

OWHANGO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER “Working Together To Achieve Our Very Best”	
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4/2017	1 March 2017

DATES TO NOTE

2 Mar	BoT meeting @ 7:00pm
3 Mar	Golfing group to meet at school @ 7:50am.
7 Mar	Judging of children's garden competition @ 1:00pm
8 Mar	Junior Room Swimming Demonstration @ 2.15pm
9 Mar	<i>Due date: Technology fees to be paid</i>
9 Mar	Music Room meeting @ 3:15pm
16 Mar	Junior Rm Kiwi Trip @ 7:45am.
21 Mar	Interschools soccer tournament
24 Mar	Inter-schools swimming sports
29 Mar	Bikewise/Bike-a-thon fundraiser
2 Apr	Daylight Saving ends
6 Apr	No Japanese classes for Yr 7s & 8s
12 Apr	Assembly @ 2:15pm
13 Apr	End of term 1

BoT MEETING

The BoT will hold their March meeting **tomorrow Thursday 2 March at 7:00pm**. All welcome.

JUDGING OF CHILDREN'S GARDEN COMPETITION

The children's garden competition will be judged on **Tuesday 7 March** departing Owhango School at **1:00pm**. Many thanks to Jodie Watts who is organising this. The students will be transported by parents as they visit each competitor's garden.

JUNIOR ROOM SWIMMING DEMONSTRATION

On **Wednesday 8 March** (weather permitting) the junior room will be having a swimming demonstration. This will start at **2:15pm**. Children will demonstrate the stages they are at and any new skills learnt. They will not be having competitive racing. If you are able to, please come and watch. I am sure your child will proudly demonstrate for you.
Marie Summers

JUNIOR ROOM KIWI TRIP TRANSPORT

16 March. Assemble at Owhango School at 7:45am.

Driver	
Cara O'Donnell	Carol Shaw, Libby Hoban, Aaliyah Lord, Lane O'Donnell & Freida Hoban
Maree Ashcroft	Mrs Summers, Rose Bryan, Jessica Ashcroft & Cailin Owen
Michelle Gavegan	Shiah Gavegan, Elise Frampton & Melissa Kuriger
Trudie Wheeler	Lewis Wheeler, Konna Moss & Skylar Carr (if attending)

GYMNASTICS

We had a great turnout on Monday. Hope you all enjoyed it. Next Monday at 3pm can students please meet at the school flagpole, then we will walk to the hall together. You will be able to change into your gear at the hall. At the end of the session, could all students please stay in the hall until collected by an adult. (This is just to keep everyone safe). If any parents are wanting to help in any way, please come and have a chat. Cheers. REMEMBER to bring your water bottles. See you next Monday.
Michelle and Tina.

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GOODIES FOR MARKET DAY TABLE

The Owhango 2018 Senior Room Market day table needs more goodies to sell please. Market day is this Sunday 5 March, so grab those hidden gems out from the back of the cupboard and call me on 027 2887833 and I can pick them up or you can drop to my house or school.
Thank you. Cara O'Donnell.

TECHNOLOGY FEES

Parents have been invoiced at half the charged rate of \$17.50 per term for this service. Please pay to the office, or direct credit to the school account 030 426 0141783 00 **by 9th March 2017**.

EASTER RAFFLE FOR THE 2017 YR 6-8 SCHOOL TRIP

If all School Trip families could please provide an item for the Easter Raffle (e.g. stickers, Easter eggs, craft item, egg cup etc.) and place it in the box provided in the staff room, it would be greatly appreciated. Each family will be given a book of tickets to sell, with the money and ticket stubs needing to be returned to the office by Wednesday 5th April. The raffle will be drawn before the end of term.

Many thanks in advance.

Any queries, contact Theresa Owen.

BIKEWISE

Constable Peter Marks and Mel Leatuafi (Project Energize) are organising a Bikewise session to be held at Owango School on **Wednesday 29 March**, from **9:00am – 12:30pm**. Please can all students bring helmets and bicycles that are in good working order and be wearing closed toed shoes. This whole morning programme will be focussing on bike skills and road safety.

BIKE-A-THON

It would be appreciated if all students could arrange their sponsors for the up coming bike-a-thon which will take place on **Wednesday 29 March at 1:30pm**. Proceeds will be going to the PTA for their financial support of next year's year 6 – 8 trip. The PTA work very hard to actively support various trips and activities for our students. **This is a great way to support the PTA so that they can continue to financially subsidise school activities.** Forms will be signed after the event on the day with their individual lap tally to enable them to collect their pledged funds. Sponsorships forms are attached

BIKE-A-THON HELPERS REQUIRED

Please complete the form below and return it to the school office if you are able to assist with the Bike-a-thon on **Wednesday 29 March**.

UNIFORM IN STOCK AT SCHOOL OFFICE.

We have a small selection of uniform items available at the school office. Please see Karen on Tuesday – Friday mornings at the office.

Please ensure that the uniform bucket hat is always left at school so that the children can play outside.

PAYING BY INTERNET BANKING.

Please ensure that you are direct crediting to the correct account. Direct credit details for:

School stationery, sports fees and trips etc. to: Owango School 03 0426 0141783 00 with reference filled in with what it is for please.

Uniform orders only, are to a separate account: Owango Uniform account 03 0426 0141783 03

PTA Fundraisers, are to a separate account: Owango School PTA 03 0426 0156205 00 with a reference filled in with what it is for please.

GOLF

Friday 03 March, will be the first of our golf sessions and Roy Frampton has organised for this session to be held at the Taumarunui Golf Course.

To make the most of our time he would like us to **meet at school at 7:50** and leave school at 8am to be ready to play by 8:30am. This will allow for a good length of time before we leave at 10am to return to school. All permission slips should now have been handed in to the office.

TRANSPORT

Jodie Watts	Jorja, Arabella, Dylan, Rik
Sue Paterson	Emma, Taiaria, Liam, Nathan
Mary Donovan	Ashley, Gabe, Pippa, Jack
Ms Cookson	Roy

INTERSCHOOL SOCCER TOURNAMENT

The confirmed date for this is **Tuesday 21st March**. The Owango teams that were submitted for the Friday night competition are the ones that will participate in this tournament. Please complete the attached permission slip if your child is still able to be a part of the team. Transport and supervision are required.

Games start at 9:30am so cars will need to leave school at 8:45am and be at the Cherry Grove grounds by 9am. The school marquee will also need to be taken to the grounds. Note: this is an all-day tournament with games probably finishing around 2:30pm. A draw and more details will be out in following newsletters.

YEAR 8 LEADERSHIP DAY

This will be held at the Taumarunui Domain on **Thursday 16 March** from 9am – 2pm. If you would like your **year 8** child to attend please complete the permission slip attached. Parent help with transport is required.

INTERSCHOOLS SWIMMING

An Owhango team will be entering the interschool swimming sports on **Friday 24th March**. The students will be selected based on observations here during swimming sessions and previous knowledge of competitive ability. A team list will be in next week's newsletter. A Mountain Schools competition has not been confirmed at this stage so more information will be passed on to you all as we find out definite details.

RUGBY SKILLS

An opportunity to learn and practise rugby skills for students who are playing Saturday morning rugby could be available if numbers allow. If your child is serious about improving their skills, Glynn Meads is offering skills-based sessions on **11 April**. If numbers are low we might combine our students with another school. See Kate Cookson for more information or to indicate your interest complete slip below.

2017 HOCKEY

If your child is interested in playing hockey this year, please complete the form below.

Key Dates

- Wednesday - 22nd/23rd March - Hockey Skills at Schools and evening coaching session
- Wednesday - 29th of March - AGM (we need 1 rep from each school to attend). The meeting will be quick so we can set out the draw and run a session to help schools if we have need any combo/mixed teams and to help sort children who are moving from mini-sticks to bigger teams.
- Wednesday 5th of April - First Hockey Game and Mini Sticks starts
- Wednesday 12th of April - Second Hockey Game
- School holidays
- Term 2 starts
- Wednesday 3rd of May - through to Wednesday 28th of June **Wednesday 5th of July Prize giving.**

Any questions or comments please email Stacey at: staceyfaire@gmail.com or call on 021 853 440 - Stacey

CRICKET

Junior Cricket is happening every Wednesday from 3.30pm at Taumarunui High School. This started Wednesday 22 February. All Primary School aged children are welcome to participate. Ajit is happy to receive your questions. His phone number is (07) 895 8665.

TAUMARUNUI JUNIOR RUGBY MUSTER

Saturdays 1st and 8th of April, 9.30-10.30am. All ages from 4-13 (must be at primary school though) welcome.

Cost is \$25 for the first child, \$15 for siblings, includes a mouth guard.

Second hand boots are available, bring your old ones in to swap if you can.

We really need coaches and committee help this year, please ring 896 8430 if you can help.

Follow us on Facebook for more information.

Ardy and Leon will be starting training for ages 9 and up (A Grade and B Grade)

Starting **Tuesday 7 March 3.45-5pm**



Do you like music?

Do you like being creative?

Do you like having fun?

Find out all about instrumental lessons* starting in term 2

at Owhango School!

3:15pm Thursday 9 March

at the school

See you there!

For further details contact Kathy at

MusicRoom on 021 689 005

email musicroomaccounts@vodafone.co.nz

** instruments offered depend upon suitability, demand and teacher availability*

2017 TERM DATES

Term 1 7 February – 13 April

Term 2 1 May – 7 July

Term 3 24 July – 29 September

Term 4 16 October – 20 December

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YEAR 4 – 8 HOCKEY

Family name _____

My child / ren _____ would like to play hockey this year.

Parent Name: _____

I am able to coach a team **YES / NO**

Registration fee is \$10 per student to be paid on slip return please

Signed _____

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RUGBY SKILLS-BASED SESSION Tuesday 11th April 2017

Family name _____

My child / ren _____ is interested in attending a skills session with Glynn Meads.

Parent Name: _____

I am able to assist with transport **YES / NO** for (number of students) if it goes ahead.

Signed _____

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SOCCER TOURNAMENT Tuesday 21 March.

Family name _____

My child / ren _____ is/are still able to be a part of the previously submitted team.

TRANSPORT

Please tick your choice

I am able to provide smokefree, seatbelted transport for _____ children, in a registered and warranted vehicle that will be driven by a fully licensed driver who adheres to all traffic regulations.

OR

I am unable to assist with transport and enclose \$2 each transport cost.

I will be sending a booster seat for my child **YES / NO**

If you are assisting with transport:

Name of driver _____

Car Registration Number _____

Cell phone number if taking one _____

I enclose \$ _____

Signed _____

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YEAR 8 LEADERSHIP DAY
Thursday 16th March 2017

Family Name _____

My child _____ **has permission to attend the Leadership Day.**

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If you are assisting with transport:

Name of driver _____

Car Registration Number _____

Cell phone number if taking one _____

I enclose \$ _____ **Signed** _____

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Y7&8 TECHNOLOGY FEES

Student Name.....

I enclose a full year Technology fees as invoiced. \$35

Signed.....

Please pay to the office, *by 9th March 2017* or direct credit to the school account 030 426 0141783 00

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OWHANGO SCHOOL BIKE-A-THON
Wednesday 29 March @ 1:30pm

Name: _____

I am able to assist with the Bike-a-thon. **YES / NO**

Signed_____