

**+OWHANGO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**  
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**35/2017**

**8 November 2017**

**DATES TO NOTE**

10 Nov	Interschool Athletics
14 Nov	PhotoLife School photos
16 Nov	BoT meeting @ 7:00pm
17 Nov	Touch Tournament
22 Nov	Rm 1 & 2 swimming trip
29 Nov	Rm 1 & 2 swimming trip
2 Dec	Christmas Parade
6 Dec	Rm 1 & 2 swimming trip
15 Dec	Brock's Farm
18 Dec	Year 8 lunch at National Park
19 Dec	Break Up
20 Dec	End of term 4

**ABSENCES**

Please notify the school office before 9:00am if your child is to be absent.

You can either:

- Phone / or text the school office between 8:30 and 9:00am or
- Email [office@owhango.school.nz](mailto:office@owhango.school.nz)

If emailing please give a reason for the absence as we need to code all absences.

In the interests of health and safety it is vital that we know where all students are.

**INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS**

This is being held at the Taumarunui Domain, Turaki Street on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November. We will be **leaving school at 8.30am to assemble by 9.15am**, and events will be starting 9.30am sharp.

The event helpers and officials from the schools are to be at the main tent before 8.45am for the briefing please. The day will finish around 2.30pm. **There is an entry fee of \$2 for each student**, and \$2 transport for those not providing transport to be paid to the school office by Friday please.

There will be food available on sale during the day. If your child is taking part the tentative timetable and events your child is taking part in are attached to the newsletter.

**TRANSPORT TO ATHLETICS attached separately**

**TOUCH TOURNAMENT**

We are requesting assistance with transport to next week's touch tournament. If your child is registered please return the form below to school TOMORROW so that the transport can be collated.

Transport cost \$2 per child if not providing a car.

**BoT MEETING**

The BoT will be holding their November meeting next Thursday 16 November at 7:00pm. All welcome.

**PINE CONES NEEDED**

The junior room would greatly appreciate some donations of pine cones for their Christmas crafts this year.

**SCHOLASTIC ISSUE 7**

Attached is Issue 7 book club. Please have your orders returned by TOMORROW **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November** or order online at [bookclub.scholastic.co.nz](http://bookclub.scholastic.co.nz)

**PHOTOLIFE SCHOOL PHOTOS**

The envelopes were sent home last week. School photos will be taken in the morning of Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November. Please ensure that uniforms are worn and if you are selecting an individual or sibling photo, non uniform clothes can be brought to change into. All Envelopes must be returned by this day please.

Please use/return the correct envelope for your child, as they have each have been allocated a personalised key code. Sibling envelopes can be obtained from the office.

Prices this year are.

Class/team groups 25x20cm	\$15.00
Upsized 32x25cm	\$17.00
Value Pack-6 items	\$30.00
Premium Pack -13 items	\$35.00
Ultimate Pack-14 items	\$40.00
Sibling photos	\$30.00

Team photos will be taken. Complete the attached slip to indicate your order please.

## TECHNOLOGY

Term four technology dates for the Y7 & 8 students:

16 November  
30 November  
14 December

## LOST PROPERTY

The basket by the office is over flowing again!  
Please come in and check for missing clothing

## I.O.U SLIPS

### HAVE ALL YOUR I.O.U. SLIPS PAID ASAP

When these slips come home attached to the newsletter, please can these be paid as soon as possible to the office by cash or online by direct debit. Thank you.

#### PAYING BY INTERNET BANKING

**Stationery and sports fees** to Westpac 030 426 0141783 00

**Uniform** costs to Westpac 030 426 0141783 03

**PTA** Westpac 030 426 0156205 00

## CHRISTMAS PARADE

This will be held in Taumarunui **Saturday 2 December** with the "Family Beach Party" theme.

We are seeking interest for this year's Christmas float and are needing kids to be on float on Saturday 2nd December. If you have any of the following available to use please bring into school by Friday 1st December: life jackets, beach towels, hula skirts, surf/boogie boards, fishing rods, jandals, sunglasses, or anything else beachy you can think of. Complete the interest slip below and return to school by Tuesday 31 October.

Contact Michelle Gavegan if you want to be involved in the fun or have any other ideas. Cell: 021 082 72321

## PUMPKIN GROWING COMPETITION

Pumpkin plants have been given out. The pumpkins will be judged towards the end of term one 2018.

If members of the wider community would like a pumpkin please phone Cara O'Donnell 895 4600.

## CHILDREN'S GARDEN COMPETITION

The children's garden competition will be judged next term on 20th February. This would make a great family activity over the summer holidays.

## PET DAY & SPRING FESTIVAL

Many thanks to everyone who helped to make Monday's Spring Festival and Pet Day such a success again. We were certainly lucky with the weather.

Many thanks to our generous sponsors:

Rachel & Darin Brown from D & R Brown

Agriculture LTD for the sausages

Guy & Regan Hoban from Doyle Valuations and Steve & Maree Ashcroft from Midwest

Helicopters for the ribbons

LIC for the overall champions Ribbon

Thank you to these businesses for their generous donation of prizes:

Ravensdown

Totally Vets

Aerowork

Wrightsons

VetEnt

Farmlands (prizes & pet booklets)

M10

FMG

Thanks too to:

Pat Lacy Livestock LTD for the lolly scramble

Fonterra for the Hamper and donation of milk

The children and staff were delighted with the great number of pets, parents and friends of the school who attended. Again, there was a very high standard of creative and ingenious exhibits. We are most grateful to Maree Ashcroft who organised the Pets Section and sought sponsorship for the prizes.

Special thanks to the judges.

- Mike & Marikka from FMG for judging the Lamb and Goat section and Champion Pet
- Pat Lacy for the Calf section
- Vanessa from Farmlands and Robert from Zoetis for the Dogs section and best dressed pet
- Vicki from Wrightsons for the section of other pets

Activities Judges: Leslie Aitken, Merv Aitken, Laurie Bryan, Clive Gifford, Constable Peter Marks, Carol O'Donnell, Audrey Riley, Jenny Strickland,

Also a big thank you to Theresa Owen and her PTA team and our parents for their valuable assistance in various ways, Jodie Watts for her fantastic agility courses and support, Vicki, Michelle and everyone else who has helped make this day successful for our children.

Thank you too to the large number of parents, grandparents and friends of the school who helped in various ways throughout the day. We couldn't have done it without you.

A great day was had by all, especially the children. Events like this are a wonderful way to pass on a wealth of skills to the next generation. Sadly many of these talents our grandparents regularly used are being lost.

*Pet Day Photos – from animals, cakes and marble runs!*



## PROJECT ENERGIZE



## LET'S GET TOGETHER!

Everyone is welcome young and old and in between.

Some of us are clever at crafts, some can play music, some can share stories, grow food..

Some like being active, playing sport, or go for walks. Some like board games.

Let's share our thoughts, our time and build our community together.

Bring a plate to share for lunch and a \$2 koha for the Owango hall hire.

We'll gather on the 2nd Saturday of the month, starting on the 11th of November. From 11 am-3 pm

For more info call Zita 027 77 55 012

Signed Zita Clinckemaillie



## OLD PHONE BOOKS

Carol O'Donnell will take your old phone book. She is going to use them for pressing flowers. You can drop them to school for her to collect. Many thanks  
Carol O'Donnell

## HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR PRIZE GIVING

Congratulations to these former students who completed most of their primary schooling at Owango School who received these awards at Taumarunui High School senior prize giving last Thursday. We are all really proud of your wonderful efforts and attainments.

Sam Brown	Consistently meeting the 4A's
Lara Dempsey	Colaraty Cup (Scholarship & Sportsmanship in Level 2) Consistently meeting the 4A's Second NCEA Level 2 Mathematics Third NCEA Level 2 Science First NCEA Level 2 Physical Education Second Year 12 Outdoor Education
Prayer Muraahi	National Certificate in Primary Sector Level 1 First 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Agriculture (Farmlands Award)
Jayden Paterson	National Certificate in Primary Sector Level 1 Second 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Agriculture Consistently meeting the 4A's
Davina Zimmer	Principal's Award for Excellence in Leadership Consistently meeting the 4A's Second NCEA Level 3 English

## HIGH SCHOOL HEAD GIRLS

Congratulations Lara Dempsey who has been appointed Head Girl at Taumarunui High School for 2018. This is the third year in a row that a former Owango School student has held this role.

2017: Davina Zimmer

2016: Alexia Malcolm

Well done girls you are all wonderful ambassadors for Owango School!

## 2017 TERM DATES

Term 4 16 October – 20 December

## 2018 TERM DATES

Term 1 7 February – 13 April

Term 2 30 April – 6 July

Term 3 23 July – 28 September

Term 4 15 October – 20 December

## LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

MoE Attendance Target **94%**.

DATES	ROOM 2 SENIORS	ROOM 1 MIDDLES	ROOM 3 JUNIORS
30 Oct – 3 Nov	93.8%	90%	90%

This is the second week in a row that no classes have met the MoE attendance target. Please ensure that your child attends school every day unless they are sick.

## TURAKI SCHOOL GALA

Friday 1 December

5:15 – 8:30pm Fun activities, bouncy castles, batons up, food stalls, white elephant and raffles available.

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## OWHANGO SCHOOL TEAM PHOTOS

**FAMILY NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

Prices

Team groups 25x20cm \$15.00

Upsized 32x25cm \$17.00

Please tick your photo group order.

- Hockey
- Miniball – Owango Thunder
- Mini Meez – Owango Stars
- Netball – Smashers
- Netball - Rockerz
- National Park Ski Squad



**TOUCH TOURNAMENT**

**17 November 2017**

**Family Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**My child / ren** \_\_\_\_\_ are registered to take part in the touch tournament have permission to take part in this.

**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** \_\_\_\_\_