



OHAKUNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter



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Kia ora koutou/Greetings

Upcoming events

Monday 28 March: Board Meeting. 5.30. Staffroom
Tuesday 29 March: School photos
Wednesday 6 April: Duffy Theatre
Thursday 7 April: Science Roadshow (Years 4-8)
Friday 8 April: Tough Kids. (modified)
Friday 15 April: End of Term One
Monday 2 May: Term Two begins.

Principal's Award: Addison Tuck

Principals' Message

I hope this newsletter is finding everyone well as we navigate our way through the arrival of Covid in our area. As a school community we have experienced isolated cases across the school with most of them transmitted in the community. We have a very small cluster of cases that have emerged from Room 14 so they are currently learning from home hopefully returning to school on Monday. We have also limited visitors into the school, including visiting schools for technology.

We appreciate your understanding if you do need to pick up your child if they are unwell- we are acting with precaution and care for everyone. If you or your child does test positive, can you please let me know and if you are keeping your child at home for any other reason, please let us know that also.

Safety at front of the school

There has been a hum of activity around the school with the work on the new boiler starting and we cannot wait to have energy efficient heating in the winter months. We currently have a large container parked at the front of the school so the buses have limited space to park at the start and end of the day. Generally, the buses are gone by 2.55pm so please feel free to come into the carpark at that time.

Uniform

It is starting to get chilly in the morning and we have had a few polar fleeces go missing. Can you please ensure that all clothing belonging to your child is named as it makes it easier for us to return to its owner.

Skool Loop

We have had a great uptake of whanau who have downloaded the Skool Loop app and we intend to start using it for more school communication and notices. If you have not done so already please download the free app to your smartphone. It is a very easy and useful form of communication. Once we get the app used by a majority of families we will be utilising the app to send home permission forms, notices and interview bookings, alongside the very useful, **absentee** button.

Snowsports

RAL have informed us they will be offering the \$99 season pass this year. Snowsports is an exciting part of our school's special character and the goal will be for all our children to be able to access snowsports at least four times in the 2022 season with their class. The additional cost if they have the season pass will be \$25 per week



which will include a 1 hour 50 min lesson and Rental equipment (skis, boots, poles & helmet, OR snowboard, boots & helmet) Transport will be an additional cost. Without the season pass, the same equipment and lesson and a daily pass, will cost \$55 per visit.

If you'd like to take up the \$99 season pass offer, these will be available for purchase 7th March - 10th April. Passes can be purchased either in person from RAL's Whakapapa or Taupō office, or by calling 0800 468 235

Celebrating Childrens' Achievements



<p>Super Stars Lennox Durina (left) and Flynn McLeod</p>	<p>Duffy Awards from left Lachlan Sefton, Te Aroha Mareikura, Hennessy McLeod & Aljarreau Hiroti</p>	<p>Duffy Awards from left Indee Crossfield, Cullum Playle & Kylie-Rain Katene-Trow</p>	<p>Duffy Awards from left Cruze Hawira, Riley Jones & Jacob Young</p>
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Senior Awards right from left Chiquita-Leigh Muru-Albert, Jaziah Davison, Travis Hobdey, Wren Drayton & David Macrae.



COOKIES FUNDRAISER!

Pre-orders available in the newsletter! Money raised goes toward music in the playground.

WHEN:
25th March outside the tech centre.

PRICE:
\$3 for a pack of 6 cookies

Order your delicious cookies today! Pick up will be on the 25th March

IMPORTANT

So we can communicate quickly and effectively, please contact the office as soon as possible if any of your personal contact details, or email address has changed. Thank you



Blyth Hut Adventure Reflection on Room 14



HOW TO SUBSCRIBE TO NOTICE GROUPS

TO JOIN YOUR SKOOL LOOP APP NOTICE GROUPS, SIMPLY FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW:

- Go to the 'Settings' tile in the bottom right hand corner of the Home Screen
- Go to 'Subscribe to groups'
- Tap to select the group/s you would like to receive notifications from
- You're good to go - you will now receive all notices sent to the groups you have subscribed to

NEED MORE INFO?
Call Skool Loop Aus on 1800 203 493
Call Skool Loop NZ on 0800 238 379

The School Loop App

Our school uses The Skool Loop App to communicate and send important information. Please check your app store to ensure your phone is running the latest version and receiving all school news.

The app undergoes regular maintenance and updates throughout the year. Check your app store to ensure your phone is running the latest version!

Available on the App Store

Skool Loop UPDATE

Get it on Google play

Download free today the Kool Loop App for important school information
See Notices, Push notifications, reporting, calendar, permission slips newsletters, school contact. Download the app either through Google Play or the app store.



Value of the Week Environment

This week we are exploring the school value of 'environment'. We are showing manaakitanga towards our environment by picking up rubbish and making environmentally friendly choices in our school lunch box-reusable containers and wax wraps.

Nga mihi
Lisa Clark
Principal

Ambassador Fundraiser- Home Baked Goodness!

On 25th March, OPS Ambassadors are getting together to bake cookies to sell to raise funds for a speaker system for our playground so we can have music out there!

Please indicate on the slip below whether you would be interested in purchasing delicious Choc Chip cookies to support this initiative...

Just \$3.00 per 6 pack



Name/ Contact Who will collect the cookies from school on Friday 25 March	Packs of Delicious Chocolate Chip Cookies (each pack is 6 cookies)	Money included

Then just return the slip and your money by Thursday 24th March! And then look forward to some deliciousness coming to your home on Friday 25th!