

OWHANGO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER “Working Together To Achieve Our Very Best”	
Phone 07 895 4823	www.owhangoschool.co.nz
Fax 07 895 4853	Email: office@owhango.school.nz
<b>9/2017</b>	<b>5 April 2017</b>

## DATES TO NOTE

5 Apr	Hockey postponed today due to the weather
6 Apr	No Japanese classes after technology for Yr 7s & 8s
7 Apr	Religious Education @ 1:30
12 Apr	Pumpkin competition & Harvest Festival @ 12:30pm
12 Apr	Assembly @ 2:15pm
13 Apr	Mufti Day
13 Apr	End of term 1
1 May	Term 2 begins
6 May	T 42
9 May	2018 trip meeting @ 3:15
12 May	Miniball basketball competition begins
25 May	Rippa Rugby tournament

*A reminder, that should you need to see previous newsletters, and check out what's coming up refer to the school's website [www.owhangoschool.co.nz](http://www.owhangoschool.co.nz)*

## EASTER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

On **Friday 7 April** local residents the Rev Merv Aitken and his wife Leslie will be taking a half hour Easter RE lesson in each class after lunch. Please notify the school in writing if you do not want your child to take part in this session.

## CLOSURE OF SCHOOL POOL

The school pool is now closed. Please return your pool key to the office for the \$20 refund before 31 May.

## BIKE-A-THON

I just wanted to say a huge thank you to you all for organising the bike-a-thon fundraiser yesterday. We (the PTA) really appreciate this and are very thankful for the help. It's both an amazing fundraiser and something the kids really enjoy. Thanks so much  
Theresa Owen

## BIKE DAY

Many thanks to Melanie Leatuafi from Project Energize who ran the Bikewise lessons on Monday.

Thank you too to our families for ensuring that the students had their bikes at school for this important safety education. Thanks to Constable Peter Marks for providing road safety equipment. Despite the weather the children gave of their very best. Well done too to Anouk and Janette who had their own Bike-a-thon on Saturday as they knew they couldn't take part on Monday!

We couldn't have run a day like this without the enormous assistance that we received from a large number of people in various ways.

**Can all pledged money for the Bike-a-thon please be paid to the school office by Tuesday 11 April.**

## YEAR 7 & 8 TECHNOLOGY TOMORROW

There will be no Japanese classes tomorrow after technology. The students will be departing from the High School at approximately 1:00pm to return to Owhango School.

Tech Fees are \$8.75 per term, or \$35 per year. Please pay these fees to the office. Thank you.

## UNIFORM FOR TERM 2

A reminder to parents that as from the beginning of next term (Term 2, 2017), **it will be compulsory for all students to be wearing the new Academy green polo-shirt and navy polo-fleece jacket or hoodie uniform items.**

If you require to place a uniform order, order forms can be obtained from the office.

Orders to be returned to the office by Friday 7th April please.

By the beginning of Term 1, 2018: All students should be wearing the full Academy uniform, including navy bottoms.

## 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*

## GYMNASTICS

Monday 10 April will be the last day for the season. Thank you to everyone who attended. We hope you continue to practise your forward/backward rolls, handstands and cartwheels which you have mastered so well. Look forward to seeing you all next season (about November). Many thanks.  
Michelle and Tina.

## PUMPKIN COMPETITION & HARVEST FESTIVAL

This year we will be hosting the harvest festival & pumpkin growing competition **at the school** on **Wednesday 12 April**.

This year other edible produce will be included for judging. **Bring along your biggest or oddest shaped vegetables or fruits.** We are encouraging families and friends to come along during the lunch hour (**12:30pm onwards**) and have a picnic lunch (BYO) with the children, view the pumpkins and other produce. We are encouraging everyone to bring along some produce from their garden e.g. veges, fruits, jams, pickles etc. This will be sold at a produce sales table with all proceeds going to the PTA.

**Bring along some coins to purchase some fresh seasonal goodies!**

Bring your pumpkins, other vegetable & fruits along for judging; they **MUST BE GROWN** by the entrants. They can be dropped off during the morning. However you don't need a pumpkin or home grown produce to come along and have a great afternoon!

Assembly will be held afterwards at 2:15pm.

## WHIO AWARENESS MONTH- MARCH

Colouring competition forms can be obtained from the office. Age 7-9 and 10-13 Categories. Entries **close 13 April** to be in to win a prize.

## MOUNT RUAPEHU CLEAN-UP DAY

This was unable to proceed today due to the weather. We hope to reschedule this activity in term 4.

## PROJECT ENERGIZE



## NETBALL

Netball fees this year are \$45.00 per player to be paid to the office please.

This is made up of \$30 Association fee and a \$15.00 umpire fee.

Umpire fees for both teams this season will be supplemented by a \$2.00 raffle for \$100.00 to be drawn when all tickets are sold.

The first Rockerz team practise in week 9 will now be held on the Friday of that week.

We still require a manager for the Rockerz team.

Regular practises for teams are as follows:

Smasherz team Wednesday and Friday lunchtimes 1:00 – 2:00

Rockerz team practise is Tuesday lunchtimes 12:30 – 1:00 from week 10.

The grading day draw this **Saturday, April 8th** is as follows:

Team	Time	Court
<b>Smasherz</b>	08:30	1 vs TPS Red
Pippa, Ashley,	09:00	3 vs St Pats Breakers
Jesse, Emma P,	09:30	4 vs Te Mahuri
Emma C, Tia,	10:30	2 vs Turaki A
Anouk, Taiaria,	11:00	4 vs Manunui Mystics
Sam.		
<b>Rockerz</b>	09:30	1 vs Turaki Gold
Nikki, Breanna,	10:00	3 vs Manunui Tuis
Emily, Millie,	11:00	2 vs St Pats Clovers
Libby, Freida,	11:30	4 vs NVS Green
Luca Marshall,	12:00	4 vs Te Kakano
Ria Marshall		

Note: 7 minute halves - straight change over at half time - and 1 minute between games. Please have any half time changes ready to make a quick change. Also: **Smasherz are on duty** to put out the rubbish bins at beginning of day.

Netball Opening day is Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

## 2017 HOCKEY

The Junior Hockey and Small Sticks Registration forms were forwarded by email 28 March. Please complete these and return to school, and note that there has been an increase in the hockey fee from \$10 to \$12 this year. If you have already paid \$10 to school, please pay the balance of \$2 to us also, as we will be invoiced for all fees at a later date. Hockey is played at the Taumarunui High School field on Wednesday afternoons. Start date is Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Any questions please email Stacey at: [staceyfaire@gmail.com](mailto:staceyfaire@gmail.com) or cell: 021 853 440 OR contact Willy O'Donnell 895 4600.

## YEAR 5-8 MINIBALL BASKETBALL 2017

It is time to begin organising the Miniball teams for 2017. If your child / children wish to play Miniball please complete the form below to indicate their interest. Competition starts 12<sup>th</sup> May. We will need adult volunteers for coaches please.

Registration cost is \$20 per player, to be paid with the return slips please.

Please return the slip below to school by **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.**

## RIPPA RUGBY

A one day Rippa Rugby tournament for Year 5-6 & 7-8 students will be held in Taumarunui on **Thursday 25 May**. Please fill in the form below if your child would like to take part. We will need a coach for each team please. There is no registration fee for this.

## JUNIOR SOCCER OPENING DAY

Registration day is Saturday 6 May at Cherry Grove 11.30am – 1pm.

## PROJECT ENERGIZE



## 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: Owhango School 03 0426 0141783 00 with reference filled in with what it is for please. **Uniform orders only**, are to a separate account: Owhango Uniform account 03 0426 0141783 03 **PTA Fundraisers**, are to a separate account: Owhango School PTA 03 0426 0156205 00 with a reference filled in with what it is for please.

## FREE T42 STUDENT ENTRY

The organisers of T42 have very kindly agreed to free entry for students who are currently enrolled at Owhango School in the 6.5km event. A parent can also run for free, with their participating child.

If your child would like to take part they will be able to collect an entry form from the Owhango School office which must be filled in & signed by a parent. A fantastic opportunity for our students! Please encourage your children to have a go.

Signed Annette Taylor-Lacy

## T42 EVENT

This year's T42 multi-sport event is to be held this **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May**.

This event is our big fundraising opportunity for our community. Funds are split equally between four Owhango groups - Fire Brigade, Playgroup, Residents & Ratepayers Society and School. Volunteers are needed to help with registrations, packing goody bags, and catering. If you can help with any of these jobs, please phone.

- Thu 4<sup>th</sup> May – **Goody Bags**:  
Annette Taylor-Lacy, 895 4471 / 027 386 0722
- Fri 5<sup>th</sup> May afternoon & evening - **Event Registrations** at National Park:  
Toni Grass, 895 4436 / 027 635 3262
- Sat 6<sup>th</sup> May - **BBQ and catering** at Owhango Domain, (Fri evening preparation, Sat morning and/or afternoon helpers required):  
Annette will be doing a phone-around the community to ask for volunteers, and their preference of job.

## NEEDED FOR T42

Empty ice-cream containers with lids please. Give to Chris Weir or to the school office. Thanks

## LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

MoE Attendance Target **94%**.

DATES	ROOM 2 SENIORS	ROOM 1 MIDDLES	ROOM 3 JUNIORS
27 – 31 Mar	<b>98.3%</b>	93.6%	<b>97.8%</b>

**Congratulations to the senior & junior rooms who both met the MoE attendance target last week.**

## EASTER RAFFLE FOR THE 2018 YR 6-8 SCHOOL TRIP

Money and ticket stubs need 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.

## KAITIEKE EASTER SHOW

Easter Monday 17th April is the 100 year and final Kaitieke Easter Show.



## GOLF TRANSPORT

The 8am departure time remains the same for our final week, but we will leave the course slightly later (10:45am) to allow for our competition round to be completed. Thanks to all parents who have provided transport throughout, and for getting your children to school in time for our weekly 8am departures.

**\$2 transport fee to be paid at the office if not providing transport for this trip. Thank you.**

Transport for 7 April

Driver	
Sue Paterson	Emma P, Ashley, Taiaria & Arabella
Rachel Brown	Liam, Dylan, Nathan & Jack B,
Jodie Watts	Jorja, Pippa, Rik & Gabe



## YEAR 5 – 8 MINIBALL BASKETBALL

Family name \_\_\_\_\_

My child/children \_\_\_\_\_ would like to play miniball basketball this year.

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

**Registration fee is \$20 per student** to be paid on slip return please

Signed \_\_\_\_\_



## YEAR 5 – 8 RIPPA RUGBY ONE DAY TOURNAMENT 25 MAY

Family name \_\_\_\_\_

My child/children \_\_\_\_\_ would like to take part in the Rippa Rugby tournament.

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_