

Community Notices

Wanted

Four hens wanted. No bantams otherwise breed no issue provided from proven laying stock. Juvenile birds preferred. Phone Tania or Paddy 8398959.

Patoka Sheep Dog Trial Club AGM

AGM to be held on Tuesday 10th December 2013 at 7.30pm at the Patoka Hall. All welcome. Enquiries to David Evans 8398889 or Toni Turner 8398827.

Patoka Swimming Club

LET'S GET THE POOL OPEN!!!

We hope to open the pool this weekend - but there is still work to be done as it wasn't completed at the last working bee due to poor turn-out.

Things still left to do: Steps to pump shed to be built, tree's to prune, cable ties around fence (kids job).

BE THERE TOMORROW, THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER @ 5PM.

Contact Rob Poulton ph 839 8826 or Bruce Porter ph 839 8879 for further information.

New Member - if you would like to use the swimming pool you must be a paid member. For membership enquiries, please contact Jo Atkinson on phone 839 8804. Thank You.

For Sale—Guinea Pigs

For all those children who NEED guinea pigs for Christmas, Ashleigh has five lovely babies to choose from. They are ready to go to new homes on or about Friday the 13th December. They are friendly and very well handled with a great choice of colours to choose from. \$12 each. Please phone Jill on 8395775.

Up and Coming Events

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| BOT meeting | 26th November |
| Pakowhai Top Town | 3rd December |
| Room 3 camp | 9-13th December |
| Patoka Prize Giving (PM) School concert / disco (evening) | 18th December |
| First day for Term 1 2014 | 3rd February |

Are you up for a challenge! (Parents and children)

If you can work out these puzzles, write it on a piece of paper or email it to me. I will put all of the correct answers in a hat and draw out a winner who will receive a prize.

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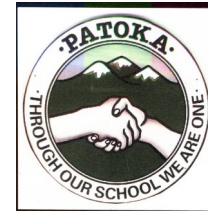
Good luck!!

Last week = 21

Can you work out the reasoning behind the order of girls' and boys' names in the lists below?

Girls: Heather, Ellen, Laura, Anne, Nancy

Boys: Andy, Ted, Mike, Dick, Vic



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Patoka School Newsletter



Comedy Night - Oh what a night!!!

In the immortal words of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, Oh what a night!! Events such as these take a mammoth effort to organise. It starts with someone planting the seed and then driving the event through to completion. Rachel—thank you for being that person. This was a huge team effort. To everyone else that was involved in putting this event on, a very big thank you! Thank you for your effort, your passion and your energy. It is always appreciated.

And now a note from Rachel Train.....

A brilliant night was had by all that attended Saturday night's fundraiser. And Wow! What a talented bunch of people we have in our community. There are so many people I would like to thank. Firstly, thanks to everyone that supported the event either by helping before, on or after the night, selling tickets, making food, or just turning up to enjoy the evening.

Secondly, cheers once again to "Top Knot & the Pizzles". You guys rock!! I was talking to Ewen when you guys started with your first song, (and I quote from him) he said, "Wicked! That's my favourite song, I gotta go and dance to it"...and wow principal Ward, I'd like to hear more from you!

Thirdly, to the very talented team of ladies, Michelle Carswell, Nicky Dawson, Kelly Dinneen, Lisa Chittick and Jill Hammond, that so professionally decorated the hall, it really does set the bar at a very high standard.

Fourthly, thank you Carla Kent for the very skilful and creative computer work put into the advertising and to both you and Aaron for having 'Kaweka Café' available for accommodation and breakfast (Yummy burgers too).

Fifthly, thank you to Dave and Kristy McPhee, Jim Haldane and the HB 4x4 Club for entertaining the comedians. That sort of stuff is what makes it really special for them (the comedians). They will never forget their Rissington/Patoka/Puketitiri experience. So well done everyone! We will let you know what the profits are ASAP.



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Wednesday 27th November

Quote of the Week

"Today you are You,
that is truer than
true. There is no
one alive who is
Youer than You."
— Dr. Seuss, Happy
Birthday to You!

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T.R.U.E - be true to yourself
Trustworthiness Respect Unity Excellence Enthusiasm

Aligning our values with our prize giving

The staff have been discussing and reviewing the current way that prizes are handed out at our final assembly. We felt that there was a need to align our awards to our school values as these are what we use to encourage our students each day. We spent a couple of staff meetings reviewing the current practice and exploring a range of options.

The awards will be as follows:

The Room 3 trophies that are awarded across a number of categories

The Saunders award for Room 1,2 and 3

The new award categories are:

Academic achievement (Children who continually achieve academically at their level)

Effort (Children who give 100 percent consistently in all areas)

Citizenship (Children who give back to the school in a variety of ways)

Room 1 and 2 will receive 2 awards in each of the categories above

These awards align to our values in the following way.

| Award | School Value |
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| Academic Achievement | Excellence Trustworthiness |
| Effort | Enthusiasm Trustworthiness |
| Citizenship | Respect Unity |



When exploring new options it was very clear that the awards for Room 3 needed to stay as they were. Many of these have a great deal of significance to the school. We also felt that these awards were similar to what we wanted to present for the other 2 classes.

What was most important to us was having a system that would allow us to acknowledge the achievements of a number of children across all levels within a classroom. We wanted to be able to acknowledge academic achievement, all round classroom effort, and those children who continually give back to our school. We also wanted a system that would allow us to consider all age groups represented in a class.

We are all excited about this year's prize giving and look forward to seeing you there.

Trophies please!!

If you still have one of our school trophies could you please return it to school as soon as possible.



Wanted!!

More river stones to finish the landscaping around Room 2.

Pakowhai Top Town

Where: Pakowhai School

When: Tuesday 3rd December,
9:30-2pm (to allow travel time)

Briefing is at 9:30, please try and be here before then

What: Top Team is a teams based event. The children will participate in a range of fun wet and dry activities.

Note: There will be no buses running this day

What to bring:

- Togs and towel
- Sun hat
- Sunscreen
- Money
- Morning Tea/Lunch/Drink (if not buying these)

Food for sale on the day: Sausages \$2

Pies \$2

Cakes and biscuits 50c and \$1

Drink 50c

Juicies \$1

Lolly Bags \$1

Other things on the day: Raffle Gift Basket - \$2 per ticket

Guess the lollies in the jar – 50c

Push the principal in the pool – 50c