

OWHANGO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO NOTE

22 Nov	Yr 3 – 8 swimming trip
29 Nov	Yr 3 – 8 swimming trip
2 Dec	Christmas Parade
6 Dec	Yr 3 – 8 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

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.

YEARS 3 – 8 SWIMMING

Starting today Wednesday 22 November, the year 3 – 8 students will be travelling by bus to the Taumarunui indoor pool (next to the High school) for deep water safety and swimming instruction.

This is a 3 week programme that has been generously provided by our BOT. It will run on Wednesdays from 11:00 – 1:00pm (including bus pick up and drop off). All children will need to remember to bring their togs, towel, goggles (if they have any), warm jersey for afterwards and a water bottle.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Several of our students were involved with the food bank collection carried out on Monday night. Thank you to you all.

Bev Muraahi wishes to extend her thanks to her helpers Tia Lord and Dansey Simm. Bev says that they did a wonderful job, and she was very proud of how well they executed themselves. Well done everyone!

TEACHERS' AIDES VACANCIES

At the end of this term all three of our wonderful teachers' aides are resigning to follow new horizons. We are seeking applications for (probably two) teachers' aides commencing 7 February 2018. We are still awaiting confirmation from the Ministry of Education for allocation of special needs funding so cannot be specific at this stage how many hours a week will be available. However it is probable that the hours of work will be Monday – Thursday mornings.

Application forms will be available from the school next Friday 1 December if you are interested in one of these positions. The successful applicants will need to undergo Police vetting before commencing duties.

SPORT T SHIRTS.

Please return any sport t-shirt used for Touch tournament so that end of year stock take can be carried out.

TECHNOLOGY

Term four technology dates for the Y7 & 8 students

30 November

14 December

LOST PROPERTY

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

STATIONERY I.O.U. SLIPS

It is important that when these slips come home attached to the newsletter, please can they 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

SCHOLASTIC ISSUE 8

This issue is attached. Please have your orders back by 8 December. Thank you.

PHOTO COMPETITION SUCCESS

Congratulations to Jessica Ashcroft who entered the Totally Vets photography competition that was advertised through school newsletter a couple of months ago. Her photo was selected in the top 13 and has made it to the calendar.

Jessica's winning photo



PROJECT ENERGIZE



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
13 - 17 Nov	95.5%	99%	95.5%

Well done everyone, all classes met the MoE attendance target last week! Please ensure that your child attends school every day unless they are sick.

CHILDREN'S GARDEN COMPETITION

The garden competition is going to be on Tuesday 20 February 2018 so start thinking about what you are going to grow...

The garden competition is judged at the student's home. It can be a vege garden, flower garden, native garden, or a succulent garden. It **MUST** be designed/created, grown and looked after by the student.

Students will be judged on knowledge and presentation of their gardens e.g. weeded.

A good idea might be to keep a diary of what they have done to help answer any questions the judges might ask.....e.g., "What are the names of the plants you have grown? What have you done to the soil?"

For more information contact Jodie

027 22 64 911 or 895 4606

WORK AND BABYSITTER AVAILABLE

Responsible High School girl available for casual work and babysitting.

Phone Sam Brown 07 895 4466 or Rachel 027 434 1391

LADIES XMAS PARTY

This Friday the 24th

Owhango Pub top bar 7pm

Bring a wrapped \$5 present

Food can be ordered over bar

Any enquires contact Annette 027 386 0722

FARMLANDS PROMO

Farmlands will be running promotion between November 2017 and February 2018.

When our Customers purchase Cydectin Oral at Farmlands Taumarunui during this period we are giving \$20 per 15l Drum to the local school of their choice.

We would be delighted if we could get the chance to present you with a cheque in March next year.

Please note this Promo is only running with Taumarunui Farmlands.

We look forward to carrying on our support with you this year.

Kind Regards

Brenda and Team of Taumarunui Farmlands

CHRISTMAS FLOAT

Count down is on. Decorations are looking superb! If you haven't already sent in your permission slips, please do by Friday. Look forward to seeing all the beach wear. Please bring to school Friday 1st December and we will do a quick dress rehearsal.

Cheers

Michelle.



TAUMARUNUI CHRISTMAS PARADE FLOAT

2 December 2017

FAMILY NAME _____

My child/children..... have permission to participate in the Christmas Parade Float. **YES / NO**

I would like to be involved/ and can assist Michelle (co-ordinator) **YES / NO**

I can provide of the listed items needed for the beach themed float.

Signed.....