



OHAKUNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Newsletter



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Kia ora koutou/Greetings

## Upcoming events

Tuesday 10 March  
Thursday 12 March  
Tuesday 17 March  
Wednesday 18 March  
Thursday 19 March  
Monday 23 March  
Wednesday 25 March  
Friday 3 April  
Friday 3 April  
Tuesday 7 April  
Wednesday 8 April  
Thursday 8 April  
Wednesday 29 April

Marae Visit (10am) Junior School  
Interschool Swimming. Waiouru  
Whole School Athletics  
Weetbix Triathlon  
Athletics Postponement day  
BOT Meeting. Staffroom (tbc)  
Interschool Athletics. Raetihi School  
Hunterville Cross Country  
Assembly hosted by Room 9. 2.10pm  
Hunterville Cross Country postponement day  
Fun Run  
Term One ends  
Term Two begins. Powhiri 10am

## Principal's Message

Welcome Ollie Jones and Caleb Larsen to our school. Boys we know you are going to make fantastic friendships and have great learning opportunities at our school. We welcome you and your families to our school community.

We wish to congratulate Jessica Leary and her partner Andrew on the arrival of their baby daughter Elizabeth. Jess and baby Elizabeth are doing well.

It is also with sadness, we acknowledge the passing of Ms Morvern Duncan's father and as a school community we send our love and kind thoughts. Tash Carley will be teaching in Room 8 while Morvern is away.

It is hard to comprehend we are halfway through the term. As we have now concluded swimming, classes are running full steam ahead in all of their learning programmes. It is great to see that our junior classes are making the most of our local environment and heading for their river safety walks this week. We have many tamariki making the most of events in the region and we congratulate those who recently took part in the Iron Kid event in Taupo. It looked like loads of fun and what a great experience for you all. Thank you to the families who joined us for the goal setting afternoon yesterday. If you missed out on seeing your child's teacher, please feel free to make a time at any stage, our doors are always open.

## Swimming celebrations

Thank you to everyone who celebrated with us the success and achievements of our tamariki at the recent senior swimming sports and the junior celebration. The progression of our children was fantastic and I wish to thank their teachers for the efforts in supporting them. These events conclude our short window of opportunity for swimming as the cooler months approach us quickly. We wish the best to those children who now will go onto represent us at the inter school events in Waiouru and Whanganui. I wish to also thank the PTA who volunteered their time to support our school with the bbq fundraiser, especially Amy Lee with all of the organisation behind the scenes.

## Athletics

Our next school event is our athletics on Tuesday 17 March. We will send the timetable in the next newsletter with the timeframes for you to support. The PTA will again be supporting our school by running a sausage sizzle and selling moosies and juicies.

## Office updates

Could everyone please ensure that the personal details that we have in the office are the correct for phone numbers and addresses. We understand that for some families circumstances do change and updating the office can be overlooked. In the rare case of an emergency or if a child needs immediate home assistance, it is very much appreciated if we can contact a family member. Can you please contact Donna if you need to update anything.



## Morning Tea with the Principal Week 6

Clockwise from front right: Jessie Harding, Serenity Thompson, Harper Evans, Unique Walkley, Isla Thompson, Yoko Story, Ankita Sajwan, Maddie Demchy & Rangiirunga Kingi-Mareikura

## Head Lice

Again with the warmer weather, head lice seem to have featured in some of our classes. We can assist with head lice treatments as we are supported by Kidscan with products. Please call into the office, if we can be of any assistance as we would like to get on top of any issues.

## Behaviour

We are a PB4L school and with that comes teaching positive behaviour at school. Our values are PRIDE and each week in our newsletter we have a definition of what that is. Our children are responding well to the positive behaviour tokens that they can earn when they are caught doing the right thing, these tokens accumulate for their house. Can you please talk to your children about how they manage themselves especially as some have struggled with heat and tiredness. We will not be tolerating bullying behaviour and our goal is for everyone to be treated well and be in a safe, happy school environment. We have a fantastic school that we are very proud of and we have developed a positive family-like environment. With that comes ups and downs but if we work together, we will develop wonderful young people with a sense of belonging and service to others. Kind kids win hearts but it takes many people to input into this.

## Snow-sports

The pricing for the upcoming season in Term 3 is as follows:

\$79 season Pass (paid at RAL office)

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

\$5 - snow card fee if you have lost pass from last year.

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

Please also note there will be no chocolate sales this year to support the schools snow-sports programme

## Morning Tea with the Principal Week 7

Room 7: Caitlin Drinkwater

Room 8: Emma Church-Zweibruck

Room 9: Aadhya Deepak-Ram

Room 10: Chase Renata

Room 11: Kalani Setiu

Room 12: Ben Lee.

Room 14: Blake Rhodes

S.Block: Sydney Charlton, Jordi Demchy

Harry Sherit



## Ohakune Primary Technology Explores

Year 8 students are busy making bird houses and bird feeders. They are learning about New Zealand native birds and are helping to encourage birds to move in and raise families in your backyard. Important measurements and mock were done before construction



## Value for the week

### Integrity

When we stay focused, do great work, act kindly towards others, all when no one is watching, we are showing integrity..

Lisa Clark  
Principal