

## OWHANGO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**8 March 2017**

### DATES TO NOTE

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
10 Mar	Mountain Schools Swimming sports
16 Mar	Junior Rm Kiwi Trip @ 7:45am.
21 Mar	Inter-schools 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 SECRETARY

The BoT requires a BoT secretary. The successful applicant will be required to man the school office on Mondays from 8:30am – 12:30pm during term time. They will also need to attend BoT meetings (usually twice termly) and take the minutes. The successful applicant will need to undergo Police vetting. Good computer skills essential.

Written expressions of interest to be left at the school office please. Closing date 16 March.

### JUNIOR ROOM SWIMMING DEMONSTRATION

**Today 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

### TECHNOLOGY FEES

Parents have been invoiced. Please pay to the office, or direct credit to the school account 030 426 0141783 00 **by 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017**.

### 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**.

### MUSIC ROOM INFORMATION MEETING

Resource Room **3:15pm Thursday 9 March**

Classes start in term 2. For further details contact Kathy at MusicRoom on 021 689 005

email [musicroomaccounts@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:musicroomaccounts@vodafone.co.nz)

### JUDGING OF CHILDREN'S GARDEN COMPETITION

Five students entered this year's children's garden competition, which was judged yesterday.

Many thanks to Jodie Watts who organised the competition. Thank you too to the judges Marion Martin and Pat Lacy. Thanks to our sponsors Pat Lacy and George Brown who provided prizes.

Thank you to Aaron Owen who engraved the names of the past three years winners.

This year's overall winner was Emma Paterson.



### MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS SWIMMING SPORTS

These are being held this **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March** at the Westpac Trust Pool (High School)

Transport arrangements as below, and leaving school at **8.45am** for those selected to attend.

\$2 transport to pay if not providing transport.

<i>Driver</i>	<i>students</i>
Cara O'Donnell	Pippa, Sam, Gabe & Dansey
Jessica McNaught	Ethan, Tia
Karyn Collier	Emma, Ashley, Charlotte, Jesse
Jessie Smith	Taiaria

### LOST

Mia-Mareikura Smith has lost her Owhango polar fleece jersey. It has her name in the tag. Please check your child's jersey. Thank you.

## INTERSCHOOLS SWIMMING

Owhango will be entering the interschool swimming sports on **Friday 24 March** as part of the Mountain Schools team. The students will be selected based on their performance at the Mountain Schools competition this week. Details will be communicated as soon as we know the outcome of this week's swimming event.

## 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: 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.

## EASTER RAFFLE FOR THE 2018 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.

## POSSIBLE TRIP FUNDRAISER

There is an opportunity for a house/office clean as a fund raiser for the 2018 school camp. The Landcorp Raurimu office (at 4295 SH4, National Park, opposite Eivins Café) needs cleaning, as a one-off job; ASAP. It is a three bedroom house, which is now used as the office & smoko room. Chris Weir has agreed to be co-ordinator if there is enough parent interest.

Her preference to do the cleaning is Monday or Thursday as she is working up there on those days. If you are willing to help with this fundraiser please contact Chris 027 410 6188

## YEAR 8 LEADERSHIP DAY

This will be held at the Taumarunui Domain on **Thursday 16 March** from 9am – 2pm. We will need to assemble at school at 8:30am and leave at 8:45am SHARP! We will return to school by 2:30pm. Students will require a hat, water bottle and appropriate food to sustain them through the day. **Thanks to the family who has offered transport but we need more before this can go ahead.** Additional slips will be sent home those already not returned.

## BIKEWISE

Constable Peter Marks and Mel Leatuafi (Project Energize) are organising a Bikewise session to be held at Owhango 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.

## GOLF

All Friday golf sessions will now be held at the Taumarunui Golf Club. Please refer to the attached information letter (for students involved) explaining the situation in more detail. Thanks to those parents who are able to provide transport to and from the venue. All children will now be required to pay \$2.00 towards petrol expenses for those families providing transport.

## NETBALL

Could all students interested in playing Saturday morning netball for the school this year please complete the attached return slip so we can start planning and registering teams. A muster will be held as soon as we have determined numbers and interest. We urgently require coaches and managers for both junior and senior teams.

## 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. To indicate your interest see Ms Cookson.

## INTERSCHOOL SOCCER TOURNAMENT

The confirmed date for this is **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March**. The Owhango teams that were submitted for the Friday night competition are the ones that will participate in this tournament. Permission slips should now have been returned to the office. Transport and supervision are still 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. More details will be out as they come to hand. Cost is \$3 per player, and \$2 transport in if not providing a car. Additional slips attached to those students not yet returned.

## 2017 HOCKEY

If your child is interested in playing hockey this year, please complete the form below. Start date is Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. \$10 registration fee is due to those who have not yet paid. Any questions please email Stacey at: [staceyfaire@gmail.com](mailto:staceyfaire@gmail.com) or call on 021 853 440 - Stacey

## CRICKET

Junior Cricket is happening every Wednesday from 3.30pm at Taumarunui High School. 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)

## PROJECT ENERGIZE



## 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

## LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

MoE Attendance Target **94%**.

DATES	ROOM 2 SENIOR S	ROOM 1 MIDDLES	ROOM 3 JUNIORS
27 Feb – 3 Mar	93.8%	<b>97.8%</b>	92.1%

**Congratulations to room 1 who met the MoE attendance target last week.**

## OWHANGO COMMUNITY REVITALISATION MEETING

This meeting is in conjunction with what the Ruapehu District Council Revitalisation programme is aiming to achieve. You can attend and put forward your suggestions of how and where you would like our township to make improvements and be revitalised. Owhango Residents & Ratepayers committee can then process these ideas into a plan for the future of Owhango. All welcome.

Meeting is to be held at the *Owhango Hall*, 23 March at 6.30pm.

More information:

<http://www.ruapehudc.govt.nz/our-district/community-projects/township-revitalisation>

## BEYOND THE BACKYARD

Invite you to enter Young NZ Writer's competition for year 7 & 8 students.



### WHIO Awareness Month – March 2017

Colouring competition forms can be obtained from the office. Age 7-9 and 10-13 Catagories. Entries close 13 April 2017 to be in to win a prize.

### JUNIOR ROOM KIWI TRIP TRANSPORT

On 16<sup>th</sup> March. Assemble at Owhang 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)



### OWHANGO SCHOOL BIKE-A-THON

Wednesday 29 March @ 1:30pm

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I am able to assist with the Bike-a-thon.

YES / NO

Signed \_\_\_\_\_



### NETBALL 2017

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

My child / ren \_\_\_\_\_ would like to play netball this year.

I am able to coach a team YES / NO

Signed \_\_\_\_\_