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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK / WHAKATAUKI

He iti hoki te mokoroa nāna i kakati te kahikatea.
(The mokoroa (grub) may be small, but it cuts through the kahikatea.)

TERM FOUR DATES TO NOTE

23 November	Inter-school Touch Tournament
	Mobile Library visit
	Chess Tournament End
29 November	Technology Year 7 & 8
30 November	Bikes at School Day
1 December	Taumarunui Christmas Parade
6 December	Owhango's Got Talent
11 December	High School Induction Day Year 8
12 December	Brando Yelavich visit
13 December	BoT meeting 6pm
14 December	Brooks Farm Trip
	Reports Out
18 December	Year 8 Leavers' Treat
19 December	Breakup 6pm Owhango Hall
20 December	Last Day of School

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It is tradesman's paradise at school with builders, plumbers, electricians and painters all converging on our school last week. We have almost finished our new shower room and the upgrade of our ako room (formerly the sick bay). The exterior of the school has also begun (after a year of waiting). So next year we will be starting with a very nice looking school. The most exciting aspect for me is the ako room; we have removed the toilet as it was never used and created a very usable sized room for small group withdrawal space. This has been used well by the teacher aide, mother helpers with reading groups, specialists needing a space for private meetings and children needing a quiet space to work. It has larger windows so it is no longer a dark room, and improved lighting and heating as it is on the south side it could be like a fridge.



The refurbished ako room

CLASSROOM KORERO -Seniors

What an eventful week it was! Pet day, last Monday, was an absolute success, filled with pets, class exhibits, homemade crafts and baking, and overturned rafts. Tuesday was spent with Viv Aiken taking the teachers and the students for professional development lessons on dance. Thursday the year 7 & 8 students headed into Taumarunui High School for their sewing and woodwork classes, and Friday was an amazing day spent with Whaea Grace at the inter-school athletics.

All students in the senior class have now completed testing and assessment ready for report writing to begin. I'm ecstatic with the progress each and every student is making, both academically and socially.

Naku noa,
Jessie Smith

MOBILE LIBRARY DAY 23 NOVEMBER

Happening again this Friday. Please remember to bring your books back to exchange if you have finished reading them.

TAUMARUNUI HIGH SCHOOL INDUCTION DAY

On Tuesday 11th December the year 8 students who have enrolled at Taumarunui High School will be going to an induction day at the school. This is to support their transition into their secondary schooling. Part of the transition to High School will be to decide on their mode of transport. If students will be going to the High School on the bus next year, the High School suggests that they go by bus on the 11th of December. The bus leaves Raurimu at 7:30am, then Owango at about 7:40am. It leaves the high school at 3:15pm getting into Owango at about 3:40pm. If you have any questions contact Erika Lerm at the High School.

HAIRDRESSING FUNDRAISER

Unfortunately Sharon from the barber in town has broken her arm and is unable to participate in our hairdressing fundraiser. Money refunds were given out to students on Tuesday in class. However the 'Choose Mr Starkey's Hair Colour' event will continue as Mandy from The Hair Studio is committing that crime, and she hasn't broken her arm, yet.

PUMPKIN GROWING COMPETITION

On Monday the children each planted a giant pumpkin seed in a pot and took it home to grow on and then plant for our Pumpkin Growing Competition. If for some reason it does not grow then we have some spares at school.



Last years pumpkin growing competition winners

GARDEN COMPETITION- GET STARTED

Just a reminder that we have a children's garden competition early next year. So it is time to get started planting and weeding your garden.

BRANDO YELAVICH (WILDBOY) VISIT

I am very excited to announce that Brando Yelavich, also known as Wildboy, will be coming to school on December 12th to talk with the children about his life. For those who have not heard of him, here are some biographical notes from his website wildboyadventures.com:
My name is Brando Yelavich and I am a 24 year old explorer. I was born in New Zealand and I have dedicated my life to adventure and exploration in this beautiful country. I have made my mark in the adventure world by becoming the first person to circumnavigate New Zealand. I did this as a solo expedition, living off the land hunting and foraging for my own food. I learnt so much on my journey and it ignited a spark in me which I can't ignore. My goal is to motivate and inspire people, I do this through adventure.



The sunny, east facing new window in the 'middles' room, a consequence of the shower installation

CAUGHT BEING GOOD AWARDS

Congratulations to the latest 'Caught Being Good' recipients:

Arabella Wakelin, Sam Fincham and Pippa O'Donnell for organising the school disco and using their own time (playtime / lunch time) to go above and beyond what was asked of them;
Konna Moss for his enthusiasm for learning and his organisational skills (he made the initial contact with Brando Yelavich and organised the Chess Tournament);
Piata Smith for treating others how she would like to be treated;

Aaliyah Lord for determination when sounding out and writing her letters;
Tia Lewis for determination and effort in her writing and maths.



Caught being good recipients

BIKES AT SCHOOL DAY

On Friday 30th November we are having a Bikes at School Day. On this day the children are allowed to ride their bikes during playtime and lunchtime.



After much planning and waiting, our school is getting the exterior repainted

SCHOLASTIC ORDERS

Issue 8 catalogue is now available online at bookclub.scholastic.co.nz or have your orders returned to school office by Friday 7th December.



Happy birthday to our wonderful teacher aide, Theresa Owen. (And note the delicious, moist cake that Jessie Smith baked- a rare occurrence!)

WORK OF EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to two students whose work is on the wall of the principal's office Work of Excellence wall. Libby Hoban for her writing 'In The Trenches' written from the perspective of a soldier in World War 1 and Jorja Higgie for her writing "Working War Horse" written from the perspective of a horse, from a foal to its death of old age, including its experience of going to war. Both were excellent examples of applying information learnt on our Waiouru Army Museum trip into creative writing.



Libby Hoban with her writing (Jorja Higgie was absent)

INTER-SCHOOL ATHLETICS RESULTS

We had a strong team of 19 students representing our school at the inter-school athletics competition on Friday. Here are our placings:

Toby Collier 1st Yr 5/6 boys 100m
Toby Collier 2nd Yr 5/6 boys 200m
Toby Collier 3rd Yr 5/6 boys long jump
Tia Lord 2nd Yr 7/8 girls 400m
Tia Lord 2nd Yr 7/8 girls 1500m
Tia Lord 3rd Yr 7/8 girls 200m
Jessica Ashcroft 3rd Yr 3/4 girls 200m
Emily Owen 3rd Yr 5/6 girls 800m
Owhango 3rd Yr 5/6 girls 4x100m relay

SUMMER HOLIDAY SWIMMING LESSONS

Thanks to all of the people who have enrolled in Tina Freeman's swimming lessons. She will contact you directly in the middle of December.



Our new shower area.

FOODBANK COLLECTION

Kia Ora, if you were not home when the Taumarunui Foodbank Collectors called in on Monday night and you'd like to donate to their annual Christmas Foodbank Collection, then please drop off to the school office. I will take them into the Foodbank in town. Thank you so much to those that have donated already.
Naku noa, Jessie Smith

There has been lots going on in School. If you owe money to School or PTA below are the account details.

PAYING BY INTERNET BANKING DETAILS:

Stationery or sports/trip fees: 03 0426 0141783 00

Uniform purchases: 03 426 0141783 03

PTA: 030 426 0156205 00

STATIONERY IOU's

Please pay these promptly to the office when you received them. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS FLOAT- a reminder

The parade is on Saturday 1st December. The countdown is on. We are looking for donations of red and green fabrics for the float skirt. If you have any big Christmas props that you are willing to lend for the day, contact Michelle. Children can dress-up as old people. Permission slips need to be returned so that your child can participate. Thanks.
Michelle. 0210 8272 321

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MEAT & MEAT ALTERNATIVES

FISH DIP

Ingredients:

- 1 cup smoked fish – crumbled
- 200g light cream cheese – softened
- ½ red onion – finely diced
- 1 stalk celery – finely diced
- 1 tbsp parsley or chives – chopped
- 1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tsp lemon juice

In a bowl, mix the cream cheese, onion, celery, parsley or chives, Worcestershire sauce and lemon juice.

Fold the smoked fish into the cream cheese mixture. Cover, and chill in the fridge.

Enjoy as a dip with vegetables or on grainy crackers/wholemeal bread as a snack.





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