

Aria Primary School



* Newsletter *

MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2025
TERM 4, WEEK 9

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Tēnā Koutou Katoa!

Welcome to the second to last week of 2025

- * **Kapa haka at Piopio College tomorrow...** please see programme included. Those transporting children will be contacted directly to organise pick up times. Mokauti Bus children will hop on the bus at Piopio College Bus Bay at 3.00pm. Āria students who need to come back here will be dropped back at 3.00pm.
- * **Life Education Caravan is here Wednesday and Friday....** All classes will have two sessions.
- * **School Family Accounts...** were emailed last week. Please check your inbox or spam folder. If you have not received your account please contact the office. All accounts **MUST BE SETTLED BY THE END OF TERM 4**. Should you have any questions or require assistance, please contact either myself or Nicola Alcock.
- * **Technology Challenge Competition – Important Update...** Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, this Thursday's Technology Challenge Competition has been **CANCELLED**. Instead, we will run our own Technology Challenge here at school, with Room 1 and Room 3 competing.
- * **Board Meeting - tonight at 6.30pm. All Welcome...** Our final meeting of the year is tonight. It has a very full agenda including the 2025 Annual Report, 2026 Budget, 2026 School Planning and Reporting, End Of Year Assessment Reports and Staffing for 2026.
- * **Library Books...** Room 1 is going to have a big blitz in the LIBRARY this week, so please check for any books that may have hidden themselves somewhere at home. We need them all back please.
- * **Reports and Assessments...** Assessment Folders and Written Reports will be sent home on Friday with your children. If for some reason your child is away we will hold them at school until next week.

Classes for next year and attendance data for this year will be included in your report envelope.
- * **2025 Choir Members Aria Buttar, Laveila Young, Manw MacRae, Willow Le Feuvre and Kadius Young (Piopio College)...** sang in the Christmas Carols in the Waitomo Caves on both Friday and Saturday nights. I would like to congratulate them, it was an amazing evening.
- * **School Prize-giving 2025...** Our end of year celebration will be held in the Āria Hall on Thursday 11th December at 7.00pm. Please be seated by 6.50pm. **We would appreciate a plate for supper please.**
- * **Last day is Friday 12th December.**

Ngā mihi and have a great week Pam Voyce

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 4

Board Meetings at 6.30pm
Monday 1st December

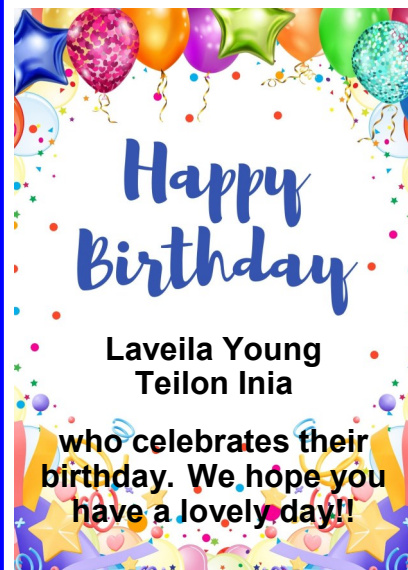
Kapahaka Performance
with Piopio Primary &
Piopio College
Tuesday 2nd December

Technology Challenge
Cancelled
Thursday 4th December

Life Education Caravan
Wednesday 3rd December
and
Friday 5th December

End of Year Prize Giving
Thursday 11th December
At Aria Hall at 7.00pm
Shared Supper

Last Day of Term 4
Friday 12th December



K A P A H A K A

'Ko Ngā Rangatira mō āpōpō' - Our Future Leaders

Nau mai haere mai!

We are hosting our very own kapa haka performance afternoon
Performers include: Piopio Primary, Āria Primary, Te Kāretī o Piopio

Tuesday 2 December

from 12.45pm onwards
Kai tahi (shared kai) at the end

Please join us to celebrate kapa haka in our hāpori.
Future leaders standing proud together.

"Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini"
My strength is not from one person, but from many



12.45-12.55pm 10mins	All meet at student centre and enter Gym Seats allocated for kura/ whānau
12.55 -1.05pm 10mins	Timata - Introduction, mihi
1.05-1.25pm 20mins	First rōpū performance: Te Kura Tuatahi o Piopio
1.25-1.45pm 20mins	Second rōpū performance: Te Kura Tuatahi o Āria
1.45-1.55pm 20mins	Last performance: Te Kāretī o Piopio
1.55-2pm	Mihi whakamutunga
2-2.40pm 40 mins	Kai tahi
2.40-3pm	Pack Down/ College pupils

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HAROLD IS VISITING ĀRIA SCHOOL



Life Education Trust is a charity focused on educating and inspiring students to make positive choices for a healthy body and mind.

Our local Waipā/King Country Trust has two mobile classrooms that travel throughout our rohe visiting schools!

Our educators, Abby and Nicky, who are both trained teachers, work alongside Harold the Giraffe to deliver fun and engaging lessons that complement the school's health curriculum.

**Harold and Abby are visiting
Āria School on the
3rd & 5th of December 2025**

We have selected the following topics for this visit...

Room 2: Problem Solving
Room 1 & 3: Teamwork

HAROLD MERCH

ALL PROFITS GO TOWARDS
WAIPĀ/ KING-COUNTRY
LIFE EDUCATION TRUST



**HAROLD
SHOE
CHARMS**



**\$5
EACH**

**HAROLD'S
SPOTS BOOK**



**\$20
EACH**

**YOU CAN PURCHASE
MERCH FROM ABBY AT
LUNCHTIME TIME ON
FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER**

WHILE STOCKS LAST
CASH ONLY
PLEASE PLACE IN LABELLED ENVELOPE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

ĀRIA SCHOOL SWIMMING POOL KEYS

Swimming pool keys are available from the school office. Pay, sign the documentation and receive your key.

Last day to collect pool keys is end of school day
Friday 12th December 2025.

Pool WILL NOT be opened to the public until the end of
school day on Friday 12th December 2025!

Cost for keys for 2024/2025:

- Key: \$60.00
- Bond: \$20.00

Pay directly into the school bank account:

Bank: Westpac
Account Number: 030449-0105523-00
Account Name: Āria School BOT
Reference: Pool Key

You will receive the \$20.00 bond back when you return your key at the end of the season.

URGENTLY REQUIRED SCHOOL GARDENER

2-4 HOURS A MONTH
\$25 PER HOUR

For more information
contact the school office
Phone: (07) 877-7857
Email: office@aria.school.nz

Reporting an absence.



Please notify the office with a reason why:
Ph: (07) 877-7857
✉: office@aria.school.nz

Use the form on the Skool Loop app - this is emailed directly to the office.

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PIOPIO PRIMARY SCHOOL PYSC COMMITTEE

TOUCH RUGBY

As always, it's a short, well-organised, and often very hot competition but once again our teams showed incredible grit, impressive skill, and, most importantly, they thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

As the coordinator, I'd like to take a moment to sincerely **thank our amazing coaches** who generously gave up their time to support our players and help grow their understanding of the fundamental skills needed for this fast-paced and exciting game. Without our coaches, these teams simply wouldn't be possible.

KURT & ALISA HOUGHTON
DAVE HUNT & VICKY OLDHAM
NADIA SISLEY & LUKE DRAPER
BAVEN BROWN & STACI CROWN

We also want to acknowledge the incredible efforts of our teams on finals night.

PPP Kiwi (Year 3/4) finished their season on a high, winning their final against TKP Knights 6-4 and taking out the top title in their grade.

In the **Year 5/6 grade, PPP Ruru** battled all the way to a drop-off after drawing at full time. While they narrowly missed the win, they proudly came away with the trophy for Outstanding Sportsmanship, awarded to the team that showcased fairness, respect, and integrity throughout the entire season. Overall, it has been another hugely successful touch season, see you all again in 2026! - **Gina Draper**



SPORT FEES
OVERDUE

Please ensure all Winter and Summer Sport Fees have been paid before 1st December



piopioyouthsportscommittee@gmail.com



Treasurer Laree Rauputu 0273124196

EST — **PYSC** — 2001
PIOPIO
 YOUTH SPORTS
 COMMITTEE

MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2025

ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Two bedroom Cottage or similar, with garden space, needed for single woman, within reasonable driving distance to Aria school.

Anything considered.

Please Call Marilyn (07) 222-6187 or 027 424 9401

Aria Cosi Club

Farmers potluck dinner

Sunday 21st of December
4pm - Late

BRING A PLATE TO SHARE,
YOUR BEST STORIES, AND A
BIT OF CHRISTMAS CHEER!

FOR ALL YOU
HARDWORKING
FARMERS

JOIN OUR MERRY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

PIOPIO CHRISTMAS

JINGLE & MINGLE ON THE GREEN

FLOATS, STALLS,
KIDS ENTERTAINMENT, PHOTOS WITH SANTA

WEDNESDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2025
6 PM

Floats & stall holders must pre-register by Monday 22nd December (no registration fee required)
Registration forms available at Piopio PGG Wrightson & Hairloom Hair & Beauty from 1st December 2025.

Please note Weka Street will be closed for parking from 10am on 24th December & will be closed to traffic from 4pm until 8pm.

For more information, contact Carley Simpson
0210424493 or carleyjanebeauty49@gmail.com.



AGM

St Helens' Domain Board
Tuesday, 16th December, 7.00pm
St Helens' Domain

ALL WELCOME

If you have any queries, please contact:
Blair Nelson (Munta)
027 490 0502



ARIA COSI CLUB PRESENTS FOR MEMBERS & AFFILIATED GUEST

CLUB SHOUT

WED 17TH DECEMBER 2025

FROM 5PM TILL LATE

BBQ DINNER - MEAT SUPPLIED
MEMBERS PLEASE BRING A
SALAD OR SIDE DISH

XMAS HAMPER RAFFLE

KIDS ENTERTAINMENT
- ELF

LOLLIE SCRAMBLE

SANTA COMING IN BY HELICOPTER
(WEATHER PERMITTING)

Travelling overseas in the school holidays?

You must do a New Zealand Traveller Declaration when you come back

TravellerDeclaration.govt.nz

To Kihirangi e Aotearoa
New Zealand Government

New Zealand
Traveller
Declaration

Whakawakapa
Tangata Hōu ki
Aotearoa

SPREAD Christmas CHEER

SVG
DXF
PNG