28th February 2019

OFFICE HOURS - 8:30am to 3:30pm

Catherine Fitzpatrick: Mon-Tues-Wed
Deirdre Sadd: Tues-Thurs-Fri

View this newsletter on our website: www.pyespa.school.nz

Term Dates

Mon 4th Feb – Fri 12th Apr Mon 29th Apr – Fri 5th Jul Mon 22nd Jul – Fri 27th Sept Mon 14th Oct – Wed 18th Dec

Want to pay by Automatic Payment?
Our Account is with Westpac and the details are:

Acc Name: Pyes Pa Road School Account No: 03 1549 0008987 00

Absentee Texts 027 641 2046

Tēnā Koutou, Parents, Families and Whanau,

After the recent run of hot weather it was great to get some rain over the weekend. The grass around school certainly benefited and the field was slightly softer during rugby games this week. This morning our students had the pleasure of listening to our senior students who have put their hand up to be our 2019 School Leaders. It was awesome to be able to hear their ideas for the school and the ways in which they already contribute to our school community. I look forward to the results being announced at our school assembly tomorrow.

It has been great to see ou teams training this week for the myriad of different sports that we participate and in particular the work that Mr Plane and students are doing for the 'Top Schools' competition. I also look forward to the first of our school events kicking off next week with Junior Swimming Sports.

Board of Trustees – A big thank you to those people who came along to our meet the teacher evening. Many of the points addressed were also included in the last newsletter in the nuts and bolts section. On the evening we made mention of the fact that the triennial Board of Trustees elections have come around again this year. For those people interested in becoming a board member the New Zealand School Trustees Association (NZSTA) website has a comprehensive explanation of the role. The following link also provides a short video on the role <u>School Board of Trustees</u>. The school will be calling for nominations prior to the June 7 Board of Trustees elections and I encourage you contact the school office to register your interest.

NZEI – Through the media you may be aware that the New Zealand Education Institute (NZEI) teachers union continues to negotiate on a number of key points around teachers' current contracts. The Union is planning a series of meetings across the region this month. Thanks to the union running the meetings at a number of venues across a series of days this will have no impact on our students and the school will be able to remain open.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou Blake Carlin Principal

Dates and Information to Remember

Friday 1 March – Assembly 2:15pm

Tuesday 5 March - Yr7/8 Technology

Wednesday 6 March – Junior Swimming Sports

Thursday 7 March – Junior Swimming Sports Postponement Date

Monday 11 March – Photolife Class Photos

Friday 15 March – Senior Swimming Sports

Wednesday 20 March - West Cluster Swimming Sports

Thursday 28 March - Board Meeting 7:15pm

Friday 29 March - Yr7/8 Swimming Sports

Friday 29 March - Assembly 2:15pm

Wednesday 3 April – WBOP Swimming Sports

Thursday 4 April – Learning Conferences

Thursday 11 April – Grandparents Day

Friday 12 April - Assembly 2:15pm

Friday 12 April - End of Term 1

Monday 29 April - First Day of Term 2

Wanted

Room 10 are always grateful for donations of:

- small cardboard boxes (such as muesli bar, cereal boxes etc)
- egg cartons,
- clean plastic bottles
- lids milk bottles or soft drink bottles,
- clean yogurt containers,
- any other items to create out of scraps of material or wool, small loose parts like drift wood or stones are all helpful.

If unsure if something is useful please email l.harrison@pyespa.school.nz but it usually is! We will also share with other classes on our discovery time on Fridays. Thanks so much, Lisa Harrison



Kia ora koutou.

Pyes Pa School is now using **SchoolDocs** for policy and procedure review and storage of documentation.

This website is available from the Pyes Pa School website under the

Our Documents heading.

We would like to invite the parent community to review the following policies in Term 1 2019:

- School Swimming Pool Policy
- Alcohol/Drugs and Other Harmful Substances

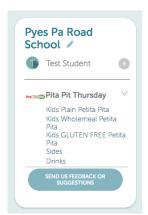
Follow the instructions below to view and add comments.

We thank you for your contribution and look forward to your input.

- Follow the link from our School website www.pyespa.school.nz
- Enter the username **pyespa** and password **learn**
- Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- Read the policy.
- Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- Select the reviewer type 'Parent'.
- Enter your name (optional).
- Submit your ratings and comments.

Pay Student Accounts via Kindo

The online Kindo school shop you can make full or part payments on your family account – anywhere, anytime! It is open 24/7!



Order your school lunch, pay for class trips, camps, donations, support PTA fundraisers and register for sports teams.

Go to the School's website - www.pyespa.school.nz

<u>New Users click here to register</u> your family now. Enter the email address the school has for you, choose a password and you're done.

<u>Existing Users can login here</u> or visit <u>www.mykindo.co.nz</u> to view your family account and make full or part payments.

Call the Kindo helpdesk on freephone o508 454 636 (o508 4 KINDO) if need a hand, or email hello@mykindo.co.nz

PhotoLife

PhotoLife Studios are coming to take class and individual photos on **Monday 11th March**If you have more than one child at school and would like a photo of them together
(you are also welcome to bring your pre-schooler in for the photo).
Please come to the Office and fill in a 'Sibling Photo Request' Form.



GREERTON MARIST JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATION

ONLINE REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN:

https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/85757

Wednesday 13 march, 5.00pm – 7.30pm or Saturday 16 march 9.00am – 12.00pm Register and pay online prior, but don't forget you must attend registration day to be weighed in, as per bopru rules. Contact our committee for more info: greertonmaristjuniorrugby@hotmail.com OR Phone Stef: 021 058 8639

