



TE POI SCHOOL

A small school where big things happen.

**Te Rangatahi:
Together We Grow**

Important Dates: Term 1 Week 1: 5th February 2019

- 6th February Waitangi Day – NO SCHOOL
- 13th February BoT Meeting 6:30pm all welcome
- 21st February Family Picnic – from 6pm
- 26th February Parent info session 9am
- 1st March Parent info session 1:45pm
- 6th March Bike wise
- 8th March School Tryathlon – 1pm
- 13th March Yr 3 to Yr 6 Swim Sports
- 15th March Interschool Swim Sports
- 19th March Parent Interviews
- 22nd March Ballet in a Box
- 29th March School Walk – Te Waihou

SCHOOL NEWS

Reading Together Workshops

We will be running the workshop the last 3 weeks of the term – one night a week, 2 hour sessions. A simple, nonthreatening series of 4 workshops designed to make reading at home fun, easy and non-stressful. If you are interested let me know and I can give you more details.

Family Picnic

**Thursday 21st February from 6pm
Ruegger's Farm**

A night of fun – fun games, races and of course the infamous waterslide! An opportunity for our new families and staff to meet each other. Bring your own picnic or buy a sausage or hamburger from 'the ute'.

Matamata Rotary

A big shout out to the Matamata Rotary for donating \$1000 towards our new courts – Thank you Rotary!

SCHOOL POLICY:

Term 1 is a Sun safe term. This means all children are to wear the school hat. These can be purchased at school for \$15. Also please ensure your child wears sun smart clothing – t-shirts, shorts with no shoulders exposed to the sun. We have a limited supply of sun cream at school; please apply your own at home to be safe.

Child Restraints

Back to School Operation

In Matamata for the next couple of weeks the police are going to do a check point every morning near a school. Our goal is to do a check point near all of the schools in the Matamata area. The operation is aimed to educate people so that we can ensure that they know what

the law is around car seats. It is also to let them know what the international best practice is so that they can chose what is best for their child/children. If you see us out there then this is what we are doing.

FRIDAY LUNCH ORDERS:

Order and money in a named envelope or secure plastic bag to the office.

Pies	3.40
Sausage rolls	2.10
Lasagne square	2.00
Egg or ham sandwich	3.10
Ham/beef/chicken wrap	4.30
Apple or custard pie	3.40
Apple or custard slice	2.60
Choc chip biscuit	1.50
Just Juice	2.50

COMMUNITY NEWS

FREE EAR CLINIC

9-30AM – 2.00PM:

15th February at Firth Primary School
18th March at Matamata Primary School.

2019 Term 1 Hockey Training Camp (Matamata)

Who: Open to years 5-13, 3:30pm - 4:30pm

What: 9 week Camp, Wednesday \$100

When: 13th Feb - 10th Apr

You can register on Waikato hockey Website under the registration tab.

If you have any questions about the programme please contact

me stuart@waikatohockey.org.nz

Principal's Comment:

Kia ora te whanau, nau mai haere mai.

What an exciting start to the year as we welcome 4 new families and 9 new students to our Te Poi family.

Over the next few newsletters I will be sharing "the Te Poi Way", highlighting what, how and why we do things at Te Poi School.

Everything is based around our 3 characters – The Thinker (Whakaaro), Learner (Akonga) and Citizen (Kirirau).

This term our schoolwide topic is Turangawaewae – Our people, our stories. Each class will be establishing clear routines and class procedures.

We will be learning about each other's Whakapapa, their families and where each family comes from. They will be discovering every child's story and learning the stories and ways of our school.

Linda Larsen, Principal

