

# Te Poi School



A small school where big things happen.

## Important Dates – Term 4 Week 10 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015

15<sup>th</sup> December Prizegiving 1.30pm  
16<sup>th</sup> December Last day of school for 2015  
**School finishes 12.30pm.**  
**(No minivan or buses in the afternoon)**  
2<sup>nd</sup> February 2016 Term one commences

### SCHOOL POOL:

Our swimming pool is now up and running so contact the office if you would like to have the use of it for the summer. The cost is \$50.  
**Tomorrow is the last day for purchasing the code.**

### PRIZEGIVING TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 1.30PM:

Help us celebrate academic, sporting and cultural achievements for 2015. We will follow this up with a shared afternoon tea so request that each family brings a plate to share.

Have YOU paid your school account?

We have teacher only days on 27<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> January and the school office will also be open for enrolments and stationery orders. School starts 2<sup>nd</sup> February.

### TE POI SCHOOL MAGAZINE \$10:

A fantastic yearbook full of 2015's great events and activities – order yours today.

### SUMMER PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION:

"Caught reading," is the theme. Please send photos to [sclark@tepoi.school.nz](mailto:sclark@tepoi.school.nz). Photos will be judged when school starts up in February. This is part of encouraging reading over the summer break. If enough photos are submitted a display will be made in the library.

### DATES FOR 2016:

Term 1 – 2<sup>nd</sup> February – 15<sup>th</sup> April  
Term 2 – 2<sup>nd</sup> May to 8<sup>th</sup> July  
Term 3 – 25<sup>th</sup> July to 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept  
Term 4 – 10<sup>th</sup> October to 16<sup>th</sup> Dec

### WANTED TO RENT:

2-3 bedroom house in Matamata/Te Poi area required ASAP. Phone 027 533 2545.

### WANTED TO RENT:

2-3 bedroom farm cottage on Matamata College bus route. Willing to relief milk or childcare weekends in lieu of lower rent. \$200 - \$300 max. Ph: Marlene 027 403 3232.

### KIWANIS SUMMER READING PROGRAMME:

Further information and registration at the Matamata library for this summer reading programme.

### MATAMATA COLLEGE RUGBY TOUR 2017:

Jobs wanted - BIG or small. Anything considered email [rugby.trip2017@gmail.com](mailto:rugby.trip2017@gmail.com)  
Ph: David Thrupp 027 780 0454 or Vicky Morrissey 027 602 6452.

### Principal's Comment:

2015 has been a year of outstanding achievements. The first has been reaching over 70 students and opening our fourth classroom. We had top 10 results at the interschool cross country, swimming and athletics. Also fourth place in the Waikato Regional Aerobics Competition. Let's not forget the winning school float at the Christmas parade. First time win for Te Poi School.

In our 3 core subjects we have achieved 72% of all our students reading 'at' or 'above' the National Curriculum Standards, 79% in mathematics and 76% in writing. The greatest achievement has seen 90% of our boys achieving in writing, this is bucking the nationwide trends. Our students love to write.

Thank you all for your support throughout the year, without it we would not have been able to achieve half of what we have. Have a safe and happy holiday. Mere Kirihimete.

Linda Larsen, Principal

LUNCHBOX RECIPES

### CHRISTMAS BISCUITS

125g margarine  
1/2 C sugar  
1/3 C milk  
1 tsp vanilla essence

1 & 1/4 C self-raising flour  
1/2 C custard powder  
4 crushed Weet-Bix

Beat margarine and sugar together, until pale and creamy. Mix in milk and vanilla essence. Fold the flour, custard powder and Weet-Bix into the mixture. Make dough into a ball, wrap in plastic wrap. Refrigerate for 30mins. Preheat oven to 170°C. Line two trays with baking paper. Place dough between 2 sheets of baking paper. Roll to 3-4mm thick. Cut into Christmas shapes, place on oven tray. Bake at 170°C for 8-12mins. Makes 50.

Adapted from [weetbix.co.nz](http://weetbix.co.nz)

Developed by Sport Waikato 2015

Add cranberries and mixed spice for a Christmas treat!