

14th February
2025



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Meet the teachers

19th Feb 4 pm - 6 pm

Board Meeting

26th Feb @ 6pm

PYSC AGM

27th Feb

Swimming Sports

28th Feb

Interschool Swimming Sports

7th March

End of term one

11th April



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PIPIO PRIMARY SCHOOL



Tenā Koutou,

This week 100 of our tamariki chose to participate in the process of creating their art for the **Project Piopio Trust art competition**. We are really excited to be part of this community project and thank **Nicky Atkinson, Jo Gallagher, Trudy Denize** and the team of helpers for their expertise. I can't wait to see what they produce.

Teachers have spent time during the break to learn about the **new mathematics curriculum** and the resources we are using in 2025. There will be some changes to the mathematics teaching and learning programme. This includes maths homework. We will no longer be sending home weekly maths homework sheets. Teachers will let whānau know what students can be doing at home to support their mathematics learning.

We are halfway through our **swimming programme** for 2025. Thank you to everyone who is sending their tamariki to school prepared for swimming. We are incredibly fortunate to have the expertise of **Lee Alcock** who is supporting teachers to teach swimming. I am looking forward to **swimming sports on Friday the 28th of February** to see the progress they have made. I want to thank the **Piopio Pool Trust** for providing the 2 temporary small pools for us to use. We are incredibly grateful. Further information regarding swimming sports will be sent out over the next week. Please be aware with the temporary pools our day will look slightly different than previous years.

We had our first days of **Classroom Release Time (CRT)** for the teachers this week. The CRT team of **Lee Alcock, Anna Price, Keri Alcock, Vicki Coll**, and myself really enjoyed the teaching and learning programme, which included small ball activities for PE, digital technology, nutrition and our environment.



Finally, good luck to all the year 6 tamariki who are presenting their speeches for the **house leaders election** next week. We have a fantastic group of candidates.

Sue Coyle
Tumuaki/Principal



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Room 5

Class Newsletter



Nau mai hoki mai! Welcome back to Term 1 2025



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Welcome Back!



- Nau mai hoki mai! Welcome to term 1. It's been a busy term already. We start this term off with 26 students: 14 boys and 12 girls.
- Our class have settled in well and are looking forward to the term ahead. Please feel free to pop into the classroom to check out your child's learning.

Important Dates

- Meet the Teachers
Wednesday 19th February
- Swimming Sports
Friday 28th February
- Interschool Swimming
Friday 7th March

Please check the school newsletter each Friday to keep up to date with school events.

Term 1 Learning

Reading: We are trialling BSLA for the University of Canterbury. The class work in ability groups which do a mixture of reading and comprehension activities throughout the week. Your child is expected to read something of their choice each night. Students are responsible for writing the date, title of their book and comment about their reading - parents just need to sign.

Library: Our day is every Tuesday. Your child can choose their own books based on their interests. Library books need to be returned by the following Tuesday so your child can issue two new books.

Maths: PRIME Mathematics

There is no maths homework. It is however very important that your child has good BASIC FACTS FLUENCY or the ability to recall the basic facts in all four operations (addition/subtraction/multiplication/division) accurately, quickly and effortlessly. When your child masters their basic facts, they will be better equipped to solve higher-level concepts.



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ROOM 5



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Overview of the learning for Term 1:

Maths:

Number knowledge, patterns and relationships

Word works:

Better Start Literacy Approach (BSLA) - focus will be on phonemes, letter-sound relationships, syllable patterns, morphemes, vocabulary, sentence structure, paragraph structure and text structure.

Writing focus:

Generating ideas, organising ideas, selecting appropriate words, writing in sentences that make sense, applying spelling knowledge, applying punctuation knowledge and editing their work.

Te Reo:

Pepeha - communicate about personal information such as name, parents' and grandparents' names, iwi, hapu, mountain and river, or home town and place of family origin.

Inquiry: How to walk the path to well-being

Our driving question for our inquiry is, "How do we embrace challenges?". In a world that often values instant gratification and success, it's crucial to instill in children the importance of embracing challenges and setbacks. We have a range of activities to help foster resilience, adaptability and a growth mindset.



Learning Overview

Health & Physical Education:

Take notice, Relationships, Well-being as well as Swimming and Ball Skills

The Arts:

Focus - Visual Art.
Our class has entered into the Project Piopio Trust Painting Competition.

Buddy Class

Every Wednesday afternoon we spend time sharing our work with Room 4. This is a good opportunity to build positive tuakana (older) teina (younger) relationships and gives them a chance to talk about their learning and be a role model for their younger peers.



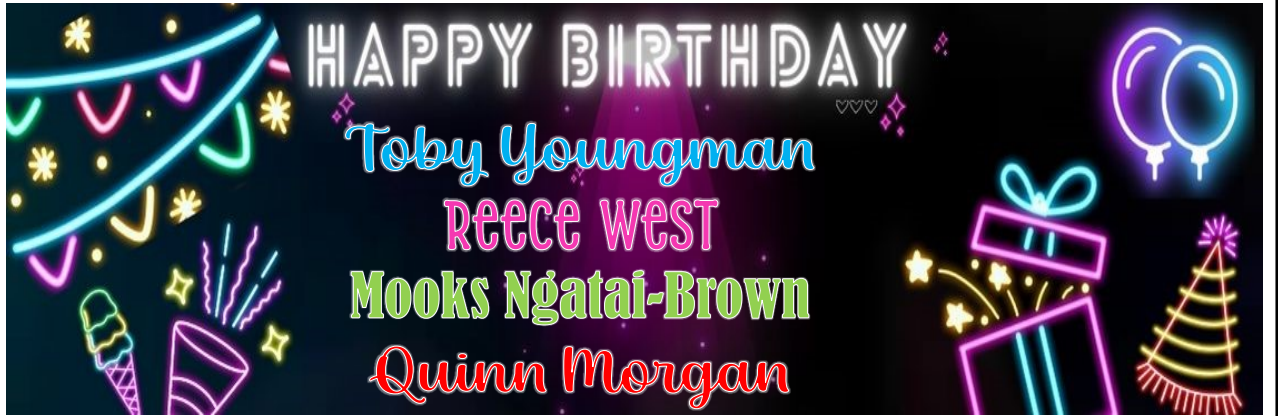
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WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL

Kiara Williams
Crystal & Cooper Crann

who joined our school this week



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Toby Youngman
Reece West
Mooks Ngatai-Brown
Quinn Morgan



TERM ONE

Please remember that it is compulsory for children to wear bucket hats in term one (No caps) please remember to pack a named hat daily

PIOPIO COMMUNITY & DISTRICTS CHARITABLE TRUST

APPLICATION FOR GRANTS

Application forms for Individuals and Organization's may be printed off the Piopio website or by emailing the Trust.

Email: piopiotrust@gmail.com

Areas covered for grants include Piopio Township and the districts of Mairoa – Mangaotaki – Mahoenui – Aria – Mokauiti – Mapiu – Kopaki – Benneydale – Oparure and Rangitoto. Te Kuiti Borough is not included.

Applications close at 5p.m. on 31st March 2025.



Meet the
TEACHER

COME ON IN & MEET THE TEACHERS
WEDNESDAY 19TH FEBRUARY
4PM - 6PM
ALL WELCOME
FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE