

NEWSLETTER

Week 10

UPCOMING EVENTS

First day term 4

**Monday
12 October**

**Calf Club
Tuesday
20 October**

**Ki O Rahi
Friday
23 October**

**Labour Day
Monday
26 October**

**PTA - Disco
Wednesday
4 November**

**Book Fair
Monday - Friday
16 - 20 November**

**Athletics Day
Friday
20 November**

PIPIO

PRIMARY SCHOOL

PANUI #31 | 25 SEPTEMBER 2026

Kia ora e te whānau,

As we come to the end of another busy and successful term, I would like to take a moment to reflect on some of the wonderful events that have showcased the incredible talents of our tamariki.

Our **Piopia's Got Talent** event was an absolute highlight. The confidence, creativity, and courage displayed by our students as they stepped onto the stage was inspiring to see. Whether singing, dancing, performing comedy, or sharing other unique talents, every participant should be extremely proud of themselves. The audience was treated to a fantastic afternoon of entertainment, and I think it is fair to say that **Mr Southam's performance** was a crowd favourite, proving that our staff have a few hidden talents of their own!

Another memorable event was the **Waitomo Music Festival**, where our students once again represented the school with pride. It was wonderful to see so many of our tamariki performing confidently and sharing their musical abilities with the wider community. These opportunities not only develop skills and confidence but also celebrate the passion and commitment our students bring to their learning and extracurricular activities. **Thank you to Whaea Linda and Miss Stokes** for all their hard work.

As the **term draws to a close**, I would like to sincerely **thank our staff** for their dedication, hard work, and commitment throughout the term. The care, energy, and enthusiasm they bring to their roles every day make a significant difference to the learning and wellbeing of our students. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a talented and committed team at Piopia Primary School.

I hope all our families **enjoy a well-deserved break** and take the opportunity to spend quality time together. School holidays are a wonderful chance to rest, recharge, and make special memories with your tamariki.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for an exciting **Term 4**, which always seems to arrive with plenty of activity and celebration.

Please also note that our **Prizegiving** will be held on **Friday 11 December**. The time is still to be confirmed and will be communicated to families closer to the date.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday break.

Ngā mihi nui

Sue Coyle

Principal

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TERM 3 CHESS TOURNAMENT

**ON TUESDAY IN ROOM 4 WE
HELD THE FINALS OF THE
TERM 3 SCHOOL CHESS
COMPETITION. THERE WERE
SOME WONDERFUL GAMES
PLAYED AND LOTS OF FUN
WAS HAD. TODAY IN THE
FINAL IT WAS ANAKH SINGH
FROM YEAR 4 AGAINST
GRAYSON TODD IN YEAR 6.
ANAKH WON.
WELL DONE ANAKH!**



FROM THE

B.O.T
Board of Trustees

END OF TERM UPDATE

At the end of each term, the Board provides morning tea for our staff as a small way of showing our appreciation for everything they contribute to our school.

We feel so fortunate to have such a dedicated team here at Piopio Primary School. Alongside the work happening in classrooms every day, staff here put a huge amount of extra time and energy into creating opportunities for all of our students to learn, participate and shine.

We acknowledge our specialist teachers and support staff who help ensure students are supported to learn and succeed as themselves, those who work hard to maintain and develop our school environment, and the many staff and volunteers who make sports, cultural activities, events and other opportunities possible.

There is a lot to be proud of at Piopio Primary. The school is looking great, there is a positive feeling around the kura, and it has been wonderful to see our tamariki growing in their learning and making the most of the many opportunities available to them.

We would also like to thank our parents and whānau for continuing to support our school and helping to create such a positive environment for our tamariki. Term 3 is always a busy one, and this year has brought lingering winter bugs, overlapping sports commitments, pets to feed and prepare for Pet Day, and some long days for many of our farming families. We appreciate everything that happens at home to help our children arrive at school ready to learn and take part.

We wish our staff, students and whānau a well-earned and restorative spring holiday, and look forward to a busy and exciting Term 4.

Ngā mihi mahana,

Piopio Primary School Board



NOTICE

BOARD

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



Hope Heald
Yoyo Sopheak
Ruby Mouat
Jasmine Ratcliffe
Maisy Thomas
Ruvan Thakur
Max Taie
Makin Rangatao
Liam Southam

Weekly
Winners
Congratulations!

TERM FOUR

**Reminder: It is compulsory
for all children to wear
bucket hats during Term
Four — caps are not
permitted.**

**Please ensure your child brings
a named hat to school each day.**

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
Arts & Crafts at
SHOPPINGTON
A Unique Family Experience

FREE
instore fun
for kids!

Get creative these holidays!

ANY WEEKDAY
THROUGHOUT THE
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

10AM - 2PM

SHOPPINGTON
TE KUITI

A FEW QUICK THINGS TO KNOW:

- Activity takes around **30 mins**
- Kids must have a supervising adult
- One activity per child
- Ages **4-14 years**
- FREE!**

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COME CREATE, MAKE & HAVE FUN!

FOR MORE INFORMATION
07 878 6622

JAMES TAKES ON THE GLOBAL GAMES!

A huge congratulations to our Year 6 student, James Irwin, who recently represented his former rugby club, Ngatapa Rugby Club from Gisborne, at the Global Games in Taupō.

3-DAY TOURNAMENT

- ✓ **2 WINS**
- ✗ **2 LOSSES**
- = **1 DRAW v TAUMARUNUI**

It was a fantastic opportunity for James to reconnect with his old club, compete at a high level and enjoy being part of a team.

Tino pai, James! We are proud of your commitment and sportsmanship!

Representing Ngatapa Rugby Club with pride