

# NEWSLETTER

Week 9

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Whole school

Marae visit

Mon 7th April

End of term 1

Fri 11th April

Start of term 2

Mon 28th April

Teacher only day

Friday 9th May

School X country

Monday 12th May

Interschool x country

Friday 16th May

Teacher only day

Monday 9th June

# PIOPIO

PRIMARY SCHOOL  
PANUI #9 | 4th April 2025

Tenā Koutou,

It has been an exciting week for me personally as we welcomed our little mokopuna into the world. I don't think my feet have touched the ground since we got the news on Tuesday.

At the board meeting on Wednesday night the board approved 2 Teacher Only Days. These days have been given to all schools in Aotearoa New Zealand for the purpose of implementing the refreshed mathematics and statistics learning area of the NZ Curriculum. We will be joining other schools in the Piopio and Te Kuiti area on Friday the 9th of May and Monday the 9th of June to support the progress and achievement of mathematics for your tamariki.

Another date to put on your calendars is our school cross country. This will be on Monday the 12th of May. Our PYSC committee will be having a sausage sizzle and selling some old uniforms on the day. Keep a lookout for their notice on the PYSC Facebook page. I am sure some tamariki will be training during the term break. The interschool cross country at Rangitoto is on Friday the 16th of May. I know there will be further term 2 dates for your calendar, we will keep you updated as these are confirmed.

On Monday is our school trip to Napinapi Marae. We are all really looking forward to the trip and all classes have been reviewing the protocols of being welcomed onto a marae. We are really grateful to the whānau of Napinapi Marae for allowing us to visit.

I am going to be spending my weekend getting as many cuddles with my grandson as possible. I know there are lots of events happening, including a local hunting competition, so good luck to all the hunters. Have a great weekend and enjoy the much needed rain.

Ngā mihi nui  
Sue Coyle  
Principal

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# ROOM 5 & 6 CAMP



## Camp

Last week from Wednesday - Friday room 5 and 6 went on camp to Finlay Park. We went on camp to learn, have fun, and to learn some survival skills.

One of my favourite activities was animal survival. Animal survival is when you go on a barge on the lake to an island called Skull Island. We had to run away from the adults and keep as many lives and possible. I got so muddy!

Another of my favourite activities were the top team games. Top team is where you do relays and fun water games and you had to work together. I was mainly the one who sat on things for the relay because I was the lightest. I got so wet but it was so fun!!!!

One of my other favourite activities was the hydroslide. The hydroslide is where you get a boogie board and go super duper fast down this white slide and land in the lake. When I went down the hydroslide I went so far out it was so fun!!! Bevan pushed me down so fast it was scary but fun.

At camp we had to go out of our comfort zones and try new things. The activity that was out of my comfort zone was the indoor climbing because I did the crates. The crates is when you have to stack a whole lot of crates. What you do is you stand on one and then click the next one onto the first one and then stand on that one. In group 2 Buck got the highest and in group 1 me and Angus were the only people who got to the roof.

It was so fun! But I'm super sad it's over.

By Lily Draper (room 6)

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## CAMP

Last week Wednesday-Friday Room 5 & 6 went on camp to Finlay park adventure camp. Some parent helpers came. My dad took Nabee, Beau, Max and me to camp.

One of my favourite activities at camp was Animal survival. At Animal survival my group's instructor was called Max. Max took us on a barge in the lake to an island called Skull island, and that is where we played Animal survival. Animal survival was hard, I was a rat. I was a herbivore, which meant I had a green bib. We had to run away from the adults and carnivores and try to keep our lives. We also had to find food stations and not get shot by the hunter.

I also enjoyed indoor climbing. My favourite climb was the crate climb. Me and Lily were the only ones that got to the top. The top was about 18-20 crates high I did the rope climb and it took me about 15 seconds to get to the top. After the rope climb I did the ladder climb, and that one also took me about 15 seconds. Later I did the hardest rock climb. I got 59 seconds hooning up there. Finally I did the ropes, that one took me about 2 minutes.

Last but not least was bush survival. At bush survival, they make you build a stretcher. My group carries me. We went into the bush and had to make bivouacs. We made ours like a tent because we had pegs. Rico and Lucas were the mud monsters. They were rolling in the mud like pigs. My group was lucky because our hut survived the bucket of water that was thrown on us. We stayed extremely dry!

Camp was extremely awesome!

By Angus Cowin (room 6)



# NOTICE

## BOARD

Please Txt/Email/phone the officer by 2.45pm if there is any changes to your child's afterschool arrangements

### Out of Office



The office will be unattended next Monday 7th April due to the whole school marae trip.

Please contact the school mobile for any alterations on 027 347 4142 or email Mrs Coyle on [principal@ppp.school.nz](mailto:principal@ppp.school.nz)

**HAPPY Birthday**  
**Nia Macdonald**  
**Coltyn Mackenzie**  
**Dallas Thomas**  
**Rylee Boddie**  
**Sophia Blake**

who celebrated their birthday over the week



### WHAT IS THE PTA?

The PTA (Parent- Teacher Association) in primary school is a group of parents and teachers who work together to support the school and community. The PTA'S main goals are to improve the school's environment, enhance student learning and foster communication between parents and teachers.

YOUR SUPPORT IS ESSENTIAL, AND YOUR IDEAS ARE HIGHLY VALUED!

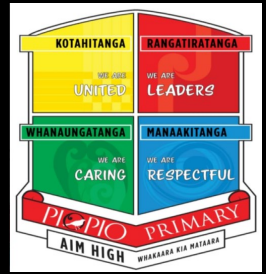
DOES THIS SOUND LIKE YOU? FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT MELISSA MACDONALD OR CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE 0273674142

### WHAT HAS OUR PTA FUNDED 2024/2025

- KAPA HAKA UNIFORMS
- NEW HEAT PUMP FOR THE MPR
- BLINDS FOR SENIOR BLOCK
- NEW TV'S FPR RM4 AND RM2
- LEARNING RESOURCES FPR CLASSES - CURRICULUM BOOKS, GAME, ARTS AND CRAFTS SUPPLIES AND MOBILO
- CONTRIBUTION TO YEAR 5 & 6 CAMP- TO REDUCE COST FOR ALL STUDENTS
- NEW CARPE FOR RM3
- NEW MATS FOR ALL CLASSROOMS
- NEW BARK FOR PLAYGROUNDS
- BENCH SEAT FOR OUTSIDE RM9
- SPORTS RIBBONS
- CONTRIBUTION TO THE PPPCHRISTMAS FLOAT



# COMMUNITY BOARD



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Te Kuiti ☎ 07 878 6622  
To find out more email [info@shoppington.co.nz](mailto:info@shoppington.co.nz)

PIPIO COSMOPOLITAN CLUB  
**Wild HUNTING COMPETITION**  
Weigh in: 12 - 3pm Saturday 10 May  
**8-10 MAY 2025**  
All Wild HUNT registrations eligible  
GO INTO THE DRAW TO WIN **\$1000 CASH**  
ALL WEIGHED-IN ENTRIES  
GO INTO THE DRAW TO WIN **\$500 VOUCHER**

<b>BOAR</b>	AVERAGE WEIGHT BOAR \$1000 MYSTERY WEIGHT BOAR \$200	HEAVIEST BOAR 1st \$300, 2nd \$250, 3rd \$200, 4th \$100 BIGGEST TUSKS 1st \$300, 2nd \$200
<b>STAG</b>	AVERAGE WEIGHT STAG Red Stag \$500, Fallow Stag \$500 BEST LOOKING HEAD Judged by Ruapehu/Tairāpeke branch Red Stag \$150, Fallow Stag \$150	HEAVIEST RED STAG 1st \$500, 2nd \$250, 3rd \$100 HEAVIEST FALLOW STAG 1st \$500, 2nd \$250, 3rd \$100
<b>FISH</b>	LONGEST SNAPPER 1st \$200, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$50	HEAVIEST KAHAWAI 1st \$200, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$50
<b>BIRD</b>	HEAVIEST MALLARD DRAKE \$200 HEAVIEST PEACOCK OR PEAHEN \$200	HEAVIEST PARADISE MALE + FEMALE PAIR \$200

-All prizes are proudly supported by our generous Sponsors-

ADULT ENTRY ALLOWS FOR ALL CATEGORIES REGISTRATION FEE \$45 PER ENTRY ENTRIES CLOSE 5PM WEDNESDAY 7 MAY 2025  
ENTER BEFORE 7 APRIL EARLY BIRD \$200 Draw (no late entries will be accepted) PRIZE GIVING 5PM

**KIDS CRITTER category**  
HEAVIEST POSSUM  
HEAVIEST HARE  
HEAVIEST TURKEY  
GOAT HORNS  
Best measured 1st, 2nd, 3rd Prizes  
+ SPOT PRIZES \$5 ENTRY - ENTRY TO KIDS SECTION ONLY Age 15 years and under

SCAN QR CODE - REGISTER ONLINE  
<https://form.jotform.com/240428906918868>  
ENQUIRIES TO:  
PH BARRY: 0275 610974  
EM: PIPIOCLUB@XTRA.CO.NZ

**WILD FOOD AND BAR FACILITIES**  
FUNDRAISER EVENT FOR PIPIO COSMOPOLITAN CLUB  
Proceeds will support the Piopio Fire Brigade and St Johns  
PIPIO COSMOPOLITAN CLUB  
42 Moa Street, Piopio

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ON APRIL 25

## We remember Anzac Day.

After the Anzac Day service, please join the community for light refreshments  
At the Piopio Cosmopolitan Club and RSA



PIPIO COSMOPOLITAN CLUB  
**Wild HUNTING COMPETITION**  
Weigh in: 12 - 3pm Saturday 10 May  
**8-10 MAY 2025**

**COMPETITION AND RULES**

- Starting time of competition is 1am Thursday 8th May 2025
- Weigh in day is Saturday 10th May 2025 between 12 noon and 3pm at the Piopio Cosmopolitan Club. Prize giving 5pm.
- No animals will be accepted after 3pm.
- The Animal Health Board (AHB) have the right to test all presented pigs, deer and critters for TB.
- Single entry (One hunter per entry), fee \$45 must accompany entry form.
- All animals must be wild and not farmed.
- All animals must be presented clean gutted with nuts in and whole carcasses only.
- All animals must be caught within the stated times of competition.
- All animals must be caught by the person weighing in.
- No trapping of boars and deer.
- In the event of a tie, the first animal in each category weighed in collects the prize.
- All animals must be hanging at the time of prize giving.
- No decomposing animals (must be edible) or badly mutilated animals will be accepted.
- Judges have the right to reject animals and Ridgeline judges' decision is final.
- \*\* Prize winners must be present to collect prizes \*\*
- Major prize section (\$1000 cash prize and Hunters weighed animal section \$500) Excludes Kids Critter section entries.
- Kids Critter Category - Cash draw prize. All weighed-in entries go into the draw to win 1 of 5 \$100 cash prizes. One entry per child registration.
- Entry fee is non refundable although can be transferred to another person.

<b>BOAR</b>	<i>The finer details ..</i>	<b>FISH</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximum of one(1) boar per entry. Second Boar entry of \$10 on the day will be allowed.</li> <li>Boars only.</li> <li>Minimum Weight 30kg.</li> <li>Pigs weighing less than 30kg are only eligible to enter Best Tusk category.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved measure mats must be used for Snapper.</li> <li>Kahawai to be weighed on the day.</li> <li>Boat, surf casting and drone entries accepted.</li> <li>Eyes must be visible.</li> <li>Winning snapper is to be verified by photo message or emailed with name of angler and registration number to: piopiosclub@xtra.co.nz or text Roy Williams 021854434 no later than 3pm 10th May.</li> <li>Registration number supplied by Piopio Cosmopolitan Club must accompany photos.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No tag holes.</li> <li>Ears must be attached.</li> <li>Antlers and head must accompany body at weigh in.</li> <li>All hocks must be removed.</li> <li>Judges decision only.</li> </ul>
<b>KIDS CRITTER category</b>		<b>STAG</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$5 per child (entry to all categories) Age 15 years and under.</li> <li>\$15 per immediate family (3 or more children, entry to all categories).</li> <li>Only one animal per category: Possum, Hare, Turkey and Goat</li> <li>Goat horns measured at the tip of the horns and judged on the widest span.</li> <li>No possums with joeys will be accepted.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mallard drake entries only.</li> <li>Paradise Male and Female pair to be weighed in together for the heaviest combined weight.</li> <li>Peacock and Penhen eligible.</li> </ul>
		<b>BIRD</b>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peacock and Penhen eligible.</li> </ul>

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make payment to: Piopio Cosmopolitan Club  
PAYMENT TO: 03-0449-0184831-00  
Reference: (Name) Particulars: (Hunting Competition) CASH PAYMENTS ACCEPTED  
REGISTRATION FORM TO: PH: 07 877 8204  
EM: PIPIOCLUB@XTRA.CO.NZ  
ONLINE REGISTRATION  
<https://form.jotform.com/240428906918868>

I agree to the rules of the competition & participate at my own risk.  Boar  Stag  Fish  Duck/Peacock  
 Kids Wild Critter Childs age: \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRY FEE \$45 PER ADULT

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRIES CLOSE 5PM WEDNESDAY 9 MAY 2025 (NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED)