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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK / WHAKATAUKI

He tangata takahi manuhiri, he marae puehu

A person who mistreats his guest has a dusty marae

Someone who disregards his visitors will soon find he has no visitors at all; this accentuates the importance of manaakitanga, or hospitality.

TERM THREE DATES TO NOTE

23 August	Year 7-8 Technology at the high school
24 August	Middles-Seniors ski day four
27 August	Tyler Malcolm visit- Duffy Leadership
29 August	PTA agm
30 August	Daffodil Day -Yellow Day
31 August	Middles-Seniors ski day five
3 September	Cross country
4 September	Duffy Theatre visit
6 September	Year 7-8 Technology at the high school
7 September	Junior ski day one
11 September	Interschool cross country
13 September	BoT meeting
14 September	Junior ski day two
28 September	End of term 3

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It was a pleasure last week to have the opportunity to work for an hour and a half in each of our three classrooms. Although I know the children well and have taught most over the years, it is always interesting to see how each class works as a group; the group dynamics. All have a nice feel, with people quietly getting on with their work, showing good work habits and helping others where needed. Having a good classroom environment is something over the years I have realised is an essential foundation for learning, but it doesn't come automatically, teachers need to work hard to create and

maintain it. So here I want to acknowledge the fine work our teachers have done to create such nice atmospheres in their classrooms.

CLASSROOM KORERO - Junior Class

We seem to be very busy at the moment, as there is lots happening. I was very proud of Piata Smith and Freida Hoban at the wearable arts. They are both only 6 years old and walked down the catwalk with such confidence. I don't think I could have done that at such an early age! In maths we have been studying fractions and most have mastered what was required. The biggest challenge was dividing a pizza into 13 even portions, one boy summed it up "Let's just get on with eating it- who cares if someone's is a bit bigger!" The children are discussing the Kia Kaha programme, about caring for others, keeping safe and bullying. Constable Marks will address the class next week. We have started practising our item for the school production. Some eager children have already bought along costumes. It certainly helps them to act out their role easier. A note will soon be sent home regarding what your child requires.



Hazel O'Donnell and Lucas Gavegan get into role

SKI DAY THREE - report

This was the day to test our clothing for warmth and waterproofness! The day wasn't windy, but skiing in sleet (rain + snow) is not fun. The children did their best in their lessons but that was the limit of their day. Later the sleet turned to snow, which would have been nice to ski in, however the children were already wet, so we warmed up in the cafe while we waited for the hardened souls (Pippa O'Donnell and Tia Lord) to come back from their extended lesson. It was also a good test of their resilience, which impressed me - we didn't have complaining or grumpy children; they persevered until they were at their limit, then came out of the weather. It is good for the children to learn that the mountain isn't always nice weather, and how to find their way down the trail when there is cloud around. Although there was a lot of good learning on this trip, we will not go again this year if the conditions are the same as they have learnt those lessons. We will postpone, however RAL will charge us 20% of our booking, which we would need to pass onto the skiers, which would be on average \$8 per student.



Snow, snow snow!

JUNIORS SKI DAY PROGRAMME PERMISSION SLIP

We are including the junior ski permission slip today as we need to book two weeks in advance.

CENTRAL PLATEAU SKI CHAMPS

Congratulations to Ethan McLean who gained 1st place on Thursday at the Central Plateau Ski Championships.

KIA KAHA PROGRAMME

Throughout the next few weeks your child/ren will be taking part in the programme Kia Kaha. This is a programme developed by the New Zealand Police Youth Education Service which is designed to help create safe positive classrooms in which bullying cannot flourish. It will be taught by your child's teacher, with the occasional help from Constable Peter Marks, the Police Education Officer. There may be some homework tasks with this programme, so if you could support your child/ren with these this will increase the programme's success. Please contact the school if you would like any more information about the programme.

BASKETBALL RESULTS

Our Owhango team came runners up in the Spectacular Seven category of the Jack Donnelly Memorial MBL 2018. Congratulations to you all.



PTA FUNDRAISER- Pruning Demonstration and Morning Tea

Please come and support our PTA on Sunday 26th August (weather permitting) at 10am-12pm. There will be a demonstration of pruning persimmon, plum, pear, peach, apple and apricot trees by qualified arborist Emily Jasmine. \$10.00 per ticket, there will also be a delicious home baked morning tea- it'll be worth coming for just that! At 2010 State Highway 4, Owhango
Please register interest with Theresa Owen 027 815 3654 or 07 895 4849

DAFFODIL DAY - YELLOW DAY a reminder

On Thursday 30th August we will observe daffodil day. We will have silk daffodils or stickers available for a gold coin donation for the cancer society. The children can also come to school wearing yellow.

PTA HOT SCHOOL LUNCHES- a reminder

We are again offering our popular hot lunches in this winter term, on Mondays, as a fundraiser for the PTA. Many thanks to the volunteers who are making this happen. They would love offers of help. Please bring your orders with the correct amount of money if you can on Monday.

Pie \$3
Hot dog \$4
Sausage roll \$3
Milo \$1 (bring your own named cup)

Many thanks for your support with this.

PAYING BY INTERNET BANKING DETAILS:

Stationery or sports/trip fees: 03 0426 0141783 00

Uniform purchases: 03 426 0141783 03

PTA lunches etc: 030 426 0156205 00

OWHANGO RESIDENTS & RATEPAYERS SOC. AGM

Thursday 30th August 2018
at the Owhango Hall, 7pm

Agenda:

- Reports
- Financial accounts
- Election of committee

All Welcome.

\$2 membership fees now due.

Internet bank to KiwiBank 38 9019 0571111 00
with your name as reference.

AFTER SCHOOL YOGA CLASSES - NATIONAL PARK

Janine Gould from National Park, is considering holding after school yoga classes.

Where: National Park School

Time: 3.30-4.15pm Thursday afternoon

How much: \$6 concession rate paid in bulk for the term or \$8 casual rate

4 people minimum and 12 maximum.

Families can register their interest by sending an email to athayoganewzealand@gmail.com

or alternatively like my facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/athayoganewzealand>

and send me a message there. Families need to express interest for this term and/or next term please. She will let families who express interest know if there will be classes this term or next term once she gets enough response.

Janina Gould

Atha Yoga New Zealand

OWHANGO ALIVE QUIZ NIGHT Thursday, 23rd August



Where: Owhango Pub, SH4 Owhango 3990

When: 7pm Thursday, 23rd August for 7.30pm start

How much: \$20 per team of 4

Contact: Quiz Master Mark Fredericks on 027 573 4359
to register your team before the night.

Bar meals will be available at Owhango Pub