senior players that have put their name down will join the surrounding schools to make up a team as we are short on numbers. We will keep you informed.

Next Thursday at 3.45pm at Te Kuiti High School Stu Pitu is coming down to coach some intermediate hockey. It is also the first muster for any players interested in playing for the King Country Hockey team. Trudy would highly recommend all our players to attend this session even if they don't want to play King Country as they will learn valuable skills. Any hockey queries please contact Trudy at vanbeekdesigns@gmail.com.

Up and Coming Events

Tuesday 10 March - King Country Athletics, Te Awamutu Stadium

Thursday 12 March - Intermediate Hockey Coaching at Te Kuiti High School 3.45pm

Tuesday 17 March- McQuilkin Cup Rugby

Thursday 19 March – School Athletics, Piopio College

Friday 20 March – King Country Swimming Sports, Taumarunui High School

Wednesday 1 April - Waitomo Sevens Tournament (Year 7 and 8s), King Country Rugby Grounds

Until next fortnight,

Lucy Thomas, Sports Coordinator

After School Learning Hub Update

The "After School Learning Hub" is humming! At the two week mark we had eight students beavering away as well as three teachers. This is despite Netball trials and Swimming Club activities happening on the same night. Activities range from working on homework sheets, doing subject related learning and practising musical instruments.

Here is some student voice:-

"The food is yummy!" (Strawberries, blueberries and muffins the first night and hot fish, chips and biscuits the second night). "It's easy to do your work 'cos it's quiet and you get bonus help 'cos you're going to do your homework at home anyway."

"I finished all of my homework for the week".

"I like the homework centre because it gives you a chance to catch up. It's quite relaxing because you get away from your siblings. You have more time to finish off work."

"I think the ASLH is really good because it gives you a chance to actually complete work."

"It's easy to work because the environment is calm and there's no distractions."

"It's quite nice because I can catch up on stuff and make some friends and it's quiet."

PIOPIO COLLEGE CANTEEN MANAGER

Piopio College BoT, students and staff are looking for someone special to manage their canteen. The canteen services Piopio College students and staff as well as Piopio Primary school students. Are you passionate about our community and enjoy creating delicious and healthy food? Do you have good business sense? This could be the opportunity you are looking for. Must have a current food-handling license and food safety plan. Expressions of interest or for more information email admin@piopio.school.nz or phone 07 877 8173.

Start date ASAP. Applications close 3.00pm Wednesday 11 March 2020.

Waka Ama

The squad have been training x3 mornings a week from 6am to 7am in Te Kūiti with specialist coaches and alongside Te Wharekura o Maniapoto. Coaches have been impressed with our students and their commitment. National Champs are in Rotorua from March 29 to April 2. Big mihi to Whaea Tania and Whaea Joanne.

College Bucket hats and caps are now available to purchase from the Office, \$15.00 each.

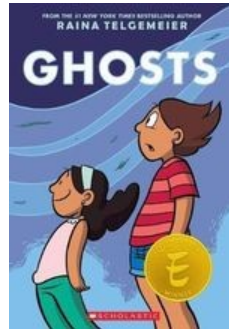
Piopio College horse riders had the opportunity to compete in the Inter Schools Show Jumping Championships, at Cambridge later this month. Unfortunately, due to riders being fully involved in other competition commitments, we were unable to make a team. Next year!

Under 13s Rugby Muster Monday 9th 3:30 at Piopio College Gym . All players and keen coaches welcome.

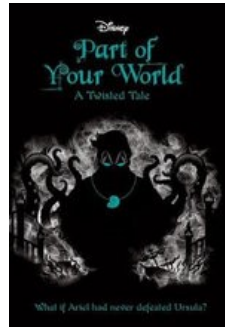
LIBRARY NEWS The library is very busy this year with lots of new and exciting books getting put into the system, here's a few that are now on the shelves.



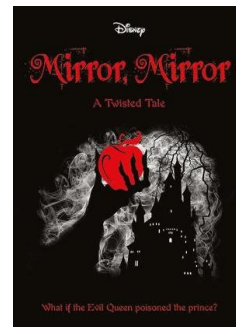
The Dragonet Prophecy - by, Tui T Sutherland



Ghosts by, Raina Telgemeier



Part of Your World by, Liz Braswell



Mirror Mirror by, Jen Calonita



Scars like Wings by, Erin Stewart

LEGO WANTED

We are looking for donations/the loan of Lego for the Year 7s to hold Lego Wars. This activity will cover many curriculum areas. Please leave at Main Office if you are able to help.

King Country Junior Hockey

DEVELOPMENT HOCKEY 2020 MUSTER

All interested Year 7 to 8 players wanting to join the King Country Development Hockey Squad to further develop their skills and experience full field hockey should come to our muster.

Muster Dates - held at Te Kuiti High School

- = Thursday 12th March at 3.45pm
- = Another Muster to be confirmed

What to bring: Mouth guard, shin guards and hockey stick.

The Development Squad practice once a week on a Sunday and play games in the Waikato Competition in Hamilton on Friday nights, times vary.

Any year 5 and 6 interested in improving their hockey skills are welcome to attend the muster and trainings.

Competition starts on Friday 1st May and runs through until Friday 28th August.

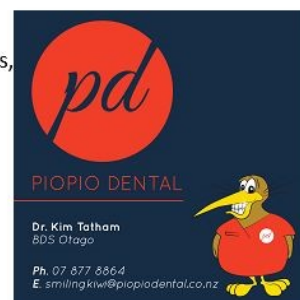
For more information please contact Trudy Denize on vbeekdesign@gmail.com

IS YOUR CHILD DUE FOR THEIR YEARLY DENTAL CHECK UP?

Is your child Year 9 and above but under the age of 18?

Piopio Dental provides dental care for all the family, free dental care for children under 18yrs, ACC and WINZ treatments (T&C apply) and Community Services Card holders (T&C apply).

Care for all primary and intermediate children is still provided by the School Dental Therapist.



Please give us a call to make a booking or feel free to pop in.

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