



OHAKUNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter



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Kia ora koutou/Greetings

Upcoming events

Thursday 6 February

Friday 7 February

Wednesday 26 February

Thursday 27 February

Friday 28 February

Monday 17 February

Tuesday 10 March

Wednesday 11 March

Tuesday 17 March

Wednesday 18 March

Thursday 19 March

Waitangi Day. School Closed

Assembly

Senior Swimming Sports

PP Day Senior Sports

Junior Swimming Celebrations

BOT Meeting 5.30 (TBC)

Marae Visit (10am)

Interschool Swimming

Whole School Athletics

Weetbix Tri

Athletics Postponement day

Principal's Message

Welcome back for Week 2

We have started the year with lots of new enrolments and we welcome everyone who has arrived since our powhiri. Family Fun Night was a great chance to get together and have fun. Thank you to all who attended and supported. We love spending time together as a school community and there will be more opportunities as the year progresses.

I love the energy of our staff and tamariki. It is always a delight to see all those tiny, excited five-year-olds ready to start their school journey and seeing our older children ready to get back into learning. (it's a great reminder of why we do what we do).

There are many things to think about as we start the new school year, one in particular is parking at the front of the school. Please do not drop off your child in any places that have yellow 'no parking' lines. The areas that you cannot park are at the front of the school, where the road crossing is and where the buses park. Our children's safety is paramount and these areas can get very busy. Please also ensure you use the designated and patrolled crossing.

Donations

This year we will not be asking for school donations (except overnight school camps, snow-sports and technology) as the board voted to accept the \$150 donation payment per child from the government. We have information in the office if you are wanting to find out more. Activities such as swimming will be paid for by the school.

Skiing

We have received pricing from RAL for our snow-sports programme in Term 3. Classes will have 4 sessions for snow-sports this year.

All season passes are to be paid for and collected from the RAL offices at the Powderkeg/Snow Centre .

The pricing is as follows:

\$79 Season Pass

\$22 per session (x4) paid at school - rental and lesson

\$5 - snow card fee if you do not have a card to reload

Transport will be supported by the school at this stage.

School will not be running the chocolate fundraiser this year.

* Please note that when purchasing a season pass, the parent/guardian needs to mention the school name, first and last name of the student. If the student has an existing 2019 season pass, kindly have that in hand when making your purchase so RAL staff can reload your season pass. This deal closes on 30 April 2020

Bell times

School starts each day at 8.50am and finishes at 3pm. We have three breaks during the day as follows:

8.50am School starts

10.15am - 10.45am Morning tea

12.00pm - 12.30pm Lunch

1.30pm - 2.00pm. Break

3.00pm. School finishes .

If your child is late, they need to call by the office for a late card so we can mark them on our roll.

3 Km Fun Run Saturday 22 Feb

It's a great FREE event for the local kids to experience what a race feels like and to cross a big finish line, this would also be a great practice event for those kids who are going to participate in the Iron Kid or Weetbix Tri in coming months.



HOW TO ENTER: Just turn up and enter on the day, sign your name. Note that Parents or Caregivers must sign on behalf of their children if 12 years or below on the day of the event.

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ruapehu EXPRESS

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Introducing the 2020 Camelbak Ruapehu Express 'FUN RUN'.

This is a short distance fun event open to anyone to run or walk. The trail winds through beautiful native bush alongside the crystal clear Mangawhero river. It is safe, fun, achievable and you get to be part of the big event, so why not give it a go?

DATE: Saturday 22 February 2020.
TIMES: 11:30am Race Briefing.
12:00pm Race Start.

LOCATION: Please gather at outside the Powderkeg, Thames St, Ohakune at 11:30 for a briefing then a short walk to the start line on Ohakune Mountain Road opposite Ngāti Rangī offices.

COURSE: Mangawhero Forest Trail loop track. Start and finish at the Junction, Ohakune right outside the Powderkeg. Note that we have traffic management set up on the Ohakune Mountain Road that ensures the safety of runners.

OPEN TO: Anyone who can run or walk. Children 8 years or under on the event day must be accompanied by an adult.

COST: Free of charge.

WHAT YOU GET: A safe run or walk, race number, official race time, be part of the big event.

WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING: Appropriate footwear.

Swimming Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
10.45- 11.30	Room 12 and Room 10	Room 12 and Room 10	Room 12 and Room 10	Room 12 and Room 10
11.30- 12.15	Room 8 and Room 14	Room 8 and Room 14	Room 8 and Room 14	Room 8 and Room 14
12.15- 1.00	Room 6/ 7 and Room 11	Room 6/ 7 and Room 11	Room 6/ 7 and Room 11	Room 6/ 7 and Room 11
1.00- 1.45	S Block-Year 7	S Block-Year 7	S Block-Year 7	S Block-Year 7
1.45- 2.30	S Block- Year 6/ 8 and Room 9	S Block- Year 6/ 8 and Room 9	S Block- Year 6* and Room 9	S Block- Year 6/8 and Room 9

McCarthy Transport's Message To Our Kids

Children are at risk of being hit, hurt, injured or even worse on our roads in the moments of arriving and leaving school.

McCarthy Transport takes the safety of our communities seriously and the information on this notice is a great reminder on keeping our kids **SAFE**.

Our truck operators have come up with some really great pointers that we would like to share with schools that have logs trucks driving past, so you in turn can educate your pupils and parents:

- **S**low down, and supervise children carefully when in, and around vehicles.
- **A**lert - watch for traffic, on busy or main roads especially if crossing the roads
- **F**ind a safe place to park - don't double park, this blocks visibility for other children and vehicles.
- **E**xit – Always ensure children exit from the left side of your vehicle.

With a little bit of education, and a reminder to keep **SAFE**, we can all enjoy the return to school in 2020.



**THINK SAFE
DRIVE SAFE
HOME SAFE**

Working together so we all get Home Safe every day.



Technology

Year 7 and 8 students are required to pay \$60 per year to help pay for the cost of materials used in their learning. This can be paid termly at \$20. There will be no Technology in Term Three



Netball 2020

Term 1

Day: Wednesday

Time: 3-3.45pm

Where: At school

Starts: Wednesday 04 March 2019

How long: 6 sessions. Last one on 08 April 2020.

How to sign up: add your name to the list in the office.

PARENTS: We would appreciate parent help due to the number of children who have expressed interest. All info will be provided.

Coaching workshop with Irene Van Dyke is scheduled for end of February 2020 for parents who will be involved. Please contact Leba on 0211787228 for info.

Room 12 Swimmers



Value for the week Participation

When we take part in our learning, it means we are listening, sharing our ideas, completing tasks and helping others to learn too!

Lisa Clark
Principal